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**SATURDAY, MARCH 27
HUNTINGTON BEACH-
CRUISER & CAR SHOW,
DAWN UNTIL 4:00 AT THE FOOT
OF HUNTINGTON BEACH PIER,
CAN SELL/DISPLAY ON SUNDAY
THE 28'TH ALSO. \$5.00 GETS
YOU PARKING FOR BOTH DAYS**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 24
BEACH COTTAGES, SAN
DIEGO-FROM DAWN TILL
1:00 P.M. THEME IS "ART
SURFBOARDS"BBQ/PARTY FRI
NIGHT-RESERVE YOUR ROOM
CALL LARRY O'BRIEN/BEACH
COTTAGES 858-483-7440**

**SATURDAY, MAY 22
CALIFORNIA HERITAGE
MUSEUM, 2612 MAIN ST.
SANTA MONICA. ON THE
GRASS IN FRONT OF
MUSEUM. FROM DAWN TILL
LATE AFTERNOON. FREE
PARKING IN MUSEUM LOT**



SAFARI SURF SHOP MEET ... WINTER 2010

It was a clear crisp day in the "Valley". **Randy Beck** and his crew met the early morning crowd with steaming hot coffee, fresh O.J., sweet pastries (donuts), and plenty of other munchies. It was a substantial, well-stocked, spread that fed the crowd for the entire meet. Delightfully, some members we don't always get to see were in attendance; **Roger Dahlen, Lee Nicholl, Jim O'Conner, & Russell Welch** to name a few. Russ Welch brought one of the most interesting boards, a (circa late 40's) redwood/chambered balsa plank. **Steve Misiaszek** had some very cool foamsies on display. **Bob Barnes** was discreetly showing vintage photos (daguerreotypes) of himself as a bare-chested youth to anyone he could. Past President **Joseph Alphabet** was in fine form. Erwin "The Club Mule" Spitz showed up with about 15 boards he was kindly delivering for other people. **A giant THANK YOU TO SAFARI SURF SHOP for pulling all the stops out for "The Club"!!**



Above: Easy going Robert Brunner relaxing in the sun..... **Below:** "Collecting Giants" **Jim Campanella & Mel Evans**. Jim shows Mel how the static from his hair can blow up the transformer down the street. Upon seeing the explosion, Mel considers letting his hair grow back.



Above: "Collecting Giants"--**Joseph Alphabet & Roger Dahlen**; right before they squished the photographer like a bug! **Below:** Megan Evans in front while Danielle, Grant and Smilin' Dan chat in the background



UPCOMING EVENT
HUNTINGTON BEACHCRUISER 2010
Saturday, March 27...From Dawn Until 4:00
At The Foot of The Huntington Beach Pier

This event is in conjunction with a huge two day car show on Main Street & The Pier. Pull into the lot on the North side of the Pier. You will encounter a table with an Event Staffer or two. Tell the Staffer that you are a Longboard Collector Club Member. They will wave you thru to the "display area". Find Mel Evans or his daughter Megan and give them your \$5.00 parking fee. Unload your stuff and then park your vehicle in the designated area. At some point you will be given a "Parking Pass" to put on your dashboard. The "Pass" is good for Saturday **AND Sunday** (in the specified lot only). **We are also permitted to return and set up on Sunday the 28th....**This Meet has a ton of exposure to the public so pack accordingly. The walk-thru traffic really increases in the late morning and early afternoon. The "Woodie Folks" will be out in full force and they are often looking for inexpensive wood fin boards, "cute" paipos (for the Mini's), vintage surf racks, etc....See you there!!!



HOT TIPS

#1. If you haven't gone on our club's website – www.longboardcollector.com - recently, you might want to check it out. Our new webmaster, Maureen Karpan, has uploaded slideshows of our last 2 meets at Doheny & Chatsworth.

#2. For a *REAL TREAT*, go on the Surfing Heritage website – www.surfingheritage.org, click on "EXHIBITS", then scroll down the dropdown menu, click on "STOKED-IN-BOARD" and have a ball.....Flying under the radar for so many years of devoted work, Andy Anderson is truly a GREAT HERO in the cause for "preserving the history of surfing".

