



# California Surf Lifesaving Association

## Southwest Region - United States Lifesaving Association

PO Box 366 - Huntington Beach, California 92648

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### *GENERAL BOARD MEETING*

Santa Barbara Lifeguard Association

October 21 & 22, 2004

### MINUTES

**PRINTED VERSION**

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Thursday, October 21, 2004

I. Meeting called to order by Mr. McGowan at 9:21 AM.

- A. Pledge of Allegiance - Mr. Lombardi
- B. Welcome and Introductions - Mr. McGowan
- C. Roll Call of Delegates - Mr. Beuerlein

CHAPTER	Members	Delegates	Delegates Present	Proxies	TOTAL VOTES
California State	98	4	4	-	4
Camp Pendleton	27	3	3	-	3
Capitola	9	2	0	-	0
Coronado	5	2	0	-	0
Del Mar	45	3	1	-	1
Encinitas	9	2	0	-	0
Hawaii	4	2	0	-	0
Huntington Beach	149	5	5	-	5
Imperial Beach	18	3	1	-	1
LA City	36	3	3	-	3
LA County Lakes	29	3	2	1	3
LACOLA	166	6	4	2	6
Laguna Beach	81	4	3	1	4
Long Beach	97	4	0	-	0
Mission Viejo	9	2	2	-	2
Newport Beach	119	5	4	1	5
Oceanside	6	2	0	-	0
Port Hueneme	1	0	0	-	0
San Clemente	12	2	1	-	1
San Luis Obispo Co.	4	2	2	-	2
San Diego	56	4	2	-	2
Santa Barbara	37	3	2	1	3
Santa Cruz	31	3	0	-	0
Seal Beach	42	3	1	-	1
Solana Beach	13	2	0	-	0
Tucson	0	0	0	-	0
US Ocean Safety	72	4	2	2	4
Ventura County	3	2	0	-	0
Mexico	1	0	0	-	0
Members-at-large	4	0	0	-	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1183</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>50</b>

II. Approval of Minutes – Laguna Beach Lifesaving Association Meeting (April 15 & 16, 2004)

**MOTION:** Moved by Mr. Gray to approve the minutes as submitted.  
**SECOND:** Mr. Bartlett  
**DISCUSSION:** None  
**ACTION:** MPU

III. Officer's Reports

A.	President	Mr. McGowan	ATTACHMENT	A
B.	Vice President	Mr. Lombardi	ATTACHMENT	B
C.	Secretary	Mr. Beuerlein	ATTACHMENT	C
D.	Treasurer	Mr. Williams	ATTACHMENT	D
E.	Recurrent Rep	Mr. Graham	ATTACHMENT	E
F.	Advisor	Mrs. Graham for Mr. Moore	ATTACHMENT	F

IV. Committee Reports

A.	Certification	Mr. Peabody	ATTACHMENT	G
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1. One of Mr. Peabody's primary objectives as the California State Parks Aquatic Specialist is to regain USLA recertification.
2. Mr. Peabody stated that CA State Parks has been involved in the USLA since its inception.
3. Mr. Peabody said that the distance of CA State swim test (1,000 yard open water swim in 20 minutes or less) was blocking their recertification.
4. Mr. Peabody said that CA State had submitted a validation study that concluded that the CA State swim test met or exceeded USLA standards.
5. At the Spring 2004 USLA Meeting in San Francisco, Mr. Rohrer made a motion to accept the CA State swim test and recertify CA State. The motion passed unanimously.
6. Mr. Peabody asked Mr. Rohrer to retract the motion to allow all the data to be analyzed.
7. Mr. Peabody will be making a presentation on his findings to the USLA Certification Committee at the Fall 2004 USLA Meeting in Galveston, Texas.

B.	Competition	Mr. Butki	ATTACHMENT	H
C.	Exchanges	Mr. Graham	ATTACHMENT	I
D.	Heroic Acts	Mr. McGowan for Mr. Richardson	ATTACHMENT	J
E.	Junior Lifeguards	Mrs. Boyer	ATTACHMENT	K
F.	Membership	Mr. Lombardi	ATTACHMENT	B
G.	Newsletter	Mr. Sandy	ATTACHMENT	L
H.	Public Education	Mr. Williams	ATTACHMENT	M
I.	Training & Operations	Mr. Pounds	ATTACHMENT	N
J.	Website	Mrs. Graham for Mr. Moore	ATTACHMENT	O

V. Committee Workshops (as directed)

Meeting adjourned for the day at 4:52 P.M.

Meeting reconvened on Friday, October 22, 2004 at 9:31 AM.

VI. Committee Reports from Workshops

A.	Competition	Mr. Butki	ATTACHMENT	P
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**MOTION:** Moved by Mr. Lombardi to approve the report as submitted.

**SECOND:** Mr. Bauer

**DISCUSSION:** Mr. Williams noted that \$1,000 had been allocated for improvements to the trailer.

**ACTION:** MPU

B.	Exchanges	Mr. Graham	ATTACHMENT	Q
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**MOTION:** Moved by Mr. Lombardi to approve the report as submitted.

**SECOND:** Mr. Bartlett

**DISCUSSION:** None

**ACTION:** MPU

C.	Junior Lifeguards	Mrs. Boyer	ATTACHMENT	R
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**MOTION:** Moved by Mrs. Graham to approve the report as submitted.  
**SECOND:** Mr. Williams  
**DISCUSSION:** None  
**ACTION:** MPU

D. Membership Mr. Lombardi ATTACHMENT S

**MOTION:** Moved by Mr. Gray.  
**SECOND:** Mr. Graham  
**DISCUSSION:** None  
**ACTION:** MPU

E. Public Education Mr. Williams for Mr. Pounds ATTACHMENT T

**MOTION:** Moved by Mrs. Graham to approve the report as submitted.  
**SECOND:** Mr. Griffin  
**DISCUSSION:** Mr. Williams discussed past grant writing efforts (past and future).  
**ACTION:** MPU

F. Website

**MOTION:** Moved by Mr. Graham to continue website maintenance agreement with webmaster Mrs. Francis.  
**SECOND:** Mr. Butki  
**DISCUSSION:** None  
**ACTION:** MPU

VII. Old Business

A. Approval of Treasurer's report from Thursday, October 21, 2004.

**MOTION:** Moved by Mr. Lombardi to approve the report as submitted.  
**SECOND:** Mrs. Graham  
**DISCUSSION:** None  
**ACTION:** MPU

B. California Lifesaving Standards Act (A.B. 1961)

1. Mr. Bauer reported that the Appropriations Committee killed the bill.
2. Mr. Bauer hopes that the bill will be reintroduced during the next legislative session.

C. Los Angeles County Lakes Lifeguard Reductions

1. Mr. Hughes summarized the recent history leading to the major reduction of lifeguards at Lake Castaic.
2. It didn't take long before a drowning occurred. As predicted, county officials then restored 5 of the 7 permanent lifeguards and created a Lifeguard Division headed by a Lifeguard Chief.

D. Port San Luis Harbor District/Avila Beach Chapter Application

**MOTION:** Moved by Mr. Lombardi to accept chapter applications and fees from Port San Luis District and Pismo Beach with the intention of voting on chapter membership at the Spring 2005 CSLSA General Meeting.

**SECOND:** Mr. Williams

**DISCUSSION:** None

**ACTION:** MPU

E. USLA Travel Policy ATTACHMENT U

1. Mr. Beuerlein read the policy drafted by Mr. Moore.

**MOTION:** Moved by Mr. Godino to accept the policy as submitted by Mr. Moore and read by Mr. Beuerlein.

**SECOND:** Mr. McConnell

**DISCUSSION:** None

**ACTION:** MPU

VIII. New Business

A. USLA Personal Watercraft Rescue Guidelines ATTACHMENT V

1. Mr. Beuerlein read a letter of concern from San Clemente Marine Safety Chief Bill Humphries to USLA PWC Committee Chairman Ralph Goto.
2. Discussion followed.

**MOTION:** Moved by Mr. Williams to reimburse Mr. Butki \$250 to represent CSLSA at the USLA PWC Seminar in Galveston, Texas.

**SECOND:** Mr. Gray

**DISCUSSION:** None

**ACTION:** MPU

B. 2005 Las Playas de Tijuana Volunteer Service ATTACHMENT W

C. Boarder to Boarder on a PWC ATTACHMENT W

D. Drowning Prevention Achievement Award ATTACHMENT X

E. Future Meetings

1. USLA Meeting Dates & Locations

- a. Fall - 2004
  - 1) Location: Galveston, Texas
  - 2) Dates: 11/04/04-11/06/04
- b. Spring - 2005
  - 1) Location: Miami, Florida
  - 2) Dates: 4/29/05-5/01/05
- c. Fall – 2005
  - 1) Possible Locations: Laughlin, Huntington Beach, Long Beach
  - 2) Mr. Graham will come up with a plan.
  - 3) Mr. Bauer will research the Huntington Beach Hyatt.
  - 4) Mr. Williams will research the Huntington Beach Hilton.

2. CSLSA Meeting Dates & Locations

- a. Spring - 2005
  - 1) Location: Seal Beach
  - 2) Dates: 4/14/05 & 4/15/05
- b. Fall – 2005
  - 1) Location: LA Co. Lakes, Santa Clarita, Long Beach, Newport Beach
  - 2) Dates: 10/20/05 & 10/21/05

IX. Privilege of the Chair

- A. Mr. McGowan thanked the Santa Barbara Lifeguard Association for hosting an outstanding meeting at such a great site.
- B. Mr. McGowan said it is great to have the Santa Barbara chapter involved and he encouraged them to stay involved.

X. Adjournment

**MOTION:** Moved to adjourn by Mr. Weinert.  
**SECOND:** Mr. Bartlett  
**DISCUSSION:** None  
**ACTION:** MPU; Meeting adjourned at 10:47 AM

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael A. Beuerlein  
CSLSA Secretary



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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS October 21, 2004

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Welcome to Santa Barbara, and thanks to Rich Hanna and the Santa Barbara crew for hosting the meeting. We haven't seen a lot of involvement from the Santa Barbara chapter over the past few years; it's good to have you back! Following the very successful Laguna Beach 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary meeting, your Executive Board attended the Spring USLA Meeting in San Francisco. We suggested that the USLA may want to carry on the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary theme at the Fall USLA Meeting in Galveston, and they agreed to do so by inviting Bob Burnside to be a speaker at the event. Other highlights of the San Francisco meeting were a couple of very good presentations at the Educational Conference. Dr. Gary Hall, former Olympic swimmer and eye surgeon presented his "EPF" eye protection factor, a rating system for sunglasses; and there was an excellent multi-agency aquatic response drill held on San Francisco Bay. Heroic Acts awards were presented to the four lifeguards that entered the water at Avila Beach to rescue the victim of a shark attack. The USLA Certification Committee granted a provisional extension to Cal State Parks to allow them to be certified while a decision can be reached on appropriate equivalencies for swim tests longer the USLA recommended 500 meters.

Although our membership drive got off to a late start, most chapters didn't receive their shirts and sunscreen until late June or mid July, we achieved pretty good numbers. We have over 1000 adult members in CSLSA, and over 5000 Junior Lifeguard members. Thanks to Vince and Charlotte for helping get the membership incentives distributed, and thanks to Scott Hubbell and our sponsors for providing them. Everyone I spoke to really liked the long-sleeve T-shirts.

Long Beach hosted the CSLSA Regionals on July 23 and 24. It was the largest turnout ever for the lifeguard competition. Joanne Warzoha and her Long Beach staff did an outstanding job of organizing and hosting the event. The awards and T-shirts were exceptional too. Thanks to the CSLSA Executive Board members, and former members who showed up to help run the competition: Bill Richardson, Gordon Gray, Vince Lombardi, Bob Moore, Don Rohrer, Charlotte and Chris Graham, and special thanks to my son Morgan. Jay Butki deserves our gratitude for rehabilitating and installing the buoy line; it was the straightest I've ever seen. Jay and Rob Pelkey are in the process of outfitting and organizing our new competition trailer. Results of the 2004 Regional Championships can be found at [www.cslsa.org](http://www.cslsa.org).

The 2004 USLA Nationals were held in Daytona Beach on August 5-7. They featured the most radical weather and water conditions most of us had ever experienced. It was the first time in over 30 years of attending Nationals that I have seen an event cancelled on account of water conditions. A new record was set for one-day rainfall on one of the days we were there! When all was said and done, I believe everyone in attendance will look back on the 2004 Nationals as one of the most unforgettable of all time. Our region won the Sheridan Byerly trophy for high

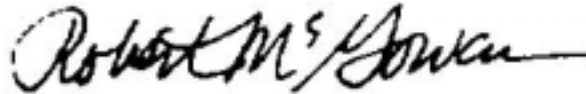
point region, and L.A. County once again captured the large team division, with San Diego and Cal State placing fifth and sixth. L.A. County JG's won the "AA" Swim relay and placed second in the "C" Swim Relay.

