

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

October 2012



Mission:

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

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STATISTICS	
Total Park Attendance	32438
Preventative Actions	1167
Minor Medicals	28
Major Medicals	1
Rescues	3
Missing Persons	0
Average Water Temperature	76
Rip Currents	numerous
Beach Erosion	severe
Stinging Marine Life	minimal

General Conditions

Severe beach erosion has caused extensive damage to the protective dunes and boardwalks at Conn and Humiston beaches. Humiston beach boardwalk remains partially closed due to structural concerns.

Areas of Concern

Hurricane Sandy has caused a noticeable shift in sand redistribution causing the topography of our three guarded beaches to change. This change has caused variances to the slop of the beach which is producing more severe rip tides, undertows and drop offs. Until natural forces shape the coastline back to equilibrium, expect stronger than normal rip currents and undertows. It is strongly advised to swim on or near our guarded beaches.

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.