



YAMBA SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB INC
FOUNDED 1908

One-Hundred & Sixth Annual Report

FOR SEASON 2013-2014



VIGILANCE AND SERVICE

Yamba Surf Life Saving Club Inc

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Yamba Surf Life Saving Club is a not-for-profit charitable organisation whose main purpose is to;

- Provide a safe aquatic environment at Main Beach Yamba
- Educate members on surf rescue and resuscitation techniques
- Educate the community on water safety
- Provide programs for members that encourage education and skills enhancement

Monies raised by the club are primarily for charitable purposes such as lifesaving activities and community education and also include the intangible benefits derived from members joining a Surf Life Saving Club.

NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the 106th Annual General Meeting of Yamba Surf Life Saving Club Inc will be held at the Clubhouse, Main Beach Yamba on Sunday, July 27th, 2014 commencing at 2.00pm.

(Only financial Active, Reserve Active, Long Service, Award, Life Members and Office Bearers are eligible to vote.)

AGENDA

- Opening of the meeting by the Chairperson
- Apologies
- Adoption of Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting
- Presentation of Annual Report
- Presentation of Income and Expenditure Statement and Balance Sheet
- Election of Office Bearers for season 2014-15
- Affiliation with Far North Coast Branch SLSA
- General Business as may be transacted according to the rules
 - Scheduling of General Meetings
- Presentation of SLSA Awards

Bobbie Winger
Director of Administration



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Yamba Surf Lifesaving Club

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Ocean Swims Day 2013

(Photo courtesy of Pacific Hotel)

JIM DOUGHERTY
Order of Australia Medal



Yamba SLSC Life Member, Jim Dougherty, was awarded the Order of Australia Medal in the Australia Day Honours Awards announced in January this year. He was presented with his award at a ceremony at Government House in Sydney in May. Jim's award, presented by the NSW Governor, Marie Bashir, was in recognition of 'Services to Surf Life Saving and to the Community'.

He joined Yamba Surf Club as a nipper in 1966 – the first year nippers was introduced into the club. From there he went on to gain his Bronze Medallion in the 1968-69 season becoming an active patrolling member of the club for many years to follow.

Jim has been active in competition in the club from those early days but has also taken his turn at most administrative roles in the club including President, Secretary, Club Captain, Chief Training Officer, Gear Steward, Coach and Branch Delegate. He is currently Director of Surf Sports and involved as organiser of Ocean Swims Day and the Jacob Lollback Memorial Board Race Day. He was made a Life Member of Yamba Surf Club in 1987.

Jim has also been actively involved in Far North Coast Branch activities for many years holding positions such as District Supervisor, Branch Coach, Branch Team Manager and Carnival Referee. He was awarded Life Membership of the Branch in 2001.

It is in the coaching, educating and mentoring areas that Jim likes to spend time these days – encouraging younger members in the club to improve their surf and competition skills and to become active lifesavers on the beach, while at the same time still competing in Masters events himself.

Congratulations Jim on an Award well deserved.

Yamba Surf Life Saving Club Inc.

Affiliated with the Far North Coast Branch of Surf Life Saving NSW

Patron: W.M.(Bill) Dougherty OAM

Vice Patrons:

Janelle Saffin, Chris Gulaptis, Richie Williamson, Trevor Phillips OAM,
Cliff Lowien, Mike Dougherty, Ray Burridge.

OFFICE BEARERS FOR SEASON 2013-14

Board of Directors

Chairman	Alan Schofield	Deputy Chairman	Andrew Morris
Administration	Bobbie Winger	Finance	Mike Harvey (Res Feb)
Life Saving	Joe Dougherty		Robert Darby(app Mar)
Surf Sports	Jim Dougherty OAM	Education	Kim Morgans
Junior Activities	Kerry Lee	Clubhouse	Brian Badgery
Assistant Secretary:		Youth Development Officer:	
	Nicole Don		Lee Johns
Registrar:		Patrol Gear Steward:	
	Cathy Dougherty		Rob McDermid (Res Nov)
Club Vice Captain:		Competition Gear Steward:	
	James Ryan		Jim Dougherty
Under 19 Captain:		Radio Officer:	
	Maddy O'Mahony		Steve Pettet
Boat Captain:		W,H &S Officer:	
	Rodney McSkimming		Lee Johns
Boat Vice Captain:		First Aid Officer:	
	Wayne Ringland		Kevin Hassey
IRB Captain:		Assistant First Aid Officer:	
	James Ryan		Brian Jones
IRB Vice Captain:		Publicity Officer:	
	Roger Varcoe		Mike Harvey(Res. Feb)/Heather Badgery/Kerry Lee

House Committee:

Greg Zietsch, Cathy Dougherty, Andrew Cumberland, Tony McFarlane, Alan Lawrence

Social Committee:

Kerry Lee, Ian Goodman (Res. Jan), Jo Lee, Rob Foster

Sponsorship Committee:

Roley Green, Alan Schofield, Brian Badgery, Helen Morris, Leah Essex, Kerry Lee

Board Appointments:

Branch Delegates: Alan Schofield, Jim Dougherty

Public Officer: Mike Harvey (Res Feb), Bobbie Winger (app Feb)

Medical Officers: Drs Hope, McCarthy and Jones

Trauma Officers: Linda Horton, Kaylene Lollback, Bill Onslow

Hon. Solicitor: Joe Fahey

Auditor: Kennedy Saunders

Licensee: Chris Bonner

Bar Supervisor: Bill Onslow

Administration Officers: Nicole Don/Kerry Lee (Employees)

Caretaker: Mark Gillespie

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

I am pleased to present this report to all members of Yamba SLSC for the 2013/2014 season. Thank you to all patrolling members for your vigilance and service throughout the season. We are again able to report that 'no lives were lost during patrol hours'.

Congratulations to club Life Member, Jim Dougherty on receiving the Order of Australia Medal in the Australia Day Honours List in January, for services to Surf Life Saving and to the Community. Jim joined Yamba as a Nipper in the 1966/67 season and since that time has volunteered his time in all areas of the club and continues to assist, train, assess, coach and mentor members. Thank you Jim, an award well deserved.



Thank you to all Board members and Club Officials for your commitment and time supporting the management and administration of all club activities. The new Board structure is working well. We will however need to review the timing of the 2 general meetings and try to encourage more members to attend.

The club is currently in a sound financial position thanks to all the fundraising efforts from members as well as the wonderful support of our sponsors. The club is well maintained and equipped and provides a great facility for members to use. We will have some significant maintenance expenditure however in the coming year, with repainting the surf club and with the planned storage shed facility at Turners Beach.

In the second year of our new Board structure we welcomed Bobbie Winger as new Secretary, Kerry Lee as new Junior Activities Coordinator and Bob Darby as new Treasurer. Bob joined the Board later in the season following the retirement of Mike Harvey. Thank you to Mike for many years of service and support to the club. Our profile in the media has been greatly enhanced thanks to Mike's work as Publicity Officer. Thank you to Kerry Lee and Heather Badgery for continuing this good work with the regular news and radio reports.

The club currently has a 40 year lease of the clubhouse land at Main Beach with the Crown Lands Department which expires in November this year. New standard leases for all surf clubs are currently under negotiation between SLSNSW and the State Government. Once these negotiations are completed we will inform members of details of our new lease.

The club has been negotiating with Clarence Valley Council and Crown Lands Department for some years for access to land at the rear of Turners beach to build a storage facility for club equipment, including surfboats, IRBs, trailers, jet ski etc. Recent discussions indicate that a site may be identified soon. Such a facility at Turners Beach will provide much needed storage, with greater access to the beach for both rescue and training needs for members.

The 4th Annual Jacob Lollback Memorial Board Race Day was held in September 2013, with 205 competitors entered. All competitors were eligible to win one of four new racing boards donated by sponsors Kracka, Dolphin, Xcel and Infront.

The Yamba Ocean Swims were held in December 2013, with 359 swimmers entered, a slight increase on the previous year.

Thank you to Jim and Cathy Dougherty, and their team, for their organisation and conduct of both these major events which are significant fund raisers for the club.

Awards training has continued again this season under the leadership of Training Coordinator Kim Morgans. Congratulations to all the new award members and the training team. Thank you to Branch officials Geoff Horsey and Larry Platt and the other assessors for attending and assessing our candidates.

