

ROUNDUP from BWA 2022

We are still feeling the effects of post covid with only 2 of our previous event hosts returning to the UK Wave Tour.

Rhosneigr Wave Classic (Round 1)

14-15th MAY

Forecast only provided enough wind and waves for 1 full day of competition. All Amateur fleets were cancelled but Pro fleet went ahead.

A full day of weather resulted in a single and double elimination and full set of results for the Pros.

Tiree Wave Classic (Round 2)

8th – 14th October

The longest running wavesailing competition in the world entered into its 38th year.

An entry of 65 sailors enjoyed single, double and triple eliminations over the 5 day event.

TV & media reports 'Potential Household Reach' of circa 545million worldwide in 2022 (this is the 'low' estimate)

Annual Beach-clean project in conjunction with Surfers Against Sewage took place once again with removal of approximately 3 tons of

Of note is the success of the FuturePros project which has now seen the following results of note:

1. Ruairaidh Somerville attaining the highest ever Scottish placing at a PWA event
2. Lucas Meldrum coming 2nd overall in this years results and actually beating the current Champion in 1 heat.
3. Jack Pettit finishing 12th overall but improving quickly
4. 5 new competitors from this year's futurepros camp heading for the Amateur fleet of 2023.

Summary

Despite there being only events in 2022, the core body of sailors is strong and we are seeing very encouraging developments from our FuturePros project.

The model of the BWA ensures that it continues to operate with minimal costs and overheads ensuring it remains risk averse and sustainable.

We are working towards ensuring we have 3 events running for the 2023 season.

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