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Welcome page

What a great AVALANCHE INDUSTRIES, ROXY, QUICKSILVER and DC 2nd comp in the Microgroms season. Some challenging conditions for the day. Read on for the reports and comments from the comp directors.

Comp 3 will be sponsored by Will Mills from **Mills Agencies** with the brands Hurley, Electric, Modom and Vertra and Nick Weir from '**beaches apparel**' at Collonades and Seaford shopping centres.

Committee members

We'd like to welcome Grant Senior who has accepted the role of Child safety officer on the Microgroms committee. It's an important role, ensuring all our groms are safe in and out of the water.

The following committee member roles are still available for the 2016 season. If you are interested or would like to nominate someone, please contact a member of the committee.

Secretary

Committee member

Contact any member of the committee if you are interested or would like to nominate anyone for the role.

Next Comp

All grade to meet at Middleton point on Sunday 1st May at 8am unless otherwise stated by your comp director.

Check facebook for any changes on the day.



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Microgroms T-Shirts

Adele is chasing up any outstanding T-shirt orders. If any grom hasn't already given their size, please reply to this email or email Adele Baillie direct.

Also navy hooded jumpers will soon be available to purchase via our website.

Reminder

We'd like to remind all competitors about code of conduct, comp rules, including surfing in comp zones
Please note all club policies and procedures are available on the website. All members, parents & caregivers should make themselves familiar with these.



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2016 Calendar

| Event | Date | Meeting point |
|--------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Come 'n' Try | 7 March (Sunday) | Middleton |
| Comp #1 | 21 February (February) | Middleton |
| Comp #2 | 17 April (Sunday) | Middleton |
| Comp #3 | 1 May (Sunday) | Middleton |
| Comp #4 | 28 May (Saturday) | Yorkes (Jetty Car Park) |
| Comp #5 | 26 June (Sunday) | Middleton |
| Comp #6 | 24 July (Sunday) | Middleton |
| Comp #7 | 21 August (Sunday) | Middleton |
| Comp #8 | 18 September (Sunday) | Middleton |
| Comp #9 | 15 October (Saturday) | Yorkes (Jetty Car Park) |
| Comp #10 | 13 November (Sunday) | Middleton |
| Presentation Night | 3 December | RSL Christies Beach |

| Event | Date | Meeting Point |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| Junior State titles Round 3 | 7 th & 8 th May | Middleton |
| Hurley Winter Classic | TBC | Middleton |
| Berry Bay Surf Jam | TBC | Yorkes |
| Rip Curl Grom Search | TBC | Yorkes |

** 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 Boys Comp 2 report

A-Grade Comp Report #2, Middleton Point, 17/4/16

Horrible on-shores greeted us at Middleton Point and the predicted swell hadn't come in, so all I can say is it was "challenging conditions" for our competitors in this, the second Microgroms comp.

Glad to see Alex P back after his injury that had kept him away from the sport for a few months.

Some very high scoring waves in the first heat, with Levi managing a combination score of 18.6, that took him straight into the final. Levi's surfing is getting just great to watch and he always manages to find those peeling left handers, that hold up for him, so he can throw his board from top to bottom, showing great technique and power.

Mallee and Alex found two high scoring waves each and with less than a point separating them, Alex crept through into the final.

In the second heat Caspian and Marcus had a walk through into the final, with both surfers producing some great rides.

The final is always great to watch. Marcus was so close to having a win, his last wave was the highest scoring wave of the heat, but unfortunately needed that second wave to back it up. Alex and Caspian were unable to find sections to produce high scores but surfed with great commitment.

Levi took it out with his second win of the season and should be proud of himself. Well done to all the A boys competitors.

Results –

1st – Levi 2nd – Caspian 3rd – Marcus 4th – Alex



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A Grade Girls Comp 2 report

What a great effort from all of the girls for this second comp. Olivia, Imi and Madi kicked off the first heat of the day in difficult conditions, but the messy surf didn't stop the girls from performing the best that they could.

Olivia waited out the back for a bomb, but the surf didn't line up for her, and only managed two low scoring waves. Imi and Madi found some great sections on the inside and Madi's second wave was a beauty, with a great take off and a couple of snaps, producing the wave of the heat.

Heat 2 saw the comeback of Yasmin, current Microgroms girl champion. With a few cutbacks, she sailed through to the final, with Kira just beating Bella.

I gave Bella the comp directors award today, just because she always shows true Microgroms spirit, with a great sense of humour and always smiling. She always congratulates other competitors, and basically just has a great time at every comp.

With no improvement in conditions, the final was challenging for all four surfers. Kira only managed to find one wave, Madi gave everything and paddled onto 5 waves, but was unable to score high. The battle was between Yasmin and Imi. It was so close, both scoring in the mid range with both of their best two waves.

It was Yasmin's day and she won her first comp of the season. Well done to all the girls. I am just hoping that conditions will improve for the next comp as I know that these girls can really surf.

Results –

1st – Yasmin 2nd – Imi 3rd – Madi 4th – Kira



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A2 Grade Comp 2 report

"What does a surfer need to do to get a 10 point score" is mostly what I heard from our stand-in head judge (Reuben/Prez) during the A2 heats. That's how good the surfing was. The judges were pretty harsh, with not one 10 pointer given. Let's have more 10's in future judges!!!

