



2008 Seabee Days

June 28-29

Naval Base Ventura County, Port Hueneme

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Summer fun awaits at Seabee Days June 28-29

PORT HUENEME, CA ... Join the U.S. Navy Seabees Saturday and Sunday, June 28-29, for the annual Naval Base Ventura County (NBVC) 2008 Seabee Days at NBVC, Port Hueneme. Admission and parking are free.

Seabee Days will feature hands-on displays and demonstrations of Seabee construction and disaster recovery skills, static displays of some of the latest in construction equipment, plus a wide variety of activities throughout the weekend. The event kicks off Saturday morning at 11 a.m. with a full dress military parade as almost 500 Seabees march out onto the parade field.

"The Seabees consider it a privilege to live and work in Ventura County, and take great pride in thanking the community for their tremendous support by showing them the things we do during Seabee Days," said Captain Kelly Schmader, Commander, Thirty-First Seabee Readiness Group. "It is our one time during the year to showcase the construction and defensive combat skills of these dedicated men and women, and to display some of their latest gear and equipment. We encourage everyone to come to Seabee Days, talk with the Seabees about what they do, and enjoy a weekend of family fun activities."

Seabees are currently deployed to more than 17 countries. Along with their contingency construction mission of building and renovating facilities in places like Iraq, Kuwait and Afghanistan, the Seabees continue to execute humanitarian work like building schools and medical clinics, drilling water wells, and assisting less fortunate people around the world.

Seabee Days offers a fun variety of entertainment throughout the weekend including live musical entertainment from country to classic rock, hands-on children's exhibits and entertainment, carnival, crafts and vendor booths, car and motorcycle show, sports contests, karaoke contest and a wide variety of food. The U.S. Navy Seabee Museum will also showcase a new exhibit.

A U.S. Navy Whidbey Island-class dock landing ship will be open for public tours, with a limited number of tours available. Ship tour visitors 16 and older must show a valid photo ID: a guest with a photo ID must accompany minor children. For safety aboard the ship, no flip flops or shoes without a heel strap are allowed. Please see website for additional restrictions.

Visit the Seabee Days website at www.nbvc.navy.mil/seabee-days/ for more information and a full schedule of activities or call the Seabee Days hotline at (805) 982-6000. Enter at the Patterson or Victoria Avenue gate. Gates open at 9 a.m.

Please note that NBVC has heightened security measures in place. All vehicles and personnel entering the base are subject to search. Prohibited items include, but are not limited to, coolers, backpacks, skateboards, bicycles, glass containers, pets, alcohol and weapons. The cooperation of guests is greatly appreciated.

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