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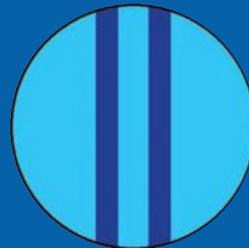
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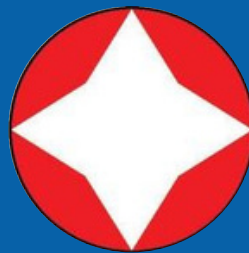
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SLSC**



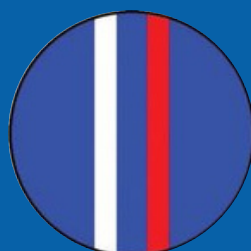
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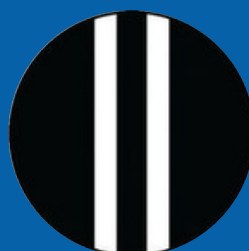
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SLSC**



**TACKING POINT
SLSC**



**WAUCHOPE-BONNY
HILLS SLSC**



**CAMDEN HAVEN
SLSC**

OUR PATRONS, OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

PATRONS

Federal Member for Cowper

Pat Conaghan MP

Federal Member for Lyne

David Gillespie MP

State Member for Oxley

Michael Kemp MP

State Member for Port Macquarie

Leslie Williams MP

Nambucca Shire Council

Mayor Rhonda Hoban OAM

Kempsey Shire Council

Mayor Leo Hauville

Port Macquarie Hastings Council

Mayor Peta Pinson

CEO Newcastle Permanent

Bernadette Inglis

Chair Charitable Foundation NPBS

Ross Griffiths

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

President

Rod McDonagh

Vice-President

Mick Lang

Director of Administration

Doug Menzies

Director of Finance

Jenny Cooper

Director of Lifesaving

Paul Rayner

Director of Education

Kim Rayner

Director of Member Services

Gary Hawkins

Director of Surf Sports

Sandra Slattery

Director of Marketing and Communications

Brienna Elford

OFFICE BEARERS

Registrar and Assets Officer

Rob McCue

Public Officer

Rod McDonagh

Complaints Manager

Joanne Hawkins

WH&S Officer

VACANT

Media Officer

VACANT

Gear and Equipment Officer

VACANT

Deputy Director of Lifesaving

Mitch Dawson

Education Officer (North)

Sue Croad

Education Officer (South)

Gayl Ellis

Junior Education Officer

Gayl Ellis

Deputy Director of Member Services

Nicole Crowe

Deputy Director of Surf Sports

Mick Lang

Carnival Administrator

Leanne Hatherly

Officials Coordinator

VACANT

Coaching Coordinator

Mick Lang

Medical Officers

Doctors as required

Legal Officers

Solicitors as required

Auditors

Northcorp Accountants and Financial Services

Constitution Committee

Joanne Hawkins

Rob McCue

Rod McDonagh

Meritorious Awards Committee

Bruce Caldwell

Brienna Elford

Paul Rayer

Disciplinary & Grievances Committee

Joanne Hawkins

Jamie Harrison

Paul Rayner

Paula Stone

Life Membership Committee

Bruce Caldwell

Gary Hawkins

Tony Hayes OAM

Kim Rayner

Chalkie Bob Smith OAM

Delegate to SLSNSW

Rod McDonagh

Duty Officers North

David Brunsdon

Rod McDonagh

Tony Silvia

Duty Officers South

Mitch Dawson

Mick Lang

Kim Rayner

Paul Rayner

HONOURS AND LIFE MEMBERS

NATIONAL HONOURS

Bob Kebby OAM*

Kempsey-Crescent Head SLSC

Max Waters OAM*

Port Macquarie SLSC

Chalkie Bob Smith OAM

Wauchope-Bonny Hills SLSC

Ray Agland OAM*

Kempsey-Crescent Head SLSC

Michael Moran OAM*

Port Macquarie SLSC

Tony Hayes OAM

South West Rocks SLSC

John Vaughn OAM

Port Macquarie SLSC

Mark Strachan OAM

Port Macquarie SLSC

William Ross Foster OAM

Kempsey-Crescent Head SLSC

Maurice Fuller OAM

Kempsey-Crescent Head SLSC

Colin Ball OAM*

South West Rocks SLSC

SLSA LIFE MEMBERS

Reg Saunders*

South West Rocks SLSC

Max Waters OAM*

Port Macquarie SLSC

Chalkie Bob Smith OAM

Wauchope-Bonny Hills SLSC

SLSNSW LIFE MEMBERS

Reg Saunders*

South West Rocks SLSC

Max Waters OAM*

Port Macquarie SLSC

W Tom Saul*

South West Rocks SLSC

Kevin Ruscoe*

South West Rocks SLSC

Chalkie Bob Smith OAM

Wauchope-Bonny Hills SLSC

Tony Hayes OAM

South West Rocks SLSC

Bruce Caldwell

South West Rocks SLSC

Dennis O'Sullivan*

Port Macquarie SLSC

Rod McDonagh

South West Rocks SLSC

Mick Lang

Tacking Point SLSC

Ian 'Spook' Everingham

South West Rocks SLSC

SLSMNC LIFE MEMBERS

Sidney Griffin* 1956

Kempsey-Crescent Head SLSC

Reg Saunders* 1960

South West Rocks SLSC

Ken Brenton* 1963

Kempsey-Crescent Head SLSC

Hugh Kebby MBE* 1966

Kempsey-Crescent Head SLSC

W Tom Saul* 1966

South West Rocks SLSC

Max Waters OAM* 1970

Port Macquarie SLSC

Max Sabien* 1974

Kempsey-Crescent Head SLSC

Kevin Ruscoe* 1984

South West Rocks SLSC

Chalkie Bob Smith OAM 1985

South West Rocks SLSC

Tony Hayes OAM 1994

South West Rocks SLSC

Bruce Caldwell 1994

South West Rocks SLSC

John Watson* 1994

South West Rocks SLSC
Hat Head SLSC

Ray Agland OAM* 1994

Kempsey-Crescent Head SLSC

Ken Corbett 1999

Tacking Point SLSC

John Vipond 2000

Camden Haven SLSC

Graham Bingham* 2005

Tacking Point SLSC

Dennis O'Sullivan* 2007

Port Macquarie SLSC

Ken Wilson 2013

Port Macquarie SLSC

Rod McDonagh 2015

South West Rocks SLSC

Gary Hawkins 2021

Camden Haven SLSC

Kim Rayner 2021

Tacking Point SLSC

Paul Rayner 2021

Tacking Point SLSC

*Denotes deceased

PAST OFFICE BEARERS

President

W. Warhurst

1929/30 - 1936/37

H. Chapple

1937/38 - 1943/44

P. Stephens

1994/45 - 1951/52

S. Griffin

1952/53 - 1956/57

R. Saunders

1957/58 - 1964/65

M. Sabien

1965/66 - 1979/80

K. Ruscoe

1980/81 - 1989/90

L. Jeffery

1990/91 - 1993/94

A. Hayes

1994/95 - 1995/96

R. Smith

1996/97 - 1998/99

R. Barlin

1999/00 - 2000/01

D. O'Sullivan

2001/02 - 2010/11

R. McDonagh

2011/12 - current

Deputy-President

S. Griffin

1957/58 - 1959/60

Not Elected

1960/61

K. Brenton Srn

1961/62 - 1962/63

K. Brenton

1963/64 - 1964/65

W. Saul

1965/66 - 1985/86

L. Jeffery

1986/87 - 1989/90

J. Watson

1990/91 - 1993/94

R. Smith

1994/95 - 1995/96

D. O'Sullivan

1996/97

A. Barlin

1997/98 - 1998/99

D. O'Sullivan

1999/00 - 2000/01

M. Lang

2001/02

R. McDonagh

2002/03 - 2010/11

Vice-President**

C. Stewart

2011/12 - 2012/13

K. Wilson

2013/14

P. Rayner

2014/15 - 2016/17

T. Atherton

2017/18 - 2020/21

M. Lang

2021/22 - current

Secretary

R. Randall

1929/30

L. Gleeson

1930/31 - 1933/34

R. Plummer

1933/34

M. Hooke

1934/35 - 1936/37

E. Poole

1937/38 - 1938/39

A. Bennett

1939/40 - 1940/41

A. Cawley

1941/42 - 1944/45

W. Hennessy

1945/46 - 1946/47

D. Tilbrook

1947/48 - 1949/50

J. Henry

1950/51

M. Waters

1951/52 - 1956/57

N. Griffin

1957/58

M. Waters

1958/59

N. Griffin

1959/60

M. Waters

1960/61 - 1962/63

C. Robinson

1963/64

M. Sabien

1963/64 - 1964/65

G. Lawrence

1964/65 - 1965/66

D. Carruthers

1965/66

P. Sheridan

1966/67 - 1967/68

R. Theile

1968/69 - 1969/70

G. Macfarlane

1969/70

R. Vincent

1970/71

K. Ruscoe

1970/71 - 1979/80

A. Hayes

1980/81 - 1993/94

M. Waters

1994/95 - 2001/2002

A. Newman

2002/03

P. Murphy

2003/04 - 2004/05

Not Elected

2005/06

K. Rayner

2006/07 - 2007/08

K. Wilson

2008/09

Director of Administration**

K. Wilson

2009/10 - 2011/12

A. Walsh

2012/13

J. Hawkins

2012/13 - 2020/21

D. Menzies

2021/22 - current

Treasurer

W. Marr

1929/30

J. May

1930/31 - 1931/32

R. Plummer

1932/33

J. May

1933/34

F. Olsen

1934/35 - 1936/37

R. Plummer

1937/38 - 1951/52

R. Feeney

1952/53 - 1955/56

P. Reed

1956/57

W. Petrel

1957/58

K. Brenton Srn

1958/59 - 1960/61

G. Thom

1961/62 - 1962/63

K. Brenton Srn

1963/64

K. Brenton

1964/65 - 1966/67

P. Sheridan

1967/68 - 1968/69

R. Clarke

1969/70

R. Smith

1969/70 - 1971/72

G. Cavanagh

1972/73

J. Daley

1973/74

K. Ruscoe

1974/75

J. Daley

1975/76

K. Ruscoe

1976/77

R. Agland

1977/78 - 1996/97

J. Moran

1997/98 - 2001/02

D. Dowrick

2002/03 - 2003/04

D. Mackenzie

2004/05 - 2007/08

Director of Finance**

D. Mackenzie

2008/09 - 2010/11

R. Mitchell

2011/12

M. Stevenson

2012/13 - 2017/18

J. Cooper

2018/19 - current

Superintendent

D. Lancaster

1929/30 - 1933/34

E. Kebby

1934/35 - 1938/39

C. Scott

1939/40

J. McKenzie

1940/41 - 1944/45

S. Griffin

1945/46 - 1949/50

R. Saunders

1950/51 - 1956/57

C. Robinson

1957/58

R. Saunders

1958/59

C. Johnson

1959/60 - 1960/61

K. Brenton

1961/62

Not Elected

1962/63

K. Brenton

1963/64 - 1964/65

M. Packwood
1964/65

M. Waters
1965/66

R. Andrews
1966/67

M. Waters
1967/68 - 1968/69

C. Lewis
1969/70

R. Andrews
1970/71

M. Waters
1970/71 - 1972/73

K. Corbett
1973/74 - 1976/77

J. Ottaway
1977/78

K. Corbett
1978/79 - 1987/88

J. Barnett
1988/89

A. Hayes
1988/89

A. McInness
1988/89 - 1989/90

M. Waters
1989/90

Not Elected
1990/91

Lifesaving, Education and Instruction**

M. Waters
1993/94 - 1994/95

A. Barlin
1995/96 - 1997/98

M. Moran
1998/99 - 2002/03

K. Corbett
2003/04

G. Bingham
2003/04

M. Stevenson
2004/05 - 2007/08

P. Rayner
2008/09

Director of Lifesaving**

P. Rayner
2009/10 - 2013/14

R. Rosenbaum
2014/15 - 2015/16

Not Elected
2016/17

P. Rayner
2017/18 - current

Registrar

L. Gleeson
1929/30

Not Elected
1930/31

E. Foster
1931/32

Not Elected
1932/33 - 1933/34

R. Love
1934/35

C. Prior
1935/36 - 1938/39

E. Ba
1939/40

Not Elected
1940/41

G. Montgomery
1941/42 - 1943/44

V. Thorton
1944/45

G. Montgomery
1945/46 - 1951/52

Not Elected
1952/53

C. Johnson
1953/54 - 1954/55

Not Elected
1955/56

C. Johnson
1956/57 - 1958/59

K. Brenton
1959/60 - 1960/61

N. Griffin
1961/62

Not Elected
1962/63

R. Henshaw
1963/64 - 1965/66

M. Caldwell
1966/67 - 1971/72

A. Gill
1972/73

N. Nyberg
1973/74 - 1974/75

M. Sabien
1975/76

F. Wooderson
1976/77 - 1978/79

B. Caldwell
1979/80 - 2014/15

R. McCue
2015/16 - current

Competition

P. Navin
1987/88 - 1988/89

Not Elected
1989/90

J. Pullen
1990/91

Not Elected
1991/92

J. Pullen
1992/93 - 1994/95

F. Middleton
1995/96

A. Barlin
1996/97 - 1998/99

H. Mackay
1999/00

A. Barlin
2000/01

Not Elected
2001/02

R. Smith
2002/03

M. Waters
2002/03

H. Mackay
2002/03

Not Elected
2003/04

M. Lang
2004/05 - 2007/08

Not Elected
2008/09

Director of Surf Sports**

Not Elected
2009/10

R. Smith
2010/11 - 2011/12

R. McDonagh Snr
2012/13 - 2018/19

W. Evans
2018/19 - 2020/21

S. Slattery
2021/22 - current

Director of Education

K. Rayner
2009/10 - 2017/18

A. Yaringa
2018/19 - 2019/20

K. Rayner
2020/21 - current

Junior Activities Chair

W. Evans
2012/13

Not Elected
2013/14

W. Evans
2014/15

Director of Member Services

G. Hawkins
2013/14 - current

Director of Marketing and Communications

G. O'Brien
2015/16

Not Elected
2016/17 - 2017/18

B. Elford
2018/19 - current

Please note that there are some seasons that have multiple members for that position. This indicates that there was a change of committee member part way through that season.