"FROM THE LADIES SECTION"

About 13 years ago, in Berkeley, a tenant of mine passed away after a long illness. Steve and his wife Val, were "Children Of The 60's". By the time I met them, they were both experiencing tragic health problems, largely due to longtime drug abuse. He had been the foreman of the stage crew at "Woodstock". She was the extremely bright and willowy daughter of two Berkeley Literature Professors, a Frenchman and an Englishwoman. They were my friends, and so, when Steve passed away I asked Val if there was anything I could do to help out. She requested that I paint the living room before Steve's East Coast relatives arrived to attend his funeral. So, Val & I spent the next 2 days chatting away, she lying in her bed while I worked in the living room. On the second day, I was rolling out the ceiling when she got around to telling me about her adventurous/athletic brothers and the large old family home in the Berkeley Hills where her parents still lived. I, of course, asked her if there happened to be any old surfboards hanging around this big old family house..... "No, no old boards at my Dad's house" she responded in a high reedy voice. "Oh well" I thought, "no hurt in asking" and was just starting to roll again when I heard her continue "nope, I'm the only one in the family with an old surfboard. It's in my sister's attic just down the street, on the corner. *Do you want to see it ?*"

In 1960, for Val's 16th birthday, her boyfriend (a surfer), took her to San Francisco Surf Shop to buy her a surfboard. They were directed, perhaps by Jack O'Neill, to the "Ladies Section" where Val picked out a split stringer 9'0" with purple & light pink panels. She and her boyfriend went directly to Ocean Beach and paddled out. Unfortunately, she paddled right up the face of a set wave, where she, and her board were taken backwards, over the falls, by the lip of the wave. "After that" she said, "I would just sit by the board whenever we came to the beach". She never took the board in the water again.

Although she clearly cherished the board and the memories it represented, Val saw fit to sell it to me. She died a short time later. The board has been on display to the public for the last 11 years and is part of my permanent collection.

Thank You, Steve Collins

DO YOU HAVE A STORY TO SHARE WITH THE CLUB THAT COULD BE INCLUDED IN THE NEWSLETTER? A COLLECTING OR SURFING ADVENTURE YOU'VE HAD, MAYBE WITH A LITTLE COMEDY, SUSPENSE & ROMANCE THROWN IN TO ROUND IT OUT? SOMETHING RECENT OR FROM SEVERAL DECADES AGO? WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE IT !

WANT ADS

1. Dennis Lambert is looking for surf patches of all kinds. Will trade or pay cash. (760) 942-6726 or lambert453@adelphia.net
2. Tom Ridings has 30 collectible surfboards for sale. They range from very good to excellent condition. Some of the boards are vintage and some replica riders. Phone number is (562) 618-4826.
3. Greg Noll items wanted. I collect everything related to the Noll Family (posters, photos, boards, clothing, you name it) Mike Jipp email mikejipp@harborside.com.
4. Wanted!!! Old surf movie posters. Trying to fill voids in collection. Bruce Brown's "Surf Crazy," John Severson posters, Greg Noll's "Surfing Highlights." Contact John Kelly at (208) 726-8465 or email jpkelly@aol.com.
5. South Bay w/tunnel fin wanted. Jerry Pierce (661) 332-7159
6. Sean Lee is looking for vintage guns. Any condition! (805) 927-3172
7. Safari Surf and Sport can meet all of your surfing needs. Chatsworth, CA. (818) 349-9283
8. Half-Dead Surf Club t-shirts and art for sale. Unique and most excellent! Richard Phillips (805) 545-9190
9. Always looking for Wardy surfboards and memorabilia. jimtb@modernpostcard.com or (619) 417-9266
10. Chubbysurf.com Check online for all kinds of great vintage and new surf stuff.
11. Hawaiiana. Buy, sell, trade. Always looking for ancient treasures. Joe Alphabet (949) 650-1322
12. Offering twist removal. Also buying and selling excellent vintage longboards and guns. Cheater-Five Vintage Surf.com. Also available are new high quality display straps out of 2" black nylon web with metal or plastic (short board) buckles. Joe Passarelli at (760) 489-5842.
13. Hobie reproduction bolt thru deck fins available. Excellent quality! Also, selling several surfboards that include numerous Hobie and Harbour's from the 60's (also a Greek). Additionally, there are 3 special/vintage balsa boards. All of the boards are in good/great condition and pictures are available. Contact Erwin at (949) 643-8002 or surfindudetoo@gmail.com.
14. Nick Van Bruggen is looking for vintage boards shaped in the Santa Cruz area. (831) 438-1260
15. For Sale-Pacific Systems Homes Swastika Surfboard. Russ Welch (805) 640-9867
16. San Diego boards wanted will trade or buy boards, have lots of other boards for trade, Dean Kallsen (619) 804-3121 www.sdsurfshop.com

IN PASSING

KEVIN HALL 1962---2010

FAMILY MAN---FRIEND---SURFER---CLUB MEMBER

