



Yamba Surf Life Saving Club

November 2015

"Vigilance and Service"

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...from the CHAIRMAN

As we head towards our peak holiday period I thank all of our volunteers for their time.

Details on a lot of what has been going on will appear elsewhere but a brief summary includes the following:

- Sunday mornings have been a hive of activity with nippers in full swing.
- There are new squads training for both Bronze Medallion and Surf Rescue Certificate. Many of these are new members and I look forward to seeing them on patrol soon.
- Sunday surf races have been well attended with around 30 swimmers turning up each Sunday at 11:30. Everyone is most welcome to join in this weekly handicapped event.
- We have had good numbers on patrols so far this season. Fortunately favourable conditions have meant that the workload has been relatively light but this will no doubt change as the crowds increase.
- The carnival season is underway with some great results already from our Nippers. Unfortunately storms put a halt to the last carnival at Cabarita but well done to all those who did get to compete before the weather took hold. The nippers carnival to be held at Lennox this Sunday has been postponed to Sunday 17th January due to predicted bad weather.

Finally just to let everyone know there are some changes going on in the office. Nicole Don has stepped down from her position and we are in the process of recruiting a new office administrator. This should be finalised very soon with no disruption to office hours. Thanks to Nicole and also Kerry Lee who have both done a great job over the last few seasons in this job.

I again encourage members to come forward with ideas and suggestions on how we can make the club stronger. I'm always open to hearing your thoughts.

Look forward to seeing you on the beach soon.

Joe Dougherty

OFFICE HOURS

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...from the DIRECTOR of LIFE SAVING

Great to see patrols going ahead without too much fuss and patrol members turning up on time in their uniform and the beach all set up.

There have been comments made to myself on a few occasions now from club members on the active reserve list, that they haven't received a call all season to do patrols. Although there is on most occasions a no show or two on patrols. Don't be scared to give them a call they assure me they don't bite.

Please note as of the 19th of December patrol hours will be extended to 9 am - 5.00 pm Saturday and Sundays.

With Christmas just around the corner I would really urge people to give some serious thought into how much time (if only an hour or two) they could spare on Christmas day at Main beach on patrol.

On the notice board in the patrol room as usual there will be a place to put your name down or call me.

On the 25th October the Grafton Dragon Boat club asked for Yamba SLSC assistance to provide water safety, and at very short notice Andrew Cumberland and Brad Collis came to the rescue.

Nine hours on the water for two guys is a big ask. A big thank you.

The next and **VERY FINAL** proficiency test or as it is known now "skills maintenance" will be held on the 29th of November 8.30am for a 9.00 am start. **Please remember this is compulsory for all patrolling members, active reserves and water safety personnel. As is club membership.**

James Ryan

Working with Children Information

A major change to the 'Working with Children Check' (WWCC) for NSW Surf Life Saving has been phased in this year. All NSW SLS members and employees (over 18) working with children for extended periods of time will need to complete a check. This applies to those in coaching/ teaching/ mentoring roles and youth/nippers age managers, assistants and water safety helpers. Basically, all those in our club involved with children under 18 years of age.

How to Apply:

- i) Apply for a WWCC online at www.kidguardian.nsw.gov.au/check
- ii) Take the form to a Motor Registry (RMS) with 100 points of ID or a Driver's License. When you are given a clearance you will be emailed a WWCC number. (There is no charge for volunteers.)
- iii) Give a copy to the Surf Club so your registration number and expiry date can be recorded. This clearance will last 5 years.

This is a relatively quick and simple process, so members are urged to attend to this as soon as possible.

...from the DIRECTOR of EDUCATION and TRAINING

A discussion between the Director of Junior Activities, Danielle Connolly, the Youth Development Officer, Kim McFarlane and myself, resulted in the following decisions, which have been ratified by the Board.

1. The under 13 “nippers” will do their Resuscitation Certificate as part of their junior activities on Sunday mornings.
2. The under 14s will do the SRC before Christmas and their Radio Operators after the Christmas break. If (1) above is agreed to the age managers should help to train these groups and gain their Training Officers Certificate in doing so.
3. A flow chart of the awards our members can gain at Yamba should be produced and distributed through Junior Activities.
4. The date of this year’s SRC assessment be postponed to 13/12/’15, the same day as the Bronze Medallion assessment.

Bronze training continues on Saturdays, 9.30 to 12.30, while SRC training is on Sundays, 9 to noon. All candidates need to attend the remaining 4 sessions.

