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### Welcome page

#### **Recent Appointments**

Everyone is settling into their new roles on the committee.

Dave has been doing a fantastic job as the C Grade director and the last comp went well.

Clayton's is also doing a fantastic job as secretary. Matt did the role brilliantly, so it was a hard act to follow.

#### **Next Competition**

Sunday 13th September
A's meet at Waites carpark 8am
B's at Middleton point 8am
C's Day stree,t toilet block
Check Microgroms Facebook page for any change in location.

# Yorke's Comp Annual BBQ Saturday 10th October

The annual Microgroms BBQ will be held in the Yorke's surfing clubhouse, which is adjacent to the Corny point caravan park. Anyone wishing to stay at the Corny Point Caravan park in their cabins or camping, here are the contact details.

Charlie and Jenelle Tooze

www.cornypoint.com.au

08 8855 3368

All meat and bread will be provided by the Microgroms club. If members could bring salads and or a plate to share on the night, that would be awesome.

#### **T-shirts**

The t-shirts have all been ordered and should arrive for the next comp in Yorke's. Then all the groms will look very smart in their new branded gear.



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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	10 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# 7: A-Grade

A Grade comp 7 report

After some good early signs, the conditions at Waits didn't prove to be worth hanging for and so after a shaky start to the day, we finally got the comp underway in the Bay at Middleton. The slow start to the day did assist the tide though, giving our A1's and A2's a great chance to carve up some clean 3 - 4 foot lefties on an improving incoming tide..

We had seven A1's and ten A2 competitors paddle out, and with Middleton's usual shifty rip running, the surfers worked hard to find the best take off spots. We had some great waves ridden during the day, with plenty of big carves, and speedy turns off the top. The surfers for both divisions had some impressive surfing, despite some difficult free-surfers to compete with as well.

The A1's final kicked off with Alex, Brad, Levi and Khi in the water and some local knowledge helped out as Levi took the win getting the better waves and hitting some nice big carves, second went to Alex who seems to get better each week, third to big bearded Brad and 4th went to Khi.

Results - 1<sup>st</sup> - Levi 2<sup>nd</sup> - Alex 3<sup>rd</sup> - Brad 4<sup>th</sup> - Khi

The A2's had some very nice surfing in all heats, a very competitive division and close scores throughout the comp. The final saw some great surfing, but Jake was too good again, taking first with some stylish off the top turns. Harry was very close on the score cards and just missed out taking second, Marcus took third and Mallee improving too all the time taking fourth.

Results - 1<sup>st</sup> – Jake 2<sup>nd</sup> – Harry 3<sup>rd</sup> – Marcus 4<sup>th</sup> – Mallee

Thanks to everyone for their patience on the location changes, sometimes it's difficult to know for sure where is best and the pleasant nature (considering) of all was appreciated. Also a big thanks to Pete for taking some awesome photos again and as usual thanks to the groms and parents who helped out with the judging, overall it was a very enjoyable day.

Cheers,

A grade comp director Ian "Chommo" Thompson



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### Comps# 7: B-Grade

B Grade Comp Report #7, Middleton point, 16 August 2015.

With solid 2-3 ft waves and a light westerly wind and sunshine, was it going to be too much for the B grade groms to cope with?

Of course it wasn't! Everyone managed to get out and catch waves, and it proved to be one of the best comps this year. It was certainly exciting to watch. Nothing seemed to phase the groms today and all they wanted to do was catch some big waves and show the judges what they could do.

It was definitely Kira's and Bella's comp, both of them proving that big waves are their thing, as they showed us some gutsy drops, turns and speed. Kira even getting a well earned 10 point wave in her requalifying round with a jaw dropping ride. There was certainly nothing more she could have done on this wave with controlled manoeuvres, speed, power and flow, all the criteria needed for a high scoring wave.

Despite Imi, Mitch, Cam and Olivia not progressing through the requalifying round, they can certainly hold their heads up high as they gave 100 percent in today's comp. The semi's, again, were all very close in the scores with Isaac, Noah, Kira and Bella making it through to the final. Looking back over the score sheets there was less than one point separating 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> places in both semi's. So Alex, Shay, Tai and Nikki, well done! you all surfed with great commitment and flare and were so close to making it through to the final.

Isaac dominated the final though and surfed with total determination. Finding so much speed with great controlled manoeuvres. There was nothing between Bella and Kira and they both gave it everything they had. Noah was unlucky, getting caught inside, but still deserves a big shout out on getting to the final. Well done to Isaac, you have shown us again that you are one of the possible contenders to take out the championship this year. Thanks to Nicki and Nat for helping out with the BBQ and to all the judges that managed to get it right again. See you all at the next comp.

Results- 1st- Isaac 2nd- Bella 3rd- Kira 4th- Noah

Andy (B Grade contest director)



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### Comps# 6: C-Grade

We had beautiful weather for C grade 7th competition.

We all met at Middleton Point and the decision was made to surf at Day Street. The groms were eager to get in and surf and show their skills.

The 7 groms were split into two groups and surfed two heats.

We saw some awesome surfing, with Indianna having the best wave of the day with a fantastic green wave.

All the groms showed commitment and gave it their best.

#### C Grade results 7th Comp

1st place - Indianna 2nd place - Stella 3rd place - Sunset 4th place - Lola

Best fall/dive - Stella

Thank you to parents for all your help with judging. See you all at next comp groms!!

Dave Jordan 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 <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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