



Swami's
SURFING • ASSOCIATION

Newsletter
May 2002

Is it summer yet?



Laurie Norton attacks the Seagull that has been pooping on her deck. Photo by John Eckert

Come to the Surf Club meeting
Tuesday May 14 7:00 p.m.

Check out www.swamissurfingassociation.org



Chris Brolaski looking for the tube on a borrowed longboard. Photo by John Eckert

From the Outside

Monthly Letter from Bruce King, Pres

It was good to have all the smiling faces at the Beach Clean Up and Surf Off the other week at Cardiff. Thanks for everyone pitching in and cleaning up the beach. We're starting to be regular fixtures down there. John Reinhardt brought the doughnuts. Mrs O'Reilly, the fruit, and Tom English brought down the coffee, and his big smile. Thank you all very much, especially Tom and Barbara for always coming through. Some of the surf results were Tom Tom 1st, Calvin Tom 2nd, Big Woody 3rd, and little Woody took 1st in the Jrs. Congratulations to all.

At the last board meeting, Matt Loo presented us with the Swami's Web Site which he set up for the club. What a guy, and all he wanted was an outside wave, too bad there hasn't been any. (Editors note: Due to the severe lack of surf, Matt headed south this month to Peru, and Panama to enjoy so much warm, tropical, perfect surf he is now "surfed out" due to sore arms.) Since our surf has been lacking, you should tune in to our website, (SwamisSurfingAssociation.Org). Each member needs to send in pictures, and a brief Bio /Dropping to be posted on the site. Also any other photos, history, stories, ect., please bring to the next meeting, Tuesday, May 14 7:00p.m. 164 Pacific St. Solana Beach (The old Community Center) Our Place!.

I would like to thank the City of Solana Beach for letting us use this great facility for our meetings. It's good to have friends like them.

The Swami's Surfing Association will be going to the Memorial Day Contest at Santa Cruz, Steamers Lane. This year will be the 17th year Swam's has had a presence at that contest. Come and join the fun and be part of Surfing History. The longest running Longboard Surfing Contest in the world. The club has procured two camp sites at Henry Cowells Redwood State Park, thanks to Gary Baum. Each site holds 8 people. The park is about 10 minutes from the lane, and there is good hiking in the redwood loops. The team will be led by infamous JR (John Reinhardt). Good Luck to all, because I know it will be fun. See you at the wall in the lane. The Prez

Bruce King

P.S. See you at the meeting Tuesday.

Surf Shots - Thanks to our contributors Chris Owen, Surfshot.com, Grandviewsurfing.com



Aaron walking on water Photo by Chris Owen



Cardiff Reef provided a few days of rideable surf. Tom English at the racetrack.



Doug Jopes caught the classic conditions for a few hours before the wind hit.

2002 SSA Calendar of Events

May 14th	Club meeting	7:00 PM
May 19th	Board meeting @ Bruce King's (map to follow)	2:00 PM
May 25/26th	Santa Cruz Longboard Union Contest (Club Coalition event) Contact: John Reinhardt (760) 634-1033 – Please contact John early to sign up!	
June 11th	Club meeting	7:00 PM
June 19th	Board meeting @ John Reinhardts	7:00 PM
June (tbd)	Casa de Emparo @ Ponto Contact: Pat Pezzoli (760) 753-7613	
June 29/30th	OLSC 18th Annual Longboard Contest – Open	
July 9th	Club meeting	7:00 PM
July 17th	Board meeting @ John Reinhardts	
July (tbd)	Old Time Classic/Pong Party Contact: Tim Sullivan / RJ (760) 632-9813/Ed Burke (858) 756-7353	
July (tbd)	Possible SSA club camping/surfing trip Contact: Marc Adams (760) 753-0506	
August 3/4th	Boardriders "Call to the Wall" (Club Coalition event) Contact: John Reinhardt/ Jack Crabtree – Please contact John & Jack early to sign up!	
August 13th	Club meeting	7:00 PM
August 21st	Board meeting (location tbd)	7:00 PM
August (tbd)	Lion's Club/SSA Blind Surf Contact: Bruce King (760) 945-8234 / Pat Weber (800) 447-surf	
Sept. 7/8th	MSA Contest (Club Coalition event) Contact: John Reinhardt (760) 634-1033 – Please contact John early to sign up!	
Sept. 7/8th	Machado Fund Raiser (Hot dog sales w/Seaside Market sponsorship) Contact: Jon Cohen (760) 942-2347	
Sept. 10t	Club meeting	7:00 PM
Sept. 18th	Board meeting (location tbd)	7:00 PM
Oct. 5th	Roxy Wahine Classic @ Old Man's (SanO) - Open	
Oct. 8th	Club meeting	7:00 PM
Oct. 12/13th	SSA 2002 Club Contest (Club Coalition event) Contact: Bruce King – volunteers needed!	
Oct. 16th	Board meeting (location tbd)	7:00 PM
Nov. 12th	Club meeting / SSA 2003 Board of Director nominations	7:00 PM
Nov. 20th	Board meeting (location tbd)	7:00 PM
Dec. 14th	SSA Christmas Party Contact: Lori Adams (760) 944-1879	TBD



