



September 2010 President's Message

We had a great meeting in August. The food prepared by Marcello was excellent. I heard many people complementing and thanking Marcello for his efforts. I knew it was good when I saw Ric Sorenson go back for thirds! The presentation by Ira Opper was awesome and brought back many memories for our more senior members. All in all it was a great evening. A big thanks to both Marcello and Ira.

We had a pretty good showing at the Oceanside Longboard contest. Congratulations to Otis, Cliff, Hayley, and Stephanie for taking home trophies. Your president took third in the president's heat and our club tied with the Pacific Beach club for fourth. Thanks to all the Swami's members that participated. Otis will have all the details along with upcoming events at the September meeting.

The Swami's Surfing Association and the Lions club will be holding the annual Blind Surf Event this month on Sunday, the 19th. Volunteers are needed, if you are interested in assisting please show up at the south side of Ponto at 8:00 a.m. This is a great event and has been supported by Swami's for years. If you have the time please show up at the beach and check in with Bruce King. Boards are furnished but if you have a spare wetsuit to share, please bring it. Hope to see you there.

September 11th, is the annual Dog-a-Thon Surf Contest. You may participate in the event and if you do say you are with the SSA and we will receive a \$10.00 credit for each of our members participating. There are costume heats as well as dog surfing. Mike Emerson has been our representative and has been working on how to judge the event. Mike will have more details at the September meeting. If you are interested in participating, contact Mike.

The SSA continues to support the Wounded Warrior/Jimmy Miller Foundation event. This is a monthly event and you are welcome to attend. You can find the dates on the Jimmy Miller Foundation web site. If you have the time, the Marines can use your help. I know most of you are unable to attend but check it out if you can. Next surf therapy sessions are, September 14, and 28, 2010, 0900, Del Mar Jetties, Camp Pendleton.

The September meeting will be our first meeting at our new location, Yogi's Bar and Grill located on HWY 101, just south of Cardiff Reef. Parking is available at Yogi's and next door at the Plastico Building. The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. Food and beverages will be available for purchase at Yogi's. Yogi's has been a SSA sponsor for several years and we are thankful to them for offering their business to us, free of charge, to hold our general meetings.

Our September agenda will include a guest speaker from the Surfing Heritage Foundation. The Swami's sweat pants are in and will be distributed at the meeting.

The board has approved an extension for former SSA members to re-establish their membership with the club. The extension will continue until September 30, 2010. This is a final attempt to get our former member back in the club. Please get the word out to those former members still interested in being a SSA member. Former Member Application Forms can be found on the SSA web site.

Former members may complete the form, attach the appropriate membership fee and send the application to our PO Box or deliver it to any board member.

November we will be voting for board members. If you are interested in becoming a board member you may review the titles and job duties of each of the board member positions, or just ask a current board member. Each board position is available. Nominations will be accepted at the October meeting. Voting on nominees will be conducted at the November meeting. Results will be announced at the Swami's Christmas party. New board members will begin their term of office in February. I ask each member to please participate in this process.

I hope to see everyone at the meeting. Bring a friend and have some fun!

Our next general meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 12th, at 6:30 p.m. at Yogi's Bar and Grill. I hope everyone can make it.

Stay safe and surf well.

Mike

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