

the laybacker



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DA SUMMER STOMP!
by Jarret Napper, Photos AG & Dave Milnes

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FEBRUARY POINTSCORE!
by Bill Morris, Pics by Dave Milnes

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SUMMER STOMP

• it's not a comp... it's a Stomp!

style fin transitional logger old mal

STOMP
GOLDEN BREED NSW OLD MAL TITLES
SATURDAY 31st JANUARY 2015

PLACE & TIME: Wollongong, 2008, 11:00 AM
 ENTRY FEE: \$100 (includes) \$200 (includes)
 DONATIONS: (info@stomp.com.au) (info@stomp.com.au)

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Every competitor got a show bag!



DA STOMP EDITORIAL COMMENT...

Now let me be honest, I started the day pretty calm, had behaved myself the night before, so felt ready to throw my hat in the ring! Probably should have stuck to wearing the hat as I got bumped in the first heat (the O40's olds) then, jaw set, calm and focussed, I got bumped in the second heat (the O40's Log)...

The waves were fantastic - literally one of those amazingly rare days at our secret spot when it really FIRES! And there were (mostly) plenty of them, AND the big sets kept coming, every 15 to 20 minutes, all day long, so you could be lucky and get two of the bigger sets in one heat, or conversely be really pissed off...

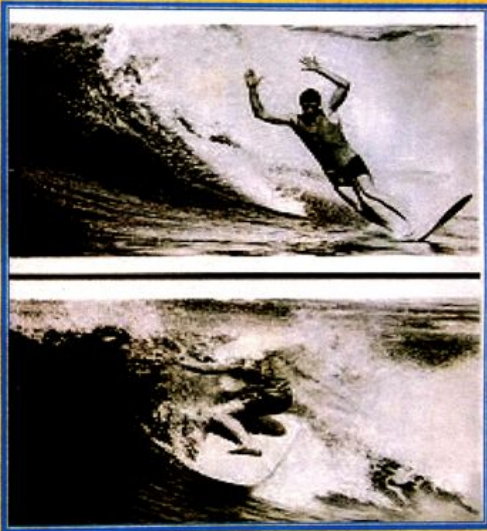
Anyway, I enjoyed the day, actually a lot, and drowned my sorrows taking lots of photos, and there were, as they say, a plethora, and as others say 'heaps', of incredible surfing and waves to shoot.

But the point of this sorry tale is that all that near moping (which ended in a free surf fin chop as the sun set JUST to top it off..) became clearly pointless the more I looked at the photos.... the surfing is truly first class, and it was a privilege, truly, to be roundly beaten by them.....!

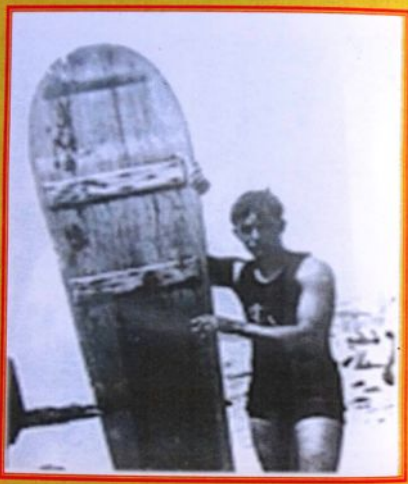
Anyway, I hope you like the photos, and the report by Señor Napper. Hats off, as always, to Bill Morris and Scott Downing, Stan and Steve, the ever enthusiastic Laybackers, and all of you competitors, for it was a very polite, if intense vibe in the water.

Hoo Roo! AG ed

Frank Latta – power surfing on a 8ft Stringerless!



George Frith – early timber board!



