



Scalpay Island, Outer Hebrides

Colonel H R B Doone & the Scalpay Monster

Loch Ness must look to its laurels. Two rivals to the famous “monster” are reported to have been seen off Scalpay Island, near Skye, by Colonel H R B Doone, of Seend, near Devizes, who has just returned from a holiday in the district.

Colonel Donne told a newspaper representative: We were moving from Loch Kishorn to Portree in a small motor yacht last Friday, and when nearing a red beacon off Scalpay Island we saw the first monster. There were four bumps, or fins, obviously connected with the same body, and slowly waving in different directions. From time to time a fifth bump, apparently indicating a snout, was seen – continued the Colonel. It was not much under 40 feet in length. Half a mile farther on we saw a second monster, similar to the first, which was still in sight in the distance.

Colonel Donne has a statement describing the occurrence signed by himself, his wife, Mrs Kitchener, owner of the yacht, and Robert McLachlan the skipper.

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