

**Allison Shreeve** becomes  
**2006 Formula Oceanic Champion**

taking out 1st in the lightweight division, and 4th overall in the men's fleet. What was meant to be a combined Formula Oceanic and Slalom Nationals event, turned out to be only the Formula Oceanics because of the light conditions, leaving the Slalom Nationals to be put on hold until next year!

The three day Oceanic event at South West Rocks was very successful with a turn out of 44 Formula racers. Light sea breezes between 8 and 15 knots graced the course area during the Australia day holiday period allowing 7 races to be completed. Barbeques and camping in the beautiful Trial Bay surrounds and fantastic summer conditions, helped to ensure a good time was had by all.

Allison having not been on a Formula board since the World championships in Melbourne last December started the first race a little rusty with a bad start but catching up to 11th by the end with some hard pumping. Tuning her 9.8 RS6 a little more made life a lot easier by race two where she finished 2nd in the final race of the day behind Jesper Vesterstrom, and beating her other Aussie rivals in the light winds.

On the second day more wind was expected and peaked around 12 pm after the first two races. With the low tide, the unavoidable carrying the gear for 300 m to the deep water was clearly starting to tire the competitors. Allison started the day with a 5th and a 6th in the 10-15knot breezes. The race committee decided to put the Formula races on hold in the hope that the wind would stay above 15knots for some slalom, but after three hours of waiting the wind meter only managed a top reading of 14.5knots. Inevitably the race committee had to make a decision regarding the Slalom and bit the bullet to send the competitors out on the Formula board for a further two races. Allison still favouring the light conditions pulled in two 4ths consistently behind the same top three Jesper Vesterstrom, Sam Parker and Sean O'Brien. After six races Allison placed 4th overall with Mike Nelson close on her heels only one point behind.

With Saturday being the last scheduled day of racing, things weren't looking good for slalom. A hazy cloud cover with the possibility of late sea breezes forced the race committee to wait it out just in case Slalom conditions built. At 3.00pm the final Formula race was on allowing a second drop on the score tally, and with the knowledge of this everyone pushed the line and had a general recall. Finally the race got away with only half of the fleet full planing off the line. Allison too was a few seconds late having to dodge some who were standing and blocking the line, but found a gap near the boat and started the catch up. By the end of the race Allison was 5th assuring her a top 4 finish overall and giving her the lightweight and Lady Oceanic titles. "Formula windsurfing is great and I love being able to race with the men when I'm in Australia. I appreciate the opportunity to try and match it with the men who are obviously very skilful and stronger than I. They push me to be better and competing with them helps me to work on my tactical skills. I'm really looking forward to competing in Europe very soon."

Allison has also just qualified for the Pre Olympics by winning the RS:X National Championships in Dobroyd one week ago and will be preparing for her Olympic trials coming up later this year by going to Europe for the Olympic Tour which starts in April in France. Also she will be going after the World Speed Record and taking on the Professional tour in Formula and Slalom Classes throughout the year. "This year because I'm juggling four different windsurfing classes and will also start the Olympic selections. I know it will be hard work but am looking forward to the challenge of a very hectic but exciting 2006 windsurfing calendar."



