# THE WORLD WAVE TOUR

Presented by the PWA & IWT

# THE AUSTRALIA WORLD CUP

4 Star World Wave Tour Event

#### **RIDER NOTICE**

#### **Competition Details**

Event Window: January 31-February 3, 2025, (rollover Feb.7-10), Margaret River, WA Registration: will take place on January 31st

#### Prize Money

\$10,000 Men and Women

1st Man / Woman USD \$2,000 2nd Man / Woman USD \$1,500 3rd Man / Woman USD \$1,000 4th Man / Woman USD \$500

#### **Ranking Points**

4 Star 60% Men & Women 4 Star 100% U21, U18, Masters Oceania Regional Rankings & World Rankings

#### **Official Functions**

1. Opening Ceremony

2. Official Awards Party

Attendance at both ceremonies is mandatory for all competitors. They should make their flight and travel arrangements accordingly.

#### **Rules Sanction and Status**

This event is run by the IWT Wave Tour rules and regulations and by the Professional Windsurfers Association (PWA) Rulebook and is sanctioned by the PWA as a 4 Star World Cup status event as part of the 2025 World Wave Tour. Together these form THE WORLD WAVE TOUR rules and regulations.

#### Conditions of Entry – The 2025 Australia World Cup

Should too few entries be received at the closing date, the PWA IWT reserves the right to limit entries or to adjust the entry structure if it is in the best interests of the sport or the event. You must first become a member of Windsurfing WA before you can register for the event (for insurance). **REGISTRATION IS OPEN NOW 1:** <u>https://www.windsurfingwa.org.au/events/259610</u> Note: Advance Seed entry closes January 23rd.

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MEN'S ENTRY PROCEDURE	POSITION	Places
Top 24 WWT Rolling Ranking - advance seeding	1-24	24
Top 8 Local Challengers - meet top seeds	25-32	8

WOMEN'S ENTRY PROCEDURE	POSITION	Places
Top 12 WWT Rolling Ranking - advance seeding	1-12	12
Top 4 Local Challengers - meet top seeds	13-16	4

MASTER'S 45+ ENTRY PROCEDURE	POSITION	Places
Top 12 WWT Rolling Ranking - advance seeding	1-12	12
Top 4 Local Challengers - meet top seeds	13-16	4

PRO JUNIOR'S U21 ENTRY PROCEDURE	POSITION	Places
Top 12 WWT Rolling Ranking - advance seeding	1-12	12
Top 4 Local Challengers - meet top seeds	13-16	4

U18 riders - maximum 8 Grand Masters - maximum 8

#### **Heat Formats**

Advance Seed Rounds are Seeding, Redemption, elimination (Standard WWT Dingle). Standard WWT bracket options include the following:

- Standard WWT 32 Dingle, 4 riders per heat (27 Heats after challenger rounds)
- Standard WWT 24 Dingle, 4 riders per heat (17 Heats after challenger rounds)
- Standard WWT 16 Dingle, 4 riders per heat (13 Heats after challenger rounds)
- Standard WWT 12 Dingle, 4 riders per heat (8 Heats after challenger rounds)
- Note: limited conditions may result in a fast single for all to secure full results.

#### Standard Heat Cycles

15 Minutes = 13 minute heat + 2 minute transition (synced to the hour)

20 Minutes = 17 minute heat + 3 minute transition (synced to the hour)

30 Minutes = 26 minute heat + 4 minute transition (synced to the hour)

Heat flag: host nation flag up at heat start - host nation flag down at heat end. Postponement flag: red flag\*

# Pre Entry Requirements

Entrants will need to be full WWA members OR purchase Single Event Membership in order to compete. Note: this is essential to provide the adequate insurance for the event and also provides you with personal injury cover and 3rd party liability cover during the event.

# **Entry Number Restrictions**

Entry is restricted to 50 participants as required by Augusta Margaret River Shire policy, so please enter early so we can advise on likely entry. Your entry does NOT guarantee your place in this event. Your entry will be confirmed by 25th January. Interstate/international people travelling specifically for the event will receive indicative communication about their likelihood of entry within 48 hours of their entry.

