



*Surf Life Saving New South Wales
Mid North Coast Branch Inc.*

Annual Reports

and

**Balance Sheet
2008/2009**





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2009/2010 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 2009/10 Annual General Meeting of
Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast Branch Inc.
will be held at the
Anzac Room, Kempsey Hotel
on Thursday 30th July, 2009
commencing at 7.30pm

Agenda

1. Club Affiliation and Accreditation of Delegates
2. Apologies and Proxies
3. Presentation of Annual Reports
4. Presentation of Audited Accounts
5. Election of Officers etc.
6. Motions of which due notice has been given
7. General Business of an urgent nature and of which due notice has been given

Ken Wilson
Director of Administration





Surf Life Saving New South Wales
Mid North Coast Branch Inc.

Office Bearers
2009/10

National Honours

Bob Kebby M.B.E.*
Max Waters O.A.M.
Chalkie Bob Smith O.A.M.
Ray Agland O.A.M.

SLSA of Australia Life Members

Reg Saunders*
Max Waters O.A.M.
Chalkie Bob Smith O.A.M.

SLS New South Wales Life Members

Reg Saunders*
Max Waters O.A.M.
W. Tom Saul*
Kevin Ruscoe
Bob Smith O.A.M.
Tony Hayes
Bruce Caldwell

SLS Mid North Coast Life Members

Ken Brenton*, Sid Griffin*, Bob Kebby M.B.E.,
Reg Saunders*, W. Tom Saul*, Max Waters O.A.M.
Max Sabien*, Kevin Ruscoe, Chalkie Bob Smith O.A.M.
Ray Agland O.A.M., Tony Hayes, John (Yakka) Watson*
Bruce Caldwell, Ken Corbett, John Vipond
Graham Bingham, Dennis O'Sullivan

Patrons

Robert Oakshott MHR, (Member for Lynne)
Andrew Stoner MP, (Member for Oxley)
Luke Hartsuker MHR, (Member for Cowper)
Peter Besseling MP, (Member for Port Macquarie)
Andrew Roach, (Gen. Manager Port Macquarie Hastings Council)
John Bowell, (Mayor Kempsey Shire Council)
George Hicks, (Mayor Nambucca Shire Council)
Michael McDonald, (Chairman NPBS)
Paul Hernage, (Regional Manager Dept. of Sport and Recreation)
Doug Sweetenham, (Wrights Accountants)
Mike Rabbit, (NBN)
Bill Wheeler, (Port Panthers)
Anthony Westman, (Westport Club)
Barry Pettit, (SWR Country Club)

Presidents of MNC Rotary Clubs
 David Relff (Telstra Shop - Port Macquarie)
 David & Julie Lowe, (Mobil Service Station Emerald Downs)

President	Dennis O'Sullivan
Deputy President	Rod McDonagh
Director of Administration	Ken Wilson
Director of Finance	Don McKenzie
Director of Surf Sports	
Director of Lifesaving	Paul Rayner
Chairman Branch JAC	Peter Lambert
Registrar	Bruce Caldwell
Director of Education	Kim Rayner
Public Officer	Dennis O'Sullivan
Member Service Officer	Kim Rayner
Minute Secretary	Andrew Jones
Deputy Director of Administration	Graham Bingham
Assist. Director of Lifesaving	Kim Rayner
Education Officer (North)	Kerry Fisher and Sue Croad
(South)	Kim Rayner
District Supervisors	
Macksville Scotts Head	Roger Wilkerson
South West Rocks	Sue Croad
Hat Head	Mike Stevenson
Kempsey Crescent Head	Kerry Fisher
Port Macquarie	Ryan Rosenbaum
Tacking Point	Tony Wright
Wauchope Bonny Hills	John Vipond
Camden Haven	Mitch Dawson
Emergency Services Co-ordinator (North)	Rod McDonagh
(South)	Ryan Rosenbaum
Support Operations Co-ordinator	Ryan Rosenbaum
Delegate of SLSNSW	Rod McDonagh
Branch Team Manager	Peter Lambert
Branch Team Coach	Jeff. Polverino
Branch Team Chaperone	Dave and Maz Rickwood
Member Protection Officer	Roger Wilkinson
Publicity Officer	Julie Tancred
Gear Steward	Paul Rayner
Accident Investigation Officer (North)	Rod McDonagh
(South)	Ryan Rosenbaum
Radio Officer	Paul Rayner
Medical Officers	Drs Brett Letchford, Stephens & Wilcox, Vincent Lee
Auditors	Wrights Chartered Accountants
Solicitors	As Required
Duty Officers	Rod McDonagh, Mike Stevens, Paul Rayner, Mitch Dawson
Meritorious Awards Committee	Bob Smith, Dennis O'Sullivan, Bruce Caldwell, Rod McDonagh, Mick Lang, Graham Bingham

Constitution Committee	Dennis O'Sullivan, Tony Hayes, Bruce Caldwell
Finance Committee	The Executive
Life Membership Committee	Bob Smith, Kevin Ruscoe, Bruce Caldwell, Ray Agland, Tony Hayes, John Vipond, Max Waters, Ken Corbett, Graham Bingham, Dennis O'Sullivan
Youth Development Committee	James Burnett
Board of Junior Activities	
President	Peter Lambert
Secretary	Darren Stephen
Treasurer	Don Mackenzie
Gear Steward	Greg King
Delegates to JAC	Dennis O'Sullivan, Don Mackenzie

The following positions were either unfilled, or left over;

- Director of Lifesaving
- OH&S Officer
- Chief Scrutineer
- Publicity Officer (North)



Christening of the New RWC by Local Directories



MNC Branch Junior Representative, Darren Stephen



Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast Branch
President's Report
2008/09

The 2008/09 season was a notable one for the Mid North Coast Branch for a number of memorable events which were highly successful.

Newcastle Permanent Building Society was again the Branch's major sponsor and without them it is doubtful that we would be able to run many of our programmes. These include:

- The Junior Development Camp
- The Age Managers Course
- The Officials Course and uniforms
- Assessor uniforms
- The Annual Awards Night
- The Junior Life Saver of the Year
- Branch Championships and medals
- Carnival Presentations

Last season it was reported that the Branch had obtained a RWC (Rescue Water Craft) and had a small but enthusiastic group in training. The Perm through the Newcastle Permanent Building Society Charitable Foundation made a special grant to the Branch which the Branch was able to use towards the provision of this item of equipment. Fuel was sponsored by the Mobil Garage at Tacking Point. At this stage of time this is generous support. The Branch has also able to obtain another RWC to cover the northern part of the Branch sponsored by Port Macquarie and Kempsey Local Phone Directory. The numbers involved in the operation of the RWC have increased dramatically and so that is now a total of 12. It is very encouraging at the moment

The Patrol competition was funded using the Branch own funds. This enabled the purchase of equipment for the winners and placegetters as well as a presentation on some equipment to every club in the Branch. The competition was won by Macksville Scotts Head with Tacking Point in second place and Port Macquarie third

Telstra again conducted the "Heroes of the Surf" campaign which was even more successful than last year and raised almost \$8,000 for the clubs for rescue equipment. This money is distributed to the clubs and it is understood that the programme will be run again this year.

Patrol uniforms and financial support was also provided by DHL. Settlement City again sponsored the Settlement City Challenge which promises to be bigger and better again next year.

The NSW government provided a grant towards the upgrading of the Camden Haven Club house.

The Federal Labour Government has granted Wauchope Bonny Hills SLSL C \$2.7 M towards the cost of a new clubhouse. Port Macquarie Hastings Council provided increased support to the clubs in their area and both Kempsey and Nambucca Shire Councils continued their assistance.

NSW has continued its grant from the Government through SLSNSW without which we could not operate. SLSNSW has given \$6337 to each club and entity from its fundraising activities to assist with their fundraising.

Probably the most outstanding achievement for the year was the selection Ryan Rosenbaum from Tacking Point as highly commended as NSW Life Saver of the Year.

Aaron Burton and Sarah Rayner were the Young Citizens of the year for Nambucca Shire and Port Macquarie Hastings Council areas respectively. Also this year Sarah was awarded an "Order of Australian Medal and Commendation for Community Service" by the NSW Governor at Government House.

Dane Rickwood won the Jason Northy Memorial Ironman Event.

The Branch was represented at the State by Sam Filetti and Amber Carew as the Junior Male and Female Life Savers of the Year. The other nominations were Anthony Thompson and Rachael Perkins from MSH, Joe Compton and Caitlyn Prior from TP and Mitch Holterman and Laura Nixon from WBH.

We must congratulate our two MNC Branch team members that gained representative honours in the NSW Country Team to tour New Zealand and they were Bayden Purnel from Port Macquarie SLSC and Ashley Holden from Macksville Scotts Head SLSC.

Some of the most pleasing achievements at the State and Australian Titles were gained by Ned Sanchez who won Gold and Silver and Fiona Casey who won gold at Aussies and both from the South West Rocks Club. Other competitors that performed well were Fred Middleton, Gary Smith and Rob Hiatt (Port Macquarie Masters) and the Macksville Scotts Head 240 years Boat Crew at the State.

The Executive consisted of "Vice President" Rod McDonagh, "Director of Administration" Ken Wilson, "Director of Finance" Don Mackenzie, "Registrar" Bruce Caldwell, "Director of Life Saving Paul Rayner and Director of Education Kim Rayner. As there was no elected Director of Competition and Coaching" for the past season, Chalkie Bob Smith took control of the refereeing of all our local Branch Carnivals. We as a Branch are happy to see that Chalkie Bob has put up his hand and accepted this position for the ensuing season. Our Junior Activities Chairperson, Peter Lambert performed extremely well at both an Executive level and as the Inter-branch Team Manager

Rod in particular was of invaluable assistance and I cannot thank him enough for his efforts. Rod also represented the Branch on the State Council due to my position as Director of Finance disqualifying me from that role.

A big thank you must go to our SLS NSW Development Officer Andrew Jones for his massive support and time to our Branch and availing himself at our Branch Council Meetings and the taking of the minutes.

Paul Rayner took over as Director of Life Saving and did an excellent job in a difficult portfolio. He was ably assisted by Ryan Rosenbaum in his capacity as the Branch Support Officer

In the education field the Branch was more than well serviced by Kim Rayner, Kerrie Fisher and Sue Croad. The Branch is probably better serviced than most other Branches within NSW Branches.

Kim Rayner got through a huge volume of work in her administrative role as the Director of Education which saw a high number of SLS courses run by our Branch which benefited all our eight clubs.. One cannot stress enough just how much work Paul and Kim Rayner do for the Branch.

