



Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
of the Junior Activities Sub Committee
held at Sawtell Surf Club on 25 March 2018



1. Meeting Open 1135. Chaired by Sheena McTackett

Members present: Sheena McTackett, Angela Welch, Luke Williams, Debra Reinholdtsen, Libby Waugh, Alexandra Fraser, Julie Dart, Joanne O'Leary, Gerard Klinkers, Rich McKeon, Rick Fisher, John Welch, Susie Haley, Mark Mulholland, Sally Kinnaid, Andy Manning, Matthew Zimmer, Susan Dean-Hicky, David Blaxland, Pete Singleton, Phillip White, Tiffany Easman

2. **Record of Apologies:** Gerard De Carle

3. **Confirmation of Voting Rights.** Chair confirmed voting rights of members.

4. **Confirm Minutes of Previous Meeting.** Moved Jo O'Leary/seconded Philip White.

5. **Business rising from Previous Minutes.** Nil.

6. **Presidents Report.** Gerard de Carle's report was read by Sheena McTackett in his absence. A copy is attach to these minutes.

7. **Secretary's Report.** Report attached.

8. **Treasurer's Report.** Report attached.

9. **Other reports.** Nil.

10. **Election of New Committee Members.** The following members were elected unopposed to the following JASC positions:

- **Chairman** – Gerard Klinkers (Nominated Jo O'Leary/seconded Pete Singleton)
- **Vice Chair** - Phillip White (Seconded Jo O'Leary).
- **Secretary** – Tiffany Easman (Nominated Pete Singleton/seconded John Welch)
- **Treasurer** - Jo O'Leary (Nominated John Welch/seconded Phillip White)
- **Registrar** - Jo McKeon (Nominated Jo O'Leary/seconded Pete Singleton)
- **Assistant Registrar** - Alex Fraser (Nominated Jo O'Leary/seconded Julie Dart)
- **Beach Superintendent** - Pete Singleton (Nominated Phillip White/seconded Tiffany Easman)
- **Water Safety Coordinator** – John Welch (Nominated Tiffany Easman/seconded Jo O'Leary)
- **Water Safety Coordinator Assistant** – Andy Manning (Nominated Pete Singleton/seconded John Welch)
- **Publicity** - vacant.
- **Sponsorship** - vacant
- **Gear and Maintenance Officer** - Shannon Wilson nominated - TBC Assistant: Dave O'Leary
- **Competition Manager** – Susan Fischer (Nominated Pete Singleton/seconded Tiffany Easman)
- **Clothing Coordinator** – Jane Ryan/Sally Kinnaid (Nominated Tiffany Easman/seconded Phil White)
- **Social Coordinator** - vacant
- **Awards Coordinator** - Jo McKeon/Alex Fraser (Nominated Tiffany Easman/ seconded Jo O'Leary).

The following members elected to fill the following *Age Manager* positions:

- **U6 AM:** TBC
- **U7AM:** Tiffany Easman **Assts:** TBC
- **U8AM:** Michael Weaver **Assts:** TBC
- **U9AM:** Matt Ryan **Assts:** Bob Aspden
- **U10AM:** Mark Mulholland. **Assts:** Luke Williams, Rebecca Wark
- **U11AM:** Rick Fischer **Assts:** Julie Dart, Jo O'Leary
- **U12AM:** Matt Zimmer. **Assts:** Libby Waugh
- **U13AM:** Dave O'Leary **Assts:** Johnny Welch, Poul Nielsen
- **U14AM:** Gerard Klinkers, Rich McKeon, Mal Hill **Assts:** Susan Hickey

11. **Thank you to Previous Committee Members.** Sheena McTackett thanked the outgoing Chairperson Gerard De Carle for his effort and commitment; and congratulated the remaining JASC for their work during the 2017/2018 season.

