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DOHENY UPDATE for JULY 2012



THE DOHENY SURF FESTIVAL, AUGUST 11 & 12

A two-day celebration of the Southern California surfing culture with music, vendor village, food and drink, surf demonstrations and much, much more. **Music:** ALO, Honk, Everlast, Paula Fuga, Common Sense, Le Blorr, B-Side Players, Originalities, Fishbones, The Eliminators and more! **Beach Demos:** Legends Expression Session, Nose Riders, S.U.P. Scramble, Surfers Healing, Outrigger Canoes, Tandem Surfing, Paddleboards, Woodies, kayak paddling and more! **Vendor Village:** An amazing collection of all things of the Southern California beach lifestyle and Surf Culture! **Food:** LA Gourmet Food Trucks, Nalus, Daphne's Greek, La Sirena Grill, Sambazon, Kona Beer and more!

Block off those days, you don't want to be anywhere else.

<http://www.dohenysurffest.com/>

BE STOKED; BE VERY, VERY STOKED!!!

SUNRISE / SUNSET:

July 1: Sunrise @ 5:46 AM / Sunset @ 8:08 PM = 14 hrs. 22 mins. 48 secs. of sun.

July 30: Sunrise @ 6:04 AM / Sunset @ 7:54 PM = 13 hrs. 50 mins. 08 secs. of sun

LOST MINUTES OF DAYLIGHT: -18 AM minutes / -14 PM minutes **Total:** -32 minutes

CONGRATULATIONS TO US! We're winners!!! **Thanks to all** for your votes and support on the Odwalla Plant a Tree grant balloting. We came in 5th out of the top 10 that will receive a **\$10,000 grants for new trees in the park**. Special thanks to State Parks Interpretive Specialists Lana Meade and Blyth Liles who wrote the proposal, and to both of them and Ed Neely who lead the rally to gather votes.



ANOTHER PAT ON OUR BACK: DSBIA grant writer Kathy Oshima has won a **\$7,500 grant from Southern California Edison**. The funds will be used to support the interpretive program, especially those in the Visitor Center.

GENEROUS DONATION TO DSBIA: DSBIA received generous donations from **Omega Events** (Doheny Days promoters), **106.7 KROQ**, **Wahoo Taco** and **Monster Energy** following the free lunchtime concert they produced in the Park on Monday, June 18. The event feature the group **Dirty Heads** with music from their soon to be released CD *Cabin by the Sea*.

<http://www.myspace.com/dirtyheads>

THE SOUTH SWELL HAS ROLLED IN: The summer edition of DSBIA's *South Swell E-Magazine* has hit the cyber-magazine rack. In this issue, Ed Neely takes you on a hike to the Pirate's Cave, Ranger Jim Serpa shares his top 10 list of special moments in his career, and Doheny Lifeguard Todd Shanklin breaks down each special beach zone along the shoreline that our lifeguards patrol. You can find the current and past issues of *South Swell* on our website. <http://www.dohenystatebeach.org/index.html>



THANK YOU, STACKS PANCAKE HOUSE: DSBIA member Jess Lopez presents a letter of thanks from Doheny Park Naturalist Vicki Wiker and DSBIA to Nixon Tanuwidjaya and (not pictured) Ovita Wijaya, owners of **Stacks Pancake House, 34255 PCH in Dana Point** (just a short walk up the west side of PCH from the park). Stacks donated the pancake batter and syrup for our Grunion Run 10K, 5K and Kids 1K Runs back in February. **Stacks** is a great community partner as well as a really good place for breakfast. <http://stackspancakehouse.com/>

OUR SUMMER WHALES ARE ON THEIR WAY: A couple blue whales have been spotted off our coast, meaning blues and their slightly smaller cousins, the finbacks, are on their way. The much smaller minkes (min / keys) reside in the area year round and are seen often by the whale watching fleet that goes out of Dana Harbor. Large amounts of plankton and krill are reported in the channel so we may have a third great year of summer whale watching.

CAMPFIRE PROGRAMS FOR JULY: Campfire programs aren't just for the campers at Doheny. Our members and friends should feel free to come join us in the campfire center next to the San Juan Creek bridge. Wed., July 11 @ 8:15 PM, *"The Underwater World,"* with guest Tom Haight; Thurs., July 12 @ 8 PM, *"Recovery of the Majestic Condor"* with guest and lead biologist Joe Burnett; Wed., July 25 @ 8:15 PM, *"The Megamouth Shark,"* with guest Tom Haight.

