

Big Turnouts for Summer Surf Clinics

Beginning in early June, the Surfing Committee sponsored a series of Summer Surf Clinics. More than 15 individuals participated in each clinic, primarily junior members interested in improving their surfing skills.

Instructors Kisi Haine, Tom Harrer, Terri Needels, Howard Word, and Shawna Brizzolara provided beach lessons, and then took small groups of varying skill/experience levels out to surf at the Silver Stairs break.

Participants learned everything from how to carry and wax a board to how to take off on a wave and ride it. Due to popular demand by the participants, the clinics were extended throughout the summer on a weekly basis. Led by Kisi Haine and Laurie Lawson, the junior surfers went out surfing together every Tuesday (and sometimes, Saturday) afternoons.

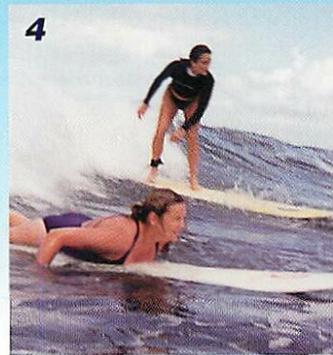
We hope that by focusing on developing

the skills of our junior members there will be increased interest in surfing at the Club and that the OCC will have strong boys and girls surfing teams to participate in the upcoming competition seasons.

Many thanks to Kisi and Laurie for their dedication to the juniors throughout the summer!!

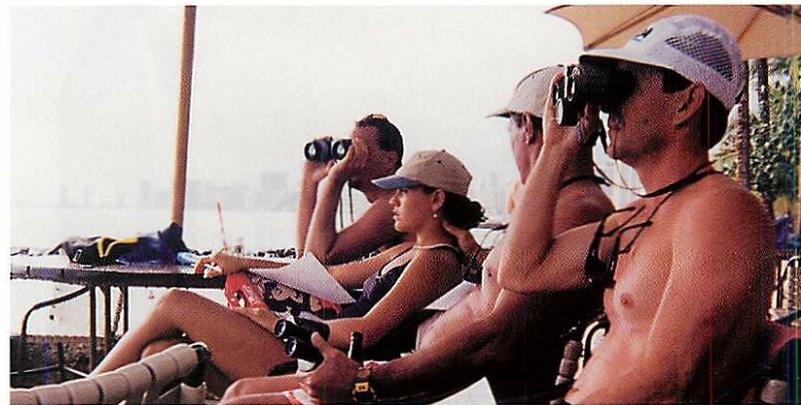
Enjoying the surfing lessons were 1) front, Kisi Haine, Amy and Lindsay Wessberg, Priya Ho. Back row, Shawna Brizzolara, Lexie Timpson, Robert Perry, Terri Needels, Sonny Sinclair. 2) Gathered with their surfboards are Lani Lam, Megan Abbott, Allie and Spenser Rigg, Laurie Lawson, Tom and Hannah Harrer, Avery Cavanah, Sonny Sinclair, Robert Manny, Amy Lawson and Kisi Haine. 3) Jenna Frowein; 4) Lexie Timpson and Shawna Brizzolara; 5. Sonny Sinclair and Robert Perry.

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OCC Summer Surf Contest

Judges watch contestants in surf contest.



The Club Summer Surfing Contest was held on July 11th at Old Man's Bowl, fronting the Outrigger Canoe Club. A solid four foot south swell provided consistently good surf throughout the day long event.

More than 50 Club members of all ages participated, including juniors as young as 11 years (Amy Lawson) to golden masters such as Kimo Austin, Jaren Hancock, and Joe "Flash" Dubiel. There was exceptionally tough competition in the Open Men's division given the 30 plus surfers entered in that category.

Kisi Haine gave the open men a run for the trophy as she ripped all the way to the final heat. We will never know if she could have won the open men's division as she had to drop out to continue to participate in the OCC mixed-doubles volleyball tournament.

Super jock and super jockette Marc Haine and Paula Crabb also managed to run back and forth between the volleyball courts and the surf as well.

The grand finale of the day was canoe surfing, where the six three-person crews put on a classic performance in the super high tide afternoon surf. Marc Haine, Mike Fox and Karl Heyer chose to take off on the biggest waves seen all day, whereas Jimmy Austin, Mike Kane and Ben Komer took off on medium sized waves and did a variety of canoe-surfing tricks to impress the Hau Terrace crowd. Even the third-place crew (Bruce Black, Dean Michaelidis, and Clayton Chee) ripped, despite using the Old Man canoe. All in all, a grand time was had by all.

OCC Summer Surf Contest Results

Open Men

1. Bruce Black
2. Gregg Moss
3. Flash Dubiel
- (tie) Sage Spalding

Open Women

1. Laurie Lawson
2. Paula Crabb
3. Carolyn Hall

18 & Under Boys

1. Jimmy Austin
2. Billy Lawson
3. Marc Rocheleau

18 & Under Girls

1. Amy Lawson
- (tie) Brooke Perry
- (tie) Natalie Rigg
2. Allie Rigg
3. Lexie Timpson

Canoe Surfing Division

1. Jimmy Austin, Mike Kane, Ben Komer
2. Marc Haine, Karl Heyer, Mike Fox
3. Bruce Black, Dean Michaelidis, Clayton Chee