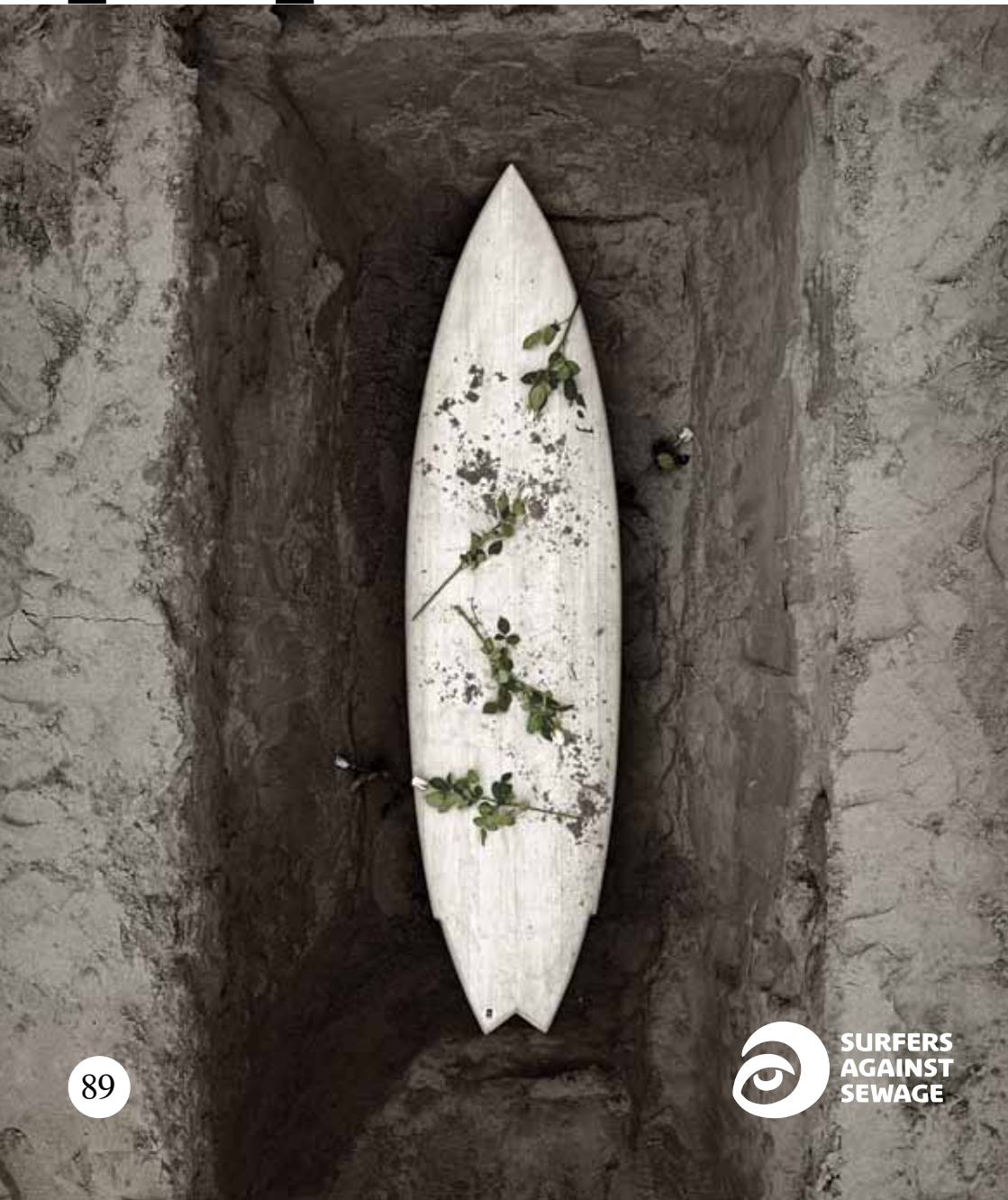


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**SURFERS  
AGAINST  
SEWAGE**

# EDITORIAL

WHAT IF THE NEXT WAVE  
NEVER COMES?

SEWAGE, LITTER AND OFFSHORE  
DEVELOPMENTS ARE THREATENING  
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Following the 2011 Global Wave Conference, we reflected on the best possible routes forward on UK wave protection issues. Whilst we are already making headway in promoting a greater understanding of the value, uniqueness and finite nature of (surfing) waves, there is still a huge amount of work to ensure politicians, developers and the wider public recognise these facts.

As you'll know, no other organisation in the UK is pushing this agenda forward, and there is a real need to do so at a time of a proliferation of coastal development, increasing marine litter, a sewage system under significant strain and weakening environmental motivation amongst leading government figures.

We wanted to set a big challenge, something that the whole coastal community could have a stake in. Something that would connect grassroots surfers and water users with those in power, providing a platform to show how important UK surf spots are, and why they should be recognised and protected as part of our heritage.

So, responding to the government's own e-petition platform, we decided to launch the Protect Our Waves Petition – [www.protectourwaves.org.uk](http://www.protectourwaves.org.uk) – specifically calling for better legislation to recognise and protect important UK surf zones. Over the next year, we are aiming to generate over 100,000 signatures to call for a debate in the House of Commons on the economic and intrinsic value of UK surfing waves and beaches, and produce specific legislation to protect these unique, finite assets for this and future generations. We aim to deliver the petition to Number 10 Downing Street in the summer of 2013.

