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***Contest UPDATE***

Schedule of Events for 1st Annual Tofino Paddle Surf SUP Invitational

Friday, October 24 - Judging Clinic

9am - 3pm

Preregistration by email contest@tofinopaddlesurf.com is required. With your participation notice we will send out details about what to expect and what to bring. This clinic is perfect for all the volunteer judges and any eager competitors. The theory behind competitive SUP surfing and judging will serve you on a professional and personal level. The clinic will be lead by Professional Judge Chris Freeman, who will stay on to act as the Head Judge over the weekend of the competition. Cost is $42 (including GST).

Location:
Tin Wis Best Western, Resort Atleo Room
1119 Pacific Rim Highway, Mackenzie Beach, Tofino, BC
http://www.tinwis.com

Friday, October 24 - Registration/Competitors & Judges Meeting

8pm - 9pm Registration/Checkin
9pm - 10pm Competitors/Judges Meeting

We are stoked to invite you all for a locally brewed draft beer at the Tofino Brewery and an informal competitors and judges meeting. Registration and checkin will be happening and well as announcements on important details. Judging criteria and the heat schedule for the weekend will be announced.
Saturday, October 25 - Contest is on
8am - 4pm
Location: TBA - check event Facebook Event Page https://www.facebook.com/events/1507391306144970/

Sunday, October 26 - Contest is on
8am - 4pm
Location: TBA - check event Facebook Event Page https://www.facebook.com/events/1507391306144970/

Sunday, October 26 - Award Banquet at Wolf in the Fog
6pm - midnight
Doors Open 6pm
Awards 7pm - 8pm
Dinner, Party and Live Music by Parab Poet & The Hip Hop Hippies 8pm - into the night

*all competitors will receive a ticket for dinner and beer at the Awards Banquet. Tickets will be available for purchase at the registration meeting on Friday night, as well as throughout the day on Saturday and Sunday at the beach. First come first serve. Cost is $30 for dinner (includes tax and gratuity.)

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About Wolf in the Fog-

Capturing the true spirit of Tofino, Chef Nick Nutting’s seasonal menu reflects incredible local ingredients prepared by skillful and confident hands. Menus feature seafood and fish in abundance from Tofino suppliers, meat and grain from Vancouver Island farmers, and wild greens and mushrooms foraged from the plentiful forests and seashores of Tofino. A focus on family-style gatherings, communal dining and share plates, encourages guests to engage with their food. Bringing a wealth of international technique and talent, the team holds a candid passion for the natural environment of Tofino and the produce sourced there – from foraging for chanterelles or cooking whole salmon for friends; Tofino is where they have chosen to be.

Location:
Wolf in the Fog
150 Fourth Street
Tofino, British Columbia V0R 2Z0
www.wolfinthefog.com
**Competitors**

Congrats! You have been selected to compete in our First Annual surf SUP contest! Whether you are there to participate for good fun, wage bets against your buddies, or strut your style and take away first place prizes and bragging rights, it’s going to be an epic day at the beach! We are stoked to have you and help us spread the stoke, especially in the first year of what promises to be a growing and inspiring surf event.

Good luck to each and everyone of you!

**Sign Up**

*If you have not already registered, please complete the registration form found on the event website: contests.tofinopaddlesurf.com. Knowing the exact number of expected competitors will help us greatly!!!

*For an extra $15, you can compete in a second division. The option for a second division payment is on the website and can be done through paypal.

*The cut-off for applications for the contest is October 23, 2014.

*All entries must be accompanied with payment in full. Entries will be accepted as a first come, first serve basis.

*Please email this registration form to: contest@tofinopaddlesurf.com

*Payments by PayPal accepted. Or please contact us if you would like to make payment in cash, cheque, credit card or debit. This can be done by coming by the shop at Tofino Paddle Surf with your registration form completed.

*If you have been invited, but will not be able to make it, please let us know so we can give your spot to someone else!

*If you know anyone that would like to participate, please let us know. We may have spots that become available and we are also making a list of alternates.

*Event website: contests.tofinopaddlesurf.com

**Nominations**

Please feel free to nominate SUP surfers who would like a chance at competing in this event and/or for a position as a SUP Surf Team Canada member for 2015.

**Volunteers**

If you are interested in volunteering for the event, please email manager@tofinopaddlesurf.com

You are invited to the competitor’s meeting on Friday night (please see info above).

