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Sardine Run 2018 Media Update 28th June 2018

This morning there were reports of sardine pockets just behind the backline at Pumula beach. The first successful net was on the beach by 8h30 which consisted of about 40 crates.

Since then there has been other pockets sighted in this area but we have not heard of any other netting taking place. There were no reports of sharks or gamefish with these fish.

Reports from Port Saint Johns is that the dive boats had some good sardine and mixed bait balls this morning off Brazen Head. The fresh South Westerly wind and the increase in swell size was not ideal for these groups.

Shark safety gear has been removed from all protected beaches from Anstey's on the Bluff to Port Edward on the South Coast. Some netting has been replaced along the Durban beachfront as the sardine movement seems to be bypassing this area for now and Bathing has been re-opened at the Bay of Plenty, North, South and New Beach. The Sharks Board appeals to members of the public to exercise caution should they enter the water during this time. The Board will continue to monitor the movement of the shoals and will manage the shark safety gear in consultation with the coastal municipalities that are affected.

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