

# 2023/24 Class Update

7.30 pm Thursday, June 27th 2024 Via Zoom meeting





#### Meeting Attendees & Formalities

#### In Attendance

Nick Bez Jim Kariotis

Mark Simpson

Simon Lee

Shane Baker

Sarah Petherbridge

Frank Alderuccio

Darren Garner

Johanna & Dennis Winstanley

Kris Bird

Paul Grimshaw

Martin Corner

**Sham Watkins** 

Mick Watkins

John Doolan

Stuart?

Daryl Page

Darrel Faulkner

**Gary Eastment** 

Bjorn Hage

Peter Doolan

Peter Holton

Sarah Petherbridge

Martin Gamble

Luke Mevers

Steven Newman

David West

Dave Owen

**Greg Johns** 

#### **Apologies**

Peter Monkhouse

Jason Morris

Karen Murden

Greg Pratt

Lach McLean

Kevin Wadham

Scott McKenzie

Chris Thompson

Martin Cross

#### Chairman / Host

Nick Bez (WCAA President)

Meeting Commenced

7:33pm AEST

Meeting Concluded

8:39pm AEST

#### **Cloud Recording**

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Meeting commences at 5.08

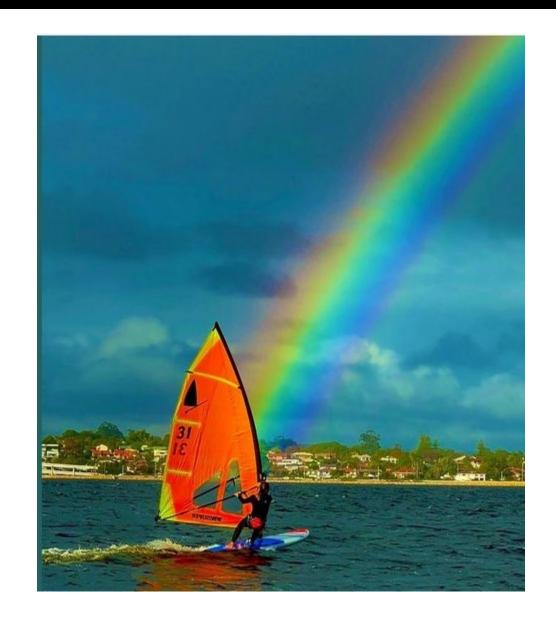


### Agenda

Review of 2023/24 Season

Announcement of WCAA
National Committee for 2024/25
& Forward Plans

General Business





#### 2023/24 WCAA Committee

President: Nick Bez

Vice President: Tim Lelliott

Secretary: Jim Kariotis

Treasurer: Paul Grimshaw

SA State Rep: Simon Lee

VIC State Rep: Ash Daff

QLD State Rep: Josh Green

WA State Rep: Peter Holton

TAS State Rep: Tim Bannerman (Kris Bird)

ACT State Rep: Mark Simpson

NSW Reps: Peter Doolan

Al Haynes

(Scotty O'Connor)

WNSW Rep: Martin Stone

IWCA Rep: Peter Monkhouse



Life Members

Greg Johns Scotty O'Connor
Chris Thompson Karen Murden
Greg Hyde Peter Nitschke
Nick Bez Paul Grimshaw



#### WCAA Structure



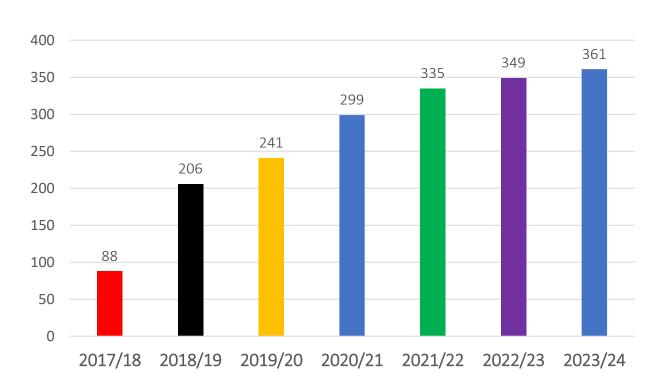
National Executive: President Vice President Treasurer Secretary