Other recent developments in the USLA include the USLA - NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) collaboration, a national public awareness campaign on rip currents, and an agreement between the USLA and the Skin Cancer Foundation which would involve joint efforts to seek funding for skin cancer prevention awareness programs. A "request for proposals from interested and qualified individuals and organizations to provide fundraising and event marketing services to USLA" was released in September with proposals due by October 15, 2004. I have not heard if any proposals were submitted or not. A PWC Training Guidelines Draft was distributed in August with the goal of adopting national PWC standards at the Galveston meeting. Both the RFP and PWC documents can be found on the USLA website on the "Lifeguard Library" page.

Several of the CSLSA committees have been active since our last Board of Directors meeting in Laguna. The Competition Committee has already been mentioned. The Exchange Committee had a successful exchange visit by the New Zealand lifeguards this summer, and our next two candidates to go to New Zealand have been selected by the interview panel. I will let committee chair Chris Graham share the details with you. Heroic Acts chairman Bill Richardson advised me that he received no submissions, and that he regrets being unable to attend this meeting. The Junior Guard Committee remained busy as always with another successful regional and national competition, and the poster contest. Legislation chair Carl Drake reported that AB 1961 died in committee, and also expressed his regrets at being unable to attend this meeting. In addition to the fine work getting the membership kits distributed and keeping track of our numbers and reconciling them with the National, Vince Lombardi has been working on ordering the popular Whirly mugs for next year's membership kits. I heard an issue of Cal Surf News came out recently, but for some reason, I never received my copy. I'm sure Eric Sandy is hard at work on the next issue. Rob Williams produced and distributed the excellent public education CD's to all chapters. At a recent Executive Board meeting Rob expressed an interest in handing off the chairmanship of the CSLSA Public Education Committee, so if anyone has an interest, please let me know. The Website Committee of one has filed a written report that will be distributed. He has been busy keeping [cslsa.org](http://cslsa.org) up to date and working on improvements.

Here's to a dynamic and fruitful meeting. Thanks for attending.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert McGowan". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Robert McGowan  
President





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## Vice President's Report – October 21, 2004

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USLA Meeting, San Francisco- Our delegation went to the Spring USLA meeting with full representation (including Mr. McGowan & Mr. Beuerlein). It was nice to have their attendance, and hopefully past issues are history. Our new USLA President carried the meeting expeditiously (sometimes too expedient) and showed us that he is willing to let the board's decisions carry even though some issues were contentious. All in all, it was a productive meeting and CSLSA's business was carried in a positive direction.

CSLSA Regional Competition, Long Beach- Most executive board members donated their time to host a successful competition at Long Beach. Charlotte Graham, Gordon Gray and I spearheaded registration (first time!) and we were able to sign-up numerous members in CSLSA/USLA while registering over 200 competitors. Many thanks to the Long Beach Fire/Lifeguard Department for hosting an "A" rate event... competition results were literally posted real time due in large part to their meticulous organization of the event. I look forward to Long Beach in 2005!

CSLSA/USLA Membership, '04/'05- As you know, kits weren't distributed in the spring due to our sponsors waiting for shipments of products from Asia. Unfortunately, our sponsor wasn't able to get the shipment that he paid for, so Scott Hubbell was able to supplement the '04 kit with sunscreen (valued at \$12.00). I, Mr. & Mrs. Graham and Gordon Gray, distributed membership kits in July and we have had a successful membership drive.

Coordinating membership numbers has been confusing at best due in large part to the fact that members in our region sign up with USLA on-line. This creates two problems: 1) it is difficult to track who has signed up on-line from USLA & 2) those on-line members don't always receive their supplemental CSLSA membership kit. Please stress to your members that they need to sign-up through their chapters so we can track them and get them their kits!

Chapter numbers are as follows:

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|----------------|----|
| 1. CA State -  | 98 |
| 2. Capitola -  | 9  |
| 3. COLA/USOS - | 72 |
| 4. Coronado -  | 5  |
| 5. Del Mar -   | 45 |
| 6. Encinitas - | 9  |
| 7. Hawaii -    | 5  |

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7. Hawaii-	5
8. Huntington Beach-	149
9. Imperial Beach-	18
10. Laguna Beach-	81
11. Lake Mission Viejo-	9
12. LA City-	36
13. LA County-	166
14. LA County Lakes-	29
15. Long Beach-	97
16. Oceanside-	6
17. Newport Beach-	85
18. Pendleton Coast-	27
19. Port Hueneme-	1
20. San Clemente-	12
21. San Diego-	56
22. SLO County-	4
23. Santa Barbara-	37
24. Santa Cruz-	31
25. Seal Beach-	42
26. Solana Beach-	13
27. Tucson-	0
28. Ventura-	3
29. Members at large-	4
30. Mexico-	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,150</b>

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If you have excess kits, please try to get them to me at PO Box 555020, Camp Pendleton, CA 92055-5020, C/O Camp Pendleton Lifeguard Service. We have members who haven't received a kit in a few chapters (Newport, COLA).

Respectfully Submitted,



Vince Lombardi III  
Vice President, Membership Chair

[Membership Chart follows \(below\)](#)

# 2004 CSLSA MEMBERSHIP

CHAPTER	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
California State	93	95	102	98		
Camp Pendleton	15	15	22	27		
Capitola		13	0	9		
Coronado	0	0	0	5		
Del Mar	48	48	48	45		
Encinitas	7	7	4	9		
Hawaii	0	0	0	5		
Huntington Beach	127	130	143	149		
Imperial Beach	19	16	21	18		
LA City	31	41	36	36		
LA County Lakes	34	59	30	29		
LACOLA	214	284	137	166		
Laguna Beach	78	77	77	81		
Long Beach	40	47	30	97		
Mission Viejo	8	17	11	9		
Newport Beach	75	122	108	85		
Oceanside	20	15	0	6		
Port Hueneme	2	26	28	1		
San Clemente	31	31	20	12		
San Luis Obispo	30	62	76	4		
San Diego	50	69	39	56		
Santa Barbara	0	22	9	37		
Santa Cruz	41	44	42	31		
Seal Beach	44	44	43	42		
Solana Beach	17	19	7	13		
Tucson	1	0	1	0		
US Ocean Safety	33	44	6	72		
Ventura County	25	18	14	3		
Members at large	0	1	1	5		
	<b>1083</b>	<b>1366</b>	<b>1055</b>	<b>1150</b>		



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Since the Spring 2004 CSLSA General Board Meeting at Imperial Beach, I have been busy with the following projects:

1. Completing and distributing the minutes from Spring 2004 CSLSA General Board Meeting.
2. Completing and distributing the agenda for the Fall 2004 CSLSA General Board Meeting.
3. Attending and participating in CSLSA Executive Board Meetings.
4. Completing and distributing the agendas and minutes from CSLSA Executive Board Meetings.
5. Collecting and distributing CSLSA mail.

In response to a request from Mr. Bauer, our Advisor has drafted a USLA Delegate Traveling Policy. This draft reflects our past practice and documents our current policy. It allows for full representation and participation, but provides for fiscal responsibility. We will present this under old business.

San Clemente Marine Safety Chief Bill Humphreys has asked CSLSA to carry his concerns to the USLA meeting regarding the proposed National Personal Watercraft Rescue Guidelines. This will be discussed under new business.

A vender contacted me in my position as procurement officer for the Huntington Beach Marine Safety Operation. CROCS is marketing footwear that they feel will be beneficial to our profession. They believe that their products will help lifeguards perform their duties in a safe and comfortable manner. The manufacturer is trying to market the footwear to lifeguards throughout the country. I have samples if anyone is interested.

In an effort to facilitate communication, I would like to ask that all General Board members complete the sign-in sheet and include their current e-mail address. I would also like to request that all Executive Board Members and all Committee Chairs e-mail their reports to the Secretary at [mbeuerlein@surfcity-hb.org](mailto:mbeuerlein@surfcity-hb.org). In the case of Committee Chairs, this will include both the pre-committee and post-committee reports.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael A. Beuerlein



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October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2004

**Robert C. McGowan**  
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## Treasurer's Report

Prepared by Rob Williams

**Vincent N. Lombardi III**  
*Vice President*

### ASSETS

**Michael A. Beuerlein**  
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Cash and Bank Accounts	
Checking - B of A	\$ 2,273.68
Money Market - Payne Webber	\$31,124.81
Savings – HBCEFCU	\$16,003.52

TOTAL Cash and Bank Accounts \$49,402.01

**TOTAL ASSETS** **\$49,402.01**

### Board of Directors Allocations

2002 Spr. CSLSA Mtg. C.P. Fund	\$ 899.00
Cal State Membership	\$ 150.00
Competition Trailer	\$ 247.15
Junior Lifeguard Account	\$18,499.79
New Zealand Exchange	\$ 1,025.60
Public Education Materials	\$ 1,007.77
Seal Beach Membership	\$ 25.00
Website Committee	\$ 320.00

**Total Board of Directors Allocations** **\$20,174.31**

**General Fund Total minus Allocations** **\$29,227.70**

#### Notes:

- Cal State and Seal Beach Chapters overpaid on their USLA Dues for the '04-'05 fiscal year. Reimbursement for these chapters will be handled at the Fall Board of Directors meeting in Santa Barbara in October.
- The public education compact disc project was completed and was under budget due to the recommendation of the committee. The money is still allocated and needs to be discussed by committee at the Fall Board of Directors meeting.

**Cash Flow**  
**1/1/2004 through 10/10/2004**

Category Description	1/1/2004– 10/20/2004
<b>INFLOWS</b>	
HBCECU	119.03
LS Regionals 2004	1,940.00
Member Dues 04 - 05	37,100.00
PaineWebber	66.29
United Way	154.37
<b>TOTAL INFLOWS</b>	<b>39,379.69</b>
<b>OUTFLOWS</b>	
40th Anniversary Committee	1,332.80
Award Repair	113.66
Business Account Fee	150.00
Delegate I	37.00
Exchange Committee	474.40
Executive Board Meetings	181.90
Junior Lifeguard Committee	1,745.47
Membership Committee	232.58
Newsletter Committee	1,953.06
Public Education Committee	2,992.23
USLA 2004 Galveston BOD Meeting	1,750.00
USLA 2004 SF Bd Of Dir Mtg	4,150.94
USLA National Dues 04-05	11,814.00
Website <a href="http://CSLSA.org">CSLSA.org</a>	2,949.40
<b>TOTAL OUTFLOWS</b>	<b>29,877.44</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>9,502.25</b>

Net Worth  
As of 10/20/1004

Account	10/20/2004 Balance
<b>ASSETS</b>	
<b>Cash and Bank Accounts</b>	
Checking	2,273.68
Money Market	31,124.81
Savings	16,003.52
<b>TOTAL Cash and Bank Accounts</b>	<b>49,402.01</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>49,402.01</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
<b>Other Liabilities</b>	
2002 Spr. CSLSA Mtg, C.P. Fund	899.00
Cal State Membership	150.00
Competition a railer	247.15
Junior Lifeguard Account	16,499.79
New Zealand Exchange	1,025.60
Public Education Materials	1,007.77
Seal Beach Membership	25.00
Website Committee	320.00
<b>TOTAL Other Liabilities</b>	<b>20,174.31</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>20,174.31</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>29,227.70</b>



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## **CSLSA 2004 Fall Meeting - Santa Barbara Recurrent Representative Report October 21, 2004**

### **2004 CSLSA Recurrent Lifeguard Testing Dates and Hourly Payrates**

Attached is a copy of the 2004 CSLSA web site employment page that provides Departmental Testing Dates & Hourly Pay Rates. We have modified this page by combining both the testing dates and payrates to one page. Secondly, we are using red and blue asterisks to inform viewers when this information was updated. Finally, we added a link called "Chapters: [Click Here](#)". This will speed up the update process regarding chapter testing dates and or salary information. The changes are sent directly to me and I will format the information and then send it to our web site coordinator.

### **2004 CSLSA Chapters / Agencies Contact Information**

Attached is a copy of the most current CSLSA web site Chapters / Agencies Contact information. This document will be circulating for your review and any necessary changes. If you need to make changes at any other time you can again use the link "Members: [Click Here](#)" which is at the top of the web site contact information page to send changes regarding your Chapter/Agency information.

- Attached is the Spring 2004 National Recurrent Committee Report.

