

United Kingdom
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UK Surf Rowers League

Dear UKSRL members and supporters

May 2007 Newsletter

Membership forms are available on the UKSRL website www.uksrl.co.uk/join.htm
Please send your membership form direct to Jane Mansfield UKSRL Treasurer, no membership means no entry into the UKSRL 2007 Summer Surfboat Series and/or the 2007 UK Surfboat Championships.

So, gentlemen pass on the visit to the lap dancing club and ladies give the full facial a miss this week and forward your subscription sum of £15.00 to Jane ASAP. Form also attached to the email.

Truro River Race Results

Thanks to Andy Cox – UKSRL Publicity Officer for his two page report in the May issue of Rowing & Regatta Magazine. There are two Truro River Races one organised by the Cornwall Rowing Assoc and the other by Truro Gig Rowing Club.

CRA event Truro Lock Gates to Pandora Inn

Portreath Mens crew	48:56
Perranporth White Ladies	52:58
Porthtowan Blue Ladies	55:34
Perranporth Lady Killer Bees	56:14

Truro River Race from Mylor to Vickery Holman building Truro (all Mens surfboat crews)

Porthtowan Blue Bali	53:13
Porthtowan Christine P	55:33
Perranporth Doble Foods	55:43
Portreath Powder Puffs	56:13
Saunton Slaves	56:23
Perranporth Cyder Farm (vets)	1:00:22

European Surf Rowers Federation

A 2nd European Surf Rowers conference was hosted by Twickenham Rowing Club on the 28th April 2007. Four nations attended with representatives from France, Holland, Belgium, and the UK apologies from Portugal.

Agreed to: ratify Structure of Governance and elect officers at a Congress in Hossegor SW France at the beginning of November 2007.

Working Title of the european body to be: European Surf Rowers Federation ESRF

Interim President: Corinne Meadmore Berset

1st Surf Rowing European Cup / Championship to be held at Hossegor Beach at the beginning of November 2007. Details to follow (French assured the meeting that water temp is 18C)

Minutes and reports are available on the UKSRL website www.uksrl.co.uk

UKSRL Summer Surfboat Series 2007

Round 1 Porthcawl – Wales Sunday June 10th start time 13:00 hrs

Gethin Edwards has been working overtime to ensure the 1st UKSRL Summer Series event in Wales is a success. For those crews travelling up on Saturday 9th June there will be an opportunity to row late afternoon at Llantwit Major beach, launching from the Atlantic College slipway. There will be a BBQ at Llantwit Major Surf Club and boats can be parked in front of the club with camping facilities next door. Go to the link for information on directions and accomodation. On Sunday morning crews can drive in convoy to Porthcawl Beach.

www.uksrl.co.uk/info.htm

Crews !.....It is time to come up with your 2007 surfboat crew name !!!.....Perranporth Tigers are no more, as two crew members are unavailable. Perranporth will field :-

The Perranporth Desperados and the improving **Perranporth Sharks**

.....one of the Perranporth womens crews are the **Perranporth Killer Bees**

The series this year is scheduled at beaches that are known to have surf.

Organisers are delighted to confirm that Round 3 of the Series will be at Watergate Bay, home of the Extreme Academy www.extremeacademy.co.uk/ and also one of Cornwall's premier restuarants Jamie Oliver's Fifteen. www.fifteencornwall.co.uk/index.htm

The 2007 UK Surfboat Championships

UKSRL 2007 UK Surfboat Championship are scheduled for 28th July 2007 at Saunton Sands, North Devon. **Organisers have scheduled the Thursday and Friday 26th – 27th preceding the Championships as Training Days for those participants that wish to familiarise themselves with Surfboats and the Racing Rules.** Phil Martin - UKSRL Development Officer has been working overtime promoting surfboats to the coastal rowing fraternity with encouraging results. Indications are also strong that some well known river rowing clubs plan to send crews to this event to try and wrestle the silverware from the Surf Rowers.

European Surfboats Ltd

Due to the difficulties of obtaining “good” 2ndhand Surfboats and associated equipment from Australia, five rowers with surf rowing at heart have setup a company called “European Surfboats Ltd”. The role of this company is to source and ship good quality Surfboats from Australia to Europe, for clubs and individuals to be able to purchase.

Equipment is now for sale see the website www.europeansurfboats.com

It is hoped that this initiative will ease of purchase of Surfboats and equipment, the company also plans to conduct coaching courses for Sweeps (steersmen/women) as there is a shortage of skilled surfboat Sweeps at present.

2007 UKSRL League Events

Sun 10 th June	Round 1 UKSRL Summer Series	Porthcawl – S Wales
Sat 30 th June	Round 2 UKSRL Summer Series	Perranporth start 18:30hrs
Fri 13 th July	Round 3 UKSRL Summer Series	Watergate Bay start 18:30
Sat 21 st July	Round 4 UKSRL Summer Series	Bude start time 15:00 hrs
Sat 28 th July	The UK Open Surfboat Championships 2007	Saunton Sands, N Devon
Sat 1 st September	Round 5 UKSRL Summer Series	Portreath - Cornwall
7 th Sept	SLSA GB Surfboat Championships	Porthmeor, St Ives
15/16 th Sept	SLSA GB Masters Surfboat Championships	Aberavon - S Wales
1 st – 4 th Nov	ESRF European Cup / Championship	Hossegor - France