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## Welcome page

The 2015 Microgroms season is well underway with a great second competition on the South Coast.

#### **Telstra Kids Fund**

We are pleased to announce that our application to the Telstra Kids
Grant has been successful. We now have \$1,200 to purchase a BBQ each
for the B and C Grades and new rashies for all three grades.

Thank you Telstra for their support for 'not for profit' children initiatives
and Microgroms SA. The rashies in particular were looking very old and
faded and I know there will be some very happy judges who will
appreciate now being able to tell the difference between competitors in
the water. Additionally, last year the BBQ from C grade raised almost
\$400 plus allowed some warmth on those cold winter mornings. The
two BBQs will be a great way to further advance the club financially
and keep those bellies warm and fed in the morning.

#### **Next Competition**

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April
A1 & A2 Grade – Waitpinga beach meet at 8am
B Grade & C Grade meet at Middleton point carpark 8am
Any changes will be updated on the website and facebook page.

### **Judging course**

If anyone is interested in attending a surf judging course, to further your skills in surfing and judging, please contact our secretary Matt on 0459 025200 for more details.

#### **Facebook & Website**

We now have a brand new website and facebook page. Please have a look at all and let us know what you think. Updates and changes will be posted there a few days before the competition, so make sure you click 'like'

https://www.facebook.com/microgromsjuniorboardriderssa

Website: www.microgroms.com



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## **Important Information**

#### Respect

Please be aware respect from parents towards committee members is required at all times. Any aggressive behaviour will not be tolerated. If anyone has an issue with any changes or any other problem, these should be raised in a calm and respectful manner. If the matter cannot be resolved this way, an email can be sent to Microgroms and the matter will be discussed at the next meeting and communicated back to the parent.

The code of conduct can be found on Microgroms website <a href="http://www.microgroms.com/about-us.html">http://www.microgroms.com/about-us.html</a>
We encourage all parents and surfers to read it and adhere by it.

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#### Microgrom's Rip at Seaford for the Junior State Titles, Rd.1

Round 1of the Junior State Titles for 2015 resulted in a great day of 2 to 3ft surf at Seaford. The event was dominated by Microgroms members!

Well done to all involved. Check out the results below:

Under 12 Girls: Imogen Elliot 1st, Zoe Nunn 2nd, Indiana Freeth 3rd.
Under 12 Boys: Ruka Tait 1st, Ed Tooze 2nd, Zane Stevenson 3rd, Lane
Her-Singh 4th, Reef Spencer 5th.

Under 14 Girls: Dimity Payne 1st, Aurora Elliot 2nd, Imogen Elliot 3rd. Under 14 Boys: Ruka Tait 1st, Harry Green 2nd, Daniel Diack 3rd, Digby Tooze 4th.

Under 16 Girls: Amy Gore 1st, Yasmin Hardy 2nd, Georgie Daish 3rd, Olivia Beales 4th.

Under 16 Boys: Alex Parker 1st, Harry Green 2nd, Kyle Chenoweth 3rd, Alex Aitken 4th.

Under 18 Girls: Amy Gore 1st, Maddy Warner 2nd, Zara Lovering 3rd, Dimity Payne 4th.

Under 18 Boys: Caspian Zalups 1st, Cooper Saunders 2nd, Corey Thompson 3rd, Levi Baillie 4th



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## 2015 Revised Calendar

Event	Date	Meeting Point	
Comp #1	1 March (Sunday)	Middleton	
Comp #2	29 March (Sunday)	Middleton	
Comp #3	26 April (Sunday)	Middleton	
Comp #4	30 May (Saturday)	Yorkes (Jetty Car Park)	
Comp #5	28 June (Sunday)	Middleton	
Comp #6	26 July (Sunday)	Middleton	
Comp #7	16 August (Sunday)	Middleton	
Comp #8	13 September (Sunday)	Middleton	
Comp #9	24 October (Saturday)	Yorkes (Jetty Car Park)	
Comp #10	08 November (Sunday)	Middleton	
Presentation Night	Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	RSL Christies Beach	

\* To be confirmed \*

### Other Events \* / \*\*

Event	Date	Meeting Point	
Junior State titles Round 2	23 & 24 May	Middleton	
Hurley Winter Classic	18 July	Middleton	
Berry Bay Surf Jam	31 October & 1 November	Yorkes	
Rip Curl Grom Search	14 & 15 November	Yorkes	

<sup>\*</sup> Some of these dates may be Subject to Change \*

<sup>\*\*</sup> Please go to <a href="http://www.surfingaustralia.com/sa/events.php">http://www.surfingaustralia.com/sa/events.php</a> for details \*\*



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## Comps# 2: A-Grade

#### Sunday 29th March – Waitpinga beach

Sunny skies, offshore winds and plenty of swell greeted us at Waitpinga beach for the second event on the Micro Groms Calendar. Although there were plenty of close outs to contend with, there was still plenty of great rides to be had. The "A2" division had 15 surfers battling it out, whilst the "A1" division saw 7 competitors take to the water.

