



Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council Recreation and Tourism Newsletter February 2019



O'Neill Sea Odyssey (OSO) was founded in 1996 by wetsuit innovator and surfer Jack O'Neill. A living classroom was created on board the 65-foot Team O'Neill catamaran sailing Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary where 4th - 6th grade students receive hands-on lessons about the marine habitat and the importance of the relationship between the living sea and the environment. The program is conducted on board the catamaran with follow-up lessons at the shore-side Jack O'Neill and Harry Hind Education Center at the Santa Cruz Harbor. It is free of charge, but students earn their way into the program by

What is Migrating this Month? What, When, and Where

Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary is one of the most species diverse marine sanctuaries in the world. See what is in your sanctuary today.

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What's Migrating?

POINTS OF INTEREST

performing a project to benefit their community.

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FISH LINE



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Thinking about purchasing some local fish? Click here for information on how to find [local seafood](#) straight from the fishermen who catch it, and ideas for seafood recipes

Cambria
Tide pool Field Trips -
February 16 - 1: 30 p.m.

March 10 - noon -
March 24 - 11 a.m.

Learn about the mystery of San Simeon Cove by beachcombing with marine biologists. Find out what causes high and low tides and explore the plant and animal communities that live between the high and low tides.

Pillar Point Events
Mavericks Eco Tours
Reservations Required



Mavericks Beach at Pillar Point Harbor

LAND ECO TOURS

Did you miss a previous Recreation and Tourism Newsletter? Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary's website now has them available. [Click here for your back issues](#)



SIMoN provides to the public an open source for photos, videos, names, species, and information about what is in your national marine sanctuary. Click on the photos section and be truly amazed. [Click Here](#)

Northern Elephant Seal Presentations - February 16 and February 23

The elephant seal rookery at Piedras Blancas is a dramatic and interesting place to visit year-round. However, the most exciting season is during the winter months when the seals come to shore to birth and mate.

Come join Friends of the Elephant Seal docent, Phil Adams, to learn about the amazing life of the Northern Elephant Seal on land and at sea. After the presentation, you will be able to drive to the elephant seal rookery viewing area only 4.5 miles north of the Center that is manned by knowledgeable docents from FES. Participants will meet at the Coastal Discovery Center in San Simeon (located by the pier that is across Highway One from the entrance to Hearst Castle Visitors Center).

Free to the public but reservations are required as space is limited.

Call (805) 927-2145 to reserve a space. Leave your phone number.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Santa Cruz Events
Capitola
Register Anytime

Monterey Events
Jazz Bash by the Bay
March 1-3, 2019



California Classic Sail



Monterey Jazz Bash by the Bay

90 Minute Educational Tour led by guides with deep local knowledge about the coastal community.

Hosted by Tim West, veteran Mavericks surfer.

Hike along 1/2 Mile Trail inside Pillar Point Harbor out to the beachfront overlooking Mavericks.

Learn about marine life, Pillar Point Harbor, military history and Mavericks.

Tours available everyday with reservation, 4 person minimum.

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The beautiful classic yacht "Sarah" is now available for charter from the picturesque Capitola Wharf. A two-hour sail on the bay could be the centerpiece to a perfect day. Terrific for couples and larger parties up to four.

Sunset Sails are for 2 hours and come with amazing views of the harbor and the spectacular coastline. Toast the coming evening with a great local cabernet, chardonnay, a fine local brew or whatever is to your taste.

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[Exploration Center Link >](#)

Jazz Bash by the Bay, a wall-to-wall weekend of vintage jazz and swing, is celebrating its 39th anniversary at the Monterey Conference Center and Portola Hotel & Spa in downtown Monterey. The festival brings together the many colorful forms of the roots of early jazz: Dixieland, traditional jazz, swing, gypsy jazz, ragtime, blues and zydeco.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Pebble Beach Events
Relais & Châteaux Gourmet
March 14-17, 2019



Relais & Châteaux
Gourmet Fest
March 14 - 17, 2019

A foodie extravaganza featuring an exclusive roster of Relais & Châteaux Chefs and the World's Best Wine Estates in the quaint village of Carmel-by-the-Sea. Events include an opening night welcome party, a cooking demo, wine tastings, off-site tours combined with exciting lunches, featured chefs, world-class wine dinners, a rarities dinner, and a closing seafood grill and champagne tasting.

Big Sur Events
Big Sur Marathon
April 28, 2019



The 30th Annual Big Sur
International Marathon
April 28, 2019

The course is from Big Sur to Carmel on scenic Highway 1, the nation's first nationally-designated Scenic Highway. The course is USATF certified and is an official Boston qualifier. The course reopens to traffic at 1:00 PM, an approximate 6-hour course limit, just over a 13:45 pace per mile.

Race Details at a Glance
Race Date April 28, 2019
Start Time 6:45 am
Start elevation 356'
Finish elevation 10'

Cambria Events
Sea Glass Festival
March 9 -10, 2019



The 8th Annual Cayucos
Sea Glass Festival
March 9-10, 2019

Enthusiasts from near and far travel to the quaint beach town of Cayucos, California every spring for The Cayucos Sea Glass Festival. As one of the premier events on the Central Coast, visitors come from all over the country to enjoy a weekend of local artisan goods, fun in the sun, live music, and of course an extensive marketplace of the finest sea glass art. Whether a sea glass fan or someone looking to learn about this world-wide hobby, the festival has something for

Each year's festival benefits local non-profits. Enjoy the beautiful properties of Relais & Châteaux while supporting these great organizations and their missions.

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Total elevation Gain+2,182'
Total elevation Loss-2,528'

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everyone. Vendors are juried and the artwork is first-class. Mark your calendars for the 9th annual Cayucos Sea Glass Festival on March 9-10, 2019 as this is an event you won't want to miss! And don't miss the kick off celebration, the Mermaid Ball Friday March 8th!

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[San Simeon Discovery Center](#)

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Sanctuary Exploration Center
Across from the Wharf in Santa Cruz

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