

# newsletter edition 1 october 2007



## where is the skatepark?

Southsea Skatepark is situated on Southsea Common, between the two historic piers, the nearest landmark is the D-day Museum.  
Skatepark Tel No: 02392 295360

## where do we meet?

Weekly meetings are held at:  
The King Street Tavern, 70 Kings Street,  
Southsea. Tel No: 02392 873307  
Every Wednesday at 8pm onwards...

## who are we?

The skatepark user group is made up of passionate skateboarders, bmxers, inline skaters and members of public who do not want the legendary southsea skatepark to close, and to be back to it's former glory.

## the skatepark is not saved!!

The skatepark is only temporarily saved!!  
Portsmouth City Council will be funding the skatepark till April 08, and will continue negotiations for a new owner to take over from there.  
The user group seek to keep the park open by:

-finding proper sponsorship and investment

-having fundraising days (p.t.o)

-restoring the park to it's former status as a world renowned skatepark...

-helmets for protection, new ramps and a good lick of paint.

-have music back at the park.

## opening times of the skatepark:

weekdays  
monday through till friday 5 till 8 (floodlights)  
closed tuesdays

weekends  
10 till 12 (coaching lessons available both days-as well as normal sessions)  
£2.30  
12 till 6 £5; or 12 till 3 £3.50, 3 till 6 £3.50



ronnie surridge, southsea skatepark is a great place for pro athletes to train, pic: ec

Please if possible bring your own helmets, the skatepark only has a limited supply.

The user group will be raising funds for some helmets in the near future.

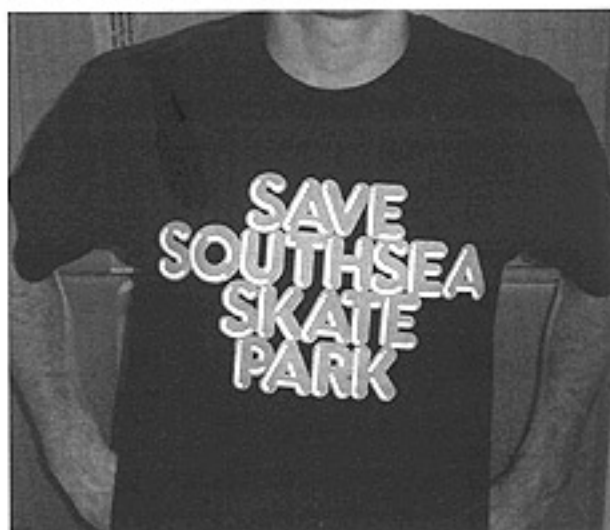
## charity fundraiser at havana bar

Monkey Paul and his crew are having a skatepark fundraiser on Saturday 10th November, all DJ's play for free!!! Proceeds will go to the skatepark, get down there and support the cause.

## save southsea skatepark t-shirts at bored

The save southsea skatepark t-shirts are available at Bored skateshop, 23 Albert Road, Southsea, t-shirts are £15, the money after costs is going to the general upkeep of the skatepark, buy a shirt and support the cause....

Shop tel no: 02392 426 388 or buy online @ [www.boredofsouthsea.co.uk](http://www.boredofsouthsea.co.uk) (free shipping)



## local news

-Factory Media (the publishers behind Sidewalk Surfer, Ride BMX mag and Dig Bmx magazine) recently spent a few days documenting the Southsea Skateboard scene at the park, lots of great footage of locals, young and oldies, link available from the bored website.

-Local BMX superstar Mark Webb has recovered from his broken arm, after 2 weeks of "taking it easy" Mark managed a 3rd place at the "Bulls" spine contest in Koln, Germany.

## final online petition count....

# 2760

## next update...

- The next newsletter will be available beginning of November:

-further updates on events going on at southsea skatepark

- news of fundraisers

-xmas opening times

## whats so important about the skatepark?

- safe/supervised place for young people to go and be active

- encourages healthy lifestyles

-makes young people aware of all age groups

-people of all ages learn how to be tolerant of different social groups

- has helped generate some of the best bmx riders in the world, potential olympic winners in years to come (2012...)

-the heritage of the park (est 1969)

- for 17 years Southsea Skatepark hosted one of the longest running BMX competitions, the King of Concrete. It would be great to bring events of such stature back to the park.