

Surfrider Foundation: Cocoa Beach Chapter

Meeting Minutes for January 17, 2012

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Past Events

EC had annual budget meeting to finalize budget for 2012, once approved will be available for members to view.

Christmas Parade- great time had by all, great turn out for decorating party the night before. Big thanks goes out to Bruce Williamson, Roger Burleigh, Don Scroggs for use of their property and facilities. Will start throwing out ideas for this years float in August.

Christmas party at CBSM was a good time, Surfrider won Hawaiian Shirt contest !

CBSR 2012 Calendars are sold out, will not order any more for this year.

Central Florida Surf Expo had lots of volunteers, lots of drilling petitions signed. Need to keep up communications with our neighboring chapters to combine forces. Sean Slater inducted into Hall of Fame. We will be getting a board to raffle off from the Greg Noll Shape Off.

New Business

Beach Clean Up - Our first of 2012 will be Saturday, January 21st will be at Coconuts/Beach Shack from 9am – 11 am. We will start with 2 blocks for 2 hours moving north for 6 months and then head south. This event will happen the Saturday after our chapter meeting each month.

Access Evaluations (Stakeholders)-Need evaluations from Stakeholders of their beach/signs/dunes by January 31st, so we can see what is needed prior to the distribution of sea oats from the City of Cocoa Beach. Jackie Beatty is our Stakeholder Coordinator, she will be setting up an explanation of Stakeholders responsibilities. Please update your email address on our website and if anyone would like to commit to being a stakeholder you can sign up for this also @ cocoabeach.surfrider.org.

Dune Planting- City of Cocoa Beach will receiving their supply of sea oats February 10, so we will be planning on planting these Saturday, February 11 from 9am to approximately 12pm. Will wait to find out Surfrider cost for the plants after all the access evaluations come in.

School Clubs-Roosevelt Elementary has scheduled to start their meetings beginning February 7, from 2:30-3:30pm weekly and will be announced on the morning announcements during homeroom.

Oil Drilling Petition-Surfrider will be placing an ad in the February issue of the Beachside Resident.

CBSR new website-Eric Richardson has completed the new website, here is the new address <https://cocoabeach.surfrider.org>. Very easy to use link is on Facebook page.

Surfboard Raffle-The wood surfboard is done, will be glassed this week.

Volunteer Appreciation Program-Incentive program for volunteering and showing our appreciation, the more hours you volunteer the better your chances are. The drawing will be held at the end of the year at our Christmas party, you MUST be a member. This is based on "per hour", meetings do not qualify, the sign in sheets will be available online on our website. Only EC members can sign off community service hours.

CBSF future officers-If you are interested in becoming an bigger part of our chapter and you want to know what it involves , let us know us we always have upcoming elections .

Chapter Business

Surf Flix @ Coconuts – Every Wednesday night from 5-10pm, food/drink specials all night long. Bring a friend or two, great way to bring in members.

CB Chapter T-Shirts-We have t-shirts available, see our website for details.

Chapter Campaigns

State Constitutional Amendment to Ban Drilling in Florida Waters - a petition drive has started to place a referendum on the November 2012 ballot. Surfrider is part of a coalition working to ban offshore drilling in Florida waters. Follow this link for more information on the petition drive:
<http://www.sosbs.org/Sign-Petition-SOSBS.aspx>

Beach Access Stakeholders- We need more stakeholders for the beach accesses in Cocoa Beach and Cape Canaveral. We now have an online database to manage our beach stakeholder program. See our website for details. Stakeholders perform regular maintenance on their favorite beach access to keep it clean and protect the dunes. We have posted a list of available beaches on our web site. Please contact us if want to become a stakeholder.

School Surfrider Clubs- SR National has started an initiative to create SR clubs in schools and colleges. We will be proactive in getting our local schools involved. Please contact us if you would like to serve as a chapter representative for a local school.

Dune Protection and Maintenance – We need to start going and sitting in on city commission meetings as we need more signage from the city, this will help with prevention of dune damage during upcoming events throughout the year such as Cocoa Beach air show.

Upcoming Events

February 7th- EC meeting at 6pm, Sasso residence.

February 11th - Sea_Oat planting, location to be announced after evaluations turned in, 9am to 12pm.

February 21st - Chapter Meeting 6pm at Surfinista.

February 25th - Beach Clean Up, 9-11am, starting at 2nd St N.

March 17th - Rip Pics Surf Contest

April 6-8th - Easter Surf Contest