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### WIN a \$500 Surf Travel Voucher...

Simply turn up to the Primitive Surf Travel Night to be in the running for a \$500 Surf Travel Voucher from **World Surfaris**.

[Download and print the entry form here](#) or fill one out on the night of Sept. 17th (next Wednesday). All the action **starts at 6pm** and will concluded by 8.30pm.

Remember the winner of the best surf travel photo will be taking home an **Prolite Coffin Cover worth \$250** . Photos that have won this prestigious prize in the past have been from the 80's or this decade, landscape or wave. Basically any photo that makes you want to go surfing is in the running.....so e-mail them or bring them on the night.

Special guests this year include **Andrew Rigby**, the owner of the **Exocetus** boat that runs Frontier trips up in PNG. Also confirmed are Brain and Donna who own and run **Matanivusi Resort** in Fiji and Shaun Levings and his people from **World Surfaris**.

Pictured here is **Jimmy Charchallis** who has won both the Door Prize and the Photo comp at the Travel Night in the past. Here he is putting his \$500voucher to good use in PNG this Feb. Yours truly took the shot, see I'm not just a shaper.



### Craig Rees (Sept. 9th)

### Surf Travel Night and the waves are back...

After 10 days of no waves a southerly swell has graced us with 2 days of good waves if you have been hitting any of the sth swell magnets. While I have talked to a few people today saying the Sunny Coast was still really small, I'm surfed out after 4ft D-Bah yesterday and **4-5ft Sth Straddy** this morning. There's still a few days left in this swell so get amounst it before the spring blues arrive.



**Surf Travel Night 2008** has been penciled in for **Wednesday September 17th**. There's a few special guests this year including Andrew Rigby, the owner of the Exocetus boat that runs Frontier trips up in PNG. Also confirmed are Brain and Donna who own and run Matanivusi Resort in Fiji. This will be a great opportunity for you all to speak to not only these surf travel experts but also Shaun Levings and his people from **World Surfaris**. Remember to bring your best surf travel shots to be in the running to win a Coffin Travel Cover.



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far from here and is already in the running.

Primitive Surf team rider Tara Christie sent me a copy of a video she has made up of her surfing and skating. Click the link here to check it out.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UBlvSGQPL8>

**Craig Rees (August 16th)**

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### 2008 Pumps in Indonesia...

There has been so many reports filtering back from Indonesia about pumping waves and there's another 2 swells lined up as I type this. We are right in the middle of the surf season over there and with the pros turning up for the Ulus Rip Curl search comp in a couple of weeks, it doesn't look like settling down.

Also check out [coastalwatch.com](http://coastalwatch.com) for news about the ship wrecked on Padang Padang reef. I have a little secret for you.... the picture at the top of this page has been on our website for a few years and the web guys that made the site liked the photo but decided to reverse it. Darren Podlich is actually a goofy footer as seen on the pic above. The shot was taken about a month ago at Ulus on a new 6'9" shaped for him.



Everyone please e-mail me your surf shots from your trips so I can put some on the website...

### Craig Rees (July 16th)

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### Stand Up Paddle in the Brissy river

Saturday May 17th the waves were really small on both the Sunshine and Gold coasts but it didn't worry us as the CityCat's sent through a 1-foot wave every now and then. We were under the Story Bridge on the Brisbane River for our Stand Up Paddle (SUP) Board clinic and although everyone was a little bit reluctant to end up in the water, most of us did.

It was an absolute laugh though and none of us really cared about all those Bull Sharks. At the start we were trying to dodge the little waves but as the confidence grew so did the effort put in to try and catch one.

My wife Lotta has never ridden a SUP and doesn't surf but she did manage to catch the best wave of the day (and yes I have been constantly reminded of it).

Big thanks to everyone that came down to the river and enjoyed a couple of hours of exercise and fun.





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We will look at doing another clinic later this year but if anyone is interested in Stand Up Paddle surfing please stop in and talk to us in the shop and you can even test a board for yourself. They are heaps of fun...

Click on Primitive Pics for more photos... <link to gallery page>

[Craig Rees \(May 25th\)](#)

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### POST CODE CHALLENGE 2008

**Nick Vitko** wins the 2008 PCC at Main Beach Noosa. After 2 days of competitive surfing and pouring rain 2006 winner Nick Vitko claims his 2nd title, the prestigious PCC Ring and heads to **Haátafu Beach resort in Tonga** with friend and 4th place getter Anton Pettersen. Nathan Cronan was runner up and showed the form we new he was capable of.