State Representatives: NSW VIC QLD SA WA TAS ACT



### 2023/24 Activities – Class Membership

#### 2023/24 member numbers continued momentum



WCAA is over one third of AWA membership

Membership Fees - 2023/24 \$70 with insurance / \$45 social





### **National Class Supporters**



























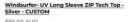
#### WINDSURFER



Vaikobi has Partnered with the Windsurfer Class here in Australia to produce this great range of Windsurfer branded gear

Home > WINDSURFER CLASS AUSTRALIA COLLECTION







Windsurfer- UV Long Sleeve ZIP Tech Top -Charcoal- CUSTOM \$85.00 AUD



WINDSURFER Womens UV Performance Tech Tee- Silver - CUSTOM

\$65.00 AUD









# **National Class Supporters**













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# WINDGENUITY





#### **MAGIC Sticker Prize Draw Winners**



prize



Windsurfer Merch Pack

Branded gear including drawstring bag,

key rings, stickers and more



valued

at \$39

nline Store Coupon	Online Store Coupor
valued at \$150	valued at \$100
Connie S.	Lach Mc.
WA 6171	QLD 4101

Phillip L.

**QLD 4872** 

PYC

VIC 3195

lan S.

4th prize

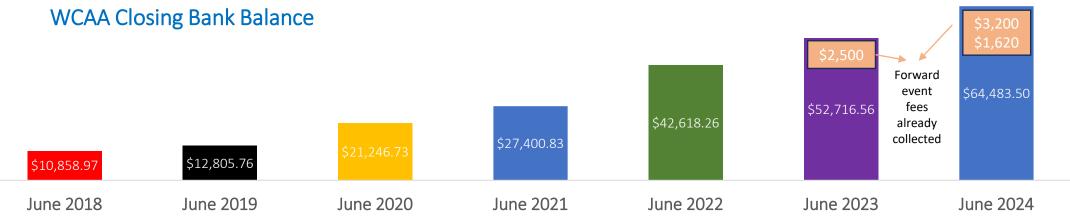
4th prize	5th prize
Surflogic	ivadore
ne Store Coupon	Online Store Coupon
lued at \$100	valued at \$100
Lach Mc.	PYC
QLD 4101	VIC 3195

Scott A.

VIC 3195



#### 2023/24 Activities – Finances



#### 2023/2024 Income Sources

- Membership
- Fundraising Magic Sticker
- Grants AWA
- Merch % Vaikobi
- Merch sales at events
- Fundraising event raffles
- Sponsorship prizes and giveaways

#### 2023/2024 Major Expenses

(until June 27)

- Worlds Support promo video, insurance for all internationals, DJ
- AWA Insurance
- Youth Scholarship
- State Championships & Traveller Series trophy support fund
- Beach branding and event support banners, flags
- Merchandise purchases
- Web, photo-sharing, email software systems
- Clubspot (membership/event management software) fees



