

# Baja Beach Club doubles your pleasure

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Well, the Palm tree trunks may be fake, but the fronds and the thong bikini clad bodies serving the libation to the multitude of happy partiers were definitely real. Even without sand, the Baja Beach Club on the second floor of the Coral Ridge Mall in Fort Lauderdale creates an inviting atmosphere for one humongous beach party, a "sea of humanity" as club manager Jeana Giordano describes it.

And now there's good news for sports fans and everyone who have endured long waits in lines to enter this cover charge-free paradise.

A reservoir in the form of an immense video/sportz bar has recently opened to handle the overflow from the "beach". This past Saturday the entering crowd was routed through the sportz arena which provided more than a minor diversion on the way to the big party in the next room.



Staff photo/Mike Musa

In the Sportz Bar one is greeted with six giant TV screens and enough video games of every kind to keep a kid illiterate forever.

A vow was made to return to test the Virtual Reality games after a migration over to the "sea of humanity".

With seven full service bars and ubiquitous beer troughs surrounding a huge dance area, no one could be excused for going thirsty. The motion on the dance floor is continuous with a DJ both in the center of the arena pounding out a variety of classic rock, rap, techno, and progressive tunes. And plenty of space affords easy movement around the perimeter.

Live entertainment is provided by the bar staff at intervals throughout the night. That night it was a quartet of lovely construction workers

doing the Village People's "Macho Man", and then three nuns performing to the Planter Sister's "I am Family". In between, the dance fever was intensifying with a DJ sequence of the Chili Peppers, Modern English, and Billy Idol.

Then it was back to the Sportz Bar and a confrontation with Virtual Reality. The bar is equipped with four of the \$70,000 machines as seen on "Lawnmower Man". Two machines put the player right in the cockpit of his own ship,

while the other two put the subject into the reality of stalking an armed foe - a heaven for "Terminator" fans. Two players can duel against each other on the later machines. After abandoning any reservations about standing up in the middle of the crowded room and turning in circles with a hefty piece of head gear over your face (two 24 ounce drafts did the trick for this writer), and buying a \$4 ticket, an assistant supplies you with all the instruction necessary to compete.

Needlessly to say, this novice combatant was rubbed out three times by his more experienced opponent in full view of everyone on the live action screen.

There's late night entertainment in the Sportz Bar provided by Karaoke and the many talented patrons.

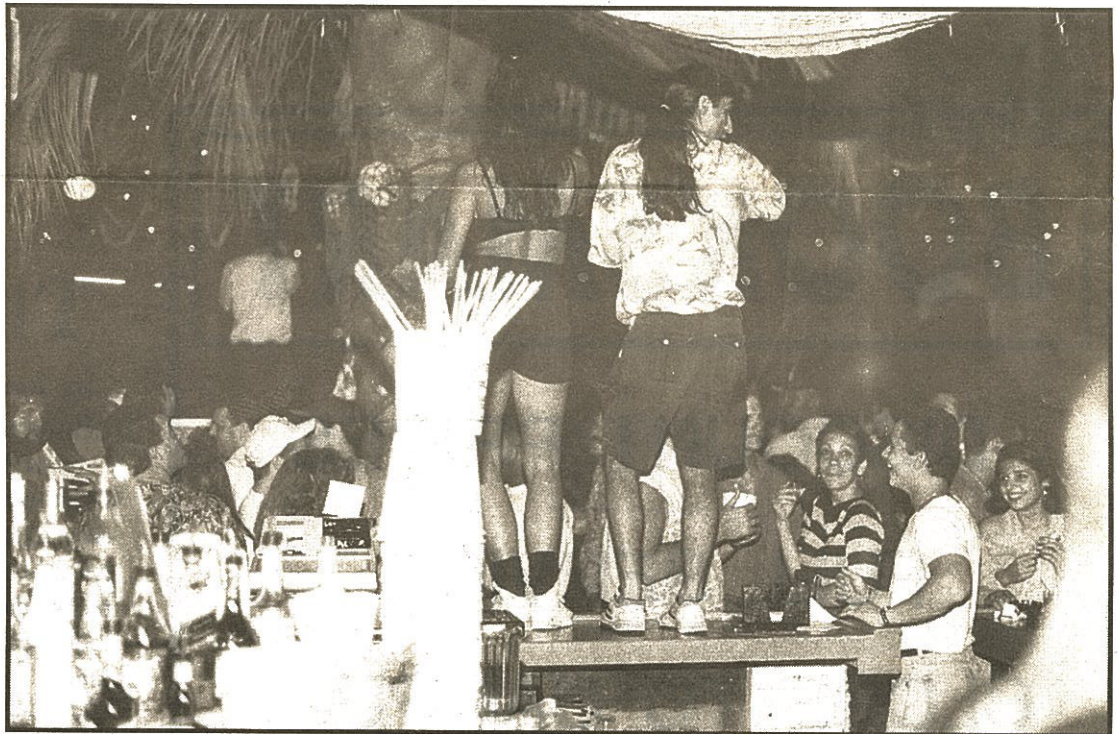
The action and good times go on seven nights a week at the Baja Beach Club and Sportz Bar with no cover charge.

The Entertainment & Sporting News will be throwing a semester ending party on Thursday, Dec. 10 at the Baja. See invite this page.



Staff photo/Mike Musa

Karaoke at the Sportz Bar



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**Baja**  
BEACH CLUB

IS HAVING A PARTY FOR

*Dan Dzurak & Friends*

ON

Thursday, Dec. 10 5 - 9 P.M.

**Free** COCKTAILS (or Soft Drinks)  
Ladies drink FREE 5-9 P.M., men receive 2 FREE drink tickets good for House Brands, House Wine, or Draft Beer.

**Free** ADMISSION

**Free** 40 FOOT ALL YOU CAN EAT DINNER BUFFET

**Fun** GAMES, PRIZES & ENTERTAINMENT

**New** **Baja** BAR & GAME ROOM  
SPX RITZ with Big Screens, Karaoke, Patio, Let's make a Daiquiri & State of the Art Games including "Virtual Reality."

The "Host with the Most" is eligible to win prizes so mention your hosts last name or company name at the door and be ready to ride the wave...at Baja Beach Club!

MUST BE 21 AND MEET THE COOL BUT CASUAL DRESS CODE - NO SANDALS OR FLIP FLOPS AND NO TANK TOPS ON MEN PLEASE!

