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Welcome page

What a fantastic last comp which was 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. Some great prizes that the groms were stoked with.

We're excited to announce Comp 4 in Yorke Pennisula is sponsored by Greg Payne from **Extreme Boardriders** at Glenelg. Greg will also be taking over a selection of Chilli Grom boards and a range of various adult boards to demo over the weekend.

All grades to meet at Marion Bay Jetty carpark at 7.30am on Saturday 28th May. The Yorke's Junior groms are joining us too. It's great the Microgroms and Yorke's groms have formed good friendships and it really shows with the support and healthy competition.

All presentations will be held at Corny Point caravan park at 6pm on the Saturday evening. BYO BBQ meats and breads with a plate or salad to share. It's a great way to embrace the Yorke's experience and socialise with all the grades.

Also Yorke's Juniors have their meet on the Sunday and would love it if any of our Groms would like to join in. They are meeting at South Berry at 9.30am Sunday morning for a half hour beach clean up of rubbish that got washed in with the storms, then start their meet at 10am. They usually finish around midday and follow up with a BBQ. They would love to see you guys there. There is no cost other than for a sausage at end of day.

Microgroms Major Raffle

Fantastic prizes valued at \$1000 available in our raffle. Tickets can be purchased at the next comp. We would welcome people outside or Microgroms community to also buy them. Please speak to a member of the committee if you are able to sell tickets in your workplace or friendship groups. All proceeds go to your club.



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<u>Judging</u>

We welcome all parents to take turns with judging in all the grades. It might seem a little daunting, but you will get lots of help and advise. In A grades we have a great Head Judge called Matt Baillie and the Comp Directors in B and C grades give excellent support also. There is an upcoming SSA judging course. Contact Matt Baillie if interested.

Committee members

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 IT support Committee member

Your committee is run by volunteers, who already give a lot of their time. Having more hands to lighten the load is welcome. Contact any member of the committee if you are interested or would like to nominate anyone for the role.

Upcoming Date changes

Although we endeavour to stick to our calendar dates that were set at the beginning of the year, we have to make allowances for other surf competitions. Therefore date changes maybe necessary for the last 3 months of the year. This is to accommodate for Wahu, Rip Curl grom search, National titles and Berry Bay surf jam.

Hoodies

Microgroms hoodies are now available to buy for \$30 each. They are navy blue with white Microgroms motif. This is a subsided price to the club after donations from Elliott flooring and Reuben Zalups Building.



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2016 Calendar

Event	Event Date		
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	

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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 3 report

A-Grade Comp report #3, Middleton Point, 1/5/16

Great call by everyone involved in the decision to hold the A Grade comp down south at the point. Near off-shore winds, with a good 3ft swell and to top it off, the sun was out. With the B's surfing on the inside of the point and the South Coast Boardriders comp in the Bay it was fluoro rashies dominating the coast line. By the way, if any South Coast Boardriders are reading this, thanks for accommodating the groms paddling out through the bay.

Mills Agencies and Beaches were our sponsors for this comp. A great professional set up today with the Microgroms flag flying high, the bbq tent and the Hurley judging tent next to each other and groms eager to get out and start surfing.

A Grade Boys -

Levi, Alex P and Bradley kicked things off in heat 1. Again, Levi dominated, accumulating a combined score of 14 points. Alex P managed to get through to the final, but had to forfeit his place as the oval was calling him to see Adelaide United smash WSW, so Brad was lucky and made it through. Mallee surfed with determination in the second heat and came first while Tyson just pipped Caspian to make it through.

The final proved to be great as usual, some great top to bottom surfing by Levi producing great spray on his power turns. Brad only found 3 waves, but did find sections to get him two decent wave scores. Mallee and Tyson surfed well. but with waves closing out it was hard for them to put some good scores together.

Well done to Levi for his third consecutive Microgroms win.

Results -

1st – Levi 2nd – Bradley 3rd – Tyson 4th – Mallee



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A Grade Girls Comp 3 report

A Grade Girls -

It's great to see all these girls getting along so well out of the water, as well as in the water. It's what Microgroms is all about, having a great time on comp days and forming great relationships for years to come.

