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What's New?

Happy March, everyone! It doesn't seem that long ago that we were ringing in the New Year, but here we are with Spring right around the corner! The days are getting longer and flowers are starting to bloom already (at least in the Pacific Northwest!), and we've definitely felt the difference in the field.

This taster of Spring weather has allowed us to get into the field more, which

has been fantastic. We have also had some great help from our interns, who have been assisting us with data processing as well as in the field.

Field time has been particularly exciting for us this month as we've had a new toy to play with: we recently purchased a hydrophone! This "underwater microphone" enables us to simultaneously listen to underwater sounds while we are in the field. We are very excited to be able to start exploring the acoustics of the study area and, hopefully, the animals that live in it. Stay tuned for updates as we continue to investigate and develop this new angle to the project!

For more of what Pacific Mammal Research has been up to recently, read on!



Salish Sea Ecosystem Conference, Vancouver BC



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PacMam is delighted to be able to attend the upcoming [Salish Sea Ecosystem Conference](#), being held in April in Vancouver, BC. Organized by Western Washington University, the conference is held every two years and brings together a wide range of individuals, including scientists, First Nations and tribal government representatives, policy makers, educators and students, to present the latest research on the state of the Salish Sea ecosystem and to help guide future actions to protect and restore it.

The three day conference will include oral and poster presentations, workshops,

plenary talks and many opportunities to network and discuss the various issues raised by speakers. PacMam researchers are excited to be presenting a poster about our work on harbor porpoise photo-ID in the Salish Sea, and look forward to hearing from others about the ongoing work and research in this beautiful part of the world.

For more information on the conference, check out their website [here](#).



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GoFundMe Campaign



You've probably already heard about this, but for those of you who've missed it: go check out our awesome [GoFundMe](#) campaign, "PacMam: Research With A Porpoise"! [GoFundMe](#) is a crowd-sourcing website geared towards raising money via an online portal. PacMam's [campaign](#) 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. Pacific Mammal Research is a registered 501(c)3 charity, and all donations made are fully tax deductible.

Donations made through this [campaign](#) and on the Donations page of our [website](#) 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 [GoFundMe](#), you can get your hands on some exclusive PacMam goodies!

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

Coming Soon...

Stay tuned to our Newsletter and [website](#) for all the latest news and updates from PacMam as we move into Spring! You can also get involved with us on social media by Liking our [Facebook](#) page and by following "PacificMammalResearch" on [Instagram](#). Check us out to see photos and updates from our researchers in the field, as well as interesting articles and news about research happening both here and around the world.

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