



Dear MicroGroms members new and old

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome our new members and hope that the experience will be engaging and rewarding for you all.

Surfing is a passion of mine as it is to all of you and the opportunity to grow your potential as a surfer and an individual within a community is the focus of our club.

In the spirit of this we as a committee are working on providing training opportunities for all our groms and endeavouring to host community and activity days. WATCH THIS SPACE.

I would also like to thank our sponsors past present and future who have helped the club grow and be the success it is. Remember to support your local shops, businesses, shapers and suppliers to ensure we grow a vibrant local surf industry

So hears to an exciting 2019. Thank you to all committee members past an present, I am always happy to chat to any parents or Groms who may want to provide ideas, feedback or would like to offer their support.

See you out there

Stefan Glockner - Club President.



A-Grade Comp Report

Date: 10th February 2019
Surf location: Middleton point
Surf conditions: Calm-wind WNW
Swell size: Clean 3-4ft SSW
Number of surfers: 11

MicroGroms Report for A-Grade, competition 1.

A-Grade met at the Middleton Point with the B-Grade. Some surfers were not sure which grade they wanted to surf in, so it was handy to have the two comp directors in the same location to help surfers and parents decide which grade best suited their surfing needs.

This year A-Grade is standalone division with a focus on developing surfers to an elite national standard. The A2s have been merged into the A-Grade. As with all the grades there will be a strong focus on training, development and judging. Comp directors will let you know when training sessions will be scheduled for 2019.



A seeded format was used to set the heat draw positions. The 4 top rank surfers were seeded in round 2 and the remaining surfers competed in round 1 to determine which heat position they would surf in round 2.

Comp1 started with an introduction from Head Judge Dusty Cooks. Dusty said he set the judging criteria to a high national standard. Dusty was looking for maneuvers with speed power and flow (explosive, lots of spray) in the critical section of the wave.

For the comp the conditions were relatively clean with 3-4 foot swell out the back. The paddle through consistent sets of white water was physically demanding and took its toll on surfers over the day. Some of the surfing was at a high standard with scores in the excellent range (8-10 points). King scored a 5.5 for one explosive maneuver. On the other hand, waves with several maneuvers but lacked speed, power and flow scored in the average range (4-5.9 points).

Overall, the new comp structure and format went well. Thank you to all the surfers and parents who judged and helped during the comp.

Results: 1st Harry 2nd Ruka 3rd King 4th Noah

Next comp: 17th March, location to be published on Facebook 15th March. Take care, and have fun surfing!

Tim Taite

A-Grade Comp Director



B-Grade Comp Report

The first B Grade comp for 2019 was held in clean, but challenging 4-5ft waves off Middleton Point. Held in tandem with A Grade, there were some challenges judging as at times there were 18 coloured singlets in the water.

Due to the timing of the comp the round was unsponsored, yet all the surfers and families contributed and we had a smoothly run event.

We had 24 surfers with a mix of new members, A graders coming back and C Graders progressing up. All surfers handled the conditions well and some excellent surfing was displayed, showcasing a good depth of talent.

We will continue to do a beach clean-up at the start of each round, and one at the end also, with a BBQ to be on providing nourishment to all the surfers.

Thank you to all that joined in on the day and helped to make the first 2019 Microgroms Comp a success.

Results were close; 1st-Max 2nd- Indi 3rd- Zach. P. 4th- Ruben 5th Maia

Directors Choice ñ Riley

James McEwan - B-Grade Comp Director





C-Grade Comp Report

C-Graders met at the Onkaperinga River Mouth and were greeted by nice one foot lines. Both the Rivermouth and Rincon were surfed with both offering green wave options. Rincon ran well in the first round on the high tide. As the tide dropped the face rides became shorter as riders found it hard to to get into any good runners. The river mouth, on the other hand, improved as the tide dropped.

14 C-Graders showed up with 8 girls and 6 boys. It was great to see new faces (6 in all) to replace the C-graders from last year who have moved to Bís. The comp was split into Girls and Boys, this being the format we will follow for the rest of the year.

The standard of surfing was high C level. The kids put on a great show for the Judges making it entertaining to watch.

Girls.

1st Keira 2nd Harriet 3rd Annabel 4th Jemma

Boys.

1st Ashton 2nd Alfie 3rd William 4th Kai Comp Directors Award Oskar

Simon Greenleaf

C-Grade Comp Director





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NEXT COMP

Sunday 17th March 2019
Sponsored By
Ann Marie
and the Crew at South Coast
Surf in Normanville



Locations will be posted on Facebook 0n the 15th March.

Training

The committee are working on a number of training events accross all grades to be announced soon.

Membership

Please make sure you are a paid member for the second comp if you were at the first one.

Anyone not paid cannot surf.

Please pay online at **TryBooking.com**

Newsletter

Make a contribution to your newsletter!

Send photos, write an article, create an artwork, comic strip, or anything else you think might interest your fellow club members and we will publish it here. You could be famous!

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