Last years winner **Brett Hodge** came in 3rd after another successful year at the Post Code Challenge.

Hodgy also won the Over 35's from Ben Arnell, David Tilley and Andy Rice. The Over 45's was very close with **Ziggy** taking the honors from Tim Butcher by only 0.1 of a point. Jimmy Charchallis was 3rd with Peter Vos in 4th. The Juniors nearly saw a 1:2 finissh for the Clentsmith boys but Will Honke had other ideas and snuck into second place with **Lucas Clentsmith** first and Haydn 3rd, Matthew Powell came in 4th. Matthew still has bragging rights in his house after his brother Michael came 5th.

Luckily we had heaps of tents on the beach, as the rain squals were frequent. But under dry tents with a great BBQ going and 2-3ft glassy conditions we couldn't complain. Photo's will be available as soon as the photographers get them back to me (hopefully by weeks end), so keep an eye on this website. Big thanks again to all that surfed all the sponsors and see you in 2009....

[More photo's in our Gallery](#)





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### [Craig Rees](#)

April 17th Update.

Due to forecasted strong 20-30knot SE winds the PCC 2008 will be held at

**Main Beach Noosa (between 1st and 2nd groyne). Drive to end of Hastings St. and follow signs.**

Scroll down and click on the link for the Schedule and Heat Draw.

See you Saturday morning.

[Craig Rees](#)

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### [Who will be crowned Brisbane's Best Surfer in 2008????](#)

Here are the details for the Post Code Challenge for this year.

Where **Main Beach Noosa (between 1st and 2nd groyne). Drive to end of Hastings St. and follow signs.**

When April 19th and 20th

Divisions Juniors (under 20), Opens, Masters(over 35), and Over 45

Who Anyone who lives on the mainland between Beenleigh and

Caboolture

Entry \$35 and [click here for an entry form](#) or go instore

Prizes \$10,000 worth of prizes including a trip for 2 to Haátafu Beach

Resort in Tonga.

April 15th update...

[Click here for the PCC draw and Schedule.](#) please note Masters will surf Sunday only but are very welcome on Saturday.

Contestants please call Primitive Surf on 32661001 for any more info.

It looks like there will be swell and plenty of wind so we will be running the comp at **Main Beach Noosa** between the 2 groynes. Drive to end of Hastings St. and follow signs.

The opens winner will not only be going to Tonga but will be sporting the PCC championship ring (see below).





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Big thanks to World Surfariis and Peter Gordon Jewellery.

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### PNG goes Primitive ...

It was a call that didn't go over really well with the rest of the guys but it's one we'll never forget. We awoke to our last day of a 10-day boys surf trip in PNG aboard the EXO with Andrew and Jude. Only problem was the wind was light crossshore again. We'd had pumping waves and surfed every day except one (and that day we found a wave that has never been surfed and still hasn't) but we had to go off the beaten track to escape the wind.



The crew were a bit down over breakfast when I said, "let's go over to that island and check that right-hander Andrew talked about last week, it should be out of the wind". He said he's checked it a few times but never surfed it. Tappo wasn't too keen on the dory trip against the wind and made the call that it would be small and no good. Half way across he looked at me and said, "because I think it's gunna be bad I bet it's pumping". We pulled up to the sight in this picture, solid 4-5ft glassy rights and breaking for 150-200m. When the old guy snorkling on the canoe came up he must have got the surprise of his life to see 7 grown men screaming like little school girls.

We scrambled over the side of the dory and surfed ourselves crazy. There was long walls for turns, late drops, barrells, scrapes on the reef, lip free falls and 7 lots of sunburn. Two long sessions later and it is one of the best days surfing I have ever had and I'm sure the other boys are all saying the same. As the sunset over the palm trees on that last day we were the happiest surfers in the world. If your even thinking about a trip up to PNG, don't come talk to me as I will talk your ear off and you'll think I'm crazy.

Craig Rees (March 5th)

[P.S. More PNG pics in the Gallery...](#)

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### Surf Travel Night and the waves are back...



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Friday February 1st we got together a few of the Primitive Team (including Nick Vitko and Tara Christie) and went over to South Straddy for the day. As you can see from the sequence above Vity is over his knee injury and firing on all cylinders.

Tara also got some good shots that we'll be putting up in the gallery shortly. She's off to PNG on a boat trip this week and hopefully will bring back some more footage.

Craig Rees (Feb 5th)