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WAKSA AGM REPORT 2018

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TO OUR MEMBERS

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FOREWORD

This is the fifth formal annual report produced for the Western Australian Kite Surfing Association (WAKSA) and our first being the official Sporting Body for kitesurfing in WA.

The purpose of the report is to formally document the year and provide information for our members who can't attend the Annual General Meeting (AGM). This document is symbol of the development of our organisation from its humble beginnings in 2002.

The Western Australian Kite Surfing Association (WAKSA) is a volunteer organisation and as such each committee has a limited amount of resources in the form of time and funds to carry out the day to day operation of the association and progress the long term strategy of maintaining beach access and promoting the sport of kite surfing with safety as a fore thought.

Every committee is different and has made different choices based on the information and resources available to them at the time. While in hindsight there may be a different view, the point is those individuals were there, ready and able to take on those challenges and do their best. The current committee would like to personally thank all past WAKSA committee members for their efforts.

We always need more committee members to share the load, so if you are thinking about joining, please just do it, we need you.

If you are interested in joining the committee please e-mail waksa@waksa.org.au.

THE COMMITTEE

- President Drew Norton
- Vice President Nick Lonie
- Secretary Claire May
- Treasurer Gregg Ireland
- Committee Members
 - Freestyle Chrissy Gaudieri
 - Comms & Marketing Rebecca Bury
 - Freestyle Daniel Anderson
 - General Kate Mckenzie
 - General Levi Fowler
 - General Fabio Biscosi
 - General Shane Garcia
 - General Julian Herm
 - General Hossam Ismail

TO OUR MEMBERS

- o General Tim Grimston
- o General Mark Pizzuto
- o Waves Russell Curtin

I would like to formally thank the outgoing 2017_2018 committee for their wisdom, time, effort and commitment to WAKSA.

Further thanks to Gordon Pettigrew of True Spirit Photography and Paul Smyth of Hotdiggitydog Photography for covering all WAKSA events this year. Amazing footage is available from all events on their websites.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Presidents Report

Wow! Another epic wind season is slowly coming to an end. The summer of 2017/2018 seemed to be one that kept on giving. I hope you all got a chance to get out there and enjoy it! It certainly seemed to be a fitting way for WAKSA to experience its first year as the states official sporting body for kitesurfing.

A first for Australia this recognition by the state government has helped open more doors for engagement and reinforce WAKSAs strategy to maintaining beach access throughout WA.

Another first this summer saw the hosting of the National Freestyle Championships at Safety Bay. This event was not only an opportunity to showcase freestyle at one of the country's premiere flat water locations but an opportunity to work with key sponsors in the Department of Sport and City of Rockingham. Hopefully this event will be a catalyst for growth in the discipline and potentially towards a pathway for young kitesurfers who might be looking to compete on a professional level. Many thanks to our major sponsors Cocos Keeling Islands & Zephyr Tours and the Department of Sport and Recreation for making this event possible.

I'd also personally like to thank all the volunteers who not only helped with the Nationals but all the events and activities that WAKSA was involved in.

Special mention to Claire May, Gregg Ireland and Nick Lonie who are all stepping down from the Executive Committee.

Drew Norton
President

Secretary's Report

This year has been quite slow in the secretarial area. Unfortunately with working extra days in my day job and my child not napping during the day anymore, I just didn't have the time to do a great job as last year so I will be stepping down as Secretary.

That said, I did fill in countless council applications for events and prepared the paperwork for the Department of Sport Grant that we were successful in obtaining for the Nationals. I also arranged the volunteers for this years L2L.

This is a great role for anyone interested, all you need is some admin skills and common sense. Good luck to the next committee and Secretary. I'm only a phone call or email away if you need any help in future.

STRATEGIC HIGHLIGHTS

Our main strategic highlights for WAKSA during the 2017/18 year are best summarised as below.

- Recognition by the Department of Sport and Recreation of WAKSA as the official sporting body for Kitesurfing in WA. This gives WAKSA access to learning and funding opportunities provided by the Department.
- The huge success of holding the first National Freestyle Event in WA.
- Our membership base is currently sitting at 442 members.