We will be sending out a volunteers list and schedule. Please let us know if you have any preferences, experience or areas of expertise or interest.

Come to the beach prepared for all weather!
Where to Stay

Preferred Rates are available at the Tin Wis Best Western Resort, where our shop, Tofino Paddle Surf is located on Mackenzie Beach. These rates are available for Oct 24, 25 and 26. When you call to make your reservation let them know you are coming for the ‘SUP Surf Invitational’. $99 + tax for a standard double room on the beach!

Location:
1119 Pacific Rim Highway, Mackenzie Beach, Tofino, BC
http://www.tinwis.com

If you are looking for accommodations at Cox Bay, there is a 25% discount available for participants, volunteers and sponsors at the Long Beach Lodge. Just quote “SUP 2014”

Where to Surf

The Tofino area is an epic place to surf. Our beaches expand from one end of Clayoquot Sound to the far end of the Pacific Rim National Park. Locals and visitors surf year round and love the never ending swell that hits our coast. October through April are our storm months. Although we can have calm balmy days in the 15 degree C temp range, the conditions can also be hurricane rain and snow storms. Please bring or plan on picking up a wetsuit and booties. 4/3 to a hooded 5 mil suit works well.

When heading out to surf, please use your best judgement and ask the locals when in doubt. The big swell can bring a lot of current and the strong offshore winds can create dangerous conditions for paddling. Safety and good surf etiquette is at the top of our priority list. Please consider both. We have many protected bays with manageable surf even when the most popular beaches have big waves. The busy peaks at Cox Bay are NOT recommend for SUP Surfing. We have kilometres upon kilometres of unpopulated peaks to surf on. Please keep in mind 99% of the surfers in Tofino are beginners and they will not know how to get out of your way! Avoid the surf schools, the crowded peaks on the beaches, and get tons of waves to yourself! See you on the water! yew!!!

Parking Plan

If the contest is held at Cox Bay, please park in the gravel lot on Maltby Road or at the public lot at Cox Bay Beach Resort. If these lots are full the overflow lot at the Tourism Tofino info center will be open as well.

Do NOT park on the highway or Pacific Sands, Long Beach Lodge or Cox Bay Beach Resort.

If the contest is held at Chestermans, you can park on the BEACH side of the road only and the designated lots at North, Middle and South Chestermans. If these are full please use Howard Drive.

Surfcam Livefeed

Let everyone know that if they can not make it to the beach, the contest will be streamed live on contests.tofinopaddlesurf.com.
**Sponsors & Supporters**

Tofino Paddle Surf, Wolf in the Fog, Tofino Brewing Co., Tin Wis Beach Resort, Coast Mountain Magazine, Cascadia, Jimmy Lewis, Kahuna SUP, Ocean River Sports, Ocean Rodeo, Starboard SUP, Kalavida Surf, Kialoa, Level Six, Norm Hann Expeditions, Ausmosis, Black Project Fins, Woodshed Collective, Blue Wave SUP, Easy Rider, Patagonia, Victory, Xcel, Santarossa Creative

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Raffle

Join us and our amazing sponsors in supporting SURF'S UP, a great organization that take autistic kids and their families surfing and paddle boarding in Tofino every year!!

We have some incredible prizes including a drysuit, carbon fiber paddle and a surf style paddleboard!

Tickets sales will be available for purchase Tofino Paddle Surf, Wednesday through Sunday, at the registration meeting on Friday night at the Tofino Brewery, as well as throughout the day on Saturday and Sunday at the beach, and at the awards banquet Sunday night. The draw will take place towards the end of the evening on Sunday.

Raffle tickets will be $10.

About Surf's Up-

*If there is magic on this planet, it is contained in water.* - Loran Eisley

I truly believe this and see the power behind each wave and the calming touch of the surfboard under my son's feet. Some people get beaten by the strength of the wave crashing into the break leaving them bruised and battered. For a small and unique group the wave empowers them, strengthens them, becomes a part of them but never breaks them. This is the story of our son. Within hours of making it to Tofino we were on the beach surfboards in hand. This is when the magic truly started. My son had never been on a surfboard but within an hour he had the waves dancing underneath his feet. It was as if the board was his other half, they had a secret language and rhythm all of their own. They instantly understood each other unspoken words and the magic of the waves danced with him and the board, carrying them both to shore.

