



INTRODUCTION

It is with areat excitement that we announce the fourth School Surf Games

Our first event ran in 2015 with about 30 competitors and rave reviews from all involved. The concept was well and truly proved! We ramped this up to over 50 competitors last year and are aiming to go bigger and better this year.

The format will remain largely unchanged with two coaching sessions before moving into the competitive format, finishing up with a foam board surf life- saving relay.

The iAM band leveller will enable those with less experience to have clear targets of where to take their surfing, whilst providing a great benchmark against the other competitors.

This year we will be assembling the same stellar team and are looking forward to building on the growing success of the Games, to create a truly memorable event for everyone involved.

See you on the beach.



Linley Lewis
Ticket to Ride Co-Founder
& Event Director





EVENT OVERVIEW

WHERE



Held in Perranporth, one of the Jewels in the Crown of British surfing. A beautiful and expansive beach and one of the most consistent and popular surfing beaches in Europe. Our base is at the award winning Ticket to Ride Surf School.

WHAT



Established in 2015, these Games are a fantastic opportunity for schools to offer pupils an amazing ocean-focused experience. With a combination of top class coaching, surfing competitions, key safety skills, surf life saving challenges as well as a selection of informative workshops and demos, it promises to be a unique and fantastic few days.

Suitable for Surfers of all abilities, from budding professional hopefuls to eager first timers – our program has been developed to create a fun and competitive environment that will push, engage and develop each surfer – whatever their level.

Run over three days the event creates a festival atmosphere that is fun, informative, engaging and memorable.

WHEN



Sunday 21st to Wednesday 24th October 2018





WHO



The event is expected to have up to 100 competitors with a mixture of abilities from a range of independent schools including Blundells, Truro, Sherborne, and Hurst College to name but a few.

COMPETITION



Over the course of the three days the event will run an Open Surf championships (Boys / Girls- Open, U16, U13), an innovative iAM Bands 'Leveller' competition and a foam board surf lifesaving challenge.

EVENT MANAGEMENT



The event is managed by an experienced team managed by the Ticket to Ride Group, who run a global surf operation, as well as the Independent Schools Skiing Championships which has been running for 10 years, and sees 200 competitors visit Les Deux Alpes each season.

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MEDIA MANAGEMENT

Wavelength, the UK's leading and Europe's longest running surf magazine are the event's exclusive media partners, with the marketing and PR being delivered by the expert Wavelength Media team.



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PACKAGE DETAILS

The event has 2 options of pricing depending on different accommodation options:

1. FULL PACKAGE: Event pass, full-board catering at Seiners - £325pp

2. SELF CATERED: Event pass, YHA accommodation - £195pp

3. EVENT ONLY: Event pass - £125pp

+ FOOD: Add 2 hot lunches & 3 hearty evening meals - £65

WHAT'S INCLUDED?

Pre-departure Support:

- Support including a personal visit from a TTR adviser if required
- Marketing and promotional material
- Guidance and phone support



EVENT INCLUSIONS:

- Two x professionally run coaching sessions, with a low 5:1 ratio (including video analysis)
- iAM Band assessment and issuing of physical iAM Band
- Open Surfing Championships
- Participation in Foam Board Surf Life Saving Challenge
- Unlimited us of surfboards & wetsuits
- Two evening workshops, such as: Competitive Surfing, Board Shaping, Surf Photography, Life as a Pro Surfer, Surf Instructing as a career.

PARTY LEADER BENEFITS

Free places for Party Leaders on a 8:1 basis for those taking accommodation options. There is no charge for teachers wanting a day pass only.

WHAT ISN'T INCLUDED?

- Lunch on Sunday 21st October is not included
- Spending money
- Transport to and from Perranporth (if required)

PARENTS

We actively encourage parents to come along to the event to support their children.

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SURF PROGRAMME

The surf programme is designed to cater for a wide range of abilities, and to make the event both educational and developmental as well as competitive and fun. The competitions will be combined with professional coaching from a handful of top coaches and experienced professional surfers including Sam Lamiroy, with follow up video and photo analysis.

