

the laybacker



Greetings Members and Guests!

2017 is well underway, and time to record the story so far! The 28th of January saw the STOMP once again provide the gathering point for the clan to assemble and pay homage to our history and what we have developed it into! Its a superb gathering of deeply enthusiastic surfers and surfboard design from the deep vaults of history, to very refined modern interpretations of those beautiful old sculptures. Deeply enthusiastic I say, 'cause the old ones take some 'adjustment' to steer, a patience and determination that demands enthusiasm!

Common observations of riding these 'sculptures' go like - 'they didn't ride well then, and they sure don't now'... to a more positive spin like - 'when you want to turn, just start it, but wait for the old girl to come around'...

Old Mals and now modern 'logs' - learning from the glide, momentum, rocker and outlines of the old girls, and rather than turning them into big thrusters, a whole new breed of board was born. Faithful to the single fin origins, some modern tweaks in the bottom curves, but no slash em up hard rails, smooth beautiful riders....

That melding of old and new, under sunny warm skies, polite and friendly vibes, was the great part of the day....unfortunately for us Huey decided to demand his sacrifice - a comp with (almost) no waves... Even the most positive of us were challenged by the kind of surf you would drive right by.... But applying the old maxim of 'if there is white water, its contestable' we got the day underway, and proved to Huey that we were worthy of good surf next time!

Once again, we all owe our great thanks to Billy, Scotty, and Jarrett for keeping the STOMP dream alive for 2017 but our thanks are due to many others as well - Steve and Stan in the tally tent, Dale stretching his arms and back standing for hours in the judges tent, the Laybacker committee for pitching in as always, the Laybackers themselves for getting the equipment in and operating on time (again), Tyse for the coffee, Kellie and the ladies for the delicious fuel in the food tent, and the best competitors both in skill and camaraderie, in the country... (happy to be corrected, but it would be a challenge to top this group!)

So, well done to all involved, I hope you enjoy the memories captured in this issue! The February PS is coming in the next issue, along with March, so here you go!

Hoo Roo for now

Andy G



Bazz and Colza, foreground by Gareth

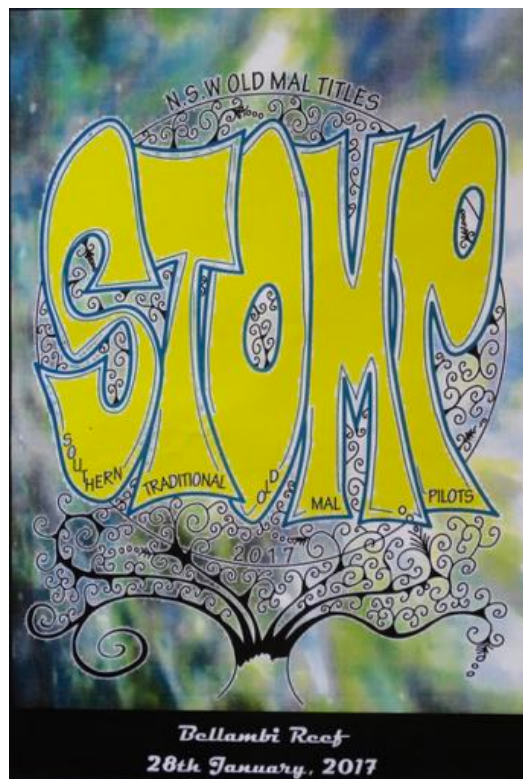
inside THE STOMP!

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Bellambi Reef
28th January, 2017
Jarret nailed it again for 2017



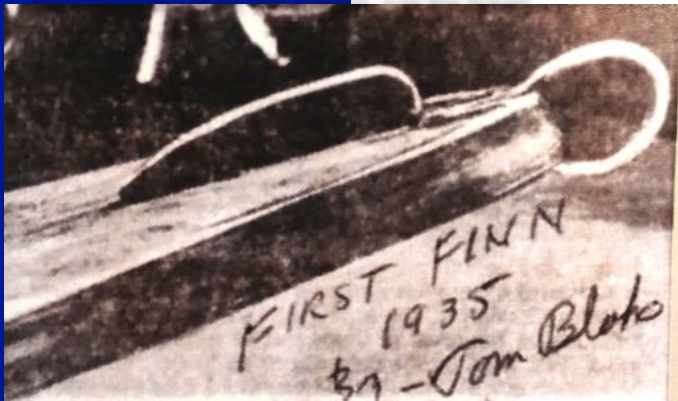
The STOMP!