Our calls complement proposed Marine Conservation Zones which aim to restrict exploitation such as development, drilling, fishing and mining extraction rather than exclude sustainable public access for pursuits such as surfing.

I'd like to say a huge thank you to the photographer Spencer Murphy who took the photos for the campaign. Check out his work here – <http://www.spencermurphy.co.uk> I'd also like to thank the team at M&C Saatchi who have donated so much to supporting this campaign. I would also like to thank and welcome aboard Magicseaweed as one of the driving forces that will be helping us generate petition support over the coming year.

Surfers Against Sewage – waves, environment, community – please sign the Protect Our Waves petition today – [www.protectourwaves.org.uk](http://www.protectourwaves.org.uk)



**Hugo Tagholm**  
Director

# PROTECT OUR WAVES PETITION

CALLING FOR 100,000 SIGNATURES TO  
PROTECT UK WAVES – SIGN TODAY AT  
[WWW.PROTECTOURWAVES.ORG.UK](http://WWW.PROTECTOURWAVES.ORG.UK)

This month sees the launch of a new SAS campaign, maybe the biggest ever, calling for UK law to recognize and protect UK surfing waves, beaches and the livelihood of coastal communities.

SAS's new Protect Our Waves petition – [www.protectourwaves.org.uk](http://www.protectourwaves.org.uk) – aims to generate over 100,000 signatures to highlight the value of surfing waves and beaches, and encourage Parliament to debate legislation in order to recognise and specifically protect surfing waves as a cultural, social, economic and environmental asset to coastal communities. SAS will deliver the petition to 10 Downing Street in Summer 2013.

British surfing waves are under threat from a growing number of activities around our coastline that could destroy or have long-term devastating impact on some of our most prized surfing beaches. This includes coastal developments, pollution, and restricted access.

Waves are a very important and necessary part of the workings of our planet. Surfing beaches and waves also have a deep personal value to surfers and surfing communities around the UK. However, in the UK there is currently no specific legal protection for surfing waves or any assurance that stakeholders, including surfers and surfing communities in Wales, Northern Ireland or England\*, will be consulted fairly on activities threatening their existence.

Other sports and activities such as walking and sailing are formally recognized, represented and consulted during many new development processes. Other areas of outstanding beauty and countryside sites are also protected. But politicians, developers and the wider public in general have very little knowledge of the value, uniqueness and finite nature of surfing waves and the landscapes, swell corridors, prevailing weather conditions and other features creating good quality waves.

The campaign has already generated support amongst politicians, surfing industry leaders and musicians, including from music star and surfer Ben Howard, Caroline Lucas MP, Lord Taylor, 9 times European longboard champion Ben Skinner and Ben Freeston, founder of leading global surf forecast site [www.magicseaweed.com](http://www.magicseaweed.com), which has a reach of 1.5 million unique users.

New legislation could be secured as revised criteria within the existing Marine & Coastal Access Act or be set up as a new, separate piece of wave protection legislation.

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\*In 2009, SAS successfully campaigned to have surfers and recreational water users recognized as stakeholders in the Scottish Marine & Coastal Access Act.

# WHY PROTECT SURFING WAVES?

Surfers Against Sewage argues that waves are important to coastal communities in four ways:

- **ENVIRONMENTALLY:**  
Waves form an integral and essential part of the functionality of the coastline; interfering with waves could affect the physical, biological, geological and chemical stability of the coast – alter them and entire ecosystems could be damaged.
- **ECONOMICALLY:**  
Surfers and other wave-lovers bring money into the local community through hotels, shops, competitions and much more, year round. Surfing, unlike most other tourist activities, continues throughout the winter, which gives it additional value.
- **CULTURALLY:**  
Many coastal areas have been defined and characterised by the existence of certain iconic waves and surf spots, including Thurso in Scotland and Newquay in England.
- **SOCIALLY:**  
Waves are the central thread to the social integrity of many coastal communities from Cornwall, England to Portrush in Northern Ireland

Surfers Against Sewage has set out four key steps to protect waves & surf spots:

- 1 **INCREASE PUBLIC AWARENESS:**  
The general public still finds it very difficult to understand what a coastal ocean wave actually is, let alone recognise its value or the fact that it must be protected. Objects such as mountains and rivers are the easiest things for people to envisage as elements that should be protected, because they are more or less fixed. The concept that a particular 'wave' needs protecting is, however, much more difficult.
- 2 **SURFERS BECOME STAKEHOLDERS:**  
Surfers and other coastal water-users must have an official voice within the politics of a country, in other words, become official stakeholders, this would ensure issues affecting waves are taken more seriously and are based on evidence about what impacts a coastal community.

- 3 **SURFING RESERVES:**  
If implemented in a similar way to a bird sanctuary or other type of nature reserve, the surfing reserve could make sure that, at least, certain 'iconic' surfing waves are protected forever.
- 4 **LAWS TO PROTECT WAVES:**  
None of the first three steps can guarantee securing waves. Laws need to be passed to specifically protect surfing waves, and this would not only make it extremely difficult to destroy a surf spot, but it would also help to further raise public awareness. This has to be included in any planning permission process.

