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Message from the President

This is my last report as President, and after four years in the role I am happy to be now handing over the reins to Kel Pearce following the recent AGM. My heartfelt thanks go to Kel for his great contribution in the role of Vice President for the last 2 years and I am confident that he will lead our club with great skill and capability into the future. My thanks also go to all those on the Committee I have worked with over the past four years. It has been a privilege and pleasure to work with such an outstanding team of individuals in that time.

I'd also like to thank and congratulate people who have stepped up to Committee roles and also those who have continued on in their roles. The Club membership greatly appreciates the time, effort and commitment each of you bring to your roles. You will see who's who in the zoo for our new committee later in this Newsletter.

Change is a positive and much needed element in any organisation and while I am looking forward to remaining involved in the club and contributing to various projects throughout the year, I do think it's healthy and essential to bring in new people and new ideas. In particular we need the voice of youth to be present and strong in our Club and to that end I would encourage any of you youngsters out there to have a crack at a leadership role in the Club. I can guarantee you will get great support, mentorship and will be 100% set up for success. Please think about it!

Prior to this latest Covid lockdown period which has impacted on us all in some way, we were lucky to be able to squeeze in both our Club Awards event at the end of May, closely followed by the Branch Awards of Excellence, which was hosted by our Club at Sawtell RSL.

Both events were a great opportunity to celebrate the end of a successful season, recognising our patrolling members who completed 100% patrolling hours throughout the season, along with those members who go above and beyond to make our Club an outstanding contributor to the community; our Club Champions and Surf Sports competitors all of whom have put in hours of dedication and hard work be it in training, education, patrolling, community service or special events. Thanks to everyone for making our Club one to be proud of. It was also just great to be able to come together in person after a tricky period of lockdowns, social distancing, QR codes and hand sanitizer! These of course all ▶

▶ must continue for the time being but hopefully the end is in sight to the limitations and restrictions we are currently facing.

Our Club was well represented at the recent North Coast Branch Awards of Excellence Evening. Clubs play a role in nominating members for a range of awards. A special shout out to Andrew 'Marto' Martin who came home with the Official of the Year award, and his better half Anthea who came home with the Administrator of the Year. I can't think of more worthy recipients for these awards.

It is also an opportunity to recognise surf sports competitors at the branch level. Sawtell was well represented in all categories with Libby Waugh, Rhys Mulholland, Maggie McConnachie and Jenson O'Leary being champions in their Age groups.

Things are a bit quieter on the operations side of things, but the beach is still busy on a Sunday with IRB training and good to see such a healthy cohort getting involved in that; along with the winter training regimes of the junior and senior squads.

Finally, I would like to recognise and congratulate our newly endorsed Life Member Greg Russell. I am delighted that the many years of dedicated service that Greg has given to our Club has been recognised in this way. Congratulations Greg!

Thanks again everyone for your support.

See you on the beach!

Sheena McTackett
0477 771 481



Message from the Club Captain

From reading the 2020/21 annual report, we can all reflect on yet another successful year. Most importantly no drownings, high participation of patrolling members and new members willing to complete the bronze medallion training and joining patrols with Sawtell Surf Club. That 68 members achieved 100% of their patrol duties was a credit to all involved and certainly makes my role easier.

Speaking of patrols, we are now starting to consider the 2021/22 patrolling season.

Can you please contact me on 0438 518 103 if you are considering NOT returning to patrol next season so I can commence the preliminary patrol roster for next season.

If you know of any members who did not patrol last season but may be thinking of coming back to patrol, could you also please let me know.

Shelley Lantry 0438 518 103

clubcaptain@sawtellsurfclub.com.au



ROWATHON

The Gotcha4life 24hour row is coming up on August 14/15. We would love for everyone to become involved in this fabulous event with rowing in 15, 30 or 60 minute time slots. The last 18 month period has impacted many people in many ways particularly on their mental health. With this row we can come together as a club, check on our mates, do some exercise and overall have fun.

Last year we operated under strict covid conditions and still had families, patrols, a local politician and individual members ranging in age from 12 to 70 participate. 39 people rowed 292,478m (just under 292.5 km) over the 24 hours of non-stop action.



This year we are looking to better our effort with having 2 rowers and more of a social gathering including a BBQ dinner and breakfast, depending what restrictions are in place at that time.

Who is up for a challenge?? Let's all get involved, have some fun and prepare for the upcoming patrol season with this great social event. Text Fiona Lane on **0409 207 965** with your name(s) and preferred time to row. We can cater for people of all fitness ability so please nominate for a time slot so we can start fill up the roster.

Fiona Lane
0409 207 965

Message from Chief Training Officer

CLUB COURSES

AWARD	MINIMUM AGE	PREREQUISITES	DATE & VENUE
Silver Medallion IRB Drivers	<p>16 years to commence training</p> <p>17 years at least on date of final assessment</p>	<p>Current proficiency in ALL of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bronze/Cert II in Public Safety (Aquatic Rescue) • IRB Crewperson Certificate • Meet local state/NT marine licensing requirements where required 	<p>4 July start 7am – 11am each Sunday Sawtell</p> <p>Contact: Shelley Lantry 0438 518 103</p> <p>COST \$25.00 for Powercraft Manual if you do not have it already</p>

Andrew Martin 0419 485 401



WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK (WWCC)

Could all members who have recently renewed their WWCC please advise the Club so your records can be updated.