12. **Notices of Motion.** The motion was put to change the constitution to expand voting rights to anyone elected on the broader committee; additionally, one representative from each age group can vote at meetings. Moved Alexandra Fraser/seconded Julie Dart

13. **Urgent General Business.** Nil

14. **Meeting Closed:** 1240pm

JASC Chairpersons Annual Report 2017/2018

Sawtell SLSC Junior Activities Sub - Committee (JASC) has had another successful season with our members engaged in a variety of activities including regular Sunday 'nippers', Surf skills training under the guidance of our club coaching panel, the pre – season Manly LSC camp, the North Coast Branch Under 14's development camp, and competing in North Coast Branch, NSW Inter-branch, Country and NSW State carnivals. A number of our members were also involved in the North Coast Academy of Sport Surf – Lifesaving Program.

The 2016 – 17 season has involved many volunteers on our JASC committee, and within the ranks of our age group managers and coaches. I wish to thank each and every one for their commitment to the safety and development of our "Nippers" this season.

I particularly wish to acknowledge the massive efforts of Shane Golden, the IRB Crews and age group parent helpers who arrive early each Sunday morning to assess beach conditions, prepare the water and beach areas, so that our children can enjoy their JASC activities in safety. Thank you to Peter Singleton (Beach Superintendent), and the many water safety volunteers.

We endeavor to assist your children to develop their enjoyment of the surf, and confidence in surf life- saving on our wonderful beach this past season. Our aim during Sunday morning activities is on the surf life-saving skills that each age group is encouraged to learn under the guidelines set by Surf Life Saving Australia. All of our Under 14's were successful in completing the Surf Rescue Certificate and are now patrolling members of our club. Thank you to Andrew Martin (Chief Training Officer) for his continued efforts in this important award for our Under 14's, and the club. Our Under 13's have also trained in Cardio-pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) – a valuable life skill to have in the local community. This training will also prepare them for their SRC next year. The younger ages have also achieved awards involving Surf awareness and beach safety, basic rescue and first aid techniques, as well as beach environmental protection. Sportsmanship, healthy participation and encouragement of other club members continue to be encouraged in our activities. We also congratulate the parents of JASC members who have been in training towards their Bronze Medallion. A number of them are now patrolling members and are able to be greatly involved in their children's surf-lifesaving experience.

I would especially like to acknowledge all the sponsors of our club. Your commitment enables us to continue offering this opportunity to our members and thank you for your generous support.

Our JASC membership has been steady this season, and our participation numbers have increased at the 3 x local branch carnivals. We have topped the Junior/Nippers point score at each of these carnivals, and assisted our club take out the overall point score. A large team competed at the NSW Country Titles at South West Rocks. The Club finished 2nd overall, thanks largely to the excellent team results. Our Junior March past team returned to competition this season under the guidance of Bruce MacPhail, and Anna Fry. Some great individual and team results were achieved, but the improving surf skills and team spirit shown by all the kids was the highlight. Over 100 children and parents gathered for a memorable meal together at the local country club, This evening was enjoyed by all.

A large group of dedicated JASC competitors participated in the NSW State Age Titles at Blacksmiths Beach, Swansea-Belmont. Their individual and team efforts resulted in our club coming 18th in the overall pointscore of the NSW titles – a great result for a country club of our size. Congratulations to Cloe Nolan for her individual gold medal in the Under 14 Girls 2km beach run. There were also several excellent individual and team placings, and numerous top 6 results, a great reward for these dedicated members and their families. Thank you to our Club Coaches, under the guidance of head coach Greg Russel, for your commitment to the high quality, "free" training of our junior members. The above results are a reflection of your efforts this past year.

Congratulations to Jorja Welch and Levi Bannermann for winning the Sawtell SLSC "Junior Lifesaver of the Year" Award. Jorja and Levi represented Sawtell SLSC at North Coast Branch level. They both participated admirably and are a credit to this club, and their families.

The JASC committee has purchased new fibreglass and foam paddle boards this season to maintain the quality of the surf equipment and safety of the children during club activities. I congratulate Shannon Wilson (Gear Steward) for the excellent work he has done throughout the year to repair and control the JASC Equipment.

I would like to thank the "Catering Crew" for the excellent work they have done with the BBQ's, and other JASC events this season. Their work at these events foster's club spirit and show the broader beach-going community how great this club is for the local children.

Thank you to our committee for all the hard work during this fantastic 2016/17 season. I look forward to working with the incoming committee towards another great season

The JASC is a very important part of Sawtell SLSC. There are many members of our parent club that have assisted the JASC activities throughout this last year in many ways. Thank you for your efforts. I look forward to seeing the continued growth and development of our JASC children and this great club next season.