## OFFSHORE RENEWABLES

Surfers Against Sewage is fully in favour of renewable energy sources such as wave-energy converters (WECs). SAS has produced a comprehensive guide aimed at developers of offshore renewables. The first document to promote the surfing community as an important stakeholder in this sector, it works within the existing Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process, highlighting sites of special surfing interest that developers should avoid. Predicting whether wave energy converters are going to ruin waves is not straightforward but can always be assessed on a case-by-case basis. If used effectively it could help speed up the consent process for suitable offshore developments. Fundamentally, the developers need to be made aware of the value of surfing waves, not just to surfers but to the entire community. Until now, none of the companies proposing to deploy wave energy converters have had much of an idea of the value of surfing waves, or how their devices might affect them.

Surfers Against Sewage, 2009. Guidance on environmental impact assessment of offshore renewable energy development on surfing resources and recreation, 63 pp



**“SURFERS AGAINST SEWAGE IS ALREADY WORKING TO PROTECT A NUMBER OF THREATENED SURFING BREAKS AROUND THE UK AND IT IS SHOCKING THAT THERE IS NO LAW TO PROTECT THEM. WAVES AND SURFING BEACHES NEED TO BE RECOGNISED AS PART OF UK COASTAL HERITAGE AND SHOULD BE AFFORDED GREATER PROTECTION AND SEEN AS UNIQUE, VALUABLE AND SCARCE ASSETS, JUST LIKE AN ANCIENT WOODLAND OR HISTORIC BUILDING.”**

*Hugo Tagholm, SAS Director says*





Rob Machado



**9 x European Longboard Champion, Ben Skinner says:**  
*"I'm signing Surfers Against Sewage petition to help protect surf spots, waves and beaches for this and future generations. Clean, perfect waves and great surf spots are finite natural resources just like our forests, lakes and mountains, and we must ensure they are protected from over-development, pollution and other environmental threats such as marine litter."*

**"I'M STOKED TO SUPPORT SURFERS AGAINST SEWAGE PROTECT OUR WAVES PETITION. BEACHES AND SURF SPOTS SHOULD BE BETTER PROTECTED, SO PLEASE JOIN ME IN SIGNING THE SAS PETITION FOR CLEAN, PROTECTED WAVES, BEACHES AND OCEANS."**

*Ben Howard, Musician & Surfer*



Celine Gehret



## WELCOME MSW

We are delighted to welcome global surf forecast leader Magicseaweed as a key strategic partner for Protect Our Waves petition. With a reach of over 1.5million unique users worldwide, including hundreds of thousands of UK surfers, Magicseaweed will be one of the primary routes to create awareness of the petition and secure vital signatories to reach our target of 100,000.

*"This campaign aims to set a precedent by adding official recognition and a measure of protection to a truly renewable resource. Recognising its economic importance for those coastal communities building creative and sustainable business around the surf, but also socially, for those of us who plan to keep chasing waves for as long as we're able."*

**Ben Freeston, Founder MSW**



*SAS Ambassador Gabe Davies supporting the POW Petition*



# PROTECTING OUR WAVES - IDENTIFYING THE THREAT

SAS is currently working on multiple Protect Our Waves issues around the UK, including:

- **Local planning issues relating to the onshore & near shore environment**
- **Sustainable access to surf spots**
- **Representing the surfing community to developers and local authorities**
- **Consulting on environmental impact assessments for offshore energy developments**
- **Pollution reduction at surf spots, including impacts of marine litter and combined sewer overflows**
- **Calling for specific wave protection legislation and official recognition of surf spots through the Protect Our Waves Petition - [www.protectourwaves.org.uk](http://www.protectourwaves.org.uk)**

However, we can only react to the cases that are brought to our attention. Once we know about environmental and other threats to surfing zones we can begin planning an effective campaign to protect the wave, engaging our nationwide network of members, regional reps, volunteers and grassroots supporters.

One of the biggest threats is a lack of awareness or engagement from the local surfing community so questionable development or consistent pollution issues pass unchallenged. We cannot afford to be apathetic in the face of coastal threats, effectively tacitly endorsing pollution, over development or any other threat. We must have a voice on these issues, so please make sure you contact us with any concerns at your local surf spot. Email, fax, phone, whatever, just make sure you raise the alarm.

We need you to be vigilant; reading planning notices at the beach or in local papers, attending public consultations at the earliest opportunity and making the SAS campaigns team aware of the issue. We can provide you with all sorts of guidance and support, and connect you with your local SAS Rep. The SAS Waves Are Resources report and guidance for offshore energy developers have been particularly important in recent SAS representations.

Even if your local spot is relatively threat free at the moment, make sure you sign the Protect Our Waves petition to help safeguard it for future generations. [www.protectourwaves.org.uk](http://www.protectourwaves.org.uk)

