

Surf News



Jordan

Widenstrom

5 Minute Interview

Jordan Widenstrom is one of the young talented surfers frequently seen surfing the banks at either Wanda or the Alley when not attending Uni. Here Jordan answers a few questions for our “5 Minutes with...” section.



Hi Jordan tells us a little about yourself

I am currently 19 years old. I have been surfing for around 10 years now around the breaks of Cronulla. I was introduced to surfing by my dad who also grew up in Cronulla surfing in the area since a young age. I love spending time in the water and try to do so as much as possible.

Where do you live?

I live in Burraneer Bay.

How long have you lived there?

I have lived in Burraneer Bay for my entire life, so that would be 19 years now.

How long have you been surfing?

I have been surfing for probably around ten years but I started surfing more regularly in the past few years.

How did you start surfing?

My dad was the person who introduced me to surfing. I used to go along to the beach with him as a kid and hang on the sand. After a while I found being in the water and learning to surf to be the better option.

What is your favorite surfing spot and why?

I would have to say my favorite surfing spot would be either Wanda or the Alley. You can generally get good waves all year round with people that you tend to know out. Sometimes the banks in these places are amazing. I also really like Kurnell Point when it breaks. The set up there is pretty much perfect in a North Swell and it is a real novelty place when it breaks.

Who are your sponsors?

My sponsors are Jackson Surfboards, Wing Wetsuits, Balin and Flojos footwear.

What boards do you ride?

I ride Jackson surfboards. Jim, Christina, Dave, Sam and Greeny down at Jackson look after me really well and they make a lot of really nice boards.

What is your favorite board and why?

I have had a couple of stand out boards. I would have to say my favourite board at the moment is one that I have just started riding. It is 6 foot and a little thicker and fuller through the middle than my others and I think that's why it is going well. The board is based off a previous board I was riding which was a great board in all conditions and this new board I hope will be just as good.

Who is your favorite surfer in Cronulla and who do you reckon is surfing the best around here at the moment?

There are so many surfers in Cronulla just ripping at the moment. I would say that my favourite surfer in Cronulla would be Dylan Hannah. He is just so innovative and every wave he takes off on you can pretty much bet on it he will land something big. Dylan Hayllar and Dane Durbin are also real standouts in my eyes. Every time I see them out they are doing something bigger and better,

Who is your favorite surfer in the world?

There are a few at the moment. Definitely Dane Reynolds, Mick Fanning, Joel Parkinson and I really like the way Jayke Sharp surfs.

What is so good about surfing?

It is a sport that anyone can really try at sometime in their life. It is a sport where you are able to have fun, socialize with others, challenge yourself and do something good for your body at the same time.

What do you do out of the water?

When at uni I generally work on assignments and study, other than that I hang with my friends and my dad.

Do you compete? Boardriders or other?

I currently compete in Cronulla Sharks Boardriders and Christian Surfers.

Favorite food?

My Mum's cooking.

Education?

I am currently attending the University of New South Wales where I am studying in the field of Town Planning.

If you were not a surfer what would you be?

I would probably be playing a lot of tennis or still playing soccer.

Best advice from a coach?

No matter what happens have fun.

Future will bring?

Hopefully lots of good waves, new friends, a bit of traveling and a lot of fun.