Don Mackenzie again looked after our financial affairs with his usual flair and Ken Wilson kept an eye on the Branches Administrative matters. Bruce Caldwell did his usual sterling job as Registrar our records are superb. Peter Lambert managed the affairs of the Juniors after reluctantly accepting the role part way through the season.

Tacking Point was again host to the Country Championships with 1800 competitors competing and aided by the support of Stramit Building Supplies and Port Macquarie Hasting Council. Once again the event

proved to be a huge success and the largest NSW Country Titles ever. The club deserves every accolade it received for their effort. Next season we will see the NSW Country Titles move to South West Rocks. Good luck.

The Branch Championships were finally held at Flynn's Beach on the last day of the season and after three attempts at holding them due to the prevailing weather conditions at Wauchope Bonny Hills had proved unsuccessful. The senior champions were Port Macquarie. The junior championships were all earlier won by Tacking Point at Wauchope Bonny Hills.

Some of the Award winners for the 2008/2009 season were, "Rookie of the Year" Rebecca Locksley from Port Macquarie, "Young Life Saver" Aaron Burton from Macksville Scotts Head, "Administrator of the Year" Jan Clingeffer, "Competition Official of the Year" Bruce Caldwell, "Training Officer" and "Lifesaver of the Year" was Chris Stewart.

This Branch has an enormous depth of talent in Competition, Life Saving and could achieve all sorts of results if there is sufficient commitment. I am very pleased with what we have already achieved in the Education area especially after my initial misgiving. Life Saving as a core area and of a high standard needs constant continuous improvement.

The Inter-branch Team was coached by Jeff Polverino and managed by Peter Lambert and ably assisted by Dave Rickwood, Maz Rickwood and Jess Lambert. They performed themselves creditably at Katherine Hill Bay.

There will be some changes next year with our sponsorship and there will also be some major changes with the structure of SLS NSW now that they are a Company.

I am confident, however, as we enter our eightieth year that these matters can be overcome and that we will have another bumper year.

Dennis O'Sullivan
President



Port Macquarie's- Sarah Rayner receiving her "Australian Medal & Commendation for Community Service" from the NSW Governor Marie Bashir



President Dennis O'Sullivan receiving a cheque for payment for the MNC Branch's New RWC to be kept on the Northern Beaches



President Dennis congratulating the MNC Junior Branch Representatives for "NSW Junior L.S of the Year," Sam Filetti and Amber Carew

Director of Life Saving Annual Report 2009

During this season, the Lifesaving and Education Portfolio was split into two separate portfolios with Kim Rayner becoming the first Director of Education in the Mid North Coast Branch.

This allowed me to concentrate wholly on the job of Lifesaving and in general the patrolling of our beaches. Under the Lifesaving Portfolio, our Support Operations Group continued to expand with the commissioning of our second Rescue Water Craft (RWC) being stationed and patrolling from South West Rocks. The addition of five new members to group together with the four existing members bolstered our ranks to nine members, who patrolled on the RWC together with doing their normal rostered hours on the beach for their clubs. We are in the process of training a further seven operators in the hope that these members will give of their time to the group.

The duty officer system was established in the Branch with a number of call-outs through the season. I would like to thank Ryan Rosenbaum, Mike Stevenson and Rod McDonagh for assisting me with this.

As we experienced a very high volume of visitors to the area over the past season in part due to tourists not travelling overseas, our beaches were frequented by large numbers through the surf season. This increase in numbers placed a lot of pressure on our volunteer surf lifesavers and to each and every one of you that patrolled through the season; I personally would like to thank you for your time and effort.

The increase in numbers also produced an increase in the risk to surfers and swimmers, and it is with sadness that I report that we had two drownings in the Branch during the season. The first on Australia Day at Little Bay South West Rocks, the second on 8 April at Rainbow Beach Bonny Hills. These two drownings were both during times when there were no surf lifesavers on the beach. My thoughts are with the families that lost their love ones on these days.

The patrol competition was conducted again through the season and a special thanks to Newcastle Permanent Building Society for sponsoring this event. The results of this competition were

1st Place – Macksville Scotts Head

2nd Place – Tacking Point

3rd Place – Port Macquarie

Congratulations of these results. It was pleasing to see the standard of the patrolling groups on the beach this season and the professionalism when members are attired in their full patrol uniform. The standard shown through the scenario components of the inspections was extremely good and it goes to show that the standard of patrolling member that is being produced through our education arm is first class,

Some Patrol stats for this season:

Our eight surf lifesaving clubs patrolled for 25,643.5 hours during the season.

Our top patrolling male member for the Branch was Chris Stewart from Macksville Scotts Head with 258.5 hours. Chris was also the male Surf Lifesaver of the Year. Congratulations Chris, a great effort. Our leading female patrolling member was Linda Cooper from South West Rocks with 185 hours. Congratulations Linda, another great effort. Both these members are patrol captains at their respective clubs and it is great to see them leading by example.

Our surf lifesaving clubs made 294 rescues during the season. We had 211,116 visitors to our beaches, we assisted in 318 First Aid Cases, with 9 requiring Ambulance assistance, we made 8873 preventative actions and we had 37 beach closures during the season due to heavy sea conditions. A great effort from all clubs. I am glad to say that there were no swimming fatalities between the flags.

A big congratulation should go to Wauchope Bonny Hills SLSC on their being granted \$2.7 million for the building of their new surf club. I am sure that it will be of great benefit to all club members when it is completed. I would like to encourage all members at the club to stick with the club for the coming season. I know it will be hard to operate out of containers, but the wait will be worth it.

I hope that next season will be as enjoyable as this season was for me. I have again taken on the role of Director of Lifesaving and look forward to seeing you on the beach. Thank you all for your time and commitment.

Yours in Surf Life Saving

Paul Rayner
Director of Lifesaving
Mid North Coast Branch



Paul Rayner scrutinising essential SLS equipment at the various Surf Clubs

Director of Education Report

Education started off this season as part of Lifesaving until the split in August, 2008. Since then we have held monthly meetings and I would like to thank all the members whom have turned up to our Education Meetings. I would also like to thank Kerry Fisher and Sue Croad my Education Officers in the North. They have done an extremely good job this year.

As can be seen from the table below we have had 295 assessment requests and 2380 proficiencies this season, a huge effort from all concerned.

Our Trainers have contributed in excess of 4190 hours, Assessors have contributed in excess of 408 hours for awards and 258 hours for proficiencies and Facilitators have contributed in excess of 256 hours.

CLUB	No. of Assessment Requests	Proficiencies - Total Members incl. Juniors & all Awards
Camden Haven	6	108
Hat Head	26	206
Kempsey Crescent Head	13	130
Macksville Scotts Head	49	207
Port Macquarie	62	564
South West Rocks	41	376
Tacking Point	27	425
Wauchope Bonny Hills	71	364
TOTALS	295	2380

We trialled one proficiency day per club this season, from all feedback it was well received and the trial was very successful with clubs embracing the idea and getting behind the concept. An example was MSH club had 95% of its members turn up for their proficiency day, well done to all clubs for embracing this idea.

This year has seen some changes in regard to courses including IRB Driver and Crew and a combined Advanced Resuscitation & Defibrillation Certificate, although the ARC and Defib can still be run separately.

Next season will see the full Certificate III in Public Safety (Aquatic Search & Rescue) being introduced, the Senior First Aid Certificate will now come under the Health Package with minor changes and also the Pentrox (green whistle) Pain Management will be introduced.

We have been audited this season for our ongoing improvements as a Registered Training Organisation and received 85%. With some minor changes in paperwork and our inductions at courses, we are now sitting at 98% which is a big effort for our Education Committee. A big thank you.

Currently we have 30 trainers, 28 assessors, and 6 facilitators available in the branch and a thank you for the hard work they have done in meeting the high standard required of a RTO, this team is proactively challenging themselves to improve on how we deliver courses and assessments and will be involved in a mini camp on the 16th August to further continue this progress.

We need new blood in the ranks to help reduce the work load, this is especially prevalent at Kempsey Crescent Head where they do not have any current training officers.

A Branch Education Conference will be run on Sunday 16th August. All trainers and assessors are asked to attend, so that they are kept up to date on Branch policies and protocols for training and assessing, annual re-endorsements, resources and forms. SLSNSW will also launch their Pride in Education Campaign at this conference.

Branch courses will be conducted as a result of a Training Needs Analysis. Clubs may also like to follow this lead and target specific courses and individuals according to the needs of patrols and the club.

IRBD upgrades are in progress to add the two nationally recognised units of competency to members awards. If you completed your Silver Medallion IRBD award prior to November 2007 there is now an upgrade process in place, similar to the Cert. II in Public Safety (Aquatic Rescue) upgrade. This is not compulsory, but is aimed at IRB trainers and assessors and others who may wish to upgrade.

New resources due for release in 2009-2010 season - Pain Management, Cert III in Public Safety (Aquatic Search and Rescue), 7th edition Powercraft Manual, 33rd edition Training Manual, ATV.

SLSNSW will have an audit by VETAB early next year. As part of this audit VETAB may wish to audit individual Branches or Clubs. So please make sure that all your training and assessing processes are in place and followed. We don't want to be responsible for a poor result

A huge thank you to everyone for their assistance and support in this my first Season in the role of Director of Education.

Yours in Surf Life Saving

Kim Rayner
Director of Education



Training of our Life Savers for their various Awards

BRANCH ANNUAL DINNER AND AWARDS

AGE CHAMPIONS:

• Under 15 Male	Joe Wright	PM SLSC
• Under 15 Female	Tiana Rickwood	TP SLSC
• Under 17 Male	Kye Polverino	PM SLSC
• Under 17 Female	Hannah Munro	PM SLSC
• Under 19 Male	Dane Rickwood	TP SLSC
• Open Male	Dane Rickwood	TP SLSC
• Over 30 Female	Belinda Hadfield	TP SLSC
• Over 40 Male	Tony Wright	PM SLSC
• Over 40 Female	Anne Walsh	PM SLSC
• Over 50 Male	Fred Middleton	PM SLSC
• Over 50 Female	Vicki Polverino	PM SLSC
• Over 60 Male	Hugh Mackay	PM SLSC
• Over 70 Male	George Fowler	WBH SLSC

Jason Northy Open Iron Man Event



Dane Rickwood

TP SLSC

Beau Smith Memorial Trophy – Outstanding Competitive Performance - Ned Sanchez

SWR SLSC

Junior Branch March Past Championship Shield

Tacking Point

Junior Branch Handicap Point Score Shield

Tacking point

Junior Branch Point Score Shield

Tacking Point

Finalists Junior Life Saver of the Year

Anthony Thompson - Rachel Perkinson M.S.H.

Samual Filetti - Amber Carew P.M.

Joe Compton - Caitlin Prior T.P.

Mitch Holterman - Laura Rixon W.B.H.