# UK WAVES UNDER THREAT - CASE STUDIES

**Wave:** Sandside, left hand point break, shelter when most waves in the area are too windy for surfing.

**Location:** North Coast of Scotland

**Threat:** Radioactive waste in the sea and on the beach.

**SAS status:** Threat active and could be for thousands of years

**Wave:** Marwick Bay includes a point break, peak and slab

**Location:** West coast of Orkney

**Threat:** Offshore wave energy converter to be placed directly in front of the break

**SAS status:** Threat on-going

**Wave:** Fraserborough Reef

**Location:** North East Scotland (30 miles north of Aberdeen)

**Threat:** Proposal for an offshore windfarm cable to be laid directly across surfing reef

**SAS Status:** Threat on-going

**Wave:** Freshwater Bay point break

**Location:** Isle of Wight

**Threat:** Harbour wall development

**SAS Status:** Early consultation stage

**Wave:** The Cove

**Location:** East coast between Scarborough and Newcastle

**Threat:** Pollution

**SAS Status:** Threat on-going

**Wave:** Challaborough

**Location:** Nr Plymouth

**Threat:** Inappropriate coastal protection scheme.

**SAS Status:** SAS campaign victory

**Wave:** The Bench AKA Broad Bench. A World-class wave.

**Location:** Kimmeridge Bay South coast.

**Threat:** Restricted access due to a Ministry of Defence firing range

**SAS Status:** On-going

**Wave:** St Agnes & St Ives

**Location:** Cornwall

**Threat:** Dredging

**SAS Status:** On-going



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## PROUD TO SUPPORT

### SURFERS AGAINST SEWAGE REGIONAL REPS



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# IT'S RAINING IT'S POURING

## THE SEWAGE ALERT SERVICE PROVES ESSENTIAL AS RAIN AND FLOODING PERSIST ACROSS THE UK.

This June was the wettest on record, resulting in thousands of Sewage Alert Service messages being sent to warn surfers, waveriders and water users of sewage pollution at their favourite beaches. Alarmingly, over the past three months we've sent out over 20,000 free warning messages to subscribers.

It's always good to know before you go and, as an SAS member, you can sign up for unlimited free real-time text alerts to protect you from sewage discharges at nearly 200 beaches nationwide.

Unfortunately, throughout the UK great surf is often accompanied by rain generated by low-pressure systems passing over the country. So the Sewage Alert Service provides a vital public health protecting service which also helps SAS identify where sewage pollution is frequently impacting the coastline and investment required.

The Sewage Alert Service is helping you make informed decisions about how, when and where you use the sea. Some of the great surf spots covered in this year's service include Fistral, Crantock, Perranporth, St Agnes, Bude, Challaborough, Woolacombe, Bournemouth, Saltburn, Tynemouth, Langland, Tenby and Newgale. To highlight the importance of the service, in one just week recently we tracked over 100 raw sewage discharges across 30 beaches, including 2 beaches that suffered 11 discharges each. During this period, a single CSO discharged sewage for more than 24 hours continuously. Disappointingly, none of these discharges will result in a prosecution as the assets operated 'within their licences.'

We are collating all this data and will be challenging the water industry on their performance at the end of the season. In the meantime, make sure you know before you go and sign up for the service at [www.sas.org.uk](http://www.sas.org.uk)

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SAS WOULD LIKE TO THANK RIP CURL PLANET FOR SUPPORTING THIS GROUND-BREAKING WATER QUALITY INITIATIVE. PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT TO CHECK OUT THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS THEY SUPPORT AT - [WWW.RIPCURLPLANET.COM](http://WWW.RIPCURLPLANET.COM)

# THE AUTUMN BEACH CLEAN SERIES

FOLLOWING THE SUCCESSFUL NORTH DEVON BEACH CLEAN SERIES, SAS PLANS MORE COMMUNITY EVENTS TO TACKLE MARINE LITTER THIS AUTUMN.

Thanks to the support of The Crown Estate, we'll be rolling out another engaging series of community beach cleans this autumn, starting on September 8th in Wales. Beach Clean events offer SAS supporters and volunteers a fantastic opportunity to get together in the fight against marine litter and raise awareness of this growing pollution issue. SAS Regional Reps will also be involved in a number of the events so it's a great opportunity for you to connect with local SAS ambassadors.

Sept 8th	Wales	Llantwit Major
Sept 9th	Wales	Tenby
Sept 9th	Wales	Hells Mouth
Sept 22nd	South Coast	Boscombe
Sept 23rd	South Coast	Brighton
Sept 23rd	South Coast	Grange Chine, Iow
Oct 5th	NI	Castlerock
Oct 6th	NI	Portballintrae
Oct 7th	NI	Portstewart Strand
Oct 20th	Scotland	Coldingham Bay
Oct 21st	Scotland	Thurso
Oct 21st	Scotland	Pease Bay
Oct 27th	Scotland	Machrihannish
Nov 10th	North East	Whitburn
Nov 11th	North East	Saltburn (South)
Nov 11th	North East	Lowestoft
Nov 17th	South West	Saunton
Nov 17th	South West	Woolacombe
Nov 18th	South West	Sidmouth (East)

Marine litter is made up of abandoned objects that do not occur naturally in the marine and coastal environment. Over the past 15 years the amount of marine litter washing up on UK beaches has almost doubled.