### **New Business**

#### **Proposal:**

Create two annual \$200.00 scholarship awards for active California Surf Lifesaving Association recurrent members. The idea is to promote lifeguards that are in college to write a collegiate thesis or research paper that pertains to lifeguards.

#### **Purpose:**

Promote research in the lifeguard profession.  
Support professional recurrent CSLSA members in their educational pursuits.  
Have a database of research available.

# Scholarship

**The California Surf Lifesaving Association (CSLSA) announces a scholarship** to support students pursuing a college degree.

CSLSA is a professional Association of California Lifeguards. Members have a common interest in managing and protecting swimmers and aquatic environments.

CSLSA wishes to support students studying as an undergraduate or graduate student in an accredited California, Hawaii, or Arizona college or university that writes a research paper or thesis that pertains to lifeguarding. The CSLSA will present two \$200 scholarships to be paid following a presentation to the Board of Directors. The scholarship may be used to pay for education or research expenses.

The scholarship applicant will be invited to give a presentation per committee review at the Fall or Spring CSLSA Board of Directors meeting.

## **APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

1. The applicant must provide a resume; transcripts of college or university course work; and a statement of their interest, topic, and intended use of scholarship funds.
2. All application material above should be sent to the CSLSA Scholarship Chair by \_\_\_\_\_, with announcements of award winners at the spring or fall meeting.
3. Two letters of support must also be submitted. One letter must be from a college or university faculty member familiar with the student's abilities, interests, and career goals. The second letter must be from the employees lifeguard department supervisor. Support letters must be sent separately.

**Send the following information to:**

**CSLSA Scholarship Award  
PO Box 366  
Huntington Beach, CA 92648**



**USLA  
NATIONAL RECURRENT COMMITTEE REPORT  
SPRING 2004**

Recurrent representatives from the regions will discuss the upcoming summer season with emphasis on hiring practices, training, and any changes that will affect efficiency on the beach. Continue dialogue on the National Survey is important which helps keep agencies competitive and supports lifeguards at budget time. Information from the recurrent reps will provide the appropriate items included for the National Survey.

The recurrent reps will be asked to assemble the appropriate information from their chapters prior to the Fall National Meeting. It will be placed on disks for distribution to recurrent reps at the Fall National Meeting.

The National Survey is an ongoing project which is a benefit to agencies. The direction for the project should continue to move toward a link on the USLA web page.

An article explaining the Recurrent Representative position to the general membership was presented to the American Lifeguard Magazine editors in the mid 1990's. Information for a new article on recurrent representatives and their role within the USLA will be discussed for the magazine. Items to be included will be listed, reviewed, and approved prior to the writing of the article.

Other items from committee members for discussion

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## Employment

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### Lifeguard Test Dates and Hourly Payrates

Lifeguard Exams By Agency \* Updated February, 2004  
 Lifeguard Payrate By Agency \* Updated February, 2004  
 TBD = To Be Determined

Chapters: [Click Here](#) to send changes to your chapter information.

Agency	Exam Date	Payrate
**California State	State Beaches 3/13 (Huntington) 3/21 (San Buena Ventura) 3/27 (San Clemente) 3/27 (Manresa) 3/28 (South Carlsbad) 4/3 (Point Magu) 4/10 (Monterey) State Lakes 3/14, 4/3, 4/25 (Moreno, Perris) 3/27 (Millerton Lake) 5/1 (Lake Silverwood) 5/16 (Granite Bay, Lake Folsom)	\$14.00-\$17.35
**Camp Pendleton	3/20, 4/17, 4/24, 4/28	\$11.83-\$14.70
Capitola	TBD	TBD
**Coronado	4/12, 2/24	\$12.50-\$15.96
Del Mar	TBD	\$10.29-\$15.86
Encinitas	TBD	\$12.07-\$15.38
Honolulu	TBD	\$12.21
**Huntington Beach	3/14 (8:00am)	\$14.12-\$27.32
*Imperial Beach	TBD	\$12.53-\$16.00
LA City	TBD	\$17.35
**LA County	3/20 (Cancelled)	\$18.40-\$22.80
LA County Lakes	TBD	\$14.46
**Laguna Beach	3/7 (9:00am)	\$14.76-\$19.58
**Lake Mission Viejo	4/17, 4/24 (8:00am)	\$9.11-\$15.70
**Long Beach	3/21	\$14.39
**Newport Beach	3/21 (8:30am)	\$13.12-\$19.39

Oakland	TBD	\$9.75 to \$15.35
**Oceanside	3/20	\$11.77-\$14.31
Pismo Beach	TBD	\$9.50
Port Hueneme	TBD	TBD
Port San Luis	TBD	\$9.29
**San Clemente	3/14 (7:30am)	\$12.78-\$19.89
**San Diego	1/16, 1/17	\$14.43-\$17.32
**Santa Barbara	4/10,4/17	\$10.00-\$14.00
**Santa Cruz	3/6,3/13	\$11.75-\$17.91
**Seal Beach	5/22 (8:30am)	\$12.01
**Solana Beach	May	\$11.62-\$12.81
**Tuscon	3/6, 4/13, 5/1	\$8.12-\$10.56
**U.S. Ocean Safety	4/10.4/17	\$8.25-\$16.00
**Ventura County	5/15 (8am) Meet at 3900 Pelican Way in Oxnard (Harbor Patrol office) Questions-Email <a href="mailto:ryan@cagstar.com">ryan@cagstar.com</a>	\$10.00



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October 21-22, 2004

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President/Advisor Report  
by Robert A. Moore

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*Secretary*

Oops! I wrote the wrong dates in my Timetext!!!! Apparently I was not the only one. Unfortunately I was the only one who booked a cruise around the dates I had written which totally killed the week of the meeting. Everyone else was able to change his or her schedules. Oh well, I have only missed one meeting since the early 1970's due to someone breaking into my van seven years ago at a pre-meeting golf tourney.

**Robert E. Williams**  
*Treasurer*

**Robert A. Moore**  
*Past President/Advisor*

I will miss the camaraderie among lifesaving professionals and the beauty of Santa Barbara. I know that everyone will work hard and enjoy each others company.

**Christopher R. Graham**  
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As the Past President/Advisor I have offered my advice to the President and the Executive Board. I worked on the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee and assisted in the design and construction of the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary long sleeve t-shirts. I also assisted with the design and construction of this years long sleeve membership t-shirts.

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I have recommendations for next year's membership kits that I would like to see addressed in committee. We need to order decals soon. The committee needs to decide what type to get, inside or outside decals. If outside type decals, I believe that they should be different than the ones ordered two years ago. I would also recommend that we order at least 2-3 years worth. As the past treasurer, I noted the price breakdown and it only makes sense not to do this every year. As the current treasurer will report, we have the funds. We have decided to get the mugs. They need to be ordered this winter. The last time we ordered them we used a different logo. I would recommend that we use our current logo. (Gary Crum will provide the most up to date logo if needed.) I know that some would like to tag on a local Chapter logo on the backside. I believe that this could be a problem. Hopefully it can be researched thoroughly before a decision is made. I would recommend that this be left to the Executive Board to decide when all of the facts are gathered. I believe that it is a good idea, but practically it can be a problem. We noticed that our good idea of placing the current year on membership articles would be a hit. What we did not realize is that the left over equipment was outdated the following year when it could have supplemented the current year kit - saving us some money. I believe that if you place a local Chapter logo on the back of a mug, shirt, hat, etc., and that Chapter does not have the same membership, we will have problems. Example: if Laguna Beach has more members in 2005 and Long Beach has less, we can not take the extra from Long Beach and give to Laguna with local Chapter logos on them.

The most critical issue is that we need to have all membership kit items at the Spring Board of Directors meeting for distribution. I believe that the CSLSA Membership Chairman and his staff should withhold 10% of the membership kits in a cache. We have distributed 1,200 kits this year and some Chapters are short and while others have not responded. Currently the Membership Chairman is not able to forward the needed kit supplies to the Chapters who signed up the members and deserved their long sleeve t-shirt, sunscreen, and decal. Other Chapters are sitting on the supplies without responding to the needs of the organization. If the Membership Chairman has a cache, he or she could immediately forward the supplies to the Chapters who signed up the members. If we go over the 1,200 members, we can produce more supplies. I am sure the sponsors would be happy to reach more members. If we have 1,000 members and Chapters are screaming for more supplies because they are short, our sponsors will not be willing to provide more supplies. The first question our President will be asked is "where are the other 200 kits?" Membership Committee, please address these concerns.

I have submitted three written proposals/suggestions to the Executive Board and will yield to the President on how he wants to handle:

1. I have proposed a 2005 CSLSA Executive Board Meeting Calendar. The goal is to set a plan for the Executive Board so everyone can plan their schedules around the pre-determined dates. When we wait to schedule a meeting, it is next to impossible to find a common date.
2. I have proposed a USLA Delegate Traveling Policy to the Executive Board for review and hopefully implementation. It basically puts in writing what the CSLSA has done for the past twenty plus years. If the Executive Board approves, then I believe that the Board of Directors should support. If further work needs to be done on this issue, I would hope that the Executive Board would address in future meetings and propose for Board of Director approval at the Spring meeting. I see this, as a formality of past practice with the necessary flexibility needed to deal with fiscal difficulties.
3. I have made suggestions for USLA Board of Directors meeting. These suggestions were made as a compromise on the 'new direction' of conducting the USLA Board of Director meetings. The Reader's Digest version is I believe that speakers should be limited and only delegates should vote, but I do not believe that volunteers who have paid their way to a national meeting should be eliminated from floor discussion. Some committee chairs are not delegates so technically they may not speak on the floor. If Roberts Rules of Order do not accommodate, then they should be suspended to allow full participation. The USLA Legal Advisor hopefully can find a common ground to include and not exclude participation.

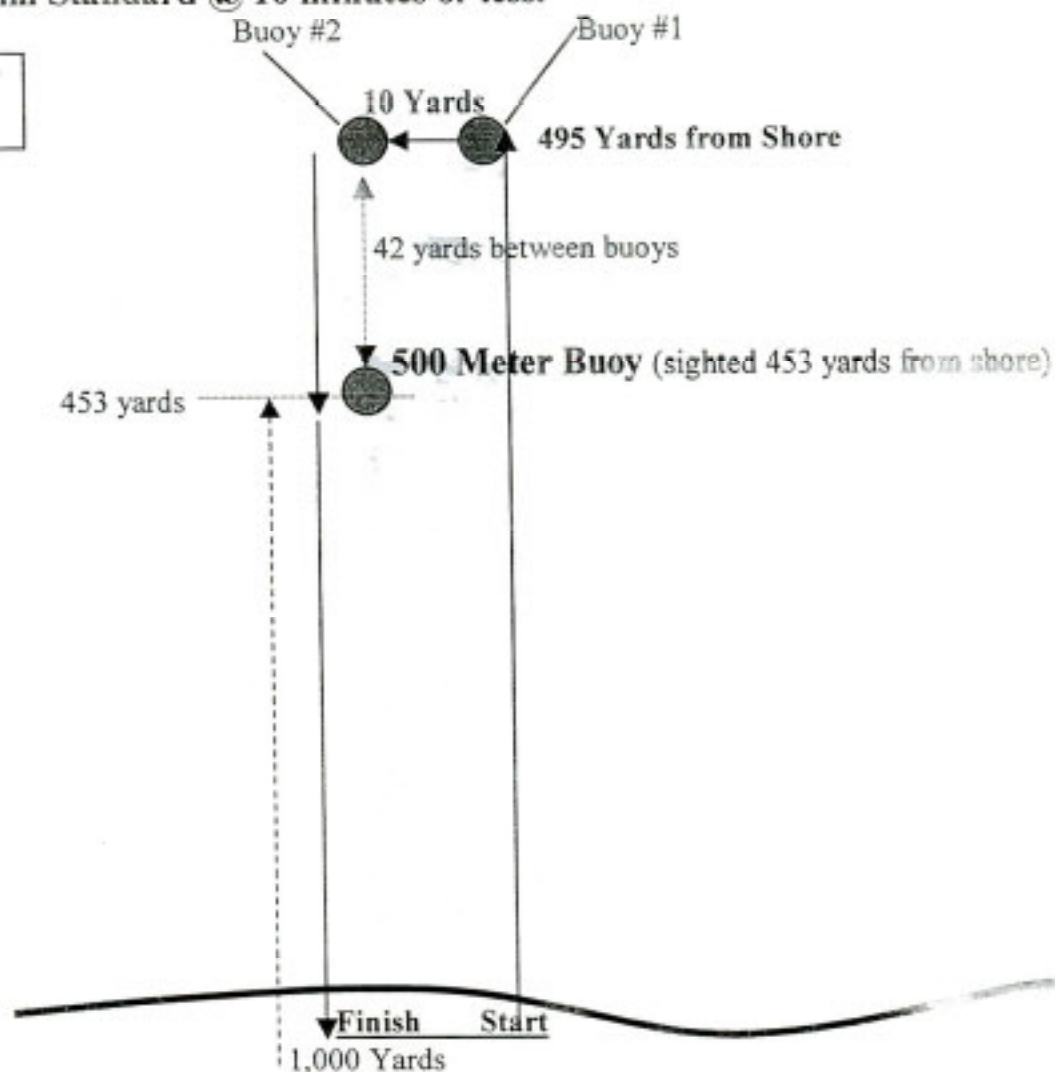
We had record numbers at our Regionals held in Long Beach. JoAnn with the support of Mark and Paul and the entire Long Beach Chapter, GREAT JOB!