Five girls competed today so we had them surfing all together in two rounds. The first round saw Yasmin produce a huge first wave score that was well deserved as she produced some great turns and finished well.

Imi and Olivia had some good take offs and found small sections to at least get one manoeuvre on. Madi and Kira found it hard to find green water due to the changing conditions, which meant there was big white water coming through.

The second round was hard for them. None of the girls really found their way out to the back, so really only just managed to surf the white water coming through, but hats off to them as they paddled well and carried out turns on white water. But, as they say, 9 out 10 times comp conditions are going to be challenging, so well done.

Results -

1st – Yasmin 2nd – Imi 3rd – Olivia 4th – Madi 5th – Kira



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A2 Grade Comp 3 report

With a few groms missing from the A2's, it was decided that we would add a requalifying round to this comp to the delight of many of them. Talking to Clayton before it all started he was determined to go home with a place and a prize today. Well, he kicked off in heat 1 with a fantastic surf with his first wave scoring an 8.0 and smashing his way straight to the semi's. Jack and Isaac came first in their heats' and also made it through with commitment and pure grit. Alex A and Jasper had their second chance in the re-qual round and made it through.

The Semi's produced some great surfing and the level and quality of turns is just going through the roof. Noah and Shay earned their place in the final with some aggressive surfing making sure they picked the right waves to earn the biggest scores on. Clayton joined the line up in the final by narrowing beating Isaac by 0.6 of a point. With Ruka making up the final four we knew that all competitors wanted the win so badly and we would get to watch a great contest. Clayton, Shay and Ruka all caught waves and were on each other's heals all the way through the final. Positions changed and switched about with these 3 surfers for twenty minutes and it proved to be a great battle for second place. In the end it was Ruka that took out second, well done. Noah chalked up his second Microgroms win and thoroughly deserved it. His plan for the final paid off and he picked two great waves that gave him scores in the sixes. Noah has come such a long way in the last year and is certainly up there in his age group now. His surfing is great to watch and will only get better and better. Keep it up Noah and 'Good on ya!'.

Results -

1st - Noah 2nd - Ruka 3rd - Clayton 4th - Shay

Thanks to the sponsors today for supplying the great prizes for our groms, they were all so pleased with what they received. Thanks to all parents who helped out with the judging, it would be impossible to run these comps without judges. It would be great if more parents felt they could volunteer for this role in future competitions and give our regular judges a rest! Matt Baillie is great head judge and will guide and help you through every wave surfed, so no need to be shy! Thanks to the committee ladies for feeding us with some great snags that were supplied to us by Adelaide Bike Works — Harley Davidson. Next stop — Yorkes, Yeeeeeeew, I'm sure everyone can't wait to get down there and see if the surf gods are going to be kind and deliver great waves all weekend. See you then.

Andy (A Grade Comp Director)



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B Grade Comp 3 report

Held at Middleton Point on the 1st of May.

Conditions out the back/off the point and in the Bay were great for experienced surfers that day, with 2-4 foot of swell and a stiff WN Westerly changing to WS Westerly through the day. The tide was up a fair way for the duration of the comp, covering more rocks in the keyhole and filling the keyhole with water.

This different appearance of the keyhole was probably a first for numerous surfers in the grade, but was good for their learning experience of diverse surf break entry conditions.

The B grade are in the main are little surfers, so were not going to be any match for the swell/sweep coming around the point (making me dream of Snapper and Greenmount when I think of sweep) mostly were forced across and in from the point, where they caught reforming waves.

I say 'mostly' because well done to Tai who paddled out towards the back further than any other, unfortunately not able to get any killer scoring rides.

Success off the point generally comes down to paddle fitness, and smartness! Not wearing yourself out paddling so you've no energy to surf. So surfers remember get your wave count up with 2 easy to come by average waves early in the heat. Eg first 4-5 minutes. By the end of the 2nd wave, if u are a little surfer, expect to finish it right on the beach, setting yourself up for a careful walk back to the keyhole. The potential for higher scoring rides will come from such a heat plan, as more powerful waves with bigger faces level with the keyhole will always raise your scores for all the powerful, speedy and flowing manoeuvrers you create.