Sources of marine litter\*:

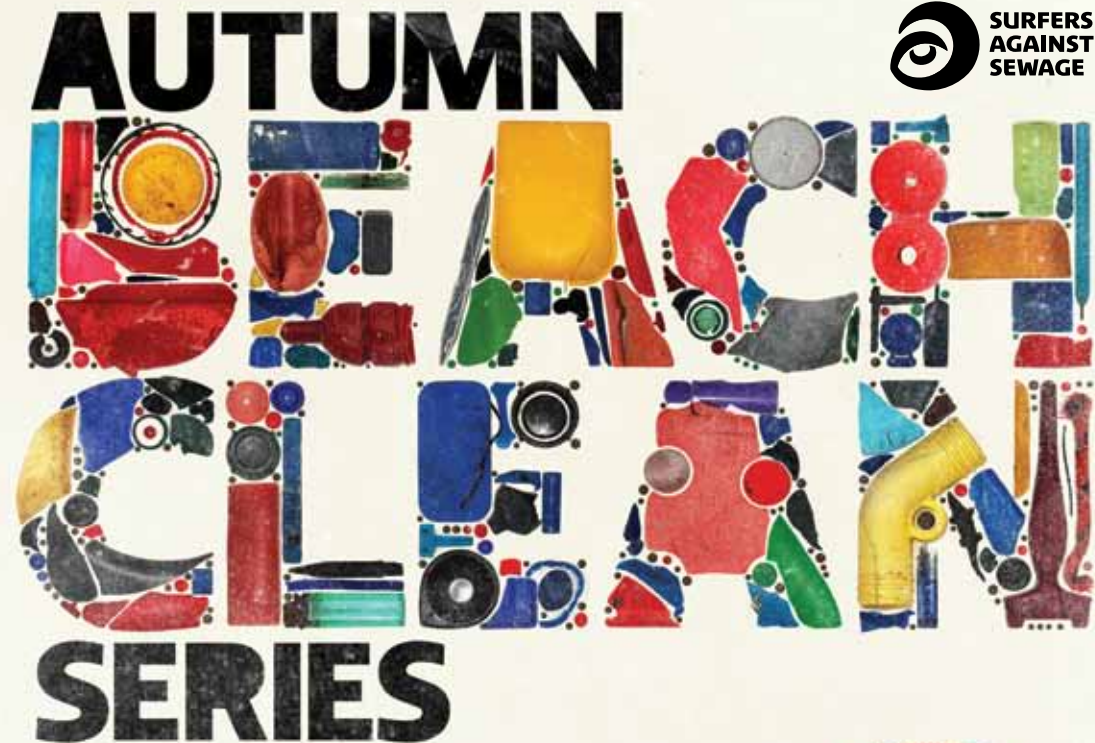
- 39.9% from the public
- 5.4% Sewage related Debris
- 11.3% fishing litter
- 1.2% fly tipping
- 3.6% shipping
- 0.2% medical waste
- 38.3% non-source

(\*2011 MCS Beach Watch Survey)

## THE CROWN ESTATE

The Crown Estate's responsibility is to maintain and enhance the value of the estate and its income over the long-term, having regard to good management. We operate as a commercial organisation paying our surplus revenue (profit) to the Treasury for the benefit of the nation every year: in 2010/11 this was £230.9 million. We combine the commercial imperative with an equally firm commitment to integrity and stewardship, part of which involves facilitating the development of marine renewables on our marine estate and providing funds for scientific research and community projects that promote responsible management of the marine estate. We are pleased to support Surfers Against Sewage in their efforts to assist the community in protecting their environment and removing litter from north Devon's coastline.

**"...GET TOGETHER IN THE FIGHT AGAINST MARINE LITTER AND RAISE AWARENESS OF THIS GROWING POLLUTION ISSUE."**



Surfers Against Sewage is calling for community volunteers to get involved with the Autumn Beach Clean Series at some of the UK's most treasured surf spots & beaches.

**GET INVOLVED!**

PLEASE EMAIL  
DOM@SAS.ORG.UK  
OR CALL  
01872 555 953

## SEPTEMBER

### WALES

8th. LLANTWIT MAJOR  
9th. TENBY  
9th. HELLS MOUTH

### SOUTH COAST

22nd. BOSCOMBE  
23rd. BRIGHTON  
23rd. GRANGE CHINE, IOW

## OCTOBER

### NORTHERN IRELAND

5th. CASTLEROCK (SCHOOLS)  
6th. PORTBALLINTRAE  
7th. PORTSTEWART STRAND

### SCOTLAND

20th. PEASE BAY  
21st. COLDINGHAM BAY  
21st. THURSO  
27th. MACHRIHANISH

## NOVEMBER

### NORTH EAST

9th. LOWESTOFT  
10th. WHITBURN  
11th. SALTburn (SOUTH)

### SOUTH WEST

17th. SAUNTON (AM)  
17th. WOOLACOMBE (PM)  
18th. SIDMOUTH (EAST)



# BAREFOOT WINE BEACH RESCUE PROJECT

SAS BAREFOOT WINE BEACH RESCUE PROJECT MOBILISES OVER 250 COMMUNITY BEACH CLEAN VOLUNTEERS TO SET A NEW (UNOFFICIAL) UK RECORD!

We would like to thank the 257 dedicated community volunteers who took part in the SAS beach clean record attempt at Paddle Round the Pier 2012. This exceptional level of volunteer participation at a single UK beach clean sets down a fantastic benchmark of community engagement and, as far as SAS is aware, is the largest number of volunteers ever taking part in a single UK beach clean event.

SAS's record-breaking beach clean was the 11th event of the SAS Barefoot Wine Beach Rescue Project, which is running throughout the spring and summer at 14 beaches, rivers and canals across the UK with environmentalist and adventurer Ben Fogle.