Female Junior Life Saver of the Year



Amber Carew

PM SLSC

Male Junior Life Saver of the Year



Samual Filetti

PM SLSC



Junior Special Presentation

Darran Stephen

Bill Balkin Shield

Wauchope Bonny Hills

JH Brown MLA Shield – Water Events

Port Macquarie

Tony Hayes Shield – Branch Championship Point Score

Port Macquarie

• **Nominations for Young Life Saver of the Year**

Aaron Burton	M.S.H.
James Burnett	H.H.
Amber Carew	P.M.
Jedd Goggin	W.B.H.

YOUNG LIFE SAVER OF THE YEAR

Aaron Burton

MSH SLSC

• **Nominations for Rookie of the Year**

Rebecca Locksley	P.M.
Kate Manahan	T.P.

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

Rebecca Locksley

PM SLSC

• **Nominations for Administrator of the Year**

Chris Bell	M.S.H.
Ken Wilson	P.M.
Jan Clingeffer	W.B.H.

ADMINISTRATOR OF THE YEAR

Jan Clingeffer

WBH SLSC

• **Nominations for Competition Official of the Year**

Bruce Caldwell	S.W.R.
Julie Tancred	P.M.
Darran Stephen	T.P.
Dave Rickwood	T.P.
Bob (Chalkie) Smith	W.B.H.

COMPETITION OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR

Bruce Caldwell

SWR SLSC

• **Nominations for Training Officer**

Chris Stewart	M.S.H.
Anne Walsh	P.M.
Ken Corbett	T.P.

TRAINING OFFICER OF THE YEAR

Chris Stewart

MSH SLSC

• **Nominations for Assessor of the Year**

Bruce Caldwell	S.W.R.
Kerry Fisher	S.W.R.
Sue Croad	H.H.
Paul Rayner	P.M.
Kim Rayner	P.M.

ASSESSOR OF THE YEAR

Kim Rayner

PM SLSC

• **Nominations for Club Event of the Year**

Settlement City Board Event	P.M.
50 th Anniversary Celebration	W.B.H.
Gaol Break Swim	S.W.R.

CLUB EVENT OF THE YEAR

Settlement City Board Event PM SLSC

* **Nominations for Female Life Saver of the Year**

Vicki Arndell	H.H.
Anne Walsh	P.M.
Kim Rayner	P.M.
Marion Rickwood	T.P.



FEMALE LIFE SAVER OF THE YEAR

Marion Rickwood

TP SLSC

• **Nominations for Male Life Saver of the Year**

Chris Stewart (x2)	M.S.H.
Bruce Caldwell	S.W.R.
James Burnett (x2)	H.H.
Wayne Arndell	H.H.
Dave Carew	P.M.
Paul Rayner	P.M.



MALE LIFE SAVER OF THE YEAR

Chris Stewart

MSH SLSC

TOM SAUL MEMORIAL TROPHY – BRANCH PATROL CHAMPIONSHIP

- 1st Macksville Scotts Head SLSC
- 2nd Tacking Point SLSC
- 3rd Port Macquarie SLSC



Events of the MNC Branch Championships that were eventually held at Flynn's Beach

Registrar's Report 2008/2009

Well another season has passed by, and what a busy one it was for Club Training Officer's and Branch Assessors with three thousand five hundred and sixty six awards, proficiencies and JAC awards being completed. This figure also includes Junior Participation and Competition skills evaluations. There was one Junior club did not registrar any Participation and Competition evaluations. These proficiencies must be registered in surfguard before JAC members are allowed to compete in Sunday club events and also compete in surf carnivals.

Before the season commenced, a proficiency night was held at the girl guides hall in Port Macquarie for Assessors to upgrade their skills and become proficient for the awards that they held. The night was most successful with most Assessors attending this night and becoming proficient. For the coming season of 2009/2010, two nights are planned to be in August, one in the north of the Branch and one in the south of the Branch. It is hoped that all Assessors will be attend either of these nights to complete their proficiencies for their awards and be ready to commence the new season.

The number of awards are up from the previous season with seven hundred and eleven awards being gained by members of Mid North Coast Branch Clubs. Well done to the club education and training officers for this increase in awards. Unfortunately there were two clubs that did not increase their awards, but I am sure that these two clubs will look at their awards and work very hard to increase them.

The past season, saw all eight Branch clubs hold a proficiency day. This is the first time that all clubs have successfully completed their proficiencies on the one day. Practically all club members completed proficiencies for all of their awards. One thousand two hundred and sixty seven proficiencies were completed on these days., which was an increase of two hundred and seventy eight proficiencies. A couple of the southern clubs were a bit apprehensive about trying this concept, but as figures show, the days were a great success and they also allow for greater use of assessors time and resources.

Once again there was quite a large number of transfers from Branch clubs coming and going between clubs from inside and outside of the Branch during the season. The number of transfers entered into surfguard was one hundred and ninety.

I would like to offer my thanks to the Branch executive for their help during the season and also to Lisa Jones, State Awards Co-ordinator, for processing and returning awards in time for club presentation nights.

Bruce Caldwell
Registrar
Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast



*South West Rocks President and Branch Vice President "Rod McDonogh"
at the Launching of the New RWC for the Northern Beaches*

PROFICIENCY UPDATES FOR 2008/2009 SEASON

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JAC AWARDS FOR SEASON 2008/2009

										2007/ 2008	2006/ 2007
AWARD CLUB	MSH	SWR	HH	KCH	PM	TP	WBH	CH	TOTAL		
Surf Play 1	9	18	6		56		20				
Surf Play 2	15	8	1		58		34				
SURF AWARENESS 1 (7)	11	15	3		55	25	27			136	117
SURF AWARENESS 2 (8)	15	8	2		42	26	33			126	80
SURF SAFETY 1 (9)	13	11	5		26	20	26			101	86
SURF SAFETY 2 (10)	8	12	4		25	20	31			100	82
SURF SMART 1 (11)	11	7	4		12	14	22			70	64
SURF SMART 2 (12)	4	11	2		13	9	10			49	56
TOTAL	86	90	27	0	287	114	203	0	582		
2007/2008 SEASON	68	47	23	24	94	121	101			478	
2006/2007 SEASON	68	52	42	22	152	86	63				485
Junior Activities Preliminary Evaluation	51	71	24		171	124	136	16	593		
Junior Competition Skill Evaluation		46	23		112	121	93	15	410		

TOTAL NUMBER OF AWARDS,UPDATES/PROFICIENCY'S & JAC AWARDS 2007/2008 = 2662

TOTAL NUMBER OF AWARDS,UPDATES/PROFICIENCY'S & JAC AWARDS 2008/2009 =

TRANSFERS

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YOUTH DEVELOPMENT REPORT

This season has seen youth development in our branch go forward massively. For the first time in a few years, there has been a big effort by key branch personnel in establishing youth development programs.

Some of the changes in the Branch this season include:

- Implementation of a "Young Lifesaver of the Year Award" at Branch Presentation
- Inaugural Youth Camp
- Establishment of a Mid North Coast Cadet Email List
- Creation of a Branch Youth Plan to be implemented next season

Some changes we hope to implement in the next few seasons include:

- Replacing the "Youth Development Committee" with a Branch Director of Youth Development to give a greater voice to young people in our branch
- Establishment of a reciprocal arrangement with Maroolia SLSC for a Youth Exchange Program
- Expanding the Youth Exchange Program to other areas
- Assisting clubs to implement their own Youth Development Plans, mainly through the establishment of Youth Panels. The success of a Club Youth Panel is evident at Macksville-Scotts Head SLSC.
- Consolidating the Youth Camp, and moving it to another date earlier in the season

The continual improvement of the Youth Development portfolio is essential to the retention of youth members and this is the responsibility of all Club and Branch Officials. Any decisions affecting young members should be made in consultation with young members.

The changes we have made in the youth development portfolio this season would not have been possible without the assistance of Branch Director of Education Kim Rayner and Macksville-Scotts Head Club Captain Chris Stewart and on behalf of the Branch and its young members I'd like to thank both of them for their support.

I'd also like to acknowledge Aaron Burton of MSH SLSC and Sarah Rayner of PM SLSC who were awarded Nambucca Shire Young Citizen of the Year and Port Macquarie-Hastings Young Citizen of the Year for 2009 respectively.

I look forward to another season of growth in the Youth Development Portfolio.