Images from Bill's wonderful welcome to the competitors..



Mike Hynson - wow, the colours, just the ticket!



The STOMP 2017

Our yearly STOMP NSW Old Mal Titles was held on the 28th of January, for its **16th** year in succession, by basically the same group of dedicated guys with a passion for old mals, and a strong ethic to provide a fair, well run and organised low key comp, with the priorities being - surf with respect to others and sportsmanship.

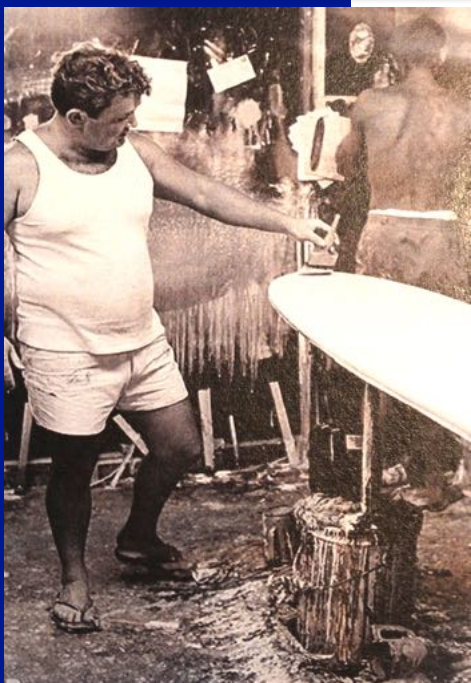
We have attracted some of the very best old mal riders in the state in all divisions for many years now, who also have chosen to demonstrate the sportsman ethic which is so pleasing to me personally. This year we had guys from Byron down to the south coast competing with a 90% plus return every year to compete. It reinforces the reasons why the comp's priorities work so well.

Thank you to everyone who helped out during the day from the start, to pack up, and what went on in between. Our wonderful ladies who ran the food tent all day with so many home made cakes to enjoy for us competitors.

We had 2 local winners in Jayce Pioli winning the open log, and myself the D-Fin Division, with Matt Chojnacki winning the open old mal. Paul O'Grady the over 40s Greenough, Lynden Riley the over 40s Log, and Paul Snowden the Mystery.

Thank you all so much again for your loyal support and hard work making this comp such a success.

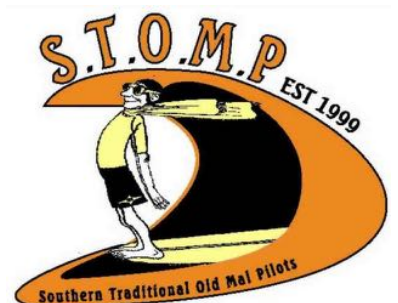
Billy Morris



Brian Jacko, in his PPE (Personal Protective Equipment)



Rennie Yater - Redwood Stringer Glue Up!





The t-shirt model of the comp logo - nice one Jarrett!



Copied from Bills welcome program -

The STOMP Golden Breed NSW Old Mal Titles!

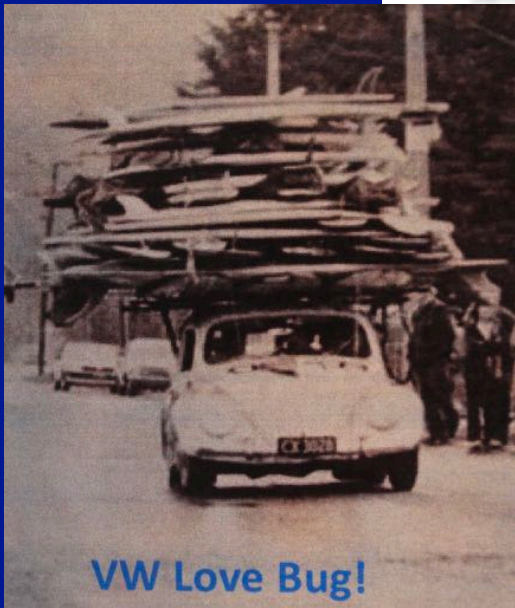
On behalf of the Stomp Club may I offer a most sincere welcome to all competitors and their families, be it surfers returning to compete again, or maybe surfers competing for the first time, we hope you enjoy your time with us and achieve the goals and expectations you have set for yourself.

