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The Doheny UPDATE

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HAPPY THANKSGIVING FROM DSBJA!



Many thanks to all our members for supporting DSBJA: our favorite state park, our Visitor Center and its store, and the events held over the year that provide the funding for our projects. Special thanks to our volunteers and docents for giving of their time and talents, and to our business partners for their generous financial and in-kind donations.

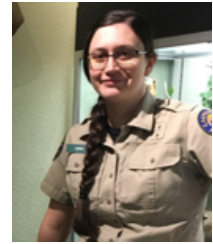


Photos by Jim Serpa

WILDLIFE CRUISE WAS GREAT! *“My husband and I had a fabulous time on the cruise...”* DSBJA Member Annette Ball. Eighty DSBJA members cruised the coast on a lovely October evening culminating with a fantastic autumn sunset. No whales this year as the blues and finbacks have headed south and the grays are just now beginning their migration from the Bering Sea. Nonetheless, our local common dolphins played with the boat and entertained us, and the sea lions and seals barked their best wishes. It’s always such a good time to hang out with our new and veteran DSBJA members. Kia ora!



BYE-BYE, EMMA: Doheny’s Senior Park Aide Emma Goddard leaves the park for a new position in the Orange Coast State Parks’ District Office. Emma has made numerous contributions to Doheny, but most notably for me is providing answers in our “ASK OUR SENIOR PARK AIDE” piece in each Doheny UPDATE. *“Fair winds and a following sea, Emma!”*



BYE-BYE, ROBBIE RESCHKE: Robbie has led the Maintenance Team at Doheny for years and has been of great assistance to Doho visitors and DSBIA, as well as superbly maintaining a beautiful park. To you as well, Robbie, *“Wishing you fair winds, good rum and a dry berth.”*

DANA POINT TIME CAPSULE: The Dana Point Historical Society invited Doheny and DSBIA to contribute a few small “artifacts” to the time capsule (to be opened in 2069) which will be placed in the new clock tower installed in the harbor. The park and DSBIA combined on brochures and a Doheny State Beach pin. Representing the Park and DSBIA at the pre-placement reception were State Parks Orange Coast Events Coordinator Lori Coble, DSBIA Board Member Donna Kalez, Doheny Events Coordinator Denise Estrada and DSBIA Board Member Ed Neely.



LONGBOARD COLLECTORS CLUB ANNUAL DOHENY “BIG ONE,”

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER. 2nd, 8 AM – 3 PM: Surfboard and surf memorabilia collectors from across California and beyond meet up to show off their treasures, bargain, trade and “talk story” in Picnic Areas A & B. It’s a great gathering for everyone interested in the sport and culture of surfing. Come on down to hang with the dudes and dudettes who hold onto the artifacts of our shared wave riding history. <http://www.longboardcollectorclub.com/>



THANKS FOR THE DONATIONS: DSBIA wishes to thank the Ohana Fest, Live Nation, Hydro Flask and Outlets at San Clemente for their generous donations to DSBIA in October.



www.lunarbabe.com

SUNRISE / SUNSET:

Nov. 1st: Sunrise @ 7:06 AM / Sunset 5:57 PM = 10 hrs. 51 mins. 38 secs. of sun.

We lose 1 minute & 45 seconds of sunlight from the previous day.

Nov. 30th: Sunrise @ 6:31 AM / Sunset @ 4:42 PM = 10 hrs. 10 mins. 32 secs. of sun.

We lose 0 minutes & 59 seconds of sun from the previous day.

Lost minutes of sun this month:
0 hrs. 41 mins. 06 secs.

November Moon Phase Dates:

- First Quarter: 4th
- Full Moon: 12th
- Last Quarter: 19th
- New (No) Moon: 26th

FIRST GRAY WHALE OF THE SEASON SPOTTED: Just outside of Dana Point Harbor on Oct. 15th by Dana Wharf Sports Fishing and Whale Watching.

<https://us8.campaign-archive.com/?e=3b899d2ccb&u=a4a7a158ac83564fabd7dc49d&id=b0dd16bdda>

“HEY, BEACHERS, LEAVE THOSE FISH ALONE”: Grunion season has come and gone, but



here’s a great article about these silver fish (it has an audio link with an excellent reader). I hope to put it in the **UPDATE** at the start of next grunion season in April, but just in case the link disappears, now’s a good time, too.