I would like to see if the Competition Committee could come up with more officials to assist in the running of the Regionals. The 'Old Folks' won't be around forever. When Don, Bill, Bob, and Rob pull the plug, there is no 'next generation' core of consistent officials with a competition background. We need to get more folks involved. Having been there when there were limited number of officials, it is unfair to the competitors. Our members who compete deserve structure with fair and consistent enforcement. Come on 'Young Folks' it's your turn!

In all seriousness, have a great meeting; sorry I planned around the wrong dates. See you in the Spring.

1. 1,000 yard Swim Test @ 20 minutes or less with 500 meter USLA Swim Standard @ 10 minutes or less.

**FINAL DRAFT**  
3/22/04



**RECOMMENDATION:** Use two methods of measuring distance of buoys if at all possible. A distance range finder and a GPS are preferred. However the use of an accurate radar with plotter in conjunction with a distance range finder is also acceptable.

**Measurements and Conversions Source:** MISTupid.com , Conversions

500 meters = 546.8 yards (rounded to 547 yards for test purposes)

500 Meter Buoy is set 42 yards shoreward of Buoy #2 (453 yards from shore)

547 yards = 500 meters of swim distance.

<b>2004 California State Parks Lifeguard Swim Test Result with 500 meter swim comparison</b>
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2004	LOCATION	CONDITIONS	MEASURING DEVICE USED	TOTAL SWIMMERS	TOTAL FAILED		
					500 m 10 min	1000 YD 20 min	TOTAL FAILED R-S-R
3/13	Huntington State Beach	Surf: 2' -3' westerly swell H2o Temperature: 61degrees Overcast w/ winds 2-4 mph	GPS Radar	149	7	6	4
3/21	San Buenaventura State Beach	Surf: 1'-2' west: swell H2o Temperature: 58 degrees Overcast w/ winds 0-3 mph	(2) Laser Range Finders	124	7	6	6
3/27	Santa Cruz Rio del Mar	Surf: 3'-5' NM swell H2o Temperature: 57 degrees Sunny with glassy conditions.	(2) Laser Range Finders	57	1	1	n/a
3/28	Carlsbad State Beach	Surf: 3'-5' west swell H2o Temperature: 63 degrees Sunny w/ calm conditions	Radar (2) Laser Range Finders	88	10	9	9
4/3	Angeles Sector Sycamore Cove	Surf: 1'-3' S/W swell H2o Temperature: 61 degrees Partly cloudy. Winds: 0-5 rnph south	(2) Laser Range Finders	53	1	1	2
4/10	Monterey Slate Beach	Surf: 3'-5' west swell H2o Temperature: 54 deg. Foggy w/ glassy conditions	(2) Laser Range Finders	30	2	2	2
	All listed swim tests were attended by the Department Aquatic Safety Specialist: Alex Peabody		<b>Total Results</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>2</b>

**Converting the USLA Swim Time Standard to Longer Distances  
by Carl Drake  
April 2004**

The USLA time standard for open water lifeguards is to be able to swim 500 meters within 10 minutes. Some agencies, because of hiring requirements or set courses, use a standard that involves greater distances. The USLA standard is also permitted to be performed in a swimming pool.

There are a number of methods and charts to convert a 500 meter swim time to something other such as 800 yards or 1000 yards. These conversion methods and charts are geared for competitive swimming standards or qualifications. One of the problems is that these standards are aimed a very high caliber swimmer. For example, an Olympic caliber swimmer will be going twice as fast as someone swimming at the USLA standard. USA Swimming publishes its time standard for the US Open on its web site ([http://www.usa-swimming.org/PDF/03\\_open\\_timestandards.pdf](http://www.usa-swimming.org/PDF/03_open_timestandards.pdf)). The times are listed by event and in short course (yards), short course (meters) and long course. Some formulas can be developed from these time standards that can be applied to open water swims and longer than 500 meter distances.

To develop a conversion formula for a longer distance that takes into effect the fatigue factor of swimming longer distances, a formula is developed by looking at the US Open standards for the 400 meter and 800 meter swims. The difference in time is broken down by 100 meter and then applied to the 100 meter intervals between 400 meters and 1000 meters. A conversion factor is then developed for the 100 meter intervals for the USLA standard from 600 meters to 1000 meters (see chart A).

The greatest challenge in conversion is to account for the time difference between a swimming pool and the open water environment. Factors increasing the time for open water include no flip turns, the inability to swim a straight course, lateral currents, chop, surf and cold water. These factors do not lend themselves to formulas with the possible exception of flip turns.

Again using the US Open swim standards, a formula may be developed that factors the extra speed acquired by flip turns. The US Open time standards have a comparison by event between long course and short course meters. Chart B shows how the actual times compare and what these would be extrapolated at 100 meter increments between 600 meters and 1000 meters.

## Swim Test Theory

### Theory For calculating Swim Test Graph

#### 1. USLA Curve.

This curve is just a straight line from (0,0) through the point 10 minutes, 500 meters, converted to yards. The line is extended past 1000 yards to give a reference for the other two curves. This curve shows the USLA short course standard 500 meters in 10 minutes with no conversion, extended to 1000 yards.

#### 2. CA State 1.

This curve shows the USLA curve with a short course (SC) to long course (LC) conversion, extended just past 1000 yards. The CA State 1 curve crosses 1000 yards at about 18 minutes. This curve does not take into account the time lost in open water from not being able to push off the wall every 50 meters.

#### 3. CA State 2.

This is the USLA curve with the SC to LC conversion which also accounts for time lost because of no turns in open water. The time lost is calculated by assuming 0.9 seconds is lost at each turn that doesn't happen in open water, then adding 0.1 second every 4 turns. The calculation assumes a short course, which has a turn every 50 meters (45.7 yards).

#### 4. Conclusion.

The CA state 2 curve estimate shows that the equivalent of swimming 500 meters in 10 minutes in a short course pool is about the same as swimming 1000 yards in 21 minutes in open water. This estimate takes into consideration both the extended short course to long course conversion, and the time lost because of no turns in open water. It does not take into account open water currents, waves, or the effect of water temperature on performance. According to the estimate, it is safe to say that swimming 1000 yards in 20 minutes in open water is more difficult than swimming 500 meters in 10 minutes in a 50 meter short course pool.

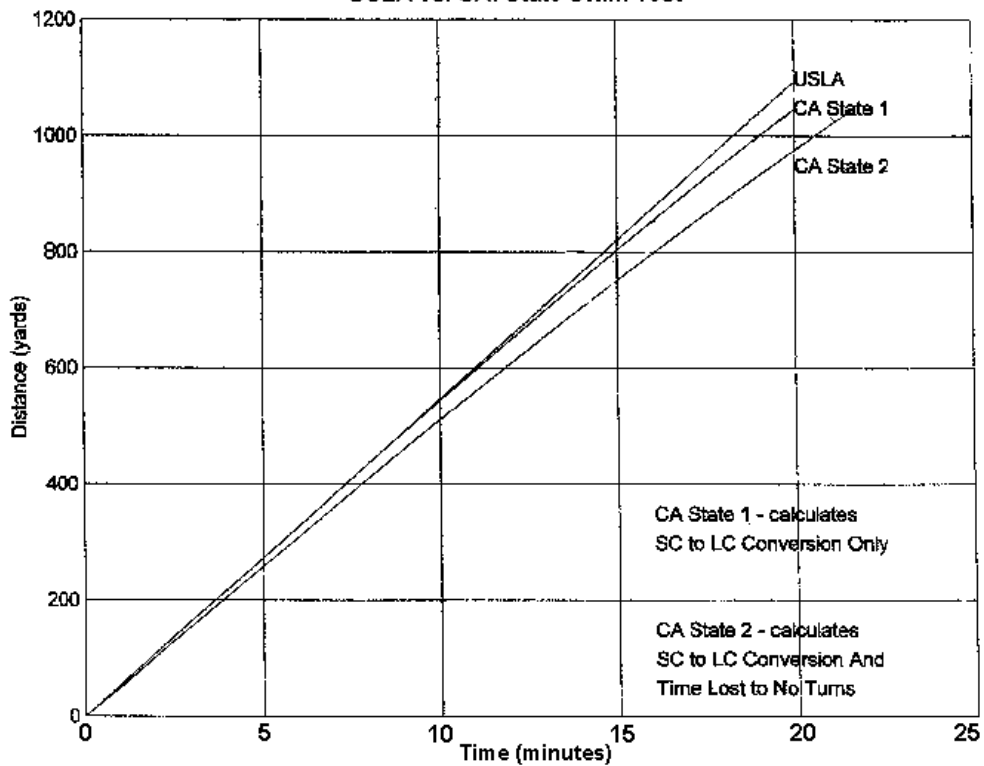
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USLA vs. CA. State Swim Test



## Converting USLA Swim Standards to Longer Distances

### CHART A

2003 US Open Time Std for 400 Meter and 800 M

Distance (Meters)	US Open Time Std	In Seconds	100 Avg
400	04:05.9	246	62
500	5:11	311	62
600	6:18	378	63
700	7:27	447	64
800	08:29.8	510	64
900		581	65
1000		653	65

100 meter split difference between 400 and 800: 0.77

USLA Time Standard for 500 Meter

Distance (Meters)	Conversion	USLA Time STD	Seconds	Minutes
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500	1	10.00	600	
600	1.21	12.1	729	12.1
700	1.43	14.3	861	14.3
800	1.64	16.4	983	16.4
900	1.87	18.7	1122	18.7
1000	2.10	21.0	1248	20.8

### CHART B

Distance in Meters	SCM Min/Sec/Tenths	LCM
50	23.29	24.19
100	50.79	52.99
200	01:51.5	01:55.7
400	03:55.7	04:05.9
500		
600		
700		
800		
900		
1000		

SCM In Seconds	LCM	Increased Time	Number of Turns SC	Number of Turns LC	Difference In Turns	Time Per Turn	Total Turn Time	
23.29	24.19	0.9	1	0	1	0.9		Actual
50.79	52.99	2.2	3	1	2	1.1		Actual
111.5	115.7	4.2	7	3	4	1.1		Actual
235.7	246	10.3	15	7	8	1.3		Actual
			19	9	10	1.4		
			23	11	12	1.5	35	Extrapolated
			27	13	14	1.6	43	Extrapolated
			31	15	16	1.7	53	Extrapolated
			35	17	18	1.8	63	Extrapolated
			39	19	20	1.9	74	Extrapolated

	Inches to 1 meter	Inches to 1 Yard	Difference	Percent
Converting Meters to Yards:	39.37	36	3.37	0.086

Speed to use for 1 to 99 meters: 1.20 seconds per meter (based on 500 meter in 10 sec Std)

Sample: 1000 yard converted

Convert to meters	914 m
900 meters swim (Chart A)	1122 sec
Add 14 meters	16.8 sec
Open Water Conversion (Chart B)	63 sec
Converts to	1202 sec (20.02 min)

Sample: 800 yard converted

Convert to meters	732 m
700 meters swim (Chart A)	861 sec
Add 32 meters	38.4 sec
Open Water Conversion	43 sec
Converts to	942 sec



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**TO: CSLSA Board of Directors**  
**FROM: Jay Butki**  
**SUBJECT: Competition Committee Chair Report**  
**DATE: October 21, 2004**

## 2004 Spring USLA National Board of Directors Meeting

A number of proposals were brought up at the USLA Spring Meeting in San Francisco and will be finalized at the Fall meeting in Galveston. They include proposals to:

- Require presence at heat marshaling to be eligible for final.
- Require competitors to wear wristbands.
- Preclude women from Men's Open events, except when there is not a corresponding Open women's event.
- Add a rowing leg to the American Ironwoman.
- Restrict a competitor to either an open event or their respective age group but not both.