** Denotes a change of name title for that particular committee position.

2022/23 SEASON



**SPONSORS
SLSMNC**



**SPONSORS
SLSA**



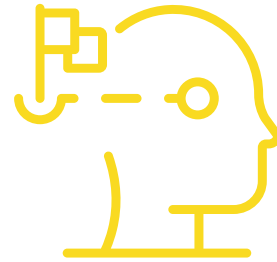
**SPONSORS
SLSNSW**



PATROL STATS



**Active Patrolling
Members**
850



Patrol Hours
21, 6695



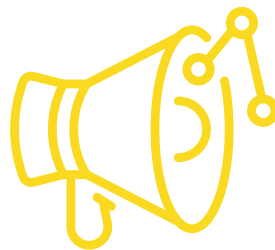
Public Attendance
152,500



Rescues
57



**First Aid
Treatments**
134



**Preventative
Actions**
3,812



Call Outs
24

MEETING ATTENDANCE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

President

Rod McDonagh

Attended 8 out of 9 meetings

Vice-President

Mick Lang

Attended 7 out of 9 meetings

Director of Administration

Doug Menzies

Attended 9 out of 9 meetings

Director of Finance

Jenny Cooper

Attended 6 out of 9 meetings

Director of Lifesaving

Paul Rayner

Attended 7 out of 9 meetings

Director of Education

Kim Rayner

Attended 8 out of 9 meetings

Director of Member Services

Gary Hawkins

Attended 9 out of 9 meetings

Director of Surf Sports

Sandra Slattery

Attended 7 out of 9 meetings

Director of Marketing and Communications

Brienna Elford

Attended 8 out of 9 meetings

Registrar (General Committee)

Rob McCue

Attended 4 out of 6 meetings

MID NORTH COAST CLUBS

Macksville-Scotts Head SLSC

President/Delegate

Attended 3 out of 6 meetings

South West Rocks SLSC

President/Delegate

Attended 5 out of 6 meetings

Hat Head SLSC

President/Delegate

Attended 4 out of 6 meetings

Kempsey-Crescent Head SLSC

President/Delegate

Attended 0 out of 6 meetings

Port Macquarie SLSC

President/Delegate

Attended 5 out of 6 meetings

Tacking Point SLSC

President/Delegate

Attended 5 out of 6 meetings

Wauchope-Bonny Hills SLSC

President/Delegate

Attended 6 out of 6 meetings

Camden Haven SLSC

President/Delegate

Attended 6 out of 6 meetings

COMMITTEE REPORTS



PRESIDENT REPORT

After a few years of having to alter the way we operate, it seems we finally got back to some normality, and we delivered a successful season. The record number of people returning to our beaches and the diverse nature of the crowds placed extra demands on our members across the Branch at all levels. As usual our Club Patrols and Support Operations dealt with many situations with competence and enthusiasm. There were several tricky rescues and call outs that had to be carefully managed. I applaud all patrolling members, RWC Operators and our Duty Officers. The hours that some individuals have provided are astounding and your dedication does not go unnoticed. Our eight Clubs have once again shown their commitment to keeping our beaches safe with no lives lost during the past twelve months.



We were fortunate to receive a new 4WD Support Operations vehicle and we purchased a new RWC during the season which assists with our coverage across the Branch. Ongoing RWC, UAV and Duty Officer Training took place along with the rollout of Search and Rescue Kits to all Clubs. There has been a considerable amount of money spent in this area however we are highly regarded amongst the Emergency Services Agencies and development in this arena is vital for our sustainability as an organisation, allowing us to expand our capability and cover our coastline more efficiently.

In keeping with our sustainability is the need to foster our Juniors and the recruitment and retention of our youth. Thanks to Gary Hawkins and his team who have once again provided support for our initiatives. A successful Dee Why Development Camp in January once again allowed our cadets to see the opportunities and pathways that are available through Surf Life Saving. The Junior Life Saver of the Year saw Jack McGrath and Gabby Turner awarded the title for the 2022/23 season. Thank you to the Junior Lifesaver of the Year Panel and Newcastle Permanent for your support. The Raising of the Flags Ceremony was held to celebrate the opening of the season at Kempsey-Crescent Head SLSC. I have stated many times that attracting youth and patrolling members is vital to our future but challenging. I trust SLSNSW will take on this challenge in the coming season.

There were many milestones this season including the South West Rocks SLSC being named as the Macleay Valley Community Club of the year. The SLSMNC Branch was named as the SLSNSW Branch of the Year for 2021/22, along with several successful SLSNSW Awards of Excellence winners. A magnificent effort for a small Branch. Our records indicate that over the past 10 years we have had close to twenty state winners - a very high achievement for our Branch and its members.



SLSMNC Committee Members accepting the 'Branch of the Year' 2022 at the SLSNSW Awards of Excellence

Our Education Team of Trainers, Assessors and Facilitators, lead by our Director of Education Kim Rayner, have once again delivered high class courses to new and existing members. It has also been great to hear about the number of probationary trainers and assessors currently working towards becoming full TAFs. Thank you to the entire Education Team, for their tireless efforts in ensuring that all Education aspects are current and kept as straightforward as possible for our members.

The Surf Sports program finally had a relatively incident free run this season, after a few years of cancellations. One pleasing aspect is the continuing development of the Interbranch Squad which will no doubt bring improved results into the future, and at the 2024 Interbranch Carnival. This season we implemented the Warriors on Water Carnival, held at South West Rocks which was well attended. Similarly, Carnivals at Tacking Point and Branch Championships at South West Rocks went well with some keen competition. The Country Championships were again held at Cape Hawke with terrific representation from MNC. Port Macquarie SLS should be congratulated on their 3rd place in the overall point score which is an outstanding effort.

Macksville-Scotts Head held a sweeps school and a round of the North Coast Boat Series, which provides opportunities to advance Surf Boat Rowing in our Branch. Another area of Surf Sports that I would encourage is IRB Racing. SWRSLSC has conducted the SLSNSW Championships and Premiership in the past two seasons. It would be great to have some MNC Clubs be able to fly the flag in the future.

I thank all the competitors, officials, coaches and age managers for their ongoing support and development of all things surf sports. Notwithstanding more Officials are always needed and Surf Sports is a key ingredient for the prosperity of Surf Life Saving. Big thanks to Sandra Slattery for coordinating everything which is a huge job.

The marketing and promotion of our Branch have been well delivered by Director of Marketing and Communications, Brienna Elford. This is a relatively new role that delves into all portfolios. From my observations, the media coverage, website quality and relationships with sponsors have been exemplary and the benefits of this work will enable us to maintain our presence as leaders in community interactions and safety for anyone in the aquatic environment.

Unfortunately, there have been a few local Government issues that have been unsettling this past season. The support from Local Government in some instances is underwhelming and a matter that needs to be addressed as a Statewide issue. Issues such as leasing, Clubhouse maintenance, lifeguards, funding and better relationships will be something that MNC will be focusing on coming into the next season.

Congratulations to the eight members who were awarded Branch Distinguished Service at the Newcastle Permanent Awards of Excellence for SLSMNC Branch - David Brunson (MSHSLSC), Sue Croad (HHSLSC), Peter Daniels (WBHSLSC), Ian Everingham (SWRSLSC), Rob McCue (PMSLSC), Kim Rayner (TPSLSC), Tony Silvia (SWRSLSC) and Tony Wright (PMSLSC).

I would like to acknowledge the Branch Board of Directors and Committees who all contribute an enormous amount of time and personal sacrifice. Obviously, there is a lot of work that goes on in the Management of running a Branch that goes unnoticed. Our Director of Finance Jenny Cooper and Director of Administration Doug Menzies, and Registrar Rob McCue keep things very controlled and are ably provided support from our Branch Administration Assistant Leanne Hatherly who seems to inherit many tasks.

I wish to personally thank Vice President Mick Lang for his support to me and the Branch in many matters that do not always make the news.

My thanks to the Directors and staff of Surf Life Saving New South Wales, and their sponsors for their ongoing support and development of surf lifesaving, which is invaluable for the continuation of this great movement.

Our local councils, Nambucca Valley Shire Council, Kempsey Shire Council and Port Macquarie-Hastings Council and Members of Parliament, Pat Conaghan, Dr David Gillespie, Melinda Pavey (outgoing) Michael Kemp and Leslie Williams.

Our major sponsor, Newcastle Permanent is an organisation that is community-minded and continually supports the development of all our members. Our continued relationship is well-valued and respected by all.

It would be remiss of me not to mention the efforts of our members who are on the beach every weekend, showing the values of this great organisation, vigilance and service. Without you, Surf Life Saving would not exist. Thank you goes to our eight clubs, who have worked tirelessly during the past season.

The next season will be one where we will need to uphold our standards, be extra vigilant, fully engage with the community and our members and build on the experiences from the past few years.

Yours in surf lifesaving,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rod McDonagh". The script is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of each word being capitalized and prominent.

President

Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast

VICE-PRESIDENT REPORT

I intend to combine both my role as Vice-President and Head Coach of the Mid North Coast Branch into this Annual Report.

In my role as the Vice President of the MNC Branch it has been a privilege to work in conjunction with and support our Branch President, Rod McDonagh. The Branch has encountered a number of issues this season and Rod will no doubt elaborate these in his report.

I was honoured to represent Rod and the Branch at the State board meeting and election of new directors and President.

Congratulations to Peter Agnew, our new President of Surf Life Saving NSW, Don Van Keimpema and Dr Dean Dudley on their appointments as directors.

As the deputy Surf Sports Director, I have thoroughly enjoyed this role and I believe Sandra with my assistance, delivered competitive and attractive Branch Carnivals and Championships. Looking into the future I think we can improve even further on what we have achieved this year.

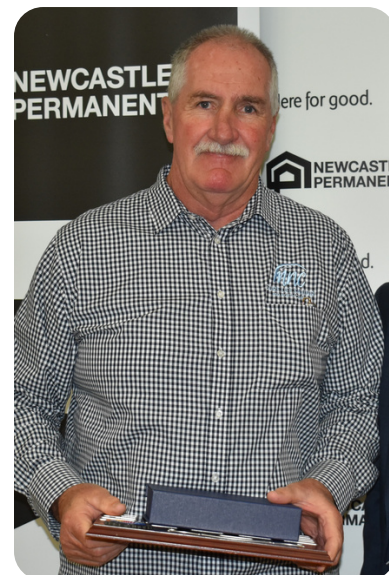
INTERBRANCH

After the Interbranch carnival, I submitted a report to Branch on the performance of our Interbranch Squad.

The surf conditions at Shelley Beach on Saturday of the carnival were a little short of massive, even some of the fittest athletes in NSW had difficulty managing the huge conditions. It must be remembered our young athletes had a disruptive start to our season, and as I alluded to in my original report, I thought they performed creditably. It was from our observations during this weekend and most probably the observations our management team had witnessed over the last 12 months, that have led us to formulate the off-season Development Squad.

Also contained in this report I made a number of recommendations that the Interbranch Management Team intend to follow up. These include the off-season Development Squad, culture, uniforms, budget and formal presentation of the Interbranch uniforms.

The 2022/23 Management Team consisted of Adam Smith and Elaine Walker (Assistant Coaches), and Mitchell Dawson (Manager), who were admirably assisted by chaperones Roseanne Strong, Laura Granfield, Kirstie Swaine and Jasper Pengelly.



2022/23 SLSMNC Interbranch Team

DEVELOPMENT SQUAD

During the last few months, we have held a number of Development Squad sessions at various locations within the Branch from Hat Head, South West Rocks in the north to Bonny Hills, Lighthouse and Flynns Beaches in the south. These locations offered different conditions and allowed the coaches to actually coach and improve the skills of all athletes who confirmed their attendance from our original expression of interest.

I must indicate at this point we have informed all who have attended this program that it is not part of the selection process for the 2023/24 Interbranch Team, but it will assist in improving the surf skills exponentially.

From the last four sessions, we can see the improvement of all athletes who have attended regularly and we can also see a good positive and happy culture developing within the group.

With the cold weather approaching we have decided to give everyone a break over the July/August period, but at the same time, to ensure they have every possible opportunity to make this Team for next season, Adam Smith, Elaine Walker the assistant coaches, Mitchell Dawson, manager, and myself have formulated a training program for this period so if they follow this plan they will be ready to go from September when we really ramp up the training. They will have an 8-week program to follow, which will have them peaking at their best for the Branch Carnival Selection.

As part of this program, we have been invited to attend Kingscliff to train with their Squad under the guidance of Country Coach Scott McCartney. This will be the second week of the October school holidays and we have advised the parents if they are interested in this trip to seek accommodation now. I will send further details to them as the date approaches.

We have also been invited to attend North Cronulla and Bulli Clubs in the leadup to Country and more information will be circulated to parents and athletes around these dates as well.

We believe, by doing this we as a Branch, will not only improve the skill level of our athletes but more importantly, show the other country branches we intend to continually improve our athletes.

Individually, our clubs will never match it with the bigger clubs either in NSW or Qld, but we can improve as a Branch if we all work together.

We have also earmarked a number of carnivals for our athletes to attend early in the season and that is the Forster long-weekend Carnival and the Yamba Carnival.

We would also like to enter the MNC Team in such events as the Sydney Water Carnival and the Manly Australia Day Carnival. I have done it before with the NCAS when we enter Manly as a Team and most of this Squad, still talk about their time at this carnival.



Vice President

Deputy Director of Surf Sports

Interbranch Coach

Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast

DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION REPORT

I am pleased to present the Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast, Director of Administration's Annual Report for 2022/23.

It was pleasing to be able to return to an almost normal year post COVID-19 and the impact that it had over the past few years.

One of the things that has been a positive from our experiences with COVID-19, which required us to isolate and socially distance, was the use of technology to hold our meetings. Although it is preferable to have everyone in the room, technology has allowed those who are away to be able to join and be part of the meeting.

We held a very successful SLS Mid North Coast Newcastle Permanent Awards of Excellence for Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast, hosted by Macksville-Scotts Head SLSC. Our appreciation to Gary Hawkins, Brienna Elford, Kim Rayner, Macksville-Scotts Head SLSC and many helpers who spearheaded this event along with so many other members who made it a great night, thank you.

Congratulations to every member nominated for a Branch Award and well done to all those who won their category and we wish them every success in their nomination for the upcoming Surf Life Saving New South Wales Awards of Excellence to be held in Sydney on 26 August 2023.

Rod McDonagh and I would like to take this opportunity to thank our clubs for their cooperation in the voting process for the recent Surf Life Saving New South Wales elections.

Without very dedicated and generous sponsors our members, our clubs and the operations of the Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast Branch would not happen, so to all our sponsors, on behalf of our nearly 3,000 members, thank you so much. Our very much appreciated and valued sponsors are detailed elsewhere within our Annual Report.

I would like to thank you, our members for your efforts and I look forward to seeing you on the beach in our 2023/24 season.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow Branch Directors for making me so welcome in joining the team this past season. A very big thank you to Brienna Elford and Leanne Hatherly, Branch Administration Officer, who have been amazing in supporting me in this role.



Director of Administration
Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast



DIRECTOR OF FINANCE REPORT

I am pleased to present the Director of Finance report for the Mid North Coast Branch, year ending 31st May 2023.

This year has been very busy and productive with all portfolios operating back to a near 'new' normal status.

The support we received from various organisations has continued this year, which helps us keep ahead in all aspects of lifesaving.



Each year we receive annual support from Newcastle Permanent, and this season we were very appreciative of receiving additional funding which was a significant contribution towards rash shirts within the surf sports arena for our junior members.

Surf Life Saving NSW continues its support of our Branch, with multiple grants and distributions. Annual Compliance Grant distribution, DHL Uniform distribution, Annual Resilience Grant, as well as the Enhanced Funding Agreement. Additionally, we received grants from Charles Sturt University and the Department of Community and Justice.

All this support is very much appreciated and pivotal to our operations. As such, this season, we distributed to all of our Clubs within the Branch, Search and Rescue Kits which gives them ready access to the necessary equipment when the need arises for call out operations. Our annual Branch contribution to each of the eight Clubs continues. All these types of outgoings, as well as operating costs, would be a lot more challenging without the support we receive.

Thank you one and all:

- Newcastle Permanent
- Surf Life Saving NSW
- Charles Sturt University
- Department of Communities and Justice
- Safe 'n' Sound Storage
- Port Macquarie Ironman
- Individual donations

From a finance perspective, records continue to be maintained in a timely manner with appropriate transparent reporting provided at all times. We have changed auditor for this season and going forward. This will allow for an even more streamlined process. I would like to thank and acknowledge the current Executive Committee for their continued support throughout this past year.

Jenny Cooper

Director of Finance

Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast

DIRECTOR OF LIFESAVING REPORT

The 2022/2023 lifesaving season was for want of a better word, 'unremarkable'. I say this in the most respectful way as pitted against the three years previous bushfires, COVID-19 and flooding events, it was.

To get back to some normality in the job that we do best on our beaches was refreshing. Apart from the usual storms, ocean conditions and sharks that make us close our beaches, things ran pretty smoothly.

