

## Between the Flags

### **BETWEEN THE FLAGS - 9 SEPTEMBER 2013**

It's only 2 weeks to the start of the Yamba Surf Life Saving club 2013/14 season so the 1st proficiency test for intending patrol members will be held at Main Beach next Sunday September 15 from 8.30am.

Members are reminded that they must be financial for the 2013/14 season to participate in the proficiency test.

Volunteer patrols start on Saturday September 21 at 9am with the weekly Carl Schaeffer memorial handicap surf swim resuming the next day Sunday September 22 at 11am.

Yamba competitors Hugh Dougherty and Alyce Bennett will be among the top board paddlers racing in the 4th annual Jacob Lollback memorial board race day at Main Beach Yamba on Saturday September 28.

The event will again attract a strong representation from Gold Coast and Sunshine Coast surf clubs who have been keen supporters of this day in previous years.

Yamba Surf Life Saving Club members have also been putting in long hours of board training in preparation for the event.

The club is grateful for the support of event sponsors who provide invaluable funds and prizes.

A good turnout of members will be needed to help with various jobs on the day – if you are able to assist, please contact event co-ordinator Jim Dougherty on 0428 664 701

The first half of the 2013/14 season will also feature the Yamba Ocean Swims starting from Convent and Main Beaches on Sunday December 29.

Club education director Kim Morgans has a bronze medallion course underway with assessment on October 27 and a senior first aid course on either November 2 or 30.

IRB driver and crew training continues on Sunday mornings under IRB captain James Ryan with the assessment to be held in late September when the new patrol season commences.

Training candidates need to contact the club office (6646 2462 during open hours – see below) to enrol.

Kim Morgans has also made a call for more training officers, particularly from the younger age groups, to help with the rapidly growing training program at the club.

Yamba club members will provide water safety with IRB's, the jet ski and boards for the Yamba Bay and Whiting Beach swims at the 1st annual Yamba Triathlon on Friday to Sunday October 11-13.

A team of 12 Yamba club surf boat rowers and supporters will be involved in a 2 day/53km race as part of the 100th anniversary of the Gallipoli landing in Turkey in 2015.

The Yamba team of Mick Smith, Tim George, Ray Wiblen, Josh Ryan, Andrew Bell, Alan Schofield, Zac Robison, Caleb Ellem, Jo King, Leah Essex, Hannah Smith and Angela Eke will be in Turkey for 8 nights and 9 days.

A Turkey trip fundraising program is underway.

Nippers co-ordinator Kerry Lee (m: 0413 536 944, e: [yambanippers@gmail.com](mailto:yambanippers@gmail.com) ) is looking for input, ideas and support from current and new parents in the lead up to the 2013/14 season which starts on Sunday October 6 9am-11am.

All club information, including newsletters, membership details, training courses and coming events, is available on the website [www.yambaslsc.com.au](http://www.yambaslsc.com.au).

As well the club office is open on Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 9am to 12 noon.

The Yamba SLSC weekly raffles at the Yamba Golf Club will have 33 meat trays this Saturday September 7 with John Barnier, Sachie Ardrey and Keith Bradley selling tickets from 5.30pm with the draw from 6.30pm

**Mike Harvey**