Four Yamba members attended the Under 17 Development Camp held in Ballina in April 2014. Thank you to Paul Smith, Branch Director of Member Services, for again coordinating a great program for the participants.

This season saw much better beach and weather conditions for senior carnivals however there was some disruption to some junior carnivals. Twelve Yamba members competed at the senior Branch championships held at Cudgen, winning a number of events.

Our Masters competitors performed well at the major championships with Peter Rheinberger winning 2 gold medals at the Australian Titles in WA. Peter, along with Jim Dougherty and Jim Schafer, also won silver and bronze medals at the NSW State Titles at Umina.

Congratulations to nipper member Kalani Ives, winner of a State gold medal in the Under 9 female board race. This is the first junior gold medal won by a Yamba competitor since Noah Outerridge won the U/13 surf race in 2003.

Well done to all our competitors for their efforts at all carnivals.

Yamba members again provided the water safety for the Copeton Dam swims in April 2014. The swims are proving popular and are now established as an annual swim event.

Congratulations to Cathy Dougherty on receiving the Yamba SLSC Club Person of the Year Award for this season and to Pat Ridgway on being awarded the Col Goddard Memorial Trophy for Lifesaver of the Year. Both awards are well deserved.

Special thanks to all our Sponsors. Your continued support is greatly appreciated. Thank you to Roley Green for recently taking on the role of Sponsorship coordinator for the club.

Our local Members of Parliament, Kevin Hogan and Chris Gulaptis, continue to take an interest in our club and we are grateful for their interest and support.

Thank you to SLSA, SLSNSW and to Wilson Cregan and the Far North Coast Branch Executive for your advice and support during the season.

Alan Schofield

Chairman of the Board

ADMINISTRATION REPORT

The 2013-2014 season has been an interesting one for me as it is my first year as Secretary at Yamba SLSC. The season went by very quickly, and although I spent 10 years previously as Secretary at Mona Vale SLSC in Sydney, there was a steep learning curve about Yamba SLSC. Everyone has been friendly and helpful, and it has been a great way to meet many people in my new community.



Shepherding the compliance paperwork through the system for the two open water swims that Yamba SLSC was involved in this year was one of my first tasks. Yamba SLSC runs Ocean Swims Day in December and this is a major fund raiser for the club. Thank you to all the participants and everyone who helped out on the day. For the last two years Yamba SLSC has also provided water safety for freshwater swims on Anzac Day weekend at Copeton Dam near Inverell. Thank you to SLS Branch and State staff and to Roads and Maritime Services who processed reams of paperwork in the applications for all of the above mentioned swims.

Club House Director Brian Badgery initiated a project to replace leaking windows and doors on the ocean side of the club and to seal and slip-proof tiles in the toilet and shower areas. We applied for and received a \$5,500.00 grant under the Surf Club Facilities Development Program to fund this work. Thank you to former NSW Premier Barry O'Farrell and State Member for Clarence Chris Gulaptis who provided this funding.

The staff in our office, Nicole Don and Kerry Lee, are the people who do the grunt work for the club, and take a great load off the elected board. Thank-you to Nicole Don for taking minutes at Board meetings, running the day-to-day bookkeeping, and manning the office. Thank you to Kerry Lee, who as well as her role as Nipper Coordinator, worked part-time in the office, took over our newspaper column when Treasurer Mike Harvey resigned mid-season and set-up and catered for our Presentation Day.

Behind the scenes, work on a new website is progressing. A "draft" website has been prepared and I hope that over the winter season we can get a new, more comprehensive and responsive website up and running for the 2014-2015 season.

Although total membership this season is 532 (down 8% from last year's 578) overall active membership remained stable. Interestingly, female

membership was down 20% while male membership remained stable. JAC membership is down 13%. Most of the drop off here has occurred in the older age groups e.g. Under13s this season had 8 members compared with 17 the previous year in the Under12s. Similarly Under 12s this season had 7 members compared with 15 the year before in Under 11s. Both age groups are down 50% this season. Associate membership is down 15% . The drop in Associates probably ties in with the drop in nippers, since each nipper requires at least one parent to also be a member.

A few more thank-yous to those who helped along the way – to Caretaker Mark Gillespie who cleans the club house, does minor maintenance and doubles as beach dog-catcher; to club stalwarts Jim and Cathy Dougherty who between them answered just about every question I asked about the club and were always on hand to help out; and to Joe and Belinda Dougherty for coordinating the weekly surf swims, the best fun you can have on a Sunday.

Bobbie Winger

Director of Administration
(Secretary)

MEETINGS

There have been a total of 12 Board meetings held between the AGM last August and the end of the season on June 30th, 2014.

Meeting attendance by Board members was as follows:

Alan Schofield 12, Kerry Lee 12, Jim Dougherty 11, Brian Badgery 10, Bobbie Winger 10, Joe Dougherty 9, Kim Morgans 9, Mike Harvey 7, Andrew Morris 5, Robert Darby 3.

Two open general meetings were also held during the season with a small attendance by club members.

MEMBERSHIP 2013-14

Category	Male Members	Female Members	Total Members
Junior Activity Member (5-13 years)	90	48	138
Cadet Member (13-15 years)	6	10	16
Active (15-18 yrs)	17	11	28
Active (18yrs and over)	52	12	64
Award	4	4	8
Reserve Active	6	2	8
Long Service	19	2	21
Life Member	20	1	21
Associate	129	94	223
Probationary	2	3	5
Total	345	187	532

LIFE SAVING REPORT

Yamba SLSC can once again proudly say there were no lives lost whilst patrols were on duty in the 2013/14 season. I congratulate all patrolling members and active reserves on another outstanding season.



After several seasons of rough seas and floods it was nice to see the beach looking as healthy as it has in some time. The favourable conditions certainly resulted in some big crowds, particularly over the Christmas and Easter periods.

The good conditions may have contributed to the fact there were just 5 recorded rescues during patrol hours this season. The other contributing factor in keeping this number so low was the hard work and dedication of patrol members. There were in excess of 800 preventative actions carried out on patrol. It is these actions which stop situations before they become serious rescues. Congratulations to everyone who contributed to keeping the rescue numbers down.

I must express enormous gratitude to the patrol captains who put their hands up to take on added responsibilities. It is an important role within our club and so I thank each of you for the work that you do. There are many members who go above and beyond when it comes to patrols but 2 members certainly are worthy of singling out. James Ryan, the club vice-captain, and Patrick De Billot, a relative newcomer to the club both performed well in excess of 100 hours of patrols through the season. They both ensured that whenever there was a gap in a patrol they were there to fill it. As Club Captain it is very reassuring to know you can rely on these people when numbers are a little thin.

I also wish to congratulate Pat Ridgway on his Lifesaver of the Year award. Pat has been a patrol captain for several years now and his team are always a standout on the beach. He does a great job of leading his team and also mentoring younger members new to patrols.

The one 'downside' of our patrols this year was the small number of members who did not turn up to rostered patrols or who failed to get a suitable replacement when they were unavailable. This impacts significantly on fellow patrol members and needs to be given a little more consideration from those concerned in the coming season.

In recent seasons Duty Officer Peter Sweetman has worked very hard at coordinating an emergency callout roster and ensuring that this rapid response team act swiftly and efficiently. There were quite a few callouts during the season that mostly required no action. There was however one incident on the bar where our team were called into action. The quick response of this team, led by Roger Varcoe and Andrew Morris saw a successful rescue of a couple and their dog after they capsized their yacht trying to cross the bar. Well done to all involved in this rescue.

In closing, I would like to thank my fellow Board members for their assistance during the season. I would also like to thank my wife Belinda for her patience and help. Also to James Ryan for his work during the season when I was regularly unavailable. This will be my last season as Club Captain due to work and family commitments.

This club exists to provide a safe swimming environment for the public to enjoy. Without the work of each of our patrolling members there is no surf club so you should be congratulated and thanked for all of your efforts during the season.