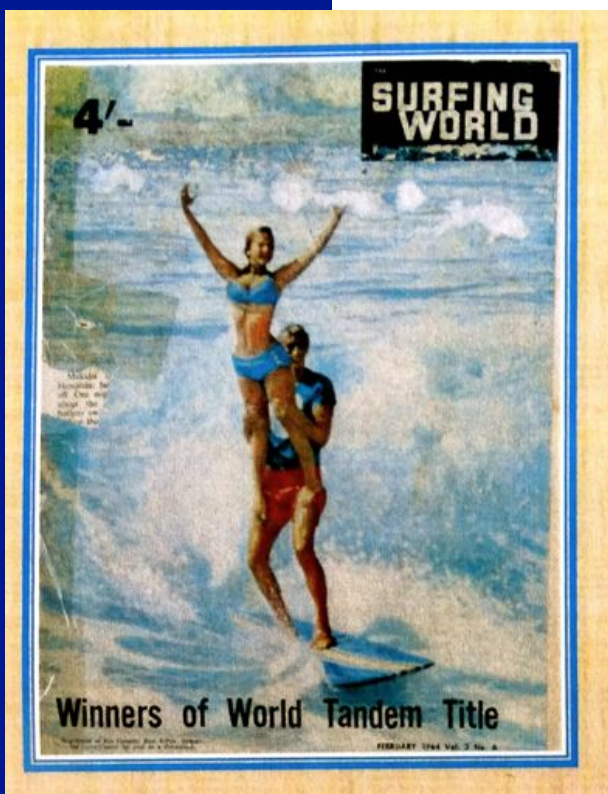
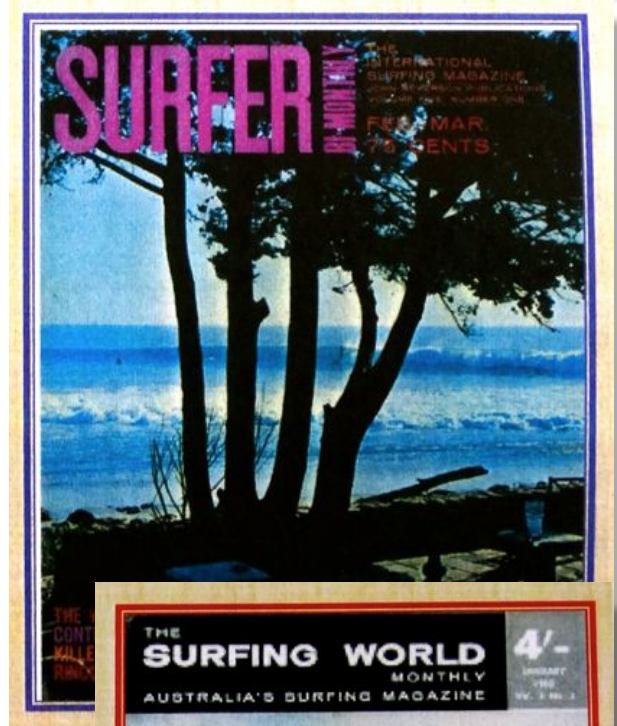
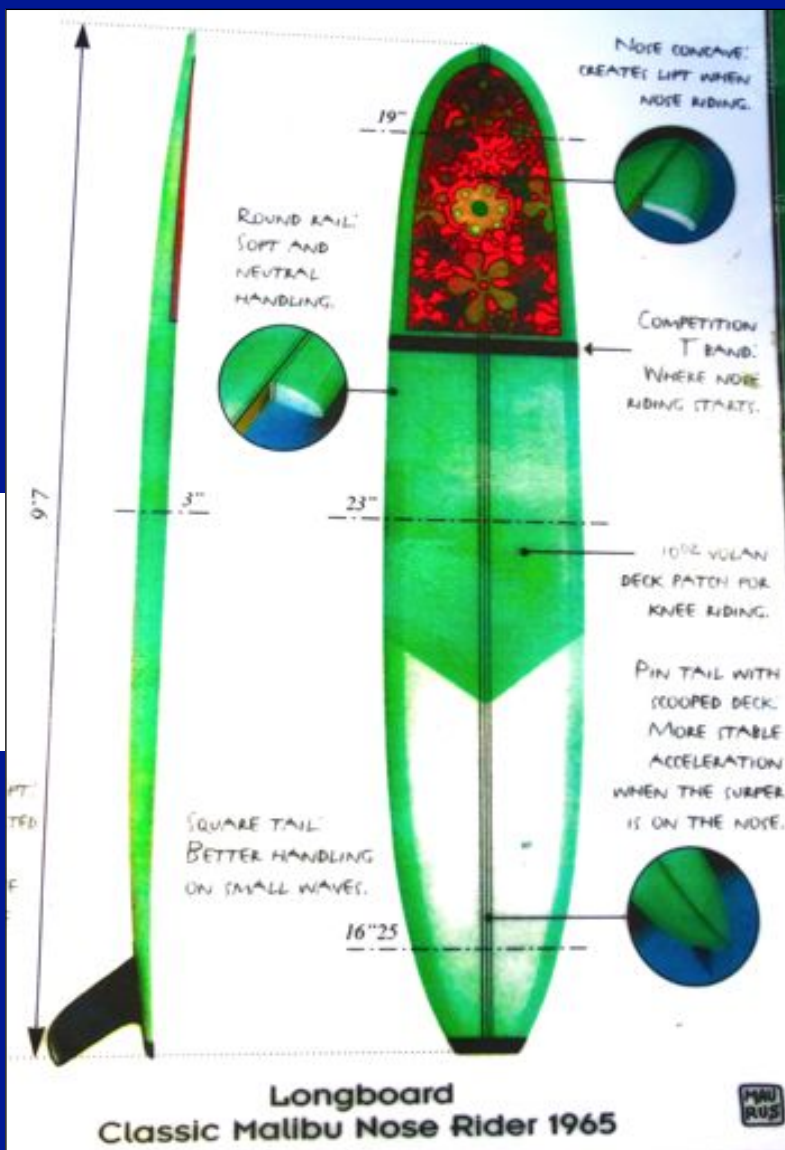
THE STOMP GOLDEN BREED NSW OLD MAL TITLES!