**SAS Beach Clean Officer, Dom Ferris says:**

*"I'm thrilled the SAS beach clean record attempt event generated such a fantastic turn out, especially as it was pouring with rain! It was a great show of force for the environment. The event proved just how passionate the local Brighton community is about protecting the coastline. SAS is attracting increasing numbers of community volunteers to our beach clean events every year and this event certainly proved it! SAS would like to thank Barefoot Wine, the team at Paddle Round the Pier, Caroline Lucas MP, the Brighton Argus and Exelegant Brighton for all their support in making it a success."*

There are just two remaining events on this year's record-breaking SAS Barefoot Wine Beach Rescue Project, Tynemouth, Longsands on Saturday 4th August and Liverpool, Ainsdale Beach on Sunday 5th August. Ben Fogle will join Surfers Against Sewage volunteers on Ainsdale beach for the culmination of what has been another very successful nationwide SAS project. Make sure you join us if you can!

**"I'M DELIGHTED TO JOIN SURFERS AGAINST SEWAGE FOR THE BRIGHTON BEACH CLEAN. MARINE LITTER IS JUST ONE OF THE MANY ISSUES AFFECTING OUR COASTLINE AND YET ONE OF THE SIMPLEST FOR RESIDENTS TO MAKE A REAL DIFFERENCE."**

*Green Party MP, Caroline Lucas.*



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MONDAY 7 MAY \* Rest Bay \* Cardiff

SATURDAY 12 MAY \* Perranporth \* Cornwall

SUNDAY 13 MAY \* Saunton \* North Devon

SATURDAY 23 JUNE \* Dunbar East \* Edinburgh

SUNDAY 24 JUNE \* Elie Ruby Bay \* Fife

SATURDAY 7 JULY \* Hove Lawns \* Brighton

SUNDAY 8 JULY \* Barnes \* London - Thames

SATURDAY 4 AUGUST \* Longsands \* Tynemouth

SUNDAY 5 AUGUST \* Ainsdale \* Liverpool



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# SAS EDUCATION



## THE SAS EDUCATION PROGRAMME MAKES A BIG SPLASH WITH STUDENTS IN THE NORTH EAST!

At the end of May, SAS's innovative environmental education programme was rolled out at 12 schools in the North East reaching over 1100 students and leaving a real and lasting impression. The feedback to the tour, the SAS presentation and educational materials has been very positive and demonstrates how receptive students are to coastal environmental issues and how SAS tackles them.

- **Julie Sim, Whickham College** –  
*"A superb workshop! My students were engaged and interested, and have developed a greater awareness of water pollution issues as a consequence. Highly recommended."*
- **Lisa Lowery, Percy Main Primary School** –  
*"Great interaction with the children. Linked well to their topic. Excellent rapport and got the message across in a fun way."*
- **Hayley Cherry, Scarborough Sixth Form College** – *"Loved the activities"*
- **Peter Gardner, Sacred Heart, Saltburn** –  
*"Opened the eyes of the students to the issues. Many have already taken practical next steps to make a difference."*
- **Phil Robinson, Sacred Heart Saltburn** –  
*"Not often do I see students so enthusiastically and positively engaged in a presentation."*

SAS educational sessions provide up to date information and individual actions that can be taken by the students in tackling marine pollution. The programme complements the cross curricular syllabus' at the primary and secondary

levels. SAS believes that inspiring young people and providing them with the tools to help protect our oceans, waves and beaches, will help create a new generation of environmental ambassadors.

We are delighted to have the continued support of the Quiksilver Foundation for our education programme. The Quiksilver Foundation is a non-profit organization committed to benefiting and enhancing the quality of life for communities of boardriders across the world by supporting environmental, educational, health and youth-related projects. The Quiksilver Foundation is a long-standing supporter of SAS's educational programme, so please do take a moment to check out all the projects they are involved with – <http://the-quiksilver-initiative.com/Foundation/>

The education tour will be visiting schools in Scotland and Northern Ireland from 1st – 5th October so please do get in touch if you'd like to book a session. Please contact Dom on [dom@sas.org.uk](mailto:dom@sas.org.uk) or call 01872 553 001. The number of schools we are able to visit is strictly limited and we have already had a lot of interest in the tour, so please register your interest soon to avoid disappointment.

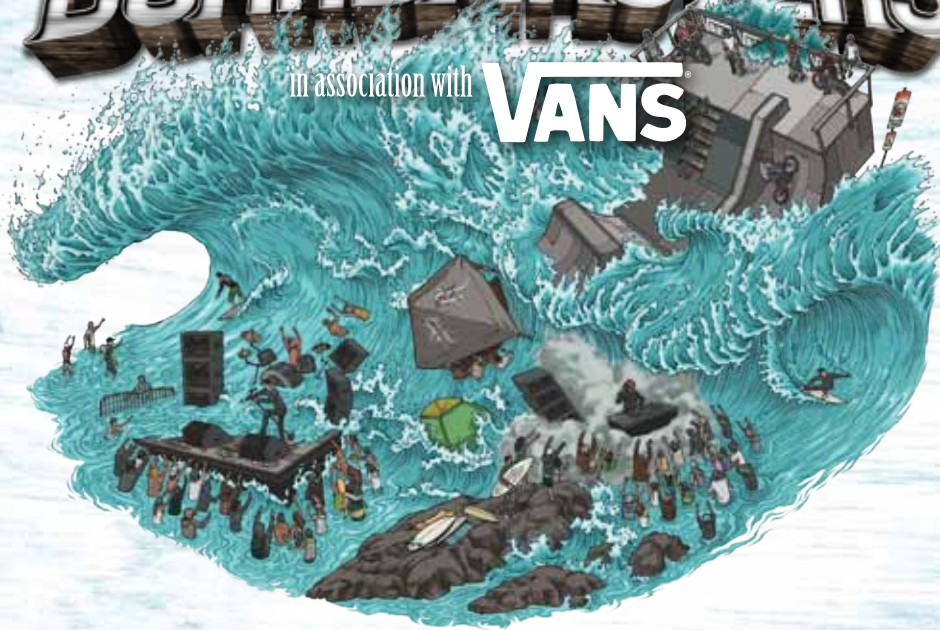


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# SAS RAFFLE!