The items can be viewed in the new additions to the [www.USLA.org](http://www.USLA.org) website:  
Competition Committee Procedures:

- How the Competition Committee works

Fall 2004 Competition Committee Meeting Agenda:

- The Agenda of proposed rule changes and procedures to be discussed at the Fall 2004 meeting in Galveston.

Active Issues:

- An excel list of issues that are currently before the Competition Committee

## 2004 CSLSA Championships

The Southwest Regional Championships and Junior Lifeguard Regional Championships were hosted by Long Beach at Granada Beach on July 23 and 24. Results are up on the [www.CSLSA.org](http://www.CSLSA.org) website. Special thanks to Joanne Warzoha and the lifeguard staff from Long Beach for making this a successful event. Joanne and her crew put in many hard hours and in the end their efforts paid off in a fun, well attended event and we even got surf (albeit due to high winds in the late afternoon). The plaques presented to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place finishers were beautiful photos of vintage Long Beach Lifeguard history. Long Beach will be hosting the 2005 Regional Championships, tentatively scheduled for July 23rd

## 2004 USLA Championships

The 2004 USLA National and Junior Lifeguard Championships were held in Daytona Beach, Florida on August 5,6 and 7. We were blessed with seeing all 4 of Florida's seasons in three days, and despite having events cancelled due to lightning storms and short fetch storm surf the Southwest Region took first place with 720.9 points followed closely by the Mid Atlantic with 716.15 and Southeast Region took third with 379.12.

Los Angeles County finished first in Division A with 545 points followed closely by Monmouth County, NJ in 2<sup>nd</sup> with 408.36 and Sussex County MD in 3<sup>rd</sup> with 181.74. The host team Volusia County was 4<sup>th</sup> with 128, followed by San Diego in 5<sup>th</sup> with 88.0 and Cal State in 6<sup>th</sup> with 46.9. The Hawaiian Lifeguard Association placed 6<sup>th</sup> in the Division B (agencies with less than 100 employees) with 41.0 points. The CSLSA Men's and women's results, and the overall high point scores can be viewed at <http://www.cslsa.org/events/Attachments/USLA04Results.pdf> .

### **Rescue 2004**

The World Lifesaving Championships took place September 11-28, 2004, in Viareggio, Italy. Open water events will be held in the Congress Centre "Principe di Piemonte" and pool events in the 50 meter pool in Livorno.

The Ligurian Sea produced a little Tuscan surf action during the Masters and Interclub competitions but was almost dead flat during the National Team competitions. Among the CSLSA members in attendance were: Micha Burden, Jay Butki, Cris Dobrosielski, Randy Eickhoff, Ann Finley, Maggie Hogan, Mitch Kahn, Renee Locarnini, Blaine Morgan, Tandis Morgan, Marshall Parks, Rob Pelkey, Alison Terry, Alan Voisard, Alexandra Wilson. Full results are available at: [www.rescue2004.com/risultati.asp](http://www.rescue2004.com/risultati.asp)

### **2005 USLA National Championships**

The dates for the 2005 USLA Nationals in Virginia Beach, VA will be August 11 - 13. That is one week later than what has become the norm. The web-site is almost ready and will be up in the next few weeks.

### **International Surf Challenge 2005**

A 6 man and 6 woman team from the USLA has been invited to compete in the International Surf Challenge on March 22-24, 2005 at Kurrawa Beach, Queensland Australia. They will be competing in 22 events against teams from Australia, South Africa, New Zealand, Japan, and Great Britain. The team has also been invited to compete in the Australian National Championships also held at Kurrawa from March 15-20<sup>th</sup>.

### **Wieland Shield 2006**

The 19<sup>th</sup> Wieland Shield Surf Life Saving Competition between California and Victoria will be held February 4 and 5<sup>th</sup> at Torquay and Lorne. The 3 women and 7 men from California will be selected based upon performances at the 2005 CSLSA Regionals and USLA Nationals.

### **Rescue 2006**

Rescue 2006, the International Life Saving Federation World Lifesaving Championships, is scheduled for February 10-26<sup>th</sup> in Lorne, Victoria, Australia. This international championship, held every two years, is comprised of several competitions including events for National teams, Interclub teams and Masters competitors in events such as ironman/ironwoman, board rescue, rescue medley, taplin relay and many more ocean, beach and pool events. This event marks 50 years since the first International Surf Lifesaving competition held as part of the 1956 Melbourne Olympics and attended by Bob Burnside, Greg Noll, and Tom Zahn among other luminaries in our sport. It also marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first truly International Lifesaving Association meeting. For more information please visit [www.Rescue2006.com](http://www.Rescue2006.com) .

Respectfully Submitted,

Jay Butki, Competition Chair





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## California / Auckland Lifeguard Exchange

### Fall Exchange Committee Chair Report

October 21, 2004

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### Ensenada Lifeguards

It is the charity of our organization that helps keep the Ensenada Lifeguards in Baja California equipped with the necessary equipment, uniforms, and first aid supplies to continue providing lifeguard service. In 2004 this organization provided the Ensenada Lifeguards with roughly \$10,000 + in supplies.

"We had the best summer of our history. We did not have paid lifeguards because the candidates preferred to give the money to the Lifeguard Association. With that money and a grant we got from the State Government we were able to take our jeep and ambulance to the garage, new tires for the ambulance, 4 portable radios, 2 base radios, and enough food and gasoline. Besides guarding Estero Beach and Faro we also guarded other beaches like CONALEP and CIPRES" -- *Victor Zavala, (President of the Lifeguard and Rescue Association of the State of Baja California, Ensenada Delegation)*

At the Fall National Meeting in Galveston Texas, Victor Zavala will provide the USLA Board of Directors with a status report of Lifesaving in Baja.

Ensenada Lifeguard Appreciation dinner is scheduled for Saturday November 13. It is to be held in the El Cortez Hotel ballroom in Ensenada.

### California / Auckland Lifeguard Exchange

I would like to thank the departments and individuals that hosted the 2004 New Zealand Lifeguards. Both New Zealand Exchange Lifeguards attended the project wipeout seminar at Hoag Hospital in Newport Beach, Ocean Festival in San Clemente, Junior Lifeguard Regionals and participated in Lifeguard Regionals in Long Beach. The two New Zealand Lifeguards visited 12 departments from Santa Cruz to San Diego from June 27 to August 4. (See the attached itinerary).

- This years exchange program stayed within its allotted \$500 budget. The 2004 receipts have been forwarded to Rob Williams, Treasurer and reimbursement has been paid.

The 2004-05 California Exchange Interviews were held on Monday October 4, 2004 in the City of Newport Beach Lifeguard Headquarters. I would like to thank those that applied and those that assisted with the selection process.

- City of Newport Beach (Hosting Agency)
- Dave Peden (Lake Mission Viejo)
- Kai Weisser (City of Huntington Beach)

- Scott Diederich (City of Laguna Beach)

We accepted 9 applicants into this year's interview process and they were from the following agencies....

- California State Parks San Diego
- California State Parks Santa Barbara
- City of Newport Beach x 3
- City of San Diego
- City of Seal Beach
- Los Angeles County x 2

The two lifeguards who have been chosen to represent the CSLSA in Auckland New Zealand for the 2004/2005 Lifeguard Exchange are with us today. They will each receive \$500.00 from this organization to help finance their Exchange to Auckland, New Zealand.

- Linsi Huseman (City of Newport Beach)
- Chad Wennerstrom (California State Parks - Santa Barbara)

The Seal Beach Lifeguard Association is here today to present both Exchange Guards with a \$250.00 check from the A. J. Summers Memorial Exchange Scholarship.

Exchange Itinerary (below)



## 2004 California - Auckland Surf Lifesaving Association (Lifeguard Exchange)

EXCHANGE DELEGATES: Katherine Fisher - Mangawhai Heads / Emma Roberts - Muriwai

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27-Jun Delegates Arrive	28-Jun Seal Beach Ross Pounds 562-843-1258	29 Seal Beach	30 Seal Beach	1-Jul Huntington City Brian McConnell 714-614-3315	2 Huntington City Huntington State	3 Huntington City
4 Huntington City	5 Santa Cruz City Santa Cruz State Ryan Saca 831-227-0513	6-Jul Santa Cruz Junior Lifeguards 831-420-6248	7 Santa Cruz	8 Santa Cruz	9 Santa Cruz Depart Arrive Orange County	10 Newport Beach Eric Bauer 949-644-3045
11 Newport Beach	12 Newport Beach Project Wipeout 25 Anniversary Starts 6 PM	13 OFF DAY	14 US Ocean Safety Jason Young 949-499-3312	15 US Ocean Safety	16 San Clemente Steve Lashbrook 949-381-8219	17 San Clemente Ocean Festival
18 San Clemente State Steve Long 949-492-0802	19 Del Mar Travel Day Mark Rathsam 858-755-1556	20 Del Mar	21 Del Mar	22 Del Mar Transport	23 Long Beach Jr. Regionals Paul Wawrzynski 562-570-1360 Disp	24 Long Beach Regional Lifeguard Championships 562-254-6774 cell
25-Jul Long Beach	26-Jul Laguna Beach Kevin Snow 949-494-5571	27-Jul Laguna Beach Emma Departs LAX	28-Jul Laguna Beach	29-Jul LA County Charlotte Graham 310-890-5041	30 LA County Intracrew	31 LA County Taplin Relays
1-Aug DAY OFF Travel	2 San Diego Tim Clochetto 619-221-8800 858-270-0302	3 San Diego	4 San Diego	5 TBD	6 TBD	7 Katherine Departs

Emergency Contact: Chris Graham @ (949) 770-1313 x 203 (714) 668-3611.

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# Asociacion de Salvavidas y Rescate de Baja California, A.C.

## GREETINGS FRIENDS

The Annual Dinner of the Lifeguard and Rescue Association of the State of Baja California, Ensenada Delegation will be held Saturday November 13th at the El Cortez Hotel in Ensenada. Reservations can be made directly with the hotel or e-mail me at [vizaha01@yahoo.com](mailto:vizaha01@yahoo.com). Rooms need to be reserved ASAP. Delores Avila will again be catering our delicious dinner. Please attend and show your support to our volunteer lifeguards and sponsors for a job well done in the 2004 season.

Days	Hours	Rescues	Preventions	First Aids	Transportation	Lost & Found Children	In-Service Drownings	Emergency Calls	Drownings Out of Service
45	264	43	680	28	2	6	0	4	21

## PROGRAMAS FOLLOWS:

El Cortez Hotel. Conference room Salon Mixteco. Casual Dress  
 6 P.M. No Host Cocktails  
 7 P.M. Dinner (wine included)  
 8 P.M. Program: Report, Awards (Rookie, Lifeguard and Rescue of the Year), Sponsors, Raffle.

Dinner per person                      35.00 dlls.

If you wish to become a member of our association for one year:

Regular membership                      25.00 dlls  
 Family membership                      100.00 dlls  
 Corporate membership                      500.00 dlls

Hotel - Double room                      \$ 50 plus tax  
 Jr.- Suite                                      \$ 73 plus tax                      (make hotel checks separate)  
 Suite    \$ 82 plus tax

All proceeds go to support 2005 season.

Forward checks to: Lifeguard & Rescue  
 Joyese Connell-Sneed  
 1940 Trident Ct.  
 Yuba City, CA 95991

More information: 530-713-9545

For the Life,

Joyese Connell-Sneed, Coordinator and Victor Zavala, President





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TO: CSLSA Board of Directors  
FROM: Bill Richardson, Committee Chair  
DATE: October 21, 2004  
SUBJECT: Heroic Acts Committee Report

There have been no submissions of any category of heroic acts since the Spring meeting.

I still remain available to handle these submissions. Applications and other information about this important program are available on the CSLSA website at: <http://cslsa.org/heros.asp>.

The Heroic Acts program is an outstanding way of highlighting individual accomplishments of lifeguards and non-lifeguards relative to a lifesaving action that brings valuable attention to the profession.

The two most important forms available at the website are the Application Form and Heroic Acts Policy /Procedure, including criteria required for each category of award.

Applications or requests for materials can be sent directly to me via e-mail, fax or regular mail at the following:

Bill Richardson  
Heroic Acts Committee Chair  
9361 Clouthaven Drive  
Huntington Beach, CA 92646

Phone: (714) 968-9360  
Fax: (714) 962-9370  
E-Mail: [HeroicActs@cs.com](mailto:HeroicActs@cs.com)



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**CALIFORNIA SURF LIFESAVING ASSOCIATION  
Junior Lifeguard Committee  
2004 Fall Activity Report**

**REGIONAL COMPETITION**

The Junior Lifeguard Regional Competition 2005 will be hosted by Long Beach date TBA. Long Beach was an excellent host for the 2004 JG Competition. A special THANKS to Joanne and Long Beach Lifeguards.