<https://www.hakaimagazine.com/features/hey-beacher-leave-those-fish-alone/>

DSBIA TO OFFER COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2020 GRADUATES: DSBIA will again offer scholarships between \$500 and \$1,000 to graduating seniors from Dana Hills High School and San Juan Hills High School. The focus of the grants are to support students looking towards a career that will benefit environmental studies and potentially Doheny State Beach and the California State Parks. Students interested in applying for a scholarship should contact their high school counselor.



DANA POINT TURKEY TROT ON THANKSGIVING DAY, NOV. 28th: For runners and those who like to watch them, this is a great event. Remember, part of the course goes through Doheny State Beach, so driving in the park will not be possible in the morning until the last race has been completed, usually about noon. For more information <http://www.turkeytrot.com/>



ASK OUR SENIOR PARK AIDE: Our Doheny Senior Park Aide receives many questions about day use and camping in the park. Have a question? Send it to info@dohenystatebeach.org. You’ll get an email reply.



I already have a reservation for camping. Max vehicles are 2, but I’d like to park 3 cars. What should I do? Rie

Extra vehicles at a campsite: A camping reservation will cover the primary vehicle only. A 2nd and 3rd overnight vehicle is permitted at \$15.00 per night per vehicle. The 2nd vehicle may park in the campsite, space permitting, but the 3rd vehicle will need to park in the 3rd vehicle South Day Use lot just south of the campground. If there is no room for the second vehicle in the campsite, then it may also park in the 3rd vehicle lot. Trailers will count as an extra vehicle but will not be charged if towed in by the primary vehicle. If you are paying just a Day Use fee to visit for the day, then you will need to park in one of the day use parking lots, but may first drive to the campsite to drop off equipment or people. (Info found on the Doheny State Beach website, Park Information pull down menu.). <https://www.dohenystatebeach.org/park-information/day-use-and-campers/>

How do I go about scheduling my kindergarten classes to visit the Doheny aquarium, the curriculum appropriate field trip and obtain a transportation grant? Kristin, Principal

Please let us know: 1) Do you have a time of year? 2) Do you have a day that works best? 3) Do you have a certain time of day that works best? 4) What type of theme/educational goal do you have in mind? 5) How many classes and how many children? I recommend you look at our Field Trip webpage for information about our available programs, the DSBIA field trip grant, and to obtain the needed paperwork to lock in the visit(s). <https://www.dohenystatebeach.org/education/field-trip-and-interpretive-programs/>. We’re looking forward to your visit.

WHAT'S FEATURED IN THE VISITOR CENTER STORE THIS MONTH



KNIT CAPS, WATCH CAPS, BEANIES, HEADWARMERS FOR THE WINTER

Doesn't matter what you call them, these great looking caps are now on sale in the Visitor Center for only \$19. Remember DSBIA members receive a 20% discount. That makes them just \$15.20. Stylish and toasty at the same time. Dark blue, gray, brown, white and pink.

Special Holiday Shopping at Doheny

Visitor Center Holiday Boutique Days

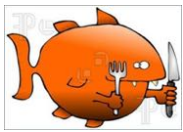
Special Sale items, Light Refreshments and Extended Hours

Saturday, Nov. 16 & Saturday Dec. 21 / Open 10 AM to 8 PM

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A Doho VW Bus Pop Up Store on the Park Promenade

Saturday, Nov. 16, 10 AM to 1 PM



FRIDAY FISH FEEDINGS: Our Visitor Center Aquarist Bill Turner feeds the fish in our aquariums each Friday at 2 PM. Come watch our hungry critters dine on yummy (if you're a fish) chow and hear Bill share information about them.

BE A VOLUNTEER IN THE VISITOR INTERPRETIVE

CENTER! Visitors to our aquariums and displays in the Visitor Center love them, but we need more volunteers to help keep the doors open. Interpreter Vicki Wiker provides initial training and fellow docents provide on-the-job mentoring during shifts.

HOW ABOUT YOU? You don't need to be an expert on the critters, just willing to learn. We ask that you commit to one shift per month, but you can always do more. Shifts are 6-hours, but split shifts can be arranged, too. **Come on, it's fun!** Send your inquiry and contact information to DSBIA Executive Director Kathy Wade at Volunteer@dohenystatebeach.org or to Park Naturalist Vicki Wiker at vicki.wiker@parks.ca.gov.



YOU CAN TEXT A DONATION TO DSBIA: We greatly appreciate the support of our members and friends. If you'd like to donate to DSBIA, you can now do it by using the texting format on your cell phone. Send a text message to **707070** with the word "Doheny" in the message box. You will receive a message back with a link to our donation acceptance center. It's fast, easy, and we **GREATLY** appreciate it.



