



MICRO GROMS JUNIOR BOARD RIDERS CLUB



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Welcome

Hi All.

Yewwww.. What a great month hope you all had some great waves and have enjoyed this extended summer ..come on rain and bring on autumn.

There were lots of Microgroms represented at the Berry Bay Surf Jam, the annual comp held down at yorkes. It was great to see everyone enjoying the clean conditions and yorkes delivered some heavier waves in the park that some of the Microgroms took advantage of.

Our Groms are definitely making an impact. I had numerous surfers commenting to me at the last A grade comp at Parsons how impressed they were at the level of surfing from our surfers who put on a great display of power and progression.

Finally If any one needs to contact me with ideas , suggestions or questions please feel free. As a committee we are looking to subsidise some judging training for parents and care givers, so look out for that.

Stefan Glockner - Club President



Comp Reports

A-Grade

Competition 2

Date: 17th March 2019

Surf location: Parsons Beach (South Coast)

Surf conditions: 10 knots-wind SE

Swell size: 3 foot multiple peaks

Number of surfers: 10

Down at the beach, Head Judge Dusty reinforced the judging criteria with the 10 surfers competing. The main focus this year was to judge surfers waves to national standard.

The heat format was the same as comp 1. The top 4 ranked surfers were automatically placed in round 2 and the remaining 6 competitor surfed round 1. All surfers in round 1 progressed to round 2 to begin the knockout rounds.

Surfers in the first round found it hard to impress the judges with scores in the 0.5-3.9 range. Imi Elliot managed to buck the trend and nail a 6-point ride on a nice right hander. This one wave moved Imagen from third place to first place.

Surfers who performed radical maneuvers in the pocket with Speed and power scored high. During the knock out heat's surfers were registering scores up to 8 points per wave.

The judging standard has been set to a high level. Please feel free to discuss your heat scores with Dusty. As Dusty mentioned the idea is to beat your combined heat scores and improve on them over the year. Part of Dusty's role as head judge is to progress you surfing through education and informed feedback on your surfing, please use him.

Comp director's award went to Noah Baillie. There has been a noticeable lift in Noah's surfing at the moment- lots of speed and power in his maneuvers. It is great to see him progressing as a competition surfer.

Results: 1st Ruka 2nd Harry 3rd Noah 4th King

Take care, and have fun surfing

Tim Taite A-Grade Competition Director





Comp Reports B-Grade

Location: Parsons Beach

Conditions: 2-3 foot beach breaks, random peaks. Light SE wind

Competitors: 18.

Parsons beach was chosen due to wind conditions and swell size. Some of the surfers had never surfed Parsons Beach before and this was a great opportunity to experience waves with more power. All surfers paddled out in their heats and caught waves. The occasional clean up set and a rip current nearby tested some of the surfer's water skills.

Before the heat draw was finalised, ten minutes was spent collecting rubbish from the pristine beach, half filling a bag with all kinds of plastic. We will continue to do this each round and promote taking a piece of rubbish from the beach every time you go surfing.

Some great surfing went down with fitness and physical strength showing through with the finalists. Ability to duck dive and negotiate shifting water currents really shone through in those surfers that made the semi-finals and finals.

Zach Palmer made the finals, surfing Parsons for the first time, pulling a fin free re-entry in his semi-final.

Ruben Williams surfed with a fractured wrist from skateboarding 2 weeks earlier and made the finals.

Chaska Glockner made the finals in his first competition for 2019 with some fast and smooth turns on both his forehand and backhand.

Cooper McEwan rode the custom board he won as most improved in 2018, winning with some smooth turns on bigger waves.

Competition Director awards went to Anastacia Peke for paddling out in 2 heats, feeling way outside her comfort zone and copping a few sets on the head. Riley Lewis was also rewarded for making it out the back for the first time in a B Grade competition.

Results:

- 1st - Cooper
- 2nd - Zach
- 3rd - Chaska
- 4th - Ruben

Comp Directors- Riley & Anastacia

James McEwan - B Grade Comp Director





Comp Reports



C-Grade

Location: Day Street
 Conditions: Calm/Light Onshore, 1-2 Foot Messy, Warm.
 Attendance: 16 (8 Boys, 8 Girls).
 Heats: 4 heats, 2 rounds

Second comp of the year saw an increase in contestants by 2 over comp 1. Competition ran well with kids and parents all well organised with judging and comp readiness. Judging was overseen by Comp Director and close attention was paid to making sure scores were consistent across the heats. Results were close especially in the girls comp where only 1 point separated the top 3 place getters.

The standard of surfing was high with kids venturing into the green water zones. Kids displayed a lot of confidence, skill and enthusiasm. The waves were not the best with much of the outside surf flattening out quickly after contestants had taken the drop. There were still a few waves that ran well and some impressive displays of skill followed. There were a couple of turns that would have scored well in B-Grade.

