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# HIGH-TIDE

Official newsletter of  
Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast

## President's Christmas Message



I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of the Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast Executive Committee and Club Presidents to wish all of our members a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

2021 has continued to throw us obstacles, but as always our volunteer members stepped up, adjusted to continually evolving 'new norm' and showed the core values of surf life saving - vigilance and service.

Congratulations to our two new SLSNSW Life Members Ian 'Spook' Everingham from South West Rocks and Mick Lang from Tacking Point. Both these gentlemen have immense knowledge, passion and decades of experience across many facets of surf life saving.

As we move into the peak of the season we need to be 'rescue ready' and ensure preventative actions are being used even more with the increased visitation expected along the Mid North Coast.

Our Support Operations Team, including Duty Officers, RWC Operators and Club Call-Out Teams are there to assist with any incidents both inside and outside of patrol hours, and I thank these members who take on these additional roles.

Enjoy your time with your family and friends, stay safe and I'll see you on the beach.

Yours in surf lifesaving,

*Rod McDonagh*



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# Education News



All patrolling members need to ensure they have completed their wet and dry proficiency and it is processed by 31st December.

Members can check their awards via the SLSA Members Portal.

Congratulations to those members who have recently gained their Bronze Medallion or Surf Rescue Certificate. All our Trainers, Assessors and Facilitators are highly skilled and knowledgeable and put in some very long hours to ensure the candidates are trained to the highest level and ready for assessment.

## New RWC Operators

Six SLSMNC members have recently gained their RWC (Jetski) award. This is a great achievement and important addition to our support Operations Team. The six members are:

Malcolm Green - South West Rocks SLSC

Josh McLaren - South West Rocks SLSC

Will Smith - South West Rocks SLSC

Danny Suitor - Port Macquarie SLSC

Josh Lawrence - Tacking Point SLSC

Gayl Ellis - Wauchope-Bonny Hills SLSC

Thanks to the Education Team for their efforts in imparting their skills and knowledge to these new recruits. Expressions of Interest for more RWC Operators will be sent out early in the new year.



## Nippers Are Back!

Finally, our junior members are back on the sand and in the water for the season. It has been a late start but numbers are increasing in the younger membership categories as the season progresses. Thank-you to all those people that assist with keeping our Nippers on the beach and safe in the water!



TPSLSC

With inclement weather it wasn't the start they hoped for but the sausage sangas went down a treat



WBHSLSC

A great start to the season!



KCHSLSC

Nippers lined up and ready to go!



MSHSLSC

Nippers having fun in the water!



SWRSLSC

The boys showing us how it's done!



HHSLSC

Lots of thongs!



# Surf Sports News (save the dates)



## SLSNSW Country Championships

Fri 28th - Sun 30th January 2022  
hosted by Cape Hawke SLSC  
Entries are now open via SEMS

## SLSMNC Branch Championships

Sat 13th & Sun 14th February  
U8's, Masters & Surf Boats  
Venue TBC



## Sponsorship Opportunities



SLSMNC is currently seeking local businesses for new sponsorship opportunities. If you are looking to align your business with one of the most iconic organisations in the world, then we would love to hear from you. Please contact Director of Marketing and Communications, Brienna Elford, at [marketing@slsmnc.com.au](mailto:marketing@slsmnc.com.au)



## Keep in the Know

All things SLSMNC can be found at  
[www.slsmnc.com.au](http://www.slsmnc.com.au)

SLSMNC has Facebook pages to enable members and the public to keep up to date for events and activities happening within our Branch.

The SLSMNC Branch 'Like Page' is a platform to promote information to the general public.

The SLSMNC 'Closed Groups' - Member Services Team, Education and Training, Surf Sports - are for members to join for information specific to that portfolio.

Make sure you join these groups for all current information.



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