

**Yamba SLSC publicity  
column w/c 8/10/12**

There was a big field of 34 competitors and a shorter course, due to the sudden wind shift to the south and difficult conditions, which favored the front markers in the Yamba Surf Life Saving Club Carl Schaeffer memorial handicap surf swim at Main Beach on Sunday.

The winner was a fit and lean Ian Goodman off go (handicapper Belinda Sanders is likely to have him off 20 seconds next start) from Clarence Valley Council general manager Scott Greensill (40 seconds) and Dan "Diesel" Fahey (40 secs).

The swim will be on again next Sunday October 14 with registration at the clubhouse steps from 11am

A bronze medallion group, trained by Maddy O'Mahony, of Jesse-Clare Beresford, William Brighton, Rebecca Clout, Teagan McFarlane, Caitlin O'Mahony, Brittany Smith and Caleb Watkins, all passed their assessments on Sunday.

Maddy, who is also a 12/13 season patrol captain, and her team of 6 new bronze medallion holders all came through the nipper ranks which is tribute to their skill development as juniors and a positive sign for the future of the club.

There was a well attended and happy start to the nipper season with proficiency testing for under 8's to under 14's, games such as tug-of-war, a 1<sup>st</sup> day start for the under 6's and a swarm of black & gold and green caps on Main Beach on Sunday

Nippers are on again from 9am at Main Beach next Sunday October 14 with more proficiencies and activities.

Andrew Morris (0432 809 784) and Rob Imeson (0428 462 526) have board and ocean swim sessions through the week for under 8 and older age groups

Yamba nippers Josh Morris, Harrison Earle, Jordan Elabassi and Sophie Watson, competed in the Wave Warrior Challenge at Greenmount Beach, Coolangatta on the weekend

They all made finals with Josh in the board and flags, Harrison board and sprint, Jordan swim, ironman and board and Sophie in the ironwoman.

The four nippers will also be competing in the Cudgen Classis later in October.

Club and nipper memberships can be organized at [www.lifesavingonline.com.au](http://www.lifesavingonline.com.au), the club office on Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 9am-12 or at Elders Real Estate in Coldstream St, Yamba during working hours.

All club information, including membership forms, is available on the web site [www.yambaslsc.com.au](http://www.yambaslsc.com.au)

The Yamba nippers are sponsored for the 2012/13 season by All Terrain Access Scaffold & Edge Protection, Fairways Restaurant – Yamba Golf & Country Club, Jim's Mowing, LJ Hooker Yamba, Lower Clarence Funerals, Maclean Motors, Tony McFarlane Builder, Yamba Florist, Yamba Physiotherapy, Signcraft, Maclean Variety Meats and Melay Independent Floors.

The Yamba SLSC main club sponsors for the 2012/13 season are Gold – Elders Real Estate Yamba, Clarence Valley Council; Silver - .Westlawn Finance, Yamba Shores Tavern, MasoniCare, North Coast Heavy Towing; Bronze – All Terrain Access, Clarence Valley Review, Maclean Variety Meats, Belinda's Store, Nortec, The Daily Examiner, Yamba Lions, Yamba Rotary and Coastal Views.

Yamba SLSC education director/chief training officer Kim Morgans has a bronze medallion course from October 2, an ARTC course on November 17, a likely spinal management course before Xmas.

The club will be well represented at the Coolangatta Gold event with Joe Dougherty and Paul Cromack in the individual 30-39 years group.

As well "Yamba Oldies" Abe Dougherty, Regan Allard, Peter Rheinberger and Rob Imeson will be in the long course 42km teams event and "Yamba Boiz" Kealy Day, Jake Pitkin, James Brodin and Noah Hodgson in the under 19 short course event.

There will be a 2<sup>nd</sup> and final proficiency test on Sunday November 4 and the annual ocean swims on Sunday December 30.

The weekly Yamba Golf Club raffles with 33 terrific meat trays from Yamba Fair Butchery are on this Saturday October 13 with Greg Don & Nicole Don, Kerry & Trish Pidcock selling tickets from 5.30pm with the draw from 6.30pm.

This weekend patrols are:

Saturday October 13 9am-1pm: Patrol 4: Ray O'Brien (c), Zac Fraser, Mike Smith, Jo King, Leah Essex, Karen Baird, Colleen Hage, Richelle Forbes.

Sunday October 14 9am-12.30pm: Patrol 5: Andrew Cumberland (c), Greg Levey (vc), Chris Bonner, Wayne Ringland, Matthew Saunders, Brendan Watkins, Stephen Morfett.

Sunday October 14 12.30pm-4pm: Patrol 6: Mark Symons (c), Chris Outteridge (vc), Roger Varcoe, Shauni Forrest, Ashlee Forrest, Tony McFarlane, Teagan McFarlane, Kayla Forrest.

Sunday October 7 12.30pm-4pm: Patrol 3: Phil Kelly (c), Nicholas Tarrant (vc), Alex Robison, Zac Robison, Daniel Connors, Kris Ryan Clout, Mitchell Bain, Dylan Brown, Rory Brown, Rebecca Clout.

**Mike Harvey**