Gerard de Carle
Junior Activities Sub Committee Chairperson, Sawtell SLSC

Secretary's Report 2017/2018 – Tiffany Easman

This has been my first season as Secretary of the JASC. The Secretary's role is largely an administrative role and requires a good understanding of committee and organisational policy, procedure and practices. It is also a challenging role and one that I enjoy because of this aspect of the work.

Every meeting that I have attended I have learnt something new about how Nippers is organised, as well as learning how many people volunteer their time to ensure Nippers is safe, well run, both here on Sunday's and at Carnivals

Memberships for the year were steady for the year and this is something the Committee will need to address over the next few months before the start of next season.

In regards to correspondence, probably the most important piece this season has been the Active Kids Program. Active Kids program is an initiative by the NSW Government where parents, guardians and carers can apply for a \$100 voucher per calendar year for each student enrolled in school to be used at an approved provider. Thank you must go to Jo McKeon and Bruce Macphail for the timely registration of Sawtell Nippers.

The third item which I would like to address is fundraising. As a not-for-profit organisation it is essential that we are seen to be fundraising. The Committee will be required determine a strategy for the 2018/2019 season which explicitly addresses how we are contributing financially to the Club.

I would finally like to take this opportunity to thank everyone from the parents who bring and entrust their children with us, to the Age Managers and Coaches who volunteer their time for the benefit of our Nippers, and also the other Committee members who ensure the JASC is run efficiently.

Treasurers Annual Report 2017/2018 – Junior Sub Committee by Jo O'Leary

Firstly, I would like to say that it has been a pleasure to be part of the Junior Committee and would like to thank all those involved for your support and commitment this season. It has been a big year with many hours spent discussing, debating and deciding on what was best for the club, its members and the nippers.

The Surf Life Saving year is 1st May to 30th April, the information provided today is based on 1st May 2017 to 28th Feb 2018. Sawtell Juniors opened the season with a bank balance of \$6,996.61 and a carryover of two term Deposits of \$10,000 and \$11,500.00. Giving a cash total of: \$31,834.49.

Financial activities during the 2017/2018 Junior Season:

The primary income received is through memberships, followed by sale of club clothing, donations and sponsorship. The JASC received a \$5,000.00 contribution from the North Coast Branch to go towards Water Safety Equipment.

This season's expenditure was focused around updating the competition Fibreglass boards through sponsorship. The club purchased the following boards:

- 40kg Kracka Race Board – sponsored by GJ Gardener
- 45kg Kracka Race Board – sponsored by Bakers Delight
- 1 x 60kg Kracka Stock paddle board
- 4 x JM Competition Fibreglass boards (2 x 45kg, 2 x 65kg)

The club also received a grant from Sawtell RSL Club allowing the JASC to purchase the following equipment to assist with Board training:

- 1 x Large Bennett Robustlite 10"6' Fibreglass board
- 6 x Buoys and anchor ropes

- 1 x Bennett Soft Rescue Board

Other expenditure includes: carnival entry fees – Interbranch Fees, Country Titles and State Titles, Capitation fees to SLSNSW and Branch, Swimwear and Nipper Caps, Hi Vis Rashies, repair and maintenance of nipper equipment, repair to trailer, BBQ, end of season awards and team Hoodies for Country and State.

As at 29th February 2018, the JASC's working account had a closing balance of \$14,476.26 with outstanding costs of \$919.20 for State Titles and end of Season Awards and BBQ (costs TBA)

Term Deposits are as follows:

- \$10,000 – matures 19th August 2018

Giving a cash total of: \$23,203.31.

This places the JASC in a strong financial position for the coming season. The overarching club contributes to the financial success of the juniors by supporting and providing a solid financial platform for which the committee can work from.

Once again, I would like to thank our JASC committee and our sponsors Bakers Delight and GJ Gardener Homes for donating the Kracka Race Boards and PKN Constructions and Anshar Lawns for their continued donations for Age Managers Shirts.

Joanne O'Leary
JASC Treasurer