



THE ALEXANDRA HEADLAND MALIBU CLUB Newsletter

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NEXT CLUB COMP
Sunday 28th Sep
6:30am at the Bluff

NEXT CLUB MEETING
Wednesday 24th Sep
7:00pm at the
Mooloolaba SLSC

From the President



G'day fellow Mal riders,

What happened!!!! The Northerlies have come way too early for my liking. What a bugger we chose to cancel the last comp instead of postponing it as the following week was crankin and the Sunday was 2-3 ft. Can't pick 'em all I spose...At least the Father's got a great present for Fathers Day....

There were a pair of men's thongs left at the last comp so come and see me at the next comp if their yours. Also the Club Jersey's are ready!! Tim will play santa on Sunday 28th at the next comp so give your \$30 to him and you'll stay nice and warm and represent the best Mal Club in Australia.

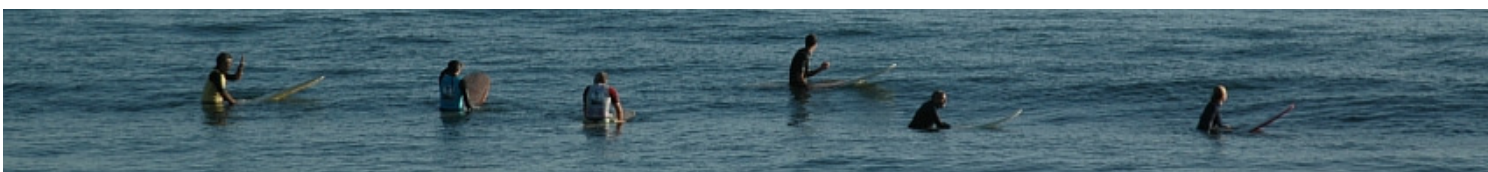
The talk of the town at the moment is the Montezuma's Old Mal Rally. The funniest, most laid back comp in OZ. It's the comp where Winners are Grinners (Bazz in seniors, Justin Healy in juniors 2nd time running and Timmy the Treasure in Mystery Final) and Loses are LEGENDS (right Pat)...The mystery final had a twist this year. You had to run from the fence down to the waters edge where a "HOT, not even warm" stubby was waiting to be sculled before you paddled out. I must thank Josh Berrigan for sculling my beer as I was first out!! Didn't do me any good as I came 2nd last...The conditions were appalling- 1/2 ft slop at the corner ☹ but we didn't let that stop us. As I said, it's not all about the surfing, its fun and laid back just like the old days (right Bazz). A huge thanks and shout out to Bruce and Jan Russell from Montezuma's for supporting the club at the event and letting us run amuck at their restaurant and also to Damo and Bretto for the awesome shenanigans!!!!

I'll have old tees for sale for \$10 from various comps and this years Montezuma's tees (featuring Bazz) for \$20 at the next comp. Come and get some for xmas pressies. Speaking of xmas, put your thinking caps on as xmas is just around the corner. Bring your ideas on how to celebrate to the meeting this Wednesday.

That's just about it, so I'll see you all bright and early 6.30am Sunday 28th September for our next comp. The next meeting is this Wednesday 24th September @ 7pm @ MSLSC. See you all there.

p.s. If you won a perpetual trophy last year at the presso's it's time to pass it on. Please bring them to the next comp so we can get them ready for this year. p.p.s. I'll have something BLUE to show off at the next comp.....

C U in the Blue, Bluey



At least we had it to ourselves – Montezumas Heat 1, it was all downhill from here.