Joe Dougherty
 Director of Lifesaving
 (Club Captain)



Lifesaver of the Year 2013/14 – Pat Ridgway

Patrol Attendance Awards

Will Brighton, James Browne, Caitlin Cooney, Andrew Cumberland, Kealy Day, Patrick de Billot, Pierre de Billot, Marty Dougherty, Leah Essex, Harry Fahey, Cathy Felmingham, Ellie Felmingham, Linda Horton, Mitch Imeson, Helmut Klein, Kerry Lee, Jack Leonard, Sean Leonard, Clayton Marshall, Deborah Morfett, Andrew Morris, Maddy O’Mahony, Bill Onslow, Wil Pitkin, Pat Ridgway, James Ryan, Matt Saunders, Roger Varcoe, Brendan Watkins, Jim Wheeler.

Individual Patrol Hours

Adamson, Marc	10	Eke, Angela	16.5	Lawrence, Jane	26	Robison, Zac	11.5
Becker, Katie	37	Ellem, Caleb	5	Lee, Donald	23	Rose, Martyn	17.5
Bell, Andrew	27.5	Essex, Leah	45.5	Lee, Kerry	64	Ryan, James	139
Beresford, Jesse-Clare	5.5	Fahey, Darby	7.5	Leonard, Jack	41.5	Ryan, Joshua	7
Bindon, Charlie	18.5	Fahey, Harrison	50	Leonard, Sean	53	Ryan-Clout, Kristopher	15
Bindon, Lucy	37.5	Fahey, Joseph	25.5	Marshall, Clayton	51.5	Sahlqvist, Brenton	33.5
Bolton, Vincent	13.5	Fahey, Rachel	33	McFarlane, Teagan	36	Sanders, Geoff	8
Bonner, Christopher	33.5	Felmingham, Cathy	47	McFarlane, Tony	30.5	Sanders, Molly	33
Brighton, Lynette	7	Felmingham, Ellie	36.5	McQueen, Lynette	8	Saunders, Matthew	56
Brighton, William	61.5	Forbes, Tarni	7.5	Miltiadou, Andrea	3.5	Schofield, Alan	21.5
Brodin, James	3.5	Frazer, Zachary	0	Morfett, Deborah	44	Smith, Michael	4
Brown, Dylan	11.5	Gilbert, Isabella	19.5	Morfett, Stephen	37.5	Smith, Michael A.	22.5
Brown, Rory	32.5	Gilbert, Sally	35	Morgans, Kim	16	Smith, Thomas	3.5
Browne, James	50	Goodman, Ian	5.5	Morris, Andrew	51	Symons, Mark	18.5
Cameron, Cody	27	Greensill, Scott	9	Morrissey, Jack	33.5	Symons, Shae	7
Cervella, Matteo	3.5	Hage, Colleen	7	Normand, Max	32	Varcoe, Eleanor	26.5
Chiarruttini, Marc	16.5	Hodgson, Noah	25.5	O'Brien, Raymond	26.5	Varcoe, Roger	48
Clare, Helen	34.5	Holloway, Jesse	21.5	O'Mahony, Angus	37.5	Watkins, Brendan	41
Clout, Rebecca	22.5	Horton, Linda	40.5	O'Mahony, Brendan	34	Watkins, Caleb	33.5
Collis, Bradley	14.5	Hyne, Elizabeth	18.5	O'Mahony, Caitlin	32.5	Watkins, Jaydan	37.5
Comerford, Rhys	21.5	Hyne, Sue-Ellen	7	O'Mahony, Maddison	45	Watkins, Tristan	26
Connors, Daniel	4.25	Imeson, Mitchell	40.5	Onslow, William	66.5	Wheeler, James	49
Cooney, Caitlin	41	Imeson, Robert	7	Palmer, Lloyd	21.5	Whitehouse, Melinda	7
Cumberland, Alicia	23	Jesser, Emmalee	31.5	Pashen, Xahlia	4	Wilkes, Kelsey	15
Cumberland, Andrew	47.75	Johns, Erin	26.5	Patrickks, Luke	33	Willemsen, Chloe	3.5
Day, Kealy	40	Johns, Mitchell	28.5	Pitkin, Jake	17.5	Worboys, Joanne	24.5
de Billot, Patrick	114.5	Kapeen, Samuel	10.5	Pitkin, Wil	39.5	Worboys, Simon	33.5
de Billot, Pierre	42.5	Kelly, Philip	34	Plummer, Nicholas	29	Wright, Jacqui	29.5
Dougherty, James	4	Killen, Raymond	11	Plunkett, Benjamin	36.5	Wyllie, Gregory	7.5
Dougherty, Joseph	1	King, Jo	35.5	Read, Heather	4.5	Zietsch, Gregory	4
Dougherty, Martin	37	Klein, Helmut	29.5	Rheinberger, Peter	32.5		
Dougherty, Thomas	31	Kresevic, Benjamin	23	Ridgway, Patrick	40.5		
Durrington, Ethan	4	Lawrence, Alan	30.5	Ringland, Wayne	8		

PATROL STATISTICS

First Aid

Type Performed

Minor Marine Stings	1
Major Wounds	1
Minor Cuts/Abrasions	12
Minor Marine Stings	3
Other	2
Total First Aid	19

Rescues

No Gear	1
IRB	1
Rescue Tube	2
Rescue Board	1
Total	5

Preventative Actions

Type

Lost Children	2
Preventions	825
Total Preventative Actions	827



*New Bronze Medallion awardees
Caitlin Cooney and Yamba SLSC's
oldest Bronze candidate Helmut Klein*



*Successful IRB drivers and crew with
assessors Don Lee and Larry Platt
Back: Pierre de Billot, Patrick de Billot,
J. Wheeler, M. Saunders, J. Browne
Front: H. Fahey, J. Ryan (IRB Capt),
C.O'Mahony, J. Pitkin*



Yamba SLSC Water Safety personnel at the Copeton Dam swim

IRB REPORT

Thank you to all of our IRB drivers and crew who again this season attended their rostered patrols and kept our beaches safe for the surfing public. It is important to remember that without an IRB driver and crewperson on each patrol there is NO patrol and without patrols there is NO surf club.

The 2013/14 season saw the club take delivery of another outboard motor for our IRBs, a new fuel cabinet thanks to Yamba Lions Club, one beach/road trailer and six nice, new, very bright wetsuits!



Again we saw our IRBs involved in providing water safety for the club's annual and weekly events - the Jacob Lollback Memorial Board Race Day, the Yamba Ocean Swims, the Sunday morning handicap swims, Nippers on a Sunday (mostly), the Yamba Triathlon, the Combined High Schools Surf Carnival, and the end of season trip to Copeton Dam. The need for IRBs is vital for our club activities and I thank all drivers and crew for their assistance.

Training started off on a good note this year with seven club members gaining their Silver Medallion IRB Driver's Certificate and seven members gaining their Crewman's Certificate. This year also saw the club take part in a new form of off-season training in the form of a program instigated by Cudgen SLSC called ALBERT (Australian Life Boat Emergency Rescue Training) - a fun and educational day ripping around in the ducks! This course is being run in the northern part of the Branch on a monthly basis.

The importance of the Emergency Callout System, which the club is a part of, came into play during last winter. The club was called upon to effect a rescue in big seas when members Andrew Morris and Roger Varcoe, went to the aid of two sailors and one very large dog who found themselves in a spot of bother on the bar in a very large 3-4 metre swell on a wintery Friday afternoon. The IRB was launched from Main Beach in very quick response time and the two sailors (plus dog) were plucked from the water within 15 minutes of their yacht rolling over. Anyone in the club who has seen the entrance to the river at that size can only imagine how scary and daunting it would be to go out there and perform a rescue in a small blow up rubber boat! My hat goes off to you guys.

Off season training for a new group of IRB drivers has now commenced on Sunday mornings. With a number of our qualified IRB drivers leaving the area because of study and work commitments we desperately need new drivers to bolster our patrols for the coming season.

So come on down, sign up and have some fun in the ducks, you never know in the process of having some fun you may save someone's life.

CHEERS - see Ya on the beach!

James Ryan
IRB Captain



EDUCATION REPORT

In the 2013/14 season training within the club has continued to become more efficient with Resuscitation, Surf Rescue and Bronze Medallion squads all being trained and assessed within the maximum 8 weeks allocated at the start of each course. This increased efficiency has led to greater satisfaction and a sense of accomplishment for both candidates and trainers.