The active nature of the event means that in between heats all pupils will have an active itinerary keeping their days busy.

PREVIOUS SURF EXPERIENCE

Given the social and educational nature of the event, surfing experience is not a prerequisite, the active itinerary and low ratio for instructors will enable pupils of all surfing abilities to develop to their own goals.

By integrating an innovative 'handicap' system – like in Golf – into our competition format, everyone has a genuine chance to compete for the top prizes. The 'Leveller' format developed by iAM Bands - does what it's name suggests, and the inclusion in this will give the Championships a very unique aspect to reward and recognise all individuals.

IAM BANDS 'LEVELLER'

Team Cups and individual prizes are up for grabs and we will also recognise personal achievements from throughout the Games during the Gala Dinner. We will have a huge selection of prizes from top industry brands.







SURF PROGRAMME

SURF COMPETITION



The Open Surf Championship will be run and judged to international ISA rules (see end). Each Surfer will compete in two "expression session" heats, with their best 4 waves (taken from either heat) counting towards their individual score and ultimately their ranking on the leaderboard.

Teams will be entered into the competition in recommended groups of 6, with the top 4 individual scores accumulating towards the overall team position.

SURF LIFE SAVING CHALLENGE



Personal safety is of absolute paramount importance, and our fun foam board surf life saving challenge takes the core elements of ocean water rescue in a fun and competitive manner.

WORKSHOPS AND PRESENTATIONS



Each evening the participants will have the opportunity to partake in active presentations and workshops from industry leading professionals covering a range of topics including Competitive Surfing, Board Shaping, Surf photography, Life as a Pro Surfer, and Surf Instructing as a career.

SAFETY



All water sessions managed to RLSS standards, under the guidance of beach lifeguards, and compliant to stringent risk assessments.





PRIZE CATEGORIES

Prizes will be provided by a selection of the top brands, with a prize giving evening dinner culminating at the Seiners Hotel.

PRIZE CATEGORIES

- Open Surf Championships: Boys, Girls Open, U16, U13 Gold, Silver, Bronze. Team - Gold, Silver, Bronze.
- iAM Band 'Leveller' Surf Competition: Boys, Girls Open, U16, U13 Gold, Silver, Bronze.
- Surf Life Saving Challenge: Gold, Silver, Bronze, Best Fancy Dress.
- Special Waterman's Award
- Overall Team Champions













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PLEASE NOTE - A surf event is at the mercy of nature and her unpredictable moods. Our itinerary could be varied and adapted on a daily basis according to the ocean conditions.



DAY ONE

Sunday 21st October

- Arrive at lunch time
- Afternoon surf session with coaching and iAM Band Assessment
- Evening workshop

DAY TWO

Monday 22nd October

- AM surf lessons & coaching
- PM Surf Competition may begin (in roations with the other events to allow for heat times)
- Evening workshop
- Surf Lifesaving Challenge

DAY THREE

Tuesday 23rd October

- AM & PM Surf Competition continues
- PM Foam board competition
- Evening prize giving ceremony and closing party

DAY FOUR

Wednesday 24th October

- AM freesurf
- Lunchtime departure





PERRANPORTH



EVENT SITE

With the event being run in the first choice of Perranporth, we have full use of the Seiners Hotel, and the facilities available. In the event of the surfing needing to move, then the Seiners Hotel will form the base for evening activities.

BEACH

A West facing beach that at low tide stretches for for 3 breathtaking miles, giving a whole range of options for the surf event and other activities.

SURF

The West facing beach picks up regular swell meaning that the beach benefits from great waves. One of the most consistent breaks in Europe.

If the conditions are unsuitable, or the lifeguards have given the beach a red flag on the day of competition, we would arrange a backup location depending on the surf conditions, with Newquay Bay being the first choice.







ACCOMMODATION

There are a range of accommodation options available for schools. Please contact us to enauire on your behalf.

