

COTTESLOE LONGBOARD CLUB NEWSLETTER

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UPCOMING EVENTS
CLUB EVENTS

2023 11/12th March Comp Postponed
18th March Wahine Event 7am Iso's

FROM THE CLUB
CLBC 2022
PRESIDENT
COTTESLOE LONGBOARD CLUB PRESIDENTS REPORT FOR 2022

2022 Started as a year we knew we would eventually come out of the COVID Pandemic. It was an exciting year of rebuilding and getting back to normal life, however surfing actually thrived during this time, because during COVID it was one of the few sports that you could do without getting hassled by the Police!

The surfing numbers were booming, our Club Membership was capped at 90 members. It is great to see a new generation join and compete. We achieved record Sponsorship in the history of the club thanks much to Liam. The Sponsors Websites were finally linked to our webpage and the trailer decals were updated accordingly.

The communication to our membership has improved. Now we have three platforms for information, for competition, social interaction and activities, these being Facebook, Facebook Messenger and WhatsApp.

Members made Club trips to Esperence, Geraldton and Denmark. The Whalebone Classic, “The heart and soul” of our Club calendar finally happened, and it was awesome to have the tribe back together after an absence of two years. Congratulations to the competitors and thank you to all Club members who helped out.

The Club hosted the President of the Alexandra Headland Malibu Club, Kevin Annetts and his son Kai, whose attendance has bolstered interest on the East coast event. I was invited to be guest on Oz Longboarding Show with Peter Dunn and Jason Weeks and crew, which was really great to share the history of the club and share some funny stories with the Australian Longboarding Community.

This year the Club has taken a new initiative as voted by you, the Members, to actively pursue Cottesloe ascension for a nominations a National Surfing Reserve.

Our NSR committee has had meetings with The Town of Cottesloe’s CEO Matt Scott, Member for Cottesloe David Honey, The Federal Member for Curtin Kate Chaney, Cottesloe Board Riders and North Cottesloe Surf Club. I also met with First Nations Surfer Len Collard, who will be working with us. All of the above have indicated support subject to a full council meeting, yet to be held. Coast-care, Cottesloe Surf Club and the Cottesloe Rate-payers Association have also been consulted.

This process is long and can take years. However, I think we have the foundation, and community support, to be successful in preserving the home of surfing in WA, Cottesloe for future generations, and joining Margaret River and Yallingup as a NSR.

We were also approached by The Grove Library who want to hold a two-week exhibition next March on the history of surfing in Cottesloe. We have been asked to supply Old Mals. Preferably Dibbens, Cordingley's and Hawkes, being lent as part of the two-week exhibition. Moreover, a special night will be held with invited surfers from the 60's and beyond to share their recollection of surfing in Cottesloe. Details to follow.

Finally, the slab for our 6 x 3 meter shed at Seaview Golf Course to store our trailer and equipment has been poured, and the panels constructed and awaiting erection. I think once finished, we should have a home open ceremony to lay a Plaque, have a few beers, and think of a name for the Club Hanger.

The Lindsay Thompson Memorial Inter-club was held at Scarborough, and although we were second to Scarborough by a point, what I found most rewarding, was relegating the IOLBC to last! Thanks to the Club members who surfed and to those that Judged.

Our Club Presentations were held at The Cottesloe Hotel. The results being previously published. Many rivalries were rekindled and new ones established. There was much humour in the air and well done to all Officials and Competitors.

Many members attended and competed in the 2022 Yallingup Malibu Classic, a favourite event. The surf was pumping. Congratulations to all competitors and winners, a great social event not to be missed.

Most of all, I would like to thank our committee, whose commitment and hard work as volunteers are the driving force behind the scenes of any successful club.

A personal thank you to IPP Ken Hall, whose knowledge, wisdom and guidance has assisted me greatly to fulfill my duties and decision making.

Also welcome to Alex Kuenzel, who has accepted the role of Editor of our new Bi-monthly Newsletter.

I'm looking forward to an exciting year in 2023, which is our 25th Anniversary, celebrating the formation of the Club.

KEEP YOUR FINS WET REGARDS RICHO !.

**2022 Reflection From
the Editor: Alex
 Kuenzel**

A Pictorial Reflection of 2022

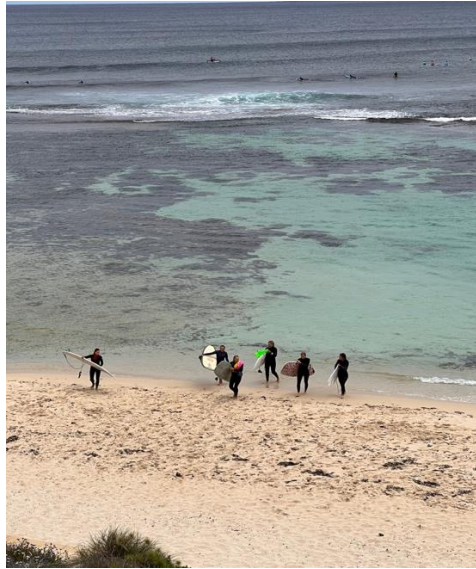
2022 delivered some sort of normality back to the Longboarding Calendar. Regular Club Rounds as well as the Whalebone Classic, Interclub Comps and the Yal Mal to name a few, all took place without the fear of Lock Downs ruining the day. Below are only a few, of the many pictures of some of the events.

In 2023 we will endeavor to deliver a regular Club Newsletter. I would like to ask Committee members along with all CLBC members if they have material they would like included in the Newsletter, that they emailed it to me (alkuenzel@gmail.com).

The CLBC WhatsApp page had many great photos posted during 2022. In 2023 the CLBC Committee will select a "photo of the month" which will be published in the Newsletter.

Please enjoy the following reflections.







**GEORGIA YOUNG AND MARK MATISONS
LONGBOARD TRIPLE CROWN WINNERS
OVER THREE EVENTS INCLUDING:
WHALEBONE CLASSIC
MIDWEST CUP
YALLINGUP MALIBU CLASSIC**



2022 CLBC PRESENTATIONS





New Year Happenings 2023

“The Shed”

The new storage shed is up at the secret location at the “Seaview Golf Course to store our club’s trailer and wonder goods. A big thank you to all who helped over the construction of the sand pad, slab, and its construction. A special thanks to team leader John Chisolm, who handled all the statutory requirements required as well as also being the pit boss, great job . Also, a big thank you to Seaview Golf Club and The Town of Cottesloe for giving us permission to proceed with the much-needed facility. Hopefully in the near future we may proceed with a home open ceremony, with a ribbon to be cut by none other than “Shed Head Leader”, John Chisolm !



Vale Warren Thompson

From Club President Martin Richardson:

It was a great honour to be asked by the Thompson family to host a paddle out and ceremony for Warren Thompson. He was a foundation member and our first Vice President. Warren was an amazing Shaper, family man, world traveler, and mentor. Saturday the 28th of January was a beautiful morning to farewell and honour our brother.

Thanks to Alex Kuenzel and Melissa Pontre for the photo's.



For 2023, we are very excited to welcome onboard several new sponsors and to welcome back a number of existing sponsors. With their support, we look forward to delivering a jam-packed year for our members in 2023. We look forward to sharing more information about our awesome sponsors in future newsletters!

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