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FEBRUARY KING TIDES ON THE 8TH & 9TH: King Tides are our highest tides of the year. On their own, they can cause flooding in low areas, but when accompanied by storms and big swells, major damage can occur. They are harbingers of what we can expect in the not too distant future with global sea level rise. On a more positive note, these same days will hold our lowest tides of the year, great for tidepool exploring. On Saturday, the highest tide of the day will be at 7:46 AM, a 6.46-foot tide. Low tide will be at 2:52 PM, a negative 1.6-foot tide. On Sunday, high tide will be at 8:29 AM, a 6.53-foot tide. Low tide will be at 3:29 PM, a negative 1.60-foot tide. **Remember, free tide books are available in the Visitor Center.**

Those interested in being [Citizen Scientist photographers](#) can document our King Tides, then upload their photos to the [California King Tides Project](#). For more information visit <https://www.coastal.ca.gov/kingtides/>.



AYE, WE BE PAINTING WHALES IN MARCH!

DSBIA will be repainting our whales and dolphins during the Dana Point Festival of Whales. We'll start painting at **9 AM on Sunday, March 8th** (Saturday, March 14th will be our back-up date in case of rain on the 8th). We invite adults, kids, Scouts and other groups to come lend a hand. We hope to freshen up all our whales and adding a few dolphin, getting them ready for another year of showing off

at Doheny. <https://www.dohenystatebeach.org/doheny-whale-walk/>



WHAT'S IN THE VISITOR CENTER STORE THIS MONTH?

Open Every Day, 10 AM to 4 PM
DSBIA members receive a 20% discount



Hoody
\$29

DSBIA Members

\$23.20



Sweat Shirt.
\$39
\$31.20



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Next **Doheny VW Pop-Up Store on the Promenade, Saturday, February 22nd from 10 AM to 1 PM.**



TWO BEACH CLEANUPS PLANNED

SAINT VALENTINE'S "LOVE YOUR BEACH" CLEANUP: Our first beach cleanup of 2020 is on **Saturday, February 15th**. Join us from **9 AM to Noon** as we "love" Doheny clean after the runoffs from the first winter rains. All beach clean ups meet at the lifeguard headquarters building by San Juan Creek. Please bring work gloves to protect your hands. **Sign offs for middle school or high school community volunteer hours available.**

"WHALE OF A BEACH CLEANUP" IN MARCH: Join us from **9 to Noon on Saturday, March 14th** as we celebrate the return of the majestic migratory gray whales by getting the debris off the beach before it washes out to sea to pose a threat to marine life. The cleanup is from 9:00 AM-Noon. We meet at the lifeguard headquarters...don't forget work gloves. **Sign offs for middle school or high school community volunteer hours available.**

WALK WITH DOHENY IN THE FESTIVAL OF WHALES PARADE: Be a part of the parade celebrating Dana Point's Festival of Whales and represent Doheny State Beach in the event. The parade is on March 7th. For information, contact Doheny's Nature Interpreter Vicki Wiker. Vicki.Wiker@parks.ca.gov.



DANA POINT SCIENCE NIGHT: "Our Southern California Beaches: Past and Future". Program to be presented on **Wednesday, Feb. 12 @ 6:30 PM** at the Dana Point Community Center, 34052 Del Obispo St. For more information: <http://www.danapoint.org/home/showdocument?id=29194>

CAN WE ALL GET ALONG? SURE, JUST ASK THE WHALES, DOLPHINS AND SEA LIONS: See the video taken just off Dana Point. https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2019-12-30/gray-whales-dolphins-and-sea-lions-videotaped-playing-together-off-dana-point?fbclid=IwAR07_0_7VP2O3BrQsPESN8NuM1lbV7txP7futddYiZZKzAEDy6Ym1hiwBb8

SUNRISE / SUNSET:

February 1st: Sunrise @ 6:43 AM / Sunset @ 5:21 PM = 10 hrs. 37 mins. 28 secs. of sun
We gain 1 min. & 35 secs. of sun from the previous day.

February 29th: Sunrise @ 6:16 AM / Sunset @ 5:45 PM = 11 hrs. 28 mins. 49 secs. of sun.
We gain 1 min. & 58 secs. of sun from the previous day.

Gained minutes of sun this month: 0 hrs. 51 mins. 21 secs.