Please be a part of our Search. 1 in 68 children are diagnosed with Autism and it is four times more prevalent in boys. These figures are staggering and increasing at an alarming rate.

Our Mission

To provide the unique experience of surfing to the families living with Autism in a dynamic, enriching and inclusive environment.
CONTEST ‘HOW TO’

Head Judge - Chris Freeman

Heat Times

• Check in with the Beach Marshall 20 minutes prior to the start of your heat in each round. Pay careful attention to the heat duration as this may change during the day.

• Collect the appropriate jersey, designated by the official heat board. Immediately after your heat please return your jersey to the Beach Marshall, failure to do so may result in a penalty.

• There will be no heat time extension, if the heat is deemed uncontestable then it will be cancelled and re-run. Multiple horn blasts will signify the cancellation of the heat, at this time all riders should return to the beach and await further instructions.

• Heat schedule will be followed to the minute on a rolling clock, riders are advised to have countdown timers. If a surfer is not present the heat will start without the absent surfer(s). If two riders are advancing from the heat and two riders paddle out they will advance even if no scores.

• Use the flags for all timing, horns are as a guide and light travels faster than sound, hence the heats starts and ends on the flag and not the corresponding horn.

Heat Start & Finish

• Heat timing will be based on a rolling clock, riders are advised to have a countdown timer on repeat for the duration of the heat plus the transition period. For example if the heat is 20 minutes long and the transition is 2 minutes set you clock on a 22 minutes repeating countdown.

• Flag sequence

  o Red flag UP – End of heat / start of next transition period (Horn will also sound)

  o Red flag DOWN – one minute to start of heat

  o Green flag UP – start of heat

  o Green flag DOWN – one minute to end of heat

  o Red flag UP – End of heat / start of next transition period (Horn will also sound)

• At the end of the heat riders should return to the beach immediately.

• Waves will be scored from the moment the green flag is raised at the start of the heat, if the rider is already riding only the part of the wave after the start of the heat will count towards their score. At the end of the heat the entire wave is scored if the rider is to their feet before the red flag is raised.
Wave Tabulation, Results & Brackets

- The Head Judge will determine the number of waves to count and this will be posted on the official notice board.

- Each judge will score each surfer’s wave ridden.

- The aim is that all heats will be tabulated ‘live’ during the heat with the results announced immediately after. Live updates may be available on the contest’s Facebook page.

- Results will be announced and posted on the office notice board and social media.

- Once the result is published take careful note of where you move to in the brackets.

Interference

- A surfer deemed to have inside position has unconditional right of way for the entire duration of the wave.

- Interference will be called if during that ride the Head Judge deems that a competing surfer has hindered the scoring potential of the surfer deemed to have right of way.

- Anyone who stands in front of another surfer with the right of way has the opportunity to kick out without being penalized if the scoring potential of the right of way surfer has not been hindered.

- In a multiple peak situation where two surfers could be surfing towards one another, both waves will be scored if either ride is not hindered. If this situation occurs and it hinders the scoring potential of the first surfer to their feet the offending surfer will not be scored for their wave.

- If it is deemed that one rider has caused interference the offending paddler will have their second best wave score halved.

Judging Criteria

- Judges analyze the following major elements when scoring waves.
  - Commitment and degree of difficulty
  - Speed, power and flow
  - Commitment of major maneuvers
  - Variety of maneuvers
  - Innovative and progressive maneuvers
  - Effective use of the paddle

The emphasis of certain elements is contingent upon the location and the prevailing conditions. Riders should attend the official briefing before the start of the contest; during this time the judges will give more detailed guidelines. The full judging guidelines will be made available at
this time. Riders are strongly urged to read, understand and ask questions to ensure that they know how they are being evaluated.

The following score bands will be used to describe a ride that is scores:

0-1.9 = Poor
2.0-3.9 = Fair
4.0-5.9 = Average
6.0-7.9 = Good
8.0-10 = Excellent

While access to the judges areas during heats will be restricted riders are encouraged to look at their scores to aid further development of their riding. Riders are welcome to ask question on how waves are being scored and how they can improve their own tally. Heat and wave scores will be published and made available to riders. We encourage openness and transparency, however riders must remember that the Head Judge’s decision is final.

*you can check out Chris’s website at www.blackprojectfins.com