SEINERS HOTEL

Situated right on the waterfront, and shares the premises with the Ticket to Ride Surf School. For all those on the full board package, all meals will be provided from the Seiners Hotel.

YHA YOUTH HOSTEL

A beautifully located host on the cliff top overlooking Perranporth's golden sands.

CARAVANS

Fully furnished static caravans that sleep a handful of people have been arranged at a special rate, at Haven Holiday Park.

CAMPING

Camping is provided at Perranporth Camping & Touring Park, a 10 minute walk from the site venue

EVENT PASS ONLY

For those who would prefer to manage their own accommodation, it is possible to purchase a day pass to be included in all the event's activities and competitions.









EVENT STAFF & TEAM

EVENT DIRECTOR AND CO-ORDINATOR

Linley Lewis: Founder of Ticket to Ride Group, and among other things, the Event Director for the Independent Schools Ski and Snowboard Championships.

CONTEST DIRECTOR

Sam Lamiroy: 20 years as an O'Neill, Red Bull, Vans sponsored surfer where he competed internationally, won numerous British titles as well as setting up the Lamiroy Surf Academy and hosting the Hurley Surf Club.

JUDGES AND HEAD JUDGE

All judges are ISA qualified. In addition to this team the event will have a host of company reps on hand, beach marshall, a team of ISA qualified Surf Coaches, an event compere, photographer and videographer.







PRE-EVENT TIMETABLE



The below serves as a good guideline for schools and parents:

SUMMER TERM

Provisionally confirm team place, and intention to attend

SUMMER HOLIDAYS

>> Pay preliminary deposits

AUTUMN TERM

Settle outstanding balance, and submit all competitors information

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Can be flexible depending on each situation, but the following acts as a standard guideline:

1ST DEPOSIT

20%

Ideally end of Summer term

FINAL INSTALMENT

80%

No later than 1st October





TESTIMONIALS

The 2015 event was our inaugural event, and here's some of the feedback:

TRURO SCHOOL

DAVID MEADS: "The boys and girls had a great few days! We come down for coaching sessions every Wednesday, but the mixture of competition and the chance to meet other schools was something they truly relished. A great fun event, we need more things like this in the calendar!"

HURST COLLEGE, OUTDOOR EDUCATION

ROSIE CAULFIED: "We all had an absolute blast! We stayed at the YHA and ate at Seiners, which worked really well. Our pupils weren't too experienced, but the Leveller really worked well, and we were delighted to leave with some silverware!"

PRO SURFER

SAM LAMIROY: "To be honest- I'm just a bit jealous. I wish an event like this existed when I was at school! Just to be part of it now is pretty exciting. The combination of competitive surfing, top coaching as well as an introduction to other elements of the ocean and beach lifestyle sounds like it's going to be a lot of fun... I can't wait.





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A PUPILS PERSPECTIVE

COMPETING & CATCHING WAVES IN CORNWALL

"MY TICKET TO RIDE EXPERIENCE" - JESS EMENS, HURST COLLEGE:

After hearing about the opportunity to take a few days out of my half term to visit Perranporth beach in Cornwall and spend the day on the beach, improving my surfing and competing with my friends, I jumped at the chance. I have surfed once before on a school (Hurstpierpoint college) surf trip to Portugal. I wanted to learn to surf because I think it is an exciting and thrilling sport, something you can enjoy at any level and can constantly improve and experience new challenges. Having only recently learned to surf, I was slightly anxious at the thought of competing. Little did I know, I had absolutely no reason to feel anxious.

The 28th of October finally came and after a 7 hour journey, when we arrived in Cornwall, we were greeted by the 'Ticket To ride Team' and the opposing school Truro. We got straight into the water, to practice surfing. We had a coaching session lead by top UK pros, Sam Lamiroy and Harry Timson. The clouds didn't seem to bother anyone, my wetsuit kept me cosy and it was refreshing to get back into the water, even if the waves did come crashing into my face on numerous occasions. Later that evening we were served a hearty meal from the local pub, I would recommend the Lasagne. We then listened to a presentation from Wavelength Editor Steve Bough, getting an insight into Wavelength magazine, and the life of a journalist. Obviously the talk was good enough to inspire me to write my own article!