Event Organiser note:

If we have too many participants, we will use the following criteria to select participants:

- Current or past world ranking
- Past performance at and commitment to previous Margaret River Wavesailing Classic events
- Commitment to other World Tour events (planned or recent)
- Divisions entered (if you've entered multiple divisions, we may restrict you to just one division unless you are doing more world tour events in both divisions.

Top Pro Juniors are encouraged to also enter Pro Men's / Women's. Top U18 Juniors are encouraged to also enter Pro Juniors with number restrictions,

### Event Organiser note:

We prefer Pro and Masters only enter one division - please select the best one for your skill level and competitive desires. Exceptions will be considered for those people who are planning to do multiple world tour events in one or both divisions this year. Entry priority will be given to top ranked youth and pro men/women entrants.

# **Competition Format**

Dingle format is preferred. In the event of limited wind and/or waves we may run alternative formats.

# Transport

A car in necessary in Western Australia (2WD fine for Margaret River). International visitors are recommended to fly into Perth airport and drive down to Margaret River. Margaret River is around 3 hours drive from Perth airport on good highways. Busselton airport is 30 minutes from Margaret River but has infrequent flights and primarily uses Jetstar who are not so friendly with excess gear. SW Coachlines have regular daily buses from Perth to Margaret River town.

# **Nearby Accommodation Suggestions**

- Prevelly Caravan Park <u>https://prevellycaravanpark.com.au/</u>
- Surfpoint Resort <u>https://www.surfpoint.com.au/</u>
- Margaret River Beach Resort <a href="https://www.margaretsbeachresort.com.au/">https://www.margaretsbeachresort.com.au/</a>
- Or there's plenty of AirBnB holiday homes as options.
- Prevelly and Gnerabup are the towns closest to the break and both have plenty of AirBnB options. Margaret River town is around 9km from the surf break but has a lot more accommodation options.

# Tourism

Margaret River is a popular tourism town with pristine beaches, world class food and wine, beautiful forests and plenty of surf. \*2024 Event Video\* <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?</u> <u>v=utmDdtEpokA</u>

#### Contact

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#### Media

4 Star event media

- Live Hearts live scoring all divisions
- Live broadcast optional at 4 Star events focus on TV News & Social Media
- Drones & Photos every competition day WWT posted, available to riders to post
- Journalism press release every competition day with global PR reach
- Social Media every competition day posted with global PR reach
- @paulvanballen on drone
- @reflexfilms (Matty Holder) on video and edits
- @scottybauer\_ on photos

2024 Event Videos https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=utmDdtEpokA

#### Event Cover photo by Nicolas Hess Photography

#### Environmental

Competitors shall at all times conduct themselves in an environmentally friendly way. Competitors are required to participate in beach clean ups or similar activities to promote positive environmental action. Competitors must NOT walk on nor place gear on any part of the dune environment. Acceptable rigging locations are the grass up the top or the sand at the beach. Broken gear must be retrieved from the ocean or beach (if safe and physically possible).

#### Advertising

Competitors will be required to wear advertising vests. According to PWA & IWT Rules, WWT competitors will be required to carry sail stickers and wear advertising vests. All other advertising on sails and boards will be according to PWA & IWT Advertising Rules.

Competitors must make maximum effort to ensure sails are clean and that stickers are properly fixed in place, regardless of sail material or the age of the sails. Sails should be fully cleaned at the start of the event and stickers applied to all sails that may be used at the event on the first day, not just as and when a sailor chooses to use them, as there may not be time to affix branding at that point. It shall be the competitor's own responsibility to make sure that branding is properly fixed and penalties may be imposed for anyone not carrying the correct branding for any reason whatsoever

#### Travel / Visa Requirements

All competitors must make sure that they are aware of any necessary visas or other specific travel arrangements.

# **Major Sponsors**

- The World Wave Tour (WWT)
- Shire of Augusta Margaret River
- Severne Windsurfing

# Australia Event Site: https://maps.app.goo.gl/hgN3RzDjUpwkNMnz6



# **Post-Event Wrap-Up**

- **Clean-Up:** Ensure the venue is returned to its original state.
- Post-Event Survey: Collect feedback from participants to understand what went well and what could be improved for future events.

# **Rescue Team**

• Water Patrol Australia