# Class Continues Strong Growth Globally



Australia

Austria

Brazil

Canada

Czech Republic

Denmark

France

Germany

Greece

Italy

Japan

Malta

Mexico

Netherlands

New Zealand

Norway

Russia

Singapore

South Africa

Spain

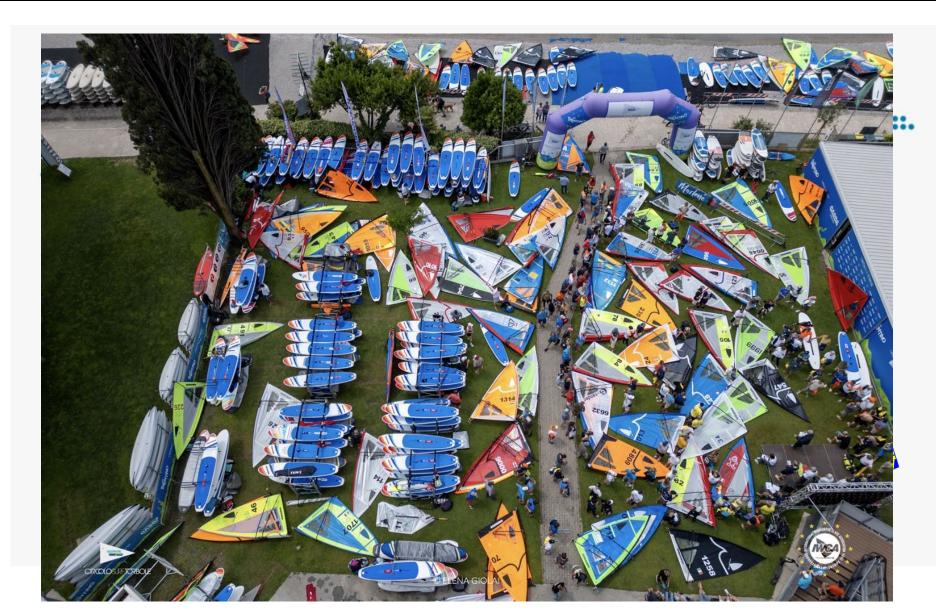
Sweden

Switzerland

Thailand

United Kingdom

USA





### **Ever Growing Global Event Calendar**















#### **Aussies on Tour**





Lachy Vize  $-2^{nd}$  Light Scotty O'  $-3^{rd}$  Heavy









# 2023/24 Activities – Social & Engagement

• Various meet-ups, clinics, demo days in all States















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#### Windsurfer Class Association of Australia

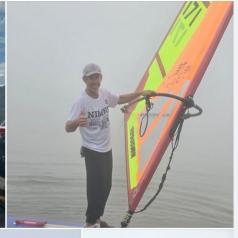
Published by Nick Bez ② · February 19 · ③

#### Getting High...

The Altitude Windsurfing Club of Australia (AWCA) is pleased to announce the setting of a new Australian Windsurfing record.

On the 16th of Feb 2024, AWCA was established and the foundation members sailed Lake Cootapatamba, Mount Kosciuszko New South Wales - Australia's highest lake - 2km above sea level.... See more









