

BBC, AUTO-SLEEPERS AND NEW NATIONALS SPONSORS

The BBC is pleased to announce that The British Nationals will again see a bumper prize purse in 2009, culminating with a £1,000 first place prize in the Open. Alongside headline sponsors Auto-Sleepers, they have recruited two brand new divisional sponsors for the Nationals. Solicitors CW Harwood & Co and Collection House Limited will each be sponsoring a division at the 2009 event. Rich Hall said, "To have Auto-Sleepers back on board for another year is superb news. We really valued their help and support last year, and their backing lead to probably the best Nationals we've seen." Auto-Sleepers CEO Geoff Scott confirmed, "For us, sponsorship of the BBC was never about direct sales, it was always about putting something back into the community."



Auto-Sleepers
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Regarding the new sponsors, Rich said, "Collection House have always supported children's charities, having been significant fundraisers for CLIC; so they're backing the Under 14s. CWH have chosen to sponsor the Women's division which is great news for them. Alder have confirmed they're back with us for the Seniors, and the Beach Hotel Porthtowan are behind the Under 16s again. NMD are sponsoring the Under 18s and we are still talking to more new sponsors about the remaining slots."

As well as the return of the Wedge Air Jam, two new events for 2009/2010 are the Anglo-French challenge and the Smackheads invitational. The Anglo-French competition was the brainchild of Olivier Etchebers of the FSA and Rich Hall of the BBC. It will see the top four riders from each country pitted against each other for individual and National pride. Will the spirit of Agincourt or 1066 prevail? Only time will tell. The Smackheads invitational is on the down-low with much work yet to be done, but look out for some potentially spectacular slab action.

PROVISIONAL COMPETITION SCHEDULE

The finishing touches are just being put to the 2009-2010 BB competition schedule.

Subject to confirmation the outline is:

25 July: Corona/Kahuna/Overhead Wedge Air Jam – Tolcarne, Newquay

26 July: ESF/ThreeSixty Inter-Company Bodyboard Battle – Fistral, Newquay

5-6 September: Auto-Sleepers British Nationals – Porthtowan

10-11 October: Nationals fall-back date

7-8 November: Anglo-French Challenge – Quiberon, Brittany (new event)

TBA: Smackheads invitational (new event)

TBA: English Nationals

TBA: Boscombe Reef inaugural event – Bournemouth



LAST YEAR'S AFTER COMP PARTY AT THE C-BAR, ONE OF THE BEST OF THE SUMMER

ThreeSixty Inter-Company Bodyboard Battle Returns to Fistral

The most fun bodyboard contest of last year returns to Fistral on 26 July to raise money to support the English team at the Eurosurf 2009 in Jersey and have loads of fun.

10 teams made up of staff and riders from surf/bodyboard companies, surf shops, surf lodges or even non-surf companies participating in a tag-team contest. The event is sponsored by ThreeSixty.

The Cammarth's C Bar has already offered to sponsor the post-contest celebrations and barbecue on the C Bar balcony. A fundraising raffle will take place with big prizes including a surf trip to La Hosteria in Northern Spain donated by Errant.

Last year Bjorn Storey, Joe Franklin, Aidan Salmon and Rob Barber took the title for the Bodyboarding School. Big names like Richie Peters, Remi Geoffroy and co. put on a futuristic display and will be back this year. It's a great event with a quality surf community vibe, come and check it out at English bodyboarding. For more info and an entry form check out 360mag.co.uk.



netsphere 24 UK Bodyboarding Team Selection Update

The first three riders for the netsphere 24 UK Bodyboarding team in association with Rob Barber's Bodyboarding School have been selected, they are (drum roll please): Steve Hall, Luke Brabyn and Ed Hone. There are still two places on the team to fill with applications still been considered. The team will have its first meeting at the Bodyboard Coaching Weekend on July 11 – 12 and receive training from the coaching team in preparation for the UK's major competitions this season. Rob commented, "We are looking forward to working with netsphere 24 to nurture the UK's up-and-coming talent through video analysis, media coaching, contest conditioning and mentoring."

As well as a photo-shoot and a welcome meeting to discuss the aims and objectives of the

netsphere 24 team, the members will receive an individual budget towards coaching, entry fees, transport and equipment to aid in their advancement in the sport. netsphere 24 provides complete telecommunication infrastructure services to international 'blue chip' clients. Michael Kennett, Managing Director of netsphere 24 is a keen bodyboarder himself and the team are excited to be working with ThreeSixty and the Bodyboarding School and really looking forward to helping these young guys learn and develop."



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