

Placentia Rotary Supports Surfing Event for Hemophiliacs

The Rotary Club of Placentia enabled 18 local hemophiliac victims to get free surfing lessons while bringing public awareness to their medical plight. The Hemophilia Alliance of Orange County organized their first Shaka Surf Fest event at Huntington Beach on September 20, 2015. This event was made possible by the sponsorship provided by Placentia Rotary. Funds for the sponsorship came from the club's Cowabunga event held annually in June.

At the event, 18 students were given free surfing lessons donated by the Maui Ola Foundation and then quickly started in to the water where they surfed under the close supervision of their instructors. Surfing is one of the few sports where hemophiliacs can safely participate due to the low probability of blood injuries. In addition to the surfing, there were other games and give-aways for anyone at the beach who wanted to learn more about hemophilia and the Hemophilia Alliance of Orange County.



The Rotary Club of Placentia has a strong commitment to youth service and supports the local community in many other areas as well. The club is part of the much larger Rotary International organization that provides humanitarian service, encourages high ethical standards in all vocations, and helps build goodwill and peace throughout the world. To learn more about Placentia Rotary and how it serves our community, visit their web-site at www.placentiarotary.org.