On behalf of the Stomp Club may I offer a most sincere welcome to all competitors and their families. be it surfers returning to compete again, or maybe surfers competing for the first time. we hope you enjoy your time with us, and achieve your goals and expectations you have set for yourself. We hope you come with an attitude of fairness, and that sportsmanship is an absolute priority to the way you compete. it is something we look for, and expect all competitors to deliver regardless of their reputation or ability.

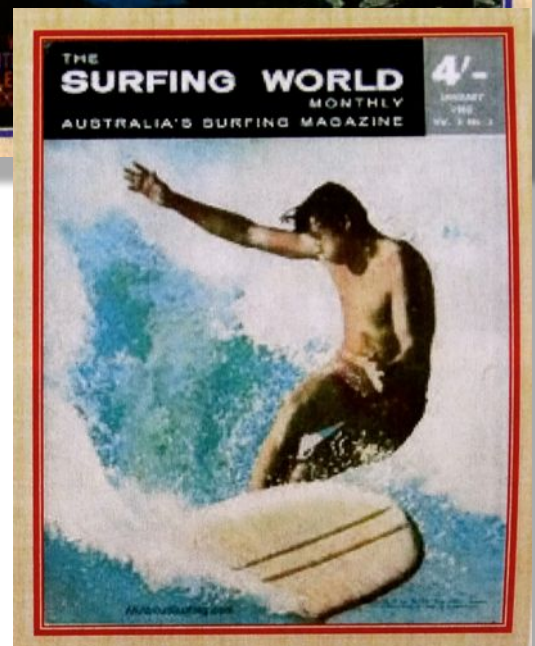
We realise our obligation to deliver high standards, and a professionally run event to you as competitors, and for our generous sponsor Golden Breed. So good luck to everyone, thank you for choosing to compete in the Golden Breed Stomp NSW Old Mal Titles!

Bill's
STOMP
Welcome!

Kind Regards, Bill Morris.



Bill reminds us of why we were there and where our roots are!





Jye Byrnes

And So It Begins!



Trent Docherty



Matt Flemo



Nic Farago

Bazz, Skippy, Dale, and Mr PP are amused



Jye Byrnes

Lara Murphy



Damien Farago & Jye Byrnes



Jye Byrnes



J Brown



Jye Byrnes (again, but what a left!)



