





<u>Australian Surf Festival - 10th August - 27th August, 2018 - Tweed Coast, NSW</u> Event Teaser

Surfing Australia and Surfing NSW are pleased to announce the 2018 SAE Group Australian Surf Festival, which incorporates the Australian Longboard Titles, Australian Logger Titles, Australian Surfmasters Titles, and the Australian Bodyboard Titles. All events will run consecutively on the beautiful Tweed Coast of Northern NSW. Divisions are as follows;

Australian Longboard Titles – Friday 10th – Saturday 18th August, 2018

• Fri 10th August: Longboard Opening Ceremony and meetings

- 4pm: Competitor Welcome & Briefing

4:45pm Team Managers Meeting

- 5:15pm Judges Meeting

Venue: (TBC)

- Sat 11th 18th August: Australian Longboard Titles & Australian Logger Titles Competition Period
- Sat 11th Sun 12th August: Australian Longboard Titles & Australian Logger Titles
 Competition Period Under 18 Boys Longboard, Under 18 Girls Longboard, Junior Logger,
 Open Men Longboard, Open Women Longboard, Open Men Logger, 040 Men Logger
- Sun 12th August Presentation for Under 18 Boys Longboard, Under 18 Girls Longboard, Junior Logger
 - Venue: On Beach following competition
- Mon 13th Sat 18th August: Australian Longboard Titles Open Men Longboard, Open Women Longboard, O40 Men Longboard, O40 Women Longboard, O45 Men Longboard, O50 Men Longboard, O55 Men Longboard, O60 Men Longboard, O65 Men Longboard, O70 Men Longboard, Open Men Logger, 040 Men Logger
- Sat 18th August Presentation for Open Men Longboard, Open Women Longboard, O40 Men Longboard, O40 Women Longboard, O45 Men Longboard, O50 Men Longboard, O55 Men Longboard, O60 Men Longboard, O65 Men Longboard, O70 Men Longboard, Open Men Logger, 040 Men Logger
 - Venue: On Beach following competition

Australian Surfmasters Titles –Sunday 19th – Thursday 23rd August, 2018

- Sun 19th August Thurs 23rd August: Australian Surfmasters Titles Competition Period
- Sun 19th August Mon 20th August: Australian Surfmasters Titles divisions Open Men, Open Women, Masters Men 0/35, Master Women 0/35
- Mon 20th August Presentation for Open Men, Open Women, Masters Men 0/35, Master Women 0/35 (TBC)
 - Venue: On Beach following competition
- Tues 21st August Thurs 23rd August: Australian Surfmasters Titles divisions Master Women 0/35 (TBC), Senior Masters 0/40, Grand Master 0/45, Legends 0/50, Kahunas 0/55 divisions, Dukes 0/60 divisions

- Thurs 23nd August Presentation for Master Women 0/35 (TBC), Senior Masters 0/40, Grand Master 0/45, Legends 0/50, Kahunas 0/55 divisions, Dukes 0/60 divisions
 - Venue: On Beach following competition

Australian Bodyboard Titles - Friday 24th - Mon 27th August, 2018

- Fri 24th Mon 27th August: Australian Bodyboard Titles Competition Period All divisions
- Mon 27th August Presentation for all divisions
- Venue: On Beach following competition

Event Location;

The Tweed Coast is located in Northern NSW and begins from the border between NSW and Qld in Coolangatta and ends at Wooyung South of Pottsville. It is located:

683km North of Newcastle 450km North of Port Macquarie 824km North of Sydney 122km South of Brisbane

Transportation;

The Tweed Coast is well serviced by road and the air.

By Road – The Tweed Coast is located 824km north of Sydney and 122km south of Brisbane along the Pacific Highway.

By Air – The Gold Coast International Airport offers direct flights from all States and is located approximately 20 minutes South of Cabarita Beach which will be the central location for the event:

Over twelve rental car companies operate from the Gold Coast International Airport including:

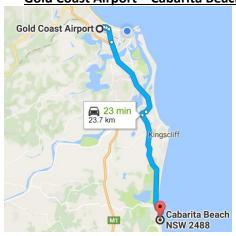
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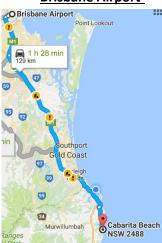
Thrifty (07) 5536 6955 - East Coast Car Rentals (07) 5559 5908

Travel Guide – By car;

Gold Coast Airport - Cabarita Beach



Brisbane Airport-



The Tweed has 37km of stunning coastline and is home to a number of great beach break and point options that work in a variety of wind and swell conditions. The main base for the event will be Cabarita Beach which is located 20min South of Coolangatta. The event is fully mobile on the Tweed Coast with numerous beach break competition options which include some of the best surf spots on the east coast including; Duranbah Beach, Letitia Spit, Fingal Point, Fingal Beach, Kingscliff Beach, South Kingscliff Beach, Casuarina Beach, Cabarita Beach, South Cabarita Beach, Hastings Point, South Hastings Point, Pottsville Beach, Wooyung Beach.

Conditions and water temps;

All event options offer a variety of peaky beach breaks that work in a variety of conditions. Expect sand bottomed waves in the 2-4 foot range but swells 4 feet+ are possible. Expect water temps approx 19-22 C depending on ocean currents. 2mm Short or long sleeve Steamers are recommended although spring suits or board shorts with a vest can be an option for the brave.

Accommodation;

The Tweed Coast boasts a large selection of hotels, motels, holiday and caravan parks, resorts, Air B&Bs and self-contained accommodation. It is recommended that Competitors and families stay from Coolangatta in the North to Pottsville in the South to stay within 20 – 30 minutes of the likely competition venues.

Destination Tweed offer a range of event accommodation and loads of things to do for competitors and are ready to accept your enquiry on the below contacts:

Destination Tweed;

Phone 1800 118 295

Website http://destinationtweed.com.au/

The Destination Tweed website is a great starting point for all you need to know about the Tweed Coast including Accommodation, Things to Do, Maps and other general info.

Go to http://destinationtweed.com.au/

Alternatively follow the link to the Tweed Visitors Guide https://issuu.com/littlemax/docs/tweed-vg2016 issuu

Emergency contacts;

Ambulance - 000
Tweed Heads Police Station - (07) 5536 0999
Kingscliff Police Station - (02) 6674 9399
Tweed Hospital - (07) 5536 1133
Kingscliff Beach Medical - (02) 6674 3266
Casuarina Medical Centre - (02) 6674 0888
Cabarita Beach Medical - (02) 6676 1461

Event Hotline:

0458 247 212 after 6:45am each day

Live Event Website:

www.australiansurffestival.com

Enquiries and Key Event Contacts:

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