A great day all up with all surfers keen to get into the water and get their Waitpinga fix. Some heats were luckier than others, as there were periods of lots of shut downs, periods of slow sets, and then those heats where the sets waves were just perfect. Those who made it through were able to make the most of what was on offer and produce plenty of great surfing. The quality of surfing shown by both "A" divisions was very impressive with some late take offs and big turns, and all seemed to enjoy themselves. Well done to everyone!

The "A2" final once again saw some serious girl power, with Amy improving on a second in January.

1st Place – Amy Gore, 2nd Place – Jake Tomlinson, 3rd Place – Yasmin Hardy, 4th Place – Angus Claus.

The "A1" final was taken out by the smooth speedy consistent surfing of Caspian, his ability to find the sections and make the most of all his waves showed why he has won both comps so far this year. Levi broke from the pack to tackle some inside reforms and it really paid off as he was able to throw some great turns in the pocket of some nice sections. Alex, Corey and Brad took the rest of the placings in the five man final with some great surfing too.

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Caspian Zallups, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Levi Baillie, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Alex Parker, 4<sup>th</sup> Place – Corey Thompson, 5<sup>th</sup> Place – Bradley Cummings

#### Congratulations to all the finalists!

Thanks to all who helped to make it such a great day. Also a special big thank you to the parents and groms who gave judging a go for the first time. Judging can be a difficult task at times and it was great to see the willingness from new judges to listen and learn from our head judge Matt, great contribution. Micro Groms is a 100% volunteer organisation and when everyone chips in it makes it easier for all, so well done!

Cheers,
A grade comp director
Ian "Chommo" Thompson



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## Comps# 2: B-Grade

Sunday 29th March - Middleton Point

What a contrast in surfing conditions compared to the first comp, and when surfing conditions are great the quality of surfing is even better!

11 eager groms turned up for this comp and all surfed with commitment, style and had total respect for each other out in the water.

Noah kicked off the heats right on the first siren with an impressive wave and as the heats progressed, all with very close scores, we knew that anyone could take out first place today.

The 2ft peelers kept on coming off the point and everyone took advantage. Hamish, Alice and Felix, all new to the Microgroms club showed us how much they loved surfing and had some great waves, with Felix taking a great long left hander in the re-qualifiers and ended up in the bay. Had to be wave of the day. Shay and Alex performed some great technique, but just missed out on the final. Zoe obviously had eaten her brave breakfast cereal that morning and took some big drops and finding the green face of the wave. Olivia, Isaac, Tai and Cameron made it to the final. It was so close with only 2 points separating 1st and 4th place. Olivia was unlucky with one of her wave selections and dropped in on her brother Cameron and an interference call was made, halving Olivia's second best wave score. (be careful groms as Olivia dropped from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> place). Tai and Cameron had been surfing consistently well all day and it showed with both of them producing some big scores. Isaac deserved to win. His style and technique really shone in the final with some great snaps and cutbacks. Well done Isaac.

Thanks to all the parents that helped out with the judging on the day. I will probably say that at the end of every comp report, but we couldn't run these comps without your co-operation. Cheers.

Results -

1<sup>st</sup> – Isaac 2<sup>nd</sup> – Cameron 3<sup>rd</sup> – Tai 4<sup>th</sup> – Olivia

See you all at the next comp

Andy (B Grade Contest Director)



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## Comps# 2: C-Grade

#### 29th March - Middleton Point

The C Grade went to the toilet block at Middleton for our second comp. The conditions and set up were in total contrast to the first comp. Having the judges, flags, rashies and competitors in the one place made the whole process a lot more easier and enjoyable.

The 12 groms were all eager with the great conditions, there was some nice waves out the back and some smaller waves out the front, so that all the competitors with various degrees of ability could compete where they felt confident and safe. As usual each grom had two heats to show their stuff. During the morning the wave conditions did vary but on the whole kept clean which allowed for some great levels of surfing. There were several kids who went out the back and with Grant Senior being on his own board gave the groms confidence to go hard, knowing that there was assistance if they needed. David Jordan also did a fantastic job providing water cover for the inner sections.

I had to give two individual encouragement awards on the day as I could split the decision between Ella and Amber. The judges and I were impressed with Ella's commitment going for green waves with strong paddling and determination to push herself. Amber also got the encouragement award as she paddled out the back during a tricky time of the morning. when there was some significant sets coming in. The judges and I loved to see that conviction.

I would like to thank all the parents for assisting on the day, everyone chipped in which ensured that the day went smoothly. A special thanks for Jai and Simone for organising the BBQ and Mel for organising the Easter egg hunt after the comp.

Results – 1st – Indianna 2nd – Lane 3rd – Sunset 4th – Lola

See you all at the next comp

Clayton (C Grade Contest 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 <u>any</u> 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 <u>NOT</u> cover you for personal injury, the Club provides Third Party Insurance only.

Please contact Craig from Surfing SA on 08 8384 1126 or <a href="mailto:craig@surfingsouthaustralia.com.au">craig@surfingsouthaustralia.com.au</a> to check if you are a current member of Surfing SA and for membership cards.

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



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