After a well deserved sleep, day 2 rolled on. At 10 o'clock we were back in the water, this time with a bit of pressure. Our surfing was being closely analysed by the Ticket To Ride team, to determine which iAM band we deserved, depending on our surfing ability. This concept put everyone on a handicap and helped equal out the tough competition. We got useful feedback and were challenged to push ourselves harder. After being well fed again, it was time to face up to the competition in the afternoon. I won't pretend that I didn't have butterflies in my stomach, but I learnt that sometimes, even the prosurfers get weak with nerves before competing.



There were 5 heats overall, with roughly 5 participants in each one. We were given 20 minutes to surf ourselves out and only our best two waves were counted. As soon as I got into the water, my nerves disappeared, it was just the adrenaline that kicked in! My tactic was to catch as many waves as I can, and to my amazement I managed to score the best I could in the white water...I wasn't quite ready for the green waves.

In the evening we had another presentation from pro surfer Sam Lamiroy about living the life as a pro surfer, and it made me realise some of the incredible experiences that can be achieved as a surfer. I also appreciated the sacrifices you have to make whilst being fully dedicated and committed to any sport. I was genuinely surprised to find that the IAM leveller had actually placed me as the first girl. This encouragement and the wise words from Sam spurred me on for the second day of competing. The waves were very inconsistent and crashy, everyone had to work hard to even get out of shallow water. Unfortunately I didn't catch as many waves that I had hoped for, there were more nose dives than 360s. At least they were entertaining to watch! It made me realise that surfing is very unpredictable! After our exhausting heats and a quick refuel, it was time for some more fun. The ticket to ride team organised a relay race, we divided into teams and raced each other into the water, we had to stand up for approximately 3 seconds on our surfboard for our surf to count, and then sprint back to the next team member, whilst passing on a wet rash vest (seemingly the most difficult part). The members of Hurst College wore fancy dress (we had hula girls, a superhero and even an Indian dancer! We wanted to look the part when surfing the waves, although the hula skirts did cause a few team members to get fairly tangled up. Despite the range of abilities in each team, the amount of teamwork enabled it to be a pretty close race.

A perfect finish to the 2 days, was the presentation ceremony, where the results (the exciting part) were announced for the top 3 places with the Leveller and without the Leveller. To my surprise I managed to fluke my way into 1st place and a fellow participant from Hurstpierpoint took the bronze medal. I felt really proud of my achievement and it was great that even the beginners could feel like a winner. Another bonus was that we got to pick something from the range of prizes on offer, as well as some awesome stickers! We all tucked into our last supper and said our goodbyes. I was sad to leave Perranporth and the memories I left behind, hopefully I will be coming back next year!







CONTEST EVENT CONDITIONS & RULES

CONTEST RULES

Each surfer will surf in 2 heats. Their highest scoring 4 waves will count towards their total score, which ultimately will determine their place on the leaderboard. These 4 wave scores may come from either or both heats.

- Heat Draw Beach Marshal Information and Running Order will be posted on the notice board at least half an hour before the event is scheduled to start. The draw will be done on a random basis, there will not be a preferential starting order for the teams.
- 2. The first heat may paddle out when they have collected their contest vest and ride practice waves before the days competition starts.
- All other competitors to start by standing at the water's edge, knee depth
 maximum and must not infringe on the contest area during allotted paddle
 out time.
- 4. Heats will be started on a single horn blast.
- Heats will end with two horn blasts. There will be a minimum of 30 seconds between heats. The head judge will indicate when a heat is to commence.
- 6. A disc system will also be used, the disc must be at least 1 metre in diameter. It must have a green or yellow light colour on one side and a darker red or orange colour on the other. The light colour indicates that the heat is in progress. The red side is shown to indicate that the heat is in its last 5 minutes. At the end of the heat the disc 5 is turned edge on to the sea so that no colour is visible.

