



MicroGroms Newsletter

**SURF CLUB SA Inc.
Junior Boardriders**

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Welcome page

Cactus Trip

Some families are thinking about traveling to Cactus for the October school holiday starting on the 29th of September ending on the 15th of October, remembering that we have a comp over at Yorkes on the weekend of 14th and 15th of October.

Cactus beach is about a 10 hour drive from Adelaide (875km). Once you get to Ceduna it's just another 70km's to Penong where you make a left turn at the school. Then head to the beach, which is approx 30kms on a dirt track, which is normally pretty good.

Penong has a store and a pub, a school and some houses and a surfboard maker called Paul Gravelle, (Gravelle surf boards).

Designated unpowered camping only, with flushing toilets. This will cost approximately \$15 per night. This camp site has been run by Ronny Gates for at least 20 years. He has just retired (June this year), a couple run it now who we are not yet familiar with.

What we do know is that Ron has protected this fragile environment as much as he can so please respect the environment.

- dogs are allowed but please don't let them dig up bushes
- stay on designated paths when walking and driving
- don't litter
- use supplied fire places

Cactus is rugged but beautiful. You can park the car, set up the van or tent and walk to all surf breaks. There are at least 8, depending on your ability. Cactus break itself is a great mellow lefthander but beginners can go right. Shelly beach just around the corner is great for beginners.

If you are interested, it will be a great week away with club members.



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It's camping so you will need to take everything including drinking water. Sept/Oct is the perfect time to be there. Days will be warm and starting to get long. Mornings may be a bit cold. The fishing is great off the point or beaches and you can also fish off the jetty. You will need a big surf rod and will be able to catch squid, whiting, tommies and salmon off the point and beach.

Bunnings BBQ Wrap Up

Thank you to all the Parents and Groms who helped on the day. We raised over \$1,600 in profit which will be used for prizes and initiatives which will benefit our members.



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2016 Calendar

Event	Date	Meeting point
Comp #1	26 th February (Sunday)	Middleton
Comp #2	12 th March (Sunday)	Middleton
Comp #3	23 rd April (Sunday)	Middleton
Comp #4	6 th May (Saturday)	Yorkes (Jetty Car Park)
Comp #5	4 th June (Sunday)	Middleton
Comp #6	2 nd July (Sunday)	Middleton
Comp #7	6 th August (Sunday)	Middleton
Comp #8	10 th September (Sunday)	Middleton
Comp #9	14 th October (Saturday)	Yorkes (Jetty Car Park)
Comp #10	29 th October (Sunday)	Middleton
25 Yr Celebration	TBA	TBA
Presentations	19 th of November	Beach Hotel

Event	Date	Meeting Point
Berry Bay Surf Jam	TBA	Yorkes
Rip Curl Grom Search	TBA	Yorkes
Junior State Titles Rd 1	25 th & 26 th March	TBA
Junior State Titles Rd 2	8 th 9 th April	TBA

* Some of these dates may be Subject to Change *

** Please go to <http://www.surfingaustralia.com/sa/events.php> for details **



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A Grade Comp 1 report

Sunday 2nd July

A grade Comp Report

Comp 6: Parsons Beach

It was great to have a clean swell and offshore winds to run the comp. There was a nice little bank to hold the comp on which put up for sick surfing by Jake, Ruka and Levi. Overall 16 groms put their name down. From the blast of the first hooter I was impressed by the progressive surfing display. A big thankyou to all the parents and groms who sat in the judging seats. We couldn't have all the fun without you. The A grade final was closely contested by all 4 competitors with Ruka taking first place really shredding the rights.

Grace put in a solid performance once again in the final executing flowing top to bottom turns to win the A2 Division. Kirra performed some great surfing to get her second place. The great community atmosphere and positive attitude of the Groms and parents made it a great day. Thanks to all who participated.

Results:

A1 Division

1st – Ruka Taite 2nd- Jake Tomlinson 3rd- Levi Bailey 4th- Noah Bailey

A2 Division

1st - Grace Knight 2nd - Kira Lynch 3rd - Zane Stevenson 4th - Peter Floridis

Comp directors award went to Kira Lynch for being the Most Improved I am away for the next comp, Have fun, stay warm and I will see you in September.

Cheers, Louise.



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B Grade Comp 1 report

B Grade comp report 02/07/17 Comp 6

We have had the most amazing weather this year only one comp has had on shore winds, you guys are so lucky.

With a small swell running at Middleton I decided to hold the comp at "WAITS" (Waitpinga Beach), I could feel the tension rise as I mentioned the word. For some of the B graders this was the first time they had surfed this beach.

Perfect conditions light off shore winds, 2-3 foot waves rolling in and a couple of great little sand banks with right and left hand options. Even though everyone was a bit on edge about surfing Waits (some for the first time) nearly everyone went out and gave it a go. I am so proud of all of you, well done! On top of this there was some great surfing in the heats, well done to Madison for your persistence and paddling, there was some solid surfing by Max, King, Ryan Chaska, Patrick and Indi. Poppy and Maia got a couple of great waves, and Ari had a wave where he did three really good cutbacks. We talked about rips and trying to set your position in the water by lining yourself up with a sand dune or a bush to find your spot to sit. Ruben is getting better and better every time I see him surf which is great.

