

Between the Flags

BETWEEN THE FLAGS - 10 FEBRUARY 2014

A 12 man Yamba Surf Life Saving Club team performed well at the branch titles at Cudgen on Sunday with all team members tasting success and collecting a branch beach towel for their wins.

Winners were open board rescue – Joe and Martin Dougherty, open 2km run – Will Brighton, open beach sprint & flags – Mitch Lollback, open beach relay team, under 19 beach sprint & beach flags – Harry Fahey, u19 surf race & ski Race – Kealy Day, u19 surf teams & beach relay, over 35 surf race – Joe Fahey, over 45 board race – Peter Rheinberger

There was a big field of 31 starters and a win for Brent Sahlqvist (off 80 seconds) from Ben Plunkett (130 secs) and Charlie Bindon (90) with his father Jim Bindon (110 secs) in the YSLSC Carl Schaeffer memorial handicap surf race on Sunday.

Handicapper Belinda Sanders noted some great swims particularly from the younger brigade of Alanna Colwell, Kalani Ives, Gus & Sienna Gilbert.

The next surf race will be on this Sunday February 16 with registrations at the clubhouse steps from 11am for an 11.30pm start.

Nipper activities were held at Main Beach on Sunday with Tamia Griffin from the under 10's awarded nipper of the week for her enthusiasm and participation.

There will be no nippers this Sunday with a team of 25 Yamba SLSC nippers with parents, age managers and officials at the Far North Coast branch titles at Cudgen this weekend February 15 and 16.

Robbie and Amy Imeson have Main Beach training sessions on Wednesdays from 4.30pm.

Education director Kym Morgans (kmorgans5@bigpond.com) has a bronze medallion/surf rescue certificate (SRC) course starting at the surf club this Sunday February 16 at 9am.

Participants need to have their pre-requisite swim times – bronze 400 metres in 9 minutes and SRC 200 metres in 5 minutes – completed prior to Sunday February 16.

Other coming events are the NSW nipper titles at Umina Saturday and Sunday March 1-2, NSW open titles at Umina Friday-Sunday March 7-9, the NSW masters titles at Umina Saturday and Sunday March 15-16 and the Australian titles in Perth on Monday March 31 to Sunday April 6.

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.

All club information, including newsletters, membership details, training courses and coming events, is available on the website yambaslsc.com.au.

As well the club office is open on Monday 9am-12 noon, Tuesday 2.30pm- 5.30pm and Friday 10am - 2pm and there is a post box on the outside if the office is unattended.

The 2013/14 Yamba nipper sponsors are All Terrain Access Scaffold & Edge Protection, Fairway Restaurant @ Yamba Golf & Country Club, Jim's Mowing, Lower Clarence Funerals, Tony McFarlane Builder, Yamba Florist, Yamba Physiotherapy, Signcraft, Maclean Variety Meats, Back Homes Bakery, Yamba Flooring Xtra and Waves Fitness & Squash.

Yamba SLSC senior club sponsors for the 2013/14 season are Gold – Elders Real Estate Yamba, Clarence Valley Council, Yamba Golf & Country Club; Silver - Westlawn Finance, Yamba Shores Tavern, Yulgilbar, Nortec; Bronze – All Terrain Access, Clarence Valley Review, Maclean Variety Meats, Belinda's Store, The Daily Examiner, Yamba Lions, Yamba Rotary, Pacific Hotel, Radio 2GF and Sanctuary Cove Golf.

The Yamba SLSC weekly raffles at the Yamba Golf Club will have 33 meat trays this Saturday February 15 with Greg & Nicole Don, Kerry & Trish Pidcock selling tickets from 5.30pm with the draw from 6.30pm

Main Beach patrols this weekend are:

Saturday February 15 9am-1pm Patrol 2: Mitch Imeson(c), Luke Patricks (vc), Katie Becker, Jacqui Wright, Cathy Felmingham, Deborah Morfett, Pierre de Billot, Molly Sanders, Ellie Felmingham, Xahlia Pashen

Sunday February 16 9am-12.30pm Patrol 3: Marty Dougherty, Matthew Saunders, Brett Kresevic, Daniel Connors, Dylan Brown, Rory Brown, Rebecca Clout, Cody Cameron, Kris Ryan-Clout, Max Norman

Sunday February 16 12.30pm-4pm Patrol 4: Maddy O'Mahony (c), Ray O'Brien (vc), Mike Smith, Jo King, Leah Essex, Colleen Hage, Emmalee Jesser, Helen Clare

Mike Harvey