Jeanette Prince styling at Swamis Photo by John Eckert See more at GrandviewSurfing.com

Competition Update

It is time to go to Santa Cruz, the oldest and longest running longboard contest on the coast. So far I have had a very poor turnout for this great event. No calls except from our distinguished dead president Mike Emerson and of course our current President Bruce King. Hopefully we will do better than 10th place, but who knows maybe we will get lucky. The roster has been sent but we still could use some brave souls in the novice, tandem and menehune divisions. I know this is a tough drive for most, but it is so much fun, so join us in Santa Cruz for Memorial Day MAY 25th & 26th.

The next event is the old time classic, don't miss that one its local and it is fun. Just ask any of the old timers. The surf off and beach cleanup went well although because this old timer hasn't been paying attention, I have misplaced the results, but I think we all won, because we had a good time and packed our trash. Enough rambling time to go surfing.

If anyone has any question call W#760-634-0801 or H# 760-634-1033

See you in the WATER

John

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Email to: TomTom-Productions@cox.net or call me (760)943-7914

Dropping In On... Matt Loo



Name: Matt Loo

Matt in Cabo Photo by Jim Pidgeon

Occupation: Retired

Favorite Grinds: Pamplmouse, Juanitas and just about anyplace that serves plate lunch.

Favorite Surf Spot: Wherever I'm surfing at the time.

Favorite Music: Anything but Country Western (Hank Williams is pretty cool though).

Travel: Hawaii, Australia, Fiji, Baja, Indonesia, Costa Rica, Panama, Peru

Scariest Surf Experience: When the Doc said he wasn't sure if the paralysis in my left leg (the result of a gnarly ski accident) would ever get better. After five years of rehab, a lot of medication, and the support of some really good people, I was back in the ocean... on a boogie board at first, but eventually working my way up to surfing. The rest is history.

Biography:

Presently residing in Solana Beach, Matt grew up on Oahu, until he came to Southern California to attend college. Twenty years later, he retired from the rat race so he could devote his time to surfing, traveling, and maintaining the SSA website.

These days you can usually find him surfing at Swamis (his favorite local spot) in the mid-morning... just after the dawn-patrollers leave



Stop The Seawall at Cardiff Reef or you may be a backwash victim during our Prime Surf Season

SURF FILM PREMIERE TO BENEFIT SURFRIDER FOUNDATION'S EFFORT TO SAVE CARDIFFREEF:

The Surfrider Foundation celebrated Earth Day, April 22, with the premiere of the new surfing movie "Wordz," produced and directed by Opper Sports Productions. This special event was held the evening of April 22 at Sherwood Auditorium, Museum of Contemporary Art. All proceeds go to stop a proposed sea wall at Cardiff Reef in Encinitas.

"Wordz" is the latest production from Opper Sports, the Emmy-award winning team behind "The Surfer's Journal" television series on Outdoor Life Network. "Wordz" has a powerful collection of images and statements on longboard surfing in 2002, with candid profiles of the world's best surfers and surf spots.

The screening was be hosted by famed pro surfer Rob Machado. Special guests include current ASP longboard world champion Colin McPhillips and former world champion Joel Tudor. Colin and Joel each auctioned off one of their personal surfboards. The evening also featured live music.

For more information on the "Wordz" benefit premiere, go to surfhistory.com or [surfridersd.org](http://www.surfridersd.org) <<http://www.surfridersd.org>>



Raffle Corner

This months raffle is one you don t want to miss!! Yeah! Check it....

			Value
1.	Sticky Bumps	Traction	\$29.95
2.	Billabong	Baseball Hat	\$22.00
3.	Hurley	T - Shirt	\$16.95
4.	Stay Covered	9 ft. leash (used by Bass)	\$18.95
5.	Headhunter	Rash-Guard Gel	\$ 7.95
6.	Quicksilver	W et/Dry backpack	\$74.95
7.	Anarchy	Polarized shades	\$69.95
8.	Encinitas Surf	Baseball hat	\$19.95
9.	Da Club	Swamis T-Shirt	\$10.00
10.	Aloe Up	Killer Sun Block	\$ 8.95

We will have killer pizza & sodas etc. @ the meeting. Combo and veggie pizza. Cheese & Pepperoni will still be \$1.00 a slice. All sodas & Beers will be \$1.00 a can!! So bring a little extra jingle & I ll see ya @ the meeting.

Late, Marc

Member Services

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