A pictorial tribute to MONTEZUMA'S MOOLOOLABA 2008 SPRING OLD MAL RALLY

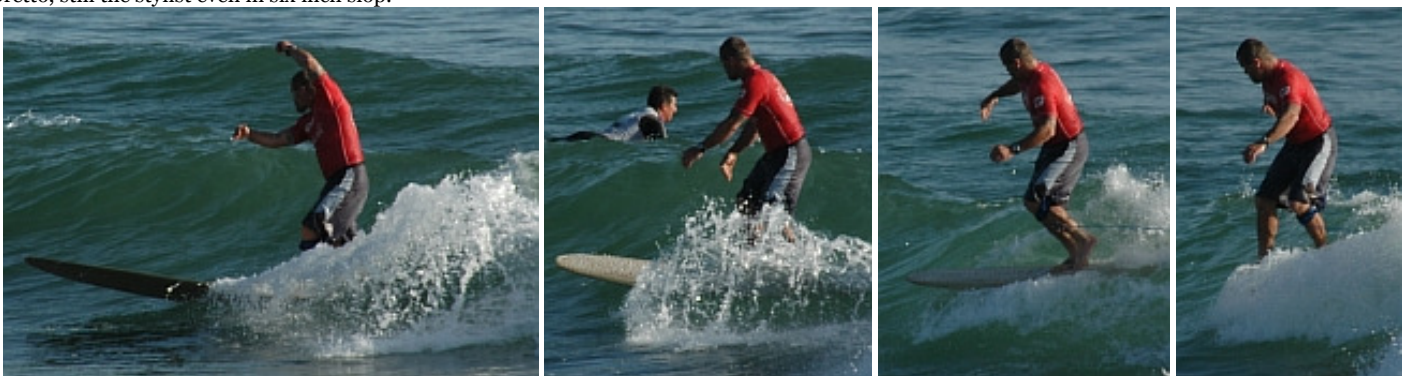
(all pics by the amazing Dave Wilson taken in the 1st hour of the comp when there were actually waves.)



Mikey V on a 'large' one.



Bretto, still the stylist even in six inch slop.



Drew, bottom turn, stall, walk to the nose; making riding a heavy 40yo plank look just too easy.



Bazza, rinsing his hair .



Kym clocking up some tip time.

Great day had by all; thanks to Bruce, Damian, Bretto and all others involved. And thanks Huey (not), ya bastard!

A Toast to Father's Day



Josh on one of many.



Kevi Snowman and Springer being the good friends they are!



Neil on a shiny one.



Dammo, nice slice off the top



Kevi threading the Fathers' Day crowd.

From Tim the Treasurer

Well, August comp was called off due to poor conditions and the fact that the following Sunday was Father's day and we had the Montezuma's Old Mal Rally the following Saturday. By all accounts the surf on Father's day was absolutely firing.

The Montezuma's old mal rally was a great day and night out, the surf was best described as 'very average' with knee high onshore slop. A good turn out of around thirty people, still a few people to fix me up for entry fees, you know who you are, my contact details are in the newsletter. Seniors was taken out by Barry Coulter, ahead of Drew Coulter (again) and Justin Healey took out the juniors (again). I was lucky enough to get to slip on the jacket for the mystery final. The party at Montezuma's was a good time as usual and our thanks must go to Bruce & Jan Russell, hopefully we can continue this great association for many years to come.

Well, as mentioned in last month's newsletter we ventured down to Crescent Head (4th to 6th Sep) for the National Old Mal titles, comp was postponed a day to allow for better conditions and while the better conditions did come the banks at Crescent are very poor to non existant and the decision was made to cancel the comp for 2008.

Luckily we scored great surf at Scotts Head on the way back up, it was a solid five foot at the point, clean as with a strong off shore blowing and only four others out, so Justin and myself had a good surf with Daryl Williams who used to shape Jaded Turtle surfboards at Bokarina but now has the Waratah Motel at Scotts Head. Then we drove up to Byron Bay, stayed there the night and scored great waves at the Pass on the Sunday morning (Father's day) which were about head height on the good ones and breaking for about 150 metres.

I have entry forms for the 'Fun in the Sun' teams challenge so start getting your teams together for that, more discussion at this weeks mal club meeting. Hopefully the surf gets better soon, seems like a while since I had a good surf at the bluff.....

Tim



Ed: Just to remind you Tim, the pic above is from the July comp (27-7-08). As I go to print it's been 13 days of northerlies and small surf – feels like forever!