Yours in Surf Life Saving,

James Burnett

Youth Development Chairperson



		2008 / 09 BRANCH ATTENDANCE SHEET																	
				AGM															
NAME	FIRST	POSITION	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	Pos	Att	Ap		
			10th	14th	11th	9th	13th	11th	22nd	12th	12th	8th	14th	11th					
O'SULLIVAN	Dennis	President	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	11	11	0		
McDONOUGH	Rod	V. President	A	A	A	A	A	X	X	A	X	X	A	X	11	5	6		
WILSON	Ken	Secretary	X	X	X	X	A	X	X	X	X	X	X	A	11	9	2		
MacKENZIE	Don	Treasurer	X	X	X	X	X	A	X	X	X	X	X	X	11	10	1		
RAYNER	Paul	Dir. Life Sav.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	11	11	0		
		Dir. Surf Sport	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	Nil	Nil	Nil		
RAYNER	Kim	Dir. Educat.	X	X	X	X	X	A	X	X	X	X	X	X	11	10	1		
CALDWELL	Bruce	Registrar	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	11	11	0		
ROSENBAUM	Ryan	Support Serv.- D Sup. P.M.	A	X	X	X	A	A	A	A	A	a	A	X	11	4	6		
WILKINSON	Roger	Mem. Protect- D Sup. MSH	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	11	0	0		
BINGHAM	Graham	Ass Secret.	A	X	A	A	A	a	a	A	a	a	a	a	11	1	4		
CROAD	Sue	N Ed. Officer- D Sup. SWR	X	X	X	X	A	X	X	A	X	X	X	X	11	9	2		
FISHER	Kerry	N Ed. Officer- D Sup. KCH	X	P	X	A	A	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	10	8	2		
POLVERINO	Jeff	Branch Coach	----	----	X	a	X	A	a	a	a	a	a	X	10	3	1		
LAMBERT	Peter	Jun. President	a	0	a	a	A	X	X	a	a	a	a	a	10	2	1		
TANCRED	Julie	Publidity Officer	----	----	a	A	X	X	A	a	a	a	A	a	10	2	3		
HAYES	Tony	D Sup. H.H.	X	X	X	P	A	X	X	A	A	A	A	A	11	4	7		
WRIGHT	Tony	D Sup. T.P.	a	a	a	a	a	a	a	a	a	a	a	a	11	0	0		
VPOND	John	D Sup. WBH	a	a	a	a	a	A	A	A	A	a	a	a	11	0	4		
DAWSON	Mitch	D Sup. C.H.	a	a	a	X	a	a	a	X	A	a	a	X	11	3	1		
STEWART	Chris	MSH	X	X	X	X	a	a	a	X	X	X	X	X	11	8	0		
BELL	Greg	MSH President	X	A	A	X	A	X	X	X	a	a	X	X	11	6	2		
BELL	Chris	MSH Treas	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	X	a	a	X	a	11	2	6		
EVERINGHAM	Ian	SWR	a	a	a	X	a	a	a	a	a	a	a	a	11	1	0		
STEVENSON	Mike	H.H.	X	X	A	A	X	A	X	X	A	a	X	X	11	6	4		
KINGS	Greg	KCH President	a	X	X	a	a	A	A	a	A	a	A	A	11	2	4		
FULLER	Maurie	KCH	a	X	A	a	a	A	X	X	X	X	X	a	11	6	2		
TOWLE	Glen	P.M.	----	----	----	----	X	X	a	X	X	a	A	X	8	5	1		
HURKETT	Geof	P.M.	----	----	----	----	X	X	a	A	X	X	a	A	8	4	2		
CLINGELEFFER	Jan	WBH Secret.	a	X	A	A	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	11	9	2		
STENNETT	Simon	WBH	a	X	X	a	a	a	a	a	X	a	a	a	11	3	0		
SMITH	Bob	WBH Life Mem	a	a	a	a	a	a	a	X	A	a	a	X	11	2	1		
NAPPER	Dave	C.H. President	a	X	A	X	A	A	X	A	A	X	a	A	11	4	6		
OAKESHOTT	Rob	P.M. President	X	A	A	a	a	A	a	a	A	A	a	A	11	0	6		
BURNETT	James	H.H.	a	a	a	a	a	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	11	7	0		
OXENFORD	Scott	P.M. Club Capt.	a	a	a	a	a	X	a	X	a	a	a	a	11	2	0		
LANG	Mick	T.P. President	a	a	a	a	a	a	a	A	a	a	a	A	11	0	2		
McGOVERN	Richard	WBH President	a	a	a	a	a	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	11	0	7		
MERRICK	Darren	CH						X	a	X	a	a	a	X	7	3	0		
HIATT	Rob	PM Secretary .									x				1	1	0		
JONES	Andrew	SLSNSW - Min. Secret.	X	X	X	X	A	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	11	10	1		
JAMES	Peter	SLSNSW Director						X							1	1	0		

MID NORTH COAST SURF LIFE SAVING INC

COMMITTEE'S REPORT

Your committee members submit the financial report of Mid North Coast Surf Life Saving Inc for the financial year ended 31 May 2009.

Committee Members

The names of the committee members in office at anytime during or since the end of the year are:

Dennis O'Sullivan	President
Rod McDonagh	Vice President
Donald MacKenzie	Director of Finance
Ken Wilson	Director of Administration
Bruce Caldwell	Registrar
Paul Rayner	Director of Lifesaving
Kim Rayner	Director of Education

Significant Changes

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the financial year.

Operating Result

The profit after providing for income tax amounted to \$31,680.

Kim & Paul Rayner

KPR Embroidery \$2,140.50 - The supply and embroidery of uniforms, first aid kits and items for the interbranch team, bumbags and the branch presentation night.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the members of the committee:

Director

Dennis O'Sullivan

Director

Donald MacKenzie

Dated

22nd July 2009



MID NORTH COAST SURF LIFE SAVING INC

DIVISIONAL PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2009

	2009 \$	2008 \$
Seniors		
INCOME		
Donations	11,715.28	7,251.00
Education Fees	6,398.64	3,189.09
Interest Received	2,094.65	1,913.40
Grants Received	10,169.09	2,491.93
Inter Branch Team Income	4,363.64	7,081.25
Sponsorship/ Fund Raising	56,493.91	38,059.90
Leadership Camp Income	8,445.45	-
Sundry Income	-	1,211.82
Affiliation Fees	800.00	800.00
Branch Allocation	-	8,284.50
Branch Dinner	1,609.09	2,400.00
Capitation Fees	697.27	-
Club Conference	981.82	4,454.55
Competition Fees	1,722.73	-
	<u>105,491.57</u>	<u>77,137.44</u>
LESS EXPENDITURE		
Advertising & Promotion	-	1,585.28
Annual Report	300.00	-
Awards, Trophies & Medals	7,404.93	1,600.74
Bank Charges	110.80	18.00
Branch Dinner Expenses	4,566.32	4,412.09
Catering	609.68	-
Carnival Expenses	1,120.00	1,666.25
Club Conference	79.63	-
Depreciation	6,852.00	4,023.68
Directors & Officers Expenses	450.00	-
Donations	500.00	-
Education Program Expenses	7,813.78	23,050.88
Filing Fees	-	127.27
Insurance	1,158.23	2,156.72
Interbranch Expenses	9,125.64	-
Leadership Camp Expenses	12,498.06	5,200.00
Lifesaving	2,031.26	-
Meetings & Conferences Expenses	1,319.09	8,814.08
Motor Vehicle Expenses	47.28	46.36
Office Expenses	12,464.47	10,584.68
Rigid Water Craft	3,026.16	3,568.90
Repairs & Maintenance	317.19	442.59
Stamp duty	9.00	-
Sponsorship	1,055.49	-
Sundry expenses	232.73	166.45
Uniforms	719.41	3,897.28
	<u>73,811.15</u>	<u>71,361.25</u>
NET OPERATING PROFIT	<u>31,680.42</u>	<u>5,776.19</u>

MID NORTH COAST SURF LIFE SAVING INC

DIVISIONAL PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY, 2009

	2009 \$	2008 \$
Junior Activities Committee		
INCOME		
Interest Received	-	58.00
Grants Received	-	2,727.27
Leadership Camp Income	-	13,790.91
Affiliation Fees	-	1,060.73
Capitation Fees	-	1,758.18
Competition Fees	-	2,440.00
	<u>-</u>	<u>21,835.09</u>
LESS EXPENDITURE		
Awards, Trophies & Medals	-	448.45
Branch Carnival	-	865.75
Leadership Camp Expenses	-	14,776.60
Motor Vehicle Expenses	-	46.36
Sundry expenses	-	268.73
Training	-	194.71
	<u>-</u>	<u>16,600.60</u>
NET OPERATING PROFIT	<u>-</u>	<u>5,234.49</u>



Newcastle Permanent Junior Leadership Camp at Bonny Hills

MID NORTH COAST SURF LIFE SAVING INC

COMBINED DIVISIONAL PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2009

	2009 \$	2008 \$
INCOME		
Donations	11,715.28	7,251.00
Education Fees	6,398.64	3,189.09
Interest Received	2,094.65	1,971.40
Grants Received	10,169.09	5,219.20
Inter Branch Team Income	4,363.64	7,081.25
Sponsorship/ Fund Raising	56,493.91	38,059.90
Leadership Camp Income	8,445.45	13,790.91
Sundry Income	-	1,211.82
Affiliation Fees	800.00	1,860.73
Branch Allocation	-	8,284.50
Branch Dinner	1,609.09	2,400.00
Capitation Fees	697.27	1,758.18
Club Conference	981.82	4,454.55
Competition Fees	1,722.73	2,440.00
	<u>105,491.57</u>	<u>98,972.53</u>
LESS EXPENDITURE		
Advertising & Promotion	-	1,585.28
Annual Report	300.00	-
Awards, Trophies & Medals	7,404.93	2,049.19
Bank Charges	110.80	18.00
Branch Dinner Expenses	4,566.32	4,412.09
Branch Carnival	-	865.75
Catering	609.68	-
Competition Expenses	1,120.00	1,666.25
Club Conference	79.63	-
Depreciation	6,852.00	4,023.68
Directors & Officers Expenses	450.00	-
Donations	500.00	-
Education Program Expenses	7,813.78	23,050.88
Filing Fees	-	127.27
Insurance	1,158.23	2,156.72
Interbranch Expenses	9,125.64	-
Leadership Camp Expenses	12,498.06	19,976.60
Lifesaving	2,031.26	-
Meetings & Conferences Expenses	1,319.09	8,814.08
Motor Vehicle Expenses	47.28	92.72
Office Expenses	12,464.47	10,584.68
Operational Expenses	3,026.16	3,568.90
Repairs & Maintenance	317.19	442.59
Stamp duty	9.00	-

MID NORTH COAST SURF LIFE SAVING INC

COMBINED DIVISIONAL PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2009

	2009 \$	2008 \$
Sponsorship	1,055.49	-
Sundry expenses	232.73	435.18
Training	-	194.71
Uniforms	719.41	3,897.28
	<u>73,811.15</u>	<u>87,961.85</u>
NET OPERATING PROFIT	<u>31,680.42</u>	<u>11,010.68</u>

MID NORTH COAST SURF LIFE SAVING INC

PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2009

	2009 \$	2008 \$
Gross profit contribution from: Seniors	31,680.42	5,776.19
Gross profit contribution from: Junior Activities Committee	-	5,234.49
	<u>31,680.42</u>	<u>11,010.68</u>
NET OPERATING PROFIT	<u>31,680.42</u>	<u>11,010.68</u>



Junior President Peter Lambert presenting Junior Representatives Amber Carew and Sam Filetti with their Representative Uniforms



Keith Uptin & President Dennis O'Sullivan



Fuel Sponsors David & Julie Lowe from from the Mobil Service Station Emerald Downs

MID NORTH COAST SURF LIFE SAVING INC

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBER OF MID NORTH COAST SURF LIFE SAVING INC

Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Mid North Coast Surf Life Saving Inc (the association) which comprises the balance sheet as at 31 May 2009 and the income statement, statement of recognised income and expense for the year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes and the statement by members of the committee.

Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The committee of the association is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and have determined that the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, which form part of the financial report, are consistent with the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporations Act 1984 New South Wales and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The committee's responsibility also includes establishing and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free of material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used, as described in Note 1, are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks or material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

The financial report has been prepared for distribution to members for the purpose of fulfilling the committee's financial reporting under the Associations Incorporations Act 1984 New South Wales. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Independence

MID NORTH COAST SURF LIFE SAVING INC

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE MEMBER OF
MID NORTH COAST SURF LIFE SAVING INC**

In conducting our audit, we have complied with applicable independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

Qualification

As is common for organisations of this type, the majority of monies received by way of donation or fund raising activities is not recorded under a system of internal control, in such a manner as to ensure all income is properly receipted and banked. We are therefore, unable to confirm the completeness and accuracy of all income monies received and the accounting records relating to these appeals.

Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion, except for the above, the financial report of Mid North Coast Surf Life Saving Inc presents fairly in all material respects the financial position of Mid North Coast Surf Life Saving Inc as of 31 May 2009 and of its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements.