Uncle Bazz



Lochy Peters



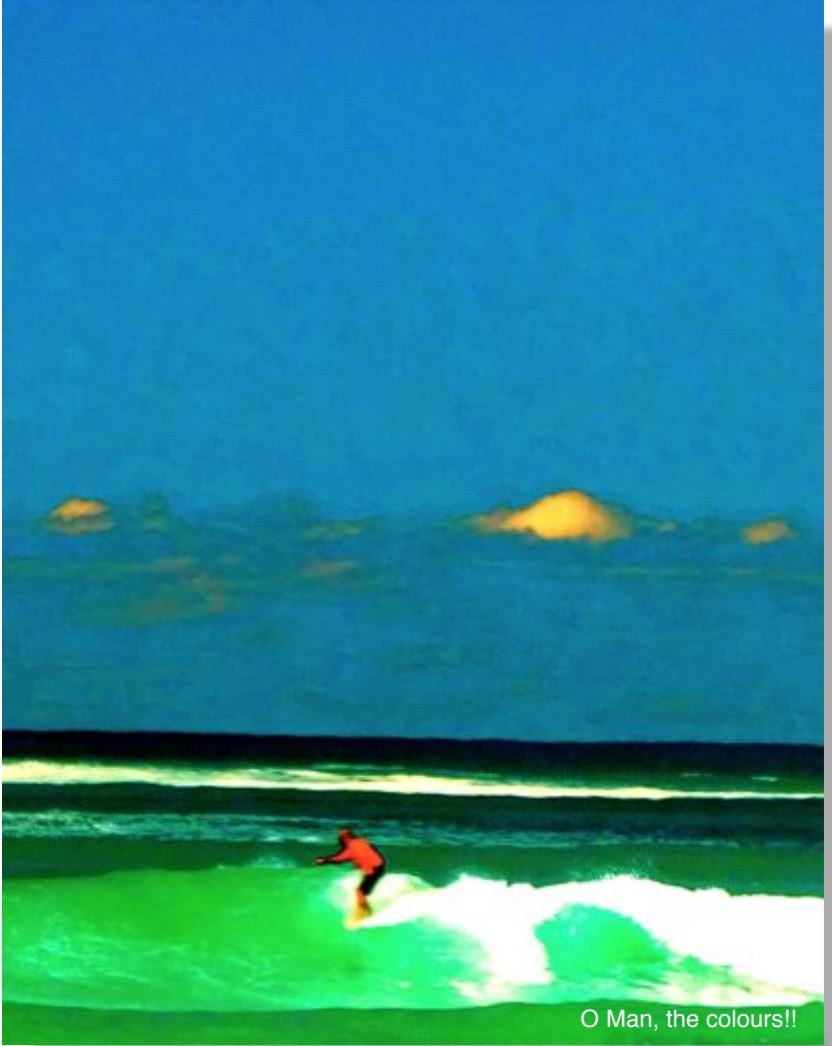
Da Bommy fired during Da Stomp



Nonchalantly focussed on the numbers....
"I only do it for fun!"



Gary Hoban, duelling spatulas



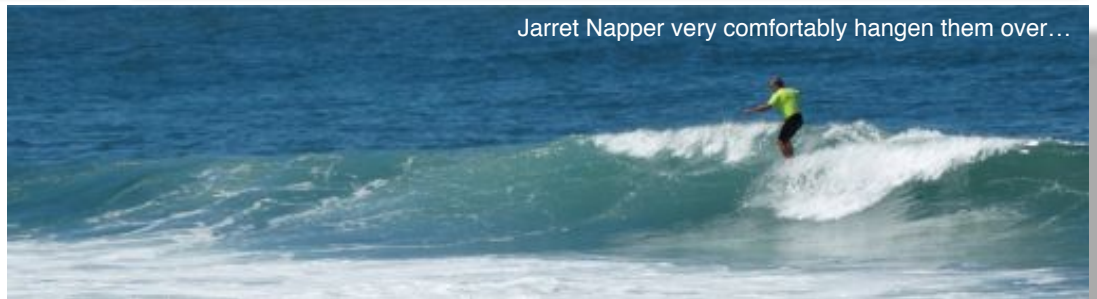
O Man, the colours!!



Dale "McCombie McCombie!"



Ever dependable Stan and Steve, with a good mate



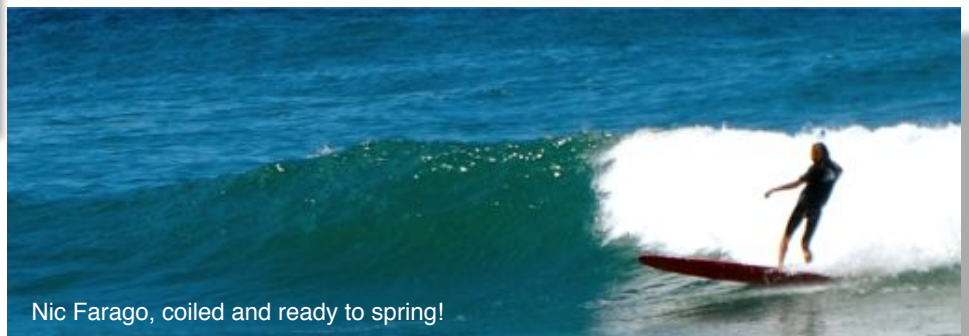
Jarret Napper very comfortably hangen them over...



Ben Considine



Matt Chojnacki CARVING!



Nic Farago, coiled and ready to spring!

Matt Chojnacki



Ross Murphy



Lance Milnes and the Bommy



Nic Farago



Barney R Dunn



Five of the Open Finalists - Ben, Matt, Jarret, Jack, Jye, (out of frame Nic)



Jarret Napper rinsing



Rob Lumbo high and poised





Nic Farago - uncharted waters...



Paul O'Grady sequence



John McDonald



John McDonald



Jye Byrnes





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Chris Bates



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Jye Byrnes



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Ross Murphy



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Paul O'Grady



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The Dogg Kennel



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Jack Norton



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Matt Flemo



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John McDonald



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Kane Morris



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Matt Chojnacki



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Andrew Farago



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Scott Downing



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Jarret Napper



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Matt Mulder



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Lara Murphy



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J Kay



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Andy Goldie



THE S.T.O.M.P. REPORT

NSW Old Mal Titles Hosted by Southern Traditional Old Mal Pilots January 31, 2015. Bellambi Point

Swell! Sunshine! Offshore breezes! And the hottest field of loggers in the events 14 year history descended on Wollongong's finest location of class and sophistication for the 2015 STOMP.

