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## DOHENY UPDATE for APRIL 2011

**SAVE THE DATE:** **DSBIA's SURF-A-RAMA on Saturday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> (10 AM to 4 PM).** Join us for our annual celebration of surfing history and the Doheny surf culture. Featured will be longboard collectors, Woodies, surf culture vendors, music, surf safari food, surf wearing apparel, opportunity drawings, surf legends and authors, surf music, old time surf stories (maybe yours) and more. Cowabunga!!!

**CALL FOR VENDORS:** Vendors of surf culture items (surf boards, SUP, surf kayaks and outriggers, wearing apparel, music, collectables, see others above, etc) are invited to secure a 10' x 10' booth at the always well attended Surf-A-Rama for \$100 and a donation of merchandise (\$25 value or more) to the opportunity drawing. Email Nyle Schafhauser for information and application for booth at [surfcarl@aol.com](mailto:surfcarl@aol.com).



**DSBIA AND FESTIVAL OF WHALES:** DSBIA members were active in the Festival of Gray Whales in March. Let's give it up for Mary Hartmann who sold Hawaiian shaved ice and popcorn at the parade one week and the Mongoose SUP event the next. Bill Gray, Mike Peck and Ed Neely helped prepare and serve food at the Mongoose event while Bill Brooks manned the DSBIA booth. Bill Grey, Mike and Ed joined up with the Doheny Longboarders on Sunday to prepare a pancake breakfast for the Grunion Run 10, 5 and 1 K runs and Margie Black assisted with registration; Bill Brooks help oversee the course. Bill Brooks and Ed then slid over to the Dana Point Harbor Concert to help oversee the beer garden, manage the DSBIA booth and cut up tri-tips and chicken for sandwiches. Let's not forget Nyle Schafhauser who, along with Mike, were among the coordinators of the Mongoose event (and Nyle served wine in the beer garden). Saving one of the most important for last, DSBIA board member Donna Kalez was one of the Festival of Whales chief coordinators. All of these activities earned DSBIA significant contributions from numerous Festival participants and extends DSBIA's good will and community dedication.

**WHO LIVES IN THE TIDE POOLS? A TEACHER'S GUIDE:** Interested in the creatures that call the tide pools home? Here's an online (also in printable format) guide to some of the critters you might find at Doheny during low tides. <http://www.dohenystatebeach.org/ip-tidepoolprepack.htm> .

**ABALONE STEAKS:** Drive down the South Day Use Area and look across Pacific Coast Hwy. The



Palisades Café in this 1927 era photo stood where the time share buildings are now, serving abalone steaks and other delightful dishes to local residence and those who cruised the old Coast Highway. The abalone might well have come from just across the street. Locals could free dive the reefs just offshore of Doheny and get abs (and lobsters) for dinner. The abalone are now protected in southern and central California. If you find one, don't touch! Photo courtesy of Facebook, Sons and Daughters of Capistrano Beach.

**CRITTER OF THE MONTH:** Abalone are mollusks having one-piece shells. They once abounded along the southern California coast, but were over hunted by



humans in the 1950's - 1970's and decimated by Withering Foot Syndrome in the 1980's - 1990's. Long time coastal residents will often have abalone shells around their homes, inside and out, and will tell you of delicious abalone dinners. Visit the following



two websites for information about, and the history of California abalone and their potential future. FYI, amazingly, a live black ab was found on the in-shore rock reef off the Dana Point headlands in December of 2009.

<http://seafood.ucdavis.edu/pubs/abalone.htm>

<http://www.cadivingnews.com/marinelife/282/Southern-California-Abalone:-Past,-Present-and-Future>

## **CALENDAR**

**SO. CAL. WOODY CLUB CAR SHOW:** **Saturday, April 16 (Dawn to mid-afternoon).** It's classic surfdom transportation! Start your springtime Southern California style by visiting the annual Woodie Club and Car Show at Doheny State Beach! Woodies start lining up the south day-use area at dawn and begin departing in the mid-afternoon. Don't miss out on this fun-filled day!

<http://www.socalwoodies.com/doheny.htm>

**EARTHDAY RESTORATION AND CLEAN UP PROJECTS:** **Saturday April 23, 9 AM to noon.**

***Earth Day Campground Native Tree Planting Project.*** Help us celebrate Earth Day Doheny-style by planting some indigenous trees and shrubs around the park! Please call for additional information. Thank you for bring along working gloves and your favorite shovel. Thank you to the California State Parks Foundation for sponsoring this crucial restoration project.

***Earth Day Beach and San Juan Creek Cleanup.*** Let's clean San Juan Creek and the beach in honor of Mother Earth Day. This project meets at the new Lifeguard Headquarters (adjacent to the mouth of San Juan Creek) from 9:00 am – Noon. Please bring some working gloves and pack up for the whole day!

**CALIFORNIA WINE FESTIVAL:** **Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1-4 PM.** Hit grassy, palm-lined Doheny State Beach to experience the quintessential California wine tasting event at our Orange County California Wine Festival grand finale. Indulge in this heady, springtime 'right of pleasure' and join the afternoon-long celebration -- *Unlimited tasting* of fine wine & foods, plus sun, sea and music provided by popular Caribbean band "Upstream." Sip hundreds of vintage California wines, sample dozens of hot and cold gourmet appetizers, artisan breads and cheeses, fresh cut fruits, and for a change of taste, sample local and regional craft brews too. Ticket price includes an 18 oz keepsake wine glass.

<http://www.californiawinefestival.com/eventschedule.html#danatickets>

**DOHENY BLUES FESTIVAL:** **Saturday-Sunday, May 21 & 22.** Enjoy this 2-day blues music festival on the beautiful north day-use lawn of Doheny State Beach. Please visit [www.omegaevents.com](http://www.omegaevents.com) for further details of this year's event. **Thank you for purchasing tickets from Doheny's Gift Store as proceeds benefit the Doheny State Beach Interpretive Association** which supports Doheny's wide-ranging interpretive programs.

**ROTARY LOBSTER FEST:** **Saturday, June 25.** All you can eat east coast lobster and steak. Enjoy beer, wine and dancing under the stars at Doheny Beach. Proceeds benefit local children's charities, including the Doheny State Beach Interpretive Association. <http://www.DanaPointLobsterFest.org>.

**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. **Here's a printable membership form.**  
[http://www.dohenystatebeach.org/pdf/DSBIA\\_Membership\\_App\\_Rev-2010.pdf](http://www.dohenystatebeach.org/pdf/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 main lifeguard headquarters tower (Station 30) in the park. Meetings are open to all DSBIA members.

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

**DOHENY SURF CAMERA:** [http://www.surflife.com/surf-report/doheny-southern-california\\_4848/](http://www.surflife.com/surf-report/doheny-southern-california_4848/)

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