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## DOHENY UPDATE for October 2010

**BEST O.C. CAMP SITE BLUE RIBBON FOR DOHENY:** The Orange County Register's People's Choice for the County's "Best Camping Site" goes to **Doheny State Beach** for the 17th consecutive year. <http://www.ocregister.com/articles/park-211391-beach-state.html>



**HALLOWEEN HAUNT:** Saturday, Oct. 23. Don't miss out on Doheny's most festive event of the year as we transform a section of the campground into a spooky area, an array of educational booths, arts and crafts, a Fun Zone, and other fun activities. This event runs from 6:30-8:30 pm. There is no charge for admission; however, a donation of one non-perishable food item per person is greatly appreciated. Dress up the kids and join us!

**CAMPING AT DOHO IN THE FABULOUS '40s:** Ahh, the 1940's, what an amazing time to camp at the beach in your heavy-duty tarp tent or little 16 foot trailer. You could haul out that balsa wood surfboard and ride the uncrowded waves at Doho. This picture overlooks Doheny State Park (before the name changed to "State Beach") looking west to the Dana Point headlands; very pre Dana Point Harbor.



### **WILD LIFE CRUISE A BIG**

**SUCCESS:** Over 70 new and continuing DSBIA members boarded the Dana Pride on Sunday evening, 9/26, for a two hour wild life cruise off the Dana Point coastline. The highlight of the evening was cruising with a large pod of playful dolphins over calm, clear waters. DSBIA shouts out a big **THANK YOU** to **Dana Point Sports Fishing** for providing the boat and accommodations; a great time was had by all! This will be an annual event.

**CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS:** The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual **Battle of the Paddle Stand Up Paddle Board competition** is this weekend, Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. DSBIA will again be overseeing the **Kid Zone** activities and will be having its own booth of surfboard coloring art, Hawaiian shaved ice, pop corn and local animals exhibit. We're always looking for more folks who wish to become involved in their local park, and here's your opportunity: a few hours, a full day, both days... whatever works for you. Contact DSBIA President Bill Brooks at [wbrooks@iusd.org](mailto:wbrooks@iusd.org). Provide phone contact info and hours you'd be interested in helping out (event hours are 8 AM to 4 PM both days).

**MEET RANGER RICHARD HAYDON:** Ranger Haydon is the new South Sector Superintendent of Orange County State Parks and Beaches overseeing Doheny, San Clemente, San Mateo and San Onofre state parks, as well as the Trestles surf beaches. Read an interview with him published on page 12 of the Hurley Pro event guide to their surf contest held at Lower Trestles, published in the Sept. 12 issue of the San Clemente Times. [http://www.sanclementetimes.com/pages/full\\_story/push?article-Hurley+Pro+Official+Event+Guide%20&id=9454670&instance=top\\_stories](http://www.sanclementetimes.com/pages/full_story/push?article-Hurley+Pro+Official+Event+Guide%20&id=9454670&instance=top_stories)

**CRITTER OF THE MONTH:** Fishing from the beach is a popular past time for many of our park visitors, and the **spotted and yellow fin croakers** are two of the most caught fish along the Doheny shoreline. The best bait is clam, but they will also bite on ghost shrimp, fresh mussels, bloodworms and innkeeper worms. Best tackle is a high/low leader with number 6 or 4 hooks. The best time for fishing is late summer to fall. These critters will follow the tides, so fishermen should do the same. Fish two hours before and after a high tide, especially a late afternoon or evening tide. Late evening and night is the best time to catch a croaker. Remember, you need a valid CA fishing license!



<http://www7.taosnet.com/platinum/data/species/croaker.html>

**HEY, TIDE POOL EXPLORERS!** October brings us the first afternoon minus tides since last March: Oct. 7th (-0.5 @ 3:41 PM), 8<sup>th</sup> (-0.7 @ 4:28 PM), 9<sup>th</sup> (-0.7 @ 5:17 PM) and 10<sup>th</sup> (-0.4 @ 6:11 PM). Remember the [Good Tide Pooler Rules](#): No collecting of animals or shells (Doheny is a Marine Protected Area); Do not pick up critters; Do not turn over rocks (you'll destroy a critter's home); If you absolutely must touch, do so lightly with two fingers.

**BATTLE OF THE PADDLE:** **Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 2 & 3.** Enjoy the evolutionary spirit of stand-up paddling with this 2-day autumn event. This contest is open to all levels of stand-up paddling; everything from beginners to children to a master's category. There will be a variety of surfing industry booths plus interactive activities for the young and old...fun for everyone! <http://www.standuppaddlesurf.net/2010/08/10/battle-of-the-paddle-california-sup-expo-event-registration/>

**HAUNTED CAMPGROUND:** **Saturday, Oct. 23.** See article above

**2010 TURKEY TROT 5 AND 10 K RACES:** **Wednesday & Thursday, November 24 & 25.** The annual Thanksgiving Day 5 and 10 K races that partially travel through Doheny State Beach from the kiosk through south day use area and back will again benefit the Second Harvest Food Festival of Orange County. This is really a big event with thousands of runners and spectators each year. **Wednesday:** Health and Fitness Expo in the Park. **Thursday:** Races and Expo. Sign up to participate or join the throngs watching and cheering. <http://www.turkeytrot.com/>

**"THANKS TO THE OCEAN" BEACH CLEAN UP:** **Saturday, November 27.** Everyone is invited to participate in the last Adopt-A-Beach Cleanup of 2010 as we give "thanks" to the ocean for the year-round joy it gives to us! This cleanup meets from 9:00 am – Noon at the Lifeguard headquarters tower (adjacent to the mouth of San Juan Creek). Thank you for helping Doheny State Beach stay naturally clean

**NOT A DSBIA MEMBER YET?** Join us in supporting the mission of DSBIA to provide activities and materials to educate the public of the natural and cultural importance of Doheny State Beach.

**Membership form below.**

**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 main lifeguard tower (Station 30) in the park. Meetings are open to all DSBIA members and interested guests.

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

**QUESTIONS? FEEDBACK?** Please direct any questions, feedback or requests for removal from our mailing list to [DPKayak@gmail.com](mailto:DPKayak@gmail.com) .

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## DOHENY STATE BEACH INTERPRETIVE ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

I want to support the Doheny State Beach Interpretive Association. Please enroll me as a:

- ☐ Supporting Individual Member, \$25 annual dues      ☐ Supporting Family Member, \$35 annual dues  
(Parents and minor children)
- ☐ Individual Life Membership, \$100 (one-time dues)      ☐ Family Life Membership, \$135  
(one-time dues)
- ☐ Student Membership (Grade 6 through full time College) \$10 annual dues      ☐ Senior (age 63+) \$10 annual dues
- ☐ Junior Individual Supporting Member (Students in grades K-5), \$3 annual dues. Requires parent permission signature here. \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Organizational Membership, \$50 annual dues

**YOUR MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE TAX DEDUCTABLE!**

Enclose your Tax Deductible Donation of \$\_\_\_\_\_

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**YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS WILL NOT BE SOLD OR GIVEN TO ANY OTHER INDIVIDUAL OR ORGANIZATION**

Make check or money order payable to **DOHENY STATE BEACH INTERPRETIVE ASSOCIATION**

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