DONATE VIA AMAZON: Do you shop on Amazon? Their Amazon Smile program will donate to DSBIA with each purchase you make, **and it costs you nothing, zero, zip, nada.** <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/95-3736287>



20% PARK STORE DISCOUNT: Don't forget that DSBIA members get a 20% discount on items purchased in the Park Store located in the Visitor Center.

CALL FOR BOARD CANDIDATES

Nominations are now open for the DSBI Board of Directors. A candidate must be a member in good standing with DSBI. Names, contact information and signatures from 5 nomination supporters who are DSBI members in good standing are required. [DSBI By-Laws, Article VI, Section 1(b)]. The nomination form is available on the DSBI website at <https://www.dohenystatebeach.org/election/>. Forms are due into Kathy Wade by December 21st, 2019. Email kwade@dohenystatebeach.org, US mail (address on nomination form) or hand delivered to the Doheny Visitor Center. The election will be held at the DSBI Organizational Meeting on Thursday, January 16th.

DSBI MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS FOR NOVEMBER: Next DSBI Board meeting will be on Thursday, November 21st, 7 PM, DoubleTree Hotel across PCH from the park.

WHALE WATCHING CRUISE DISCOUNTS: Our friends at [Dana Wharf Sports Fishing and Whale Watching](#) in Dana Point Harbor offer a **50% discount** to DSBI members on whale watching excursions. When registering for a trip, just mention you are a DSBI member. The Dana Wharf Sports Fishing and Whale Watching dock is at 34675 Golden Lantern, Dana Point (949) 496-5794.

NOT A DSBI MEMBER YET? Join us in supporting the mission of Doheny State Beach Interpretive Association to provide activities, materials and financial support for the purpose of educating the public about the natural and cultural importance of Doheny State Beach. Here's a printable membership form: <http://www.dohenystatebeach.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/05/2015-Membership-Form.pdf>

There will be no Driftwood Festival this year.

CALENDAR:

Not all events are DSBI sponsored.
<http://www.dohenystatebeach.org/events/>

NOV. 2, SATURDAY, 9 AM TO 3 PM LONGBOARD COLLECTORS "BIG ONE": in Picnic Areas A & B.

NOV. 2, SATURDAY, 9:30 AM, DOHENY LONGBOARD SURFING ASSOCIATION: Meeting at Doheny in front of Café del Sol, Main Beach. Prospective new members welcomed.

NOV. 3, SUNDAY, 12:01 PM, START OF PACIFIC STANDARD TIME: If you haven't done it already, turn you clocks back 1 hour.

NOV. 16, SATURDAY, 10 AM TO 1 PM, DOHENY VW POP-UP STORE: On the promenade by the beach.

NOV. 21, THURSDAY, 7 PM, DSBI BOARD MEETING: Held at the DoubleTree Hotel across PCH from Doheny State Beach. Please RSVP so we can have enough chairs.
edneely@dohenystatebeach.org.

NOV. 28, THURSDAY, 6 AM TO NOON, DANA POINT TURKEY TROT: Annual 10K, 5K and Kids runs. Event goes through Doheny State Beach.

NOV. 30, SATURDAY, 10 AM TO 8 PM, HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE SHOPPING IN THE VISITOR CENTER: Special items on sale, light refreshments

DEC. 1, SATURDAY, 9:30 AM, DOHENY LONGBOARD SURFING ASSOCIATION: Meeting at Doheny in front of Café del Sol, Main Beach. Prospective new members welcomed.

DEC. 21, SATURDAY, 10 AM TO 8 PM, HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE SHOPPING IN THE VISITOR CENTER: Special items on sale, light refreshments.

No DSBIA Board Meeting in December.

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VISIT OUR WEB SITE: <http://www.dohenystatebeach.org>

DOHENY, A CALIFORNIA GOLDEN STATE PARK: <https://blogs.chapman.edu/huell-howser-archives/2007/05/10/doheny-state-beach-californias-golden-parks-152/>

DSBIA FACEBOOK: <https://www.facebook.com/dohenystatebeach/>

DSBIA SUPPORTERS: <http://www.dohenystatebeach.org/shortcodes/>

DOHENY SURF CAMERA: http://www.surflife.com/surf-report/doheny-southern-california_4848/

DOHENY SURF FORECAST: <http://magicseaweed.com/Doheny-State-Beach-Surf-Report/2588/>

GOOGLE'S STREET VIEW STATE PARK TREKS: <http://www.parks.ca.gov/whatsnew>

VOLUNTEER AT DOHENY: <http://www.dohenystatebeach.org/volunteer-at-doheny/>

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