February Moon Phases:

First Quarter: 1st

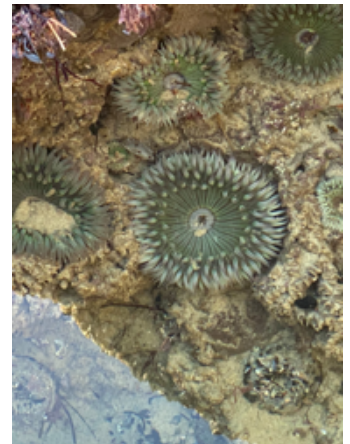
Full: 8th

Last Quarter: 15th

New (No) Moon: 23rd

IN OUR TIDE POOLS: A sea anemone can be thought of as an upside-down jellyfish, that sticks itself to a substrate. The tentacles can deliver a sting that in most cases is not strong enough to get through our tough skin but can get to their prey in the sea. Sea anemones have one body cavity in which they take in and expel food. They sting their prey and pull it down into this cavity by means of the stinging tentacles. There are two main types of anemone that are found in the tide pool areas of Doheny and Dana Point. The solitary anemone, as the name implies, will be found as a separate creature on the rocks. The aggregating anemones are much smaller and live in tight colonies.

Solitary Anemones ->



ASK OUR PARK AIDE: Our Park Aide receives many questions each month about camping and day-use at Doheny. Each receives an email reply. Some are

published in the *UPDATE*. info@dohenystatebeach.org

I am wondering if you offer group beach camping and if you can send me that information. Christianne

The Group Campsite is available for reservation through [ReserveCalifornia](https://www.reservecalifornia.com) only. Select Doheny SB from their campground list and then select 'Doheny Group' at the park loop overview. Availability is listed through their site.

The Group Campsite is \$300/night. It supports twelve vehicles, ten of which are free with the reservation, two of which follow the standard \$15/night extra vehicle fee. The Group Campsite can host up to 40 people in tents only.

I have a client looking for an off-site venue to host their evening event for their clients. I would love to confirm availability and receive high estimate pricing. They are looking for a dinner for their clients and then a concert to follow. Also, please let me know the noise restrictions, etc. & where the best place for this to take place would be? Jenna

The following link will take you to our Doheny website. Use the "Park Information" drop down menu at the top of the page to see the picnic areas in the park. <https://www.dohenystatebeach.org/>.



BE A VOLUNTEER IN THE VISITOR CENTER: Visitors love our aquarium and displays in the V.C., but volunteer docents are essential to keeping our doors open. There's plenty of support with Association Coordinator Kathy, Interpreter Vicki and Aquarist Bill, as well as the help of your fellow docents. We ask for a commitment of 6-hours a month, that's one day's shift, and shifts can be split 3-hours. Come on in, it's fun and you meet nice people. 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.

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.

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

NOT A DSBIA 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>

CALENDAR:

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

FEB. 1, SATURDAY, 9:30 AM, DOHENY LONGBOARD SURFING ASSOCIATION: Meeting at Doheny in front of snack stand at Doheny main beach.

FEB. 8 & 9, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, KING TIDES: See information above.

FEB 12, WEDNESDAY, 6:30 PM, DANA POINT SCIENCE NIGHT: "Our Southern California Beaches: Past and Future". See information above, top of page 3

FEB. 15, SATURDAY, 9:00 AM, LOVE YOUR BEACH CLEANUP: See information above

FEB. 20, THURSDAY, 7 PM, DSBIA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING: DoubleTree Hotel across PCH from Doheny State Beach.

FEB. 22, SATURDAY, 10 AM – 1 PM, DOHENY VW POP-UP STORE: On the Whale Walk.

MAR. 7, SATURDAY, 9:30 AM, DOHENY LONGBOARD SURFING ASSOCIATION: Meeting at Doheny in front of snack stand at Doheny main beach.

MAR. 7, SATURDAY, 6:30 PM, PICNIC SITE "A": WHALES, THE OCEANS' MIGHTY MONARCHS: Former Doheny Ranger Jim Serpa presents an information filled and always humorous talk about the whales off our shores. It's an outdoors presentation so dress warm.

MAR. 8, SUNDAY, 9 AM, WHALE PAINTING: Repainting our Doheny Whale Walk. Everyone invited to help!

MAR. 14, SATURDAY, 9:00 AM, WHALE OF A BEACH CLEANUP: See information above

MAR. 14, SATURDAY, 9 AM, BACK UP DATE FOR WHALE PAINTING: If we were rained out on March 8th, this is our back up day to paint our whales and dolphins.

MAR. 19, THURSDAY 7 PM, DSBIA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING: DoubleTree Hotel across PCH from Doheny State Beach.

MAR. 21, SATURDAY 4 PM, DSBIA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS DUE: Dana Hills and San Juan Hills high school seniors' applications for a DSBIA college scholarship must be postmarked or hand delivered to the Doheny Visitor Center.

MARCH 29, SUNDAY, 10 AM – 4 PM, PANHE CELEBRATION: A Native American Gathering and Celebration of Protection and Preservation, San Mateo State Park, south San Clemente.

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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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