WE'VE INCLUDED 2 BOOKS OF RAFFLE TICKETS WITH YOUR PIPELINE, AS YOU CAN SEE WE'VE GOT SOME AMAZING PRIZES THIS YEAR!

Thanks to you (our amazing supporters!) we raised £19,000 in last year's raffle, we want to beat that this year and have set a target of £25,000. This would have a huge impact on our ability to carry on our work; if we reach our target we could deliver 500 school talks!

We need your help to achieve this so please get busy selling tickets to friends and family. The person who sells the most tickets will win a luxury eco-break for two people at the fantastic Bedruthan Hotel in Cornwall, voted Cornwall's hotel of the year 2010/11!

## BEDRUTHAN



It's easy to enter, just fill out the ticket stubs and then send them with a cheque or your card details to: SAS, Unit 2, Wheal Kitty Workshops, St Agnes, TR5 0RD.

If you'd like more tickets get in touch with Pete on 01872 553001 or email [peter@sas.org.uk](mailto:peter@sas.org.uk). The draw date is Friday 21st December 2012 so please make sure you get your ticket stubs and payment back to us before then.

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## Pashley



Custom shaped Roundtail Stubbie in SAS colours from Seed Surf Co - [www.seedsurfco.com](http://www.seedsurfco.com)



Custom shaped shortboard up to 6ft 6" by Guts Surfboards - [www.gutssurfboards.com](http://www.gutssurfboards.com)



Beautiful longboard from Diplock Phoenix, top and bottom resin tint directional wet and dry 9'2" x 22" x 2" - [www.diplockphoenix.co.uk](http://www.diplockphoenix.co.uk)



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Custom shaped wooden longboard skateboard with SAS logo by Still Stoked Longboards [www.stillstoked.co.uk](http://www.stillstoked.co.uk)



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# MEET A MEMBER



**Names:** Katie, Donny and Ocean Wright

**Age:** Ocean is 4. That's all we'll say!

**Occupations:**  
D- Skateboard Manufacturer K-Tai Chi Instructor

**How long have you been a member of SAS?**  
Both were members in the late 90's then rejoined again last year.

**Why did you join SAS?**  
To get the seas cleaned up for surfing, for the wildlife and for the oceans' sake

**When & where were you last in the water?**  
All of us – Hells Mouth, May (too long ago)

**High tide?**  
Getting married  
(oh, and having O as a close second)!

**Low tide?** D having a minor stroke when surfing in 2002 ending up in hospital for 10 long days

**Who or what is your inspiration?**  
D- Guts Griffiths, K- Douglas Adams,  
O-Slartibartfast (!)

**What's your favourite album/film/book?**  
D- Echoes (greatest hits) Pink Floyd K-Long Dark Tea Time of the soul or Last Chance to See,  
O- Surf's Up

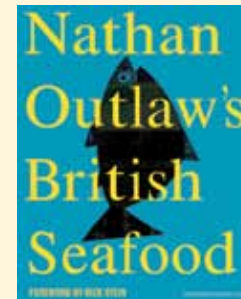
**Tell us about your latest project/s or news:**  
We'll be up in Hells Mouth over the summer and if there are any there, pick a load more bottles up. Katie's hoping to run the Gower Half Marathon in November, legs allowing!

# MEMBER'S COMPS

**Q) What is first prize in the SAS Annual Raffle this year?**

**WE HAVE FIVE COPIES OF 'LONGWAVE' DVD UP FOR GRABS!**

A film by this edition's Meet A Member Donny Wright, 'Longwave' is a film about surfing the world's longest rideable waves from the Severn Bore to the Amazon Pororoca - the places, the pioneers, the world's longest waves. Imagine surfing a wave for 60 minutes - waves that break for tens of miles! In 1955, Colonel Mad Jack Churchill surfed a wave for 1.5 miles. In 1965, Rodney Sumpter surfed the same wave for 6 miles. The place, the River Severn - the birth place of bore surfing. A sport that is now spreading across the world. For more information and to be in with a chance of winning one of five copies of this great film, visit the Member's Area of the website at [www.sas.org.uk/members](http://www.sas.org.uk/members).



**WIN A SIGNED COPY OF NATHAN OUTLAW'S BRITISH SEAFOOD BOOK**

Recently awarded two coveted Michelin stars for his eponymous fish restaurant in Rock, Cornwall, Nathan Outlaw is one of the most exciting

upcoming chefs in Britain today. His style of cooking is unique and simple, allowing the individual flavours of the ingredients to shine through. Sourcing sustainable fish and local produce in season, he uses his considerable flair to take simple fish cooking to new heights. Photographed on location in Cornwall, this superb new fish bible also has a real sense of place. You could win a copy of Nathan Outlaw's British Seafood book, with a personalised inscription from Nathan! Simply email your answer to the following question **before 31/08/12** to [info@sas.org.uk](mailto:info@sas.org.uk) or post it to the SAS office and the correct answers will be entered into a draw.



