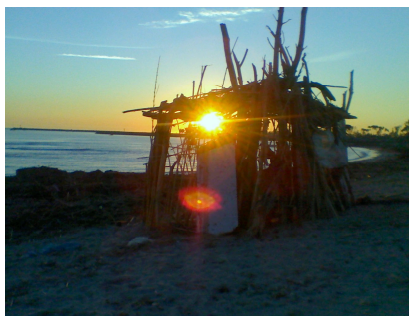




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## DOHENY UPDATE for JANUARY 2011



**STORMS LEAVE DOHO A MESS:** The main beach at Doheny is covered with debris washed down San Juan Creek. Debris and silt have washed into the ocean creating new deltas and sand reefs. Surfers have their fingers crossed that good new breaks are formed and/or the old ones come back before the summer swells hit. Take a look.

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

**2011 CALENDAR OF EVENTS:** Visit the Doheny website for a 2011 calendar of events. New events posted as dates are confirmed.

<http://www.dohenystatebeach.org/events.htm>

**THANK YOU, RAINBOW SANDALS:** Jay “Sparky” Longley (far right), president of Rainbow Sandals, led a contingent of representatives from his company and Battle of the Paddle in donating \$5,000 to DSBIA’s President Bill Brooks (second left), made as a thank you for DSBIA’s support in last October’s Battle of the Paddle event. The funds will go towards renovation of the Visitor Center.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=URgeqBtKVI4>



**THANK YOU, SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB:** The Monarch Beach Sunrise Rotary Club awarded DSBIA a gift of \$2,000 at their December meeting at the Ritz Carlton Hotel. The donation was made in appreciation of DSBIA’s support of their first (and annual) Lobster Fest last June.

<http://www.danapointlobsterfest.org/content/about-dana-point-lobster-fest>



**2010 PELICAN AWARDS:** The DSBIA Pelican Award is given each year to individuals who have made significant contributions to Doheny State Beach and DSBIA through their volunteer efforts and extraordinary leadership over the years. This year’s recipients are Marilyn Wenzel (Grunion Nights and Halloween Haunts); Stan Shue (expert and go-to guy with all things electronic, Halloween Haunt); and Park Supervising Ranger Jim Serpa (leadership and guidance of DSBIA).

**MEA CULPA!** We had the date wrong for the Longboard Collectors meeting in the last issue. Really... SO SORRY!!!!

**RANGER JIM VISITS A LOCAL CLASSROOM:** Doheny State Beach Supervising Ranger Jim Serpa takes a break from the park to visit Truman Benedict Elementary School in San Clemente. He presents a great program on the life of a ranger and of the many exciting things to do in our state parks.



**DOHENY'S HAUNT MAKES FRONT PAGE IN SWMEA:** Our Halloween Haunt made the front page of the South West Marine Educators Association's Winter newsletter. Check it out at <http://www.swmea.org/swmea.html>

**GOOD TIDE POOL EXPLORING DATES IN JAN.:** Good negative tides this month for tide pool explorers. Jan. 1 (-1.0 @ 1:49 PM), Jan. 2 (-1.2 @ 2:29 PM), Jan. 3 (-1.2 @ 3:06 PM), Jan. 4 (-1.1 @ 3:41 PM), Jan. 17 (-1.0 @ 2:08 PM), Jan. 18 (-1.3 @ 2:42 PM), Jan. 19 (-1.5 @ 3:17 PM), Jan. 20 (-1.4 @ 3:52 PM), Jan. 21 (-1.1 @ 4:28 PM), Jan. 30 (-0.9 @ 1:41 PM) PM, Jan. 31 (-1.0 @ 2:17 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 and respect.

**DID YOU KNOW?:** The highest and lowest tides of a month occur on the same day. Take January 19<sup>th</sup> as an example. Highest tide of the month is + 6.7 feet @ 8:09 AM and lowest tide of the month is at 3:17 PM @ -1.5 feet. That's an 8-foot change in the tide level.

**CA WINE FESTIVAL @ DOHO (Ap. 29&30), TICKETS ON SALE:** 10% discount if bought before Jan. 5! This is really a fun event; an afternoon full of good wine and food, happy people and music. Visit the website below and enter **discount code CWF11** at the checkout. <http://www.californiawinefestival.com/eventschedule.html>

**MMM... DUTCH OVEN COOKING:** Saturday, Jan. 15. The Southern California Chapter of International Dutch Oven Society is hosting their annual Dutch oven festivity in picnic site #A beginning early in the morning until the afternoon hours. Experience some of their incredible specialties at this unique event. <http://www.socaldos.org/> and <http://www.socaldos.org/bd11.htm>.

**ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL BOARD MEETING:** Thursday, Jan. 20, 7 PM. Annual meeting where officers are elected and budgets approved. All DSBIA members are invited to attend. Meeting will be held in the lifeguard headquarters tower.

**"LOVE YOUR BEACH" CLEAN UP:** Saturday, Feb. 12, 9:00 am – Noon. Join us for our first Adopt-A-Beach Cleanup of the year as we "love" Doheny back to good health after the runoff from winter rains. All beach cleanups meet at the new Lifeguard Headquarters (adjacent to the mouth of San Juan Creek). Thank you for bringing along work gloves.

**GRUNION RUN 10K & 5K RUN/WALK AND KIDS' 1K RUN:** Sunday, March 13: 10K starts at 7 AM; 5K begins at 8:30 AM and Kids' 1K at 9:15 AM. Awards scheduled for 9:45 AM. Pre-registration is available online at [www.festivalofwhalesgrunionrun.com](http://www.festivalofwhalesgrunionrun.com). **Proceeds to benefit the Doheny State Beach Interpretive Association.**

**DOHENY TRAVELING MAMMAL MUSEUM:** Sunday, March 13. Visit Doheny's Whale Walk for an opportunity to see and feel authentic marine mammal artifacts (cool replicas, too!). Just look for Naturalist Vicki along the Whale Walk from Noon – 3:00 pm.

**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 and interested guests. **The January meeting is the annual organizational meeting.**

**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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