

# PADDLE OUT

## *Fight for the Bight*

The Great Australian Bight is under the threat of deep sea oil drilling. Norwegian company, Equinor, has recently released their draft environmental plan for drilling in the Great Australian Bight. The oil rig is planned to drill down 5 kilometres in the middle of strong ocean currents. In the tragic event of an oil spill, a majority of Australia's surfable coastline will be covered in oil. The spill could reach from Margaret River, Western Australia, to Port Macquarie, in New South Wales.

The area at risk is home to many native Australian animals and other species. Around 85% of the species found in this region are not found anywhere else on the planet. It will also impact on the lives of the locals and affect many of their careers.

Paddle out on any board, any size, to fight for the Great Australian Bight.



# MEET THE PROS

## Stephanie Gilmore

*7x World Champion Surfer*

## Jared Neal

*Professional Longboarder*

## Shakira Westdorp

*2017 SUP Surf World Champion*

## Jordan Rodin

*Professional Finless Surfer*



## RYAN HARDY

*Professional Bodyboarder*

Ryan Hardy is an extremely successful and very talented bodyboarder from Margaret River. He has made many milestones in the sport from his mindblowing "spin in the pit" at Teahupoo, to paddling two kilometres out to "The Right".

Hardy now runs "Reeflex Wetsuits" and his own board brand, "Hardy Shapes". When he isn't scoring waves in Western Australia, he's scoring them in Bali where he runs his very own bodyboarding school.

At 2pm Ryan Hardy will paddle out for a 20 minute expression session. This is definitely not something you'd want to miss!

# ANY BOARD ANY SIZE

# SURF COMP

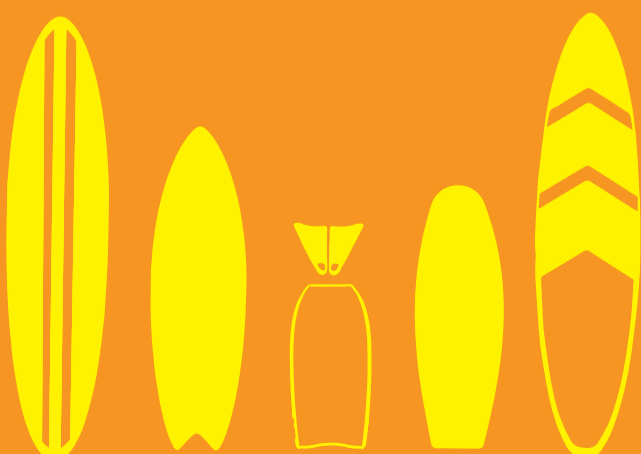
*Entry \$5*

**Battle of the Boards Surf Festival is about celebrating all types of surf craft.** From longboards, shortboards and bodyboards, to stand up paddleboards and finless boards!

The comp will kick off at 10am. Meet at the northern end of Surf Beach to enter.

Each heat will consist of different board types and sizes. The top two in each heat will then progress to the next round. The professionals of each surf craft will monitor the judging to ensure that each manoeuvre is appreciated and graded consistently.

The winner of the event will receive a brand new board of their choice and a training session with a professional of that surf craft!



# WHAT'S ON?

## *Surf Comp*

Enter for your chance to win a brand new board of your choice and a training session with one of the professionals

## *Bight Paddle Out*

Paddle out on any board at 3pm to protest against oil drilling in the Australian Bight

## *Live Music*

Donna And The Dynamos, Shoreline Beats, The Next Wave and more

## *Markets*

Food, clothes, jewellery, art, photographs, pre-loved board sale, board shaping classes

## *Lets Get Retro*

Retro boards, magazines, wetsuits and more

# DETAILS

## *Where?*

Kiama Surf Beach

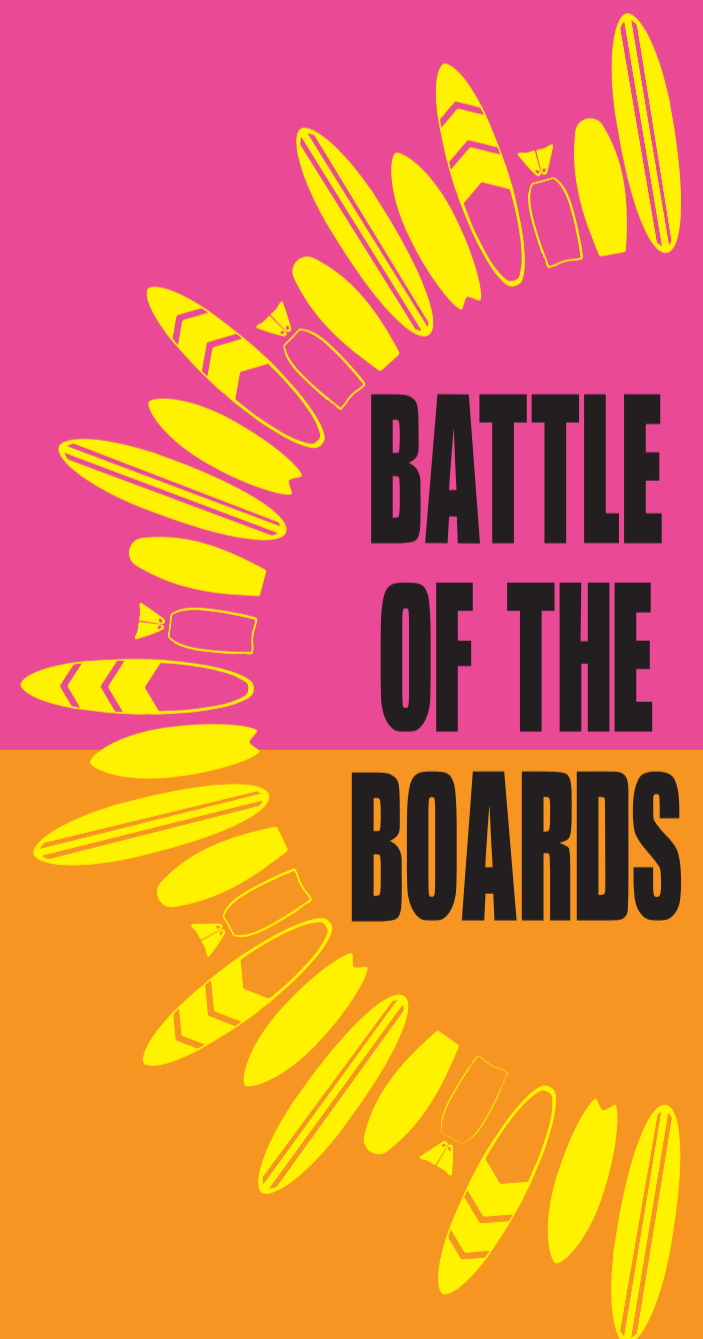
## *When?*

July 7th, 9am - 5pm

## *Contact*

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# BATTLE OF THE BOARDS



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# SURF FESTIVAL