See insights

Boost a post

27 comments 1 share

125



Beach Branding program













#### Class website

o windsurferclasaus.com



Monthly

#### Overview

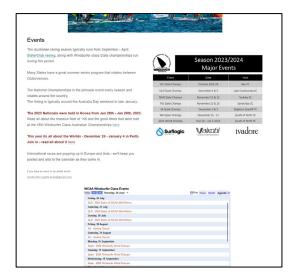






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#### Class Facebook

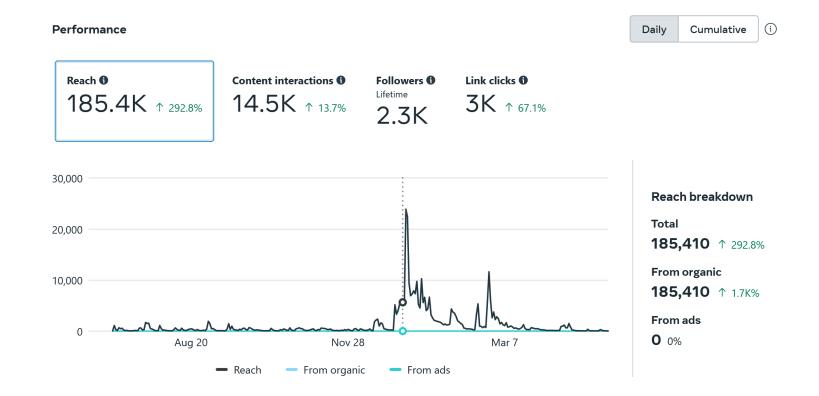
@windsurferclassaus

o Over 70 posts

o Followers: +25%

o Total views: +151%

o Total reach: +290%

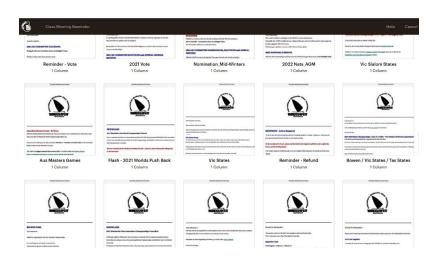






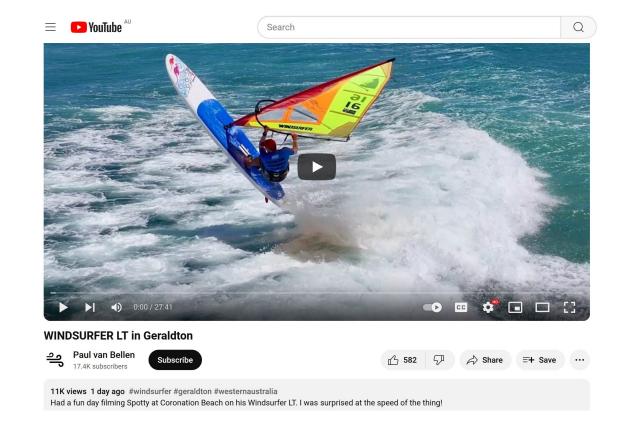
#### Class Email Database

- o Mailchimp
- 1,068 subscribers (+12%)
- 14 Class emails sent
- o Open rate >60%



#### Class YouTube

- o #we are windsurfer
- o Reach: > 25,000









#### LT-TV

@ELLTEE-TEEVEE · 375 subscribers · 81 videos

Welcome to TEAM 337! Join me for the ultimate Windsurfer LT experience!

linktr.ee/TheRealSimonLee

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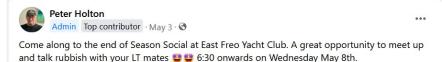
#### Windsurfer LT fully powered up in 12-15 knots

16,171 views • 1 year ago

Trying to maximise performance in moderate wind race conditions. All credit and thanks to @adamskee for his epic drone footage. Go check out his channel and subscribe!

Join Team337 at www.linktr.ee/Team337

Links... READ MORE





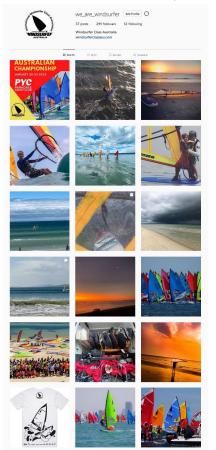




#### **Class Instagram**

#we\_are\_windsurfer

o Reach over 13,000



#### Class PhotoSharing



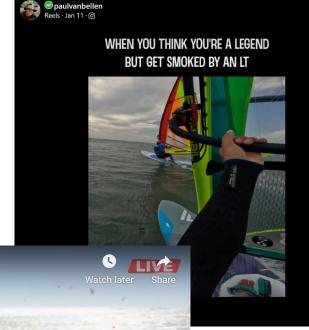
Now over 12,000 photos / All available for free





# Windsurfing TV









#### Bar Karate - The Sailing Podcast



ar Karate - the Sailing Podcast, Ep256 - Bring Back Sailing, with Adrian Finglas and Scott Paton

#### Bar Karate - the Sailing Podcast, Ep 229 The Wally (Windsurfer ...

Use Muck Rack to listen to Bar Karate - the Sailing Podcast, Ep 229 The Wally (Windsurfer LT) Worlds and Nick Bez by Bar Karate - The Sailing Podcast and ...



# 2023/24 Activities – Club / Event Support

Class flags for YC's / Event organisers

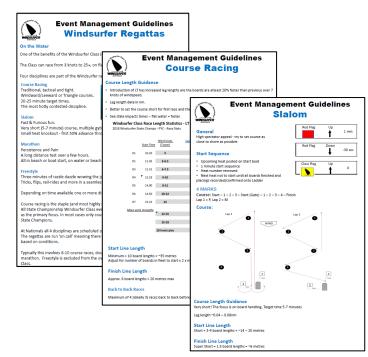






 Event Management Guidelines and other resources developed







# 2023/24 Activities – Club Outreach

Encouragement, resources and support to support fleets





























Westernport Yacht Club











## 2023/24 Activities – Club Outreach

Information and rationale to consider LT as part of YC offer









#### Season 2023/2024 Major Events

Event	Date	Host	
VIC State Champs	October 28 & 29	Rye YC	
QLD State Champs	November 4 & 5	Lake Cootharaba SC	
NSW State Champs	November 11 & 12	Toukley SC	
TAS State Champs	November 25 & 26	Sandy Bay SC	
SA State Champs	December 2 & 3	Brighton Seacliff YC	
WA Open Champs	December 15 - 17	South of Perth YC	
2023 World Champs	Dec 29 – Jan 4 2023	South of Perth YC	





