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'Thraikill'..... started 1958..... 2012
'Surf Systems'..... started 1969... closed 1971

OWNER: Bill Thraikill, shaper

FACTORIES: 619-549-6911

San Diego (Kensington), California. s 1958..... x 1964
San Diego, California (54th & University).. s 1964..... x 1964
Cardiff, California (across the street from Cardiff reef). s 1964..... x 1971
Solana Beach, California.. s 1969..... x 1971
Note: Some were still made after closing as signed custom boards and carried either Surf System logo.
Out of production. s 1971..... x 1973
Southern California, limited production of 6 or less a year.. s 1973..... 2012

MODELS:

"Broomtail Fish"..... s 2010..... 2012
"OBQ" (One Board Quiver). s 2010..... 2012

BLANKS:

Balsa: Ecuadorian, weight & pattern selected, all solid, all by B. Thraikill. About 40 to date. 1958..... 2012

Foam:

Clark. 1965..... 2006
Jack Popoff: (Surf Systems).. 1969..... 1971
IMIG. 1964..... 1964
Walker. 1960..... 1965
Blair. 2006..... 2012
US Blanks. 2010..... 2012

STRINGERS:

Standard: Redwood..... 1958..... 2012
Hollow, two piece: Precut rocker, partial depth chambered, glued..... 1964..... 2012
See **Figure 1**, Thraikill
Hollow, one piece: Precut rocker, alternately opposed chambered..... 1964..... 2012
See **Figure 2**, Thraikill

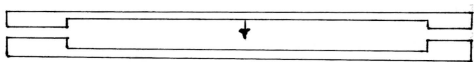


Figure 1

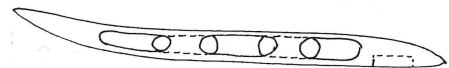


Figure 2

OTHER SHAPERS: Richard Templin (Surf Systems only).. 1969..... 1971

SHAPES: single fin guns, twins & tri's, all custom. 1958..... 2012

LOGOS, Thraikill:

'Thraikill Surfboards' **Figure 3**. Ink stamped on deck of balsa boards only. s 1958..... x 1960
'Thraikill Surfboards' **Figure 4**. s 1964..... c 2012
'Thraikill Surfboards' **Figure 5**. s 1962..... x 1965
Some were with out text, **Figure 6** Only one used on a three stringer board. s 1962..... x 1962

Thraikill Surfboards

Figure 3

**THRAIKILL
SURFBOARDS**

Figure 4



Figure 5

'Thraikill Surfboards - Windansea, La Jolla, California' **Figure 7**. s 2000..... 2012

LOGOS, Surf Systems:

'surf systems' **Figure 8**. s 1969..... x 1971

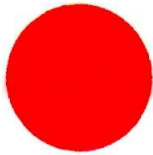


Figure 6



Figure 7



Figure 8

'surf systems' **Figure 9**..... s 1969..... x 1971
 'Surf Systems' **Figure 10**..... s 1969..... x 1971



Figure 9



Figure 10

COLOR:

Air brushing..... 1969..... 2012
 Ink drawings, Surf Systems..... 1969..... 2012
 Pigment panels, pin lines, fabric inlays..... 1958..... 2012
 GLASSING, Thraikill: Standard: 2 x deck, 1 x bottom, any weight..... 1958..... 2012

GLASSING, Surf Systems:

Double deck, single bottom, 1 1/2" lap, 6 or 8 oz..... 1969..... 1971
 Extra wide cloth on bottom wrapped to 2" from center of deck for knee patches, only 10 made..... 1969..... 1969

RESIN: Polyester or isophthalic..... 1958..... 2012

FINISH:

Unpolished gloss with unfinished beads, Thraikill..... 1958..... 1959
 Unpolished gloss with polished rails, Thraikill..... 1960..... 2012
 Gloss & polish, Thraikill & Surf Systems..... 1958..... 2012

FINS:

Glassed on glass or foiled wood, Thraikill..... 1958..... 2012
 White plexiglass, **Figure 11**, no more than 6 used..... 1964..... 1964
 Unlimited box & fins, Thraikill & Surf systems..... 1969..... 2012
 Presslock, Surf Systems..... 1970..... 1971
 Single, twin, tri, Surf Systems..... 1969..... 1971
 Twin center boxes, **Figure 12**..... 2000..... 2012



Figure 11



Figure 12

NUMBERING, Thraikill:

[Reliability = 0, except for listed guns] Thraikill boards had either random numbers or none at all.

[Reliability = 8] Guns: #1 to #12..... s 1966..... x 1969

NUMBERING, Surf Systems: [Reliability = 8]..... 1969..... 1971

Started at 100. Some bootleg Surf System boards were made in New Zealand.

About 4,000 Surf Systems boards made total

We would like to express our thanks to Bill Thraikill for his contributions to this profile.

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