13 groms surfed in this grade today and it seemed that conditions improved just for the A2's. The stand-outs during the heats were Ruka, with some amazing changes of directions, cutbacks and smooth surfing. Harry and Noah producing some great top to bottom manoeuvres and Harry even tucked into a barrel. Oliver made it through to his first semi (great work).

Mitch had another great day with a 2nd in his first heat and a 1st in his semi. I really can't believe how good these groms looked out in the water considering the conditions.

So the final started with Mitch, Noah, Harry and Ruka in the line up. Noah was first to get a high score, with a long ride and finding reformed sections, taking that opportunity to create a number of turns. Harry was the only one to come close to that wave with turns close in the pocket. Well done to Mitch and Ruka who surfed well all day and totally deserved to be in the final. Noah sealed 1st place with a wave equal to his first. What a great win and you can see it in Noah's eyes, that he is thirsty for some more 1st places in the future.

Results –

1st - Noah 2nd – Harry 3rd – Ruka 4th – Mitch

Thanks to Avalanche industries (Quiksilver, Roxy, DC) for sponsoring the comp.

Thanks to all the new judges that stepped up to the plate, and to Reuben for giving some great guidance.

And thanks to Nat for sorting out all the prizes and to Nicki and Nat for feeding us.

See you all at the next comp.

Andy (A-Grade Comp director)



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B Grade Comp 2 report

B grade report

The second comp for 2016 was held at the right hander at the eastern end of 'the dump' beach.

This particular wave was breaking at about 1-2 foot, with the occasional 2.5 foot wash through.

We started the day with a short expression/wave familiarisation session, as most competitors had little experience at this spot.

The wind chill was high and competitors tried to warm up best they could (remember wind proof jackets next time all). The waves proved tricky, as there was a strong sweep that made staying on the take-off spot a challenge.

Once the comp started, this didn't stop several nice rides being made by some of the more experienced competitors. The ride of the day however, including a fast controlled foam climb with a razor sharp cutty high on the wall to finish, going to Tai in the 2nd Semi.

Other notable rides out the back were Lane (after the red flag; bad luck) and Max with a couple nice high lines going right and Poppy was working every last manoeuvre out of the waves, finishing right up on the sand.

The final looked as though it was going to go to Poppy with scores of 3 and a 6, until Tai got a second low scoring wave that bumped him in to the lead by 0.5 points. And welcome Angus to your first comp of the year and to Madeline to your first comp in MicroGroms.

I encourage B Graders to diversify their surfing by trying different locations when they are on offer. Well done to all those who got wet on the day, irrespective of waves caught. The winners were your muscles and confidence in stepping into the unknown.

Results:

1st - Tai 2nd - Poppy 3rd - Indi 4th - Max

See you at Comp 3.

Nick
B Grade comp director



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C Grade Comp 1 report

MicroGroms C-Grade: Competition 2

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AVALANCHE INDUSTRIES-QUICKSILVER, ROXY AND DC

Date: 17 April 2016

Surf location: Rincon, Port Noarlunga South

Weather conditions: Sunny, 22 degrees, winds 0-5 knots offshore

Swell size: Shoulder to head high (groms)

Number of competitors: 7

Competition report

The Avalanche Industries sponsored competition 2 was held at Rincon, next to the Onkaparinga River Mouth. Seven junior surfers rocked up to the car park to see clean and glassy conditions. The waves were peeling off the reef, both left and rights were cranking.

The Rincon reef break put up some psychological challengers for some of the groms, who had never surfed over rocks in shallow water or swell this big. However, a good pep talk soon got them focusing on the wave, and the magical feeling you get from surfing glassy shoulder to head high waves.

Some of the groms couldn't resist the temptation, they were in the water charging before we (adults/pack horses) got to the beach. Oh well... better start the first heat!

The judges set the criteria to suit the perfect conditions. Surfers were asked to attempt a cutback as a major manoeuvre, perform controlled turns, surf the wave from top to bottom and ride the wave out to the shore.

Brothers Harry and Tommy capitalised on their local knowledge regarding wave selection. Consequently, they pinged off some beautiful waves. Furthermore were able to capitalise on the wave's high scoring potential with cutbacks, turns and length of ride.



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C Grade Comp 1 report cont..

Scotty, Sammy and Maia continued their battle from comp 1. They all have a different approach to surfing, but end up with very close scores. Scotty is a prolific wave jumper. Sammy is more selective and measured. And Maia surfs with control and finesse.

Ashton and Khai chalked up their first surf at Rincon. Both boys were a little bit rattled by the rocks, but to their credit they stepped up to the plate and chalked up some personal best scores in the second heat. Ashton received the Comp Directors award for the most improved for the day. Well done boys!!! Next time it might be Khai's time to win an award?

Thanks to all the parents who helped out, especially Jamie who climbed the river mouth stairs about 6 times to bring gear down to the comp area and taking it back at the end of the day, plus... for cooking the BBQ, and judging. Jamie, I hope you're coming back for Comp three...??

Finally, big thanks to SCOTTY STEVENSON and the crews at QUICKSILVER, ROXY AND DC for sponsoring Comp 2 with some great gifts, also for supporting grass roots surfing in South Australia ☺
Results:

1st - Harry

2nd - Tommy

3rd - Scotty

4th - Maia

Tim

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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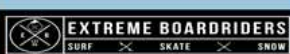
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