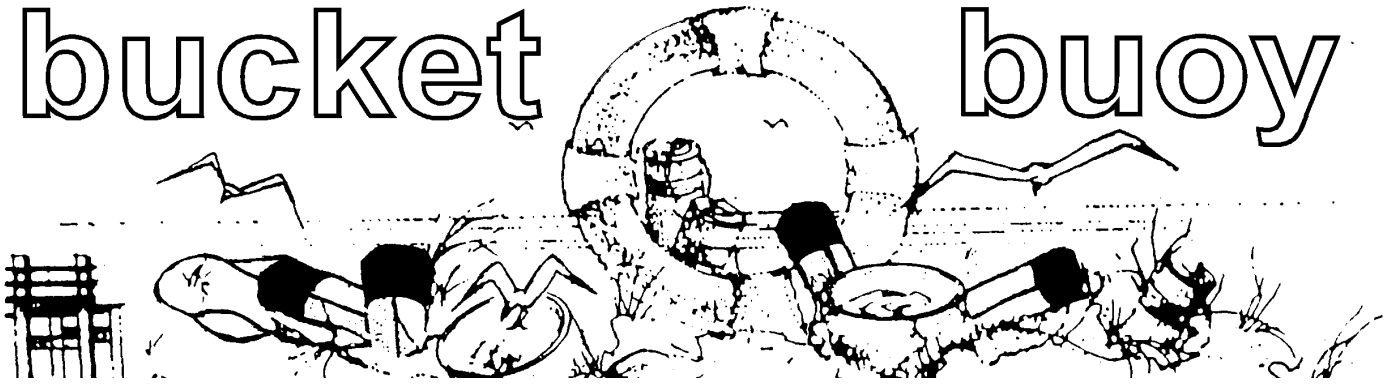


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Dear Fellow Lifeguards:

August 14, 1999

Last Thursday morning as I was surfing at Pacific Beach in Long Beach I ran into Don Kramer and some of his CM cohorts surfing the first waves we've had in a while. When I remarked how great it was to finally get some waves I was curtly informed that the sole reason we had waves was due to the CM new "No shaves till waves" policy. It turned out that all the CM lifeguards (women included) had agreed that they would refrain from shaving any parts of their body until King Neptune decided to give us waves again. Well after about a week Neptune took one look at the crew there and turned on the wave machine. And it hasn't shut off yet. Why the CM had to wait all summer for this is beyond me. Next wave drought we get into I'm going down there myself and stealing their razors. Thanks guy/gals.

This week the *Bucket & Buoy* is being published on Saturday. With the **PARTY TONIGHT** (rain or storm) I didn't want to try to get it out in the AM. Could be a late night.

Just a note to all you photographers out there. If you have any great photos (like Tommy D on his finishing paddle ski ride) please get them to us. We will scan them and get them right back to you. See your work right here in the *Bucket & Buoy*.



*Kelly, Danielle, Jen & Lauren brighten up the races*

## 1999 LIFEGUARD RACES

Waves and Races - What a combination! Thursday was good and by Friday it was howling. Although the wind was straight south and there was no swell, the wind blown waves were enough to generate some six and seven foot faces at the shorebreak. The Boat race had to be cancelled and one of the best shows of the day was when Pete Clark and Mike Scanlon went out to try to move the buoys. The launch alone almost took out a couple of Lifeguards and when they finally did get out there, much bailing was needed. The board and the kayak races were exciting and the traditional 10 man Ocean relay in the dark was a classic. By the time it finished, the 10th man needed radar and night vision to find the buoy he had to go around. Everything was definitely on the honor system since no one on shore could see anything. Tonight promises to be just as exciting with a great party afterwards!

Next week we will have all the results. For now we have some first place finishes from CM and RM: One Man Line Pull (Scanlon & Solnick, RM2), Two Man Line Pull (RM2), Beach Flags, Open (Zanville, CM), Iron Man (Rob Kaefer, CM), Rescue Board Relay (Cooper, Rafferty, Coglietta & Nellen, CM), Individual Paddle Ski Race (Don Kramer, CM), 2 Mi. Beach Run (Bill Iaia, RM5), 10 Man Ocean Relay (RM2)

Current scores: RM2/3 - 72, CM - 69, WBHO/WBHP - 43, RM4/5 - 43, FLD 2 - 30, FLD 6 - 26, SM - 19, Hecksher - 8, Hither Hills - 6, ZB/EBHO/EBHP - 2

So far everyone is having a great time and under Ed Peters

iron hand the races are going smoother than can be expected given the surf conditions. Thanks again Ed, Lee, Chuck and helpers.

**FOR SALE: 1998 Cobra Strike Surf Kayak - Color Aqua - \$550 with backrest - Contact Hollie Brostek at 516-422-4885**

**FOR SALE: Ocean Champion LG Bathing suits - From original Ocean pattern with old JBLC Logo - Sizes 30-40 - 144 Available - Contact Bob Adler at WEII (week-ends) Ext 601or 516-921-8551 weekdays**

**GOING TO AUSTRALIA?:** Anyone interested in going to the world Lifeguarding Championships in Australia this March please contact Ed Peters (WEII) Ext. 601 - He is trying to get a JBLC Team together for the trip.

## REGGIE (Still) REMEMBERS

At Field 1, in the early 60's we had an ocean visitor. Lifeguard Buggsy Briggs and I were at the Jetty when we spotted a monster Sea Turtle. The shell was at least 4 feet across. My friend wasn't called Buggsy for nothing. He jumped in and grabbed Mr. Turtle by the back leg and front flipper. They went round and round with the turtle trying to snap at him. He yelled for help and with much struggle we landed him on the rocks and turned him on his back. He carted him by stretcher while we located a big rubber kids pool. We filled it and placed him in it.

Everyday we fed him fish. We drilled a small hole in the shell and took him for walks on a leash. He was a big attraction at JB for about a week. We finally decided to let our friend return home. With great fanfare and pomp, oars raised, flags flowing and a lifeguard playing a trumpet, Mr. Turtle waddled into the sea. We swear that just before he went in he waved his big flipper at us. Can you hear him telling the other turtles, "You can't believe the wackos I was with last week."



*The night time Relay (Thank God for Headlights)*

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TODAY

**STEVE CASEY (WEII) THE BIG 50**

**MATT LINDBOM (F6) THE BIG 30**

**KRISTIN MUND (F6) JUST 27**

**BEST WISHES FOR MANY MORE**

**NOTE TO SHOP STEWARDS:** When turning in your Union Contributions make sure you include a list of your crew members that contributed.