Welcome to the Pacific Mammal Research November 2017 Newsletter.



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Month of Giving

Happy November! It doesn't seem possible that we are this far into 2017, but don't worry there's still lots to come before we finish out this year.

In the spirit of the upcoming holiday season, why not take a look at <u>Giving Tuesday</u>? This event takes place November 28th, as well as on Black Friday and Cyber Monday (for those of you in the US), and encourages donations to charities and/or organizations in order to give back to your community. PacMam is taking part in Giving Tuesday this year so head on over to their <u>website</u> and search for "Pacific Mammal Research" to donate.

So what else is going on? Well the last few weeks have been pretty busy for us so keep reading to find out what we've been up to!



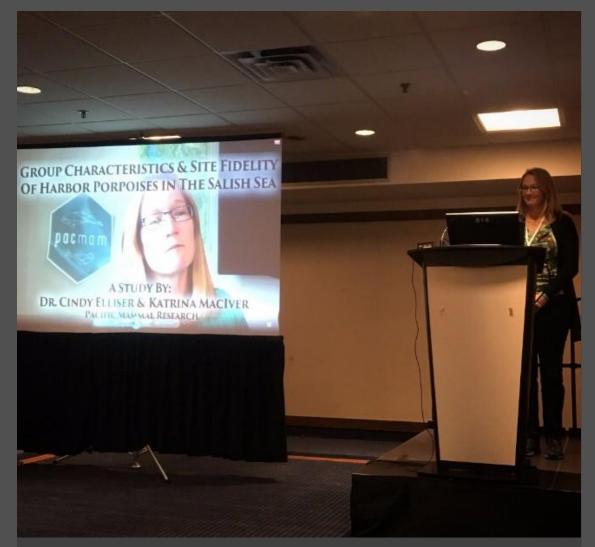
PacMam's first fundraising event will be held at Bastion Brewing Company, Wednesday November 8th.

<u>COMING UP: PacMam Trivia Fundraiser: Support Your Local Scientists!</u>
Come one, come all, to PacMam's first <u>fundraising event</u> on <u>Wednesday November</u>
<u>8th</u>. We are excited to be teaming up with <u>Bastion Brewing Company</u> to guest-host their usual Wednesday night trivia game. One of our favorite hangouts, Bastion has been highly supportive of PacMam and our work since it opened last Fall, so we are thrilled to be able to share our first official fundraising event with them.

This all-ages event will be held at **6pm on Wednesday**, **November 8th**. We will have raffle tickets available with some fantastic prizes up for grabs, a couple of

silent auction items, and PacMam's researchers will be there all night to share more about our work and answer any questions you may have. Bring your friends and family, grab a beer and some food, and get ready for a fun night of trivia!

For more information check out the <u>Facebook event page</u> - see you there!



PacMam's research director Dr. Cindy Elliser presenting our video at the Society for Marine Mammalogy conference in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

SMM Biennial Conference - Highlights

PacMam's researchers recently returned from spending a fantastic 7 days in Halifax, Nova Scotia attending the Society for Marine Mammalogy biennial conference. This conference brings researchers and interested parties from around the world for a week of lectures, workshops, presentations and networking events that educate, inspire and promote further collaboration and development of marine mammal research.

PacMam presented our very first video talk at the conference, detailing our work on harbor porpoises here in the Salish Sea. Very well received, we are looking forward to working on more video productions in the future so stay tuned to the newsletters and our website for more details! In the meantime, we'll be adding our conference video to the website shortly, so keep an eye out for that.

The conference itself also gave us some great ideas and exciting projects to work with over the coming months, as well as renewing and establishing new connections with other researchers from around the world. All in all a fantastic week, and we can't wait to share more with you over the next few months!



Save The Date: "Celebrate The Season" Event & Dinner Auction

It's that time of year again! The Anacortes Schools Foundation is hosting their annual "Celebrate The Season" event and dinner auction, and PacMam will once again be participating. The event, held at the Port of Anacortes on **December 2nd & 3rd**, offers a variety of family-themed holiday activities and entertainment with proceeds going towards enrichment programs for Anacortes students. The highlight of this event is the dinner auction, held on Saturday December 2nd, in which PacMam will have a "marine biologist for a day" experience up for grabs.

For more information on "Celebrate The Season", how to purchase dinner tickets and the Anacortes Schools Foundation itself, check out their website here.

Our First Scientific Publication

We are very excited to announce that our first scientific paper, which details our work over the last three years on harbor porpoises in Burrows Pass, has been accepted to an academic journal and is in-press! Part of what we do as scientists is share our findings with both the general and scientific communities, and this type of publication will provide a resource for other researchers studying harbor porpoises and particularly people interested in the population using Burrows Pass.

Coming Soon...



We're always posting awesome photos and information on social media so make sure you're in the loop! Find us on <u>Facebook</u> (search for "Pacific Mammal Research - PacMam"), <u>Instagram</u> (under "Pacific Mammal Research"), and now on <u>Google+</u> (under "Pacific Mammal Research - PacMam").

For more information on PacMam as well as lists of past and future events, our <u>website</u> is there for you to read more about what we do, donate, and learn how YOU can get involved with PacMam. From all of us here have a wonderful start to the holiday season, we'll see you in December!

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