**CAL STATE GAMES**

The 2005 Cal State Games will be hosted by Imperial Beach date TBA. Last summer was another success.

**NATIONAL COMPETITION**

The 2005 Junior Lifeguard Nationals will be hosted by Virginia Beach, VA.

**2004 POSTER CONTEST**

This summer we conducted a poster contest. Posters will be judged at the Committee Meeting today.

**2004 JUNIOR LIFEGUARDS OF THE YEAR**

Each agency will have the opportunity to submit their nomination for Junior Lifeguard of the year. Coordinators should bring their one page bio with a picture of their JG to the Committee Meeting. Each nominated JG will be honored by the CSLSA. The total amount spent to honor each agency JG will not exceed \$1500. The honored JG's will be featured in our next CSLSA magazine.

**JG PROGRAM GUIDELINES**

If a private JG program wishes to participate in the 2005 CSLSA events they will need to:

1. Request by the Fall meeting for participation the next summer.

2. A Letter from the private JG program's parent Agency/City and Lifeguard Chief/Captain addressed to the CSLSA Board in support of the JG program.
3. This letter should indicate their JG's qualifications and training.

Del Mar, Turtle has initiated this request and plans to submit the proper paper work at our Committee meeting for the 2005 season.

### **TIDEBOOKS**

Thanks to Mike, Carlsbad State, the tidebooks are approved as an ongoing expenditure for the JG Committee. We will review the number needed.

### **USLA JG MEMBERSHIP**

Our CSLSA JG Membership is at an all time high of **5,179!** THANKS, Certificates of participation will be distributed.

California State	34	Newport Beach	1,228
Carlsbad	50	Camp Pendleton	14
Capitola	83	Avila Beach	82
Del Mar	43	Pismo Beach	141
Huntington Beach	98	Santa Barbara	74
LA City	73	Santa Cruz	41
LA Lakes	23	Seal Beach	286
LA County	2,246	Solana Beach	35
Laguna Beach	423	Ventura	24
Long Beach	81		

During the Committee Meeting we will compare membership with team participation at the 2004 Regional Competition.

The JG Membership continues to go well. Try to include this \$10 fee in your 2005 program registration.

Print the USLA logo on all of your 2005 JG program information. This is our "Good HouseKeeping" seal of approval.

### **WEB INFORMATION UPDATE**

Verify your Junior Lifeguard Program information during the Committee Meeting.

**REENIE BOYER**  
 P.O. Box 1768 Newport Beach, CA 92658-9815  
 Telephone: (949) 644-3170  
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## CSLSA 2004 Fall Meeting- Santa Barbara Newsletter Report October 21, 2004

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There is good news and other news to report today. The good is that there is still time to submit your contributions. The other news is that the latest edition of your Cal Surf News is due to be published in the near future depending on some important decisions to be made here today. In my last report I mentioned the possibility of some major changes. They include but are not limited to changing the basic concept of our "newsletter". Originally intended as a link to keep the membership informed of current issues, the publication has now grown to include a much broader scope. Unfortunately, this expansion has come with growing pains. There have been several delays in publication, most of them unavoidable. One of the fallouts from the delays has been a loss of sponsors who were not always pleased with our less than current publication schedule. Without the sponsors, the overall cost is now paid by the CSLSA.

There are at least three possible directions we can pursue. One is to change the medium from print to WWW. Articles would be submitted for editing then posted as part of an on-line magazine. The result would be much more current with the possibility of quarterly editions instead of twice a year. I am not sure of the cost in WWW space or administrative time from our webmaster. The downside is that non-members would also have access to the page.

A second possibility is to expand the current print version and include at least two colors on higher quality paper stock. The result would be much more attractive to advertisers who ideally, may partly offset the higher print cost.

The third possibility I mentioned in my last report and that may now include some variations. If the board wishes to replace me with someone who has more time and resources to devote to a continuation of current Cal Surf, I will gladly continue to contribute as a staff writer.

I still believe that regardless of the direction you choose, Cal Surf can continue to be one of the finest regional newsletter publications. I hope we can also keep to our pledge of showcasing articles and photos produced by lifeguards for lifeguards. And, my thanks to you who have submitted articles for the next edition to be seen somewhere, hopefully soon.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Sandy, Editor, Cal Surf News



# California Surf Lifesaving Association

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## *Public Education Committee*

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### **Fall Committee Activity Update Santa Barbara – October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2004**

**Robert C. McGowan**  
*President*

#### **Public Education Materials**

As usual, I have some remaining public education materials for any chapter that would like them.

**Vincent N. Lombardi III**  
*Vice President*

#### **Interactive Compact Discs**

The project of making the interactive compact discs was completed in May and distributed throughout the summer to the chapters. Cal State has not yet received them and I have them to distribute today. All other chapters hopefully received theirs through the mail. The project budget was cut reduced from \$4,000 to \$3,000 for a "first run" to see the reception of it. The final project budget was \$2,992.23. The remaining monies need to be decided on in committee.

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#### **Childhood Injury Prevention Conference**

I was asked to be a presenter at the annual childhood injury conference held last month in San Francisco. It was a joint effort with Kris Okamoto from Hoag Hospital in Newport Beach. I presented on Childhood Drowning in a Marine Environment, and she presented on Spinal Cord Injuries. I represented Newport Beach, the CSLSA and the USLA. The monies to pay for my expenses came from the City of Newport Beach and the USLA, but the CSLSA was part of the presentation.

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#### **USLA Public Education**

As I updated you in the spring, I have taken a role as the vice-chair of the USLA Public Education Committee. I have worked closely with Peter Davis over the last 10 months to support public education on the national level. He is just putting the finishing touches on a few Public Service Announcements. I have also helped in the development of a public education learning section on the USLA website that should go live in the next week or so. It includes quizzes, word search, memory games and cartoons. We will also develop a section that includes the PSA's and downloadable teaching materials, such as coloring books and lesson plans. These are things we may be able to add to the CSLSA website in the future.

#### **New Public Education Chair???**

With my schedule in both work and my personal life, I would welcome a new public education committee chair. Mainly, with the addition of being the treasurer, and being involved with the USLA Public Education, I would like to step down as the CSLSA Public Education Chair. I plan on still being involved with the committee. However, this may be the time for someone else to take the lead. I have already notified the Executive Board and Mr. McGowan would be the one to make an appointment if there is someone interested.

**Rob Williams – Committee Chair**  
PO Box 4166 Balboa, CA 92661



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Since our last CSLSA meeting in April of 2004, the CLTOA has met three times to discuss various training issues. We had a meeting in May in Seal Beach, in September at Camp Pendelton, and this month (October 2004) in San Clemente. Terry Murphy is currently the chairman of the association. A brief general account of items discussed at our previous meetings is as follows:

1. College lifesaving degree program
2. ICS Training
3. Incident Command Guidelines
4. Curriculum review
5. Mutual aid dive training

## **COLLEGE DEGREE PROGRAM**

One of the long-term interests of the association is to establish an accredited 2-year college degree program in lifesaving to be offered at specific California Community Colleges. Currently, a wide variety of lifeguard classes are already being conducted through various junior colleges in California, and Miramar College has the first lifesaving AA degree program, similar to a Fire Technology degree for firefighters. The goal is to bring all counties together to form a standardized college curriculum. A standardized curriculum offered at various colleges would create legitimate State industry standards, increase professional credibility, and also provide a sound basis of education for a full-time lifeguard or officer. This will require, however, standards and curriculum to be researched and developed for specialized courses such as lifeguard ICS training, IRB training, cliff rescue, PWC, Rescue Boat, Beach Driving, etc.

## **ICS TRAINING**

A college accredited lifeguard Incident Command System 200 and 300 courses are soon to be offered by the California State Fire Marshall. The ICS 200 course is 16 hours, and the ICS 300 course is 24 hours. If you have ever taken an ICS class you probably know that they are usually taught to fire students by firefighters. This course, however, will be designed for lifeguards, specifically to meet our needs for an ICS course. Once the curriculum is completed and reviewed by the Training Committee, classes will be scheduled accordingly.



## **INCIDENT COMMAND GUIDELINES**

One focus of our discussions has been to establish an ICS outline/Template that can be used by any agency for a mutual response aquatic incident. Additionally, we anticipate the outline to become part of a future college curriculum. Our goal is to take the State Fire Marshal ICS deployment model and use it to develop our own *Regional Dive Training Guidelines*, and insert a flip chart or simple user-friendly outline. Our intention is to have something that all departments can follow that puts us all on the same page with other public service agencies, and with each other. The idea is that if you are called out to respond to a multi-agency mutual aid incident, everyone is familiar with the same terminology, and is clear on how things are going to be structured. Right now it seems that many departments have their own ICS protocols that they follow (and they are all probably pretty similar). The goal is to come up with a standardized aquatic format that follows the same structure and terms used by Fire, EMS, Sheriffs, Coast Guard, etc.

## **CURRICULUM REVIEW**

Another focus of our meetings has been to evaluate certain curriculum for lifeguard courses. For example, most agencies use Red Cross or AHA CPR books and courses for their lifeguard training. But, what material is used for your IRB training? Well, in that regard, one of our goals is to look at the curriculum from Miramar and the other departments that teach these specialized subjects, and to establish certain minimum standards for these courses. There are certain courses that are already recognized by the colleges, such as Naui and Padi SCUBA courses, CPR courses, and so forth. Specifically, we have already identified nine books and courses that meet this criterion. They are as follows:

- |   |                                    |
|---|------------------------------------|
| 1) NAUI- Open Water Scuba Diver                     | 2) NAUI- Advanced Scuba Diver      |
| 3) NAUI- Scuba Rescue Diver                         | 4) USLA Manual                     |
| 5) PC 832   | 6) EMT- State Fire Marshal         |
| 7) AHA- BLS CPR for Healthcare Provider /AED Manual |                                    |
| 8) ARC- Emergency Responder                         | 9) US DOT- First Responder Manual. |

## **TRAINING/ NEXT MEETING**

Our next meeting is scheduled for December 2, 2004, at 1000 in Laguna Beach. All training officers are welcome! A multi-agency ICS functional exercise will be scheduled after the first of the year. Tentative locations discussed were Laguna Beach or Lake Mission Viejo. If you have any questions about curriculum or courses being offered please call Terry Murphy at (949) 378-4720, or David Peden at (949) 770-1313 ext. 220. Hope to see you at the next meeting!



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Website Report

by Robert A. Moore

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Much has transpired since the last Board of Directors meeting. As a committee of one, I rely on the Executive Board and Board of Directors to make recommendations and forward information. Pat Francis, the webmaster, and I have a great working relationship. She is a 'can do' person as you will see later in this report. She reports to me items that have been accomplished and makes recommendations and/or suggestions on how we can improve. One suggestion is 'what about colleges or university lifeguard courses'. Would that not be a relevant posting in the Employment or Certification areas? If anyone has information on lifeguard courses i.e. San Diego program etc., is that something we want to post? Please discuss and if appropriate, have someone head up the information and forward to me for posting. If not, let me know that also.

It is important that items that concern the website be noted and forwarded to me so I can get with Pat and 'make it happen'. I would request that the President delegate, in my absence, this assignment to someone who will take notes on each and every item (either in committee or from the floor) as to what is a website issue. Examples would be names of Junior Lifeguard winners of this year's contest, change of Chapter address and/or telephone number, etc. If there are any suggestions or recommendations as to how to improve the website please note that also.

The following is what has been accomplished:

Changes and revisions to the CSLSA website since March 2004:

- 1) Updates/revisions/additions to information on webpages
  - a) Junior Lifeguards
    - (1) Updated JG information, including Chapters
    - (2) Removed outdated JG of the Year pages and revised JG of the Year main page
  - b) CSLSA Agencies/Chapters
    - (1) Updated information as given
- 2) Layout changes
  - a) Events page
    - (1) Changed order of events to ascending (most current event listed first)



- 3) Posting of materials
  - a) Board of Directors meetings
    - (1) Spring 2004 Agenda and Minutes plus:
      - (a) Legislation
      - (b) Competition
      - (c) Added 2004 NZ Exchange guards to historical listing
      - (d) Added the phone & address changes to the JG Website, also added the 2004 Poster Contest details and membership number
      - (e) Added an Announcement to the homepage about National reps.
    - (2) Fall 2004 Agenda
    - (3) Santa Barbara flyer and hotel information
  - b) Competition results
    - (1) 2004 Nationals - created California rankings page
    - (2) 2004 Regionals
    - (3) 2004 JG Regionals
    - (4) Archived 2003 results
  - c) Events and News
    - (1) New events posted and outdated events removed
    - (2) Announcements - continually updated and linked to more detailed pages (Del Mar event, LACO Exam, competitions, etc. )
- 4) Work in progress
  - a) Created a homepage to accommodate the CD video (introduction)
  - b) Converted CSLSA CD - tried many formats for uploading  
(Many hours spent trying to get videos to work)
  - c) Just received new CD, will experiment with new formatting
  - d) If successful, will upload new homepage soon

Need: Cal Surf News - Spring 2004 edition if published

Finally, the Executive Board has suggested placing a counter on the website. Our website provider recommends against it. Following the recommendation, we did not engage the counter. I am gathering more information and will have a more suggestions for the Executive Board that may achieve the goals desired. Have a good meeting, I will see you in the Spring.