The single day courses we can run at Yamba – the Advanced Resuscitation Techniques Certificate and the Apply First Aid courses – have also been trouble-free with all candidates being successful. These courses will again be held in August this year with August 24th already set for the First Aid. Please note, all those who gained this award (with me) in 2011 need to contact the office to enrol so you can update your qualification. Other members who are interested in either course are encouraged to enrol as we only run one of each of these courses at Yamba each year.

Other Branch-run courses, such as Basic Beach Management and Spinal Management, have been less successful with very few of these awards being gained this season. It seems that these were run in conjunction with the life guards and hence had to be paid for by the candidate. In seasons past such courses have been run by the Branch, at no cost to the candidate. This is what should happen as it is mandatory to have lifesavers who hold these awards on each patrol.

Our focus on the older nippers this season has been a partial success with 8 of them gaining their Resuscitation Certificate late in the season. It is hoped that any Junior Activities members who turn 13 early next season will go to the next step and complete their Surf Rescue Certificate. I would like to extend my thanks to Jo King and a number of other nipper parents who went outside their comfort zones to train candidates for this course. The plan to also run a Radio Officer's course did not come to fruition but remains an aim for next season.

Another aim for next season is for more lifesavers to train as IRB crew and drivers. A number of our drivers have left the area to further their studies and IRB Captain, James Ryan, is finding it hard to replace them. If you are interested in doing an IRB course please approach James directly, or the club office, as he is willing to run courses during the winter months.

It is pleasing to report that more trainers have been involved this season, notably Rebecca Clout, Jo King and Alan Schofield. They only need to train a second squad and complete the Training Officers' Certificate course to

gain their trainer's award.

We have been fortunate to have received grants to the tune of \$6,000 to spend on education equipment during the season. This has allowed us to purchase extra training defibrillators, a "red bag" resuscitator and a very expensive manikin which will enhance our ARTC training considerably.

Congratulations to all successful candidates this season and many thanks to the trainers and assessors of the various squads.

Kim Morgans

Director of Education

LIFESAVING AWARDS

Resuscitation Certificate (8)

Shannon Colwell, Jack Earle, Breanna Ellis, Darby Essex, Raeyah Kapeen, Zoe King, Brianna McFarlane, Gracie Pitkin

Surf Rescue Certificate (5)

Charlie Bindon, Jack Brighton, Rhys Commerford, Elizabeth Hyne, Eleanor Varcoe.

Bronze Medallion (16)

Lucy Bindon, Rhys Commerford, Caitlin Cooney, Eva Courmont, Rachel Fahey, Jesse Holloway, Sue-Ellen Hyne, Erin Johns, Helmut Klien, Max Normand, Nicholas Plummer, Heather Read, Anita Salvestro, Benjamin Webster, Melinda Whitehouse, Chloe Willemsen.

Advanced Resuscitation Certificate (7)

William Brighton, Rory Brown, James Browne, Rebecca Clout, Ian Goodman, Sean Leonard, Martyn Rose.

Silver Medallion- Basic Beach Management (2)

Andrew Bell, Maddison O'Mahony

Silver Medallion- IRB Driver (7)

Patrick de Billot, Pierre de Billot, Harrison Fahey, Tony McFarlane, Maddison O'Mahony, Jake Pitkin, Matthew Saunders.

IRB Crew Certificate (7)

James Browne, Patrick de Billot, Pierre de Billot, Sean Leonard, Caitlin O'Mahony, Matthew Saunders, James Wheeler.

Spinal Management Certificate (1)

Cody Cameron

Apply (Senior) First Aid (19)

Andrew Bell, William Brighton, Rory Brown, Luz Chevalier, Patrick de Billot, Abrien Dougherty, Joseph Dougherty, Kirsty Groth, Cody Hartman, Alan Lawrence, Jane Lawrence, Sean Leonard, Clayton Marshall, Helen Morris, Martyn Rose, Alan Schofield, Michael Smith, Bobbie Winger, Kerri Wunderlich



*New Bronze squad with trainers Alan Schofield and Don Lee
(back l to r) H.Klein, J.Holloway, N. Plummer, M.Normand
(front) H.Read, E. Johns, C.Cooney*

SURF SPORTS REPORT

The club hosted 3 events during the season – Jacob Lollback Memorial Board Race Day on Saturday 28th September ; the North Coast Combined High School Surf Carnival on Friday 8th November ; and the Yamba Ocean Swim on Sunday 29th December. All 3 events were well supported by the strong club workforce of members who always turn out on these occasions. We also supplied water safety personnel for the inaugural Elite Energy Yamba Triathlon at Whiting Beach in October and the Copeton Dam swim in April.



Peter Rheinberger was the stand out club competitor this season with medals at both the Australian and State Masters Titles. At the Aussies in Perth Peter won 2 gold medals with wins in both the over 50 years short board riding and the long board riding events. He also finished 6th in the 50-54 yrs rescue tube race and 7th in the board race.

At the NSW State Masters Peter was an unlucky 2nd in a close sprint finish in the 50-54 years board race; picked up a 2nd silver medal in the board rescue with Jim Dougherty; and a bronze medal in the over 170 yrs surf teams race with Jim Schafer and Jim Dougherty. Jim Schafer also won silver and bronze medals with placings in the 65-69 years surf race and rescue tube race.

On the local Branch scene club members competed at carnivals at Cabarita (October), Byron Bay (November), Cudgen (December) and then the Branch Titles at Cudgen in February. Of the 12 members who competed at the Branch Titles every one of them came away with a Branch towel for winning an event.

The NSW Country Titles were held at Mollymook on the South Coast and unfortunately no senior members were able to make the trip but we did have a small team of nippers attend the event. The titles are to be held at Mollymook again next season so hopefully the club can be better represented next time.

The weekly board training sessions were well attended by competitors with a number of new faces appearing as the season progressed and thanks are due to coaches Joe and Martin Dougherty and also to Rob Imeson who looked after the nippers with the help of a few parents. Restrictions placed by SLSA on ratio numbers of qualified personnel to children participating in training make it imperative that more nipper parents become qualified to be able to help out at training.

Thanks are again due to our small band of senior carnival officials – Jim

Saunders, Mick Smith, Don Lee, Jim Dougherty and Alan Schofield – who travelled to the various surf carnivals to officiate. Don and Alan also officiated at a number of the nipper carnivals in the Branch along with a small group of nipper parents. The club needs more nipper parents to get qualified as carnival officials otherwise numbers at nipper carnivals will have to be restricted

The club had 2 teams take part in the Coolangatta Gold event in October. The masters team of Joe Fahey (ski), Peter Rheinberger (swim), Rob Imeson (board) and Amy Imeson (run) finished 8th in the 42km open mixed teams relay in 4 hours 55 minutes. The Under 19 boys team of Harry Fahey (ski), Sean Leonard (swim), Kealy Day (board) and Will Brighton (run) finished 9th in the Under 19 boys 32km relay in 3 hours 52 mins. Mitch Imeson bravely tackled the individual 42km event finishing in a time of 5 hours 17 mins.

The Sunday morning handicap surf race was very well supported this year with an average of almost 30 swimmers taking part each Sunday. With much better weather in the February/March period the good numbers participating continued right through the second half of the season. Congratulations to James Wheeler on winning the overall pointscore for the Carl Schaeffer Memorial Trophy. James has recovered well from a serious illness 2 years ago and his improved fitness showed in the last month of the season when he came from behind in the last few swims to claim the pointscore.

Thanks are due to club captain Joe Dougherty and his wife Belinda for organising the swim every week, doing the handicapping and keeping the pointscore. Also thanks to club life member Geoff Schaeffer for continuing to provide the prizes for the event in memory of his father, Carl.