To all the lifesavers that presented to patrols across weekends and public holidays throughout the season, I personally thank you. Without your support, surf clubs could not provide those safe swimming havens across our area. To quote Harry S Truman Former President of the United States of America 'It is amazing what you can accomplish if you do not care who gets the credit'. I believe that there are a lot of people in this organisation that live by that mantra.

The branch took delivery of a new vehicle a Ford Ranger Ute and another RWC to replace the oldest ski in our fleet. This third vehicle is now equipped for rescue readiness and has been assigned to the northern area of the Branch.

Six of our members attended the all-Female SLSNSW Albert Course run at Fingal Beach SLSC in the Hunter Branch. The women that attended being Bobbie Brenton, Erin Cook, Brienna Elford and Georgia Gaddes from SWRSLSC and Gayl Ellis and Elaine Walker from WBHSLSC. This weekend enabled these members to build on their skills surrounding all things IRBs including - crewing, driving, scenario-based training, entries and exits into the craft and patient pick ups.



SLSNSW Female ALBERT Weekend at Fingal Beach.

The Mid North Coast Support Operations Group continued its good work with 24 call outs being attended to during the year. All incidents were attended by Duty Officers within our Branch. Kim Rayner contributed on top of her normal patrolling hours, a massive 153 extra hours through the season. Thank you.

Our four newest members of the Mid North Coast Support Operations Team are our RWC operators that we completed training for coming into the start of this season. All four members put in hours above their normal club patrols. These are Gayl Ellis (WBHSLSC), Josh Lawrence (TPSLSC), Josh McLaren (SWRSLSC), and Danny Sutor (PMSLSC). Thank you to you all.





Wauchope-Bonny Hills SLSC - Last patrol of the season

The Newcastle Permanent Awards of Excellence for SLSMNC evening held last season at Tacking Point SLSC was a huge success. This year's venue Macksville-Scotts Head SLSC sees it return to the northern end of the Branch and we are looking forward to a great night. Good luck to all that have been nominated by their respective clubs and those winners who will move onto the SLSNSW Awards.

Patrol statistics for the 2022/23 season are - our eight surf lifesaving clubs patrolled 152,500 hours this season and performed 57 rescues, 3812 preventative actions, and 134 first aids, together with 53 rescues.

Together our club members performed 21,669.5 hours - an amazing effort.

Some patrol hours of note. Tony Worton (CHSLSC) was our top male patroller and also the top patrolling member for our branch with 158 hours. Brienna Elford (SWRSLSC) with 137.5 hours on the beach, was a close second and also the top female patroller of the year. It is a credit to both of these members as they both also hold the position of Club Captain/Director of Lifesaving for their respective clubs. A huge thank you to you both for the time and effort that you put into the organisation.

We will be commencing a new RWC course on July 8 and 9 at South West Rocks with 5 new members to commence this course. I hope that we can bolster our numbers accordingly.

To Mitch Dawson my SLSMNC Deputy Director of Lifesaving, and the eight club captains, some of whom were new to the job this year and have done an amazing job, well done. I thank you for your assistance throughout the season.

To all lifesavers, whether actively involved or working in the background, thank you all. Without you doing the hard yards our beaches would not be the safe haven that swimmers enjoy and expect.

I hope to see you all back on the beach for the 2023/2024 season.

Thank you all,

Paul Rayner

Director of Lifesaving

Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast

SUPPORT OPERATIONS

The Support Operations Team consists of members from our eight clubs who provide support to rostered patrols as well as facilitate any out of hours emergency call outs.

This season saw the number of emergency call-outs remain steady across the Mid North Coast with the number of visitors to our area being higher than usual. The Support Operations team, alongside Clubs, were tasked with various flood response jobs throughout the area.

Thomas Arndell HHSLSLSC

RWC Operator

David Brunsdon MSHSLSC

Duty Officer

RWC Operator

Mitch Dawson TPSLSC

Duty Officer

RWC Operator

Kylie Dwyer MSHSLSC

UAV Operator

Gayl Ellis WBHSLSC

RWC Operator

Mick Lang TPSLSC

Duty Officer

Josh Lawrence

RWC Operator

UAV Operator

Rod McDonagh SWRSLSC

Duty Officer

Josh McLaren SWRSLSC

RWC Operator

Kim Rayner PMSLSC/TPSLSC

Duty Officer

RWC Operator

UAV Operator

Paul Rayner TPSLSC

Duty Officer

RWC Operator

Tony Silvia SWRSLSC

Duty Officer

RWC Operator



CLUB STATISTICS

	MSH	SWR	HH	KCH	PM	TP	WBH	CH
Patrol Hours	1633.41	2399.5	1950	1818	4832.2	3813.4	3589.5	1564.5
Rescues	0	2	1	19	12	6	11	7
First Aid	8	22	9	43	20	15	13	6
Preventative Actions	20	76	108	261	1567	802	420	558
Beach Closures (hours)	1	16	1	4	6	28	6	8
Beach Attendance	26,678	16,919	10,179	8,844	31,019	24,146	13,307	9,646

TOP PATROLLING MEMBERS

1 - Tony Worton - 158 hours - CHSLSC	1 - Brienna Elford - 137.5 hours - SWRSLSC
2 - Tony Wright - 107.8 hours - PMSLSC	2 - Brieanna Rumsby - 100.5 hours - CHSLSC
3 - Matt Worrall - 102 hours - KCHSLSC	3 - Alys Farley- 97.5 hours - SWRSLSC
4 - Paul Hoole - 101 hours - WBHSLSC	4 - Debbie Purvis - 77 hours - SWRSLSC
5 - Ben Hosick - 99 hours - CHSLSC	5 - Susan Bell - 75.5 hours - CHSLSC
6 - Rob McCue - 94.3 hours - PMSLSC	6 - Rebecca Mitchell - 75.5 hours - SWRSLSC
7 - Ian Atkins - 90 hours - KCHSLSC	7 - Vicki Thomas - 74.5 hours - SWRSLSC
8 - William Hosick - 89 hours - CHSLSC	8 - Natalie Mealing - 74 hours - HHSLSC
9 - Sam Hannaford - 88 hours - CHSLSC	9 - Kate Dwyer - 72 hours - CHSLSC
10 - Andrew Packwood - 80.5 hours - SWRSLSC	10 - Michelle Butt - 69.3 hours - WBHSLSC

SUPPORT OPERATIONS HOURS

1 - Kim Rayner - 153.5 hours - TPSLSC	6 - Josh McLaren - 57 hours - SWRSLSC
2 - David Brunsdon - 84.5 hours - MSHSLSC	7 - Mick Lang - 56 hours - TPSLSC
3 - Rod McDonagh - 76 hours - SWRSLSC	8 - Gayl Ellis - 54 hours - WBHSLSC
4 - Mitch Dawson - 66.5 hours - TPSLSC	9 - Thomas Arndell - 12 hours - HHSLSC
5 - Paul Rayner - 59.5 hours - TPSLSC	10 - Danny Suiter - 11.5 hours - PMSLSC

DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION REPORT

'Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world' - Nelson Mandela.

This being said, it is really relevant to Education, especially within surf lifesaving, the need to stay current, as things are always evolving.

Thank you, it has been a great season, working with such a professional group of educators is a pleasure and a privilege. I know thank you does not seem to be enough, but THANK YOU for all the hard work that they have all put into educating our members this season.

Education in this Branch has been steady for the past year. All clubs managed to educate new members, our TAF's have really stepped up in ensuring that our training has met all the requirements set out by SLSNSW.

Congratulations to Dylan Sainsbury for being the Branch Trainer of the Year 2023 at the recent branch presentation night. During the season he has conducted a training initiative within his school training the group after school with the theory and then at the beach during the weekend.

Paul Stiff took out the Branch Assessor of the Year. Paul is a fantastic assessor and extremely thorough. Paul has also mentored probationary assessors as well as mentored probationary training officers. He has encouraged several members within Tacking Point to take on the Training Officer certificate, going on to become probationary trainers, one of whom is now an endorsed training officer. Well done Dylan and Paul on a great effort.

There has been a steady decrease in the amount of IRB Drivers and Crew completing the award and this is something that we have been concentrating on this season, although not to where I would like to be. We will continue working on this season to be able to meet our patrol service agreements. Our current drivers are getting older and we have people leaving due to work and this all takes its toll on our patrols.

SLSNSW has offered training officer online courses for the past few years and we have had a few members step up and are now probationary trainers. SLSNSW also funded some trainers to take the next step and complete their Assessors course, which enables them to become probationary assessors this season. Congratulations to all these members we look forward to seeing you on the beach this coming season in your new roles.



Off season IRB Crew and Driver
Assessments

Congratulations to all members who completed awards during the season, this season saw our Branch obtain many awards - the full list can be found on page 27.

If you wish to plan for the upcoming season a really good refresher course is the SLS Observers Award. It is online. There are other numerous online courses that you can complete at no cost. In the coming years, all members who hold a SM Beach Management Certificate will need to undertake the upgrade to the SM Patrol Captain Award. I will be commencing this upgrade this season.

Disappointing though has been the uptake of new members to complete the SM Patrol Captain award for new Patrol Captains. The theory is all online and then a practical session.

In conclusion, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the MNC Branch Executive for their support and each and every Trainer, Assessor and Facilitator who make my job so much easier. Remember, Education is one thing no one can take away from you – let's get members educated.

Kim Rayner

Director of Education
Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast



Hat Head SLSC Education Award
Recipients and Trainers

AWARDS GAINED

10 Year Assessing Service Certificate	7	Make presentations	1
10 Year Facilitating Service Certificate	11	National Medal	12
10 Year National Patrol Service Award	6	Operate and maintain a small power craft	19
15 Year Assessing Service Certificate	2	Operate communications systems and equipment	165
15 Year Facilitating Service Certificate	6	Participate in an aquatic rescue operation	85
15 Year National Patrol Service Award	15	Prepare, maintain and test response equipment	18
15 Year Training Service Certificate	9	Probationary TAF	3
20 Year National Patrol Service Award	5	Provide advanced resuscitation and oxygen therapy	95
25 Year Long Service Award	4	Provide basis emergency life support	103
25 Year National Patrol Service Award	1	Provide cardiopulmonary resuscitation	119
30 Year Long Service Award	3	Provide First Aid	103
30 Year Officiating Service Certificate	2	Prove work skill instruction	1
40 Year Long Service Award	6	Radio operator certificate	1
5 Year Assessing Service Certificate	13	Resuscitation	25
5 Year National Patrol Service Award	18	Silver Medallion IRB Driver	16
5 Year Training Service Certificate		SS – Core Official	9
Advanced Resuscitation Techniques	86	SS – Development Coach Surf Boats	1
Age Manager – Online Theory	1	SS – S1 Surf Boat Sweep Accreditation	1
Age Manager Course	1	SS – S3 Surf Boat Sweep Accreditation	1
Apply surf awareness and self-rescue skills	164	SS – Senior Official (Online Theory)	1
ART Online Theory Assessment	6	SS – Sport Australia Community Officiating General Principles	6
Branch Distinguished Service	8	SS – Technical Official	2
Bronze Medallion	98	SS – Technical Official (Online Theory)	2
Cert II in Public Safety (Aquatic Rescue)	106	SS – Technical Official Marshall/Check-Marshall	1
Communicate in the workplace	106	Surf Aware One – Under 8	103
Crew small power craft in a rescue operation	31	Surf Aware Two – Under 9	83
Endorsed Delegate – Bronze Medallion	32	Surf Play One – Under 6	95
Endorsed Delegate – IRB Crew	18	Surf Play Two – Under 7	104
Endorsed Delegate – SRC	18	Surf Safe One – Under 10	69
First Aid	99	Surf Safe Two – Under 11	61
Flood Rescue Awareness Online	1	Surf Safe One – Under 12	54
Follow defined work health and safety policies and procedures	106	Surf Safe Two – Under 13	64
JA Competition Skills Evaluation Under 10	62	Training Officer Bronze Medallion	1
JA Competition Skills Evaluation Under 11	64	Work effectively in a public safety organisation	106
JA Competition Skills Evaluation Under 12	62	Work in a team	106
JA Competition Skills Evaluation Under 13	70		
JA Competition Skills Evaluation Under 14	38		
JA Competition Skills Evaluation Under 9	72		
JA Competition Skills Evaluation Under 8	38		
JA Preliminary Evaluation Under 10	77		
JA Preliminary Evaluation Under 11	72		
JA Preliminary Evaluation Under 12	71		
JA Preliminary Evaluation Under 13	77		
JA Preliminary Evaluation Under 14	40		
JA Preliminary Evaluation Under 6 – Restricted	105		
JA Preliminary Evaluation Under 7 – Restricted	97		
JA Preliminary Evaluation Under 8	106		
JA Preliminary Evaluation Under 9	81		
LMS Access	12	Total Awards Gained	4096

TRAINERS, ASSESSORS FACILITATORS

Samantha Barlow PMSLSC

Endorsed Assessor BM

David Brunsdon MSHSLSC

Endorsed Assessor BM

Endorsed Assessor IRB

Jennifer Conway MSHSLSC

Probationary Trainer BM

Michael Coulter MSHSLSC

Probationary Trainer BM

Sue Croad HHSLSLSC

Facilitator ART

Endorsed Assessor BM

Training Officer BM

Facilitator First Aid

Peter Daniels WBHSLSC

Endorsed Assessor BM

Endorsed Assessor IRB

Renee Darling KCHSLSC

Probationary Trainer

Mitch Dawson TPSLSC

Endorsed Assessor ART

Endorsed Assessor BM

Endorsed Assessor IRB

Training Officer ART

Training Officer BM

Training Officer IRB

Kylie Dwyer MSHSLSC

Probationary Trainer BM

Brienna Elford SWRSLSC

Training Officer BM

Probationary Assessor BM

Gayl Ellis WBHSLSC

Training Officer BM

Probationary Assessor BM

Ian Everingham SWRSLSC

Endorsed Assessor BM

Endorsed Assessor IRB

Training Officer BM

Training Officer IRB

Michelle Garvan CHSLSC

Endorsed Assessor BM

Training Officer BM

Tony Hallinan TPSLSC

Endorsed Assessor BM

Endorsed Assessor IRB

Benjamin Hosick CHSLSC

Training Officer BM

Glenn Jones TPSLSC

Training Officer IRB

Andrew Kirby HHSLSLSC

Training Officer BM

Pauline Kirby HHSLSLSC

Training Officer BM

Neil Langstaff WBHSLSC

Endorsed Assessor BM

Rob McCue PMSLSC

Training Officer BM

Training Officer IRB

Rebecca Mitchell SWRSLSC

Training Officer BM

Probationary Assessor BM

Rex O'Rourke PMSLSC

Training Officer IRB

Ken Parish HHSLSLSC

Training Officer BM

Kim Rayner PMSLSC/TPSLSC

Facilitator ART

Facilitator First Aid

Facilitator IRB

Facilitator Pain Management

Facilitator Radio

Facilitator SM Beach Management

Facilitator Trainer

Endorsed Assessor BM

Training Officer BM

Training Officer RWC

Paul Rayner TPSLSC

Facilitator ART

Facilitator First Aid

Facilitator IRB

Facilitator RWC

Facilitator SM Beach Management

Endorsed Assessor BM

Training Officer BM

Training Officer Radio

Sarah Rayner TPSLSC

Facilitator ART

Facilitator First Aid

Endorsed Assessor BM

Training Officer BM

Dylan Sainsbury WBHSLSC

Training Officer BM

Craig Schweikert SWRSLSC

Training Officer BM

Training Officer IRB

Probationary Assessor BM

Probationary Assessor IRB

Tony Silvia SWRSLSC

Endorsed Assessor BM

Endorsed Assessor IRB

Training Officer BM

Training Officer BM

Sandra Slattery TPSLSC

Training Officer BM

Paul Stiff TPSLSC

Endorsed Assessor BM

Facilitator Trainer

Training Officer BM

Elisabeth Stiff TPSLSC

Training Officer BM

Danny Suitor PMSLSC

Training Officer IRB

Matt Worrall KCHSLSC

Training Officer BM

Training Officer IRB

DIRECTOR OF SURF SPORTS REPORT

This season saw an increase in competitor numbers, all Branch carnivals were completed with manageable surf conditions and there was an introduction of the SLSMNC Branch Development Program with a focus on the ongoing improvement of competition skills for Interbranch Squad members and assisting in the selection of the 2023/24 team.