We tried to encourage a couple of the kids that were not so confident but I must admit it is a step up from Middleton, remember guys these waves were no bigger than the day we surfed the mid, having said that once again I am very proud of the effort everyone made and hopefully everyone got something out of the challenge. Thanks to all Judges and helpers.

- 1 – Patrick
- 2 – King
- 3 – Max

Comp Directors award - Madison

Thanks Grant Senior



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C Grade Comp 1 report

Day Street looked like the best spot for our C graders on Sunday. The swell was small with a 1-2 foot slushy wave. The weather was pleasant but very cold. There was a bit of a sweep to the east, which made it hard to stay in the comp zone in the first round but eased later in the day.

The first heat kicked off with some very competitive surfing and great scores from Gemtree, Khai, Hayden, Henry and Tyler. Well done to Hayden, Khai and Tyler for getting their maximum wave count. All the boys paddled hard to get through the white wash and all caught high scoring waves in the first 2 rounds! In the last few minutes of the comp, Gemtree found a terrific little right hander and showed great control with his turns, to place him in the lead! Well done! And a big congratulations to Tyler who surfed his first comp with no parental assistance, your practicing has really paid off. Well done! Heat 2 was super close with Ashton B, Ashton C, Riley L, Jude and new comer Alfie. The improvement in the boys has been amazing over the past few comps and we are seeing some great surfing from our youngest competitors! Well done guys! The boys were really competitive with the judges tied for 3rd and 4th and less than a point separating the groms. Ashton C, caught a few superb waves to push him into the lead in both rounds followed closely by Riley L. Sadly Ashton B had to retire early due to a nasty wetsuit rash.

The girls were up next with Frankie, Anamika, Ella, Molly and new comer Jemma to surf in heat 3. They put in a solid effort finding a lot of little waves. All the girls caught between 8 to 10 plus waves in both rounds, what an amazing effort! Ella's first wave was a ripper shooting her into first place for heat 1. Jemma and Molly battled wave for wave in heat 2, which had judges tied for first place. Frankie and Anamika showed great determination and didn't give up in the cold conditions. It has been lovely to see the girls forming great friendships and improving their skills each comp. excellent effort girls!



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C Grade Comp 1 report cont

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I was remarkably impressed with everyone's commitment this comp! The conditions were extremely cold and all competitors pushed through and gave their best efforts! Well done C graders!

Result

- 1st Gemtree
- 2nd Khai
- 3rd Ashton C
- 4th Tyler

Contest Director Awards – went to Frankie for showing great determination and giving a tremendous effort in the very cold conditions WELL DONE!

A big THANKYOU to all the parents for your help with judging, the set up and pack up and especially Water cover, it was a cold one! THANKS to BJ for running a warmup and THANKS to Krista for cooking the BBQ! SPECIAL THANKS to our sponsors, Jamie with Pridal Services and Instant Agencies with Preece's Surf Shop for your generous donations and prizes.

Thanks, Kate Barley
C Grade Comp Director.



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Competition Information

Please remember that the Club does not run Competitions based on age. They are run on individual ability and confidence. As such, Members can compete in any division they choose to and whilst members have the opportunity to participate in any Club Competition, no one is compelled to surf if they feel that the conditions are unsuitable.

Please make sure that your child is financial before they compete in their second comp.

A reminder to all parents or guardians, it is your responsibility for your child's safety and you must attend all contests that their child enters. If you cannot attend a particular event, at which you allow your child to compete, you must organise transport and supervision for your children and do so at your own risk.

If you are not going to be there on time, please let a committee member know so you can get your name put down on the Entry List. It is each member's responsibility to put their name down by 8:15am so that the Contest Director can have the heats drawn ASAP. If your name is not down, you may not be able to surf. Parents of young children, please help them with this process.

All members & parents are reminded not to surf in the contest area as points may be deducted at the next Comp. Competitors please leave the competition zone after their heat has finished.

Parents are asked to help with judging when their children are not involved. When your child is competing parents are reminded to stand 10m away from the judging area as we encourage all heats to be judged fairly & without any influence.



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Other Information

Surfing SA

We would like to highly recommend becoming a member of Surfing SA, if you aren't already, as it will give you the personal insurance you need whilst you are surfing.

This year MicroGroms can offer a discounted rate to join Surfing SA. The Membership fee will be \$30.00 representing a saving of \$25.00 against the normal fee of \$55.00

Please remember that MicroGroms does **NOT** cover you for personal injury, the Club provides Third Party Insurance only.

Please contact Craig from Surfing SA on 08 8384 1126 or craig@surfingsouthaustralia.com.au to check if you are a current member of Surfing SA and for membership cards.

Please also visit <http://www.surfingaustralia.com/sa/> for details of State Titles, forthcoming Coaching & Development Squads and details of any other planned Events.



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