



Swami's

SURFING • ASSOCIATION

Newsletter
April 2005



Ty Ponder Enjoying the Ride
Photo by Sterling King

Take a break from doing your taxes...
Come to the Surf Club Meeting...
eat pizza, win fabulous prizes...
Tuesday April 12th 7:00 p.m



The offshore winds have produced nice conditions at Swamis
Photo of Tom by Sterling King

Presidents letter by Tom English

Springtime and the wind is howling offshore. It feels more like our classic Fall offshores, but we'll take it after the Winter we've had.

A few of us went to Leo Carrillo for the coalition annual meeting. Mike Spence stepped down as the President due to a recent heart attack and the stress involved with the Coalition. There is a lot of conflict in the Coalition of Surf Clubs right now. Strong personalities are clashing and no one wants to give in. The Coalition has grown from 8 clubs, with Swamis being a Charter Member, to over 30. The Coalition has accomplished is feeling growing pains over its leadership. A major issue is: Does the Coalition need a President and Board of Directors to operate efficiently? Or can it continue to run as a loose organization with one Representative per club. A decision was made to take nominations in May for several people to act as President (or Big Kahuna), possibly one So. Cal, one Central Cal, and one Nor Cal. I hope we can put the personality clashes aside and move forward. After all it is about surfing, which is fun. When it stops being fun there is a problem.

The State Parks Dept. and the Lifeguards have given us our first choice of dates for our contest. We looked at the tides, daylight, historical data on size and frequency of surf, and chose Oct 7th, and 8th, (Fri, Sat.) The main reason we got the dates is due to the great success of last years contest. Great job Swamis! We need some of you (same as last year and more) to reserve camp sites for the club will reimburse you the fee. You can call 800 444-7275, or click www.reserveamerica.com. You need to register and get a name and password, but the entire process only takes about 5 minutes. We would love to give every team a camp site for our event.

Aloha,
Tom English



Tom Going Left at Swamis - Photo by Sterling King

Letter From the New Editor

First of all, I'd like to thank Tom and Barb English for putting this newsletter together for the past several years. You've done a great job in getting the word out to the SSA, and I hope that I will be able to continue to keep the ball rolling for the coming year.

This issue comes equipped with some pictures of Tom & Ty surfing Swamis last month (Mar 15). During this same time, I was in Costa Rica... my second trip in 2 months because I have a weakness for warm weather, cheap airfare (\$275RT from San Diego), and uncrowded surf.

The Coalition of Surf Clubs is having a retreat to Costa Rica in August, and I highly recommend this trip if you can swing it. This used to be the Rabbit Kekai Contest, but now I think it is more of a resort vacation for Coalition surfers. You can read more about the details of this event later in this issue.

I am looking for newsletter content, and I'd like to encourage any active member of our club (meaning: you paid your dues for this year) to contribute viewpoints, opinions, stories, information, and/or pictures to me for publication. You can send your submissions to me at matt@swamissurfingassociation.org or you can hunt me down during most mornings (when I'm in town) at the Swamp. Electronic media is preferred... even Bruce King has a computer now.

Surf on - Matt



Competition Corner

Otis "The Dude" Sistrunk

Next Contest - Memorial weekend at Santa Cruz....

If you haven't been there, you're really missing out. Lots of fun, good surf, cheering your favorite surfers on the the cliffs above, just hanging out with all your friends...even the Whine King (from down under) goes to this contest.. going to the party, having a few drinks, dancing and just having a good time..... the prez will be there too... SO WHAT ABOUT YOU???

For all you Hawaii Lovers.....Aloha Airlines is having a special now!!! for \$150.00 each way (\$300.00 rt.) if you need help there... need to book before or by april 6th...So get on it!!! Non Stop out of SD....

The Mexico Trip... (main-land)..... Dates are May 9th to the 19th

To San Blas, Punta mita, Sayulita, and more...(most of the spots are Right handers) for all those mexico lovers the trip costs are...\$300.00 rt.(SD) Airfare, \$200.00 Car rental (per car),.... Motels are around \$60.00 per night avg. which can also be split. the 10 day package cost less than \$1,000.00 for everything (air,hotel,food,drinks,surf,etc)..... SO BE THERE OR BE SQUARE....

