

## Project Update: August 2016

This month we conducted the second workshop with the fishermen and local volunteers. During this workshop we handed each participant a “Shark and Ray Monitoring Manual” and “Shark Identification Guides” and conducted a workshop on how to use this material; we will continue to teach them how to use this material the following months.

Additionally, during the workshop we explained to the fishermen and local volunteers how to conduct shark and ray landing monitoring. We explained to them how to conduct scientific shark and ray monitoring by collecting high quality scientific data, photographs and samples to later be used for scientific purposes.

During August and September 2016, shark and ray fishing is banned in the Caribbean of Guatemala. In October, shark and ray fishing activity in the community starts again; we will be there to assist fishermen and local volunteers to transition knowledge from theory to practice.