Monthly Pointscore Winners:

October – Rob Imeson & Jane Lawrence
November – Ben Plunkett
December – Jordan Elabbasi
January – Wil Brighton
February – Brent Sahlqvist
March – Sean Leonard
April – James Wheeler

Season Pointscore Results:

1. James Wheeler 106 points
2. Sean Leonard 94 points
3. Jane Lawrence 85 points
4. Joe Dougherty 84 points
5. Wil Brighton 68 points
6. Shannon Colwell 66 points

The number of members competing in 12 or more swims was similar to last season – they were: Jim Bindon, Will Brighton, Alanna Colwell, Shannon Colwell, Jim Dougherty, Joe Dougherty, Martin Dougherty, Jordan Elabbasi, Joe Fahey, Harry Fahey, Roley Green, Scott Greensill, Helmut Klein, Alan Lawrence, Jane Lawrence, Don Lee, Sean Leonard, Jack Leonard, Joe McGrath, Peter Rheinberger, Geoff Sanders, Lindsay Wall, James Wheeler, Bobbie Winger



*Carl Schaeffer Pointscore
winner, Jim Wheeler*

SURF CARNIVAL RESULTS

FAR NORTH COAST BRANCH TITLES – Cudgen 9th February 2014

First Placings

Open Board Rescue – Joe & Martin Dougherty
Open 2km Beach Run – Will Brighton
Open Beach Sprint – Mitch Lollback
Open Beach Flags – Mitch Lollback
Open Beach Relay – Mitch Lollback, Martin Dougherty, Harry Fahey , Will Brighton
Under 19 Beach Sprint – Harry Fahey
Under 19 Beach Flags – Harry Fahey
Under 19 Surf Race – Kealy Day
Under 19 Ski Race – Kealy Day
Under 19 Surf Teams – Kealy Day, Sean Leonard, Harry Fahey, Noah Hodgson
Over 35 Iron Man – Joe Fahey
Over 35 Surf Race – Joe Fahey
Over 45 Board Race – Peter Rheinberger

NSW STATE MASTERS TITLES – Umina 15/16 March 2014

65/69 years Rescue Tube Race – 2nd Jim Schafer
50/54 years Board Race – 2nd Peter Rheinberger
50/54 years Board Rescue – 2nd Peter Rheinberger & Jim Dougherty
65/69 years Surf Race – 3rd Jim Schafer
Over 170 years Surf Teams – 3rd Peter Rheinberger, Jim Dougherty, Jim Schafer

QUEENSLAND STATE MASTERS TITLES

50/54 yrs Surf Race – 4th Peter Rheinberger
50/54 yrs Rescue Tube Race – 4th Peter Rheinberger
50/54 yrs Board Rescue – 5th Peter Rheinberger & Jim Dougherty
55/59 yrs Surf Race – 4th Jim Dougherty

AUSTRALIAN MASTERS TITLES – Scarborough WA 31 March/1 April 2014

Over 50 years Long Board Riding – 1st Peter Rheinberger
Over 50 years Short Board Riding – 1st Peter Rheinberger
50/54 years Rescue Tube Race – 6th Peter Rheinberger
50/54 years Board Race – 7th Peter Rheinberger

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

The club championships were held on Sunday 23rd March in a testing 2 metre surf with some big sets rolling in from the Clarence River bar.

Results:

Open Champion - Joe Dougherty
Under 19 champion - Harry Fahey
Under 17 champion - Sean Leonard
Under 15 champion - Charlie Bindon
Female champion - Caitlin O'Mahony

Individual events:

Open Surf Race - Joe Dougherty
U/19 Surf Race - Kealy Day
U/17 Surf Race - Sean Leonard
U/15 Surf Race - Charlie Bindon
O/30 Surf Race - Joe Dougherty
O/40 Surf Race - Joe Fahey
O/50 Surf Race - Peter Rheinberger
O/60 Surf Race - Alan Lawrence
Female Surf Race - Caitlin O'Mahony
Open Board Race - Joe Dougherty
U/19 Board Race - James Brodin
U/17 Board Race - Sean Leonard
U/15 Board Race - Charlie Bindon
Female Board Race - Caitlin O'Mahony
Open Ski Race - Joe Fahey
U/19 Ski Race - Harry Fahey
Open Iron Man - Joe Dougherty

U/19 Iron Man - James Brodin
U/17 Iron Man - Sean Leonard
Open Beach Sprint - Harry Fahey
U/19 Beach Sprint - Harry Fahey
U/17 Beach Sprint - Ben Webster
U/15 Beach Sprint - Charlie Bindon
Female Beach Sprint - Caitlin O'Mahony
Open Beach Flags - James Brodin
U/19 Beach Flags - James Brodin
U/17 Beach Flags - Sean Leonard
U/15 Beach Flags - Charlie Bindon
Female Beach Flags - Caitlin O'Mahony
Open Snake Race - Thomas Dougherty
U/19 Snake Race - James Brodin
U/17 Snake Race - Sean Leonard
Female Snake Race - Caitlin O'Mahony



*Australian Masters
gold medallist
Peter Rheinberger*

JACOB LOLLBACK MEMORIAL BOARD RACE DAY

This year's Jacob Lollback Memorial Board Race Day held on September 28th, was again a great success for the club – competitively, financially and socially. A big thank you to all those members who so willingly carried out the many jobs required to make the day such a success. The co-operative and positive spirit of all who assist is what helps to make this day so successful each year.

There were big fields in all age groups with 205 paddlers taking part. The event was particularly well supported by the bigger Gold Coast clubs of Northcliffe, Burleigh Heads, Surfers Paradise, Currumbin, Kurrawa and Tugun, plus a strong team from Noosa led by Darren Mercer.

The Open Men's event was won by former local champion Hugh Dougherty from a very strong field of more than 40 elite paddlers. Nutri Grain Ironwoman Series champion Courtney Hancock made it two in a row when she took out the Open Women's race.

Special thanks to our sponsors and donors who contributed to the day – many have been supporting this event since it began in 2010. Our surfcraft sponsors Kracka, Dolphin, Xcel and Infront all donated racing boards each valued at \$1800 for Lucky Draw prizes which are always a major attraction for competitors. Special mention to the Pacific Hotel for coming on board as our major sponsor and also to John Boes of Finz swimwear for sponsoring the race singlets. A full list of sponsors is at the back of this report.



Summary of Results

Open Men 4km – 29:26

- 1) Hugh Dougherty, Tugun
- 2) Tanyin Lyndon, Northcliffe
- 3) Wes Berg, Burleigh Heads

U/19 Men 2km – 15:13

- 1) Zac Orchard, Surfers Paradise

U/17 Men 2km – 15:00

- 1) Alex Wright, Mooloolaba

U/15 Men 2km – 15:30

- 1) Harrison Stone, Manly

30-39 Men 2km – 16:14

- 1) Zayne Hamill, Surfers Paradise

Over 40 Men 2km – 16:20

- 1) Gavin Hill, Northcliffe

Dash for Cash

Open Men

Tanyin Lyndon, Northcliffe

U/19 Men

Zac Orchard, Surfers Paradise

Open Women 4km – 31:56

- 1) Courtney Hancock, Northcliffe
- 2) Jordan Mercer, Noosa Heads
- 3) Tara Coleman, North Burleigh

U/19 Women 2km – 16:07

- 1) Jordan Mercer, Noosa Heads

U/17 Women 2km – 16:51

- 1) Georgina McDermott, Mooloolaba

U/15 Women 2km – 16:30

- 1) Sara O'Leary-Whitney, Nth Burleigh

Over 40 Women 2km – 17:38

- 1) Heli Murray, Byron Bay

Open Women

Jordan Mercer, Noosa Heads

U/19 Women

Ellie Leaver, Cudgen

U/17 Men

Jack Gray, Burleigh Heads

U/15 Men

Ryan Beckett, Coffs Harbour

30-39 Men

Zayne Hamill, Surfers Paradise

Over 40 Men

Michael Chan, Currumbin

Lucky Draw board winners

Kracka: Kody Innes, Burleigh Heads

Xcel: Heli Murray, Byron Bay

Dolphin: Georgia Meredith, Currumbin

In Front: Jaydn Ibbotson, Kurrawa

Special Awards:

Hancock Family Encouragement Award (U/15 North Coast Competitor)

Male: Ryan Carroll, Tacking Point, **Female:** Madeline Carah, Coffs Harbour

Super Surf Camps Award: (1st U/14 home)

Male: Hayden Copping, Swansea Belmont, **Female:** Erin Blanch, Burleigh Heads

U/17 Women

Georgina McDerott, Mooloolaba

U/15 Women

Hannah Sculley, Northcliffe

Over 40 Women

Heli Murray, Byron Bay



Competitors pause for one minute's silence before one of the Jacob Lollback Memorial Board Races in September



Swimmers hit the water in the 700 metre Ocean Swim from Convent Beach.