Strong surfers (such as A Graders) actually have it easier to get out, getting to use the bay as their funnel out to the point. Their circuit finishes often at the keyhole, where they exit, although not if they catch a wide wave where they come in through our comp zone on the beach.

On that note thank you A graders in remaining prone as you made your way past competing B graders.

Notable waves /moments of the B grade comp (that I got to see): Finlay's bowly left hander in Heat 2, which got him into Semi 2.



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B Grade Comp 3 report cont

Indi's speed generation and foam climbs on numerous lefts close in.

Tai (wearing headphones bopping away) asking when his heat is on. You can ask him about that one.

Rounding up, the final was won with a 6/4 two wave combined score of 10 These weren't the highest scores of the day, so competitors can take heart in knowing many surfers achieved comparable and higher scores in closely fought out heats to scores which won the event.

Well done all competitors on the day; Max, Judd, Stella, Finlay, Madeline, Angus, Sunset, Lola, Poppy, Lane, Tai and Indi.

Results:

1st Indi 2nd Stella 3rd Lola 4th Tai 5th Finlay

Highest scoring rides for the day were Stella, Lola and Indi each with 7'S in heat 1, 3 and Semi 2 respectively, which shows their consistent surfing through the day.

Not to leave out the great discussions I heard between judges regarding scores and critical assessment of competitors rides. Sorry from myself on starting a heat before judges were ready, but thanks for your endeavour in the situation. Will be on to that next time.

See u all at Yorkes for the next round, NB



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C Grade Comp 3 report

MicroGroms: Mills Agencies and Beaches Competition 3 C-Grade

Date: 1ST May 2016

Surf location: Rincon, Port Noarlunga South

Weather conditions: sunny 17 degrees, winds 30 knots onshore

Swell size: shoulder to head high (groms) white water

Number of competitors: 7

Competition report

The sponsors for Competition 3 (comp) were Mills Agencies (Hurley) and Beaches. The comp was held at Rincon. The groms rocked up to the river mouth car park only to be greeted with near gale force winds. I asked the groms and parents if they wanted to surf white water here or water down south. There was a unanimous vote to stay at Rincon.

The swell was all over the place with a strong undercurrent moving from South to North. The wind affected swell presented multiple crumbly peaks and double ups. So... wave selection was going to prove very difficult for the groms.

The comp director's advice was simple. Have a go, keep safe and try your best. In heat one King, in his first comp, paddled out with Max to Rincon. King managed to score a rare green water wave. He skilfully pulled off a nice bottom turn then followed up with 3 nice manoeuvres. Max surfed with determination and managed to string together some solid scores.

Ashton, Madison, Maia, Scotty and Sammy were grouped in heat 2. They paddled out to the river mouth, which in hindsight was the safest break to surf. The groms had some fun despite the wind playing havoc with loose boards. Two groms finished Round 1 with an injury each, and some groms were competing at the high end or outside their comfort levels.



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C Grade Comp 1 report cont..

Prior to the commencement of the second round, I asked the groms if they wanted to continue surfing. Some were a bit apprehensive, but the majority yelled out yes! This time the heats were surfed in the river mouth, conditions were a lot friendlier. Madison recovered from her hit in the face, by her board in round 1, and paddled out to lock in some nice scores. King also competed despite carrying an ankle injury from round 1. The groms did enjoy round 2 and this was reflected in the frequency of waves caught.

The ocean was angry today and many of the groms felt its unhospitable venting. However, the groms surfed through the fear barriers with sheer determination and the spirit of a true competitor who converts fear into energy and fun. The conditions were not perfect for surfing but, they were ideal for character building. Well done and thank you to Ashton, King and Madison for role modelling the attributes of courage and will power in what was extremely challenging conditions.

The comp ended with the prize giving. The groms were all excited with the prizes on offer from Hurley and Beaches. Their faces all lit up when it was announced everyone will get a prizes. So the day ended on a fantastic note all the groms went home smiling, happy and clutching their well earned prizes.

Results:

1st King 2nd Max 3rd Maia 4th Sammy

Take care, and have fun surfing

Tim Taite C-Grade Competition 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 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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