Welcome to the Pacific Mammal Research February 2016 Newsletter.



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What's New?

Wait...February?! It seems like the year just started! We have been keeping busy (as usual) here at PacMam, with lots of productive time spent in the

field and office to kick off the year.

We've also had some more time to work with our interns this month, which has been both helpful for us and exciting for them. We have been able to give them a range of experiences, including both field time (where we have seen some great porpoise and seal action!) and office time doing data processing work. It can be easy to forget that it's not all fun in the field, and that this time spent recording, processing and analyzing data is just as important!

So what else have we been up to this month? Read on to find out more!

"Ways of Whales" Workshop, Whidbey Island

We were delighted to be able to attend the "Ways of Whales" workshop on Whidbey Island for the second year running. This annual workshop is organized by Orca Network and provides a chance for both researchers and interested parties to get together and discuss cetaceans of the Salish Sea, their status, and recent research taking place in the region.

Several talks were given by researchers, followed by some great opportunities to network with other like-minded individuals. The event was also live-streamed for the first time over the internet! It was a great day thoroughly enjoyed by all, so we would like to say many thanks to <u>Orca Network</u> for organizing it.

GoFundMe Campaign



If you haven't already, please make sure you check out our awesome <u>GoFundMe</u> campaign, "PacMam: Research With A Porpoise". Pacific Mammal Research is a registered 501(c)3 charity, and all donations made are fully tax

deductible. <u>GoFundMe</u> is a crowd-sourcing website geared towards raising money via an online portal. PacMam's <u>campaign</u> aims to extend the reach of our organization and encourage greater active interest and support in our long-term study of the marine mammals of the Salish Sea.

Donations made through this <u>campaign</u> and on the Donations page of our <u>website</u> allow us to continue to research these amazing animals, improve and increase our educational opportunities, and expand our current research in the future to include new and innovative technologies. And, if you donate through <u>GoFundMe</u>, you can get your hands on some exclusive PacMam goodies - what a great way to ring in the New Year!

To check out our campaign and donate, please visit www.gofundme.com/pacmam now, or visit our website at www.pacmam.org.

PacMam's First Paper!

We are delighted to announce that Pacific Mammal Research has submitted it's first manuscript for peer review. This is the first of what we hope will be many publications in scientific journals documenting our unique work here in the Salish Sea, so stay tuned for more on this in the future!

Coming Soon...

The days are getting longer and we are excited to head into the Spring, so make sure you stay tuned to the Newsletter and our <u>website</u> for all the latest news and updates. You can also get involved with us on social media by Liking our <u>Facebook</u> page and by following "PacificMammalResearch" on <u>Instagram</u>, where you can see photos and updates from our researchers in the field, as well as interesting articles and news about marine mammals around the world.

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