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Nari's baby cousin needs a name

Tangalooma Island Resort has a new addition to its family of wild bottlenose dolphins.

The adorable new addition is calf to Shadow, one of Tangalooma's resident dolphin mums and cousin to Nari.

Tangalooma director Trevor Hassard has confirmed that the calf is a boy and has a very cheeky personality.

"Nari's cousin is a curious, mischievous, and social little fellow," Mr Hassard said.

"He loves to copy Nari, particularly when it comes to tail slapping, spy hopping, and chuffing, which is a noise dolphins make to show they're annoyed.

"This behaviour is great to see as it shows the calf is learning to use his hunting skills and the techniques he will need to survive in the wild."

Nari's cousin has been closely monitored since birth and Tangalooma has every reason to believe he will survive the most vulnerable first three years of life.

Tangalooma's dolphin calf survival rate is 100 per cent, making it the highest in the world.

Mr Hassard is thrilled the calf is doing so well and is now asking the public to name Nari's cousin.

"We want to give everyone the chance to name Nari's cousin and people can enter our naming competition by going to www.tangalooma.com to put in their suggestions," Mr Hassard said.

"This way we're sure to find the perfect name for this cheeky chap.

"Nari's cousin has shown us he's quite the character and we look forward to receiving everyone's entries and choosing a name for him."

Tangalooma will be giving away a five-night family holiday to the lucky entrant who names Nari's cousin.

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