At the date of this report there are reasonable grounds to believe that the organisation will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

**Doug Cheetham
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Dated 22nd July 2009

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**Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast
2008/9 Branch Championships Results**

	1	2	3	4	5	6
Open Men's Surf	Mitch Dawson	Chris Turnham	Jed Goggin	Dane Rickwood	Kye Polverino	Tony Wright
Open Women's Surf	Hannah Munro	Carolyn Turnham	Anne Walsh	Vicki Polverino	PM	PM
Under 19 Yrs Men's Surf	Chris Turnham	Dane Rickwood	PM	PM	PM	
Under 17 Yrs Men's Surf	Jed Goggin	Kye Polverino	PM	PM	PM	
Under 15 Yrs Men's Surf	Hannah Munro	PM	PM	PM	PM	
Under 13 Yrs Men's Surf	Joel Brunsdon	Guy Watts	PM	Alex Rivas	Liam Compton	Ben Woodward
Under 11 Yrs Men's Surf	Tiana Rickwood	Amber Butler	PM	PM	TP	TP
30-39 Yrs Surf	Tony Wright	Darren Gill	WBH	John Hadfield	Dave Rickwood	Ken Atkins
40-49 Yrs Surf	Carolyn Turnham	Anne Walsh	PM	PM	TP	TP
Over 50 Yrs Women's Surf	Vicki Polverino	PM	PM	PM	TP	MSH
50-59 Yrs Surf	Fred Middleton	PM	PM	PM	PM	
Over 60 Yrs Men's Surf	Ross Jackson	Hugh Mackay	PM	Port Macquarie	Port Macquarie	
Open Surf Teams	Tacking Point	Tacking Point	TP	Port Macquarie	PM	
Under 15 Yrs Surf Teams	Tacking Point	Tacking Point	TP	Port Macquarie	PM	
Open Men's Rescue Tube						
Under 19 Yrs Men's Rescue Tube						
Under 17 Yrs Men's Rescue Tube	Kye Polverino	Jed Goggin	WBH	Blake Polverino	PM	
Under 15 Yrs Men's Rescue Tube	Hannah Munro	Joe Wright	PM			
Under 13 Yrs Men's Rescue Tube	Joel Brunsdon	PM	PM			
Under 11 Yrs Men's Rescue Tube	Tiana Rickwood	TP				
30-39 Years Men's Rescue Tube						
40-49 Years Men's Rescue Tube	Tony Wright	John Hadfield	TP	Greg Mortlock	PM	
Over 40 years Women's Rescue Tube	Carolyn Turnham	Anne Walsh	PM			
50-59 Years Men's Rescue Tube	Fred Middleton	PM	PM			
Over 50 Years Women's Rescue Tube	Vicki Polverino	PM				
Over 60 Years Men's Rescue Tube	Ross Jackson	Ken Wilson	PM	Hugh Mackay	PM	
Multi-Disciplinary Events						
Open Iron Man/ Jason Northey Memorial	Dane Rickwood	Jed Goggin	WBH	Gilbert Olzimer	WBH	
Open Iron Woman	Anne Walsh	Hannah Munro	PM			
Under 18 Yrs Iron Man						
Under 19 Yrs Iron Woman						
Under 17 Yrs Iron Man	Kye Polverino	Jed Goggin	WBH	Blake Polverino	PM	
Under 15 Yrs Iron Woman	Hannah Munro	PM	PM			
Under 13 Yrs Iron Man	Joel Brunsdon	Joe Wright	PM	Alex Rivas	PM	
Under 11 Yrs Iron Woman	Tiana Rickwood	TP	TP			
Open Taplin Relay	Tacking Point (A)	Port Macquarie (A)	PM	W/Bony Hills	WBH	Tacking Point (B) TP
Boat Events						
Open Boat	Tacking Point	Wauchope B/H	WBH	Macksville S/H	MSH	
Open Women's Boat Race	Wauchope B/H U/23	Macksville S/H	WBH			
Reserve Boat	Wauchope B/H 200	Tacking Point	TP			
Under 23 Men's Boat	Tacking Point	Wauchope B/H	WBH	W/Bony Hills U/23	WBH	
Under 23 Women's Boat	Wauchope B/H	Macksville S/H	WBH			
Masters Boat	Tacking Point	Macksville S/H 200	WBH			
Under 19 Boat	Wauchope B/H	Macksville S/H	WBH			
Bill Balkin Shield	Wauchope B/H 120	Tacking Point	TP	Macksville S/H	MSH	
Craft Events - Board						
Open Men's Malibu Board	Kye Polverino	Dane Rickwood	TP	Chris Turnham	PM	Gil Olzimer
					WBH	Blake Polverino
					PM	PM

Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast

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Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast 2008/9 Branch Championships Results

	1	2	3	4	5	6
30-39 Yrs. Beach Sprint	David Plews TP					
30-39 Yrs. Women's Beach Sprint	Belinda Hadfield TP					
40-49 Yrs. Beach Sprint	Brett Savage PM	Darren Gill PM	WBH PM	Jeff Polverino PM	Ken Atkins PM	MSH John Hadfield TP
40-49 Yrs. Beach Sprint	Bev Towle PM	Carolyn Turnham PM	Anne Walsh PM			
50-59 Yrs. Beach Sprint	Graham Doak PM	Fred Middleton PM				
50-59 Yrs. Beach Sprint	Hugh Mackay PM	Ken Wilson PM				
Over 60 Yrs. Beach Sprint	George Fowler WBH					
Open Beach Relay	W/ Bonny Hills WBH	Port Macquarie PM	Tacking Point TP			
Under 15 Years Beach Relay	Tacking Point TP	Port Macquarie PM				
Over 160 years Beach Relay						
Over 200 years Beach Relay						
Open Beach Flags	Darren Gill WBH	David Plews PM	Brett Savage TP	Ken Atkins WBH		
Open Women's Beach Flags						
Under 19 years Beach Flags						
Under 17 years Women's Beach Flags	Kye Polverino PM	Jed Goggin WBH				
Under 17 years Women's Beach Flags	Britney Atkins MSH	Hannah Munro PM				
Under 15 years Beach Flags	Matt Tancred PM	Brody Savage TP	Joel Brunsdon MSH	Joe Wright TP	Ben Wooding TP	
Under 15 years Women's Beach Flags	Tiana Rickwood TP	Katlyn Jackson TP				
30-39 Yrs Men's Beach Flags						
Over 30 Yrs Women's Beach Flags	Leanne Gilmour PM	Belinda Hadfield TP				
40-49 Yrs Men's Beach Flags	Darren Gill WBH	Tony Wright PM	Brett Savage TP	Ben Atkins WBH	Jeff Polverino PM	
Over 40 Women's Beach Flags	Bev Towle PM	Anne Walsh PM	Carolyn Turnham PM			
50-59 Yrs Men's Beach Flags						
Over 60 Yrs Beach Flags	Hugh Mackay PM	Ken Wilson PM				
Over 70 Yrs Beach Flags	George Fowler WBH					
Point Score			Handicap			
1 Port Macquarie	718	0	718	1		
2 Tacking Point	590	25	615	2		
3 Wauchope Bonny Hills	212	82	294	3		
4 Macksville Scotts Head	59	419	478	6		
5 Kempsey Crescent Head	35	508	543	7		
6 Hat Head	22	465	487	5		
7 South West Rocks	20	481	501	4		

MACKSVILLE-SCOTTS HEAD SLSC Inc

I am pleased to report the Club has again continued the long honoured tradition of No Lives Lost while patrols were on duty. Congratulations to all our members for this result.

Our patrols were again very well attended & for that I thank all of our patrol members. This year we had eleven members who gained 100% by attending all of their rostered patrols. It must be remembered that whilst competition plays an important part of Surf Life Saving, the principal roll of a Surf Club is to safeguard the public who attend our beaches during the patrol season.

Our Club this year attained more awards than in the previous season and this can be directly contributed to the involvement of Bill Richardson & our Club Captain Chris Stewart. My congratulations are extended to all those who obtained awards this year.

I also thank the Branch Officers for their assistance throughout the year in conducting our proficiency tests and Award examinations.

Many Club members are unaware of the work required to run the Branch. On behalf of our Club I wish to thank President Dennis and the other elected members of the Branch for their efforts this year, which at times would have proved very stressful.

As always, the success of the Club depends on the efforts of many and I thank all those who have contributed in a positive sense to the results of the Club.

I wish at this point to thank in particular our Club Captain Chris Stewart, Treasurer Chris Bell, Surf Guard Operators Diane Laverty & Chris Bell & Bill Richardson our training officer, for their efforts throughout the year. I also wish to thank the other members of the Committee for their commitment to the cause.

Our Club has again been fortunate to have had wonderful support from a number of businesses and individuals this season. Thanks go to our patrol sponsors, Stephen Weller from the Nambucca Hotel, The Scotts Head Bowling And Rec Club, the Bonser Family, Ivy & Ron Eades, our Award sponsors, Nambucca Shire Council, Cactus & Judy Moran, the volunteers who help cater on our carnival dinner & on the other fundraising activities we held during the year.

Our Annual Two Day Carnival was again another success even allowing for a clash with The Settlement City Challenge. This severely affected the support by our Branch Clubs of the Open Carnival on the Sunday. Many thanks go to our members and the masters' competitors from other Clubs who supported both days of our Carnival weekend.

The event was further strengthened by the Club hosting a round of the North Coast Boat Series on the same weekend which was well supported by Clubs on the North Coast.

The Club was represented at Branch, Country & State competitions and I congratulate those who medalled at these events particularly our 240 Boat Crew of Jim Brazel, Ralph Johnson, Howard Langford, Rob Marshall & Keith McKay, who won Bronze at State. I also congratulate our competitors who medalled at the Country & Branch Championships

Our Junior Club had another successful year under the guidance of Ken Atkins and his committee, with numbers remaining similar as in previous years. As in previous years we have had all the u/14 squad obtain their awards and commence patrol duties.

In an attempt to attract & retain u/19 members, a Youth Committee under the control of Club Captain Chris Stewart has been running activities at the Club on Friday nights. This has so far proven very popular & it is hoped the interest will translate into new members for the Club next season.

I congratulate Aaron Burton, our u/19 Committee Representative, who was honoured in the Australia Day Awards by being named Nambucca Shire's Young Citizen of the Year.

Earlier this year the Club lodged a Development Application with Council to construct another building to house our patrol equipment. Unfortunately due to the adverse reaction to our development by members of the community, it was decided not to proceed at this time.

On behalf of the Club, I extend my sympathy to all who lost loved ones during the year and wish all those suffering ill health a speedy recovery.