Claire May
Outgoing Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT AND FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Treasurer's Report and Financial Summary

This was my 1st year as treasurer and unfortunately my last with work pressure getting the better of my time. Hopefully I leave the portfolio in good shape.

This year's finances were dominated by the National Freestyle Titles with \$23,300 being raised for the event and \$23,200 being spent. An awesome effort by the people that were involved.

Other significant notes from the financial report: -

Membership Fees

KA collected a very similar value for WAKSA as they did last year indicating that there was no significant increase in membership in 2017/18

Lighthouse to Leighton

This year we again received \$3,000 for supplying volunteers to the event. Thanks to those who assisted.

Website and IT

This year we made upgrades to the website so that contributions could be made and edited by members of the committee.

Storage

The storage facility in Osbourne Park has become a much-needed accessory for WAKSA and continues to be a welcome place at the end of an event weekend.

The banking accounts with Westpac have been cleaned up and the transition to new signatories will be much simpler and easier to carry out.

Gregg Ireland

Outgoing Treasurer

WAKSA FREESTYLE NATIONALS

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Australian Freestyle Kiteboarding Nationals 2018 ***Major Sponsor Cocos Keeling Islands and Zephyr Tours***

The Pond, Safety Bay
25th – 28th January 2018

We are very pleased to have held a successful Australian Freestyle Kiteboarding Nationals event here in WA at an iconic freestyle location. The Pond lived up to its expectations by providing butter flat water conditions and consistent 20kn plus breezes every day for the event.

WA Premier Mark McGowen officially opened the event and from then on it was three days full of kiteboarding action. The event consisted of the kiteboarding nationals competition (see results below), followed by a fun expression session. There was also an event village for riders and the public to enjoy various activities, food and beverages on offer while embracing the wonderful sport of kiteboarding.

The main highlights of the event included the impressive level of riding from both men and women, the success of the new competition format, the spectacular acrobatics on display at the expression session, prize giveaways and the Saturday night burgers and entertainment.

The big thank you to all our sponsors and volunteers for making this great event possible!

Results

Juniors

1. Harrison Johnston
2. Aaron Kenny
3. Leo Verrecchia

Women

1. Katie Potter
2. Holly Keenan
3. Chrissy Gaudieri

Mens

1. Ewan Jaspan
2. Emerson Johnston
3. Harrison Johnston

Masters

1. Denys Karantonis
2. Luca De Prato
3. Chris Hoath

WAKSA FREESTYLE NATIONALS



Juniors Podium

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Womans Podium

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Masters Podium

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Mens Podium

STATE WAVE TITLES 2017/18

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The state waves titles for 2017/18 was held at Brighton Beach in half to full head high waves. Wind blew 20kts plus the entire day and some great wave kite surfing was on display. The open class was well contested with Ryland winning in a very close final. These boys certainly gave everyone a spectacle.

Live scoring made for exciting spectator and competitor engagement. The ability to see the scoring updated in real time is a great addition to the wave comps.

It was a big day in the consistent winds. Small kites and big manoeuvres were the order of the day.

Results:

Junior

- 1st Cooper Bates
- 2nd Charlie Wise
- 3rd Izaak Cocca
- 4th Nathan Pizzuto

Women

- 1st Anh Dao Jennerat
- 2nd Claire Lynch

Amateurs

- 1st Jake Brenkley
- 2nd ben Swart

Legend

- 1st Clive Neeson
- 2nd Alex Cameron
- 3rd mark Blais

Master

- 1st Jason Marshall
- 2nd Ben Hebiton
- 3rd Nigel Cameron

Open

- 1st Ryland Blakeney
- 2nd Jake Gordon
- 3rd Dale Stanton

Awards

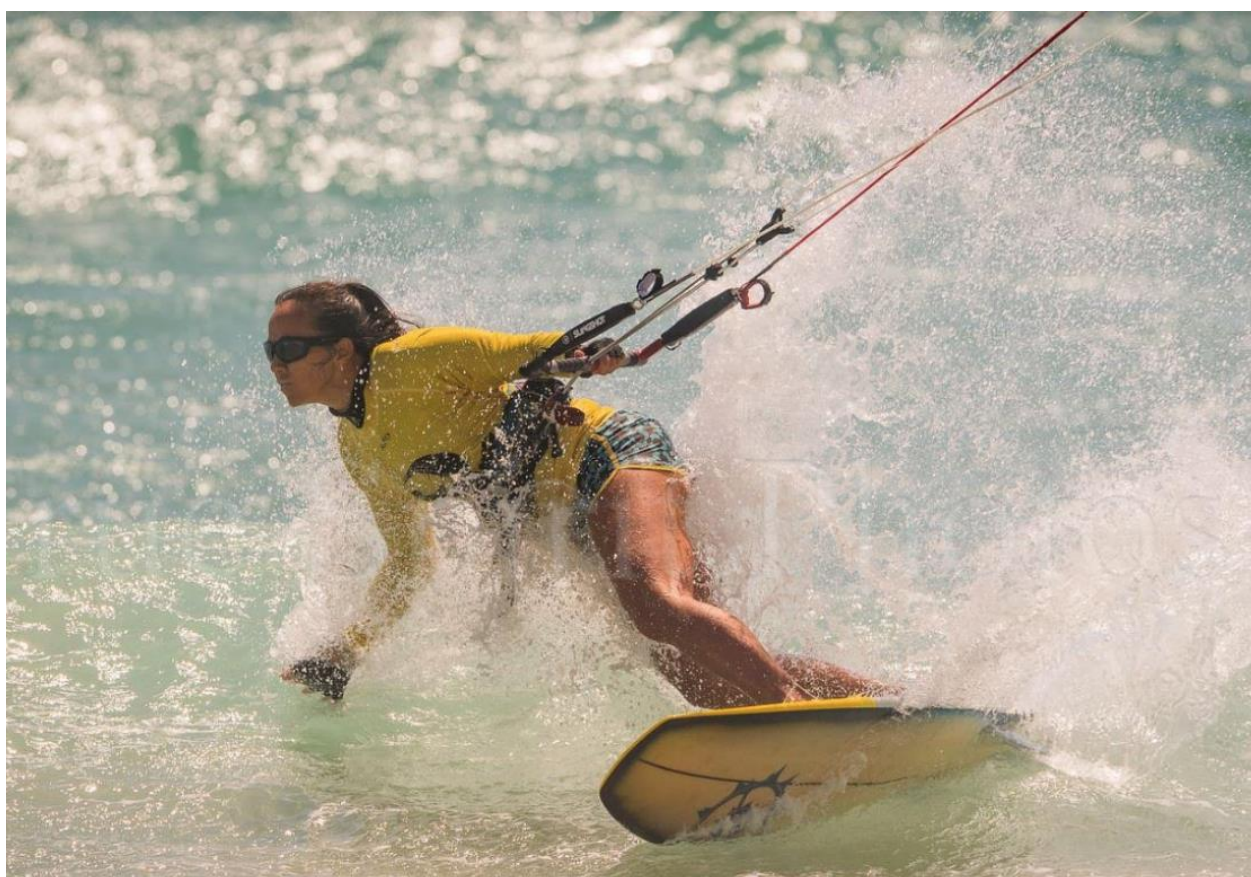
- Best Air – Charlie Wise

STATE WAVE TITLES 2017/18

Best Wipeout – Dave Murphy

32 competitors, 20 heats

Big thanks to the Russ for organising this event, our sponsor Kite Addiction and the competitors on the day. Thanks also to Drew for the BBQ at the end of the day and the WAKSA crew for helping the set up and pack down at the end of the day. Thanks to Gordon Pettigrew of True Spirit Photography for capturing the day.



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STATE WAVE TITLES 2017/18



Ryland

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Open Winners

State Titles - Freestyle

WA Freestyle State Titles

Woodman Point
25th February 2018

Due to a poor wind conditions, the WA Freestyle State Titles was rescheduled to its back up date on Sunday 25th January. While the backup date looked promising, the wind didn't blow enough on the day to run competition and therefore the event had to be called off. We're looking to run the state titles in December 2018.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Financial Summary

Interim financials presented at the AGM can be found below.