Bellambi offered up a left that was barrelling (yes! barrelling...at times...) and a right that in classic Bellambi fashion kept you open on the outside to go for it and then the classic fading, fading and fading through the middle, awaiting a nice inside to work over. Friday afternoon was closing out on sets from the point to the Bombie and natives were getting restless. But by the first hooter Saturday morning it had dropped to shoulder/head high, gone offshore and turned on. Classic!



Competitors came from far and wide, including Northerners Jack Norton and Jye Byrnes and Victoria's Ben Considentine, covering the most distance to get there. Sydney's Northern beaches are always represented heavily at STOMP by legends such as the unstoppable Paul O'Grady, Lynden Riley, Flemo, Steve Beaumont and many others. Flemo apparently cut a rug at the bowlo Friday night, wooing a young lady of 85 with his dance moves.



Good to see Chojnacki down to add some Northern beaches style and flair. Shellharbour's DV8's, with team Brown Dogg brought a strong contingent of surfers along and a few awesome boards of Brown-Dogg's on display. Josh even got off newly appointed nappy changing duties to get down from the Central coast for the day. Congrats on little Bowie mate! Bevo, Ryan Barclay and a few Cronulla boys were all ripping and local team Layback were well represented in all divisions, Nick Farago, Scotty and Batesy to name a few all lighting up.

Just like Crescent Old Mal Titles in September, it's a gathering of the clans. A great catch up with distant mates and above all else it's an enjoyable time where the competition in the water comes second to the atmosphere of the day.



It's no secret that I love Old Mal surfing and log riding. But this year saw the introduction of an Over 40's Log division, to separate from the younger fella's in the Open.

The result equalled brilliant surfing across the board in both divisions. You could have taken the 6 finalist out of these divisions and replaced them with the next 6 placed guys/girls in the semi's and had equally as much of an electric final.

As for the Old Mal divisions, well Bellambi was not its normal, manageable self on this day. The outside section was tricky and there was the choice of catching the bombs or more workable medium sized waves. Bottom turns and big cutbacks were par for the first section. The 4-step and hang 'em over was reserved only for the committed outside, or left till the more accessible inside wall over the reef. It was nice to see this place surfed in such a way as opposed to what we expect. Plus lefts, oh Scotty, Dunny, Jye, how about those lefts! The goofy-footers were loving it and providing some of the best rides of the day before a last minute flick off just shy of the pool wall. Scotty scored the barrel of the year on one particular left, a special feat at Belza, cause they sure don't happen too often.

On to the results:

Over 40's D-Fin
Greenough

- 1 Paul O'Grady
- 2 Bill Morris
- 3 Andrew Farago
- 4 Matt Fleming
- 5 Scott Downing
- 6 Mal Warren

Open Old Mal

- 1 Nick Farago
- 2 Matt Chojnacki
- 3 Jarret Napper
- 4 Jye Byrnes McDonald
- 5 Ben Considine
- 6 Jack Norton

Mystery

- 1 Dale McCombie
- 2 Barney Dunn
- 3 Kane Morris
- 4 Chris Brown
- 5 Mick Duprez
- 6 Mark Williams

Over 40's Log

- 1 Paul O'Grady
- 2 Scott Downing
- 3 Rob Lumby
- 4 Ross Murphy
- 5 Barney Dunn
- 6 Lynden Ryley

Over 45's

- 1 Paul O'Grady
- 2 Scott Downing
- 3 Chris Bate
- 4 Lynden Riley
- 5 Justin Bevan
- 6 Bill Morris

Open Log

- 1 Jye Byrnes
- 2 Nick Farago
- 3 Matt Chojnacki
- 4 John
- 5 Jarret Napper
- 6 Josh Dunn



Surf comps can be so many different things to so many different people. We have been to a million of them, up and down and back up the coast again. So if ya haven't been to this one, we'd love to see ya next year. And if you have, well we can't wait to see you back at the STOMP. Remember, it's not a comp, it's a STOMP! And you make it like that. So thanks!

Thanks to everyone who helped on the day. Billy and the team, great organising for the day and I hope no one wrecked their LP players trying to listen to their trophies! See ya at the next old mal event. Wherever on the coast it is!!!

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hang ten

jn.



Footnote:
as the sun set, your ed had a little argument with his old mal fin, a sort of initiation rite. We have since made up though...

