

Surf coaching in aid of breast cancer awareness

TWO top British female surfing professionals will be visiting Bude on Sunday May 8 to teach at a surf coaching academy just for women and girls. The event will also raise money for Breast Cancer Awareness.

The 'Women's Pro Surf Academy' organised by Big Blue Surf School and Gul is to be held at Summerleaze Beach in Bude. It will give local women of all abilities and ages the opportunity to learn, pick up new skills, share ideas and have fun with the Gul pro's and other like minded females. Coaching alongside Gul sponsored surfers Becky Stanhope and Amy Brock-Morgan will be Big Blue Surf School's team of professional coaches, including local Surfing GB coach Heidi Redman and ex British team coach, Jon Price. Coaching will be available for a limited number of women of all abilities, from complete beginner to advanced surfer.

With all profits being given to Breast Cancer Awareness, the price of attendance is just £15. Equipment will be provided for those who need it. There will be an autograph session with Amy and Becky during the day as well as goody bags from Gul.

Jon Price, Owner/Head Coach of Big Blue Surf School said: "We like to organise events for the local community. We started 'Sirens' a weekly

women's surf club last year and the women's pro day is an extension of that. It's rewarding to be able to raise money for such an important charity as Breast Cancer Awareness and it's great that Gul have been so supportive in providing us with two of their pro surfers."

Heidi Redman, one of the coaches at Big Blue Surf School who will be teaching at the Women's Pro surf Academy, said "We wanted to do something that enabled local women to get top level coaching in a fun, friendly and non judgemental environment. That's what our women's pro day and weekly women's surf club are all about; learning but having a laugh with friends at the same time."

Amy Brock-Morgan, from Penryn, is a British Universities & Colleges Sport (BUCS) Surfing Championships winner sponsored by Gul since 2008. Becky Stanhope competes in the British Longboard Union series, came third overall in the BLU championships in 2010 and won the BLU event in Perranporth in 2009.

If you would like to take part in or find out more about Big Blue Surf School Women's Pro Surfing Academy or Sirens Surf Club please contact Big Blue Surf School on 01288 331764, bigbluesurfschool@btinternet.com or ask at Gul's Bude store on Belle Vue.