

VENTURA SURF CLUB NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Ahoy! All Hands On Deck!

We have only 2 weeks until our annual C Street Longboard Classic and we are officially in high gear. There are so many details to cover and I am so grateful for all the members that volunteer before, during and after the event. Because of them, we have a smooth running event. It is such a wonderful team effort! If you want to volunteer and have not yet heard from us, please contact us at volunteer@venturasurfclub.org.

There is one area where everyone can help. We need contestants! Without them, ain't much of an event! If you plan to surf in the contest (and why wouldn't you?), Please sign up right away! Get your surf buddies and friends to sign-up! Encourage the kids to sign up -- if not for the longboard event, sign up for the short board event. This is such a fun contest and it also supports our local surf club! Please get the word out and help us get the most surfers possible, thank you.

In addition to some awesome surfing, there is a planned after party at Yolie's with The Soul Surfers on Saturday night. This is going to be a really fun event and I hope to see everyone there!

Thank you to everyone that attended our August Intra-Club (actually inter-club), pot-luck bbq and meeting. Joining up with the Santa Barbara Surf Club is such a treat! Thanks to everyone for making it such a fun event!

Surf's Up! A nice swell and a 3 day weekend, it's not often you see that? Get out there and have some fun! Please remember to share the waves and "Live Like Larry!".

Sincerely,
Michael Mariani
President

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	EXTRA INFORMATION
September 10/11 th (Sat./ Sun.)	MSA Classic	Malibu	pre-sign up and fee required, contact Jimmy Gray
September 17/18 th (Sat./ Sun.)	C St. Longboard Classic +Yolie's Party (Sat. night)	Ventura	sign-up now http://venturasurfclub.org/cstreet/
October 16 th (Sun.)	Intra-club contest	County Line	*see below
October 8/9 th (Sat./Sun.)	Best Day Foundation event	Inner Cove Surfer's Point	sign-up now http://venturasurfclub.org/cstreet/
October 29/30 th (Sat./Sun.)	Hobson Camp-Out with SBSC + Costume Surf contest	Hobson	for video and pictures from last year : http://s409.photobucket.com/albums/pp171/rredhead/
November 5 th (Sun.)	Intra-club contest *LAST ONE	TBA	*see below
November 19 th (Sun.)	Year-End Luau +Trophies		

*Intra-club contests start at 7 am, please arrive by 6:30 am. Entrant fee \$5. Points earned accumulate towards members annual total for trophies.

Local surf shops host **BIGGEST SALE** of all time...

Check out Wavefront and Walden Surf Shops this weekend to score a deal! See webpages below for more details.

<http://wavefrontsurfshop.blogspot.com/>

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Best Day Foundation



Have the best day of your life by volunteering to help special needs kids surf. The Best Day Foundation offers volunteers the chance to share their love of the ocean with kids.

There is no cost to help and the experience will be priceless.

For more information <http://www.bestdayfoundation.org/>.

Surf Brewery

Haven't made it out to the new brewery in town, get over there! Get stoked with surf themed brews like "County Line Rye" and "Wahine White Ale." With reasonable prices and an atmosphere any surfer would love, Ventura's Surf Brewery will get your hopes up when there are no waves. For menu and prices: <http://surfbrewery.com/beer-menu.html>

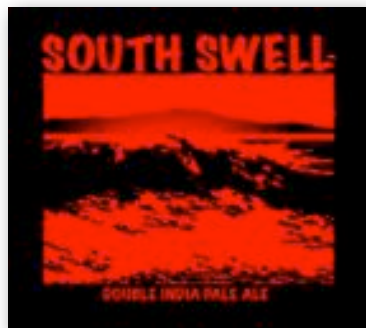


THE BIG ONE

Ken Mc Alpine

Our venerable C Street Longboard Classic contest celebrates a quarter century of surf stoke September 17-18 at Surfer's Point. For those who didn't know, the C Street contest traces its roots back to one of the first professional surf contests held in California - Tom Morey's Nose Riding Contest, held in 1965. Waves good enough for Mickey Munoz, Robert August, Donald Takayama and David Nuuhiwa should be good enough for you. Sign up (and/or volunteer) now at www.venturasurfclub.org.

For pictures from previous events: <http://www.venturasurfclub.org>



VENTURA SURF CLUB: COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

Mingling Members

Ventura and Santa Barbara Surf Club members joined at Padaro Grill* for a social evening July 28th. Set on the coast of scenic Carpinteria, members old and young enjoyed the playful grounds of Padaro. Stories from the recent Malibu "Call to the Wall" contest were shared on the patio. Local surfer, Jeff Belzer celebrated a first place win for Ventura men (below). Several members were stoked to meet Santa Barbara president Debbie's friend Margo Oberg. Margo was a women's legend in the 70's with numerous titles, and a nice lady to date. Cake was enjoyed around a warm fire, with tunes in the background from VSC members Joe Ramieri, Jeff Belzer, and Donna Eyman with SBSC members (side). Talk of the upcoming Ventura California Street Classic filled the air as Michael Mariani and Andy Sassen tried to recruit sign-ups (side).

