



MicroGroms Newsletter

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End of year Presso's and AGM

Microgroms have finished the year with our end of year celebrations.
We met at the Old Noarlunga Institute Hall on December 11th.

The AGM saw a few new parents join the committee after some of our current member decided not to re-nominate.

Reuben Zalups decided after 2 years he would now step back as his son Caspian will be too old to compete next year. We saw a late nomination come in from Clayton Freeth for president which was accepted. Clayton has been on the committee in previous years and will be a great asset to the club.

Other member stepping down include Tim Taite C grade director, Nick Brauer B grade director, Wayne Elliot A grade director, Melissa Freeth Secretary and Natalie Elliot Sponsorship Director.

Microgroms would like to acknowledge the massive efforts of everyone on the committee over the 2016 year. All of our committee spend endless hours working hard to make this Club what it is.

We'd like to thank Reuben Zalups who has been our very dedicated president for 2015 and 2016. This year Reuben spent many hours organising all the repairs and maintenance on the microgroms trailer (some of which he completed himself). Reuben also attended most of the Comp's throughout the year helping out with set up, pack up, judging, organising beach rubbish collections etc. Reuben also attended all committee meetings and was a valuable asset to the club not to mention an all round good guy and friend. Thankyou Reuben for everything.

We'd like to thank Nick Brauer who hand made all of the fantastic microgroms individual trophies. For the last few years now Nick has dedicated many hours to producing our very unique trophies which also save the club a lot of money. He also served as the B grade comp director and really took the time to not only run the comp but give the groms heaps of feedback and coaching tips to help them excel throughout the year.



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We would like to thank Mel Freeth for taking on the secretary role attending to a lot of the behind the scenes work in taking and documenting the monthly committee meetings and producing the minutes. Thankyou also for donating your overhead projector for us to use at the presentation day to play the power point.

Thankyou Tim Taite for being our C grade comp director this year. Tim was in charge of helping and organising our youngest competitors in the white water division. He also played a big part in organising the major sponsorship from Hurely with the HPC trip for the A grade. Thanks Tim, our groms really appreciate your efforts.

Thankyou also to Wayne Elliot who took over the A grade contest director position from Andy Beales part way through the year. Wayne was thrown in the deep end having never been the comp director before then taking over our largest group of groms at our highest level. Wayne did a fantastic job and put in so much effort in every area of his role but his comp director's report were certainly a highlight as I'm well aware of the time and effort he gave to the report each month making sure each groms achievements were mentioned.

Natalie Elliott is the person we all need to thank for attending to much of the sponsorship the club received throughout the year. From the comp prizes each month right down to the major end of year prizes, individual goodie bags, raffles (major mid year and end of year presso) and the silent auction. Natalie chased up many sponsors, went out and collected goods, made up packs and prizes and made sure each comp director had what they needed for the groms in their divisions. Natalie also set up our trybooking web site, organised all the t shirt orders and hoodie orders and made sure each person got their merchandise. She has already made a start on organising the 25 year microgroms celebrations for 2016. Thankyou so much Nat!

Committee members remaining on the committee are Grant Senior who will be the new B grade comp director, Lou Sturt who had been attending to the treasurer role but will be moving into a general committee member role with an interest in fundraising, Matt Baillie who will take over the Sponsorship role which he laid groundwork for in 2015. Adele Baillie remains as communications.



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Our new members include Louise Kelly as the A grade comp director. Lou has been the B grade comp director in previous years and definitely knows what is involved. Thankyou Lou for dedicating yourself to this role.

Tim Cannell will be the new treasurer for 2017, he has already jumped right in and has been an active member in the club helping out with some new flyer's getting ready to promote Microgroms over the summer.

We also have Karen Nelson as the new secretary. Karen has 2 boys in microgroms in the A grade and C grade divisions. These guys joined the club at the beginning of 2016 and have been terrific members to have in the Club.

We also have Heidi Glockner, Chaska's mum joining us as a committee member also. Chaska was our lucky B grader who took out the Clark surfboard prize this year.

Welcome, It's great to have a few new crew on board.

Microgroms is still desperately in need of a C grade comp director. There is a real possibility that C grade may not run next year without this position being filled. We urge any parent with a child interested in surfing the C grade division to consider this role (any one else may also nominate as well). You do not need to be an expert surfer. The other member of the committee are available to help you out with best locations to hold comps. We have a qualified level 2 judge who can assist in helping parents with judging until you become confident. Maybe consider a shared role? You and a mate? Someone to back you up? At this stage we are willing to take any suggestions into consideration. We'd hate to see the groms miss out on competing next year.

We also have the role of Head judge available. This is a paid position however there is some criteria to be met. Please contact a committee member if you are interested and want more information.



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Division Winners - 2016



Levi

Club Champions

Yasmin



Harry A2's
Winner



Tai B grade
male
Winner



Indiana B
grade
Female
Winner



Harry C
grade
Winner



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Jake
A1 boys
second



Marcus
A1 boys
third



Caspian
A1 boys
fourth



Imogen
A1 girls
second



Kira
A1 girls
third



Maddi
A1 girls
fourth



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Ruka
A2's
second



Noah
A2's
third



Jack
A2's
fourth



Jaspa
Most
improved



B-Rad
Best team
man



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Stella
B girls
second



Poppy
B girls
third



Sunset
B girls
fourth



Chaska
B boys
second



Finlay
B boys
third



Max
B boys
fourth



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Tommy
C grade
second



King
C grade
third



Sammy
C grade
fourth



Clark Surfboard Prize
Chaska's name was
drawn from a hat to be
this year's winner of the
Clark Surfboard Prize.
Chaska will receive a
custom made board just
for him! Thanks
Leighton for supporting
our groms



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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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