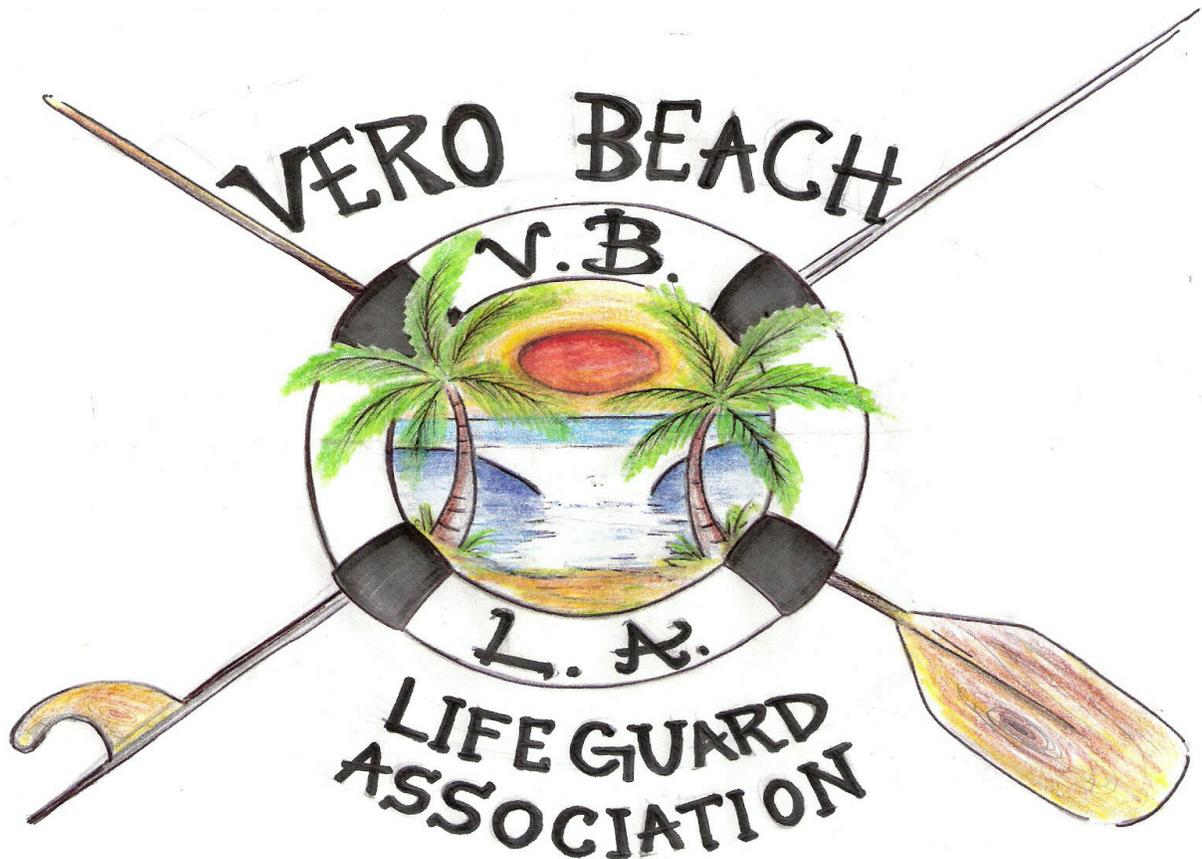


**Vero Beach Lifeguard Association
Monthly Beach Report
For
Jaycee Park
Humiston Park
South Beach Park**

July 2012



Mission:

To promote water safety and lifeguarding in Vero Beach and the surrounding communities

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| STATISTICS | |
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| Total Park Attendance | 81405 |
| Preventative Actions | 2268 |
| Minor Medicals | 48 |
| Major Medicals | 3 |
| Rescues | 3 |
| Missing Persons | 1 |
| Average Water Temperature | 74 |
| Rip Currents | few |
| Beach Erosion | minor |
| Stinging Marine Life | few |

General Conditions

Upwelling has brought cold water from deeper depths. Water temperatures have dropped nearly 10 degrees. Continued light breezes have kept the surf moderate to calm. Water visibility has improved to "top to bottom" on some days. Lobster Mini-season has brought many divers to the reefs off Humiston Beach. However, too many divers, snorkelers and swimmers are venturing out past 250 ft off-shore without a dive flag. This may cause collisions between swimmer and vessels. FWC or the sheriff's department may fine anyone who does not possess a dive flag. Our public guarded beaches continue to see record number of visitors. Due to budget cuts however, Humiston Beach will shorten its guarded hours 14 days sooner this year than last year starting August 20th. Hours of operation will be from 10am to 3 pm.

Areas of Concern

Some snorkelers, scuba divers and swimmers are venturing out into the water without dive flags.

Although park attendance is at an all time high, Humiston Park lifeguard hours will be reduced 14 days earlier this year.

Key

Park Attendance: includes areas immediately north and south of each park

Preventative Actions: stopping potential incidents before they occur

Minor Medicals: a medical incident which is treated on-site by lifeguard/EMT personnel

Major Medicals: a medical incident that required Emergency Medical Services

About VBLA

This report is furnished by the Vero Beach Lifeguard Association, a non-profit, 501C3 organization. Its mission is to promote water safety and lifeguarding in Vero Beach and the surrounding communities. Contact us at

VeroBeachLA@Yahoo.com or (908)797-8725. Visit us at www.VBLA.org.

Donations are appreciated. Monies raised are used to purchase equipment, supplies, staffing and training for the lifeguards from the city of Vero Beach.

Please send donations to: VBLA, 1351 White Heron Lane, Vero Beach, FL 32963.