

Minutes Surfrider Meeting Thurs April 9, 2009

Present: Scott Tye, Loren Moore, David McGuire, Denise Zanze, Michelle Slade

AGENDA

1. Rise Above Plastics campaign
2. Update on Marin de-sal facility
3. Update on April 16 Offshore Oil Drilling conference in SF.
4. Membership drive/party Friday May 15
5. International Surfing Day June 20/21

DISCUSSION

Scott handed out budget summary for 2009 recently submitted to National. No discussion.

May 15 Party and Format:

Goal:

Use party to communicate chapter's goals and on-going projects, generate interest among current members, solicit new membership, and webmaster!

Format:

- Informal, fun cocktails, music. Will Bob do some sort of "happy hour" or "surfing hour", from 5:30 to 7pm?
- Suggest start party at 5:30pm?
- Distribute party notice through email & newsletter.
- Will Bob put together a flyer for distribution locally?
- Denise to collect raffle items. Suggested raffle cost – \$5 each, or 3 tickets for \$10. Proceeds to chapter.
- No "cover" but suggest donation to chapter.

Evening Line-up

- Raffle
- Branson kids available to give presentation on water testing.
- Grant Washburn available to give a talk on what he's been up to, surfing in general, spring inspiration etc.
- Any other locals who may like to talk about a recent surf trip or local surfing – perhaps Peter from Livewater?
- Music – can we get a fun band – perhaps set up the back room for more of a party/dancing etc.?
- Bring a bottle/build a wave – awareness builder for Rise Above Plastics. Would be good to find a class to get behind this to get the wave started off – Michelle to see if she can find a class. Need to work on how this comes together...
- Captive Communication! Scott to put together large white board with chapter's campaign's listed, where guests can write their own ideas.
- Scott to see if Johnny Ellis will bring his carved sharks for display.

OTHER

June 20/21 – International Surfing Day. Scott reported that paddleboard race is well organized to date, sponsors include Parkside Café and Livewater Surf Shop (Stinson). Expecting goo turnout, outriggers also racing. Same day is Life Guard Reunion. June 21 is surfing swap meet at Stinson.

Let's keep this info in newsletter between now & then and perhaps email to membership notice for registration for Paddleboard event? Loren?

No-one from chapter available to go to **oil drilling conference**, but will email another advisory e-letter to membership this week – Loren? Appears that the event will be well attended, with plenty of volunteers. Scott has been distributing flyers about it locally.

De-sal – Loren reported that there was nothing new other than postponement until water district gets rate increase approved. Chapter's position not to donate \$\$\$, but to continue actively advocating against a Marin plant.

Water testing – talked about expanding program to get another water testing team aboard. Discussion didn't really go anywhere.

Rise Above Plastics Campaign – agree to do what chapter can to help raise awareness, through party, newsletter, website.

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