Prior to the season commencing Wauchope-Bonny Hills SLSC held their Rainbow Gold Enduro, it was again another successful event. Congratulations to Elain Walker for taking the lead on this event.

The Branch carnivals were run smoothly and efficiently as we introduced the 'LiveHeats' technology. There were a few teething problems, but it is evident the more we use this technology it will improve the running of the carnivals and how we collate results.

A big thank you to the clubs who hosted the Branch carnivals - Tacking Point in November and South West Rocks in December. South West Rocks also hosted the Newcastle Permanent SLSMNC Branch Championships, which was a great event with all competitors enjoying the calmer conditions that 'The Rocks' had on offer that day. The Branch Championships also saw the announcement of the Newcastle Permanent 2022/23 JLOTY - congratulations to Jack McGrath (PMSLSC) and Gabby Turner (TPSLSC).

All of our events cannot be run without our wonderful volunteers, the work parties, officials and water safety. Without their support we would not be able to hold our carnivals.

It was great to see new officials being trained throughout the season. The more officials we have the more efficiently our carnivals can run. Next season we will continue to offer training and mentoring courses to increase our numbers.

Our Interbranch team travelled to Shelley Beach on the Central Coast in December for the SLSNSW Interbranch Championships. This weekend was a huge learning curve for all the young athletes involved.

Although the surf conditions were quite challenging, our team could see that we need to reach another level to adequately compete against the larger Branches. This is why the implementation of the Development Squad has been an initiative of the SLSMNC Coaching and Management Team. However, having said that our beach competitors delivered some outstanding results.



Bob 'Beaurepaire' Smith
Memorial Award for
Outstanding Competitive
Performance
Luke Morris - PMSLSC

At the Newcastle Permanent Awards of Excellence 2022/23 for SLSMNC Rod McDonagh was awarded Ray McDonagh Memorial Award for Official of the Year. Rod has been an official for over 30 years across all surf sports arenas. His dedication and expertise also saw Rod awarded the Diamond Award from the International Lifesaving Committee for his commitment to officiating at over twelve World Championships since 1994. There are only five other Australians who hold this prestigious award. Rod is also the Chairperson for the SLSNSW Country Championships Working Group, a driving force to ensure the ongoing improvement of this important carnival.

Mick Lang was awarded the Kevin Ruscoe Memorial Award for Coach of the Year. Mick is the current Head Coach for SLSMNC and the Tacking Point SLSC Head Coach. During the season he has been implementing a 5-year plan for the ongoing development of not only the competitors but the SLSMNC Interbranch Management Team. This has included facilitating the winter skills training sessions for Branch Development Squad.

Both these gentlemen should be congratulated on their achievements and we wish them good luck at the SLSNSW Awards of Excellence in Sydney at the end of August.

All SLSMNC Age Champions and perpetual surf sports winners are mentioned throughout this annual report.

As volunteers, we are always striving to improve all aspects of Surf Sports and welcome any constructive feedback through the correct channels.

I again want to thank everyone for their support and look forward to a new season with hopefully some great conditions.

Sandra Slattery

Director of Surf Sports

Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast



Bill Balkin Memorial Award Surf Boat Point Score Under 23 Mens - The Orcas - PMSLSC



Water Safety at Newcastle Permanent SLSMNC Branch Championships South West Rocks 2023



SLSMNC Officials at Newcastle Permanent SLSMNC Branch Championships South West Rocks 2023



U14s Girls Board Race at Newcastle Permanent SLSMNC Branch Championships South West Rocks 2023

SURF SPORTS OFFICIALS

Grant Bailey - SS Technical Official
Hat Head SLSC

Robert Bowman - SS Core Official
Tacking Point SLSC

Bruce Caldwell - SS Technical Official
South West Rocks SLSC

Lisa Chilko - SS Core Official
Port Macquarie SLSC

Nicole Crowe - SS Technical Official
Camden Haven SLSC

Monika Di Maio - SS Technical Official
Wauchope-Bonny Hills SLSC

Gayl Ellis - SS Technical Official
Wauchope-Bonny Hills SLSC

Wendy Evans - SS Senior Official
Hat Head SLSC

Leanne Hatherly - SS Senior Official
Tacking Point SLSC

Paul Jarvey - SS Core Official
Port Macquarie SLSC

Mick Lang - SS Senior Official
Tacking Point SLSC

Adam Matthews - SS Core Official
Port Macquarie SLSC

Megan Matthews - SS Core Official
Port Macquarie SLSC

Rob McCue - SS Technical Official
Port Macquarie SLSC

Rod McDonagh - SS Senior Official
South West Rocks SLSC

Monique McEntyre - SS Core Official
Port Macquarie SLSC

Hayley McGrath - SS Core Official
Port Macquarie SLSC

Rebecca Mitchell - SS Senior Official
South West Rocks SLSC

Dave Moore - SS Core Official
Tacking Point SLSC

Dale Mowbray - SS Technical Official
Wauchope-Bonny Hills SLSC

Rob Oakeshott - SS Core Official
Port Macquarie SLSC

Hiroko Plowright - SS Core Official
Tacking Point SLSC

Jane Robinson - SS Core Official
Tacking Point SLSC

Elizabeth Schneider - SS Core Official
Port Macquarie SLSC

Craig Schweikert - SS Technical Official
South West Rocks SLSC

Shiree Sinclair - SS Core Official
Port Macquarie SLSC

Sandra Slaterry - SS Technical Official
Tacking Point SLSC

Elaine Walker - SS Core Official
Wauchope-Bonny Hills SLSC

Tina Woodward - SS Senior Official
Port Macquarie SLSC

SURF SPORTS COACHES

Peter Bagnall - SS Development Coach
Wauchope-Bonny Hills SLSC

Larry Brook - SS Development Coach
Port Macquarie SLSC

Gavin Burke - SS Development Coach
Kempsey-Crescent Head SLSC

Melinda Cockshutt - SS Development Coach
Port Macquarie SLSC

Mick Conomos - SS Development Coach
Kempsey-Crescent Head SLSC

Mitch Dawson - SS Development Coach
Tacking Point SLSC

Wayne Dickson - SS Development Coach
Port Macquarie SLSC

Monika Di Main - SS Development Coach
Wauchope-Bonny Hills SLSC

Brook Down - SS Development Coach
Macksville-Scotts Head SLSC

Brian Hamel - SS Foundation Coach
Port Macquarie SLSC

Garry Johnson - SS Development Coach
Macksville-Scotts Head SLSC

Mitchell Johnson - SS Development Coach
Kempsey-Crescent Head SLSC

Mick Lang - SS Development Coach
Tacking Point SLSC

Ken Laverty - SS Development Coach
Macksville-Scotts Head SLSC

Keith McKay - SS Development Coach
Macksville-Scotts Head SLSC

Rebecca Mitchell - SS Development Coach
South West Rocks SLSC

Steve Monaghan - SS Development Coach
Wauchope-Bonny Hills SLSC

Dave Moore - SS Foundation Coach
Tacking Point SLSC

Keith Owens - SS Development Coach
Tacking Point SLSC

Dave Pearson - SS Development Coach
South West Rocks SLSC

Jeff Polverino - SS Development Coach
Port Macquarie SLSC

Craig Schweikert - SS Development Coach
South West Rocks SLSC

Adam Smith - SS Foundation Coach
Wauchope-Bonny Hills SLSC

James Turnham - SS Development Coach
Port Macquarie SLSC

Mark Van Aaldren - SS Development Coach
Port Macquarie SLSC

Elaine Walker - SS Development Coach
Wauchope-Bonny Hills SLSC

SURF SPORT POINTSCORE

A.J Hayes OAM Shield for Overall Pointscore

1st - PMSLSC - 273 points
2nd - TPSLSC - 113 points
3rd - SWRSLSC - 69 points
4th - WBHSLSC - 59 points
5th - KCHSLSC - 24 points
6th - MSHSLSC - 19 points

JAC Pointscore

1st - PMSLSC - 1368 points
2nd - TPSLSC - 952 points
3rd - WBHSLSC - 377 points
4th - HHSLSC - 268 points
5th - KCHSLSC - 86 points
6th - SWRSLSC - 58 points
7th - MSHSLSC - 19 points

J.H Brown Shield for Water Events

1st - PMSLSC - 206 points
2nd - TPSLSC - 70 points
3rd - WBHSLSC - 69 points
4th - SWRSLSC - 43 points
5th - KCHSLSC - 29 points
6th - MSHSLSC - 9 points

Bob 'Beaurepaire' Smith Memorial Award for Outstanding Competitive Performance

Luke Morris - PMSLSC

Bill Balkin Shield

Surf Boat Pointscore

The Orcas - PMSLSC

Senior Marchpast

SWRSLSC

Junior Marchpast

TPSLSC

FEMALE

Under 8s

Abigail Thomas - PMSLSC

Under 9s

Stella Moore - PMSLSC

Under 10s

Amaya Colthorpe - PMSLSC

Under 11s

Momiji Ryan - PMSLSC

Under 12s

Charli Robinson - WBHSLSC

Under 13s

Charlotte McIntyre - PMSLSC

Under 14s

Sophie Soeyland - TPSLSC

Under 15s

Hannah Thompson - WBHSLSC

Under 17s

Raina Anderson - WBHSLSC

Under 19s

Camryn Dal Broi - PMSLSC

Opens

Erin Cook - SWRSLSC

30-39s

Natasha Jones - TPSLSC

40-49s

Deb Bartlett - PMSLSC

60-69s

Dale Mowbray - WBHSLSC

MALE

Under 8s

Riley Prior - TPSLSC

Under 9s

Corbin Jones - TPSLSC

Under 10s

Robbie Bowman - TPSLSC

Under 11s

Cooper Dawson - TPSLSC

Under 12s

Cruz Schubert - HHSLSC

Under 13s

Ashton Frazer - TPSLSC

Under 14s

Jack McGrath - PMSLSC
Hudson McNeil - WBHSLSC

Opens

Tobias Hall - WBHSLSC
Flynn Charge - WBHSLSC

30-39s

Ben Mockridge - KCHSLSC

40-49s

Lindsay Moeller - PMSLSC

50-59s

Richard Hewens - PMSLSC
Andrew Packwood - SWRSLSC

60-69s

Rex O'Rourke - PMSLSC

COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

U8 Male Beach Sprint

4th Wyatt Hough PMSLSC

6th Cohen Davies HHSLSLSC

U8 Female Wade Race

6th Abigail Thomas PMSLSC

U8 Mixed Wade Relay

4th PMSLSC - PMQ A

U9 Male Beach Flags

1st Hunter Pociask PMSLSC

2nd Corbin Jones TPSLSC

3rd Bailey Prior TPSLSC

U9 Male Beach Sprint

2nd Hunter Pociask PMSLSC

3rd Corbin Jones TPSLSC

4th Bailey Prior TPSLSC

U9 Male Board Race

3rd Leis Granfield PMSLSC

U9 Male Surf Race

4th Corbin Jones TPSLSC

U9 Female Beach Flags

2nd Isabel Moore PMSLSC

U9 Female Beach Sprint

3rd Isabel Moore PMSLSC

5th Emily Morris PMSLSC

U9 Female Board Race

3rd Stella Moore PMSLSC

5th Eleanor Pengelly PMSLSC

U9 Mixed Beach Relay

4th PMQ B PMSLSC

5th PMQ A PMSLSC

U9 Mixed Board Relay

4th PMQ B PMSLSC

5th PMQ A PMSLSC

U9 Mixed Surf Teams

4th PMQ A PMSLSC

U11 Male Beach Flags

4th Noah Davies HHSLSLSC

5th Flynn Wehlow PMSLSC

U11 Male Beach Sprint

2nd Flynn Wehlow PMSLSC

4th Noah Davies HHSLSLSC

U11 Male Surf Race

1st Rylah Hopper-Buckland KCHSLSC

4th Cooper Dawson TPSLSC

U11 Male Ironperson

5th Ryla Hopper-Buckland KCHSLSC

6th Cooper Dawson TPSLSC

U11 Female Beach Flags

3rd Moniji Ryan PMSLSC

Junior Cameron (U11/U12)

3rd PMQ A PMSLSC

U12 Male Beach Flags

2nd Benjamin Oakeshott PMSLSC

U12 Male Beach Sprint

2nd Benjamin Oakeshott PMSLSC

3rd Cruze Schubert HHSLSLSC

U12 Male Surf Race

5th Cruze Schubert HHSLSLSC

U12 Male Board Race

5th Benjamin Oakeshott PMSLSC

U12 Male Ironperson

4th Benjamin Oakeshott PMSLSC

U12 Male Surf Board Riding

1st Benjamin Oakeshott PMSLSC

3rd Max Schneider PMSLSC

U12 Female Beach Flags

3rd Mabel Strong WBHSLSC

6th Zada Robinson WBHSLSC

U12 Female Beach Sprint

4th Mabel Strong WBHSLSC

6th Charli Robinson WBHSLSC

U12 Female Surf Race

5th Bianca Harrison PMSLSC

U12 Female Surf Board Riding

3rd Chloe Chilko PMSLSC

U12 Mixed Beach Relay

6th WBHSLSC - WBH 1

U12 Mixed Surf Teams

6th PMSLSC - PMQ A

U13 Male Board Race

4th Peter Duffy PMSLSC

U13 Male Surf Race

6th James Cockshutt PMSLSC

U13 Male Board Rescue

5th Hamish Granfield PMSLSC

U11-13 Male 1km Run

2nd Oto Ryan PMSLSC

U13 Male Surf Board Riding

1st Peter Duffy

U13 Female Beach Flags

5th Ella Oliver

U13 Female Beach Sprint

6th Tilly Sinclair PMSLSC

U13 Female Surf Board Riding

3rd Tora Wehlow

U13 Mixed Beach Relay

5th PMQ B PMSLSC

U13 Mixed Board Relay

5th KCH A KCHSLSC

U13 Mixed Surf Teams

5th PMQ A PMSLSC

Junior March Past

3rd PMSLSC

U14 Male Beach Sprint

2nd Jayden Swaine HHSLSLSC

5th Declan McWhirter PMSLSC

U14 Male Board Race

6th Angus Oakeshott PMSLSC

U14 Mixed Beach Relay

5th PMQ A PMSLSC

U14 Mixed Surf Teams

4th PMQ A PMSLSC

U14 Male 2km Run

5th Declan McWhirter PMSLSC

U15 Female Beach Flags

6th Cleo Schubert HHSLSLSC

U15 Female Beach Sprint

5th Cleo Schubert HHSLSLSC

U15 Female Surf Race

4th Cleo Schubert HHSLSLSC

U15 Female Ironperson

5th Cleo Schubert HHSLSLSC

U15 Female 2km Run

4th Cleo Schubert HHSLSLSC

U15 Female Rescue Tube Race

5th Cleo Schubert HHSLSLSC

All Age Beach Relay

5th PMSLSC

COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

U17 Male Beach Sprint
3rd Darcey Swaine HHSLSLSC

U17 Female Beach Flags
3rd Angele Field PMSLSC
6th Brianna Moloney PMSLSC

U17 Female Beach Sprint
4th Angele Field PMSLSC

U17 Female Board Relay
6th PMQ A PMSLSC

U19 Female Beach Flags
6th Emily Moloney PMSLSC

U19 Female Board Race
4th Emily Moloney PMSLSC
6th Camryn Dal Broi PMSLSC

U19 Female Board Relay
5th PMQ A PMSLSC

U19 Female Board Rescue
5th PMQ A PMSLSC

U19 Female Surf Race
5th Camryn Dal Broi PMSLSC
6th Emily Moloney PMSLSC

Open Male Beach Sprint
6th Tobias Hall WBHSLSC

Lifesaver Relay
2nd WBHSLSC

30-39 yrs Female Beach Sprint
3rd Cassandra Pensini CHSLSC
5th Natasha Jones TPSLSC

