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**August 23 Next Dorymen's Meet**

The next general membership meeting in 2008 will be on August 23 at 4:00 pm at the Pacific Coast Bible Church next to the Post Office in Pacific City.

The agenda will include the new safety efforts, progress on the Memorial Wall and election of officers.

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## More Safety Programs are Proposed for Kiwanda

### No Support for Elimination of any Segments of the Public

*(Pacific City Special)*

A work session to discuss possible additional ways to avoid accidents at Cape Kiwanda was held on July 28th. The session was attended by local, state and federal governmental agencies along with the co-chairs from the Dorymen's Association and three representatives from the surfing community. The group was organized as a result of a collision between a dory and Cole Ortega, a young surfer from Bend, Oregon.

At the outset, there appeared to be no support for elimination of any user group in the area from the access ramp north to the base of the Cape where dories launch and land. In fact, co-chairs Paul Hanneman and Craig Wenrick proposed language for new signs that would read: **"Danger. High Speed Dory Boats Landing When Boat Trailers Are Parked On The**

**Beach."** The new message is intended to bring more public awareness when dories are at sea and provide less warning when no boats are landing, they said.

Meanwhile, Wenrick is working with surfer members to devise a printed information flyer or brochure that includes one section titled "Surfer Responsibilities" and a section for "Dory Operators." Both the sign program and the flyer are intended to be ready prior to the Labor Day weekend.

### Ortega Fund Established

Our Association has joined with surfer representatives to establish the "Cole Ortega Donation Account" at the

Oregon Coast Bank  
PO Box 398  
Pacific City, Oregon 97135.

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### A History of Safety

Until the recent collision, no deaths or serious accidents had occurred involving dories and surfers or swimmers for over 100 years, even during the 1960 to 1980 decades when up to 300 dories went to sea daily. In 1996 the current Association was formed with safety as a primary mission and new efforts were enacted to warn the public about dory launchings and landings.

### This Day Was Different

On this day, the seas rose to 9.6' @ 13 sec., with the surf building to as high as 18 feet by unofficial reports. With swells beginning to break across from Haystack Rock to the Cape, the dories were committed to the "trough" they started with. The usual option to slow or turn was not there, according to observers at Cape Kiwanda that day.

### Website Is Here!

<http://pcdorymen.com>

That's right. It's pcdorymen.com. At the May Association meeting, members voted to establish a website. And under the direction of webmaster Sheryl Branch, the site was up by July 1. Director Ray Monroe chaired the committee with Tom Donohue, Jerry Branch and Grant Kidd.

Be sure to check the links for NOAA weather and buoy reports. And the menu bar across the top includes this newsletter and information about us.

In fact, "The Dorymen's News" may eventually phase out when members become accustomed to looking at the website. Many thanks to Sheryl for her able work creating the site!

### Memorial Wall Report Due

Tom Donohue, Chair of the Memorial Wall Committee reports the first 20 tiles with boat names are now being engraved. It's also time to submit names of dory people that will be listed. Hear a full report at the August 23rd meeting.

### Officers Up For Election

Six Board members are up for election at the August 23 meeting. They include co-chair Craig Wenrick, secretary Rus Smith, treasurer Rob Royster, "JJ" Johnson, Steve Johnson and "Skip" Bailey.

A seventh member, Don Coen resigned from the Board under the condition that someone would fill his position that will be very active for the Association. At the time of this printing, four members have submitted their names. Under Article VII of our bylaws, vacancies in office "...shall be filled by a majority vote of the Board of Directors and the appointee shall serve the remainder of the unexpired term." Nominations from the floor, however, may be made for any of the incumbent positions.

### Have you Sent Your Contribution for 2008?

You can still mail your 2008 contribution to us at POBox 728, Pacific City, OR. 97135. Or we'll gladly accept payments at our next meeting on August 23. All contributions \$50 and over automatically receive a receipt for tax purposes.

Also, our mailing list now stands at 447 addresses, even after purging returned newsletters from the previous mailing. If you no longer wish to receive *The Dorymen's News*, please let us know.