*For more information about Padaro Grill: http://www.noozhawk.com/article/060911_padaro_beach_grill_in_carpinteria_reopens/

below left: VSC Jeff Belzer celebrates a triumphant first place at the "Call to the Wall."

below right: SBSC's next generation...with tans and sun-bleached hair like that, straight shredders no doubt!



above: VSC member Paul "Stoked" (yellow shirt) successfully mingled with the Santa Barbara crew.

below left: SBSC president Debbie celebrates their club victories at "Call to the Wall."

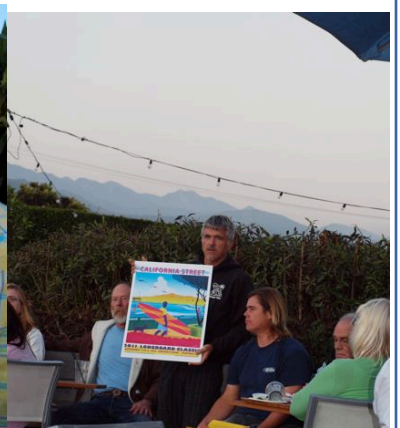
below right: VSC and SBSC jam. (Donna Eyman, Joe Ramieri, and SBSC unidentified harmonic.



bottom left: Art, Andy, and Michael smile for Ventura!

bottom center: Jon and Ken, "Was that THE Margo...70's shredder Margo?"

bottom right: Michael and Andy promoting the C Street Classic... sign up NOW at



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High surf catches smuggers' boat

“VENTURA, Calif. — Dangerously high waves likely caused a smuggling boat to crash on a Southern California beach where more than 500 pounds of marijuana washed ashore, authorities said Thursday...”

For full story: http://www.contracostatimes.com/california/ci_18726303?nclick_check=1 and <http://www.statesman.com/news/nation/high-waves-likely-caused-ca-smuggling-boat-crash-1811305.html>

Save McGrath!

The park donated by the McGrath family is known for camping, bird watching and surfing on the coast between the Ventura and Channel Islands Harbors.

State budget cuts put McGrath State Beach park on the Sept. 6 closure list, which is the same day the park could win \$100,000 in an online contest called "America Is Your Park."

For full story: <http://www.keyt.com/news/local/Rally-To-Save-Mcgrath-State-Beach-128499373.html>

Ventura's Beach History

"Democratizing the Beach: From Therapy to Recreation"

Venturan's have always known the therapy that comes from time at the beach. Since the 19th century people have been seeking the sands of Ventura...and for more than just the surf. The local ventura museum currently has two exhibits on our beloved beach, "Democratizing the Beach: From Therapy to Recreation" and "Splash." Maybe next time it's flat, head on over for some beach-related education.



The museum is at 100 E. Main St., Ventura. Admission to the lecture is \$10, or \$5 for museum members, and includes entry to all museum galleries. For reservations, call 653-0323, ext. 7, or visit venturamuseum.org.

Read more: <http://www.vcstar.com/news/2011/aug/25/historian-to-discuss-venturas-beach-history/#ixzz1WlPq1ZxX>

- vcstar.com

Football and surfing?

Of the nearly 7,500 spectators at the Point Mugu surf contest August 20-21, one caught more attention than most. New Orleans Saint's quarterback, Drew Brees, took a break from pre-season practice in Oxnard and headed out to enjoy the local surf show. But no quarterback could draw attention away from the good waves and solid surfing. For more details: http://www.surflines.com/surf-news/fourth-annual-nvbc-point-mugu-contest-presented-by-quiksilver-scores-fun-peaks-1_58622 <http://www.vcstar.com/news/2011/aug/24/7500-spectators-and-a-quarterback-attend-mugu/> http://www.dailynews.com/news/ci_18730154

What to do when there's not a swell?

Explore your local area! http://www.vcreporter.com/cms/story/detail/easy_sierra_club_hikes_promote_historical_exploration_and_friendship/9095/

For more community happenings visit : http://www.vcstar.com/news/2011/aug/25/Exhibit_listings_0826/

VENTURA SURF CLUB: MEET A MEMBER

Meet Leslie Broude



Name: Leslie Broude

Occupation: I am a batik artist and speciality garment dyer.

www.keeperoftherainbow.net

Birthday: Aug. 9th

Years surfing: I re-entered surfing 16 years ago after a 32 year gap.

What is your favorite color?

Hmm.....purple and sea green wave.

Why are manhole covers round?

because if they were square, they would not roll, and everybody knows that a manhole cover has to be able to roll.

What is your favorite drink? really good water

How would your ideal surf session go?