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**TO: CSLSA Board of Directors**  
**FROM: Jay Butki**  
**SUBJECT: Competition Committee Report**  
**DATE: October 22, 2004**

## **Discussion on pending National USLA Competition Committee Proposals**

1. Require presence at all heat marshalling to be eligible for participation in Finals CSLSA supports the proposal.
2. Requiring competitors to wear the appropriate wrist band throughout the USLA national competition.-CSLSA supports
3. Preclude women from racing in Men's Open events, except where there is not a corresponding Open Women's event-CSLSA Supports
4. Addition of a Surfboat rowing leg to the American Ironwoman - CSLSA is opposed
5. Restricting a competitor to either an Open event, or their respective age group event but not both -CSLSA is opposed, continue past practice and allow lifeguards to race in Age Groups and Open events if they so choose.

## **Discussion on athletes aging down to race in Masters competition.**

-CSLSA is of the opinion that you should be allowed to race in only one age group. If you are racing in the Surfboat or rescue races you should still only be allowed to compete in one age group - either the athlete's appropriate age group or if they are racing with a younger partner than age down to that specific age group. USLA needs to clamp down on the racing in multiple age groups.

## **Craft Inspections**

Surf Racing equipment from Australian manufacturers: ie., Bennett, Hayden, Dolphin, Force Field -- are already stamped and permanently labeled as meeting SLSA specifications which are currently identical to USLA specs. Gear so labeled should not have to be scrutinized and rechecked which currently wastes a lot of time at Nationals. Current SLSA rules have the top three place finalist's gear checked, measured and weighed after they have raced. CSLSA recommends USLA start doing the same.

## **Substitutions during National Team's events**

(Landline, Run relay, Rescue Race, Rescue Board race)

Team members should be allowed to be replaced during competition due to any reason, especially injury to an athlete. CSLSA recommends an open system for substitution between heats and finals, just as in US Swimming.

## **Ineligible Competitors**

Need to clarify Specs for who can and cannot compete and appropriate consequences.

On that subject, CSLSA believes a method should be developed for talented JG's who are over the age of 16 to compete in Open events if they choose. An opportunity to allow talented members of Cadet programs, Captain's Corps., AA's, etc. to race and develop their skills. We need to develop a better transition for our younger competitors to develop their skills and learn the techniques and crafts to race successfully. The USLA had the oldest athletes of any of the National teams at Rescue 2004 partially due to the fact that in other countries they are racing surfskis and in Open events at the age 15. Four-time National team Member and CSLSA member Rob Pelkey is one of many JG's that have competed in Open competitions over the years. We should be encouraging our talented youth... not holding them back.

## **Regionals**

Questions on team scoring: Team point totals have not been made available. We will attempt to track down the overall and publish the scores on the web site. Currently CSLSA still scores Open to 10<sup>th</sup> place and 1-5 in the 10 year age groups.

**2005 Regionals**-Long Beach, CA July 22 for JG's and July 23 for Southwest Regionals

Officials - We need to encourage and develop new officials for future Regionals. Any interested parties please contact Jay Butki, Rob McGowan or Bob Moore.

**2006 Regionals** - Api has been lobbying for some time and the consensus liked the choice of a Salt Creek Beach venue.

## **Discussion on the merits of awarding a site for Regionals for 2 years**

History has shown that attendance at Regionals has dropped off on the second year at the last several Regional sites. The majority would like to return to the variety of having a different venue each year. This is advantageous both to encourage variety as well as promote different beaches. Also in these times of high gas prices, it would keep everyone in the state from driving all the way down to Imperial Beach (for example) two summers in a row. As the average Seasonal Lifeguard only works for a couple of years, this would allow them to race at a couple different venues during their career and also allow different chapters to get their Lifeguards to a competition. The only dissenting voices come from the Junior Lifeguard coordinators who expressed they preferred the 2 years at the same venue, however none of the dissenting voices were offering to host Regionals for 2 consecutive years any time in the near future.

We believe it will be both easier to find hosts if they only have to commit for one summer and allow for more variety. Pre-planning should not be compromised as the venue proposals would be accepted and voted on at the Spring meetings in the year prior to the event. This would allow a full 15 months for event planning. Further discussion to occur at the Spring 2005 CSLSA meeting.

## **Southwest Region Surfing Championships**

Kyle Daniels from LA County brought up the proposal to create a CSLSA Surfing Regional Championship to include Longboard, Shortboard and Bodysurfing. These would be held at a different time and venue than the Regional surf Lifesaving Championships. Further discussion to occur at the Spring 2005 CSLSA meeting.

Questions brought up regarding insurance and who covers what for the various USLA and CSLSA events. Southwest Region would like to learn more about getting an umbrella policy to cover the individual Regionals, or chapters and / or agencies who host local surf lifesaving

competitions to foster more competitions.

**2005 Competition Calendar:**

Please get dates and info on any upcoming events or competitions to Jay Butki or email to the CSLSA web site.

**2006 USLA Nationals**

CSLSA will make the proposal for Huntington State Beach to be the site for the West Coast USLA Nationals in August 2006.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jay Butki  
Competition Committee Chair

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## California / Auckland Lifeguard Exchange Fall Exchange Committee Chair Report October 21, 2004 Chris Graham

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### Ensenada Lifeguards

It is the charity of our organization that helps keep the Ensenada Lifeguards in Baja California equipped with the necessary equipment, uniforms, and first aid supplies to continue providing lifeguard service. In 2004 this organization provided the Ensenada Lifeguards with roughly \$10,000 + in supplies.

"We had the best summer of our history. We did not have paid lifeguards because the candidates preferred to give the money to the Lifeguard Association. With that money and a grant we got from the State Government we were able to take our jeep and ambulance to the garage, new tires for the ambulance, 4 portable radios, 2 base radios, and enough food and gasoline. Besides guarding Estero Beach and Faro we also guarded other beaches like CONALEP and CIPRES"  
*Victor Zavala, (President of the Lifeguard and Rescue Association of the State of Baja California, Ensenada Delegation)*

At the Fall National Meeting in Galveston Texas, Victor Zavala will provide the USLA Board of Directors with a status report of Lifesaving in Baja.

Ensenada Lifeguard Appreciation dinner is scheduled for Saturday November 13. It is to be held in the El Cortez Hotel ballroom in Ensenada.

### California / Auckland Lifeguard Exchange

I would like to thank the departments and individuals that hosted the 2004 New Zealand Lifeguards. Both New Zealand Exchange Lifeguards attended the project wipeout seminar at Hoag Hospital in Newport Beach, Ocean Festival in San Clemente, Junior Lifeguard Regionals and participated in Lifeguard Regionals in Long Beach. The two New Zealand Lifeguards visited 12 departments from Santa Cruz to San Diego from June 27 to August 4. (See the attached itinerary).

- This years exchange program stayed within its allotted \$500 budget. The 2004 receipts have been forwarded to Rob Williams, Treasurer and reimbursement has been paid.

The 2004-05 California Exchange Interviews were held on Monday October 4, 2004 in the City of Newport Beach Lifeguard Headquarters. I would like to thank those that applied and those that assisted with the selection process.

- City of Newport Beach (Hosting Agency)
- Dave Peden (Lake Mission Viejo)
- Kai Weisser (City of Huntington Beach)
- Scott Diederich (City of Laguna Beach)

We accepted 9 applicants into this year's interview process and they were from the following agencies....

- California State Parks San Diego
- California State Parks Santa Barbara
- City of Newport Beach x 3
- City of San Diego
- City of Seal Beach
- Los Angeles County x 2

The two lifeguards who have been chosen to represent the CSLSA in Auckland New Zealand for the 2004/2005 Lifeguard Exchange are with us today. They will each receive \$500.00 from this organization to help finance their Exchange to Auckland, New Zealand.

- Linsi Huseman (City of Newport Beach)
- Chad Wennerstrom (California State Parks - Santa Barbara)

The Seal Beach Lifeguard Association is here today to present both Exchange Guards with a \$250.00 check from the A. J. Summers Memorial Exchange Scholarship.



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**CALIFORNIA SURF LIFESAVING ASSOCIATION  
Junior Lifeguard Committee  
2004 Fall Action**

**REGIONAL COMPETITION**

2005 will be hosted by Long Beach July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Thanks again for the wonderful 2004 Regional event and we all look forward to next summer. There was clarification that the B-10' and under and C-9' and under paddle boards need to be all soft 9no hard bottoms.

**CAL STATE GAMES**

2005 will be hosted by Imperial Beach on July 15<sup>th</sup>.

**NATIONAL COMPETITION**

2005 will be in Virginia Beach on August 11<sup>th</sup>.

**2004 POSTER CONTEST**

The six winners will and receive \$250 from the CSLSA. JG Coordinators will distribute the checks and attempt to take pictures for submission our magazine.

- C-Lizzie Fleet, Newport Beach
- Sarah Ryan, Lake Mission Viejo
- B-Rebecca Ryan, Lake Mission Viejo
- Mackenzie Muhonen, Newport Beach
- A-Kristine Miller, Newport Beach
- Kelsie Brennan, Lake Mission Viejo

**2004 JUNIOR LIFEGUARDS OF THE YEAR**

We had three nominees that will split the \$1500 allocated for scholarships. (Coordinators have until November 1<sup>st</sup> for additional nominations.)

- Del Mar-Lauren Cody
- Newport Beach-Kyle Fultz
- Santa Barbara-Chrissy Faulding

**JG PRIVATE PROGRAM REQUEST**

Turtle of Del Mar Junior Lifeguards requested and was unanimously approved for the 2005 season.

## **TIDEBOOKS**

Have been ordered for 2005 and will be distributed at the Spring Meeting. Mike added a grunion challenge that should be fun! We may try a black and white art contest for the tidebook cover next summer.

## **USLA JG MEMBERSHIP**

Certificates were awarded to the JG Coordinators for Membership participation. There may still be a few programs to join for 2004. Mail your \$10 registration fee and participants name and address to:

USLA Membership  
P.O. Box 322  
Avon By the Sea, NJ 07717

## **WEB INFORMATION UP DATE**

Please up date the following:

Imperial Beach (phone #) 619.423.8382  
Laguna Beach (phone #'s) 949.494.6572 or  
949.494.4021 Pismo Beach (phone#) 805.773.7031  
Solana Beach (address) 111 Sierra Ave, Solana Bch, CA  
92075 USOS (phone #) 949.499.3312

## **NATIONAL JG PROGRAM GUIDELINES and AWARDS**

Working on this project at a National level.

## **HOT TOPICS**

Possible points at Regionals? NO

## **ROUND TABLE**

- JG Parent Open House
- Top 10 reasons why parents did not register on time!
- Sell out dated uniforms to all City employees

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## Membership Committee Report, October 22, 2004

**Robert C. McGowan**  
*President*

A variety of subjects were discussed relating to next year's (2005) membership:

**Vincent N. Lombardi III**  
*Vice President*

- Ensuring member kits are at the Spring '05 meeting in Seal Beach

**Michael A. Beuerlein**  
*Secretary*

- Checking on price breaks for coffee mugs (1,250 mugs vs. 2,500). The current quote was for 2,200 mugs @ \$1.75 per mug with 5-colors (\$3,850.00 was the estimate for this amount).

**Robert E. Williams**  
*Treasurer*

- A bag and a mug were preferential for 2005 and a towel as the secondary back up.

**Robert A. Moore**  
*Past President/Advisor*

- Discussion about having a corporate restaurant chain sponsoring CSLSA (% discount via membership card).

**Christopher R. Graham**  
*Recurrent Representative*

- Stickers were discussed and the need to purchase more for the years upcoming. 8,000 seemed to be the target amount to supplement for the next few years. Versicolor was recommended to outsource the project. The estimated quote was at \$0.05 per sticker up to \$0.35 with a bulk estimate of \$400.00 to \$2,800.00 for the order depending on the style of sticker.

