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UPCOMING EVENTS CLUB EVENTS

2023	01/02 nd April	Club Round Iso's
	18 - 25 th April	Out of Town Cup Denmark
	06/07 th May	Club Round Iso's
	19 – 21 st May	WA State Longboard Comp Denmark
	27/28 th May	Club Round Iso's

FROM THE CLUB 2023 Update

COMPETITION Competition details

DIRECTOR: This year there are 13 comps scheduled to be run either on the Saturday or Sunday of the weekend to give us the best option for waves. If the comp is not held on the planned weekend we will have the option to move to the following weekend only. All comps are booked with the Cottesloe council. The call on the comp is usually made on the Wednesday before the weekend, sometimes later if changing conditions or difficult to predict. Please check emails, club page, Whatsapp and Facebook site. Even though 13 comps are scheduled we often only have 6 days with comps a year with many cancelled. When able we will have two rounds in a comp.

Of the comps it is planned to have 2 or 3 of these dedicated to Loggers and Old Mal. This could well be at a time when waves are expected to be smaller. In loggers we have the following divisions: Open Men, Open Women, Juniors, Dukes and Moi Wahine (Queens) Old Mal will remain one division only.

The other comps will be Performance rounds and will be judged for performance surfing so rewarded for speed, power and maneuvers in the critical part of the wave. Logger type surfing in these comps will not be scored as high.

Scoring in divisions for the win and place for end of year trophies will be the total of results from the best 3 rounds, and for Old Mal and Loggers it will be results from best 2 rounds.

Members will again be divided into groups and the Open division winner will be Club Champion. Your placement in the groups will be determined by your placing in the comps 2022. New members will be placed in a group after surfing a couple of heats or by their perceived ability.

The Out of Town Cup will be in Denmark and will be on the weekend before Anzac Day. Anzac day is on a Tuesday so if you take the Monday off you can have a 4 day break. Good time of year for Parry Beach Always a fun social weekend.



Parry's Beach Denmark

The State Titles will be held at Denmark on Fri 19th May to Sunday 21st. You will need to join Surfing WA to compete in this – entry by Surfing WA website.

It looks like the Geraldton Winter Classic will return this year on the June Long Weekend.

The Interclub this year will be hosted by the Indian Ocean Longboard club Yallingup with the date of competition still to be decided Out of Country trip still to be decided also

In the past we have held registration at 7am on the morning of a competition day. As people register they are organised into heats ideally based around their divisions. Sometimes this means that an early registration does not always guarantee an early heat as we may have to wait for other divisional competitors to register before we have a “complete” heat. Additionally we don’t really ever have a feel for numbers prior to competition for catering and other logistics to run the event.

So, this year we are going to trial online registration prior to competition day. This will allow us to quickly draw complete divisional heats on the morning of competition and adequately cover the catering given that we will know expected numbers.

A couple of rules around registration:

- It won’t be mandatory to register online, but for those that do they will be placed in the earliest possible heats hopefully in the best conditions. Those who haven’t used the online registration may find themselves placed in the later heats.
- Heats will be drawn on the morning of competition using the priority list of online registrations, so you will still need to be present and ready to surf and, just as importantly, judge from the very first heat of the day which normally gets under way at 7:30am.

On the day the heat length time and number to a heat will be decided according to conditions and number of competitors attending. At times the maximum number of waves that can be caught in a heat may be reduced, it is normally a maximum of 10 to a heat per competitor.

Steve Becker – Competition Director 0422 480 569

FROM THE EDITOR: 2023 The Year So Far

ALEX KUENZEL

The Bombing Range Cup

The Bombing Range Cup was run again on Sunday February 12, 2023 for the first time since 2016. With the Mullaloo Longboard Club closed a few years back, the Mullaloo Boardriders started recently, so it was time to bring back the competition that was started in 2004. It used to be held at the Bombing Range between Lancelin and Wedge Island when it was up the track and then a beach run from Lancelin, but it is easier now to go North of Wedge Island in the National Park. Each club had 26 surfers who caught 2 waves each. 4 judges and a total of all scores. Cottesloe won with 611.9 to Mullaloo 563.3. It was a good effort by Mullaloo, as many were not usually Longboarders. It was a fun day, and will definitely continue next year. Well done to the CLBC crew!



JUDGING CRITERIA

I have been asked by many members to touch on the Judging Criteria, that is used throughout all forms of competitive surfing, by Qualified Surfing Australia Judges.

