

# Coffs Harbour Boardriders Judging Criteria for 2015

### **General Information**

- \* All competing members are required to judge at every comp that they surf in (under 10's are excluded and under 12's should have an adult/parent or an older member there to help them). You will have 20 minutes after your heat finishes toget dry, changed, something to eat/drink and turn up to judge the following heat. Failure to do so could result in you loosing half your points earned on that day. Please remember that if you are not judging the heat that is in the water to stay away from those who are trying to judge it. You should only be in the judging area if you have just finished your turn or are about to do your turn.
- \* All surfing will be judged on the following points as set out by WSL (formerly ASP):

# POWER, SPEED AND FLOW WHILST SHOWING INOVATIVE AND PROGRESSIVE SURFING

In simple terms clean linking top to bottom turns with speed and spray as well as airs and all the new tricks.

## **Scoring**

#### \*All waves will be scored from a scale of 0/10

Major manoeuvres that we will be looking for are:

tube rides, aerials, re-entry, cut backs, power slides and top turn/carves

Minor Manoeuvers are:

trimming, fades, foam turns, mid face turns and pump turns and these will score less than major manoeuvers.

\* The senior head judges will determine and advise on the day according to the conditions what the judges will be looking for and this will be adjusted during the day as conditions change.

#### **RULES FOR PARENT ASSIST DIVISIONS FOR 2015**

Whilst the safety and comfort of all your children is always in the clubs thoughts we need to make it fair for those who are surfing by themselves. So the club has looked at some other bigger comps and have come up with a few simple scoring adjustments to reflect the clubs stance.

All children who are assisted in the water in anyway (including, but not limited to pushing or even just directing where to go) will be able to score a maximum highest score of 8 and all those who do surf all on their own can earn up to the perfect 10.

How this will work is that all waves will be scored normally out of 10 by the judges and at the end of the heat the tabulator will deduct 2 points from both of the top scoring waves caught by an assisted child.

The reason is to encourage the kids to get out there and surf for themselves and it keeps it fair for those kids who do pick and catch their own waves as this is much harder to do at a young age.

All persons who do go into the water to help/assist there child must also remember to abide by the simple rules of surfing etiquette which include but are not limited to the following:

- You must not continually take/paddle your child up the inside of other competitors
- You need to take your position in the line-up just as you would as an adult.
- You must not deliberately paddle across the path of other surfers.
- If your child has already caught a wave, and you are coming in to help them get back out to the line-up, you must not catch the same wave as any other competitor or hinder them in any other way.

Any of these breaches will result in a formal warning over the PA and if it continues your child could be penalized same as in older divisions.

# **Interferences**

\*Some points to be aware of this year as we will all watched by the Head judges.

- Interferences either by way of drop in, snaking or paddle interference
- Paddle interference includes, if you are the outside surfer and you paddle for the same
  wave as the inside surfer and you bring any wall or white water down on the face of a
  wave that impedes the insider surfers chance to surf a wave to its full potential. You
  will be ruled to have interfered.
- TPI Technical Paddle Interference (borking) is the newest one to remember and it is as follows. If you have the inside and paddle for the wave and then pull out deliberately once a surfer on the outside has missed the chance to catch that wave. If you do this on multiple waves then you may be penalized.