Finally, I look forward to the continued involvement of all existing members next year to ensure the continued success of our Club.

Greg Bell
President



Passed Life Member " Lou Balangarry"



Chris Stewart being Presented with his Awards being the SLS MNC Branch "Training Officer" and "Life Saver of the Year" by MNC Branch Director of Education, Kim Rayner

SOUTH WEST ROCKS SLSC Inc.

The season has been one of reward and achievement for the Club.

Beginning with our Patrols of 12, the Club decided to provide 4 hour patrols over the season, thus giving members the benefit of more free time personally. The patrol Captains and members carried out their duties from the end of September through to end of April with the result, NO LIVES LOST WHILST PATROLS ON DUTY. Director of Life Saving, Roger Wilkinson did not have an easy job throughout the year, but managed to have the required numbers patrolling. He was ably assisted by Training Officer, Kerry Fisher who worked tirelessly getting members into squads and completing their awards.

The Club at present is not so strong in competition, with the exception of the 'Nippers' the South West Rocks 'Stingrays'. They competed very well over year on the beach and in the water at Carnivals with representation in the higher ranks. Thanks to Sharon Packwood and her Team Managers.

Two exceptions!! Australian Medal Winners, Ned Sanchez and Fiona Casey in their favorite competition, Surf Board Riding

The Club's management plan has gone very well with Administration headed by President Rod McDonagh and Club Committee meeting regularly to conduct the all round business of the Club.

Being the first New South Wales Surf Club to be granted a Liquor Trading Licence, from the 14th November 2008, the Club Committee under the guidance of Facilities Manager, Steve Divall formulated a program to facilitate the members and general public. Changes were necessary in the catering department and with the appointment of a professional caterer as from December 1st, 2008 we have a professional dining service providing members and visitors a great menu and a great venue.

The Club Function center is a popular venue for weddings and other celebrations, with visitors coming from all over the State.

With growth comes cost. A revamp of the club's assets and life saving equipment exposed an increase in insurances and running costs. These commitments can only be achieved by steady trading in the areas of facilities, our main aim to provide a function centre and meeting place for the members and the community. Whilst we are a community service, we offer facilities for many local organizations, Yoga, Seniors exercise programs, Self Defense Clubs and Gymnasium facilities for members.

With a projected plan already in place, facilities for members will be completed in the lower areas of the premises.

The South West Rocks Surf Club was formed in 1919.

On the 7th, 8th and 9th August this year, a 90th Year Celebration will take place in the Club premises. The Organizing Committee under the Chair of Life Member, Bruce Caldwell will present a 'This is Your Club' to members, friends and guests.

The format is a 'Welcome' on the Friday evening, 'Celebration and Reunion Lunch' on the Saturday and a final 'Walk the Beach' and breakfast on Sunday morning. An event not to be missed.

The Club will reward members at the Presentation Night on Saturday 20th June by presenting SLSA awards, and Club Champion trophies.

On Sunday, 12th July 2009 the Annual General Meeting and the presentation of the Annual Report and Financial Statement and the Election of new officers for 2009-2010.

South West Rocks SLSC send their congratulations to the Mid North Coast Branch and neighbouring Clubs in their achievements over the past year and extend best wishes for a successful 2009/2010 season.

Terry Trevillian
Director of Administration

HAT HEAD SLSC Inc

Another season has past with thankfully no casualties yet again on the beaches of Hat Head. A big thank you goes out to our small band of volunteers who performed 2498.50 hours this season. We were fortunate this season to have 6 rostered patrols, which lifted the workload immensely. We are hoping to have the same number next season, knowing that no one has left town this year for work commitments yet anyway.

Surf lifesaving as a whole was very quite this season. Our membership across the board was down, but particularly in the juniors 50 in total. Competition at local carnivals was down on previous years, congratulations to Malaise Arndell on her selection in this year's inter branch team. First year for a long time that we attended Country Titles and came home with no medals, our 2 lone competitors still performed well in very trying conditions.

Towards end of season discussions were held to try and increase membership in Juniors & Seniors & to encourage participation in beach activities.

Training this season has seen a total of 68 assessments across all ages. Highlight of year was Nathan (Spud) Foster & Nick Dyet gaining their Jet Ski licence & Scott Croad & Spud being awarded their Gold medallion. We must thank all trainers across the branch for their time put into all training completed this year.

We may have been quite this season on the beach but a big thankyou must go out to all the members and community members who assisted with the construction of disabled access & viewing platform constructed, fully funded by donations of labour & grant from Department of Sport & Rec.

Along with Sport & Rec Grant we have been lucky thanks to Rick Fuller of the local Telstra Shop in Kempsey, received close to \$5000 in last 18months, with another \$2300 on the way. We also applied for \$ 4 \$ assistance, with which we purchased a radio.

Finally a big thank you to all our other supporters, current executive of Hat Head SLSC, Mid North Coast Branch, without you Hat Head SLSC would not survive.

Looking forward to 2009-10, with AGM early August, Club will be hosting Ballina SLSC for Country Titles, plus holding Branch Titles at this point.

Again Thanks

Sue Croad
President



Branch Presentation Night – Unfortunately our 4 Northern Clubs including Hat Head SLSC and approx. 70 of our Branch Members were unable to attend the night due to the roads being cut by flooding

KEMPSEY CRESCENT HEAD SLSC Inc

I have great pleasure in submitting my first annual report as president of Kempsey Crescent Head Surf Life Saving Club. With seven patrols and approximately 3000 volunteer hours, the safety of our beach was again at its premium. I would like to thank all those members for their time and effort. Our rescues were down on last year with many preventive actions taken along with the many cuts, Sprains and stings we encountered throughout the season

This year saw Crescent Head cut off due to the floods we have been experiencing which has caused us many problems on the beach with tonnes of sand being moved around, the Bull Rout fish that have been washed out of the swamp lands in which saw 4 children that we know about taken to hospital with stings on their feet, the putrid water coming out of the swamp and lots of dead fish lining the creek and the beach. All this forced us to close the beach for approximately 4 weeks in a row until it flushed itself out.

Running a club takes many hours and dedication from members. I would like to thank our committee members Vice President and Secretary Maurie Fuller, Treasurer Jo Mullins, Registrar Dave Bartlett, IRB Captain Peter Nieass, JAC Shelly Mclean, Eve Jacobs who has raised with a few helpers in excess of \$10,000.00 and Radios Paul Waterhouse who wasn't on a patrol but did more patrols than most as a fill in.

I would also like to thank Paul and Kim Rayner for their help and support over the season, Bruce Caldwell for help with our registrar and Kerry Fischer for all her help organising and running our SRC and Bronze course earlier in the season. With Jo Mullins now doing her assessors course we should be able to bring our training back up to where it should be.

JUNIOR CLUB

Our Nippers this season reaching 60 was the best we have had for some time. It saw a great structure put into place and each nipper having their own portfolio they could put all their work sheets they completed into and take home at the end of the season. Again you can't run these things without people like Shelly Mclean and Rebecca Kings with the help from all the parent. Well Done.

Unfortunately with many of our younger patrol members it's time to head off to university which has had a great impact on our patrols. Next season will more than likely see one of our patrols been dropped as our numbers slowly going down unless we can get more people in which is hard in a small town. As it is most of our members live in Kempsey and beyond. This may cause us to review our patrol agreement for the next season. With all our nippers coming up over the next few years I'm sure this problem will only be temporary.

Our Presentation evening is on the 13th June 2009 and I'm sure it will be a good night had by all. Will let you know of award winners after the night.

Thank you

Greg Kings

President KCHSLSC



The New RWC for Patrolling between Crescent Head Beach and Macksville Scotts Head Beach

PORT MACQUARIE SLSC Inc

On the surface a quiet year at Port Macquarie SLSC, but underneath a lot of preparation work has been achieved that puts the club in an even stronger position than where it was at twelve months ago, and this therefore has it as a successful year once again.

Firstly, the jump in the number of new awards or upgrading of awards has been a feature of this season, it is not the sexiest work, but it is very important for the future of the club that this occurs, and the results this year were outstanding. Thank you to everyone within the club who committed to this program, and for the Chief Training Officer Anne Walsh to win Club Person of the Year at our recent Club dinner reflects well on her and all who assisted in focusing on our awards structure. Well done.

Secondly, our jump in patrol attendance was also another important step forward. Like all clubs, this “meat and potatoes” aspect of the running of the club can also sometimes be the most difficult to make happen. This year, based on attendance figures, we significantly improved this area of beach management, and once again, a very big thank you to all within the club for recognizing this as a core activity of being a club member. Again, between Club Captain Scott Oxenford and the previously mentioned Anne Walsh, this reflects well on them as well as on the club generally. And with Scott Oxenford announcing his goose is cooked (he’s retiring from Club Captain), this is an excellent way to round out 17 years of involvement in club management. He and Gail and Rhyss have a lot to be proud about, and just as we hope the club has made them better people, we are definitely sure they have made the club a better place because of their involvement. They are perfect examples of the whole point of surf life-saving, and club life generally. A very big thank you for your years of service.

Thirdly, we continue to flirt with the edges of doing something really great as a club on the competition front. We continue to prove strong at a local and branch level, we continue to knock on the door of a top three finish at Country (finishing fourth overall this year – making it a 3rd, 7th, 4th over the three years of Country titles at Tacking Point) and we continue to have about half-a-dozen competitors ‘shake the tree’ and pull some outstanding results at inter-Branch, State and Aussies. These are all great results and we are now starting to see some excellent competitors come through the ranks, eg; watch for surnames like Munro, Polverino, Purnell, Carew, Filetti and Roods and others start to really shine in both the female and male open sections this coming season. On the strategic front, what the club needs and constantly wrestles with is about another twenty fit competitors of any age division to provide some critical mass to the results board. This would ensure a real crack at the top teams in the country and provide a solid teams structure for state and Aussies. We are aware and working on it.

So a good season for the right reasons. No lives lost, awards up, patrols up, and plenty of people competing in the right spirit. Yes, we can all do better, but the Port Club is proud of its membership, its camaraderie, and its desire to improve together into the future.

Rob Oakeshott
President



Branch Administrator Ken Wilson presenting Bayden Purnell with a Cheque for gaining Selection in NSW Country Touring Team



Max Waters OBE Congratulating Tony Wright's Award for being the O/40 Champion and receiving the many P.M. Club Awards



Mother and Daughter Carew Amber was the MNC Branch representative for the NSW Female Junior L.S. of the Year



Hannah Munro receiving her Award for winning the U/17 Female Branch Champion

TACKING POINT SLSC Inc

This season has gone so quickly it seems we didn't have an off season at all. The 2008/2009 season has certainly been one of development as I see our members forming a very strong Club.