YAMBA OCEAN SWIMS

Almost \$12,000 was raised in this year's Yamba SLSC Ocean Swims. Good fields in both the 700 metre and the 2km swims, great weather conditions and fantastic support from some of our club members and supporters all combined to ensure the huge success of the day.

Thanks to all members and friends who helped out in various roles including IRB and jet ski work, water safety, work parties, first aid, car parking, timekeeping, judging, entries, registrations, recording, presentations, catering and bar. Special mention once again to long serving member David Abrahams who works tirelessly looking after the computer side of the event.

In the feature 2km men's swim Ridge Grimsey from Brisbane was a comfortable winner in a time of 23mins 47 secs from Dane Farrell of Elouera and Hugh Dougherty of Tugun. Ridge also won both the 700m swim and the Dash for Cash to give him a treble for the day.

In the women's 2km Shivaun Street from Cronulla made it two in a row in a time of 27mins 16secs winning from Jess Carah of Coffs Harbour and Molly Schafer of Cremorne.

There were 359 entries for the swims – up on last year's record total of 348 – with 151 swimmers contesting the 2km race and 249 taking on the 700m swim. It was great to see the participation of our club members both young and old in both swims.

RESULTS SUMMARY:

2,000 metre Swim:

Open Male: 1. Ridge Grimsey (Brisbane) 2.Dane Farrell (Elouera) 3.Hugh Dougherty (Tugun)

Open Female: 1.Shivaun Street(Cronulla) 2. Jess Carah(Coffs Harbour), 3.Molly Schafer (Cremorne).

Age Groups:

12-14 years: Male – Ky Kinsella, Female – Anthea Warne

15-19 years: Male – Ben Schafer, Female – Jesse-Clare Beresford

20-29 years: Male – Lindsey Wall, Female – Alice Manchon

30-39 years: Male – Joe Dougherty, Female – Jane Stevens

40-49 years: Male – Matt Norling, Female – Ann Kirkwood

50-59 years: Male – Colin Mustoe, Female – Alexandra Evans

60-69 years: Male – Jim Dougherty, Female – Bobbie Winger

Over 70 years: Male – Helmut Klein

700 metre Swim:

Open Male: 1.Ridge Grimsey, 2. Dane Farrell, 3.Ben Schafer(Sydney).

Open Female: 1.Ella Basalo(Sydney), 2. Shivaun Street 3. Olivia Heaton (Sydney)

Age Groups:

10-14 years: Male – Sean O'Reilly, Female – Anthea Warne

15-19 years: Male –Mikael Bisby, Female –Brianna Watkins

20-29 years: Male – Lindsey Wall, Female –Bronwyn Knox

30-39 years: Male – Brendan Wall, Female – Kate Armstrong

40-49 years: Male – David O'Brien, Female – Molly Schafer

50-59 years: Male – Peter Rheinberger, Female – Alexandra Evans

60-69 years: Male – Peter Humphries, Female Bobbie Winger

Over 70 years: Male –Tony Kean, Female – Jule Keelan

150 metre Dash for Cash: Male – Ridge Grimsey, Female – Ella Basalo

Jim Dougherty

Director of Surf Sports

BOAT CAPTAIN'S REPORT

Another season done and dusted, the 2013/2014 was a very quiet season in the boat area mainly due to carnivals being so far away and the cost of travelling. Our crews only competed in a handful of carnivals throughout the season.



The women's crew competed in the first round only of the North Coast Boat Series where they completely dominated all their competition but were unable to row together again for the rest of the season.

The under 23 men's crew competed in rounds of the North Coast Boat Series in the open division and rowed well.

Crews for the upcoming season are starting to become keen with word out that Yamba will be hosting a boat carnival in October which could also be the first round of the North Coast Boat Series. There has already been interest in this shown from some Queensland clubs.

I would like to thank Yamba's two carnival boat officials, Jim Saunders & Mick Smith, for their support once again in travelling to all the boat carnivals. Without this pair working behind the scenes rowing wouldn't be a part of Yamba SLSC.

I would also like to wish our 12 members who are off to Turkey In April 2015 to represent our club at the 100th anniversary celebrations of the landing at Anzac Cove, Gallipoli all the best and hope you do our club & the Clarence Valley proud.

For all people interested in having a row next season - it would be great to have a Yamba crew or even 2 in every division at our own carnival in October, then please contact Rodney McSkimming 0427 275742.

Rodney McSkimming

Boat Captain



Yamba Boaties on the beach at Coffs Harbour (l to r) J. Saunders, M. Smith, C. Bonner, S. Kapeen, A. Bell, V. Bolton, M. Adamson, R. McSkimming

JUNIOR ACTIVITIES (NIPPERS') REPORT

The 2013-14 nipper season was blessed with fantastic weather, good surf conditions and plenty of sand on Main Beach enabling us to spend plenty of time in the water.

It is very rewarding to look back over the season and see the increase in our children's confidence, knowledge and ability in and around the surf over the 6 month season. By the end of the season, children who would not enter the surf at the start of the season or get on a nipper board were body surfing with ease and catching waves with big grins on their faces waving to their parents as they rode a nipper board to the shore. The nipper program also focussed on educating our children on rip identification, beach hazards, what to do in an emergency and some basic first aid.



Wednesday afternoon beach and water skills sessions with Rob and Amy Imeson remained popular all season and were beneficial to both beginners and more experienced nippers.

A small group of U12's and U13's undertook resuscitation training this season. This is the first time we have trained nippers to gain this award, and it is a big congratulations to Breanna Ellis, Gracie Pitkin, Raeyah Kapeen, Jack Earle, Shannon Colwell, Darby Essex, Zoe King and Brianna McFarlane on successfully gaining their Resuscitation Certificate. Thank you to Jo King and Leah Essex for training this group.

Blake White, Jack Earle and Shannon Colwell attended the FNC Branch U13-14 development camp in January which focussed on leadership, decision making and problem solving skills. This camp was also a great opportunity to get to know other Nippers within our Branch and we received great feedback regarding Blake, Jack and Shannon's participation and achievements. Well done boys.

Participation at Branch carnivals was high this season with many nippers attending carnivals for the first time. Yamba's team spirit and sportsmanship was very high and this is something we are very proud of. Congratulations to those nippers who brought home medals, there were some outstanding results from many of our competitors.

Several families made the long trip down to Mollymook in January to compete at the NSW Country Titles and again our nippers showed great team spirit cheering each other on and congratulating each other on their achievements.

Seven Yamba Nippers competed at the NSW State Titles in Umina in wet and cold conditions and it is great to see them mixing it up with the major Sydney clubs.

Four nippers also competed in the Far North Coast Branch Pool Rescue Competition in Lismore in May for the first time. It was a fun weekend with some fantastic results in the pool.

Our nippers are lucky to have such a dedicated group of age managers and water safety personnel who turn up week after week to make nippers happen. It is a struggle to meet the requirements for age managers and water safety at times and I thank those parents who undertook training over the season to assist with nippers.

Thank you to our generous sponsors: Yamba Flooring Xtra, Signcraft, SeaFire Restaurant@Yamba Golf & Country Club, Back Home Bakery, Sassafras Pasta and Pizza Restaurant, All Terrain Access Scaffold & Edge Protection, Yamba Physiotherapy and Maclean Variety Meats. Sponsorship money this season has assisted with the purchase of new nipper boards, buses to carnivals, nipper of the week vouchers and the end of year presentation awards.

I would like to thank everyone who helped out over the season. I have had a fantastic committee working beside me throughout the season and nippers would not be able to operate without you.

See you all next season,

Kerry Lee

Director of Junior Activities

Nipper mums Sue-Ellen Hyne and Mel Whitehouse heading out for some board training.



