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DOHENY UPDATE for AUGUST 2011



TIDE POOL MURAL: Things are progressing in the Visitor Center. We now have the tide pool murals and the aquarium tanks are being refurbished. The reopening date is a moving target, but we really hope to invite you all in for a grand celebration before the end of 2011.

CHECK OUT THE WAVES BEFORE YOU DRIVE TO DOHENY: You can check out the surf from your computer using the live Doho webcam. This website is always posted at the bottom of our e-newsletter. http://www.surfline.com/surf-report/doheny-southern-california 4848/

THANK YOU FARMER JOHN AND CHASIDY: D.S.B.I.A wishes to thank Farmer John Products and Chasidy Atchison of Good Solution Group for their event held in the park on Saturday, July second featuring free food, games and prizes. Farmer John will donate \$1 to California State Beaches (such as Doheny) for every \$10 of select Farmer John products sold [Smoked Sausages, Breakfast Sausages, Wieners or Franks, Bacon, Lunch Meat]



ONE LUCKY BIRD: Doheny Supervising Ranger Jim Serpa (cutting away line) and Life Guard Paul Milosch (keeping the beak safe) team up to rescue a California Brown Pelican entangled in fishing line, including weights and hooks. When done, they put the bird back out on the rocks by the creek. A legend is growing that gift-wrapped baitfish are now found every day at the lifeguard station. All in a day's work for our great Doheny park staff.

CRITTER OF THE MONTH: California Brown Pelicans can be seen soaring through the skies above Doheny, diving into the sea for a meal, or floating just beyond the surf line. They're a beautiful species and a true success story in their recovery from near extinction.

http://bss.sfsu.edu/holzman/courses/fall01%20projects/bpelican1.htm



JUST ACROSS PCH FROM WHAT WOULD BE DOHO: Across Pacific Coast Hwy from Doheny



is an Arco gas station and little strip mall. Years before there was a Doheny State Beach, it was a Richfield full service gas station and a "Beacon Village". The tower was one of many Richfield began building in 1928 (ours was one of the first six) to help guide airships (planes and blimps) and motorists along the west coast from the Mexican to the Canadian boarders. For weary travelers, at the base of each tower was a Richfield service station, a Beacon Café, a small grocery store and in some locations, a Beacon Tavern hotel. The Great Depression took havoc on the plans for the taverns; only one was built in Barstow. For an excellent article on the history of these now long gone

landmarks, visit http://paradiseleased.wordpress.com/2011/03/16/lighting-the-up-the-coast-the-beacon-tavern-and-the-richfield-lane-of-lights/

CALENDAR

SUMMER INTERPRETIVE ACTIVITIES: Please join us for summertime fun State Park style with activities for the whole family! Junior Rangers during the daytime and Campfire Programs in the evening. The program is for campers and kids in our local communities. Summer activities begin towards the end of June. Please call (949) 496-2704 for the start date when we get nearer the summer.



WHITEY HARRISON CLASSIC OUTRIGGER RACE: Saturday, Aug. 6th) Outrigger paddlers from all over California will compete in this long-distance roundtrip race from Dana Point to Laguna Beach. Cheer them on as they head out to the wild, open ocean to test all their months of training! http://www.danaoutrigger.net.

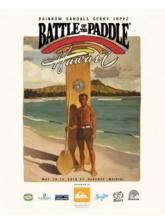
DOHENY DAYS: Saturday and Sunday (Sept. 10 & 11): Ben Harper, G. Love & Special Sauce, Donavon Frankenreiter, JJ Grey and Mofro, Katchafire and many more. Multiple Stages, Microbrews, Art, Food Court, Vendor Village and Kid Zone. Tickets on sale at http://www.DohenyDays.com.

27 ANNUAL CALIFORNIA COASTAL CLEANUP DAY: (Saturday, Sept. 17) Volunteers will gather in places all over the world to remove trash from the oceans, beaches, watersheds, and beyond. Doheny will focus on the beach and San Juan Creek. Please join us from 9:00 a.m. - Noon. We will provide everything, including snacks and water. A special note of appreciation to the City of Dana Point and Starbucks for supporting this annual event.

DALE VELZY CLASSIC SURF CONTEST AND LUAU: (Saturday, Sept.

17). Open to everyone who loves surfing and good times, the event honors one of the most famous surfboard shapers of all time, the late Dale Velzy. The Velzy is for all who enjoy the same things Dale enjoyed, having fun with friends and family. It is in that spirit that Doheny Longboard Surfing Asso. holds this annual event that includes a great longboard inter-club surf contest, a luau, Polynesian review and dancing under the stars at Doheny with a live band. (Contest starts at 6:30 AM, Luau at 4 PM). Luau tickets available on-site (Picnic Areas A & B)





4TH ANNUAL BATTLE OF THE PADDLE SUP EVENT: (Saturday and Sunday, Sept.24 & 25) Enjoy the evolutionary spirit of stand-up paddling with this 2-day autumn event featuring amateurs and professional paddlers from across the planet. This contest is open to all levels of stand-up paddling: everything from beginners to children's to masters' categories. There will be a variety of SUP industry and informational booths. Bring the children to the Kid's Zone and adults might visit the Beer Garden, both sponsored by DSBIA! http://www.battleofthepaddle.com/

EHHH, NOT A DSBIA MEMBER YET? Join us in supporting the mission of DSBIA to provide activities and materials to educate the public

about the natural and cultural importance of Doheny State Beach. Here's a printable membership form. http://www.dohenystatebeach.org/pdffiles/DSBIA Membership App Rev-2010.pdf

MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS: With the exception of December, DSBIA Board of Directors meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month, 7 PM at the Jolly Rodger Restaurant in Dana Point Harbor. Meetings are open to all DSBIA members.

VISIT OUR WEB SITE at http://www.dohenystatebeach.org/index.html

DOHENY SURF CAMERA: http://www.surfline.com/surf-report/doheny-southern-california 4848/

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