Flow charts showing the Awards offered by the Club and the FNC Branch will be added to the Club’s website. These should guide members as to which courses they are able to apply for. These will be (were?) presented to the members at the General Meeting on 15/11/’15

The final club proficiency is being held on 29/11/’15. All active members who have not completed their proficiency should be at the club by 8.30 am.

Kim Morgans

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Congratulations Jorden Elabbasi on being selected in the Far North Coast Branch U14’s Team as a water competitor. Jorden will compete in the NSW Interbranch Titles at Cape Hawke Beach in Foster on 12th and 13th December.

Jorden has had a strong start to competition this season, placing 1st in the Surf Swim, 1st in the Board Race and 2nd in the Ironman at the Nippers branch carnival at Cabarita this month. Last month, Jorden placed 8th in his event at the Cudgen Classic, 3rd at the Lennox Enduro and 2nd in the Surf Race, 3rd in the Board Race and 5th in the Ironman at the Branch Carnival at Salt. Jorden also recently joined the “200 Club” (200 seconds handicap) in the Carl Schaeffer Handicap Swim.

Cassie Dennis, daughter of our JAC Chairperson Danielle Connolly was the last Yamba Nipper to be selected in the branch representative team. Cassie was a beach competitor in the 2007 U12’s team.

Well done Jorden and good luck at Cape Hawke!



...from the DIRECTOR of SURF SPORTS

Handicap Surf Race Pointscore

The first monthly pointscore of the season in the Carl Schaeffer Handicap Swim has master's swimmer Matt Eke holding a very impressive early lead, of 39 points. Andrew Law is second on the ladder with 24 points, closely followed by Belinda Bock and Joe Dougherty both on 23 points. The swim has been attracting good numbers each Sunday morning, and it is pleasing to see an increase of younger members regularly participating.

Branch Carnival Results

Well done to the small group of senior competitors who competed in the craft carnival at Ballina on Sunday. Strong wind made the conditions tough, but it was still a successful day for the Yamba team. It was 1st place to the Open Ski Relay of Harry Fahey, Kealy Day and Mike Gilliman. In the individual Ski Races, Mike Gilliman placed 1st in the U19's and Harry Fahey placed 3rd in the Opens event. The Opens Board Relay of Mike Gilliman, Peter Rheinberger, Kealy Day placed 3rd and in the Over 30yrs Board Race it was 1st to Peter Rheinberger and 2nd Todd Ives.

Yamba Ocean Swims

The ocean swims are on again in the Xmas-New Year break on the Boxing Day holiday Monday 28th December. The 700 metre Convent Beach to Main Beach swim starts at 9.30am. The 2,000 metre swim at 10.30am starts and finishes at Main Beach. And finally the Dash for Cash at Main Beach starts at 11.30am with Presentations in the clubhouse at 12.30. This event is one of our biggest club fund raisers of the season and a large work force is needed to run the event. Online entries through the www.oceanswims.com website will open on the 1st December.

Thanks to our generous event sponsors who make the event possible - Pacific Hotel, Clarence Valley Council, Westlawn Finance, The Cove, Belinda's Store, Elders Real Estate, Fandango, Annie's Bed & Breakfast, and Yamba Community Pool.

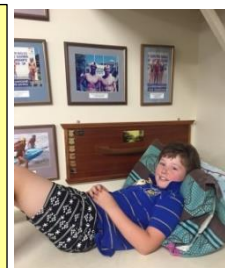
Jim Dougherty



Nippers Sleepover Fun

On Saturday the 14th of November, the JAC hosted a Nippers Sleepover at the Clubhouse. The rain and storms did not dampen the enthusiasm of the sixteen Nippers who attended as they participated in various activities and made some fun memories.

Many thanks to Dannielle Connolly, Simon Worboys, Leah Corcoran and Rob Becker who braved the night sleeping over with the kids, and to Kerry Lee, Kerri Wunderlich, Katie Becker, Helen Morris, Andrea Nikas and Erik Pitsi for assisting in making it a successful night.





...from the DIRECTOR of JUNIOR ACTIVITIES

Carnival results

Cabarita Carnival

Jorden Elabbasi U14's; 1st Surf Swim, 1st Board Race, 2nd Ironman

Carissa Miltiadou U12's- 1st flags,

U11's Sprint relay Kalani Ives, Malik Elabbasi, Chenoa Kapeen, Allanah Griffen 4th

Allanah Griffen U11's- 4th flags

Kalani Ives U11's- 1st flags, 2nd sprints,

Alani Berry U10's- 5th Surf Swim

We had 19 competitors and they all did great in wet & windy conditions. A big thankyou to our water safety, especially Brianna McFarlane

Salt Carnival

Carissa Miltiadou U12's- 5th Surf Race, 5th Sprints, 3rd Board Race, 3rd Flags, 5th Ironwoman.