N.B. The start of the horn blast signifies the start or end of the heat. The flags or disc are for guidance only.

- 7. The Contest Director and Head Judge will determine heat times. Any alterations will be announced before a heat commences. A heat cannot be extended while in progress.
- 8. Competitors contributing scores will be their best 4 waves (from 2 heats surfed), max 15 waves to be ridden per heat. In the unlikely event that only 1 heat is surfed it will be the best 2 waves that are counted.
- 9. A surfer who has ridden more than 15 waves may be liable to an interference penalty if they remain in the water and interfere in any way with the other competitors in that heat.
- 10. When the air horn sounds for the end of a heat a surfer must be clearly in possession of the wave (e.g. for boardriders hands having left the rails) for a ride to be scored.
- 11. When heats are in progress, and at the beginning of the days surfing, any surfer in the defined competition area may be penalised. The penalty will be immediate disqualification.
- 12. Contestants are to check in with the Beach Marshall at least 5 minutes prior to the start of their heat. Contest vests must be worn both from and back to the Beach Marshall and must be returned immediately after the heat has been concluded.
- 13. At the completion of each heat, surfers will return to the beach in a prone position. A surfer may incur an 'up after' interference penalty if he/she stands up after the end of their heat and remains standing into the next heat and interferes with another surfer. If a surfer stands up before the end of their heat they may finish their ride and be scored for it even if it ends after their heat has ended.



CONTEST EVENT CONDITIONS & RULES

Contest rules continued

14. Judges and tabulators sheets will be available for scrutiny by competitors, but must not be removed from the contest control area.

15. Anyone who is guilty of unsportsmanlike conduct may be liable to disqualification at the discretion of the Contest Director, Head Judge and Surfers Representative.

16. Heats will normally be made up from a maximum of four surfers, although five man heats may be used.

17. Protests should be made in writing (on a form available from the Beach Marshal) and delivered to the Contest Director.



JUDGING CRITERIA

Surfers must perform to the following judging key elements to maximise their scoring potential. Judges analyze the following major elements when scoring waves:

- Commitment and degree of difficulty
- Innovative and progressive manoeuvres
- Combination of major manoeuvres
- Variety of manoeuvres
- Speed, power and flow

Note: It's important to note that the emphasis of certain elements is contingent upon ocation and the conditions on the day, as well as the changes of conditions during the day.

The following scale may be used to score a ride:

- **0 1.9** = Poor
- **2.0 3.9** = Fair
- **4.0 5.9** = Average
- **6.0 7.9** = Good
- **8.0 10.0** = Excellent

IAM BANDS LEVELLER

Dependent on the competitors iAM Band colour, a handicapping adjustment in the form of standardized additional points, will be applied to each competitors score to provide an ability adjusted leaderboard.



FOAM BOARD EVENT CONDITIONS & RULES

FOAM BOARD SURF LIFESAVING CHALLENGE RULES OF ENGAGEMENT

The rules here are simple!

- We'll split everyone into teams (of 5 or 6 depending on how many competitors we have), so you'll be with people from other schools.
- All teams will line up on the beach, about 100m from the waters edge, with the front runner wearing a rash vest.
- 3. We will then count the race down, and sound the horn.
- The first team member will then run down to the waters edge with a surf board, take it into the water, and then catch a wave from waist depth, and ride for

a minimum of 2 seconds. When they have completed this, they will exit the water with the board, remove the leash, leave the board at the waters edge, and run up to take their team mate.

- 5. Once tagging their team mate, they remove the rash vest, and pass it to the next team member. When the rash vest is put on the next team member runs to the waters edge, take the surfboard out, and catches a wave in the same way. They then exit the water, leave the board down there, and tag the next team member, and so on.
- This continues until the full team have taken their turn. The last racer returns the board to the group.
- 7. The winning team will be the first to complete.