30-39 yrs Female Beach Sprint
3rd Cassandra Pensini CHSLSC
5th Natasha Jones TPSLSC

30-39 yrs Female Short Board Riding
1st Katie Winkworth PMSLSC

30+ Female Single Ski Relay
1st PMQ A PMSLSC

30+ Mixed Beach Relay
3rd PMQ A PMSLSC

30+ Mixed Board Relay
1st PMQ A PMSLSC

40-49 yrs Male Beach Flags
1st Luke Morris PMSLSC

40-49 yrs Male Board Race
1st Luke Morris PMSLSC

40-49 yrs Male Single Ski
4th Luke Morris PMSLSC

40-49 yrs Male Surf Race
2nd Lindsay Moller PMSLSC

40-49 yrs Male Ironperson
3rd Lyndsay Moller PMSLSC

40-49 yrs Male Short Board Riding
3rd Luke Morris PMSLSC

40-49 yrs Female Beach Flags
1st Clarissa Morris PMSLSC

40-49 yrs Female Board Race
1st Sara-Jane Oakeshott PMSLSC

40-49 yrs Female Surf Race
5th Sara-Jane Oakeshott PMSLSC

40-49 yrs Female Ironperson
5th Paula Stone PMSLSC

40-49 yrs Female 2km Run
6th Belinda James PMSLSC

40-49 yrs Female Board Rescue
3rd PMQ A PMSLSC

50-59 yrs Male Board Race
1st Richard Hewens PMSLSC

50-59 yrs Male Ski
4th Richard Hewens PMSLSC

50-59 yrs Male Shore Board Riding
1st Wayne Oliver PMSLSC
4th Richard Hewens PMSLSC

50-59 yrs Female Beach Flags
1st Linda Perkins PMSLSC

50-59 yrs Female Board
2nd Raelene Myers PMSLSC

50-59 yrs Female Surf Race
1st Raelene Myers PMSLSC

50-59 yrs Female Ironperson
2nd Raelene Myers PMSLSC
3rd Linda Perkins PMSLSC

50-59 yrs Female Board Rescue
4th PMQ Q PMSLSC
5th PMQ A PMSLSC

60+ Male Beach Sprint
2nd Rex O'Rourke PMSLSC
4th Stephen Hudson MSHSLSC

60+ Male Beach Flags
1st Rex O'Rourke PMSLSC
4th Stephen Hudson MSHSLSC

60+ Male Board Race
3rd Stephen Hudson MSHSLSC
4th Robert Dalrymple PMSLSC
6th Jeffery Polverino PMSLSC

60+ Male Ski Race
4th Jeffery Polverino PMSLSC
6th Gary Smith PMSLSC

60+ Male Ironperson
5th Robert Dalrymple PMSLSC
6th Jeffery Polverino

60+ 2km Beach Run
2nd Rex O'Rourke PMSLSC

60+ Male Malibu
3rd Philip Hatherly TPSLSC

60+ Male Short Board Riding
1st Philip Hatherly

Under 23s Female Surf Boat
1st - WBHSLSC

Open Male Surf Boat
2nd - KCHSLSC

Open Female Surf Boat
1st - WBHSLSC
2nd - KCHSLSC

Reserve Male Surf Boat
3rd - WBHSLSC

Reserve Female Surf Boat
2nd - PMSLSC

200+ Male Surf Boat
1st - KCHSLSC

STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

23's Male Surf Boat Race

3rd The Orcas PMSLSC

U11 Male Surf Race

Final - Cooper Dawson TPSLSC

U12 Male Beach Flags

Final - Baxter Matthews PMSLSC

30-39 yrs Male Surf Race

3rd Kyle Vandermeulen KCHSLSC

5th Ben Mockridge KCHSLSC

30-39 yrs Male Board Race

6th Kyle Vandermeulen KCHSLSC

45-49 yrs Male Beach Flags

1st Luke Morris PMSLSC

45-49 yrs Male Board Race

2nd Luke Morris PMSLSC

45-49 yrs Male Ironperson

3rd Luke Morris

45-49 yrs Male Single Ski

6th Luke Morris

45-49 yrs Male Board Rescue

3rd Richard Hewens PMSLSC

3rd Luke Morris PMSLSC

45-49 yrs Male Double Ski

4th Richard Hewens PMSLSC

4th Luke Morris PMSLSC

45-49 yrs Female Board Race

4th Sara-Jane Oakeshott PMSLSC

5th Debra Bartlett

45-49 yrs Female Board Rescue

5th Debra Bartlerr PMSLSC

5th Sara-Jane Oakeshott PMSLSC

45-49 yrs Female Double Ski

4th Debra Bartlett PMSLSC

4th Paula Stone PMSLSC

50-54 yrs Female Board Race

5th Linda Perkins PMSLSC

6th Raelene Myers PMSLSC

50-54 yrs Female Beach Flags

5th Linda Perkins PMSLSC

50-54 yrs Female Single Ski

1st Raelene Myers PMSLSC

50-54 yrs Female Rescue Tube Race

3rd Raelene Myers PMSLSC

50-54 yrs Female Board Rescue

5th Raelene Myers PMSLSC

5th Linda Perkins PMSLSC

50-54 yrs Female Surf Race

2nd Raelene Myers PMSLSC

50-54 yrs Female Ironperson

3rd Raelene Myers PMSLSC

65-69 yrs Male Beach Flags

3rd Keith Charles WBHSLSC

70+ Male Surf Swim

1st Larry Brook PMSLSC

130 yrs Female Surf Teams

4th Raelene Myers PMSLSC

4th Sara-Jane Oakeshott PMSLSC

4th Paula Stone PMSLSC

130 yrs Female Taplin

6th Debra Bartlett PMSLSC

6th Sara-Jane Oakeshott PMSLSC

6th Paula Stone PMSLSC

150 yrs Male Single Ski Relay

5th Richard Hewens PMSLSC

5th Luke Morris PMSLSC

5th Jeffery Polverino PMSLSC

150 yrs Female Taplin

2nd Raelene Myers PMSLSC

2nd Linda Perkins PMSLSC

2nd Elaine Walker PMSLSC

DIRECTOR OF MARKETING + COMMUNICATIONS REPORT

I present my report as the Director of Marketing and Communications report to the Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast Branch.

It was great to see everyone back on the beach in all aspects of surf lifesaving with no post-pandemic restrictions. Which created many opportunities for positive exposure of members' achievements.



This season saw the completion of the SLSMNC Branch Life Member interviews. These interviews have allowed the history of the Branch to be documented for ongoing generations, a very important aspect to ensure that stories and events from the past are always accessible. These interviews have been placed on the SLSMNC Facebook page and will eventually be available on the SLSMNC Branch website.

The website is a continual work in progress and is constantly being updated. Some of the updates that will be released before the start of the next season include - an honour roll of all past Executive Committee members, images and a brief history of members who have perpetual trophies named after them and past lists of Awards of Excellence winners. Thanks to the help of Life Members Bruce Caldwell and Ken Wilson all annual reports dating back to the 1997/98 season have been scanned and uploaded (except for the 2002/03 season so if anyone has a hard copy of that annual report we would love to borrow it to add it to the collection). The website receives many compliments on its professionalism and layout for easy navigation. It is a Branch asset and any suggestions on what could be included please advise.

At the start of the season, a digital SLR camera was purchased to enable high-quality images to be taken at various surf lifesaving events. I hope that you have enjoyed the images so far.

The Newcastle Permanent Awards of Excellence for SLSMNC was held for the first time at Macksville-Scotts Head SLSC in July. The event was a great success and I was proud to be a part of the organising committee with Gary Hawkins, Kim Rayner and Nicole Crowe to ensure our members are recognised for the awesome work that they continue to do.

I would like to make a special mention to our Branch Administration Officer, Leanne Hatherly, who continually supports and works with me to ensure the website updates are completed, gathers stories for the Branch newsletters and assists in various other projects.

Brienna Elford

Director of Marketing and Communications
Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast

DIRECTOR OF MEMBER SERVICES REPORT

Member Services have had a busy season, commencing in the off season with pre-season meetings to discuss the changes and obligations to activities that directly impact our members. These were seen as extremely important as we moved towards ensuring we are following member safety and wellbeing guidelines, in particular Child Safe Awareness courses.

Officers in Club and Branch positions, Patrol captains and Vice, JAC's and Age Managers, Trainers, assessors, Facilitators, MPIOs and Complaint managers supported this training to enhance our understanding of a Child Safe organisation.

The SLSMNC Raising of the Flags ceremony was held at Kempsey-Crescent Head SLSC to recognise the commencement of the patrol season. Thankyou to those who attended including the Hon Melinda Pavey MP for Oxley, Kempsey Shire Council Mayor Leo Hauville, SLSMNC Directors and Life Members, Life Members and Directors from our Clubs, Samantha Cullen from Branch sponsor Newcastle Permanent, Lifesavers, nippers and members of the community. Alfie Drew and Malcolm Webster representing the local Aboriginal community performed a Welcome to Country, smoking ceremony and water blessing. Following on from this there was a recognition of season commencement by NBN television.



Raising of the Flags for the 2022/23 season at KCHSLSC

I attended the Camden Haven SLSC first day of nippers as a guest and listened to other members share their journey and the rewards they have gained from being a Surf Lifesaver. As the season progressed we held Age Manager Courses to ensure the Age Managers were qualified and given the most up to date knowledge available to them to educate our future Lifesavers.

SLSMNC Lifesaver of the Year Josh Lawrence accompanied me in thanking Branch sponsors in

that could not attend the Awards of Excellence. They were recognised for the contribution that is made in goods or kind to the Branch. Those recognised locally were Apps Mechanical and Safe 'n' Sound Storage, whilst Greg Bennett from Bennett Surf Boards was thanked for his ongoing support to Surf Lifesaving by Paul Rayner in Brookvale Sydney.

Last season's SLSMNC Newcastle Permanent Awards of Excellence was a great success. Hosted by Tacking Point SLSC, all categories were nominated for and some worthy recipients. I wish to recognise the assistance given to me over many seasons by Joanne Hawkins in the organisation of previous Awards nights, the distribution and collating of nominations and the subsequent submissions made to SLSNSW.

We nominated seventeen members or groups/teams for the SLSNSW Awards of Excellence and were successful in the following awards. Youth Volunteer Georgia Gaddes, Facilitator of the Year Kim Rayner, Official of the Year Mick Lang and SLSMNC took out Branch of the Year. Mick was put forward to the SLSA Awards of Excellence but unfortunately was unsuccessful.



Josh Lawrence presenting a plaque to Apps Mechanical in appreciation of their sponsorship

Our social media has been utilised over the season to live stream the SLSNSW JLOTY

announcement and promoted many other interest topics. They include National Child Protection Week, RUOK Day, Rainbow Beaches Day, SLSA Masterclass, International Women's Day, Remembrance Day, ANZAC Day, First Responders Day, Inclusive Beaches, Lifesaver Remembrance Day, Mother's and Father's Day to name a few.

Throughout the season we congratulated Colin Ball from South West Rocks SLSC on receiving his OAM in the King's Birthday honours, attended Camden Haven to witness Life Member John Vipond receive a Life Governor Award and recognised the passing of one of our finest gentleman in the way of Charles 'Jim' Brazel from Macksville-Scotts Head SLSC.

During the season I attended the SLSNSW Combined Conference and several SLSNSW Member Services Standing Committee meetings. Reports were also presented to the SLSMNC Branch meetings.

The Member Services Team also revisited the SLSMNC Youth Development Program to Dee Why after a couple of years absence due to COVID. Attached is the report from that program, with special thanks to the participants, chaperones, Dee Why SLSC, venues visited, and the Branch for their support. I would like to also acknowledge the SLSNSW contribution for financial assistance to the value of \$2000 in the way of the Branch Program Funding Assistance.

Thankyou to all that have supported me over the season, and look forward to the next.

Gary Hawkins

Director of Member Services
Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast

NEWCASTLE PERMANENT DEE WHY YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CAMP

On a Thursday morning in January a keen group of young lifesavers set out on the annual Youth Development Program to Dee Why. The participants came from six of our Clubs, ranged in age from 14 to 17 and held either their SRC, Bronze and IRB crew awards.

They were chaperoned by Nicole Chilcott, Ken Parish, Kirstie Swaine and myself. Port Bus supplied the mini-coach and trailer, driven by Ron, a seasoned traveller who met all our needs and got us safely and on time to all the venues we visited.

In its eighth year, the program set out to showcase the participants' pathways and opportunities that are available to them. The awards they hold now and gain in the future through Surf Life Saving can be used to follow any of the pathways we attended.

The first day saw us travel to Northmead in Sydney's west. The CareFlight Rapid Response helicopter base was our lunch stop, followed by an opportunity to have Nat the Community Engagement Officer talk about the history and purpose of the service, moving on to the first aid kits, monitors and equipment used on the aircraft. There was demonstrations on tourniquets and Gary spoke of the awards required to perform his role as a Patient Transport Officer for CareFlight.

We arrived at our base, our home away from home for four days, that being Dee Why SLSC. The Coles home delivery arrived on time, an ocean swim happened and Kenny mustered up a few of the boys to assist in the BBQ. Lighting it was a challenge, and for the life of me, I still cannot understand why someone has to put their head underneath to see if it is lit. A little reeducation and dinner was cooked. No one was hurt.

Second day greeted us with an awesome sunrise, followed by early breakfast and off to the Randwick City Lifeguards office at Maroubra Beach. Peter and his team gave us a presentation on the role they play in the community, we viewed the live camera technology, their RWCs and equipment. We learned the challenging process to become a Lifeguard and the awards required.

Down the beach a couple of hundred well-planned metres we bumped into Duty Officer and crew member of SR30 Nixy Krite and Joel Wiseman SLSNSW Director of Lifesaving. Nixy showed us the Duty Officer vehicle and the equipment inside, the drones and RWC. Nixy and Joel spoke of the vast areas the teams cover, the complexity of patrolling the cliffs and rock ledges. Joel spoke of what it takes to become a Duty officer, an RWC and UAV operator. A quick photo opportunity on the Nutrigrain Ironman podium was not to be missed.

Next stop, just over the hill we arrived at The fallen Lifesaver Memorial at Coogee. We were greeted by Doug Hawkins and Tony Waller who spoke of the history and true meaning of the memorial. A bouquet was laid and a minutes silence was observed to reflect upon those who paid the ultimate sacrifice, those brave men who left our shores to fight for our country and who never returned. We learned of the women who stepped up to keep the Surf Clubs running during these times.

Returning back to Dee Why Surf Club for lunch and off again, next stop SLSNSW headquarters at Belrose. We were met by Jordan who took us up to Surfcom, the State Operations Centre where all Surf Lifesaving communications are centred and actioned. We witnessed live UAV video feeds from Brunswick Heads on the Far North Coast, live video feeds from Town and Shelly Beaches in Port Macquarie. From here we had a presentation on UAV services in Surf Life Saving, the present vacancies for operators and what the future looks like.