As most of you are aware due to injury I have been unable to surf for the past two seasons. Last year I was fortunate enough to be sponsored by CLBC to do the Foundation Judge Course. Since then I have also completed the Progression Judge Course and are now only a few hours away from becoming an Elite Surf Judge meaning that I will be eligible to Judge State, National and International Events.

Along the way I have gained valuable knowledge from our Head Judge Terry Goddard, Comp Director Steve Becker, and many other members who have also completed Judging courses.

At CLBC members are required to get involved in Judging Club Comps. It can be quite daunting at first, but there will always be a Qualified Head Judge to assist. I have learnt while Judging State and National Events, that the method of Judging with the assistance of a Head Judge input and discussion when required, is used at all levels of competition.

Waves are scored in one of the following categories:

Poor, Average, Good and Excellent.

This is written at the bottom of the scorecard whether paper or tablet.

The **Standard Judging Criteria** for all forms of surfing is made up of the following 5 areas:

1. Commitment and Degree of Difficulty
2. Innovative and Progressive Manoeuvres
3. Combination of Major Manoeuvres
4. Variety of Manoeuvres
5. Speed, Power and Flow

Taking the Standard Judging Criteria into consideration, **Longboard Judging Criteria** Judges will analyse the following major elements when scoring rides:

“The Longboard Surfer must perform controlled manoeuvres in the critical section of the wave utilizing the entire board and wave using traditional longboard surfing. The surfer who performs this to the highest degree of difficulty with the most style, flow and grace will receive the highest score for a ride” (Surfing Australia Rule Book - 2022)



The following key elements in addition to the above statement for Judges to consider are:

1. Nose riding and rail surfing
2. Critical section of the wave
3. Variety
4. Speed and Power
5. Commitment
6. Control
7. Footwork

Logger Criteria considerations when Judging include:

“The Logger surfer must perform a variety of Traditional manoeuvres in the critical sections of the wave with continual motion, style and grace. The surfer must display good control of the logger board with emphasis on visual appeal, creativity, style and flow linking all manoeuvres over the entire duration of the ride. The use of clean footwork and nose riding will be important elements in the Judge’s decision making”
(Surfing Australia Rule Book - 2022)

Time in the Judging tent has been invaluable over the years, teaching me what I need to do to get a good score when I’m out in the Line Up, wearing a coloured jersey, on Competition Day. It is expected of Club members, and highly recommended by myself and other Judges, to not be afraid and get involved with Judging Heats during the season.



Alex Kuenzel – Newsletter editor and Surfing WA Judge

FROM THE **Isolated – Or Not So Much**

**SECRETARY: TRACY
McRAE**

A place of natural beauty and surf-able reef
With humans aplenty, at times coming to grief

Historically renowned as a longboarding spot
Increasing shortboarders, now converging in Cott

While there are newbies, long term locals remain there
And a line-up without Wahines, is now very rare

Although surfing etiquette loosely applies
So does dropping in, resulting in 'sorry' cries

While black or plain wetsuits were always required
Spiral wetsuits now making appearances & enviously desired

Cottesloe Longboard Club hold their comps at the break
Although dismal swell conditions, often makes the season late

The Messiah, Jordy, Maxi, & Michaela exhibit their beautiful styles
While the rest of us, just hope we don't end up in piles

It's a fun place to be on any surfing day
Rain or sunshine, an awesome spot for wave play

The wonder of the ocean will never cease
Let's hope the 'Isolated' swell will never decrease!

Tracy McRae



FROM THE ASSISTANT **Provisional Divisions 2023****COMPETITION**

Hi Members,

DIRECTOR:

Just a little bit of information to share about our club divisions for the coming season.

For the past few years we have moved away from “age” based divisions to “ability” based ones. To date this has proven popular amongst the members as it is providing opportunities for those who would normally find themselves in age divisions with the usual handful of good surfers who always seem to take out the end of season honours.

Having said that, given the significant number of new members whose abilities are yet to be determined placings into divisions has been mostly done to match similar ages or to balance the numbers so that no single division is “stacked full” and conversely on the “lean side”. Once we have surfed a few rounds there may be a bit of shuffling of the new members into other divisions to even out the competition.

All divisional place getters (1-3) are recognised and awarded trophies at the club’s end of season presentations. However, the prestigious annual club champion award, for both men and women, are only selected from the 1st place getters of the “Open” divisions. These 2 divisions are open to any member who would like to contest the top honour of club champion. If you would like to compete in the Open division please let us know.