I say this because, we have had arguably a record of new junior members join the club, whose parents are very keen to assist the Club in anyway they can. This has led to some of those new parents complete their Bronze medallion and take up positions on Patrol.

Some of the parents who are now second, third or fourth year 'veterans' and are looking at ways they can help the Club. This is excellent for the future of our club. This type of commitment, dedication and passion for our Club breeds spirit and morale that money can't buy.

PATROLS:

Our Club continued to provide the most patrolled hours within the Mid North Coast Branch with a 100% safety record on Lighthouse Beach, despite often extremely difficult conditions. Our Club's emphasis on preventative actions kept rescues down during patrols.

AWARDS:

This year is no exception and for many years our Club has been excited about the many awards we have gained, the fact that many of our junior members have progressed from Surf Rescue Certificate to Bronze Medallion. We, as a CLUB have endeavoured to keep our younger members, keen, interested and passionate about The Club.

Ken Corbett returned as Chief Instructor and did an outstanding job in this area. He was ably supported with these squads by many of our Clubs Instructors.

I was very happy and proud to see Ryan Rosenbaum awarded 'highly commended' in the New South Wales Surf Life Saver of the Year. Ryan's recognition in running second in this prestigious award follows on from Mitchell Dawson's success the previous year. Ryan's hard work over the years is now paying off with this recognition. My heartiest congratulations go to Ryan.

The members of our Club should also be proud of Ryan's award and his achievements, as they play a part in his achievements. Our Club now has an infrastructure where our younger members have the training, coaching and guidance from our experienced members, to be able to put themselves in a position to follow in Ryan's footsteps.

Also well done to all those members who achieved their Bronze Medallion and Advance Resuscitation.

This is an area of the Club that keeps on improving with members and non-members already interested in completing courses already.

COMPETITION:

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

One of our most respected age competitors, Peter Hennessey, travelled to Germany in July/August 08 and competed in the World Surf Lifesaving Championships. Pete returned with 2 gold medals, 1 silver and a bronze. Each event Peter competed in, he displayed that determination and inner strength that goes with the hours upon hours of training Pete does to achieve his goals. His medals are just rewards for his dedication to training and also surf lifesaving in general. He thoroughly deserved this recognition.

COOLANGATTA GOLD:

Dane Rickwood contested the gruelling Coolangatta gold in October, 2008. He not only juggled the high demand of his training schedule, but also managed to study for the HSC as well. Dane finished in 11th place in their very competitive U/19 category. Dane deserves the utmost praise for his efforts in juggling his training and study to represent our Club at this event. Very few Country Clubs have representatives in this event and I am very proud to say that since this event has been re-ignited, our Club has been represented each year. That's a fantastic effort and its not finished yet.

COUNTRY:

Again our Club members shone in every department during this Major event. The successful hosting of the 2007 & 2008 Stamat sponsored NSW Country Championships saw us lift even further, when due to weather and surf conditions, we

were put under the pump to move to not only Bonny Hills (Boats), but also Flynns Beach on Saturday and then have to back up on Sunday and return to Flynns Beach.

These relocations really stretched out resources to the limit, but due to dedication and teamwork these transfers were done with a minimum of fuss. It was an amazing test for our Club, but we passed with flying colours to again successfully host this major event.

It was extremely pleasing to see the amount of junior parents who gave up their time to assist in many tasks during the Championships especially during the relocation process.

The Club's hosting of the last three Country Championships, has displayed the camaraderie and teamwork we have been able to build in this Club. I would like to think that the success our Club has achieved in hosting each of these championships is a perfect example of what a small hardworking Club can do when given the opportunity.

I would like this opportunity to thank all the Clubs within the Branch for their assistance and contribution, whether it was water safety, officialing, setting up or competing.

Brad Jones the Licensee of the Tacking Point Tavern gave of his time freely each day of the Championships to ensure the refreshments were well stocked. As our major sponsor, I am grateful for Brad assistance as he went over and above what he had to do. As a Club we are very fortunate to have a person of his calibre on board with us.

What a fantastic effort our Team Leaders and work parties put in during the championships. There is a huge list of members for me to individually nominate who gave up their time to contribute to the overall success of this event. However, I must make special mention of Dave Rockwood and his team who provide the best food for officials, VIP's & work parties.

At this juncture it would be remiss of me not to mention all the supporters and businesses within our community who donated their services or goods to ensure the event was a success. Thank you.

Finally to Ritchie Lytham (Referee 07) & Mark Fisher (Referee 08 & 09) and all of officials, as well as the guys and girls from State Centre thank you for your efforts over the last three years.

Branch Competition

Senior branch competition seemed to wane this season, however, the Branch Championships were marred by sea conditions and had to be postponed on a number of occasions. The Championships were eventually held at Flynns Beach on the 26/4/09 and our Club was well represented and gained a number of medals.

The Club's Nippers has a truly outstanding season, winning just about every carnival's points score and handicap. For the second season running they were Overall Points score winners as well as gaining handicap honours.

State & Aussies

The Club sent a strong team to State and came away with numerous medals with the majority of competitors reaching finals in the Opens, age, masters & junior categories.

Of note, Samantha Broomby won a gold medal in the U/10 girls flags. Graeme Doak & Steve Harrison won gold in the double ski.

The Club was again represented at the Australian Championships at Scarborough Beach Western Australia. Dane Rickwood and Trent Harrison made semi finals of the majority of the events they participated in. All the masters competitors performed well.

The Masters competitors of our Club again enjoyed a successful season and achieved medals in ski, board & ironman events at a Country and State level. So congratulations to them.

The Surf Boat Area of the Club enjoyed a successful season. The Club boasted crews in the following divisions in the North Coast Surfboat Premiership; U/19's, U/23's, Reserves, Masters. The u/19 crew performed extremely well in their first full season together and were runners up in this division. The U/23 crew are all eligible to row in the U/19 division, but they wanted to test themselves in harder competition. They started the season well and they were competitive right up to the finals, where they finished 3rd overall. The reserves and masters crews both had up and down seasons, but they'll be better for the experience.

Also congratulations to the Wauchope Bonny Hills Club who were overall North Coast Surf Boat Premiership Club Champions.

Well done to all.

Next season sees the Aussies go back to Kurrawa, so I imagine this Club will have quite a lot of competitors travelling up to the Gold Coast for them. So start training soon.

JUNIOR COMMITTEE:

This section of the Club enjoyed arguably their most successful for a long time. Stewart Dowick did a fine job in his first season as Chairman of this Committee. At the recent AGM, Stewart was again voted in a Chairman. There were no major changes to the executive of this committee for 09/10 season, which is an indication that the parents have confidence in them to do the job and this creates stability.

Each year we are seeing more and more new members joining this section of the Club. What is more pleasing is the willingness of the new parents who want to undertake awards and become patrolling members. This is great to see and it is a credit to their commitment and dedication to achieve these awards.

BUILDING:

The building committee were successful in obtaining a DA for the renovations and extensions to the Club and building. A date for commencement of this project is yet to be finalised.

During the season and due to a number of fierce storms, the Club was flooded at various times, but again club members came to the rescue and spent time mopping up. Hopefully the problem that has occurred on numerous occasions in the past has now been rectified. We hope.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE:

I would like to thank this year's fundraising committee for their efforts in organising a number of enjoyable functions, such as the annual shopping trip, which is always well attended, the State of Origin nights, New Year's Eve party and the up coming trivia night. These are only a few of their efforts & I'm sure there will be more to come in 09/10. Well done everyone.

GRANTS:

The Club was successful in gaining grants which allowed us to purchase/receive a new rhino and an IRB.

BRANCH:

From a competition point of view in my opinion, the last few seasons have been frustrating, with lack of numbers at many senior carnivals. The season the frustration continued with Branch Championships having to be postponed on a number of occasions due to poor weather and surf conditions. I felt sorry for the Wauchope Bonny Hills Club who were to host the Championships and by having to postpone them meant they lost out on income that could have done with to assist with their building project.

At this point I must congratulate The Wauchope Bonny Hills Club in their recent grant of \$2.8 million for the purpose of building a new surf club. This will not only benefit their members, but also the surrounding community.

It has been a frustrating season for Branch President Dennis O'Sullivan with his illness and also juggling the job as State Treasurer. However, he has considerable support from the executive of the Branch.

CONCLUSION:

I would like to thank sponsors, supporters and everyone associated with the Club for your continued support. Without your assistance the Club would find it difficult to maintain the excellent service it provides to our Community.

To the hardworking committee, I thank you for your support and determination during some hectic periods. At times it was difficult, but through teamwork, we achieved the desired outcomes. Thanks for all your efforts. To every other member of this Club, from the U/6's right through to our esteemed Life members I sincerely thank you.

The dedication and professionalism displayed by all members of our Club was outstanding. We have a very strong and loyal membership of people, which continues to grow. Whilst membership continues to grow, and with the graduation of

our younger members into patrolling members & competitors, Tacking Point Surf Lifesaving Club Inc. is in truly great hands.

Mick Lang
PRESIDENT



*Ryan Rosenbaum: Tacking Point Club Member
Branch Support Officer
Branch Representative for SLS NSW Life Saver of the Year*



A number of Tacking Point SLSC members receiving their Branch Awards

WAUCHOPE BONNY~HILLS SLSC

Season 2008~2009 saw Wauchope Bonny Hills celebrate our 50th anniversary season. During the year, WBHSLSC held a very successful 50th Birthday Party which involved a cocktail evening on the Friday night, followed by a Dinner presentation night on the Saturday, and a recovery breakfast Sunday. All the functions were well supported by former and current members and all involved had a fantastic weekend.

I must thank the committee members that put this weekend together and also everyone that worked on the 50th anniversary book, DVD, Shirts and wine packs.

On a sadder note, in April '09 I received the news that no President of any surf club wishes to hear..... It was Chalkie Bob Smith informing me we had suffered a drowning on our beach, I was devastated and the feelings were echoed within everyone that calls Rainbow Beach home, not only clubbies but surfers alike.

It was a timely reminder that what we do on the beach each season doesn't come without risk, even a beach as safe as our own can in the blink of an eye take a life. We patrol our beach to save families going through what one Queensland family are experiencing now. If we save one person we have done our job.

Then just as our season was drawing to an end, I received the news that we had been praying for. On Thursday 7th May 2009 Wauchope-Bonny Hills was successful in gaining \$2.7m for our new multifunction surf club....

While many people need to be thanked the next few people are the standouts.

Jan Clingeffer, has over the last 3 years put in that much work for this project, and can now say she has successfully achieved surf clubs for Burnie in Tassie and now WBHSLSC. Jan, thank you and on behalf of everyone we are sure glad you guys moved here and joined WBH and not Port Macquarie SLSC or Tacking Point.....

