



Pro Surf Tour

Ruebyn Ash clinches Highland Surf Festival

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In glassy 4 to 6 foot conditions Reubyn Ash makes it two wins in a row taking out the Highland Surf Festival. With this win he is now the front runner to retain his UKPSA Pro Tour title and receive £5,000 from Fistral Beach as tour winner.

This world class surf location delivered classic Thurso conditions on day 2 of the event, allowing the elite competitors every opportunity to perform at their best.

Finishing second was Reubyn's brother Joss. Third went to Jay Quinn and fourth Luke Dillon.

In the Women's category Peony Knight returned to the tour after her two year absence to take the win. Second went to Emilie Currie, third last years champion Lucy Campbell and fourth Bonita Whitelock.

The Highland Festival is the 4th event of the Nerf Clash of the Groms Series and an important stop on this tour with only one event remaining.

Despite the strongest field of competitors in the juniors events Noah Capps from Kingsbridge did the double winning the Under 18 Boys and U16 Boys division. Bonita Whitelock also had a double win, the Under 18 Girls and Season Surf Under 16 Girls. As did Lucas Skinner winning U14 Boys and Under 12 Boys. In addition Lauren Sandland continued her good run by winning both Under 14 Girls and Under 12 Girls.



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Dave Reed, Director of UKPSA, said: "This year Thurso provided great surf again. With the live feed we gave great exposure to the event and surfers who travelled to compete. Many thanks need to go to the sponsors - Nerf, Korev, Boardmasters Foundation, Fistral Beach, Cornwall College, Dounreay Communities fund and Season Surf - who make this tour possible."

Nerf Clash of the Groms Series:

Each event will attract the best young surfers from across the UK to compete in eight divisions: Under 12 Boys, Under 12 Girls, Under 14 Girls, Under 14 Boys, Under 16 Girls, Under 16 Boys, Under 18 Girls and Under 18 Boys.

The tour will aim to promote progressive surfing with the judging criteria focusing on quality of manoeuvres.

Nerf Clash of the Groms Series:

1. Surfaced Pro Watergate Bay: 12-13 May
2. UK Schools Surf Championships Fistral Beach: 10-11 July
3. Welsh Pro sponsored by Gower College Swansea, Porthcawl: 13-14 October
4. Highland Surf Festival, Thurso: 17-19 October
5. Clash of the Groms Finale, Fistral Beach: 26-27 October

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6. Smart Parking Night Surf, Fistral Beach: 26-27 October

Details of each event and the series can be found at www.ukprosurf.com

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