Under 8s with Age Manager, Kerri Wunderlich at Lennox Head Carnival

MAJOR AWARD WINNERS for 2013/14

Norma Doulis Memorial Award – Carnival Water Points – Kalani Ives

Des Eamens Memorial Award – Carnival Beach Points- Ben Morris

Norm Walters Memorial Award – Carnival Team Person – Sam Earle

Junior Club Champion – Kalani Ives

John Muggleton Award - Junior Club Person- Shannon Colwell

Pointscore	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
U8 Male	Ben Morris	Harry Whitehouse	
U8 Female	Sash Thomsen	Charlie Imeson	
U9 Male	Jorden Elabbasi	Gus Gilbert	Ricky Cleary
U9 Female	Kalani Ives	Yasmin Elabbasi	Siena Gilbert
U10 Male	Cameron Varcoe	William Earle	
U10 Female	Carissa Miltiadou	Isla Brittain	
U11 Male	Josh Morris	Joel Imeson	
U11 Female	Alanna Colwell	Abbey Anderson	
U12 Male	Jorden Elabbasi	Kai Thomsen	
U12 Female	Gracie Pitkin	Raeyah Kapeen	
U13 Male	Shannon Colwell	Max Gilbert	
U13 Female	did not award		
U14 Male	did not award		
U14 Female	did not award		

Encouragement Awards

U8's	Kurtis Corcoran, Alex Salvestro
U9's	Lewis O'Neill, Molly Imeson
U10	Bayden Toyer, Georgia Salvestro
U11	Elijah Kapeen
U12	Breanna Ellis
U13	Blake Thomsen

Carnival Results:

Branch Championship at Cudgen

Gold Medallists

- U8 Male Beach Flags and Beach Sprint- Ben Morris
- U9 Female Beach Flags and Board Race- Kalani Ives
- U9 Female Surf Race- Sienna Gilbert
- U9 Male Surf Race- Malik Elabbasi
- U9 Surf Race Team- Malik Elabbasi, Sienna Gilbert, Yasmin Elabbasi, Kalani Ives

Silver Medallists

- U9 Female Beach Sprints- Kalani Ives
- U9 Male Surf Race- Gus Gilbert
- U8 Beach Sprint Relay- Ben Morris, Harry Whitehouse, Sam Earle, Charlie Imeson

Bronze Medallists

- U9 Male Board Race- Gus Gilbert
- U10 Female Surf Race- Carissa Miltiadou
- U11 Male Beach Sprint- Joel Imeson
- U12 Male Surf Race- Jorden Elabbasi

NSW Country Titles at Mollmook

Gold Medallists:

- U9 Female Surf Race, Board Race & Beach Flags - Kalani Ives
- U8 Male Beach Flags - Ben Morris
- U9 Surf Team- Malik Elabbasi, Yasmin Elabbasi, Kalani Ives, Ricky Cleary
- U8 Beach Sprint Relay- Ben Morris, Harry Whitehouse, Sam Earle, Charlie Imeson

Silver Medallists:

- U9 Female Surf Race - Malik Elabbasi
- U8 Male Wade Race - Ben Morris

Bronze Medallists:

- U9 Male Board Race - Malik Elabbasi
- U13 Female Beach Flags - Brianna McFarlane
- U9 Board Relay- Kalani Ives, Malik Elabbasi, Yasmin Elabbasi
- U9 Beach Relay- Molly Imeson, Kalani Ives, Malik Elabbasi, Ricky Cleary

State Titles in Umina

Gold Medallist

- U9 Female Board Race- Kalani Ives



*Yamba's Nipper State Medallist,
Kalani Ives - Gold Medallist - Under
9 Board Race - NSW State Titles*

CLUBHOUSE REPORT

Each month throughout the season I report to the Board on the progress of works done, or planned, at the clubhouse. A detailed list of these works is recorded in the minutes of these Board meetings.



Along with the House Committee, we continue to look at avenues to improve the club and its facilities and to maintain existing buildings and equipment. This year we sought and obtained a grant from the NSW Government to enable us to replace leaking windows at the front and rear of the building. It was also necessary to replace the patrol room doors and to clean and reseal the tiles in the downstairs area. Thanks to our Secretary, Bobbie, for her assistance in compiling the paperwork for the grant applications. Sealing of the front deck and painting of the exterior of the clubhouse are other items on the agenda in coming months. With a clubhouse building as old as ours it is necessary to keep on top of maintenance and this is one of the reasons the club needs to have adequate funds set aside in order to cover these costs when they arise.

Gym improvements and maintenance continue to be carried out as required or as requested by members.

The club Social Committee, though small, continues to cater well at our club functions and thanks go to Kerry Lee and her helpers for their efforts at these functions.

Function Room hire continues to be an important part of the club's income and we are currently looking at the possibility of some upgrades in the kitchen that may assist in the catering area in due course.

Our bar income is down, partly due to reverting to our original system of not selling alcohol at weddings. This was a Board directive so that staff are not required to handle money on these occasions. Patrons provide all their own alcohol requirements. Club members are employed as bar staff at all 'outside' functions.

Beach cleanups were carried out several times throughout the season but unfortunately were not well supported by members, however I am extremely grateful to the small number of regular supporters who continue to help on these occasions.

Finally I would like to thank the House Committee and other members for their efforts in helping to maintain this iconic building in its proud state.

Brian Badgery
Clubhouse Director

OUR PARTNERS

Yamba Surf Lifesaving Club would like to recognise the support this season from the following organisations that have provided funding and in-kind contributions:

- **DHL** – National Major Sponsor of Surf Lifesaving – enabling patrol uniforms to be provided free of charge to all patrolling lifesavers
- **Telstra** – National Major Partner of SLISA – for its support across the SMS system for messaging our members at no cost to the club.
- **Volley** – for providing a supply of thongs for patrolling members
- **Stramit Building Products** – for supporting the NSW Country Championships
- **Clubs NSW** - for supporting the NSW State Championships

Fundraising Distribution:

The club has also received financial distributions from Surf Lifesaving NSW as a result of raffles and the 'Guardians of the Surf' fundraising programs that were conducted on behalf of surf clubs. We have also benefitted from distributions through the Surf Lifesaving Foundation enabling the purchase of new rescue boards for patrols and water safety. We appreciate the support of the general public and the generous donors who made these programs successful. Yamba Surf Club has been a very grateful recipient of funds and lifesaving equipment from these sources which help us maintain high standards of lifesaving training and equipment.

State Government Assistance:

The NSW Government has been a supporter of Surf Lifesaving in several ways through its different Departments. In particular, we thank the following:

- **NSW Ministry for Police & Emergency Services** – for funding that provided for the purchase of lifesaving rescue gear and equipment; for covering the cost of the statewide radio network used by clubs and for the training and support of duty officers.
- **Sport and Recreation** – a division of Communities NSW - for our clubhouse grant to replace windows and seal floor tiles.
- **NSW Department of Primary Industries** – for funding to provide new loud hailer to warn bathers of dangers in the surf.

Yamba Surf Club provides a significant benefit to the community it serves by providing fully trained lifesavers to maintain a safe swimming environment for all who use the beach.

The funding and assistance received from the above organisations and our other sponsors and donors enables the continuation of the high standard of lifesaving services we provide.

Yamba Surf Life Saving Club

Life Membership for Services Rendered

Baird, James	Eades, S.J.*	Lowien, Clifford	Sanders, Geoff
Burridge, Raymond	Godbee, N.M OAM	McGrath, Cletus	Saunders, James
Carmont, O.J.*	Goddard, C*	Morris, R.C*	Schaeffer, C.W*
Collis, Bradley	Goddard, J.C*	O'Grady, F.R*	Schaeffer, Geoff
Cox, H*	Hall, F.J BEM*	O'Loughlin, F*	Smith, Michael
Donovan, E.E*	Hockey, AA*	Patrick, John	Stevens, A.V*
Donovan, H.G*	Horton, Linda	Phillips, Trevor OAM	Tarrant, Andrew
Dougherty, James OAM	Lee, Donald	Ryan, Kenneth	Tiernan, L*
Dougherty, W.M OAM	Lovell, K*	Sahlqvist, Terry	Zietsch, Gregory

Associate Life Members

Bradley, Keith	Howe, Ted*	Morgan, Aub*	Smith, R R*
Chalmers, W G*	Kelly, Jack*	Page, M*	Zietsch, W J*
Cousens, Marjorie*	Kelly, J F*	Robinson, W T*	

