



## Surfaced Pro Press Release 2016

Watergate Bay                      12<sup>th</sup> June

The weekend of the 10<sup>th</sup> to the 12<sup>th</sup> of June saw the running of two major surf events in Newquay. The Surfaced Pro the first event of its kind, which offered equal prize money to both Men and Women and also work with a different scoring system to normal surf competitions was ran thanks to the help of the Extreme Academy at Watergate Bay on the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. The Surfaced Pro, an event created by the FdSc Surf Science and Technology students at Cornwall College, Newquay made an early start on Saturday morning, with the sun shining and fairly small but good conditions the competition got underway. With the majority of surfers competing in both events morale was high with the expectations of winning double prize money. Saturday saw the first and second rounds of the competition take place with local, national and international surfers progressing through into further rounds.

Sunday brought the last day of a busy weekend of surf competitions, the morning started with rain but this did not damped The Spot's Under 12 Open competitors, who were first in the water. As the day progressed Sam Hearn went on to take the win over Bertie Norman. In the Rockerline Under 14 Boys Sam Hearn also displayed a high level of surfing but it was not enough to take the win over top surfer Stanley Norman, who had been training over in Hawaii most of the winter. The Zumba Fitness Under 14 Girls went straight to a 5 heat final with Ffion Hughes claiming her win. The Sundried Under 18 Girls saw Ellie Turner, winner of the English Nationals 2016, take 1<sup>st</sup> place, along with this Ellie also took the win of the Bowgie Inn Women's event, who beat favourites Keshia Eyre and Swiss surfer Rachel Bonhote Mead. Ellie is the one to watch this year and seems to be in a league of her own. The Fistral Beach Under 18 Boys was a very closely surfed final and saw Kit Innes finally take his win over Harry DeRoth, a making some good points for the UK Pro Surf Tour. The Surfaced Pro's Men' Open saw Night Surf;s finalists Luke Dillon, Jobe Harris and Joss Ash compete along with Johnny Fryer. Joss surfed incredibly well,

surfing in the small conditions and hitting the most critical sections of the wave but it was not enough to beat Jobe Harris who took the win of this event, as Jobe celebrated his victory on the podium he was also awarded the Surfaced Pro Combined trophy, which was a combined score of his highest scoring waves from the two events over the weekend, a trophy devised by Cornwall College Students and produced by Louis Hartley. As the sun set in the evening and the competitors left with their trophies, medals and crates of Korev this concluded the first two events of the UK Pro Surf Tour, leaving competitors time to prepared for the next up and coming event, Boardmasters.

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