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**Next Club Contest: Sunday 13 September 2009
at Narrowneck 7:00 start**
**Committee Meeting: Thursday 17 September 2009
Norm's Place
10 Cameron Court, Ashmore 7:00pm
All welcome.**

The Prez Report:

G'day fight fans,

What a comp the last one was, great waves about 3 to 4 foot solid, a good turn out of members, a light offshore for most of the comp and to boot a great sunny day. The usual suspects performed as they do including Reggie A who caught some ripper lefts and also Mr Donges showing off on some screaming lefts. Seems that most heats had a variety of lefts and rights with the goofies in their element. Our resident movie maker Jimbo Aird has got some nice

footage of the last few comps and you can see a preview on YouTube just Google it up and ye shall find.

My spies tell me that someone had a huge dummy spit and it now seems impossible for he whose name remains a secret, to not win that coveted trophy.

On September 26th Saturday at 5p.m. the club is holding a function at the Yacht Club. Now I definitely need a head count by next comp on how many are coming, as the Club will be paying for food and beer and wine. Any other beverages you care to drink, you pay for. Also have had enquiries about the grey long sleeve t/shirt - if I get enough orders to make it worthwhile we can get some printed. That's about all from me fingers crossed for a good comp next time.

See you all in the green room,

Norm Da Prez.

SOCKS, JOCKS AND SHORN LOCKS

On a weekend that saw some memorable sporting moments like Wendell's bum on widescreen TV and Australia giving the Poms a once only hiding at cricket, we had some fabulous surf at NN. There was a Westerly Wind, (no, not the transsexual former surfing great) but a light breeze from a westerly direction, swell about chest high and a sunny day about 23 degrees. Just sensational.

Andy Cottle has a new haircut and he now looks like Sergeant Carter from Gomer Pyle. He was riding his brand new board and didn't look all that comfortable on it. He didn't appear to be as relaxed on it as usual. Perhaps he knew that he didn't perform as well as he could, and not wanting to cop a blast from his old mates about his crook performance, he disappeared like a thief in the night after his heat.

That will-o'-the-wisp Migaloo skulked away without even saying goodbye. He must have known that the judges would be punishing him for surfing so conservatively on his new board. The consensus is that this round must just about have finished his chances of a decent place in the club championships.

By contrast, both Paul and Dan Dostal, Grant Davies, Mike Austin, Warren Beattie and Brian Donges all surfed well on the day.

How many blokes in the club have Andy's old boards I wonder? It might be easier to count the blokes who don't. There's Greg and Lochie Aird, Waz, Grunta, Lothario Cullen etc etc. Perhaps I should just run an alphabetical list of all club members. Most have bought at least one from Andy at some stage.

By contrast to Miga's conservative effort, Normie had his brand new custom 10' board out for a workout and managed to show what he could do. And he stayed on afterwards for the barbie.

Skiddo has been surfing down at D'bah and judging by his form he has obviously been getting among the waves.

Terry Taylor was back with a vengeance, not only in the water but he and Paul Dostal also managed to cook up a storm on the barbie.

Taipan Toovey didn't manage to get a wave and then he had to shoot through after his first heat. The thumb print on his forehead is still clearly visible. Still he was in good company as some others (no names mentioned) surfed two rounds and didn't get a single wave. Well done lads, good to see that you don't trust those judges sufficiently to allow them to give you a score.

Mick Andrews found an extra gear and surfed real well on both the lefts and rights. Mick reckons he has been riding his SUP so much lately that his ribs hurt from laying on his board. I was going to add something profane about him just moving his well bitten pillow down a bit so that his ribs are protected, but have decided not to put that in as it may be offensive.

The father of the up and coming young Gold Coast movie maker, Big Unit Aird was smoking on the lefts closer to the reef. Pity the judges apparently didn't see him.

We also had a couple of whales cruise on through while the comp was underway. Obviously looking for their White Cousin who by this time had shot through without saying goodbye.

Good to see Little Patto back in the water and obviously enjoying himself though he has a boomer of a scar on his knee.

The second round looked like a repeat of the first with the conditions holding for the entire comp. In one heat Mumbles exited the water early (still with 10 minutes to go) he was so confident he had the heat wrapped up after his third wave, especially as he had an overhead tube ride that the judges apparently didn't see (again). Useless judges. Probably blind. What do you blokes feed your seeing eye dogs on?

Anyway, irrespective of the failing eyesight of certain members, that didn't dissuade Mumbles from telling everyone within earshot that he got shacked off his nut. I think he scored a fourth in that heat. The fertilizer was knee deep on the dune by the time he had finished telling us about it. Five times!!

Did I mention that Andy didn't have a real good day and didn't stick around afterwards? Oh, I did.

And don't forget to buy your Father's Day presents early.

OTHER CRAP. What's been doing around the beach? All the rubbish that's fit to print (and a fair bit that isn't).

Jimbo's video preview of NLC is on **You Tube** check it out. Just bash in "Narrowneck Longboard Club" and it pops up. You can also access it via Google. I reckon it's a sensational start to what will undoubtedly be a great documentary movie.

You might recall that Waz won the first prize at last years presso and it was 3 days family **accommodation at Duke's at Bingin** on Bali courtesy of Warwick from Duke's Longboards. Unfortunately Waz now finds himself in a position where he is unable to use his prize, so he is **giving it away** to anyone who is interested. First in, best dressed comrades.

There is an **Adult Surf Camp** being held at the High Performance Surf Centre at Salt (see the attachment). I understand that former Club Champion Andy Cottle is going along to try to pick up a few hints on how to ride his appalling new board, now nicknamed "The Slug".

FOR SALE

Malibu Surfboard 9'6" made by a fat Kiwi for similarly built Aussie. Only ridden twice. Owner can't get it to work. Heap of junk. Going cheap. Please call ~~Andrew~~ Michelle on 0423 601 417.

STOP THE PRESSES!

In late breaking news just received, the abovementioned board has been sold. Apparently Miga has sold it off to Tony Beattie who reckons it is one of the best boards he has ever ridden. I wonder why André couldn't get it to work?

We have had quite a few requests from members to publish the **points and placings** but given that we are only three comps away from the end of the season, the Committee has determined in their infinite wisdom that members might be told to bugger off.

On Sunday 13 September, the **Gold Coast Triathlon** is on at and around the new Broadwater Parklands which may make accessing the comp a bit difficult. It might pay to eave home a bit early boys.

Don't forget to let Normie know if you are coming to the **drinks at the Southport Yacht Club** on Saturday 26 September. We need to know numbers!!!

Anyone wanting a grey long sleeved club t-shirt for \$20 let Normie know. All sizes catered for.

And lastly, the Club's condolences to Joanie, Norm and the family on the passing of Joanie's mum.

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