Cameron Varcoe U12's- 9th Board Race, 2nd Sprints, 6th Flags

Jorden Elabbasi U14's- 2nd Surf Race, 3rd Board Race, 5th Ironman

The Carnival at Lennox Heads has been cancelled for this Sunday. Nippers will be on as usual this Sunday.

Dannielle Connolly

GOLF CLUB RAFFLE ROSTER

21st November Group 7: Jo and Grant Bennett, Bob Darby, Rick Harris, Greg Zietsch

28th November Group 8: Heather and Brian Badgery, Roger McLean, Scott Greensill

5th December Group 9: Greg Wylie, James Ryan, Mark Gillespie, Mitch Imeson

12th December Group 1: John Barnier, Sachie Ardrey, Keith Bradley

19th December Group 2: Jan and John Snelling, Alan Schofield, Warwick Mawhinney

26th December Group 3: Jane and Alan Lawrence, Ken Ryan, Jill Ennever

Thank you to our many members who run the weekly meat raffles at the Golf Club every Saturday night. These raffles run all year round, and have been a long term fundraiser for our club.



Calendars

NOVEMBER 2015

- 28 Sat Level 1 Official's course- Ballina
 28/29 Sat-Sun Coffs Harbour Craft Carnival
29 Sun LAST PROFFICENCY TEST- Yamba
 29 Sun JAC Teams Carnival- Byron Bay

DECEMBER 2015

- 5 Sat Board of Surf Sports Meeting- Ballina
 6 Sun Senior Carnival- Cudgen
 12/13 Sat/Sun Interbranch Titles- Cape Hawke
13 Sun SRC and Bronze Medallion Squad Assessments
 14 Mon Club Board Meeting
25 Fri Christmas Day- Volunteers are needed for patrols
28 Mon Yamba Ocean Swim

JANUARY 2016

- 6 Wed Yamba SLSC Life Members Luncheon**
 6-8 Wed-Fri 13/14's Branch Development Camp- Tallebudgera
11 Mon Club Board Meeting
 17 Sun JAC Carnival Lennox Head
 30-31 Sat/Sun North Coast Boat Series- Evans Head
 30-31 Sat/Sun JAC Branch Titles- Cudgen

FEBRUARY 2016

- 6/7 Sat-Sun NSW Country Titles- South West Rocks
8 Mon Club Board Meeting
 13 Sat Brunswick Masters Carnival
 14 Sun Senior Branch Titles – Brunswick
 27 Sat Yamba Triathlon

MARCH 2016

- 4-6 Fri/Sun NSW Age Titles - Umina
 9-10 Wed/Thu NSW Masters Titles - Umina
 11-13 Fri/Sun NSW Open Titles - Umina
 18-20 Fri/Sun Qld State Titles - North Burleigh

APRIL 2016

- 3 Sun Coffs Harbour Ocean Swim
 9 Sat Copeton Dam Swim
 16-24 Australian Titles- Maroochydore
25 Mon Patrols Finish for 2015/16 Season

Patrols

*Thank you to all our patrol members
for your time and vigilance.*

November

- Sat 21st 9am-1pm Patrol 6
 Sun 22nd 9am-12.30pm Patrol 7
 Sun 22nd 12.30pm-4pm Patrol 8
 Sat 28^h 9am-1pm Patrol 9
 Sun 29th 9am-12.30pm Patrol 1
 Sun 29th 12.30pm-4pm Patrol 2

December

- Sat 5th 9am-1pm Patrol 3
 Sun 6th 9am-12.30pm Patrol 4
 Sun 6th 12.30pm-4pm Patrol 5
 Sat 12th 9am-1pm Patrol 6
 Sun 13th 9am-12.30pm Patrol 7
 Sun 13th 12.30pm-4pm Patrol 8
 Sat 19th 9am-1pm Patrol 9
 Sat 19th 1pm-5pm Patrol 1
 Sun 20th 9am-1pm Patrol 2
 Sun 20th 1pm-5pm Patrol 3

Christmas Day- Volunteers Patrols

- Sat 26th 9am-1pm Patrol 4
 Sat 26th 1pm-5pm Patrol 5
 Sun 27th 9am-1pm Patrol 6
 Sun 27th 1pm-5pm Patrol 7
Mon 28th 9am-1pm Patrols 8 and 9
 Mon 28th 1pm-5pm Patrol 1

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