It is suggested that any member who will be undertaking activities involving children and who does not have a WWCC consider obtaining one now. There is no cost and minimal effort to obtain such if you are volunteering your services.

It is extremely disappointing for those who devote considerable time to ensure the smooth running of the Club that no member has, as yet, been willing to put their hand up to assist with maintaining our Webpage. Please consider.

3 UPCOMING DATES

- **SILVER MEDALLION IRB DRIVERS**
Sunday 4 July
- **NIPPERS POOL PROFICIENCY AND REGISTRATION**
Saturday 12 September
- **FIRST DAY OF NIPPERS**
Sunday 10 October

AWARDS

Could any member who has not received their award or believe they are entitled to an award which has not as yet been processed please contact the secretary via secretary@sawtellsurfclub.com.au so the oversight can be attended to in a timely manner.

CLUB SECURITY

It is clear that the most valued member of our Club is Someone Else. Someone Else apparently has the job description of, inter alia, ensuring the clubhouse is secure at all times. Too often roller doors and other doors and windows are left open and fans and lights left on.

Please assist Someone Else. If a door is open close it and ensure it is locked. Turn off lights and fans. Do not rely on our close friend Too Lazy.



To Kim Henderson and Ross Waugh
-respectively female and male Club
Persons of last season – well done.

○ | **BRONZE
MEDALLION**

*Kelly Denison
Luke Eiler
Charlotte Johansson
Euan Hill*

○ | **ADVANCED
RESUSCITATION
TECHNIQUES{AID}**

Kylie Moore

○ | **SILVER MEDALLION
BEACH MANAGEMENT**

Peter Dawson

**AUSTRALIAN
LIFEGUARD SERVICE
NSW Recruitment
Now Open!**

With over 330 positions available across 90 locations, the ALS is encouraging surf lifesavers to apply as a means of offering local employment, building stronger relationships with clubs and providing opportunities for club members to develop leadership and lifesaving skills as:

- Lifeguard Supervisors
- Seasonal Staff
- Casual Staff.

Returning 20/21 lifeguards must reapply online with their user number and password. To ensure your application is registered please follow the instructions on the [Become a Lifeguard](#) page of the Australian Lifeguard Service NSW website.

Message from Junior Activities

Even though the Nippers are in the off-season, there have a few activities still occurring. A recent cleanout of the Nippers cage was a great success, while some Nippers have begun some off-season board training during these school holidays.

Important dates for the 2021-2022 season are:

- > Pool proficiency and registration - Sunday 12 September 2021
- > First day of Nippers - Sunday 10 October 2021
- > Break for Christmas - Sunday 12 December 2021
- > Return from Christmas break - Sunday 9 January 2022
- > Club Championships (Junior and Senior) - Sunday 30 January 2022
- > Country Championships – 4–6 February 2022 (tbc)
- > State Age Championships – 24–27 February 2022 – Sydney Northern Beaches
- > AGM – Sunday 13 March 2022
- > Last day of Nippers – Sunday 20 March 2022
- > Presentation Day – Sunday 27 March 2022

More information about pre-season training will become available soon.

Tiffany Easman
0437 000 030



CLUB COMMITTEE 2021-22 elected at the 2021 AGM

PRESIDENT	Kel Pearce	0421 916 204
VICE PRESIDENT	to be filled	
SECRETARY	Bruce Macphail	6653 3451
TREASURER	Anthea Martin	0438 253 103
CLUB CAPTAIN	Shelley Lantry	0438 518 103
CHIEF TRAINING OFFICER	Andrew Martin	0419 485 401
COMMITTEE	Keith McPherson Leanne Stuart	0400 022 237 0414 892 838
JUNIOR ACTIVITIES	Tiffany Easman	0437 000 030
The club also has other support positions filled by members of the Club who may attend and report to the Committee but under the Club rules cannot vote at meetings.		
VICE CLUB CAPTAIN	Steve Rayson	0429 025 845
REGISTRAR	Amanda Ensbey	0438 587 711
IRB	Scott Rayson	0429 805 602
RADIO	Steve Rayson	0429 025 845
SPONSORSHIP AND PUBLICITY	Leanne Stuart	0414 892 838
COMPETITION	Joanne O'Leary Mark Mulholland	0418 865 385 0414 772 366
GEAR & MAINTENANCE	Tony Ensbey	0417 799 526
FIRST AID	Dennis Meagher	0408 471 226
MEMBER PROTECTION	Graeme King	0406 363 710
HEALTH AND SAFETY	Luke Atkinson	0439 724 990
GRIEVANCE	Sheena McTackett	0477 771 481
WEBPAGE	to be filled - Interested?	
FACEBOOK	Fiona Lane	0409 207 965



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