Microgroms Competitions provide kids and parents with many opportunities over and above the competition itself. The chance to make friends and participate in a community of surfers. The opportunity to contribute to the community and to help make it stronger. Congratulations and thank you to everyone for participating and for helping!

Microgroms is run by parents who volunteer their time. If you would like to contribute, there are roles that can be taken up this year and next. Please talk to your competition directors if you are interested.

Competition Results.

Boys:		Girls:	
1 st	Ashton	1 st	Keira
2 nd	Alfie	2 nd	Jem m a
3 rd	Arley	3 rd	Annabel
4 th	William	4 th	Priya

Comp Directors Award **Chloe C.**

Simon Greenleaf C-Grade Competition Director.

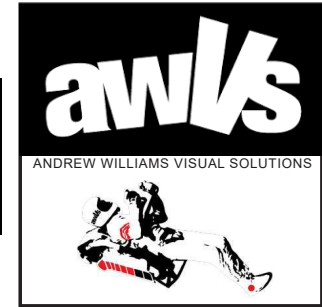
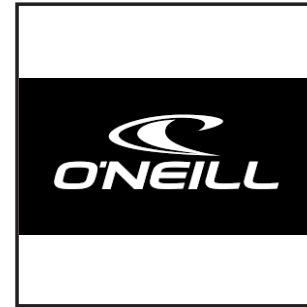
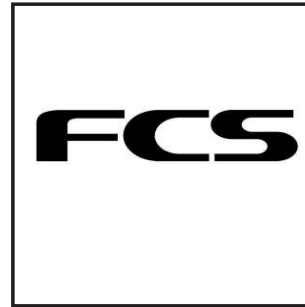
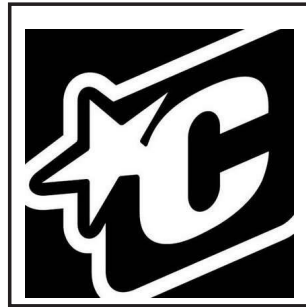
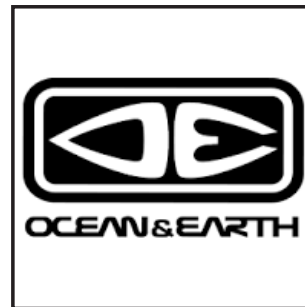
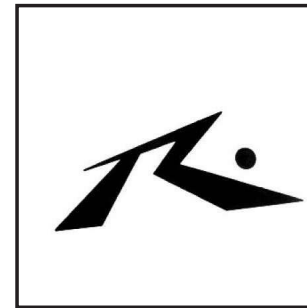
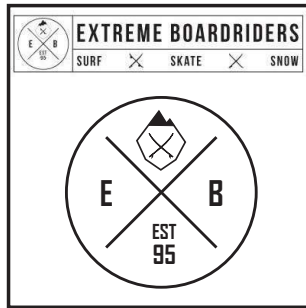
Finally this from two legendary Microgrom sisters. Who are there frothing rain, hail or shine...

I love Microgroms because it's always a friendly competition and you get cool prizes. The Yorkes comp is great fun and this year the girls get an all girls heat & comp so we have more chance to receive a place (Anamika 12years C Grade)

I like Microgroms because you get awesome prizes & it's good practice for my surfing. Also I like it because you make lots of friends (Priya 8yrs C Grade)



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Notices & Contacts



NEXT COMP

Sunday 7th April 2019
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Locations will be posted on
Facebook On the 6th April.

Training

TBA very soon.
Check Facebook.

Membership

Please make sure you are a paid member for the next comp if you were at the previous one. Anyone not paid cannot surf.

Please pay online at
TryBooking.com

Newsletter

Make a contribution to your newsletter! Send photos, write an article, create an artwork, comic strip, or anything else you think might interest your fellow club members and we will publish it here. You could be famous!

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2018 Most Improved B - Grade



Each year a surfer is recognised for their improvement across the competition calendar and in 2018 Cooper McEwan was selected. Starting the year not making it past the second round, Cooper went on to not only win heats, but come second in three finals. Leighton Clark from The Ding King sponsored the award with a custom-made surfboard as prize and presented a surprised Cooper at the end of year show at PUMPT.

Those that know Cooper will appreciate his immediate decision to order a performance twin fin surfboard based on those ridden by Mark Richards during his dominance on the world circuit from 1978-1982. Leighton Clark can shape any style of surfboard through use of his shaping machine and computer templates and finish them with quality materials and expert craftsmanship.