Upcoming Comps

Evans Head Invitational – 3rd to 6th Oct
Fun in The Sun – 25th & 26th October
Junior Jack Boast – 8th November
3 Way Comp – TBA

Go to the following page for more details on surfing comps;
<http://www.australianlongboarding.com/homepage.htm>

Classifieds

Wanted: Cash buyer wants a reasonable mal to \$350,
phone Gary 0408 737 609

For Sale: 9'2" Black Widow, Stumpy shape, rounded pin.
Will be there on Sunday for a test ride, \$599 neg. Stocky.



Go to the link below for even more photos by Dave Wilson;
<http://picasaweb.google.com/bluff.images>

Editor: Please forward anything you want included in the
newsletter to me at thesurfdog@optusnet.com.au

Warning; contraversal religious joke, read at own risk.

Guy goes in an adult store and asks for an inflatable doll.
Guy behind the counter says, 'Male or female?'
Customer says, 'Female.'
Counter guy asks, 'Black or white?'
Customer says, 'White.'
Counter guy asks, 'Christian or Muslim?'
Customer says, 'What the hell does religion have to do with it?'
Counter guy says, 'The Muslim one blows itself up.'

Sharing is what friends do.



Neil, Josh & Tony being friends?



Josh, Bill and Neil sharing the love..

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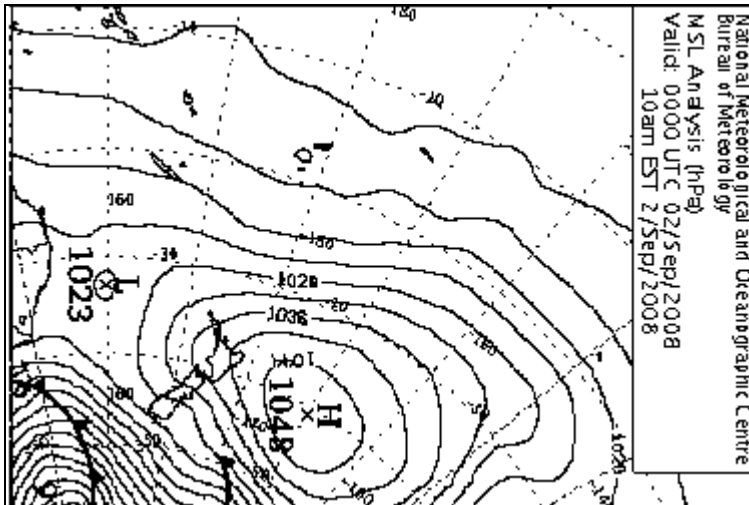
Saturday September 6th 2008, will go down as one of the best days surfing I've had this year. The only problem was it disappeared too quick.



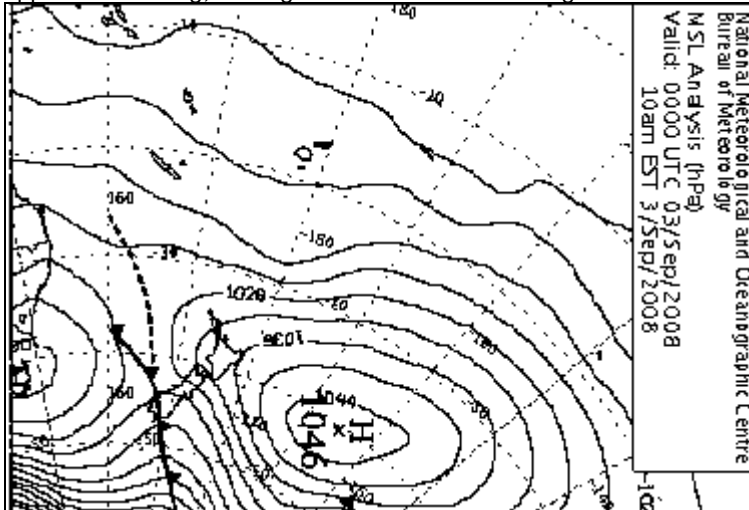
A sunny coast peak on 6-9-08.

