Aloha

Caltech Surf and Windsurf Club is organizing beginner surf lessons on Sunday, Oct 14 2012 at the Mondo's surf break just north of Ventura. Reeve will be the trip leader and Gaylord will be the instructor. The event is open to all members of Caltech/JPL community and their guests over 18. No surfing experience necessary, but you must be a good swimmer. The cost is $20/person. Surfboards and wetsuits will be provided.

To sign up, please e-mail surfer@caltech.edu (DO NOT reply to me or the whole mailing list). Use the SAME SUBJECT LINE AS ABOVE, i.e. Surf lessons - Sunday, October 14, 2012 and include the following info about you and your party:
1. Name(s)
2. Your e-mail address and cell phone #
3. Skill level - beginner/intermediate/advanced, do you have your own equipment?
4. Car - do you have one, can you bring it, how many extra seats are there, does it have a hard-mount roof-rack, may we install a soft-rack?
5. Volunteer - can you help with DVD screening, car-pool logistics, equipment on the day of the trip?
6. Caltech affiliation - undergrad, grad, faculty, staff, JPL, summer student, guest...

NOTE: INCOMPLETE INFO ABOVE WILL NOT BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION.

Mondo’s is a perfect place for learning to surf. You will get high-quality instructions and learn to surf in forgiving conditions. Surfing is not easy to learn, but is a lot of fun. You don't have to be a club member in order to participate on this trip. If you attended our lessons in the past you may sign up again in order to improve your skills as practice makes perfect.
To prepare for the lessons you should swim laps in the swimming pool. Paddling is a major part of surfing, and beginners often find that their arms turn into noodles on the first day on the surfboard.

The first 20 people to sign up will be given priority, others are placed on a waiting list and will be informed as soon as any spots open. If you are on the waiting list please be packed and ready to go when you receive the phone call.

Bring food and water for the day, towel, bathing suit, hat, warm clothes, sunscreen, a book to read in case you get tired early or have to wait for your turn on the shared equipment. Car-pooling will be arranged, bring some extra money for gas. We will try to minimize the number of cars on this trip. If you'd like to borrow an instructional DVD before the trip or organize its screening for the whole group somewhere on campus, please let us know.

We will meet at the clubhouse (NE corner of Brown Gym, a.k.a. the old gym, bldg #1 on campus map) at 6:30AM to load the surfboards on cars and pick wetsuits. Expect to be back in Pasadena around 3-4PM, depending on traffic, then unload and rinse/store the equipment. You should be back home by 5PM.

For more info about the club or surfing in general see the links below.
Any questions, please contact surfer@caltech.edu.

Club members, please note that all longboards ARE RESERVED for this event.
Intermediate and advanced surfers with their own equipment can join us at no charge.

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