1st July 2017 to 21 April 2018.

STATEMENT OF INCOME

Income		Last Year	Variance	% Var
Membership Fees	5,632	5,266	366	6.95%
Events				
Kitestock	-	1,010	- 1,010	-100.00%
Wave Comp	626	1,127	- 501	-44.42%
Lighthouse to Leighton	3,000	3,000	-	0.00%
RedKite	-	180	- 180	-100.00%
State Freestyle	-	307	- 307	-100.00%
Other Events	-	1,500	- 1,500	-100.00%
	3,626	7,124	- 3,498	-49.10%
Sponsorship and Grants				
AKFN Sponsorship	23,329	-	23,329	100.00%
Reimbursements	-	153	- 153	-100.00%
	23,329	153	- 153	-100.00%
Financial and Other Income				
Bank Interest	16	17	- 1	-8.29%
	16			
Total Income	32,603	12,560	20,043	159.57%
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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Financial Statements

STATEMENT OF EXPENSES

Expenses		Last Year	Variance	% Var
Operations				
Accounting	-	500	-	0.00%
Meeting	61	-	61	
Postage and Communication	291	-	291	
Repairs and Maintenance	1,131	1,714	- 583	-34.02%
Storage	1,838	1,730	108	6.24%
Web Site - Operating	1,354	746	-	0.00%
	<u>4,675</u>	4,690	-	0.00%
Event Expenses				
Kitestock	162	1,780	- 1,618	-90.90%
Wave Comp	541	336	205	61.13%
Lighthouse to Leighton	8	-	8	
Red Kite	180	1,155	- 975	-84.42%
PKRC	500	500	-	0.00%
State Freestyle Titles	309	-	309	
Season Opener	-	32	- 32	-100.00%
Freestyle Teams	-	33	- 33	-100.00%
AFKN	23,234	34	23,200	68234.50%
	<u>24,934</u>	3,836	21,098	550.00%
WAKSA Brand Development				
Media Production	-	-	-	
WASF & Other Memberships	-	170	- 170	-100.00%
Other Promotion and Brand Dev.	441	-	441	
	<u>441</u>	170	- 170	-100.00%
TOTAL Expenses	30,050	8,696	21,354	245.57%
Net Operating Surplus(Deficit)		2,552	3,864	- 1,312

CONTACT INFORMATION

Contact Information

There are three official channels for contacting WAKSA

- Web Site using the following link under About, Contact
<http://www.waksa.org.au/about-western-australia-kite-surfing-association/contact>
- Direct by e-mailing waksa@waksa.org.au
- FaceBook by sending a message via the FaceBook page.

While we do have a SeaBreeze account this is used for making announcements only.

Organisation Information

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COMMUNICATION POLICY AND TIMEFRAMES

While we will endeavour to respond to all members as soon as practically possible. Some answers may take longer, in particular those involving external government bodies or our national sporting association KA.

If you have not had a response inside a week then please e-mail president@waksa.org.au with a brief detail of your initial communication.

APPENDIX 1 –EVENTS CALENDAR 2017/2018

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Event Name	Responsibility	Discipline	Location	Date
State Wave Titles	Russell - WAKSA	Waves	South Brighton	11-Nov-17
L2L	Yellow Jersey Strategies. WAKSA Volunteers and race day	Open Ocean Racing	Rottnest-Leighton	02-Dec-17
Lancelin Ocean Classic	Project 3. WAKSA Volunteers.	Open Ocean Racing, Big Air, Waves, Freestyle	Lancelin	12-Jan-18
Freestyle Nationals	Chrissy & Becky - WAKSA	Freestyle	The Pond, Safety Bay	25-Jan-18
State Racing Titles	PKR	Racing	Coogee	03-Feb-18
State Freestyle Titles	Chrissy - WAKSA	Freestyle	Woodies - Beach 3	25-Feb-18

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