The following is a daily chart look at what went on out there in the ocean. As the systems did not appear on the Aust region charts, I have used the Sothern Hemispheric Pacific Ocean Anal charts. These have been cropped and rotated so we can see the Aust east coast on the left-hand edge and NZ left of middle, just means all the labels are sideways.

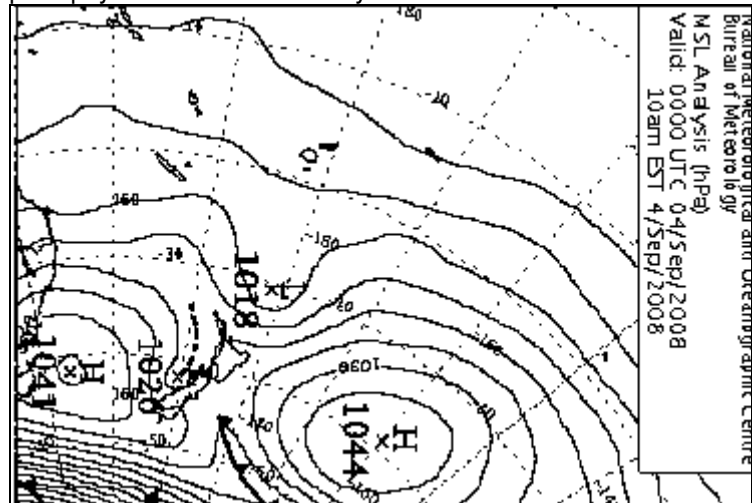
Late in August an immense High started to form east of NZ and by 1st Sep had become huge with max pressure at 1048hPa. This meant extensive squeezing of the easterly winds over 2000+kms of fetch!!



By the 3rd a deep 'dip' in the easterlies developed indicative of an upper Low forming, making the easterlies even stronger.

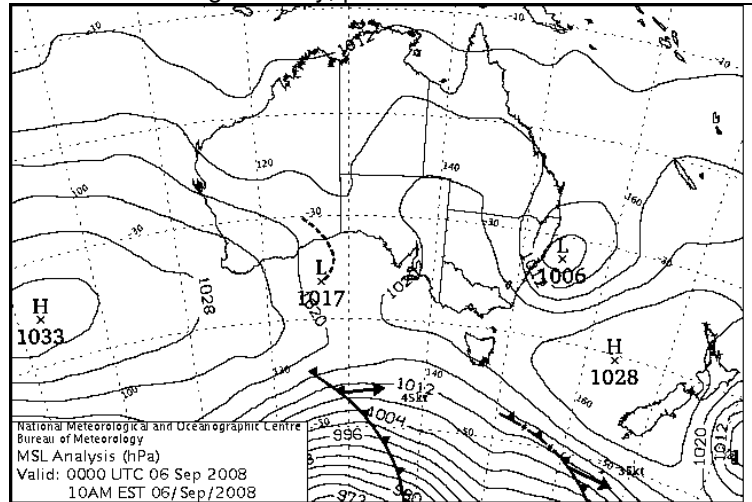


On the 4th the Low appeared on the surface charts but promptly headed south and by the 5th was well behind NZ



Allow approx 2-3 days for a swell to cross the Tasman. Meanwhile locally, another 'dip' in the easterlies was forming over the Sunny Coast with our own 20kt+ E'lys on the 4th and strong N'lys on the 5th before the upper Low manifested itself as a full blown Eastcoast Low on the 6th.

The Aust region chart for the 6th, below, shows the Low heading south. As it did so, the Westerlys on the northern side of the Low fanned perfect offshore over the 2+m swell heading in from the far east. The combination was truly fantastic. Do it again Huey, please.



If you like this sort of stuff, go to the “Low Down Melt Down” section of www.coastalwatch.com.au for blow by blow journals of all major eastcoast swell events.

Everyone was too busy surfing on the Saturday to take photos. On Father's Day, there were still some nice 3' sets coming thru' (with the Sunday crowd of course), see below.