**MEMBER'S AREA PASSWORD**

The password for the member's area of the website and for a 10% discount in the sas shop is **PROTECT**



**THIS WAVE IS FOR PETER JAMES DUNDAS MCNAB GRAHAM.**  
A big name for a man with a big heart.

Peter loved the water, being in it, on it and watching it. He was very much in awe of the power of the sea and some of his happiest hours were spent looking out over Godrevy Lighthouse, his favourite spot in Cornwall. He became passionate about cleaning up the water and he spread the word whenever he could. He embraced the whole surfer ethos and although he didn't surf he longed to be able to. I like to think of him surfing in heaven. Peter's family are very pleased that we were able to raise £500 in Peter's memory to help SAS in their work.

# SHOP NEWS



## RECYCLED PLASTIC BOTTLE HOODIES AND T-SHIRTS IN STOCK NOW

An estimated 13 billion plastic bottles are disposed of in the UK annually and many of these end up in the sea, taking between 450-1000 years to fully break down. By re-using and recycling waste in innovative ways such as in clothing manufacture, we can help keep such polluting plastics out of our oceans and off our beaches.

Our new t-shirts and hoodies are made from recycled plastic bottles, with 3 bottles in every t-shirt and 30 in each hoody! They're blended with cotton, to produce incredibly soft, hardwearing garments that simply feel great on!

Senior cover designer at Penguin Books, Coralie Bickford-Smith, designed our stylish new 'Surfers Against Marine Litter' t-shirts depicting the world surrounded by an ocean made of plastic bottles. Member's price £22.50

Our recycled plastic bottle heavyweight hoodies are now available in 5 great colours, 2 print designs and a choice of chunky zip front or pullover. They feature detailing such as subtle bottle shaped zip pulls and are a generous, super warm 350gsm! Member's price £49.50

This is just a small selection of the merchandise in our online shop – we have a great range of organic clothing and eco accessories including our fantastic new organic cotton canvas windbreaks, which are made to last and are a practical way to show your support of SAS every time you visit the beach! Member's price £54.

**TO GET YOUR 10% MEMBER'S DISCOUNT JUST QUOTE 'PROTECT' AT THE CHECKOUT!**



# FUNDRAISING NEWS

Thank you to all the fantastic people who put on fundraisers for International Surfing Day!

- 1 The amazing people at St. Ives Surf School put on the annual fancy dress Swell Board Shoot Out, great costumes & atmosphere and raised £565!



- 2 Olly Joseph our new regional representative in Somerset put on an SAS awareness raising & video evening at Surfers Yard & Waves Games, huge thank you to OJ and the surf shops!



- 3 Kevin Cromwell our new regional representative for Plymouth & South Hams put on a fundraising evening at Bar Cuba – they raised £27 – thank you!



- 4 Sonja Kappe our new regional representative for South Wales organised a raffle at the Welsh Nationals and raised an amazing £336.54, as well as this Sonja did a sponsored trek for SAS – thank you you're great!



- 5 Robin Johnson our new regional representative for Swanage & Studland put on a Gala dinner at the Gem Restaurant and raised a fantastic £1,500!



Thank you to all our fantastic fundraisers!

- 6 As well as raising £336.54 for ISD our amazing new rep in South Wales Sonja Kappe raised an incredible £674.96 walking a 7.5 mile circular walk in the Brecon Beacons in gale force winds and torrential rain with Tomos Davies, Leri Davies, Jennie Roe. Sonja has been knitting beanies, baking cookies and all sorts to raise the money – you're fantastic!



- 7 Vicky Holling raised an amazing £340 through holding a stall at her work RBS and doing the Caladonian Challenge with colleagues.

- 8 Rachel White from Working Planet has donated £518! One of their website is [www.environmentjob.co.uk](http://www.environmentjob.co.uk) which advertises hundreds of jobs, courses and volunteering opportunities in the environmental sector.

[environmentjob.co.uk](http://environmentjob.co.uk)

- 9 The amazing Surry Surf Club – James Gregory, Chloe Carnachan, Kev Law, Seb Rogers and Fred Auckland completed a 10k sponsored paddle from Godalming to Guildford and raised £340!



- 10 Jeff Pelling completed the Greater Manchester Marathon in 3 hours 47 minutes in torrential rain and raised £352.40 – amazing!



- 11 Jen Lewis completed the Plymouth Half Marathon and raised £170!



- 12 Gillian Williams & Rogue Mag raised £53 at their 1 million visit party!

- 13 Tsunami Aquatics donated £70 from their collection tin!

- 14 The Sunset Surf Café at Gwithian raised £74.40 through their collection tin!

- 15 Green Room Dentistry raised £36.35 through their collection tin!

IF YOU WANT TO TAKE PART IN A SPONSORED EVENT OR ORGANISE YOUR OWN FUNDRAISER, CONTACT PETE ON [PETE@SAS.ORG.UK](mailto:PETE@SAS.ORG.UK) OR CALL 01872 553001

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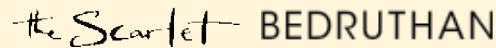
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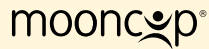
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