



AMP SURF REPORT

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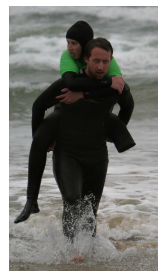
Waves of fun in Pismo Beach!

By Dana Cummings Exec. Director
We had a great clinic on April 10th thanks to all of you that made it out and shared the waves with us. The day started off pretty cold but once everyone starting arriving the temperature just started to tick up along with the anticipation of the fun we would all soon be having.

We had one of our largest turnouts of volunteers yet for our one day clinics. Thank you all for making it



down to the beach to help our participants ride the waves and feel the rehabilitate power of the ocean and adaptive surfing. All the participants were able to catch some great waves. "I think I caught some of my best waves ever..." said Greg.



Above knee amputee and first time participant Courtney caught great waves and her boyfriend Chris was one of the hardest working guys in the water. Blind participant Kim-Lyod was able to polish his style, popping up and riding high on several waves. Nate & Ryan also looked great in the water working with Alana and Alex to fine tune their skills. John Foote came in a little late, but JT, Mike, Dave and some of the other great volunteers got him suited up and in the water in no time "It was a lot of work but what great fun...I

think next time I'll skip my work out before coming out" said John, after catching some waves on his first trip out to surf with us. We again had participants and volunteers make great efforts to get to the event. Volunteer and participant Julie Carruthers made the trek up from LA in the early morning hours despite battling a stomach bug, Greg came up from Santa Barbara to lend a hand and some of our veteran friends from Santa Cruz event made the trip down to be a part of the event. Elliot and Anne came up from Pasadena and of course we had all the great people from right here on the Central Coast.

Thank you all so very much for making the event such a great success.

More thanks to Julie for working to set up the great fundraising event at California Pizza Kitchen in San Luis Obispo following the clinic, also her parents who helped bring the silent auction items for the event. Thanks to Lou and Ryan who helped to pass out fliers for it at farmers and all over the area.

Thanks to all of you who came out for it in support of the AmpSurf program. The restaurant was very impressed with the turn out and said they really enjoyed having us.



San Clemente May 8th + Pat & Oscars



FUNdraiser in Irvine

We will be in gorgeous San Clemente May 8th for our fifth clinic of the year. Please visit our website for more info on how to participate or volunteer for this event. We will also be having a FUNdraiser at Pat & Oscars in Irvine following the clinic with a silent auction from 2:00-5:00. P&O will be donating 20% from all dine-in and take-out orders all day Saturday if the customer presents a fliers from AmpSurf. Follow this link

http://www.ampsurf.org/LTSC/2010/SC_Pat_OscarsFundraiser050810.pdf to get yours. We would love to see you there.

Who We Are & Our Mission: We are a Non-Profit Organization made up of amputees, veterans and friends & family of the disabled. We want to Promote, Inspire, Educate, and Rehabilitate people with disabilities, especially our veteran heroes through adaptive surfing & fun safe outdoor activities all can participate in.

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

VOLUNTEERS MEETING AT SLO AMERICAN LEGION 7-8PM	5/3
ABILITIES FAIR- SLO VETS HALL 10-3PM	5/4
SAN CLEMENTE -LEARN TO SURF	5/8
WSA WEST COAST CHAMPIONSHIPS	5/15-16
WINE WAVES & BEYOND	6/3-6
OPERATION RESTORATION V	9/10-16
VA SUMMER SPORTS CLINIC	9/18-25

WSA West Coast Championships

May 15th and 16th the WSA will be having their annual West Coast Championships at Churches Beach. For the third year in a row the WSA will be hosting an exhibition heat for Challenged Athletes. This years group features participants from South Africa, Canada, North Carolina, Washington, Hawaii and of course California including four participants from the AmpSurf program. We are all very honored and thankful to the WSA for reaching out to support members of the disabled community by letting these athletes participate

Wine, Waves, & Beyond June 3-6th

From WW&B PR- This is an annual lifestyle event designed to leverage some of the unique attributes of San Luis Obispo County. Featuring wine and beer makers, and surf artisans from the county in a four day festival. Venues will take guests along the coast from Morro Bay to Pismo pier. A mix of wine makers, surfers, surfboard shapers, artists, and beer makers actively participating within each event will make for an exciting and original central coast affair! A long board surf contest will happen on the 6th with a special heat for challenged athletes. All proceeds from the WW&B event will be donated to the AmpSurf program. <http://www.winewavesandbeyond.com>



Volunteers We Need You!!!

We are growing and as we do it means there is a lot more work that need to be done behind the scenes. From contacting potential participants, Volunteers, & Sponsors to coordinating events, media and fundraising we need people to help get it all done so that our clinics can continue to be so successful. If you think that you can devote just a few hours a week and help us PLEASE let us know. Our volunteers are the life blood of this organization and we are truly in need of folks who know how to get things done, can follow a solid plan, and want to grow and promote our great program. If this sounds like you and you can give us some of your valuable time please email volunteer@ampsurf.org

Thank you to our Friends & Sponsors

Thank you to everyone who has been helping make all this possible. These clinics wouldn't be a success with out all of our sponsors' generosity. Our featured sponsors this month are the Sea Venture of Pismo Beach, Sigma Designs, Powering the new digital home, and The SLO Int. Film Fest. Thank you so much for your support.

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