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!

Kind Regards

Bill Morris





No envy for the judges please, it was barely contestable...



Hendo, actually asleep, hoping for some action...



When the slop off the old sea wall is like a wave, just drive on by...



A Barry Bennett, another BB in the middle, and a Gordon Woods, amazing similarity in rocker, plan shape and fin!



Jayne Pioli - carving something that isn't there....!



Jayce, blowing glass...



Scott Downing

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George with his PLB stick...look out!!



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Matt C, finding acceleration where none exists...



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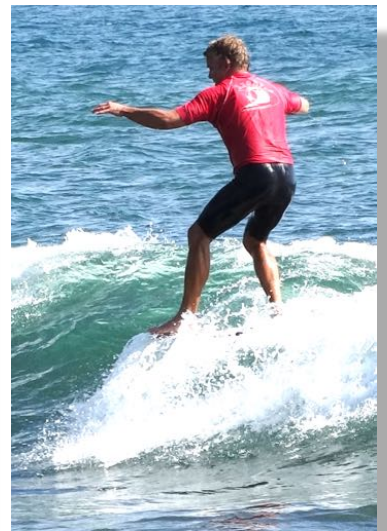
Master Bates' best feature...his lad Tom!



Scotty 'supervising' the judges...!



Dave Byrne, Colza, and Tyse - tender moment...



Jarrett



Jayce



Nick Foster



Gareth deserves multiple pages - his craft is and are quite superb - the sheer cabinet-maker like finish, and then the artwork...! I would say I taught him all he knows, but no one would believe me...



Aidan Cashin



David Chaney

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Matt C



Tom Payne



Jayce



Toddy!! No waves at Easties today!



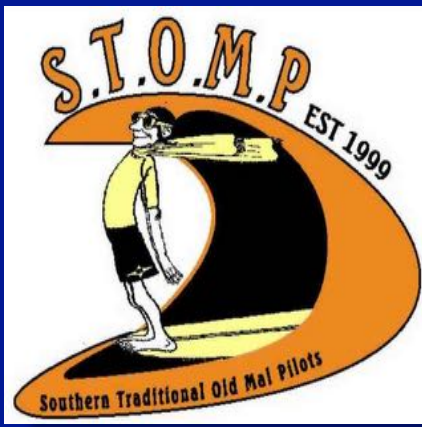
How can it be a drop in when there are no actual waves??



Mal 'fair suck of the sauce bottle' Warren..



Scotty in flight!



D-FIN

- 1 Bill Morris
- 2 Scott Downing
- 3 Jeff Dunn
- 4 Ken Robinson
- 5 Jim Rogers
- 6 Paul Jensen

Mystery

- 1 Paul Snowden
- 2 Joe Casey
- 3 Brian Bull
- 4 Mal Warren

Over 40 Greenough

- 1 Paul O'Grady
- 2 Ross Murphy
- 3 Scott Downing
- 4 Bill Morris
- 5 Rob Limbo
- 6 Jeff Dunn

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Open

- 1 Matt Chojnacki
- 2 Jayce Pioli
- 3 Josh Dunn
- 4 David Chaney
- 5 Aidan Cashin

Over 40 Log

- 1 Lynden Riley
- 2 Scott Downing
- 3 Greg Toddman
- 4 Bill Morris
- 5 Andrew Farago
- 6 Jeff Dunn

Open Log

- 1 Jayce Pioli
- 2 Matt Chojnacki
- 3 Nick Farago
- 4 Aiden Cashin
- 5 Corey Robinson