**Formula Windsurfing Oceanic Championship 2006**  
**Trial Bay, Southwest Rocks, NSW, Australia**  
**26-28 Jan, 2006**

Name	Sail No	Division	Weight	Race 1	Race 2	Race 3	Race 4	Race 5	Race 6	Race 7	Drop 1	Drop 2	Total
1 Jesper Vesterstrom	DEN 111	O	H	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	1.00	3.50
2 Sam Parker	AUS 3	O	H	2	3	3	3	2	3	2	3.00	3.00	12.00
3 Sean Obrien	AUS 120	O	H	8	5	2	2	3	2	5	8.00	5.00	14.00
4 Allison Shreeve	AUS 911	F	L	13	2	5	6	4	4	4	13.00	6.00	19.00
5 Michael Nelson	AUS 12	O	H	3	6	4	4	5	9	7	9.00	7.00	22.00
6 Sam Fawkes	AUS 21	Y	L	4	4	7	7	10	8	3	10.00	8.00	25.00
7 Brett Morris	AUS 080	M	H	5	12	44	10	7	6	11	44.00	12.00	39.00
8 Tibor Ferenczy	AUS 1	GM	L	12	8	8	9	9	10	6	12.00	10.00	40.00
9 Byron Mcilveen	BM1	O	H	6	10	9	12	11	16	8	16.00	12.00	44.00
10 Rick Murray	AUS 4	GM	H	7	14	18	8	6	11	18	18.00	18.00	46.00
11 Remi Dunoyer	FRA 773	O	H	10	7	13	13	20	7	13	20.00	13.00	50.00
12 Ray Smith	NZL 0	M	H	22	16	10	14	44	5	10	44.00	22.00	55.00
13 Chris Ting	AUS 016	M	H	14	13	16	5	13	12	15	16.00	15.00	57.00
14 Jesper Orth	AUS 10	O	H	11	44	6	15	8	20	45	44.00	45.00	60.00
15 Steve Floyd	AUS 222	O	L	17	9	15	19	14	15	9	19.00	17.00	62.00
16 Bruce Healey	AUS 9	GM	H	9	19	14	24	15	14	14	24.00	19.00	66.00
17 Glen Morrell	AUS 83	M	H	20	22	12	11	16	44	16	44.00	22.00	75.00
18 Steve Shimeld	AUS 126	M	H	21	44	44	16	12	13	17	44.00	44.00	79.00
19 Matt Stevens	AUS 762	M	H	18	15	20	44	21	18	45	44.00	45.00	92.00
20 Mitchell Stephenson	AUS 195	Y	L	19	18	21	22	23	44	12	44.00	23.00	92.00
21 Lindsay Gadsby	AUS 41	GM	H	25	11	22	26	18	23	23	26.00	25.00	97.00
22 Nathan Hoenberg	AUS 015	O	H	26	44	19	21	17	19	22	44.00	26.00	98.00
23 Tim Healey	101	O	H	16	17	11	20	44	44	45	44.00	45.00	108.00
24 Nathan Bowness	AUS 70	O	H	15	20	17	17	44	44	45	44.00	45.00	113.00
25 Gary Pyke	AUS 144	M	H	24	44	25	23	19	24	24	44.00	25.00	114.00
26 Tim Pitcher	AUS 075	O	H	28	24	23	29	25	25	19	29.00	28.00	116.00
27 John Bear	N35	GM	H	30	23	44	28	27	26	20	44.00	30.00	124.00
28 David Middleton	AUS 248	M	H	31	44	24	27	24	21	45	44.00	45.00	127.00
29 Wayne Bowness	AUS 98	GM	H	44	44	26	25	22	17	45	44.00	45.00	134.00
30 Jamie Metcher	AUS 128	M	L	27	44	27	30	26	27	45	44.00	45.00	137.00
31 Chris Christensen	11	M	H	23	21	44	44	44	22	45	44.00	45.00	154.00
32 Tim Beazley	T	Y	L	29	44	28	44	44	44	45	44.00	45.00	189.00
33 Isaac Devries	B16	O	H	44	44	44	18	44	44	45	44.00	45.00	194.00
34 Murray Towndrow	AUS 720	O	H	44	44	44	44	44	44	21	44.00	44.00	197.00
35 Jorne Krohnke	1	GM	H	44	44	44	44	44	44	45	44.00	45.00	220.00
36 David Lester	8	GM	H	44	44	44	44	44	44	45	44.00	45.00	220.00
37 Chris Thompson	27	O	H	44	44	44	44	44	44	45	44.00	45.00	220.00
38 Simon Davies	306	M	H	44	44	44	44	44	44	45	44.00	45.00	220.00
39 Michel Vanderpligt	AUS 050	O	H	44	44	44	44	44	44	45	44.00	45.00	220.00
40 Lewis Pullen	AUS 80	M	H	44	44	44	44	44	44	45	44.00	45.00	220.00
41 Scott Farley	F3	M	H	44	44	44	44	44	44	45	44.00	45.00	220.00
42 Ray Wilson	W	GM	L	44	44	44	44	44	44	45	44.00	45.00	220.00
43 Phil Oswald	X	GM	H	44	44	44	44	44	44	45	44.00	45.00	220.00