Moving into the next season the first and second place getters of each of the lower divisions will normally be promoted up a division while those at the bottom may be moved down one. Movements are negotiable, so if you feel you are better off in another division then once again please let us know and we’ll make the appropriate changes prior to the competition getting under way.

Finally, for members who have registered as a family, if you have any family members who will also be competing, could you please send through their details so we can include them in the appropriate division(s)?

Regards Neil Peterson



CLBC 2023 Divisions - Provisional March 2023

Open Men

Harry Chapman
Luke Giglia-Smith
Rob Hooper
Archie LeGrice
Mark Matisons
Oliver Mavrick
Jordan Merris
Jack Robinson
Max Scott
Casey Skinner
Dave Smith
Declan Stick

12 Competitors

Open Women

Ciara Browne
Sohana Gordon-Menon
Georgia Hanson
Cassie Hoffmann
Claire Lanceley
Sally Mathwin
Gabrielle Puzey
Aya Smith
Marine TangYan
Hayley Towne
Katherine Van Kampen
Georgia Young

12 Competitors

Juniors

Tom Ahern
Jools Bailey
Maxy Clarke
Charlie Clarke
Marty Cocking
Peter Harvey Jnr
Jake Smith
Harry Stafford

8 Competitors

Watermen

Norm Bateman
Steve Becker
Paul Borbas
Ryan Borbas
Allan Brooks
David Burton
Rob Grace
Peter Harvey
Matthew Inman
Peter LeGrice
James McGhee
Neil Peterson
Brett Reed
Martin Richardson
Glenn Solomon
Rian Tassell
Robert Thurston

17 Competitors

Wahines

Sarah Bell
Felicity Booysen
Kat Bourgon
Bliss Brosnan
Katie Conway
Bronwyn Fricke
Frances Hoyle
Belinda LeGrice
Tracy McRae
Ari Schipf
Hiroko Smith
Selina Sterker
Iara Suarez
Silvie Tomek

14 Competitors

Legends

Bill Bailey
John Chisholm
Simon Clark
Martin Ferrier
Terry Goddard
Steve Green
Jeff Hughes
Pete Kennedy
Mark Neates
Rodney Pestell
Rob Shaw
James Van Kampen
Richard Young

13 Competitors

Surf Rats

Ben Brugman
Gene Goldsmith
Ken Hall
Liam Higton-Shirt
Nathan Hoyle
Alex Kuenzel
Chee Lai
Shawn Male
Ian McLernon
Dom Mitchell
Sam Stirk
Geoffrey Summerhayes
Adam Shuttleworth
Stephen Weekley

14 Competitors

Rippers

Joe Calzada
Terry Harney
Liam Holyoake
Dirk Kluck
Javier Mogollon
Bryce Murray
Warren Myers
Jarrod O'Neil
Daniel Pasqualini
Warren Salmone
Andrew Spencer
Brett Tomlinson

12 Competitors

102 Competitors

Heats: <4 competitors 15min: 4 competitors 20min: >4 competitors 25min

FROM THE WAHINE **Wahine's Day 2023**

REP: ARI SCHIPF

Our Wahine's Shine

Aloha CLBC Wahines

Thanks to all who participated at our Wahines Day, creating a positive, inclusive and fun vibe, we had 22 women and 5 Rounds, sharing waves and having a go at judging, it was great to see our new members taking part in all the events. Thanks to our legendary champion **Georgia Young** for cross stepping us through some moves and to **Amanda Battle**, professional photographer **@oceansoflovephotography** for capturing our day (all photos are available on her website).

Big thank you to the awesome team, Tracy, Selina, Silvie and Marine helping prepare and run the event and our wonderful club committee who supported us on the day, we couldn't have done it without you all. I think the fellas look pretty in their Leis!

Thanks to Jackie at **Waveski Adventures** for personally sponsoring the Wahine Day and the businesses who provided in kind goodies for our Wahines: **Hollow Surf, The Surfboard Room, Sunbum, The Salty Blond, The Boheme Life Collection.**

Big shout out to **Surf Dive n Ski Fremantle** who provided \$150 vouchers for prizes.

Surf stoke and spirit for 2023 has kicked off, with so many new wahine members this year, we're looking forward to more women participating in our club rounds.

Until then, catch you in the surf

Cottesloe Longboard Club Wahine Representative







Member Benefits

As part of the relationships that we have developed with our fantastic sponsors, it is important that we as members try to reciprocate the support that the sponsors provide the club. We are very fortunate to have a number of new sponsors on board for 2023, one of which is Space Bespoke.



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