



## NSW PADDLEBOARDERS

### 'Take up the Tingira Challenge'

Shark Island paddleboard club hosted the NSW annual 'Tingira Challenge' in bleak wet and windy conditions recently on Sydney Harbour.

Commencing the event with a 'Le Mens' starting line on the sandy shores of Tingira Park, Rose Bay, the 'A Grade' paddleboarders set off on a 15 km course towards Sydney Heads. Young Casey Hayes from Wollongong, showed his fitness and style with the saltwater splash of his paddle to over 100 fellow competitors and was the first to cross the finish line in just over one hour, for this epic sprint across the Sydney waterway.

The Tingira Challenge is one of the longest-running paddleboard events on Sydney Harbour, and a highlight of the season for the NSW paddleboard competitors.

Tingira Australia Association Secretary, Mark Lee, was on hand to present Casey Hayes the trophy, where he got his moment the ring the 'Tingira Bell' trophy for the first time.

