



Nerf Clash of the Groms Series – Event 1

Surfaced Pro

The eagerly awaited first stop on this year's Nerf Clash of the Groms Series, The Surfaced Pro in association with Quiksilver and Roxy commenced on Saturday the 12th May. Welcomed by the early summer sun and 6 foot plus lines rolling into Watergate Bay.

The Surfaced Pro, now into its third year of competition, champions the cause of equality among its competitors with both male and female participants receiving equal prize winnings. Instigated by students at Cornwall College Newquay, who plan and implement the event as part of both the Surf Science & Technology & Marine Sports Science degree programs, welcomes in a new era in professional surfing and further changes the traditional norm by having each surfer's highest wave score doubled, awarding powerful, impressive wave scores over an accumulation of safe rides.

The Surfaced Pro has been joined for the second year by becoming the first stop on the new Nerf Clash of the Groms Tour, which covers 4 exciting events on the UK Pro Surf circuit, making stops at Watergate Bay with The Surfaced Pro, The UK Schools Surf Championships at Fistral beach, The Thurso Surf festival in Scotland before returning to the home of The UK Pro Surf Association at Fistral for The Clash of the Groms finale, giving our new generations of surfing talent an important pathway to hone their competitive skills and promote fresh talent across the UK.

The event viewable through live streaming from Sumo Media, which was available on www.ukprosurf.com. This was the first broadcast of the year and reach a vast audience creating great exposure not just for the competitors but also the sponsors.

Day 1 of competition saw large crowds gather enticed by the solar warmth to watch our junior surfers in the Under 16 & 18 Boys progress through their preliminary rounds with notable surfing talent naturally emerging as our victors, such as last year tour champion Patrick Langdon Dark and South Devon's Noah Capps

The 2nd day launched immediately into the exciting quarter finals and semi-finals of the junior divisions with Seth Morris, Alys Barton, Max Hudson all surfing well. The tempo rose



as our heats climbed in surfing stature through the stylistic performance of our male and female competitors and grew to a roaring applause as we finished on the ultimate event.

Presentations on the beach, basking in the beautiful evening sun and young competitors just as eager for their gifted Nerf guns as the titles themselves clambered around the staging ground. Ben Sousek from Quiksilver & Cornwall College's Brender Wilmott awarded our Contestants their prizes and crowned Surfaced Pro & Nerf Clash of The Groms Champions.

We would like to Thank our fantastic event sponsors for their support and we look forward to seeing you all at the UK Schools Surf Championships

Results:

Under 18 Boys

1st: Barnaby Cox

2nd: Seth Morris

3rd: Patrick Langdon-Dark

4th: Noah Capps

Under 18 Girls

1st: Lily Mandeville

2nd: Francesca Sayer

3rd: Mischa Maguire

4th: Tegan Blackford

Under 16 Boys

1st: Max Hudson

2nd: Sol Hawkins

3rd: Travis Pearce

4th: Sam Hearn

Under 16 Girls

1st: Francesca Sayer

2nd: Alys Barton

3rd: Tegan Blackford

4th: Lauren Sandland



Under 14 Boys

1st: Sam Hearn

2nd: Alex Townsend

3rd: Thomas Reeves

4th: Bertie Norman

Under 14 Girls

1st: Alys Barton

2nd: Tegan Blackford

3rd: Asha Sykes

4th: Lauren Sandland

Under 12 Boys

1st: Flynn Gillespie

2nd: Arthur Randell

3rd: Reen Bowden-Inoue

4th: Finlay Lucas

Under 12 Girls

1st: Lauren Sandland

2nd: Eva Blackford

3rd: Sienna Morison