FAQS & BOOKING CONDITIONS





BOOKING

Each school is expected to field at least one full team of 6, and can enter a maximum of 4 teams per school. Booking will only be confirmed when the deposit has been paid. Once the deposit has been paid we will require full competitor information, and you will be issued with a spreadsheet to fill in.

We will not accept bookings from individuals (each booking needs to be made on behalf of a school.) The bookings are made with Ticket to Ride Surf Academy Limited, company registration 6014083.

PAYMENTS

All entrance fees should be paid by parents to the representative school, who will then pay Ticket to Ride directly. We do not take payments directly from parents.

DEPOSITS AND SCHEDULES

All deposits are non-refundable. We require a 20% deposit per pupil to confirm the booking, then the balance paid no later than 3 weeks prior to event commencement. If the group size increases during this period it is possible to alter the booking. We accept payment via bank transfer, or cheque.

WHAT HAPPENS IF THE CONDITIONS ARE UNSUITABLE?

If the conditions are deemed unsuitable at Perranporth beach (either Lifeguard Red Flag, or in the opinion of the Event Directors) in the first instance we will look to relocate the venue to Great Western Beach in Newquay as an alternative. In the event that the conditions are also unsuitable at that beach also we will an alternative "out of the water" programme, which the school has the chance to accept or decline. If they decline we raise a credit note for each individual equivalent to the Day Pass, which can be redeemed at any of the Ticket to Ride Surf Schools. We will not offer any cash refunds.

ACCOMMODATION

We aim to provide high standards of food and accommodation for all our school groups. All rooms for students are en-suite and multi-bedded, and some pupils may have to be accommodated in fold out camping beds. We will aim to provide twin rooms for staff places at no additional cost; however, this is subject to availability and gender breakdown of the staff. Single rooms are charged at a supplement on request and are subject to availability.

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FREE STAFF PLACES

We are providing a 1:8 free place ratio for your tour, which includes shared accommodation for the teachers. Free places are based on group numbers divisible by the ratio, e.g. 8 or 10 paying passengers. Should your group size decrease through any cause we reserve the right to limit the free places in accordance with that group size. We will aim to help our clients in any way to retain group numbers and staff places. Pro rata rates can be supplied for free places if required.

PUPIL AND TEACHER INFORMATION

We require a full list all group names, surfing experience. You will be sent the necessary spreadsheet to complete as part of your booking confirmation, and the sooner you are able to get this to us the better.

BOARD RENTAL

Will be charged at standard TTR Surf School rates, but we have arranged a 25% discount for all persons affiliated with these championships. Equipment will be distributed to individuals dependent on their ability. Specific surf equipment is a very important part of surfing, so if it is deemed that an individual is not at a required ability for a certain surf board, then they will be issued with a suitable one.

ADMINISTRATION FEES

All changes to dates and party names after payment of first deposits will be met with a £20 administration fee.



PRICE GUARANTEE

All prices are fully guaranteed against fuel surcharges and taxes if booking procedures are adhered to. In the event that the booking procedures are not adhered to, we reserve the right to re-cost the trip if necessary. We understand the complications and difficulties of running a school trip. We aim to provide you with a service that makes running the trip as easy as possible. In order to do this, it is essential for you - the party leader - to provide us with as much information as possible as well as keeping in constant communication throughout the booking. We also require notice of any changes you wish to make to the booking as soon as possible. Please note; some changes may be deemed too close to the departure date and therefore may not be possible.

RISK ASSESSMENTS AVAILABLE

You will be provided with a Risk Assessment for: Accommodation, Surf Lessons and our Normal Operating Procedure. EAP.

IS THE HOTEL SECURED AT NIGHT, ARE THERE STAFF ON DUTY ALL NIGHT, HOW FAR WILL THE STAFF BE SLEEPING FROM THE PUPILS?

All external doors are locked at night, and there is at least 1 member of staff on each floor with the pupils.

WILL WE RECEIVE A DETAILED ITINERARY?

These will be issued at least 1 month prior to the event running, but bear in mind the flexible nature required to complete the itinerary in the limited time frame with the prospect of challenging sea conditions.

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