

Between the Flags

BETWEEN THE FLAGS - 29 APRIL 2013

Kealy Day is the overall winner of the Yamba Surf Life Saving Club Carl Schaeffer memorial handicap surf swim for season 2012/13.

The final swim on Sunday drew 19 starters and a win for Sophie Watson (off 70 seconds – she'll be off 100 seconds at the start of next season) from Dan Connors (140 secs) and Kealy Day (140 secs – he started the season of 100 secs and will be off 150 secs next season).

The third place gave Kealy a total of 81 points and enough to edge out Sean Leonard (74pts) who competed on Sunday and Ben Plunkett (71pts) who was a non-starter for the final swim.

Handicapper Bellinda Sanders is planning a casual autumn/winter swim series on Sunday with registrations at the front steps of the clubhouse from 11am.

The Carl Schaeffer swim will resume on Sunday September 22 on the 2nd day of patrols in the 2013/14 season.

Joe Dougherty is the open male champion, Caitlin O'Mahony open female champion and Jake Pitkin under 17 male champion following the club championships held in fine weather and a flat surf on Anzac Day.

Surf race results were: open – Joe Dougherty 1, Marty Dougherty 2, Joe Fahey 3; under 17 - Jake Pitkin 1, Noah Hodgson 2, Sean Leonard 3; under 15 - Jorden Elabbasi 1, Shannon Colwell 2, Patrick O'Mahony, 3; over 30 - Joe Dougherty; over 40 - Peter Rheinberger; over 50 - Peter Rheinberger, over 60 - Don Marsh; female - Caitlin O'Mahony 1, Grace Pitkin 2, Maddy O'Mahony 3.

Board race results were: open - Marty Dougherty 1, Joe Dougherty 2, Harry Fahey 3; under 17 - Kealy Day 1, Jake Pitkin 2, Harry Fahey 3; under 15 - Angus O'Mahony1, Jorden Elabbasi 2, Shannon Cowell 3; female - Caitlin O'Mahony 1, Maddy O'Mahony 2.

Ski race results were: open - Don Marsh 1, Joe Dougherty 2, Harry Fahey 3; under 17 - Kealy Day 1, Harry Fahey 2, Jake Pitkin 3; female - Maddy O'Mahony.

Ironman results were: open - Joe Dougherty 1, Marty Dougherty 2, Joe Fahey 3; under 17 - Jake Pitkin 1, Harry Fahey 2, Sean Leonard 2; ironwoman - Caitlin O'Mahony 1, Maddy O'Mahony 2.

Beach flag results were: open - Sean Leonard 1, Harry Fahey 2, Jake Pitkin 3; female - Caitlin O'Mahony1, Maddy O'Mahony 2, Sashelle Aitken 3.

The open beach sprint results were Harry Fahey 1; Tom Dougherty 2, Sean Leonard 3; female sprint - Jo King 1, Caitlin O'Mahony 2, Sashelle Aitken 3; snake race - Tom Dougherty 1, Will Brighton 2, Kealy Day 3.

Highlights for the 12/13 season included the annual ocean swim and Jacob Lollback memorial board day (to be held on Saturday September 28, the exciting nippers program, the flood recovery on Main Beach thanks for Clarence Valley Council and club working bees, improving competition results and most importantly another fatality free season during patrol hours.

Yamba SLSC nippers were involved in the Anzac Day march at Yamba on Thursday while the club will staff the water station for the 10km runners in the Mothers Day for breast cancer run, hosted by the Waves Gym, on Sunday May 12.

The nippers AGM is at the club house on Tuesday May 14 from 6.30pm with all positions declared vacant and nominations accepted via email to Kim McFarlane (tkmac1996@bigpond.com, 0400 369 796) or on the night.

Positions to be filled are nipper coordinator, carnival coordinator, secretary, recording officer, BBQ coordinator, uniform officer, gear steward, publicity officer, water safety coordinator and age managers for the under 6 to under 14.

The senior club championships will be held on Anzac this Thursday April 25 from 11.30am after the ceremonies have been completed

A team of 20 Yamba SLSC members, led by Bill Onslow, with 4 rubber duckies (including one from Evans Head), 5 rescue boards and a surf boat provided the water safety service for competitors in 600 and 2000 metre swims at Copeton Dam on Saturday.

The Yamba SLSC/Lions annual charity golf day will be held on Sunday July 14 with a 9 hole, 4 person ambrose with a shotgun start at Yamba Golf Club.

Organising committee member Ian Goodman ph: 0408 731 362 is looking for sponsors to provide promotional products to be used as prizes and business houses, families or individuals to nominate teams of 4 or single entries.

The club is finalizing dates for the senior presentation day and annual general meeting.

Education co-ordinator Kym Morgans has IRB (rubber ducky) driver and crewman courses underway. with award assessments in May.

Yamba SLSC nippers thank their sponsors for their support and encouragement during the 2012/13 season

The 2012/13 nipper sponsors are All Terrain Access Scaffold & Edge Protection, Fairways Restaurant @ Yamba Golf & Country Club, Jim's Mowing, Lower Clarence Funerals, Tony McFarlane Builder, Yamba Florist, Yamba Physiotherapy, Signcraft, Maclean Variety Meats, Melay Independent Tiles and Waves Fitness & Squash.

Yamba SLSC senior club sponsors for the 2012/13 season are Gold – Elders Real Estate Yamba, Clarence Valley Council, Yamba Golf & Country Club; Silver - .Westlawn Finance, Yamba Shores Tavern, Freemason/MasoniCare, North Coast Heavy Towing, Nortec; Bronze – All Terrain Access, Clarence Valley Review, Maclean Variety Meats, Belinda's Store, The Daily Examiner, Yamba Lions, Yamba Rotary, Daily Examiner, Pacific Hotel, Radio 2GF and Sanctuary Cove Golf.

All club information, including monthly newsletters and weekly news columns, is available on the website www.yambaslsc.com.au

The weekly Yamba SLSC raffles at the Golf Club with 33 terrific meat trays this Saturday May 4 have Greg Wylie, James Ryan, Mark Gillespie and Tony McFarlane selling tickets from 5.30pm with the draw from 6.30pm.

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