STAND UP PADDLE RULES FOR DOHENY: No paddle craft, SUP or vessels of any kind allowed between the Thor's Hammer landmark and North Creek by the jetty and out to 1000 feet from the mean high water mark (CCR 4326 (a) District Superintendent's posted order 925-10-18). SUP and human powered paddle craft may launch and beach south east of Thor's Hammer. When operating south east of the Hammer, paddle craft must abide by Harbor and Navigation code 655.2(a), which states no vessel may operate in excess of 5 MPH within 1000 feet of any swimmer or bather (surfers are considered swimmers) or within 200 feet of a beach frequented by swimmers or bathers. SUP must have a life vest if operating outside the confines of the surf zone.

SORRY BEAMER: If you haven't noticed, Steve **Behmerwohld** is my main photog guy. He cruises through Doheny, the Dana Point headlands and tide pools snapping great photos. In last month's **Doheny UPDATE**, I misspelled his last name. Oops! (Thank goodness I only have 5 letters in my last name. With 11, I'd still be struggling).

ANOTHER OOPS: Legendary waterman, **Ron "Canoe" Drummond** passed away in 1996, not in 1966 as I wrote in the last issue of the **UPDATE**. Thank goodness I found his other 30 years! As an **"I'm Sorry"** gift to you (and Ron), here's another great photo of Ron surfing Killer Dana. In his later years, Ron could be seen with his old panel truck hanging out at Doho and San O. Oh doh de oh doh de oh doh!



CATCH A FEW WAVES AT DOHENY: Drop in on some summer surfing on a great, late August day (but... what's with those wetsuits? It's August! Wimps!).
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IhD0FAibQTI>



MEET MARY HARTMANN: Mary is one of your **DSBIA Board Members**, as well as owner of **Girl in the Curl Surf Shop** in Dana Point. Check out her video as she talks about the **Girl in the Curl / Boy in the Barrel** surf camps, now running on the beach at Doheny.
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O4FSjBsJ05o>



WHAT DO CA STATE PARK "CLOSURES" MEAN? Some of our parks have been taken off the State's closure list, a few have received short-term reprieves, but most of the original 70 parks slated for closure are or soon will be padlocked. What does that mean? Will you be riding the bullet train to visit our parks, or riding it anywhere at all for that matter? http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f8zG7zIqVyk&feature=player_embedded **Doheny State Beach Interpretive Association is a proud supporter of the California State Parks Foundation / Save Our State Parks program.**



ARE YOU IN TRAINING YET? Either to participate as an athlete or a watcher (that's me), this is going to be one great event, centered at our own Doheny State Beach on Sunday, Sept. 23rd. <http://orangemantriathlon.com/>

CALENDAR: Not all events are DSBIA sponsored, but all should be fun.

JUNIOR RANGERS DAY PROGRAM: (Tentatively scheduled to begin in mid July. Get better soon, Ms. Vicki!) Doheny Park Naturalist Vicki Wiker leads a fun program of animal, plants and arty learning each weekday starting in mid July. **This is a free program for both camper kids and kids in our local communities.** For further information and start date call 949 496-2704.

INDEPENDENCE DAY FIREWORKS EXTRAVAGANZA: (Thursday, July 4) Start out early in the morning if you're planning an Independence Day celebration at Doheny State Beach as this is the busiest day of the year! Doheny's day-use opens at 6:00 am. The fireworks show off the barge outside of the harbor begins at 9:00 pm. Doheny closes at 10:00 pm. Remember, no fireworks are allowed!

INDEPENDENCE DAY AFTERMATH CLEAN UP : (Friday, July 5) The staff at Doheny State Beach would sure appreciate any help from volunteers to clean up after the masses of picnickers! This is the messiest day of the year. Thank you everyone!!

WHITEY HARRISON OUTRIGGER RACE CLASSIC: (Saturday, Aug. 4) Outrigger paddlers from all over California compete in this long-distance roundtrip race from Dana Point to Laguna Beach. Cheer them on as they head out to the wild and open ocean to test all their months of training! For information about this event, please see www.danaoutrigger.net.



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SAY IT AIN'T SO, JOE!!! YOU'RE 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/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 Double Tree Hotel on Pacific Coast Highway across from Doheny State Beach in Dana Point. Meetings are open to all DSBIA members.

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

DSBIA ON FACEBOOK at <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Doheny-State-Beach-Interpretive-Association/255397901205401>

DOHENY GIFT STORE ON FACEBOOK:
<http://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100003539533566>

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

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