And Peter Daniels, along with the Wauchope Gazette provided a massive amount of press about our cause and to the fact that MP Mr Albanese mentioned it in his press release and speech on Thursday. He even bought up with him the front page signed copies that had for over two months been arriving in his office. "This was one of the most community fueled campaigns I have ever seen" was his words to me on Thursday.

I should also mention Leigh Goodwin for his initial input and vision along with the scale plans and drawing that will now become a reality.

To Peter Jan, Leigh and everyone that has sat on the fundraising committee, the building committee and had any input to the new multifunction clubhouse I say thank you, too those in the community that said our dreams were to large and unrealistic I say "never say never".

This season saw:

- WBHSLSC has 415 members
- 220 JAC
- 26 Cadet
- 67 Active
- 13 Life Members
- 89 Associates

We patrolled a total of 3095.5 hours this season, we had 6 members perform over 60 hours on the beach. The club put through 669 Awards and 362 proficiencies.

To all my executive, club members, JAC, Sponsors and Associate Members thank you, well done and congratulations on keeping Rainbow Beach safe in our 50th Anniversary season

I would also like to thank the executive of the Mid North Coast Branch and Support Officer, Andrew Jones for the leadership and guidance shown to our club in these developing stages of our new structure. As we can all agree the hard work has started paying dividends and this is a new chapter for the next 50 years of WBHSLSC.

Richard McGovern
President



Passed Life Member and Legend, Robert (Beaurepair) Smith



Leanne Goggin receiving her Award from Ken Wilson

CAMDEN HAVEN SLSC Inc

The Camden Haven Surf Lifesaving club has continued to develop, grow and prosper during the 2008/2009 season. We were again fortunate to have a very strong, enthusiastic and dedicated committee to oversee our club. This committee has basically been intact now for three seasons and has changed the character of the club. We were in trouble. Dropping membership, internal disputes, and lack of direction. In the past three years, the club has changed. Although we continue to have a dramatically fluctuating membership and a transition of senior members, there is direction and a future vision. It is very pleasing to witness.

This, in no small part is due to our club executive who has continued to work extremely well this year. Kim Gregory, Greg Moss, and Brett Anderson were tireless in their efforts. Brett Anderson, and Darren Mearrick excelled in squad instruction and motivation.

Our SLS facilities grant of \$200,000 from Sport & Recreation to upgrade our club house continues to be an ongoing project throughout the year. The project is slow but steady. The results are very beneficial to our club (More usable space for rescue equipment, better access to all, including the disabled). This is an exciting project that will see our club establish facilities for the present and into the future. We thank the Hastings Council for their efforts. I hope that work will finally be completed this winter.

Our Patrol captains this year were excellent. Michelle Garvan, Greg Moss, Scott McDonald, Adrian Hutcheson, and Brett Anderson demonstrated strong leadership qualities and made it enjoyable for their patrol throughout the season. Another senior member, Craig Vickers stood up this year and provided invaluable leadership assistance to his patrol.

Our clubhouse has been used extensively throughout the season. The premises was used for seminars by the local and state government, the NSW Department of Education, the NSW police for training and education purposes, local sporting groups for training purposes and to the general public for weddings and special functions. Our club house has been a valuable resource to the local Camden Haven Community.

Our nippers were small in number and have continued to struggle this year. This is an area that we must continue to nurture and develop.

Our profile in the local community remains high. We have, and value, a very positive image in the Camden Haven community.

We have strong support from the local clubs (Laurieton Services Club, North Haven Bowling Club) and organisations including the Laurieton Hotel, the Chamber of Commerce and the Hastings Council. We thank the Hastings Council for the Rotational Capital Grant allocation that will allow us to purchase much needed Lifesaving equipment. Our profile is kept positive through the support of the local paper, the Camden Haven Courier. Without this support we would not be able to function as effectively.

The Camden Haven Surf Lifesaving Club retains high goals and expectations for future seasons.

Patrol Statistics

During this season we continue to be very conscious of our duty of care. We were able to fulfill and extend our commitment to the SLS Service agreement. The use of the half day patrols continues to be embraced enthusiastically by all of those who volunteer their valuable time. We retained our 6 patrols and attempted to develop the depth and talent within each patrol. Social activity was encouraged with communal BBQ lunches being popular for changeover AM/PM patrols. Our Patrol Captains increased their skill level during the off season with nine of our members obtaining their Silver Medallion Basic Beach Management Certificate.

14 of our members have patrolled over 46 hours, with one enthusiast breaking the 110 hour mark. Our small club completed over 1860 hours of patrolling this summer.

No major rescues were recorded for the season.

Beach and surf conditions were quite favourable over the summer period with only the occasional rough and extremely dangerous situations occurring. Beach numbers appear to be up this summer. This could be attributed to the favourable weather conditions and the current restrictive economic climate. Our patrols have been successful in limiting rescue situations by being diligent and vigilant in their patrolling duties. Over 200 preventative actions were made over the season and that has certainly contributed to keeping the beach safe for all.

Lifesaving awards gained by club members

Our dedicated members have excelled themselves again this year by obtaining the following awards:

- 16 Certificate II in Public Safety (Aquatic Rescue)
- 3 IRB Crew Certificate
- 9 Silver Medallion Basic Beach Management

- 2 Surf Rescue Certificate (CPR endorsed)

Special Club events

The Port Macquarie Triathlon club conducted the very popular and successful Camden Haven Triathlon in 2009. Our Surf Club was again heavily involved with this local event centering on the beautiful Pilot Beach and the Dunbogan area. The Camden Haven Surf club provided water safety and support for the junior competitors and open water swim on the Saturday and the senior triathlon on the Sunday morning.

Club members provided water safety for the Port Macquarie Iron Man Triathlon while other members coordinated an Aid Station for the cycle leg of this amazing international event.

The Camden Have Surf Club members provided support and guidance in lifesaving activities to local schools throughout the season. This involvement included instruction in lifesaving skills, use of equipment, public awareness of Surf Lifesaving and the professional development of teaching staff.

We hosted several Mid North Coast Branch courses during this year including an IRB Driver & Crewman's Course and the Silver Medallion Basic Beach Management Course.

The very popular Australia Day Raft 'n Craft race was held again this year at the rear Laurieton United Servicemen's Club. A huge crowd enjoyed the spectacle and a great time was had by all. This event in late January each year continues to gain momentum and has helped to raise the profile of our Club and its members within the local community.

Our annual 'Bridge to Bridge' paddle from Kendall to Laurieton took place again this year in mid May and remains a great way of bringing all members together to celebrate the end of another busy and successful season.

The Camden Haven Surf Lifesaving Club wishes to thank all Clubs and members of the Mid North Coast Branch for their support and assistance during the 2008/2009 season and wish you all success in the seasons to come.

Dave Napper

President CHSLSC.



IRB Training Day at Camden Haven Beach



Top Patrolling Members for the 2008/2009 Season

Leading Female Patrol Members	
Camden Haven	Hours
1. Abbey Nash	56.8
2. Sally Stutsel	53.0
3. Jessica Seymour	48.5
4. Deborah Jackson	46.5
5. Karen Swilks	42.3
Hat Head	Hours
1. Vicki Arndell	67.5
2. Marlee Snowden	59.8
3. Susan Croad	52.0
4. Chelsea Marsh	46.0
5. Robyn Townsend	45.5
Kempsey Crescent Head	Hours
1. Joanne Mullins	80.0
2. Rebecca Kings	71.8
3. Nina Parrett	69.3
4. Jorja Cashman	67.0
5. Shelly L. Mclean	61.8
Macksville-Scotts Head	Hours
1. Brittany ATKINS	47.3
2. Cathryn O'DONNELL	39.3
3. Ashlee NOBLE	36.8
4. Mandy KINNEAR	30.3
5. Karen VICK	30.0
Mid North Coast Branch Support Operations Group	Hours
1. Kim Rayner (FERGUSON)	35.5
Port Macquarie	Hours
1. Kim Rayner (FERGUSON)	73.3
2. Jennifer Wookey	70.8
3. Anne Walsh	68.8
4. Gail Martin	59.3
5. Beverleigh Towle	53.3
South West Rocks	Hours
1. Linda Cooper	185.0
2. Darcy Wilkinson	77.0
3. Jessica Henshaw	50.0
4. Anne Pearce	49.0
5. Abby Wilson	49.0
Tacking Point	Hours
1. Debbie OXLEY	51.8
2. Belinda HADFIELD	44.0
3. Hannah Miller	39.8
4. Marian RICKWOOD	39.3
5. Jordan DURBRIDGE	38.5
Wauchope Bonny Hills	Hours
1. Leanne Goggin	56.5
2. Jenna Lievore	46.8
3. Nikki Seymour	46.8
4. Laura Walton	40.8
5. Kyara Stennett	39.8

Leading Male Patrol Members	
Camden Haven	Hours
1. Darren Mearrick	110.5
2. David Napper	77.5
3. Brett Anderson	68.3
4. Adrian Hutchinson	63.0
5. Gregory Moss	60.0
Hat Head	Hours
1. Paul Rudduck	177.0
2. Wayne Arndell	67.5
3. Thomas Arndell	61.5
4. Michael Stevenson	60.8
5. Toby Stevenson	60.3
Kempsey Crescent Head	Hours
1. Gregory Kings	103.5
2. David Bartlett	85.8
3. Maurie Fuller	79.8
4. Hayden Bartlett	76.3
5. Paul Waterhouse	55.3
Macksville-Scotts Head	Hours
1. Christopher STEWART	258.5
2. Aaron BURTON	116.5
3. Ken (Stephen) Atkins	83.8
4. Tony DONGES	81.8
5. Rhys HANGER	75.5
Mid North Coast Branch Support Operations Group	Hours
1. Paul Rayner	84.3
2. Ryan Rosenbaum	46.0
3. Mitchell Dawson	44.5
4. Matt Scully	38.3
5. Tony Silvia	28.0
Port Macquarie	Hours
1. Tony Wright	83.5
2. Robert McCue	70.8
3. Duncan Kirkland	64.5
4. David Carew	62.5
5. Boyd Duncan	62.5
South West Rocks	Hours
1. Roger Wilkinson	120.0
2. Terence Trevillian	78.0
3. Ron Royle	70.5
4. John Casey	59.5
5. James Burnett	59.0
Tacking Point	Hours
1. Richard Broomby	63.3
2. Tony Hallinan	54.3
3. Shaun Durbridge	52.8
4. Damian Bennie	52.3
5. Mitchell Dawson	50.5
Wauchope Bonny Hills	Hours
1. Jedd Goggin	118.8
2. Gilbert Olzomer	89.3
3. Andrew Eames	73.8
4. Peter Smith	69.0
5. Steven Monaghan	62.8