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Picnic tables created from sustainably sourced tamarind







Kirk Cottrell Pavilion Grand Opening











Deerfield Beach surfing pioneer honored with beach pavilion

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An artistic surfloard display welcomes visions to the Kirk Cultireli Pavilion at Deerfield Beach. (Emmett Hall/Contributor)

Deerfield Beach has earned a reputation as one of the top surfing spots in South Florida, and Kirk Cottrell was a pioneer who was instrumental in promoting the surfing culture. The founder of the iconic Island Water Sports surf shop was responsible for teaching and introducing thousands of people to the sport with free surfing lessons, camps and expeditions.

Until his death in 2001 at age 45 from a surfing accident in South Africa, Cottrell continued to make an indelible impression on all those he met. For his commitment and decades-long contribution to the city of Deerfield Beach, the \$2.6-million Kirk Cottrell Pavilion recently was dedicated in his honor. Everyone who stops or drives by along A1A will see Cottrell's name inscribed in bold letters on the state-of-the-art facility.



The title Cuttrel Paulion honors the life and suntributions of the late Island Water Sports founder and surfer to the city of Dearfield Basch, His daughter Lineay Costret; wife Locinda and daughter Karly Colorell relatiness the payillion's opening. Helend Water Sports/Coursey)

Deerfield Beach Mayor Bill Ganz, Community Redevelopment Agency members, city commissioners and the Cottrell family were on hand for the dedication. Making the event even more special was the presence of Cottrell's 92year-old mother June. Ganz, who grew up in Deerfield Beach, was instrumental in getting the pavilion named after Cottrell

The 2,000-square-foot pavilion continues to attract the surfing crowd north of the Deerfield Beach International Fishing

Pier along with beach volleyball, footvolley and the casual beach crowd. Surfers have board racks, a cleaning station for their surfboards and multiple showers. The beach volleyball crowd has stadium seating to watch competitors doing battle on the sand courts. Also available is a digitally designed message board for restaurant information, city events and sea turtle rules, along with weather and tide information.

"Kirk founded Island Water Sports, which is probably the most well-known beach business in our area, and anyone who wants to surf or get into any beach activities goes there," said CRA Director Kris Mory. From free surfing and paddleboard lemous, many people got their start here. Kirk was a large figure in our community so his selection your a nobrainer. Formuntely, because of the reefs offshore, we have some of the best surfing in South Florida. It's great to see his family earry on his passion by running Island Water Sports."



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Future Kirk Cottrell Pavilion