

Between the Flags

BETWEEN THE FLAGS - 3 MARCH 2014

7 Yamba Nippers were amongst the 3500 plus competitors taking part in the NSW Age Championships held in pouring rain at Umina over the weekend. A big congratulation to Kalani Ives who came in equal first in the under 9 female board race final. This is the first gold medal for Yamba Nippers at State since Noah Outteridge won the under 13 surf race in 2003. Kalani also came 5th in the under 9 female surf race. Malik and Yasmin Elabbasi made the state final of their under 9 surf races and big brother Jorden made the finals for the under 12 ironman and surf race events.

It was a fantastic experience to participate at State level, and all 7 Yamba nippers did themselves and Yamba Surf Club proud. Well done kids.

Nippers will be held at Main Beach this Sunday 9-11am.

The Carl Schaffer Handicap Swim is held every Sunday morning with registrations from 11am, and the race starting at 11:30am. 27 competitors took the starting line on Sunday 2nd March in an extremely trying surf race. Conditions were tough and a special mention to Eleanor Varcoe, Helmut Klein and Alan Schofield.

First place from 220 seconds went to Joe Dougherty. His second win for the season and also making him a clear leader of the point score, second place to Luke Patricks off 130 seconds. Luke's handicap will head up to 150 seconds next week, and third place was to Sean Leonard, who was leading the race until he was out body surfed by the older gentlemen. Sean swam from 190 seconds and will hit the 200 mark next week. Well done to Sean, his improvement over the last twelve months is sensational. And he is still pursuing Joe in the point score tally.

A small team of Yamba SLSC Masters will compete at the Queensland Masters Titles at North Kirra on 8-9th March.

The senior club championships will be held Sunday 23rd March at Main Beach. Competition will be fierce as club mates compete against each other.

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

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, SeaFire Restaurant @ Yamba Golf & Country Club, Sassafras Pasta and Pizza Restaurant, Tony McFarlane Builder, Yamba Physiotherapy, Signcraft, Maclean Variety Meats, Back Homes Bakery, Yamba Flooring Xtra.

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; Bronze – All Terrain Access, Clarence Valley Review, Maclean Variety Meats, Belinda's Store, The Daily Examiner, Yamba Lions, Yamba Rotary, Pacific Hotel, Radio 2GF.

The Yamba SLSC weekly raffles at the Yamba Golf Club will have 33 meat trays this Saturday with Heather and Brian Badgery, Roger McLean and Scott Greensill selling tickets from 5.30pm with the draw from 6.30pm

Main Beach patrols this weekend are:

Saturday 8th March 9am-1pm Patrol 1: James Ryan (c), Sean Leonard, Nick Plummer, Kerry Lee, Reilly Pickering, Noah Hodgson, Marty Rose, Thomas Dougherty, Ethan Durrington, Jack Leonard.

Sunday 9th March 9am-12.30pm 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 9th March 12.30pm-4pm Patrol 3: Marty Dougherty, Matthew Saunders, Brett Kresevic, Daniel Connors, Dylan Brown, Rory Brown, Rebecca Clout, Cody Cameron, Kris Ryan-Clout, Max Norman

Mike Harvey