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## 2023/24 Activities – Racing - Class Exposure

Traveller Series in VIC, QLD, NSW & WA















- 1. Assist IWCA / SoPYC on admin such as NOR, Class Rules etc.
- 2. Co-ordinate board transport and volunteers
- Australian and international promotion including funding promo videos
- Generating sponsorship support Vaikobi / AWA / WNSW
- 5. Funded AWA event insurance for all international racers, DJ for event duration
- Sourced and distributed Team Uniform position.com.au
- 7. Training & Racing Opportunities







#### WINDSUFFER WORLDS ZOZE

PERTH - AUSTRALIA





















#### WINDSURFER WORLDS 2023

















# WINDSURFER



		<b>Overall Champions</b>	
	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	$3^{\rm rd}$
Female	Lanee Beashel	Bruna Ferracane	Sarah Kenny
32 competitors	USA	ITA	<sup>AUS</sup>
<b>Male</b>	Lars Kleppich	Josh Green	Michael Lancey
205 competitors	(Medium) / AUS	(Light) / AUS	(Heavy) / AUS
Female Youth	Jaiya Marns-Morris	Benedetta Barone	Issy Barden
(Under 19 years)	AUS	(Junior) / ITA	AUS
Male Youth	Lachlan Vize	Ben Robinson	Lachlan Putt
(Under 19 years)	AUS	AUS	AUS
	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sub>rd</sub>
Lightweight	Josh Green	Tim Gourlay	Jay Wild
	AUS	AUS	AUS
Medium	Lars Kleppich	Tim Lelliott	Luke Myers
	AUS	AUS	AUS
Heavy	Michael Lancey	Mike Galvin	John Doolan
	AUS	AUS	NSW
Super Heavy	Matt Whitnall	Scott McKercher	Craig Bell
	AUS	AUS	AUS
	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
<b>Junior</b>	Monte Dowdall	Henry Walker	Phoebe Barden
(Under 16 years)	AUS	AUS	AUS
Master	Michael Lancey	Tim Lelliott	Alessandro Torzoni
(40-49 years)	NSW	SA	ITA
Grand Master	Lars Kleppich	Josh Green	Matt Whitnall
(50-59 years)	AUS	AUS	AUS
Legend	Paul Ivshenko	Giuseppe Barone	Vincent Caplea
(60-69 years)	AUS	ITA	FRA
Super Legend	Steve Newman	Mark Powell	Tim Forster
(70+ years)	AUS	USA	AUS-

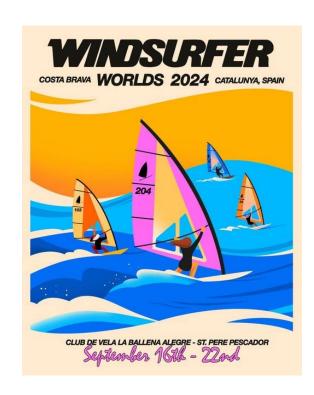






## 2024/2025 Events







Date	Day	Activity
Jan 21	Tue	Sailor arrival (board storage), PM – Registration
Jan 22	Wed	AM – Registration, Briefing
		Late AM&PM – Racing Session, no racing to start before 11am
Jan 23	Thur	AM – Racing Session / PM – Racing Session
Jan 24	Fri	AM – Racing Session / PM – Racing Session
Jan 25	Sat	AM – Racing Session / PM – Racing Session
Jan 26	Sun	AM – Racing Session / PM – Racing Session if needed,
		No racing to start after 3pm, Presentation



#### Remembering



#### Windsurfer Class Association of Australia

April 17 · 🕙

Vale Marcello Costa.

