



September 2011 President's Message – Bruce King



Off The Top

Well hello and howdy to one and all, what crazy 30 days it's been since our last meeting, hope everything and everyone is doing just fine. What a swell we just had one of the biggest south's I can remember in the last 15-20 yrs or so. The point was breaking pretty good for a south it had just enough west to make it kind of ride able, Some of the sets were closing out and most of what I saw was pretty much a T.O.A.D. run. From what I heard Malibu was the place, sets through the pier and a few in front. We also had a sighting of our best friend Ruffs the Shark a great white friend of ours. This is a warning Sharks live here. Will it is their house after all they are just letting us visit. So remember treat HER good (The Ocean) I mean . and maybe Ruffs and his friends will let us play with them and surf a little longer.

There sure is a lot going on this month two surf contests the Oceanside & Malibu. The Oceanside Contest was a super fun affair Oct 27&28 Gretchen Harris really hit it out of the park. There were defiantly waves and lots of fun and the famous Beach Beer Garden. I would like to thank the Oceanside Long board Club for the invitation and a great time Larry Graff Took over on this one as yours truly had a date with the Doc. It kept me out of the water and a little groggy. Thank you Larry and everyone for coming through the entire Swami's Team was ripping it up; it was a real Beach Break Bash. Swami's came in 8th overall Whitney Guild 2nd Grand Masters, Jeanette The Princess 3rd Women's, Stephanie Schechter 5th Jr women Jason Schechter 5th Jr mens Everyone surfed great.

Malibu Surfing Association Sept 9,10,11@ Malibu was a really fun event, sunny point waves; with a real laid back feeling. Not as big as the Oceanside contest but clean with some chest high sets. The team ended up smaller than planned. We all had a wonderful time with lot of time to talk and socialize, the three-day event seemed maybe a little long but it was fun. Marcelo and Dawn brought the Swami's mobile down and made everyone feel at home, not to mention Marcelo's great cooking and Dawns warm smile. Thank you two for the great hospitality. We only had 11 club members in the event, there seemed to be a few schedule conflicts with the event and people but a three day event is a great under taking and The MSA pulled it off in style with movie on the pier and a great party Saturday night, the food was really good and the company better. Thank you very much for the opportunity to come and play At the MSA 50th. The SSA team came in 14th out of 20 clubs. Everyone surfed excellent but the wave god wasn't on our side at this event most everyone made it to quarters except yours truly. And no one made it to the semi's. Kind of tuff as results go but Fun is what it is all about and this event had a ton.

Things to come CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

SEPTEMBER 17-18 Ventura Surf Club California St. long board Classic
SEPT. 17 22nd Dale Velzy Classic E-mail MC250C@aol.com DLSA
SEPT. 18th 16th Blind Surf SSA L.Graff 619-245-9801 B.King 760-436-0638
OCTOBER 9th senior Olympics John Reinhardt 760-518-4618
OCT. 16 Old Thyme Classic Cardiff L. Graff & Poodle 760-533-9779
Oct. 16 Menihune surf your brains out Malibu 1st point

The Blind Surf will be at South Ponto Carlsbad, be there @ 7:00 to help setup stuff and the surfing will begin @ 9:00. If anyone has any old wet suits they do not need please bring them, small to XL are needed. Come one come all.

The Old Thyme Classic Incognito Cardiff Oct. 16 donation \$15 awards top three places all boards to older than 1972 .We need boards so bring your logs. Also some boards under 8'-6" or smaller for the kids. Time is 8.30 for the 1st heat, so be at the beach 7:00-or so.

The city of Encinitas is having its 25th birthday celebration, and would like Swami's to take part Bruce St. Gene will speak about the event at the meeting.

The speaker at the next meeting will be world renowned shaper and wooden board maker Jim Phillips. Be there and join in the fun!

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