Life Members Surf Life Saving Far North Coast

Baird, James	Godbee, N M OAM	Hall, F J BEM*	Onslow, William
Dougherty, James OAM	Goddard, Colin*	Lee, Donald	

Life Members Surf Life Saving Far North Coast Board of Control

Godbee, N M OAM	Goddard, Colin*
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Life Member Surf Life Saving Far North Coast Branch Board of Junior Activities

Muggleton, Bruce

Life Member Surf Life Saving New South Wales

Godbee, N M OAM

Life Member Surf Life Saving Australia

Godbee, N M OAM

SLSA 60 Year Service

Saunders, James

SLSA 50 Year Service

Cribb, Barrie	Lee, Donald	Moran, Raymond	Sanders, Geoffrey
Dougherty, W.M. OAM	Lowien, Clifford	Sahlqvist, Terry	
Godbee, N.M. OAM	McGrath, Cletus		

SLSA 40 Year Service

Burridge, Raymond	Marsh, Don	Onslow, William	Smith, Michael
Dougherty, James OAM	Morgans, Kim	Ryan, Ken	Tarrant, Andrew

SLSA 30 Year Service

Baird, James	Herbert, Stephen	McSkimming, Rodney	Sweetman, Peter
Collis, Bradley	Killen, Raymond	Schofield, Alan	Zietsch, Gregory

SLSA 25 Year Service

Fahey, Joseph	Julian, Paul	O'Brien, Raymond
Horton, Linda	McKeon, Ronald	Wheeler, James

FINANCIAL MEMBERS 2013-14 SEASON

Long Service Members

Brighton, Lynette	Herbert, Stephen	Schafer, Allan	Wiblen, Raymond
Cribb, Barrie	McDermid, Robert	Schafer, Neil	Wiblen, Steven
Douglas, Christopher	McSkimming, Rodney	Schofield, Alan	Winger, Bobbie
Earle, Robert	Moran, Raymond	Sullivan, Benjamin	
Fahey, Joseph	Muldoon, Peter	Sweetman, Peter	
Felton, John	Perry, Gregory	Wall, David	

Active Reserve Members

Greensill, Scott	Lawrence, Alan	McQueen, Lynette	Onslow, William
Killen, Raymond	Lawrence, Jane	Morgans, Kim	Wyllie, Gregory

* Denotes deceased member

Active Members Over 18 years

Adamson, Marc	Dougherty, Martin	Kresevic, Benjamin	Ryan, James
Becker, Katie	Dougherty, Thomas	Lollback, Mitchell	Ryan, Joshua
Bell, Andrew	Durrington, Ethan	Marshall, Clayton	Ryan-Clout, Kristopher
Beresford, Jesse-Clare	Eke, Angela	McFarlane, Tony	Sahlqvist, Brenton
Bolton, Vincent	Ellem, Caleb	McGrath, Joseph	Saunders, Matthew
Bonner, Christopher	Essex, Leah	Morfett, Deborah	Smith, Elizabeth
Brown, Dylan	Fahey, Darby	Morfett, Stephen	Smith, Michael A.
Browne, James	Felmingham, Cathy	Morris, Andrew	Symons, Mark
Cameron, Cody	Gilbert, Sally	O'Brien, Raymond	Varcoe, Roger
Chiaruttini, Marc	Hartman, Cody	O'Mahony, Brendan	Watkins, Brendan
Clare, Helen	Imeson, Mitchell	Patricks, Luke	Watkins, Jaydan
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Brighton, William	de Billot, Patrick	Leonard, Sean	Plummer, Nicholas
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Anderson, Helen	Black, Megan	Coldwell, Karin	Douglas, Luke
Anderson, Keryn	Black, Nathan	Collie, Amber	Earle, Natasha
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 Hartigan, Bill
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 Hays, Ross
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 Thornton, Kathleen
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 Toyer, Kimbly
 Trotman, Jay
 Truscott, John
 Turnbull, Nadine
 Van Beek, Robert
 Varcoe, Susan
 Weatherlake, Bruce
 West, Yvette
 White, Colin
 White, Nathan
 White, Shelly
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 Wilson, David
 Woods, Peter
 Wunderlich, Kerri
 Wunderlich, Matt
 Young, Danielle
 Young, Raymond
 Young, Sally



Yamba Nippers celebrating after the 2014 Presentation Day

Junior Activity Members Under 6 - Under 14 years

UNDER 6

Becker	Joe
Blackmore	Bodhi
Coldwell	Amelia
Corcoran	Chase
Godde	Priya
Gooley	Tyler
Jeffcoat	Flynn
Kelly	Campbell
Lazenby	Max
Liddell	Hilton
Lovell	Casseea
Lovell	Christian
Ogilvie	Angus
Palmer	Sean
Plunkett	Olana
Salkeld	Harry
Salvestro	Liam
Sowell	Alex
Stephenson	Franklin
Thompson	Charlee
Trotman	Axel
Wells	Chayn
Woods	Indiannah
Worboys	Sasha

UNDER 7

Anderson	Ryan
Bagnall	Torah
Berrick	Eliza
Black	Curtis
Brittain	Joel
Carberry	Jaime
Carlisle	Stanley
Cheney	Elijah
Delaforce	Jack
Earle	Maxwell
Groth	Joshua
Heffernan	Boston
Holmes	Malachy
Kapeen	Nate
Marshall	Isla
McLeod	Matilda
Meade	Mannix
Miltiadou	Logan
Oehlmann	Abigail
Olsen	Cooper
Read	Leilani
Renee-Ellis	Aaron
Robinson	River
Simpson	Tui
Thornton	Dean
Toyer	Austin
Trotman	Zephyr
Young	Xander

UNDER 8

Becker	Lucas
Corcoran	Kurtis
Earle	Samuel
Fahey	Mia
Griffen	Gregory
Henwood	Kalani
Imeson	Charlie
Manuel	Oscar
Meyers	Daniel
Morris	Benjamin
Oehlmann	Oscar
Salvestro	Alexander
Soden-Cavanagh	Brody
Sowell	Sean
Stephenson	Harry
Thomsen	Sasha
Toyer	Sebastien
Whitehouse	Harry
Young	Ava

UNDER 9

Berrick	Caleb
Bultitude	Kalab
Cleary	Rick
Close	Harry
Cramb	Layla
Elabbasi	Malik
Elabbasi	Yasmin
Gilbert	Gus
Gilbert	Sienna
Griffen	Alana
Imeson	Molly
Ives	Kalani
Johnson	Bill
Kapeen	Chenoa
Mackay	Che
O'Neill	Lewis
Read	Solomon
Simpson	Jack
White	Jorja

UNDER 10

Black	Layla
Brittain	Isla
Earle	William
Fahey	Noah
Griffen	Tamia
Holloway	Hogan
Irving	Harriett
Liddell	Abram
McLeod	Taylor
Miltiadou	Carissa
O'Neill	Heather
Oaten	Digby
Rangeley	Max
Salvestro	Georgia
Stephenson	Oscar
Toyer	Bayden
Varcoe	Cameron

UNDER 11

Anderson	Abby
Cecere	Katie
Colwell	Alanna
Essex	Tyler
Holmes	Reminy
Imeson	Joel
Johnson	Lily
Kapeen	Elijah
Kapeen	Tyreece
Morris	Joshua
Symons	Mia
Woods	Rhiannah
Wunderlich	Reilly

UNDER 12

Elabbasi	Jorden
Ellis	Breanna
Kapeen	Raeyah
King	Zoe
McFarlane	Lachlan
Pitkin	Gracie
Thomsen	Kai

UNDER 13

Bultitude	Hollie-Rose
Colwell	Shannon
Essex	Darby
Gilbert	Max
Holloway	Billy
McFarlane	Brianna
Thomsen	Blake
White	Blake

UNDER 14

Bindon	Charlie
Brighton	Jack
Earle	Jack
Hyne	Elizabeth
Johnson	Jesse
Symons	Shae



Nippers March Past Standard Bearer - Shannon Colwell

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Newly accredited Bronze Medallion holders with their trainers Alan Schofield and Kim Morgans



State Member for Clarence, Chris Gulaptis, checks in with members of Pat Ridgway's Patrol No.8.



Yamba SLSC's water safety contingent ready for duty at the Yamba Triathlon

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