Clean, head high or so waves wrapping around and lining up, glassy conditions, comfortable water temp., and several of the really nice early morning crew out there to share it with.

Any idols/heroes?

I just love Judy Cortright.....she is almost 68 years old and surfs with us most mornings and is one incredible woman. Then there is Bill Hinkle who is totally my hero for his attitude and surfing. He is one extremely nice man and has great stories to tell.

If you were a tree (or animal) what kind of tree(animal) would you be?

I would love to be a horse or a dolphin.....given the right conditions.

What would I find in your refrigerator right now?

In my refrigerator-pretty much of always-is lots of fresh veggies, fruits-this time of year that includes melons-rice milk, cow milk for my daughter, tortillas, usually some left over pasta or rice, peanut butter, other nuts, tofu, and Hersheys chocolate syrup.(!)

What is the last book you read?

I am reading *The Forgotten Garden* by Kate Morton-an Australian novel.



Above and below: Leslie shredding it up.



VENTURA SURF CLUB: TAKING OFF!

Name the Culprit and Win a \$10 Gift Certificate

Since good deeds are best left unsung, we'll let you try to figure this one out...

One surf club member has a board with a gash near the fin box. Another surf club member knows this. This nosey surf club member calls the other surfer's son and has the youth pull the board from the garage. The next time the surfer goes into his garage and looks at his broken board, it's fixed. When asked why he did it, our favorite Boy Scout shrugs and says, "That's what friends do." First one to correctly name the good Samaritan gets a \$10 gift certificate to Ventura Surf Shop. Send answers to oceanloove@gmail.com



Simple is as Simple Does

Ken McAlpine

How do you prepare for a Maverick's hold down?

Big wave legend Greg Long skips the gym and keeps things simple. He swims underwater laps at the local pool.

He runs 50-yard wind sprints in the San Clemente hills, keeping it interesting by holding his breath.

He rides a stationary bike, holding his breath and pedaling flat out for 90 seconds. Then he does it again – and again. He wears a helmet in case he blacks out.

“My confidence, every bit of it, comes from knowing that I've done everything possible to be prepared,” says Long.



Another bit of surfing cocktail trivia. Long was named after Greg Noll.

How You Might Not Want to Approach Maverick's

Flea Virostko made his debut at Maverick's in 1991 tripping on acid.

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Ventura History

Yvon Chouinard talks about surfing the now-extinct wave, Stanley's, in Ventura County. In 1970 the 101 freeway destroyed the break. Featuring footage of Jamie Budge surfing Stanley's in 1965.

Check out this sweet video that'll make you wish you were shredding in the 60's... for those of us that weren't so fortunate.

<http://video.patagonia.com/video/Stanleys-A-Lost-Treasure>



The Science of Surf

Stoked on the big swells? Me too. Let's learn about what makes for an epic session... <http://hermosabeach.patch.com/articles/legendary-forecaster-explains-big-surf>



California and Beer

The same weekend as the C St. Classic the California Beer festival will grace Ventura with brews, blues, and BBQ's. What a nice way to relax in the evening after hanging out and volunteering at the C St.!

Beer info:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3uqoRpYzmC8&feature=player_embedded
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Thoughts to Ponder (Surf and Non-Surf)

Ken Mc Alpine

If a man has a talent and learns to use the whole of it, he has gloriously succeeded, and won a satisfaction and triumph few men ever know.

Thomas Wolfe

It always stays in my mind that if you can get the right line and the right entry, then you can pretty much ride a wave of any size.

Joel Fitzgerald

There is something
In the face,
An air, and a peculiar grace.
Which boldest painters cannot trace
William Somerville

For my part, I travel not to go anywhere, but to go. I travel for travel's sake. The great affair is to move.

Robert Louis Stevenson

All you touch and all you see is all your life will ever be.

Pink Floyd



Back in Black

Ken Mc Alpine

Proving Australians are innovative -- and white sharks have fine taste in rock n' roll – Aussie Matt Waller has been experimenting with music as a white shark attractant. His intent, to find something more environmentally friendly than chum. His findings to date? When he plays AC/DC underwater – in particular the songs “You Shook Me All Night Long” and “Back in Black” – white sharks in the vicinity approach the submerged shark cage and calmly rub their snouts against the mounted speakers. <http://www.petethomasoutdoors.com/2011/06/great-white-sharks-said-to-be-latest-fans-of-rock-band-acdc.html>

For a shark frenzy of your own...check out Calexico : <http://www.vcstar.com/news/2011/aug/18/check-out-calexico-desert-noir-sound/> music sample: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gLsQ_8PwwDs&feature=BFa&list=AVGxdCwVVULXewi4rTj2LzNXQe3AkhmyFe&list_related

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Show us your skills!

Surfers are a unique group of people with many talents. The newsletter wants to showcase members' work, e-mail photos, art work, poems, songs, anything worth sharing to oceanloove@gmail.com