A group photo in patrol uniform and return to Dee Why. For the second day in a row, we had a welcoming swim and cool-off. Hot showers and ready for dinner. I would like to thank Kirstie for being Master Chef for this trip, the other chaperones who assisted greatly and the magical lineup of human dishwashers and dryers, floor sweepers and morning and afternoon tea pack packers. We couldn't have done it without you all.

On day three, light drizzle greeted us along with the bells of a group on the beach celebrating the sunrise. Patrol day is here. We got into our three patrol teams and headed off after breakfast to patrol at Dee Why, North Steyne and Manly.

Nicole's patrol had the furthest to go, arriving at Manly just in time to be greeted by a generous Club sponsor handing out fresh pastries from their French Patisserie down the road. They patrolled diligently, taking a roving stroll to Shelly Beach to burn off those nice treats. No rescues, first aids but preventative actions and an opportunity to see a round of the local surfboat series on their beach.

Kenny's patrol looked after the locals at Dee Why. Their area covered over to the rocks beyond the ocean baths, across the road to the ice cream shop and ping pong table in the park. A busy time on the beach, warm sunshine and clear water made for high attendances.

My patrol arrived early and met the Council Lifeguard in charge and our North Steyne volunteer patrol captain. We were helped by a couple of seasoned clubbies and the patrol was set up before the full patrol arrived. We checked the first aid equipment, performed preventative actions and found the Life Members cooking up a storm on the complimentary morning tea barbeque. All members were signed on in the patrol app, and their hours have been recorded. There was also an opportunity to flush an IRB motor after a capsize, with three of the boys getting it done in fifteen minutes. Good experience under the watchful eye of the club IRB trainer.

One o'clock and back to base for lunch and a change of clothes. It was time for everyone to enjoy the afternoon at Raging Waters. This was an opportunity to showcase pool lifeguarding, not just for a swim and relax (sorry I fibbed). Everyone deserved this. Pizza in the carpark as the sun went down and back to Dee Why for showers and sleep.

On our last morning at Dee Why, up for breakfast, pack up, sweep up and tidy the Clubhouse. This trip we left the best to last, with a visit to the Westpac Rescue Helicopter base at La Perouse. We were met by Crew member Tony Waller who took us into the operations room where we met the pilot and the crew. Talk on weather tracking, past missions, the role they play assisting our patrols on the ground and a overview of the equipment that is used on each flight. There was a winching scenario played out with both Sophie and Ewan and some survival tips. All finished with a speedy departure on a mission to the south for us to watch.

Our return to Port Macquarie was inevitable, after four days of visiting locations that few other youth Surf Lifesavers have the opportunity to see, let alone in such a short space of time, we arrived back home.

Full of knowledge, having gained a better understanding of the pathways within Surf Lifesaving and appreciative of the chaperones and bus driver that helped make this program all happen. Thank you to all the participants for the way in which you have displayed enthusiasm to listen, learn and participate. To all the parents out there of these youth, everyone now knows how to wash and wipe up in the kitchen.

Thankyou for attending, thank you to the support from MNC branch and all the venues we visited, and until next time.



NEWCASTLE PERMANENT SLSMNC JLOTY



Newcastle Permanent representative Clare Wilkinson with club JLOTY representatives

The announcement of our Junior Lifesavers of the Year for 2023 was made at the Newcastle Permanent SLSMNC Branch Championships at South West Rocks SLSC with special guests including Claire Wilkinson from Newcastle Permanent, Kempsey Shire Council Councillor Kerrie Riddington, SLSNSW and SLSMNC Branch Life Members, MNC Branch Executive, SWRSLSC Life Members and committee members and the carnival attendees. Named as this season's JLOTY were Gabby Turner and Jack McGrath, congratulations.



Gabby Turner and Jack McGrath on their way to Sydney for the SLSNSW JLOTY awards

Newcastle Permanent Junior Lifesaver of the Year interviews. Emma Jarmin and Jayden Swaine from Hat Head SLSC, Airlia Matthews and Jack McGrath from Port Macquarie SLSC, Gabby Turner and Archie Spitzer from Tacking Point SLSC, Tori McGrath and Alex Slavin from Wauchope-Bonny Hills SLSC were interviewed by the selection panel made up of Leanne Goggin, Samantha Cullen and myself. Millie McGrath and Jim Dwyer assisted on the day.



JLOTY winners Gabby Turner and Jack McGrath with Cr Kerrie Riddington, Rod McDonagh, Clare Wilkinson and Gary Hawkins

Gabby and Jack went on to represent our Branch at the Ingenia Holiday Parks SLSNSW JLOTY program at the Collaroy Centre in Sydney Northern Beaches. This program is run alongside the SLSNSW Youth Opportunity Makers Program, of which we had five participants. Taylah Moffitt, Bronte McAllister, Drew De Silva, Ethan Maher and Hugo Northam attended the YOM program which offered workshops to provide workshops to provide opportunities for ideas to be exchanged, to create an awareness of current issues, pathways and opportunities, promotion of teamwork, goalsetting and communication whilst developing confidence and self-esteem in a supportive environment. Georgia Gaddes also attended this year as a facilitator of the YOM program.

SLSNSW AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE WINNERS 2021/22



**YOUTH VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR
GEORGIA GADDES
SOUTH WEST ROCKS SLSC**



**OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR
MICK LANG
TACKING POINT SLSC**



**FACILITATOR OF THE YEAR
KIM RAYNER
TACKING POINT SLSC**



**MID NORTH
COAST**

**BRANCH OF THE YEAR
MID NORTH COAST**

NEWCASTLE PERMANENT AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE FOR SLSMNC 2022/23



CLUB OF THE YEAR - SOUTH WEST ROCKS SLSC



**VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR
BRUCE CALDWELL - SWRSLSC**



**SURF LIFESAVER OF THE YEAR
ANDREW STEVENS - TPSLSC**



**YOUTH VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR
BRONTE MCALLISTER- TPSLSC**



**YOUTH LIFESAVER OF THE YEAR
ERIN COOK - SWRSLSC**



MASTERS ATHLETE OF THE YEAR
Larry Brook - PMSLSC



SURF SPORTS TEAM OF THE YEAR
The Orcas - PMSLSC



ROOKIE OF THE YEAR
Aden Mills - SWRSLSC



FACILITATOR OF THE YEAR
Kim Rayner - TPSLSC/PMSLSC



TRAINER OF THE YEAR
Dylan Sainsbury - WBHSLSC



ASSESSOR OF THE YEAR
Paul Stiff - TPSLSC



COMMUNITY EDUCATION PROGRAM
Dippers - TPSLSC



ADMINISTRATOR OF THE YEAR
Sandra Slattery - SWRSLSC



SUPPORT OPERATIONS OF THE YEAR
Tony Silvia - SWRSLSC



PATROL CAPTAIN OF THE YEAR
Dave Moore - TPSLSC



OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR
Rod McDonagh - SWRSLSC



COACH OF THE YEAR
Mick Lang - TPSLSC

NEWCASTLE PERMANENT SLSMNC AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE 2022/23



REGISTRAR REPORT

A semblance of normality returned to surf lifesaving this year with a relaxation of Covid restrictions and far better weather and surf conditions up and down the Branch beaches. This allowed for increased Nipper activities and training courses which is reflected in the overall awards gained throughout the season. I would like to congratulate all those members who remained steadfast in their roles and achieved great results across the clubs to retain members and train them where and when required. In particular, those that took on additional roles as Nipper



Age Managers and carers. Having stated the above proficiencies were similar to last year with a total of 2338 junior and senior proficiencies gained. Just lower than last year's figures.

Not surprisingly there was an increased number (1000) of senior awards, senior proficiencies, JAC awards and proficiencies carried out or completed totalling 6300. There were 98 new Bronze Medallion awards in the season which is twice that completed last year. A great result for increasing members patrolling on the beach.

A really satisfying result is the number of senior awards completed such as the IRB Crew person award 28 up from 18, Silver Medallion IRB Drivers awards 16 up from 4 which are critical for the successful operation of patrols. This is a really great result showing how hard IRB trainers worked throughout the year to increase member participation in gaining these awards.

During the season two hundred and seventy-one (271) transfers were completed by Branch clubs during the season. This was down slightly from last year. Of these, there were 134 transfers (70 male and 64 female) into the Branch and 137 out (75 male and 62 female). I would ask that each club refer to SurfGuard and action any outstanding transfers that have carried over into the new year.

Retention rates of both active and junior members have been an ongoing issue for Surf Life Saving over the last two years and unfortunately, our Branch clubs have suffered this same fate. Having said that the efforts of clubs to retain and attract members should be congratulated as the Branch figures are quite good compared to some of the others. Junior memberships increased from 877 last year to 895 this year. Senior memberships of active members have increased and nearing our pre-Covid figures, with 613 members this year compared to 585 members last year.

There have been multiple upgrades to Surf Guard to enhance user experience this year and they will be rolled out from the start of the new season for all users. Congratulations to all those who made the season an extremely successful year and I am sure the upcoming season will only be more satisfying.

Rob McCue

Registrar

Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast

CLUB REPORTS





MACKSVILLE SCOTTS HEAD SLSC



The 2022/23 season was completed successfully with the support of our patrolling and committee members. Despite dwindling numbers, our patrolling members acted swiftly and professionally during three beach incidents, two involving visitors and one a local. We extend our gratitude to all patrolling members for their dedication, especially those who went above and beyond their rostered hours.

We express our appreciation to our sponsors, whose support enables us to update services and equipment. Special thanks to the NSW Government for emergency services funding and the Federal Government for Beach Safety Equipment Funding. We also acknowledge the contributions of local organisations.



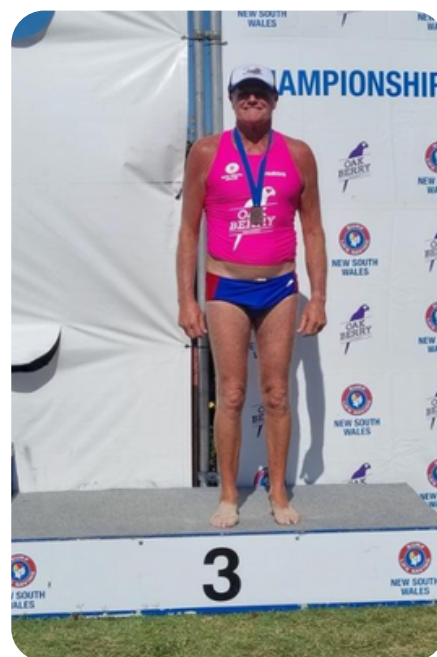
Surf Boat Crews

We commend the hard work and dedication of our office bearers throughout the season. In surfboats, we successfully hosted the combined Surf Boat Series, though venue changes were necessary. Lessons were learned, and fundraising efforts are underway for a new surfboat. Training initiatives, including the Bronze Medallion squad, were successful, thanks to the trainers and assessors.

Grants played a crucial role, allowing us to undertake repairs and maintenance. We received funding for awnings, boatshed repairs, and termite damage in the Clubhouse. However, the Clubhouse lease remains an ongoing saga.

During the patrolling season, our teams performed admirably, responding to various incidents and demonstrating their commitment to saving lives. Unfortunately, we experienced three beach fatalities due to heart attacks, occurring outside patrolling hours. We commend Patrol Team 4, led by Tim Zirkler, for their exceptional response to a major incident.

Our Patrol Captains, IRB Captain, First Aid Officer, and Gear Stewards deserve special thanks for their management and dedication. We had impressive attendance and commitment from our patrolling members, resulting in a successful season.



Steve Hudson
SLSNSW
Country Championships



Macksville-Scotts Head Surf Life Saving Club had a successful and eventful season, thanks to the unwavering support of our dedicated volunteers. Numerous activities and events were organised, including intraclub days, celebrations of achievements, and remembrance ceremonies, most notably for Life Member Jim Brazel who passed away in June this year.

We express our gratitude to the Mid North Coast Branch and our committee members for their support and contribution. Special recognition goes to those who keep the clubhouse running smoothly.

Nippers had a successful season with active participation, although we lacked volunteers in certain age groups. Congratulations to all those who attended branch championships and the Country Champs. We plan to introduce twilight nippers and more social events next season.

We extend our thanks to club members, parents, and children for their support, patience, and enthusiasm. We look forward to the next season with anticipation.

Catherine Barry

President

Macksville-Scotts Head Surf Life Saving Club



It is with great pride that I present this report to the Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast Branch on behalf of the Board of Directors and members of the South West Rocks Surf Life Saving Club (SWRSLSC).

LIFESAVING

The SWRSLSC celebrated its 103rd season, making it the longest serving club within the MNC Branch, providing 2399.42 hours from 49 members (an average of 48.9 hours/member) for the season and attending six serious call outs.

Grahame Ball, Brienna Elford and Rod McDonagh were awarded the SLSNSW Rescue of the Month in October 2022. National Medals were awarded to Ian Everingham, Sid Jeffrey, Rebecca Mitchell, Andrew Packwood, Dave Pearson, Mark Notley, Paul Owens and Tony Silvia.

Members Bobbie Brenton, Erin Cook, Brienna Elford and Georgia Gaddes attended the SLSNSW Female ALBERT training weekend at Fingal Beach SLSC in May 2023. There were also youth members - Ollie Byrne, James Gaddes, Aden Mills and Imogen Ward who attended the SLSMNC Dee Why Development Camp and Georgia Gaddes who was selected as a Facilitator at the SLSNSW YOM camp in Sydney.

EDUCATION

Our education team held two BM/SRC courses provided 10 additional patrolling members and four of our current SRCs gained their BM. An IRB induction was conducted for 15 candidates from SWR and HH after their BM assessment. Three of our trainers have gained probationary assessor status and are eagerly awaiting to be signed off as endorsed assessors.

SURF SPORTS

We once again showed our ability to host surf sports carnivals, hosting the following carnivals during the 2022/23 season:

- Warriors on Water Surf Boat Carnival - October 2022
- Branch Carnival - December 2022
- Branch Championships - February 2023
- Hosted the SLSNSW IRB Championship - July 2023

The reintroduction of Sunday Morning Point Score was a great success with both junior and senior members taking up the opportunity to gain some great experience. A free Friday morning swim squad was also introduced at the SWR pool for all active members and nippers.

SWRSLSC President, Rod McDonagh was awarded the International Lifesaving Diamond Award for Officiating at over 12 World Lifesaving Championships.

COMMUNITY

Community engagement was continually showcased throughout the 2022/23 season through many facets, including coordinating the Beachside Markets with the SWR Chamber of Commerce, providing water safety for the Trial Bay Triathlon, assisting with the SWR Runfest, providing cruise ship navigational support, providing First Aid at the Macleay Valley Muster, providing local returned service personnel to engage in fitness classes through the SWR RSL Sub-branch, laid a wreath at the ANZAC Day Dawn Service, 24 Hour Row for Mental Health, hosted the Queenscliff Nippers Camp and 'Macleay Nippers'.

A Reconciliation Action Plan was developed (the first SLSC in NSW to do so) in consultation with the local Aboriginal Community. This coincided with the inaugural Nippers Cultural Day held on Main Beach where our members were given the opportunity to learn about the local Dunghutti culture from the South West Rocks Figtree Mob.

The Club was also awarded some prestigious community awards throughout the season - Kempsey Shire Council Australia Day Award 'Community Group of the Year' for 2023 and our Director of Lifesaving, Brienna Elford was awarded the Kempsey Shire Council Australia Day Award for Citizen of the Year for 2023.

ADMINISTRATION

The SWRSLSC Rules and Bylaws document was approved at the 2022 AGM and will work alongside the Club's Constitution.