Cooper drew up his surfboard and coloured in the spray and took it with him to discuss the finer details with Leighton. Fixed fins, custom spray, chine rails and gloss finish were going to cost extra. Cooper saved and sold to make the difference. After the first competition of 2019, Cooper collected his prize and surfed it in 1 foot waves at Southport River mouth. Every surf from then on was a good one.

Microgroms B Grade Round 2 was held at Parsons in fun 2-3 foot waves and Cooper rode his prize all the way to the final, winning his first competition in Microgroms B Grade.

Thank you to Leighton Clark and his team at The Ding King for supporting junior surfers and making quality surfboards locally. It is a wonderful part of surfing to be able to visit a shaper and order a custom surfboard. Part of our surf culture that is being lost. Get out there and support our local shapers.

Who will be the most improved surfer in 2019?



Contact Leighton for your next board or ding repair. m0422 443 789





Fight for the Bight

It is hard to put into words how incredible the west coast of South Australia is. That is why it is so sad to hear of plans to drill holes in it and risk the delicate eco system. Please follow the link below and sign the petition.

Equinor has submitted an environment plan to drill for fossil fuels in the Great Australian Bight.

They released a plan open to Public comment - they had 18 months to prepare this, and they are only giving the public 30 DAYS to comment on it and make any opposition known.

We need to stop this!

The Great Australian Bight is a vital home and breeding ground for southern right whales, endangered pygmy blue whales and southern blue-fin tuna. It is an essential feeding ground for endangered sea lions, great white sharks, migratory sperm whales and many other species of marine animals. It shelters Leafy Sea Dragons, seals, many species of sharks and dolphins. Around 85 % of all the marine species that are found in the Bight occur nowhere else on the planet, and they need the delicate balance of this specific ecosystem to survive.

Please sign this petition, and make your comments in opposition to this plan known!

This is an ecological disaster waiting to happen. They let one company start to drill.. where will it end?

Drilling for oil, seismic testing and removal of fossil fuel from this fragile Eco system is pure greed.

Destroying this natural wonder, killing it's marine life and contributing to global warming for a handful of greedy humans to make more money is pointless insanity, as soon, none of us will have a planet earth to call home.

<https://www.change.org/p/no-oil-drilling-or-seismic-testing-in-south-australian-bight-stop-equinor-s-plan-to-drill-for-oil>



Priya and Krista Microgroms who know how much is at stake.

PIC OF THE MONTH



C-Grade Grom Ashton eyeing up the lip on a runner at day street. Comp 2 2019



Neptunes

PRESENTS

THE YORKES SURF CAMP

Neptunes Yorkes Surf Camp

Boys 9-11th August
Girls 8-10th November

This is a great opportunity to get some expert coaching whilst surfing and hanging out with friends.

Overview

Maximum 16 children

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Age range is 10 up to 18

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Accommodation at the Corny Point Caravan Park in the units,
4 children per unit bring own bedding

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Boys Camp - 9th to the 11th of August ~ Girls Camp - 8th to the 10th of November

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Parents or Caregivers will have the cottage 2 queen and 2 singles (Max 4)
The Parents and caregivers will need to be the supervisor overnight.

Friday

Arrive on Friday night (transport of children will be organised by microgroms to and from Adelaide) We will have dinner and a campfire, a get to know you session over a hot milo and marshmallows and talk about the weekend and expectations.

Saturday

Saturday morning we will have breakfast pack our lunches and head off for the day surfing. Squiizy will be our head coach and Jenelle and another inspirational coach will spend the day with us. All the children will be filmed and at the end of the day the footage will be reviewed and discussed. Dinner will be back at the park, another bonfire and a bit of organised fun activities.

Sunday

Sunday morning the children will have breakfast pack up gear and head off for an early morning session of surfing. The children will be filmed and when they come back for lunch we will review the footage. Everyone heads home after lunch.

Cost

Cost per child with each parents supplying a casserole, curry etc for the two dinners and Neptunes supplying a healthy breakfast and lunches that the children make themselves is \$195



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www.surfindustralia.com

In addition to Microgroms events there are numerous Surfing Australia events held throughout the year for both Groms and Parents. Microgroms encourage its members to join Surfing South Australia through a subsidised fee available on our TRYBOOKING page. There is also a limited subsidy for the Judging course listed below.

Check out the following events and head to the Surfing South Australia Website and Facebook Page for more information.

<https://www.surfindustralia.com/states/sa/events>

Judging Course

Surfing S.A. are running a judging and officiating course on the 30 March in Seaford. Course starts at 9am and runs for 6 hours. There are two levels of involvement and two prices for the course accordingly.

This is a great opportunity to gain skills that will benefit the club. It is also a great opportunity to learn about the sort of things that judges look for. This is information that can be passed on to the kids to help them surf better.

Microgroms call Stefan Glockner 0452 211 671 ASAP to register and secure club subsidy.

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