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- It has been recommended to see if our marketing sponsor SHP can supplement funding for next years kit. Contact will be made prior to the purchasing for the 2005 membership kit.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vincent Lombardi  
Membership Committee Chair



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**Robert C. McGowan**  
*President*

Minutes-Public Education Committee-Fall Meeting 2004-Santa Barbara

**Vincent N. Lombardi III**  
*Vice President*

The first topic discussed in committee was the new USLA rip current brochure available for download online.

**Michael A. Beuerlein**  
*Secretary*

Discussion then began regarding public education material for the next year. Rob Williams then presented an activity book developed by Hoag Hospital. This was discussed as well as a collaborative effort with Project Wipeout. Consensus was reached to meet with Kris Okamoto of Project Wipeout to get the project going. It was understood that funds from Hoag Hospital and the CSLSA would increase the number of books printed. Potential for national use was also discussed.

**Robert E. Williams**  
*Treasurer*

**Robert A. Moore**  
*Past President/Advisor*

The idea of using the winning posters from the Junior Lifeguard contest was also discussed and agreed upon. In doing so, Junior Lifeguard funds would be utilized for the project. Mike Sylvestri then moved that \$1,000 be moved to the General Fund. Mike Bartlett then mentioned advertising space from such companies as Simple Green.

**Christopher R. Graham**  
*Recurrent Representative*

**Don C. Rohrer**  
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The idea of a bilingual activity book was then discussed, as were copyright issues. Rob Williams then stated that Kris Okamoto of Project Wipeout was behind the project 100%.

**Michael S. Bartlett**  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Executive Delegate*

**Charlotte M. Graham**  
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Mike Sylvestri then moved that \$4,000 be requested (\$3,000 from general fund, and \$1,000 from Junior Lifeguards) for the activity book.

Mike Bartlett seconded the motion for approval.

Combined efforts with TREFF and Southern California Edison were then discussed, as was the intention to complete printing by the Spring Meeting 2005.



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October 1, 2004

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USLA Delegate Traveling Policy  
Proposed by Robert A. Moore, Past President/Advisor

The following is a basic policy that should meet the request of the Board of Directors. This policy needs to have flexibility to meet the needs of the times and budget.

*The CSLSA Executive Board selects the USLA Delegation from the CSLSA Executive Board. Delegates are to represent the CSLSA at the USLA Board of Directors meeting and act accordingly. The CSLSA delegation will follow the direction of the CSLSA Board of Directors and carry any mandate and/or have authority to negotiate, compromise, or decide what is in the best interest of the CSLSA.*

*The CSLSA Delegation will be compensated financially in the course of their duties. The following items will be funded based on resources available. The standard compensation will be the following: Reasonable travel expenses port to port, lodging, and registration. The delegates will be financially responsible for all other costs unless the CSLSA Executive Board decides by majority vote to the contrary. Any delegate that does not meet their obligation will not be compensated. Any funds expended must be reimbursed. The CSLSA President will convene the Executive Board for any actions to be taken.*

*The standard practice is to send the entire CSLSA Executive Board as the Delegation.*

*In times of fiscal difficulties and/or lack of USLA business, the CSLSA Executive Board will decide on a case by case basis as to number of delegates and financial assistance, if any.*

*The Junior Lifeguard Committee has control of Junior Lifeguard funds and may fund any part or all of the expenses necessary to meet the needs of the Junior Lifeguard Committee at a USLA meeting.*

Again, the purpose of this document is to have general guidelines that will allow flexibility when conditions warrant. The CSLSA President and Executive Board through the authority of the CSLSA Board of Directors will follow this policy and make changes if and when 'normal' conditions change.



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**Beuerlein, Mike**

**Robert C. McGowan**  
*President*

**From:** Humphreys, Bill [[HumphreysB@san-clemente.org](mailto:HumphreysB@san-clemente.org)] **Sent:** Wednesday, October 13, 2004 4:09 PM

**Vincent N. Lombardi III**  
*Vice President*

**To:** [mbeuerlein@surfcity-hb.org](mailto:mbeuerlein@surfcity-hb.org)

**Michael A. Beuerlein**  
*Secretary*

**Cc:** Boisseranc, Kade

**Subject:** FW: National Personal Watercraft Rescue Guidelines

**Robert E. Williams**  
*Treasurer*

Mike,

Following is the email I sent to Ralph Goto regarding the proposed Watercraft Guidelines. If you or Kade could bring this up at the CSLSA meeting on our behalf, we would appreciate it.

**Robert A. Moore**  
*Past President/Advisor*

Thank you.

**Christopher R. Graham**  
*Recurrent Representative*

Bill

**Don C. Rohrer**  
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**From:** Humphreys, Bill  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 05, 2004 10:42 AM  
**To:** '[rgoto@co.honolulu.hi.us](mailto:rgoto@co.honolulu.hi.us)'  
**Subject:** National Personal Watercraft Rescue Guidelines

Ralph,

I am writing in regards to the proposed National Personal Watercraft Rescue Guidelines. This is in addition to our other comments sent to you by Lt. Steve Lashbrook a few weeks ago.

First, we appreciate the time and effort you and others have put into this project - this is one more positive step in the advancement of our profession. There is one concern, however, that we have regarding the inclusion of the requirement that all PWC operators complete the US Coast Guard Auxiliary Course in Boating Safety and Seamanship (BS&S). This is a course that has not been required as part of our P.O.S.T. certified PWC training in Orange County, CA, and we presume that this is not required in many other areas in California. For example, four of our lifeguards are currently enrolled in San Diego's regional lifeguard academy for PWC training, which does not include the BS&S course as a prerequisite.

Our specific concerns are as follows:

1. The requirement for the course is unnecessary for most ocean rescue situations utilizing a PWC in the surf zone. Operating a full-sized boat would be different of course. We do not operate in or around harbors and rarely around other boats. Our PWC operation consists primarily of surf rescue support, not boat rescues. Training hours should be somewhat in proportion to this. As the USLA recommendation stands now, PWC operator training is 20 hours of on-craft training and 22 hours of BS&S as will be described in the next point (42 hours total, not including PWC classroom time- with the slight majority of the time in the BS&S course). Note: Perhaps the BS&S course is less than 22 hours elsewhere? According to our local Coast Guard Auxiliary, the course held in Newport Beach (Corona Del Mar) is 22 hours.

2. There are alternative methods of learning boating safety rules and laws that are not nearly as costly. For example, the cost would be over \$6,200 for time and materials for our department to put our 1 I trained PWC operators through the 22 hour course. This is in addition to actual PWC training. If hours are to be added, time on the craft is a far better use of our limited training budget.

3. Adding an additional 22 hours of training to PWC training will severely limit the number of part time employees that we can afford (financially and time-wise) to certify. Additionally, this course is only offered a few times each year in our area, which will limit who can take the course - especially part time lifeguards who work full time in the summer and go to college in the off season.

To summarize, we and many other agencies have been safely operating PWC's and making hundreds of ocean rescues without this supplemental course requirement. Alternative generic requirements such as: "Knowledge and understanding of boating laws and safety is required" or even a shorter course such as the Coast Guard Auxiliary Course titled "Boating Safely" (which is an 8 hour course offered monthly), could be substituted for the longer BS&S course. Adding an unfunded mandate that adds an additional \$6,000 of training and time costs/constraints to an already taxed budget, possibly will deter agencies from obtaining or maintaining USLA certification, or may limit the number of operators that agencies can certify.

Thank you.

Bill Humphreys

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Beuerlein, Mike

**From:** Humphreys, Bill [[HumphreysB@san-clemente.org](mailto:HumphreysB@san-clemente.org)]

**Sent:** Wednesday, October 13, 2004 5:01 PM

**To:** [mbeuerlein@surfcity-hb.org](mailto:mbeuerlein@surfcity-hb.org)

**Subject:** FW: National Personal Watercraft Rescue Guidelines Mike,

Following is the response I received from Ralph regarding my email. Below that, are the comments Steve sent to Ralph (copied from a Word document). I don't have a copy of any replies Ralph sent to Steve.







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October 20, 2004

TO: CSLSA Delegates, Fall Meeting 2004-Santa Barbara

Subject: Proposed 2005 Las Playas de Tijuana Volunteer Service

The Imperial Beach Lifeguard Association (IBLA) is currently implementing a volunteer program with the Salvavidas de Las Playas de Tijuana (Las Playas Lifeguards of Tijuana). In conjunction with Wildcoast, an international conservation team based in Imperial Beach dedicated to protecting wild lands and surf breaks for Californians, the IBLA met with Los Bomberos de Tijuana (Tijuana Firefighters) in September and began arranging logistics and legalities for a volunteer program with the Lifeguards of Las Playas.

We are currently seeking more Lifeguard Agencies interested in contributing to this cause and look forward to a rewarding and cultural experience.

Agencies interested in volunteering may contact Richard Hidalgo at, mobile 650.759.1136 or via email [iblifeguards@yahoo.com](mailto:iblifeguards@yahoo.com)

**SUBJECT: Border to Border on a PWC**

Jane Usatin, Ph.D., recently approached the IBLA with an idea of riding a PWC from the Canada/USA border to the Mexico/USA border in the late spring/early summer of 2005.

Dr. Usatin hopes to involve the Imperial Beach Lifeguard Association with the event. She's already working with Fun Bike of San Diego, Yamaha Motor, Inc., *Personal Watercraft Illustrated*, and friends at the California Department of Boating and Waterways to make the Pacific Ocean Trail ride a reality

In completing this task over a proposed six-week period, Dr. Usatin plans to achieve the following

- Raise the public awareness of ocean and beach use and preservation along the entire West coast.
- Challenge the media stereotypes regarding PWC's, their riders, and use in boating environments.
- Increase membership in and raise funds for non-profit organizations dedicated to the ocean, the coast, and the environment. Thus far, she's contacted the Ocean Conservancy, Vote the Coast, and the Surfrider Foundation, in addition to the USLA.
- Allow the general public to follow her daily progress down the coast via a dedicated website, [pacificoceanrider.org](http://pacificoceanrider.org), which will include links to those partners, sponsors, and non-profit beneficiaries of the event.
- Encourage responsible tourism in the small and historic beach communities of Washington, Oregon, and California through media exposure during layovers in these towns.

Dr. Usatin is asking that lifeguard agencies along the California coast assist her in the waters of their respective beaches. She seeks the additional expertise from the lifeguard agencies,

even though she will have a crew with her for the duration of the trip. Local PWC, sailing, and boat clubs, as well as dealerships, will also be offered the opportunity to ride along on legs of the voyage.

Dr. Usatin can be reached at [usatin@sandiego.edu](mailto:usatin@sandiego.edu) if you'd like to ask her any questions or share any comments.

Kind Regards,

Richard Hidalgo  
President  
Imperial Beach Lifeguard Association







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## Draft Proposal for New USLA Award Category

**Robert C. McGowan**  
*President*

Submitted by Michael S. Bartlett, CSLSA

**Vincent N. Lombardi III**  
*Vice President*

### Objective:

To recognize individual chapters (agencies) for outstanding achievement in drowning prevention through a new, national award called *Drowning Prevention Achievement Award*.

**Michael A. Beuerlein**  
*Secretary*

**Robert E. Williams**  
*Treasurer*

### Purpose:

To promote the USLA's mission in drowning prevention; to recognize chapters (agencies) for outstanding achievement in drowning prevention within their jurisdictional operation; to motivate chapters (agencies) in maintaining their certification and good standing in the USLA; and to motivate chapters (agencies) in submitting their statistics to the National Statistics Coordinator by the deadline.

**Robert A. Moore**  
*Past President/Advisor*

**Christopher R. Graham**  
*Recurrent Representative*

### Award Criteria:

- 1- The individual chapter (agency) must be a USLA-certified agency in good standing with the USLA.
- 2- The individual chapter (agency) must submit their agency's annual statistics by the deadline as indicated by the National Statistics Coordinator.
- 3- The individual chapter (agency) must have ZERO incidents of drowning (guarded or unguarded as defined by the National Statistics Coordinator) for the statistical period of one-year.

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### Award Procedure:

After the statistic reporting deadline has passed, the National Statistics Coordinator will forward a list of qualified chapters to the Certification Chair for confirmation of certification and standing. Then the Certification Chair would forward the list to the Heroic Acts Committee Chair for review, approval, and distribution. A certificate, to be designed and managed by the Heroic Acts Committee, will be mailed to the qualifying chapters (agencies).

### Proposed Budget:

The certificate and mailing costs would be very minimal (less than \$300 per year).

### Considerations:

There is some trust extended to chapters (agencies) in reporting their statistics. However, most incidents of drowning are a matter of public record and usually are reporting in the media. Any chapter (agency) that intentionally misrepresents their numbers will be dealt with accordingly and subject to review by the Certification Committee for possible suspension or ejection (subject to USLA By-laws).