The Club engaged with the SLS Foundation to access the Lottery program that is in place.

A weekly newsletter was implemented and sent to all active and social members to keep them informed of all goings on around the clubhouse.

The loss of Life Member Colin Ball OAM during the 2022/23 Season was a sad day for the club. It was only days prior to his passing that Colin was officially awarded his OAM in hospital.

Our Board of Directors and members are looking forward to a successful 2023/24 season, where will be back on the beach doing what we do best.

Yours in surf life saving,

Vicki Thomas

Director of Administration

South West Rocks Surf Life Saving Club



BM Squad
Assessment Day



Nippers Cultural Day

Another surf lifesaving year has come to an end but fear not, another is just on the horizon. I'd like to begin my brief report by thanking all our volunteers for the work they have done for an amazing year. Yes, we've had some challenges, some more significant than others, but for the most part we've managed to maintain our drive and focus in delivering exceptional surf lifesaving services – protecting and strengthening our community. There is no doubt that our challenges this year have centred on our sense of volunteering and community.

Flowing from that, and with lethargy resulting from a couple of years of COVID, the impacts have been felt across the Club. We are, however, resilient and we are strong, and we've not let the challenges weigh us down too much for too long.

Moving forward I would like to see placing a greater emphasis on marketing the Club more broadly, to be able to get more patrolling members.

I would like to call out a couple of very special highlights of the year for me:

- Patrolling – That said, an absolute highlight for me has been that there have been several dedicated surf lifesavers at the Club who, in times of need, have once again donned their gear and filled in to make up numbers. You know who you are, and a very big personal thanks from me! To everyone who has helped on patrols this year, also a big thanks.
- Nippers - I would like to thank Ian Webster and his helpers for running a smooth nippers competition this year, after the previous years, were interrupted by bad weather and before that COVID-19.



Darcy Swain - Junior Club
Person of the Year with SLSMNC
President Rod McDonagh



Ian Webster - Club Person of the
Year with SLSMNC President
Rod McDonagh



Education Award Recipients



Bronze Medallion Squad and
Club Trainers

Also, congratulations to “Webby” for taking out the Club Person of the Year Award. This year we combined the senior and nipper awards, and the day was very successful, with everyone having a great time.

Ken Parish

President
Hat Head Surf Life Saving Club

The 2022/2023 season saw success throughout many areas of our Club. Incredible weather conditions and pristine waters saw many locals and visitors making the most of beautiful beach days. This was delightful for all after previous seasons which had followed floods and saw dirty waters and debris.

All our patrols were well attended and zero were unattended. There were no fatalities or serious injuries sustained in our patrolling area. Our members performed numerous preventions, and completed minor first aid and swimmer assists. All call outs were covered well and promptly.

Over 110 registered for Nippers and we held the most sessions this season in comparison to the last few years of floods which had hindered Nipper sessions from running due to dangerous conditions and poor water quality. These days were a great success and brought a lot of life and excitement to the beach.

We also hosted a Macleay Nippers Carnival in November which included nippers from South West Rocks and Hat Head Surf Life Saving Clubs.

KCHSLSC was represented at each of the branch carnivals and came away with an Under 11 Boys Age Champion. Strong representation continued at the Country Championships where our competitors came away with a Country Gold medal in the Under 11's swim and a Country Gold in the Under 13's Board. In total, we had 8 competitors at Country which is our largest contingent in a long time and each competitor represented our club with pride and great sportsmanship.

Education completed by members this season were:

4 x Bronze Medallion

1 x Surf Rescue Certificate

2 x Silver Medallion-IRB Drivers

1 x IRB Crew

3 x ART

Along with several first aid renewals and certifications.

We saw success among our senior members representing at the Coolangatta Gold and in the NSW State Titles seeing a Bronze medal awarded to our Club rep in the Swim event. Once again, our surf boat crews represented KCHSLSC multiple times across the State. Great results were seen in the SLSNSW State Championships, with our Open Women's reaching the semifinals



KCHSLSC Presentation



New IRB Crew and Drivers

strength and bravery. We are looking forward to welcoming a new surf boat and trailer for the 2023/2024 season and the reintroduction of some junior crews.

Sunday mornings saw the return of our Sunday Surf Sports where members joined in a fun, non-competitive swim, and board fitness session. Mid-week training sessions were made available where Cadets and other Senior members could participate in afternoon sessions focusing on strength and conditioning, swim and board work.

Our Club hosted many community and fundraising events including the 24-Hour Row to raise funds and awareness of mental health. A Christmas festive afternoon for the community where many enjoyed our Carols by the Sea and the return of the Melanoma March raising funds and awareness for the Melanoma Institute Australia.

Our fundraising events included an increase of Friday Frothies, Sunday Sippers, multiple BBQs, duck races, Bingo evenings and lucky number draws. Events like these raised close to \$14,000 for our Club and members.

Many special celebrations were held in our Functions Area with many families enjoying the stunning views overlooking Killick Beach whilst celebrating weddings, birthdays, and anniversaries along with celebrations of life and other important community meetings.

We extend a very big thank you to all our patrolling members for their dedication and commitment along with age managers, water safety, functions/bar staff, sponsors/partners, and parent helpers for all the support and contribution provided. We extend this thank you to our committee members – a small but hard-working and dedicated group.

The success of our Club is a team effort with the greatest contribution being time, and we value every moment given.

Renee Darling

Secretary

Kempsey-Crescent Head Surf Life Saving Club

and Open Men's making the quarter-finals. The North Coast Boat Series saw some excellent representation with our 260 Men's crew and 200's Men's taking the win. Our Open Women finished with a close second by one point and the Open Men placed fourth. We also had strong representation in the SLSNSW Country Championships and Coffs Carnival. These crews continue to bring a lot of energy to our Club and inspire many with their



Education Awards

The 2022/2023 season kicked off on a positive foot this year without the burden of Covid hanging over us as it had the previous season. Thank you to all the members who come back each year to give their time to provide this vital service to the community.

PATROLS

SLSNSW extended our Service Level Agreement this year with an additional burden on all members. As one of eight clubs in the Mid North Coast Branch and one of the most attended beaches, we were required to patrol more hours than any other club in the Branch.

Congratulations to all patrolling members who assisted with patrols. We achieved zero preventable drownings on our beach during patrols and with over 31,000 visitors. This season with approx. 120 active patrolling members plus Active Reserves, provided sufficient coverage of Flynns Beach throughout the season. Whilst good numbers were available for patrols, IRB Drivers & Crew shortages continued to be an issue especially when subs were required.

RESCUES

Whilst it's pleasing to report that no fatalities occurred during the season, on a number of occasions this was only due to the vigilance and quick response of our patrolling members. Patrolling members carried out over 4,800 hours on the beach, reported 1,567 preventative actions, and carried out 12 successful rescues.

AWARDS

The club ran several courses throughout the season including SRC & Bronze Medallion which bolstered patrol numbers upon completion. National Service medals were achieved by Trevor Franklin, Tony Wright, Rob McCue and Jennifer Wookey.

NIPPERS

The season saw a very strong contingent of nippers attend the beach with a high percentage entering competition. The junior club enjoyed a very successful season not only taking out the branch title but also greatly contributed to the club's overall 3rd place at the country titles. PMSLSC celebrating 3rd Place Overall SLSNSW Country Championships Cape Hawke 2023. The Junior Committee are to be congratulated on their efforts and are looking forward to another strong season with some new faces in key roles.



PMSLSC - Under 13 Male Competitors
SLSNSW Country Championships
Cape Hawke 2023

SURF SPORTS

On the competition side of things, the club was able to repeat last year's third place in the overall point score at the NSW Country Surf Life Saving Titles. We had a large team represent the club as well as a big support team including water safety & officials who volunteered their time also. The NSW Surf Life Saving Titles saw many members bring home medals for their efforts. The Men's U23 Boatcrew took out 3rd place which was an incredible achievement, especially considering the majority of the crew were rowing up an age group. Finishing the season off at the Australian Surf Life Saving Titles in Perth, PMSLC was represented by the Open Women's Boat Crew & Gary Smith in the Over 70s division. Congratulations to Gary for his 3rd place in the Men's Over 70s Ski Race.

SPONSORS

To our sponsors, we are grateful for the generous support you have provided this season. Your support allows us to ensure we have the resources and equipment to provide our surf lifesaving service for the local community. Thank you for helping us keep our beach safe.

Apps Mechanical, David Plews – Elders Lifestyle Group, Charles Sturt University, Boost Juice Bars, Bradnam's Windows and Doors, Sovereign Hills, Isuzu Ute, Birdon and Saacks Orthodontal.

FINANCIAL

The club is in a strong financial position. This has been compensated by a return to normal operations post Covid which has allowed the traditional income streams from hall hire and bar functions to return on a consistent basis.

FACILITIES

There is ongoing maintenance and repair to our old facility. During the season we completed a refurbishment of the Caretaker's flat.

This season also saw us evicted by PMHC from the Riversheds at 11a Buller Street, a place that we had occupied for over half a century. Whilst we were bitterly disappointed that PMHC and Marine Rescue NSW did not include us in any discussions with renewing the lease we will continue to work closely with TPSLSC and MNCSLS to secure a satisfactory result. I would like to personally thank Mick Lang & Rod McDonough for their assistance in this matter and we will endeavour to work with PMHC to find another suitable storage facility in the same location.

Paula Stone

President

Port Macquarie Surf Life Saving Club



Rex's Patrol on Flynn's Beach

At the commencement of the 2022/2023 season, we looked forward optimistically that the scourge of Covid and all the restrictions were receding and we would enter the season with renewed vigour and enthusiasm.

The preceding few years gave us experience in matters that had never been encountered before and I hope we never encounter again. It was a great learning curve for all of us on how to cope with situations beyond our control, but we did manage and as a Club, we did it extremely well.

All of our club members should be congratulated for the contribution they gave the community during the season, whether it was patrolling our beach, assisting with the new Dippers program or just being ready to assist in any emergency. This was the 48th season Tacking Point SLSC provided weekend and public holiday patrols on Lighthouse Beach. Once again we had no drownings on Lighthouse Beach this season.

We provided a safe environment for everyone who attended our beach during this season. Our Nipper program went from strength to strength and we encouraged our younger members to learn about the surf and our age managers provided them with a safe, happy and friendly environment to learn and enhance their surf skills. We have arguably one of the strongest nipper programs within the MNC Branch, and all of the credit goes to Helen Thompson, in her first season as chairperson and the Junior activities committee as well, for allowing young children and families to enjoy a shared experience and to learn critical surf and life skills on our beach.

Our Club provides an ongoing community anchor for volunteerism and public service and it is something we should never lose sight of, but at the same time, we need to remember our core values of honesty, integrity and respect.

At the recent Mid North Coast Branch Awards of Excellence, our Club members took out many of the major awards. On top of these awards, Gabby Turner was selected as the Branch Junior Lifesaver of the Year (JLOTY). Our club also won many of the Age Champions Awards as well.

At the time of writing our current stage of our renovation is progressing well, despite the countless setbacks by Council. We are on track to complete this stage by the end of August 2023.

On the 7th March, 2023 both Port Macquarie SLSC and our Club were issued with a notice to quit the river shed complex by Marine Rescue. PMSLSC was originally bequeathed this land by the McLaren Family in 1968. Both Clubs



First Patrol of the Season

used it as a training hub for nippers, bronze medallion squads and new members. We were given our final notice to quit by Port Macquarie Hastings Council to vacate by the 3 July 2023 and both clubs have removed all of their equipment. It is extremely sad for many of our members who have grown up with the 'River Shed', but I can assure you both Paula and myself are looking at avenues to redeem our shed.

The Club is in a good position financially and I'd congratulate Sandra Slattery on the job she has done again this year. Her experience in banking has improved this section of our club and without her expertise, we would find it difficult to remain on top of our finances, especially with the renovations and the accountability required by the Office of Sport for our Grant.

I'd also like to acknowledge our Sponsors who supported the club this season: McDonald Jones Homes, Coastline Credit Union, Webstudio, Apps Mechanical, Bennett Surfboards, Elders Lifestyle Group, EIRE Constructions, Coast Cafe, Moore Beer & the Tacking Point Tavern. In addition to these sponsors, I would also like to acknowledge the input of Newcastle Permanent who is our Branch's major sponsor without their continued support of this Branch, most Clubs would struggle, so thank you Newcastle Permanent from Tacking Point.

We held our Club Presentation on Saturday afternoon 17 June, 2023 commencing at 2pm. We had approximately 80 members attending. The major awards were won by:

- Club Person of the Year: Kieran and Jane Robinson
- Lifesaver of the Year: Andrew Stevens
- Rookie of the Year: Hiroko Plowright
- Jason Northey Cadet: Annelise Turner
- Patrol Person of the Year David Moore

The 2021/2022 season has been hectic and like last season many decisions have had to be made in order for the Club to function viably. The Board of Management has made all decisions affecting the club in the best interests of the Club and although at times some members might not agree with them, you can be assured, the decisions have been made after careful consideration after collecting all the information at hand.

Mick Lang

President

Tacking Point Surf Life Saving Club



Dippers Celebration



2023 Country Team

It gives us great pleasure to present this report on behalf of Wauchope-Bonny Hills Surf Life Saving Club, reflecting the outstanding efforts and achievements of our dedicated team throughout the 2022-2023 season.

OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE

At WBHSLSC, we take immense pride in upholding the highest standards in Surf Life Saving operations. Our members have once again exemplified their vigilance and exceptional skills in serving the local community. We have demonstrated our commitment to maintaining the safety, health, and well-being of our members and the general public, and together as a club and community, we continue to play a vital role in ensuring the safety of our beach and surrounding area. We commend you to read the report from Flynn regarding our achievements here.

GRATITUDE TO THE CLUB EXECUTIVE AND ASSISTANTS

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the Club Executive and our awesome admin team, comprising Martie Kuhn, Jan Clingeffer, Pete Smith, and Michelle Kirkwood, for their unwavering dedication and support throughout the season. Their exemplary leadership has played a pivotal role in managing all aspects of the club, ensuring its smooth functioning. We are so privileged to be in a strong financial and organisational position heading into the next season and it would not have been possible without the collaboration that typifies this group of people

PATROLLING AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION - OUR PILLARS

As we all know, patrols and education are the bedrock and core mission of Surf Life Saving and our club. We commend everyone who has contributed to the safety and well-being of our members and the public. By prioritising safety on the beach and proactively providing education about safety in our waterways and our training programs, we are fulfilling our core mission of safeguarding the community. Together, we have made significant strides in keeping the beach and its visitors safe.

WEATHER AND SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

The 2022-2023 season saw a notable shift in weather patterns (THANKFULLY), with a welcome calmness and much-improved beach and surf conditions returning to Rainbow Beach. This favourable environment allowed our dedicated team to excel in their duties, ensuring a safe and enjoyable experience for all beachgoers. Fingers crossed we have another season of relatively fine weather to share with the visitors to our beach.

SUCCESSFUL SEASON - THANKS TO ALL

The director's reports have confirmed that our small but mighty Surf Life Saving Club had a successful season, thanks to the collective efforts of our dedicated members and supporters. Your commitment to our

cause and relentless efforts have made this achievement possible. In all aspects of the club - patrolling, education, nippers, surf sports - we have experienced success and we commend you to read each report carefully.

ACKNOWLEDGING OUR SUPPORT NETWORKS

We would like to extend our sincere appreciation to our valued sponsors (listed in the annual report), Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast Branch, Port Macquarie Hastings Council, State, and Federal Governments for their ongoing support. Their contributions have been instrumental in furthering our mission and enhancing our capabilities. We cannot perform so well in community service without their combined efforts and we are so grateful for their support

GRATITUDE TO MEMBERS, SUPPORTERS, AND HELPERS

While acknowledging the support of external entities, it is essential to recognise that our club's very existence thrives on the passion and commitment of our members, supporters, and helpers. Your selflessness and dedication to going the extra mile have been the backbone of our achievements. A massive thank you to each one of you for making a real difference. Please know that your efforts are noticed and valued most highly.

SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

Amidst our many achievements, several standout moments and people deserve special mention:

Michelle Kirkwood's Life Membership: We honour Michelle Kirkwood for her exceptional contributions to the club, awarding her with a well-deserved Life Membership in recognition of her unwavering commitment. Awarding this Life Membership was a most special moment at the Presentation and we are glad to honour such an incredible contribution.

The naming of the New IRB: We proudly named our new IRB after the remarkable Paul Hoole. Hooley's dedication and quiet leadership is what exemplify the spirit of our Surf Life Saving Club and it was a privilege to name this new piece of rescue equipment after him.

Dylan Sainsbury's Branch Award: Dylan Sainsbury was recognised by the branch for his innovative approaches to education and recruitment, driving positive change within our club. Having been honoured at the club level with Trainer of the Year and Club Person of the Year, we were very pleased to see Dylan being recognised at the Branch Level as SLSMNC Trainer of the Year.

Elaine Walker: We extend our gratitude to Elaine Walker for her exceptional organisational skills in coordinating yet another successful Rainbow Gold event this year and for her commitment to coordinating the Silver Salties seniors group.

In conclusion, the 2022-2023 season has been a testament to the passion and excellence that defines Wauchope-Bonny Hills Surf Life Saving Club. Together, we have upheld our commitment to safeguarding lives and fostering a sense of community on our beloved beach. As we look to the future, let us continue to stand united in our mission and strive for even greater heights of success. Thank you for your unwavering support and dedication.

Steve Monaghan and Tom Inatey

Vice-Presidents - Wauchope-Bonny Hills Surf Life Saving Club

Our mission statement defines the principles that guide us into the future and ensure that we continue to provide effective services to the community - "To provide a safe and enjoyable environment delivering quality lifesaving education and services to our members and the community."

OUR GOALS

Create, implement and support effective patrols which deliver quality lifesaving services to the community. This has been demonstrated again to be true for our club over the past season with limited members doing over and above average hours for clubs in NSW and performing rescues over the busy period which were nominated for Rescue of the Month.

Provide individual training and development opportunities for active patrolling members and stakeholders. Camden Haven training officers provided courses for members doing SRC and Bronze medallion as well as assisting with the assessment of these courses and first aid and ART for the branch with members from across the whole branch.

Provide opportunities to develop members and recognise their achievements. Camden Haven offered the opportunity to young members to be involved in camps and awards for the branch, the young members attending Dee Why Sydney, gained valuable experience and confidence while patrolling large Sydney beaches and demonstrated their skill level which was appreciated by the clubs they assisted. We also put a member forward for the SLSA National MasterClass in leadership which she was regrettably not selected but a worthwhile experience, demonstrating Camden Haven's dedication to helping support the future development of our members.



CHSLSC - Patrolling Members



John Vipond
CHSLSC's first Life Governor



Cassie Pensini
SLSNSW Country
Championships Medalist

This season saw CHSLC perform 17678.5 patrolling hours, 2468 swimmers, 962 craft, 6186 on the beach, and 9646 total people attending our beach who were kept safe.

There were 7 rescues - two with tubes, 4 on board, and 1 IRB as stated 2 of these were nominated for Rescue of the Month and we were assisted by friends from other clubs. We had 558 preventative actions which are awesome, and this calculates to fewer rescues well done. Camden Haven started the season with 3 strong patrols, and we finished the season with 3 strong patrols.

Looking forward to a new batch of members starting their SLS journey with a Bronze and SRC course scheduled for August. With these patrol members being ready for the start of the season we are hoping to have some dedicated members to assist with water safety for our junior program which we have high expectations of increasing numbers for this coming season.

Camden Haven also had a senior competitor at Country titles this season, who came home with medals, hoping to build on this year's achievements at this carnival with both junior and senior members attending branch, Country, State and maybe even a Nationals with competition being back on the east coast.

John Vipond has been named as Camden Haven Surf Life Saving Club's first Life Governor to recognise his 70 years of service to Surf Life Saving Australia. This well-deserved acknowledgement of Life Governor of Camden Haven SLSC, John Vipond received this recognition and plaque at the CHSLSC's AGM in June with his son Craig also a Life Member being available on the day after travelling down from Queensland to present this acknowledgement of John's service to CHSLSC.

Michelle Garvan

President

Camden Haven Surf Life Saving Club

FINANCIALS





Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast Branch Inc.

ABN: 99 526 701 490

Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 May 2023

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Special Purpose Financial Report For the Year Ended 31 May 2023

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Committee's Report

Your Committee Members submit the financial report on Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast Branch Inc. for the financial year ended 31 May 2023.

Committee Members

The names of the Committee Members in office throughout the year and at the date of this report are:

Names	Position	Appointed/Resigned
Rod McDonagh	President	
Mick Lang	Vice-President and Deputy Director of Surf Sports and Coaching Co-ordinator	
Jenny Cooper	Director of Finance	
Douglas Menzies	Director of Administration	
Kim Rayner	Director of Education	
Gary Hawkins	Director of Member Services	
Paul Rayner	Director of Life Saving	
Sandra Slattery	Director of Surf Sports	
Brienna Elford	Director of Marketing and Communications	

Committee Members have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of this report unless otherwise stated.

Principal activities

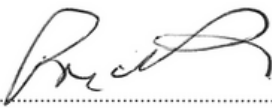
The principal activity of Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast Branch Inc. during the financial year was to manage and provide support to the eight Surf Life Saving Clubs and the Support Operations in the Mid North Coast area of NSW.


No significant changes in the nature of this activity occurred during the financial year.

Operating result

The loss of the Association for the financial year ended 31 May 2023 amounted to \$11,928 as compared to a profit of \$16,845 for the year ended 31 May 2022.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee:

Committee member: 
Rod McDonagh

Committee member: 
Jenny Cooper

Dated this 1st day of July 2023

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Jenny Cooper	Director of Finance	
Douglas Menzies	Director of Administration	
Kim Rayner	Director of Education	
Gary Hawkins	Director of Member Services	
Paul Rayner	Director of Life Saving	
Sandra Slattery	Director of Surf Sports	
Brienna Elford	Director of Marketing and Communications	

Committee Members have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of this report unless otherwise stated.

Principal activities


The principal activity of Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast Branch Inc. during the financial year was to manage and provide support to the eight Surf Life Saving Clubs and the Support Operations in the Mid North Coast area of NSW.


No significant changes in the nature of this activity occurred during the financial year.

Operating result

The loss of the Association for the financial year ended 31 May 2023 amounted to \$11,928 as compared to a profit of \$16,845 for the year ended 31 May 2022.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee:

Committee member: 
Rod McDonagh

Committee member: 
Jenny Cooper

Dated this 1st day of July 2023

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Paul Fahey B Bus CA
Bart Lawler B Com CA
Patrick Brennan B Com CA
Alison McKinnon B Bus CA

Auditor's Independence Declaration

Under Subdivision 60-40(1) of the Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012

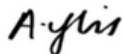
To the Members of the Committee of

Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast Branch Inc.

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 31 May 2023, there have been no contraventions of:

- (i) the auditor independence requirements as set out in the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* in relation to the audit; and
- (ii) any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

NorthCorp Accountants



Elaine Ylias
Registered Company Auditor

10-12 Short Street
Port Macquarie NSW 2444

01 July 2023

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Independent Auditor's Report

to the Members of Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast Branch Inc.

Opinion

We have audited the financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast Branch Inc. (the Association), which comprises the Statement of Financial Position as at 31 May 2023, the Statement of Profit or Loss, the Statement of Changes in Equity and the Statement of Cash Flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the Statement by the Members of the Committee.

In our opinion the accompanying financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Association as at 31 May 2023 and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements and the requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Association in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110: *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

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

Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the Committee's financial reporting responsibilities under the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Responsibilities of the Committee Members for the Financial Report

The Committee is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* and for such internal control as the Committee determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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Independent Auditor's Report

to the Members of Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast Branch Inc.

In preparing the financial report, the responsible persons are responsible for assessing Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the responsible entities either intend to liquidate Association or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Committee is also responsible for overseeing the Association's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 Association's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Committee.

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Independent Auditor's Report

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- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Committee's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on Association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause Association to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Committee regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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Registered Company Auditor

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01 July 2023

Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast Branch Inc.

ABN: 99 526 701 490

Statement of Profit or Loss
For the Year Ended 31 May 2023

	Note	2023 \$	2022 \$
Revenue			
Affiliation fees		1,600	1,600
Branch dinner		2,195	900
Competition fees		15,266	2,155
Donations		22,848	22,568
Grants received		59,844	44,975
Interest received		940	289
Leadership camp income		1,700	2,300
Profit on sale of non-current assets		-	5,800
Sundry Income		587	-
		<u>104,980</u>	<u>80,587</u>
Expenditure			
Advertising and marketing		(2,103)	-
Asset purchases less than \$5,000		(3,117)	-
Audit fees		(2,200)	(2,090)
Awards, trophies and medals		(10,932)	(6,210)
Bank fees		(153)	(2)
Carnival expenses		(2,158)	(2,675)
Catering		(4,660)	(531)
Club support consumables		(4,363)	-
Depreciation and amortisation expense		(8,543)	(9,648)
Directors and officers expenses		(5,000)	(2,000)
Donations		(16,000)	(16,000)
Insurance		(1,050)	(1,186)
Jet ski expenses		(4,517)	(4,800)
Motor vehicle expenses		(2,070)	(2,625)
Office expenses		(1,441)	(1,578)
Operational expenses		(4,674)	(438)
Printing, postage and stationery		(2,060)	(1,546)
Repairs and maintenance		(993)	(468)
Telephone		(2,410)	(1,640)
Uniforms		(22,468)	(4,243)
Travelling expenses		(13,109)	(1,222)
Training		(2,207)	(4,195)
Sundry expenses		(680)	(645)
		<u>(116,908)</u>	<u>(63,742)</u>
Profit / (Loss) before income tax		<u>(11,928)</u>	16,845
Income tax expense		-	-
Profit / (Loss) for the year		<u><u>(11,928)</u></u>	<u><u>16,845</u></u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast Branch Inc.

ABN: 99 526 701 490

Statement of Financial Position
As at 31 May 2023

	Note	2023 \$	2022 \$
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	2	106,139	122,174
Trade and other receivables	3	2,650	1,305
Financial assets	Note 4	144,640	144,640
Total current assets		<u>253,429</u>	<u>268,119</u>
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	5	28,658	29,701
Total non-current assets		<u>28,658</u>	<u>29,701</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>282,087</u>	<u>297,820</u>
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	6	2,662	6,467
Total current liabilities		<u>2,662</u>	<u>6,467</u>
Non-current liabilities			
Total non-current liabilities		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>2,662</u>	<u>6,467</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>279,425</u>	<u>291,353</u>
EQUITY			
Retained earnings		279,425	291,353
TOTAL EQUITY		<u>279,425</u>	<u>291,353</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast Branch Inc.

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Statement of Changes in Equity
For the Year Ended 31 May 2023

2023

	Retained Earnings	Total
	\$	\$
Balance at 1 June 2022	291,353	291,353
Profit / (loss) for the year	(11,928)	(11,928)
Balance at 31 May 2023	279,425	279,425

2022

	Retained Earnings	Total
	\$	\$
Balance at 1 June 2021	274,508	274,508
Profit / (loss) for the year	16,845	16,845
Balance at 31 May 2022	291,353	291,353

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast Branch Inc.

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Statement of Cash Flows
For the Year Ended 31 May 2023

	Note	2023 \$	2022 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Receipts from customers		112,074	81,054
Payments to suppliers		(121,549)	(66,610)
Interest received		940	289
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities		(8,535)	14,733
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Proceeds from sale of plant and equipment		-	5,800
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(7,500)	-
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		(7,500)	5,800
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Net cash provided by/(used in) financing activities		-	-
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents held		(16,035)	20,533
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		122,174	101,641
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	2	106,139	122,174

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast Branch Inc.

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 May 2023

The financial report is for Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast Branch Inc. as an individual entity. Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast Branch Inc. is a not-for-profit Association, registered and domiciled in Australia.

The financial report was authorised for issue by the Members of the Committee on 01 July 2023.

Note 1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Preparation

The Committee has prepared the financial statements on the basis that Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast Branch Inc. is a non-reporting entity because there are no users dependent on general purpose financial statements. The financial statements are therefore special purpose financial statements that have been prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Association's constitution, its funding agreement, and the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*, and to meet the needs of members.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the significant accounting policies disclosed below, which the Committee has determined are appropriate to meet the needs of members. Such accounting policies are consistent with the previous period unless stated otherwise.

The financial statements, except for the cash flow information, have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs unless otherwise stated in the notes. Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are presented below and have been consistently applied unless stated otherwise. The amounts presented in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest dollar.

(a) Income tax

The Association is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*. The exempt status of the Association applies indefinitely or until such time as a change in circumstances warrants a review of the exempt status.

(b) Property, plant and equipment

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost less, where applicable, accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses.

Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment are measured on the cost basis and are therefore carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation

The depreciable amount of all property, plant and equipment is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the assets useful life to the Association, commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Depreciation is recognised in profit or loss.

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Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 May 2023

(b) Property, plant and equipment (continued)

The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable asset are shown below:

Fixed asset class	Depreciation rate
Plant and Equipment	10-33.33%
Motor Vehicles	15%

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period.

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains or losses are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they arise.

(c) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks and other financial institutions and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

(d) Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables include amounts due from customers for services rendered by the Association. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current.

(e) Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables are carried at amortised cost and represent the liabilities for goods and services received by the Association during the reporting period that remain unpaid at the end of the reporting period. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amounts normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability. Trade and other payables are initially measured at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

(f) Revenue recognition

Grants from State and Commonwealth Governments and other funding bodies are recognised in the statement of profit or loss when the Association obtains control over the grant and it is probable that the economic benefits gained from the grant will flow to the Association and the amount of the grant can be measured reliably. Control over grant funds is normally obtained upon the receipt of cash.

Revenue is recognised when control of the goods and services has transferred to the customers. For such transactions, this is the point in time when the goods are delivered to the customers or the services are received by customers.

Interest revenue is recognised when received.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

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**Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31 May 2023**

(g) Goods and services tax (GST)

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO).

Receivables and payable are stated inclusive of GST.

Cash flows in the statement of cash flows are included on a gross basis and the GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which is recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is classified as operating cash flows.

(h) Comparative figures

When required by Accounting Standards, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current financial year.

Surf Life Saving Mid North Coast Branch Inc.

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Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31 May 2023

Note 2 Cash and Cash Equivalents

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Cash at bank	106,139	122,174

Note 3 Trade and other receivables

Current

Trade receivables	-	1,305
GST receivable	2,650	-
	2,650	1,305

Note 4 Financial Assets

Current

Fixed term deposit	144,640	144,640
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Note 5 Property, plant and equipment

Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment at cost	14,832	14,832
Less: accumulated depreciation	(7,099)	(4,384)

Total plant and equipment	7,733	10,448
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Motor vehicles

Motor vehicles at cost	32,017	24,517
Accumulated depreciation	(11,092)	(5,264)

Total motor vehicles	20,925	19,253
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Total property, plant and equipment	28,658	29,701
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Note 6 Trade and Other Payables

Current

Trade payables	2,662	4,363
GST payable	-	2,104
	2,662	6,467



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