In the past days we have received news of the passing of one of the absolute pioneers of windsurfing in South Australia.

On behalf of all Class members the WCAA extends our condolences to the Costa family.... See more





TJ Knots is in Adelaide, SA April 15 at 3:18 PM · €

It is with profound sadness that I share the news of the passing of Marcello Costa AO. Italian born, 1940, Marcello was an Australian Medical researcher, academic and public health advocate, and had a passion for long distance windsurfing. With over 40 years of enjoyment on the water, Marcello has inspired so many with his tales.... He will be missed greatly, but his passion for windsurfing will continue on through his family and the wider windsurfing community.



The SA windsurfer class recently helped put together a very special event at Brighton & Seacliff Yacht Club to celebrate the incredible life and times of Marcelle Costa.

A big crowd was on hand to hear a pioneer of windsurfing in South Australia share his epic marathon and long range adventure sailing journeys and crossings during the 1980's and 90's.

Still on the water at 82 - he shared some absolute words of wisdom about life and fascinating insight into the history of the Windsurfer Class - some fantastic picture and memories of events past.

Very proud of our local Windsurfer Class Association of Australia sailors who supported the creation and execution of the event including Greg Pratt, Brett Yardley and Simon Grosser, Andre Costa and family and State Rep Tim Lelliott. With Simon Lee doing an awesome job capturing the action.

Australian Windsurfing stalwart John Rhode helped with archival photos and newletters

So instead of the normal ho hum on TV on this Christmas Eve gather the family an watch this amazing Windsurfer life.



#### Windsurfer Class Association of Australia

Published by Nick Bez ② · June 21 at 10:57 AM · ❸

Vale Roger Dulhunty

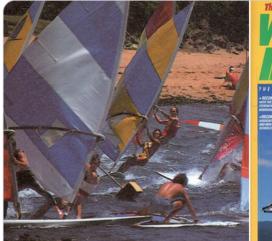
One of the founders of windsurfing in Australia has set sail for smoother water.

Dulhunty with business partner Greg Kelly championed the introduction of the Windsurfer into the country and were integral in the formation of the Windsurfer Class of Australia back in 1977.

Through their efforts the sport we know and love was born.

Many of our legendary Class sailors such as Mark Paul, Andrew Dolly Divola, Rohan Cudmore, Scott O'Connor, Paul Ivshenko, Kevin Wadham and Bruce Wylie can speak more fully about the early days and his contribution.

To the Dulhunty family and friends condolences from all in the Windsurfer Class - Australia family.







#### Neva Sullaway ▶ Old School Windsurfers

June 20 at 12:52 PM · 🚱

I'd like to pay tribute to Australian Roger Dulhunty (MIT grad) who introduced Windsurfing to Australia. He passed away at the age of 72. I have no details about his passing. As someone who was there at the time (1977 & '78), Roger and Greg Kelly introduced the sport to Australia with the support of the US contingent, Hoyle and Diane Schweitzer. It was an amazing moment in time, for which I am eternally grateful. In the photo, Roger trails Jorgen Kolni in the Regatta. Thanks to those who remember the history. Fair Winds



# The End of the Beginning





### 2024 / 25 Committee



President: Jim Kariotis

Vice President: Tim Lelliott

Secretary: Dave Owen

Treasurer: Greg Johns

VIC State Rep: Ash Daff

QLD State Rep: Josh Green

SA State Rep: Simon Lee

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TAS State Rep:

WA Rep:

NSW Reps:

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Kris Bird

Peter Doolan

Scotty O'Connor

WNSW - Martin Stone



#### Some Thoughts from the New President

#### Jim Kariotis

Huge thanks to Al Haynes, Paul Grimshaw and Nick Bez for their efforts, along with all committee and other supporters Welcome to Greg Johns and Dave Owen.

- Looking forward to putting in the work.....to seek and engage active support
- Aim to keep the beat going.....to build on our success story
- Focus on grassroots class development with a structured plan (Club 50/50)
   .....to leverage off our solid class culture of fun and racing
- Plenty to do.....plenty of time and plenty of great people need to spread the load amongst the wider LT family



## General Business