Any questions...contact me.

otisthedude@hotmail.com or dial (760) 753-1935.

Coalition Surf Trip to Costa Rica

If you'd like to go to Costa Rica this year, you need to call Carol and give her your information.

The trip last year was totally awesome, and you won't regret it, if you haven't been there before.

Its truly the Garden of Eden with surf.

Go to the Coalition site: www.surfclubs.org and read about the 2004 trip.

The cost includes round trip Airfare, a vehicle, your hotel at the Fiesta Resort and Casino, all your meals there and ALL you can drink (alcohol or non).

You need to call ASAP to Carol and get your name on the list at Surf Express 1-888-566-4147 or e-mail surfex@bellsouth.net

7 Night package (8/3-10 or 8/4-11):

Single \$1405	Double \$1207pp	Triple \$1126pp	Quad \$1100pp	Child \$794
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10 Night package (7 nights at the Fiesta and 3 nights with Surf Express Freedom to Roam Hotel Discount Card) or set up other hotels (8/1-11 or 8/2-12):

Single \$1517	Double \$1268pp	Triple \$1170pp	Quad \$1136pp	Child \$794
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...extra night lodging at the Fiesta

Single \$ 82	Double \$75pp	Triple \$66pp	Quad \$63pp
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14 Night Package (7/30-8/13):

Single \$1635	Double \$1322pp	Triple \$1203pp	Quad \$1158pp	Child \$794
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Boca Baranca - A Perfect Left Point Break In Front of the Fiesta Resort
Photo by Matt Loo

Random Ramblings

- Thursday, April 14 - Glass Love, a film by Andrew Kidman will be playing at 7 and 9pm at the La Paloma Theatre in Encinitas. Andrew is a talented artist, musician and film maker from Australia. This film is about the generational link and love of surfing that gets passed down through well known surfing families such as the Currens (Pat, Tom, Joe) and Youngs (world champs Nat and Beau). Not your typical film premiere, Andrew will also play an acoustic music set before each film showings, and he will be signing copies of the children's book he created with illustrator Andy Davis entitled "Way of the Bird." As usual, there will be a huge raffle with great prizes. Tickets are ten dollars and can be purchased at the box office the night of the premiere. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the San Diego Chapter of the Surfrider Foundation.
- Helmut Igel lost his skateboard at the last Swamis meeting, so if anyone picked up a Gravity Longboard Skateboard, give it back and he might reward you by not dropping in on you, and may even give up a wave or two.
- SSA Membership Dues are tax deductible, so pay those dues and get a tax break for 2005.



Surf Check - Somewhere in Costa Rica - Overhead - No One Out
Photo by Matt Loo

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2. Fund your Pension
3. Start & Fund a Roth IRA
4. Call Tom



Give Away Corner

You don't want to miss this month's goodies!! Yeah! Check it....

			Value
1.	O'Neill	Rashguard	\$24.95
2.	Billabong	T - Shirt	\$22.00
3.	Hurley	B-Ball Hat	\$16.95
4.	Stay Covered	9 ft. leash (used by Bass)	\$22.00
5.	Headhunter	Rash-Guard Gel	\$ 7.95
6.	Quicksilver	B-Ball Hat	\$22.00
7.	Rip Curl	Spring Suit	\$69.95
8.	Encinitas Surf	T-Shirt	\$19.95
9.	Da Club	New Swamis T-Shirt	Priceless
10.	Aloe Up	Sun Block Kit	\$19.95
			\$225.65

We will have killer pizza & sodas etc. @ the meeting. Combo and veggie pizza \$2.00 a slice. Pizza Port rocks! Cheese & Pepperoni \$1.00 a slice. All sodas & Beers will be \$1.00 a can!! See ya @ the meeting.

Cheers,
Marc

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You rule Bob and Laurie!