



Tamarama Surf Life Saving Club Inc.

2022-2023
ANNUAL REPORT



Tamarama
SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB



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Tamarama SLSC Objectives

The objectives are an important part of any organisation.

The ongoing objectives of TAMARAMA SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB INCORPORATED are as follows:

- To minimise the loss of life by drowning by providing efficient life saving equipment and rendering first aid.
- To preserve and safeguard life by the study and practice of the methods of Life Saving as taught by Surf Life Saving Australia.
- To promote and arrange demonstration, and arrange classes of instruction to bring about a thorough knowledge of the principles which underline the art of Life Saving.
- To assist the Council's Lifeguards in their duty and by appointing patrols, render all possible aid to those in distress.
- To provide conveniences for Club Members and obtain the best facilities for surf bathing.

Standing on
Bidjigal land,
Tamarama Surf Life
Saving Club, recognises
and acknowledges
Aboriginal and Torres Strait
Islander peoples as the
original traditional owners
and custodians of Australian
lands and waters.

Always was,
always will be.



rebuild



renew



Office Bearers Season 2022–2023

“As wave is driven by wave
And each, pursued, pursues the wave ahead,
So time flies on and follows, flies, and follows,
Always, for ever and new.

What was before is left behind; what never was is now;
And every passing moment is renewed.”

ovid, metamorphoses

PATRONS:	Henry Hourihan and William Shires
PRESIDENT:	Matteo Salval
VICE PRESIDENT:	Sandra Fox
SECRETARY:	Charlotte Mann
TREASURER:	Thomas Love
CLUB CAPTAIN:	Richard Hamilton
CHIEF INSTRUCTOR:	Arnaud de La Chaise
JUNIOR ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR:	Jonathan Hancock
REGISTRAR:	Lisa Bodrero
GEAR STEWARD:	Cameron Caldwell
RADIO STEWARD:	Oliver Hunt
FIRST AID STEWARD:	Roger Moresi
BOAT CAPTAIN:	Tim Murray
IRB CAPTAIN:	Brandon Kober-Brown
ASSISTANT CHIEF INSTRUCTOR:	Andrew Addie
VICE CLUB CAPTAIN – COMPETITION:	Annabelle Paterson
SOCIAL SECRETARIES:	Harriet Gillies and David Murphy
BOARD AND SKI CAPTAIN:	Chris Barrett
COMMUNICATIONS TEAM:	Mieka White, Jemima Waddell, Lisa Bodrero and Marlin Hoppen
FIRST AID OFFICER:	Roger Moresi
HERITAGE STEWARD:	Guy Waddell
CLUB CARETAKER:	unfilled
MERCHANDISE OFFICER:	Annabelle Paterson
GRANTS OFFICER:	Neil McFarlane
REGISTERED SPORTS OFFICIAL:	Shay Deguara
SLSA DELEGATE:	Tim Murray
HON. LEGAL OFFICERS:	Santo Losurdo
HON. MEDICAL OFFICER:	Brandon Kober-Brownt

Tamarama Committees

Management Committee

Matteo Salval (chair)	Sandra Fox	Charlotte Mann	Thomas Love	Richard Hamilton
Arnaud de La Chaise	Jonathan Hancock			

Judiciary Committee

Sue Jackson (chair)	Tim Murray	Ronan MacSweeney	Thomas Bodger	Brandon Kober-Brown
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Awards Committee

Gretchen Masters (chair)	Derek Bagatourian	Zoe Scott-King	Andrew Addie	
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Building Committee

Mike Turner (chair)	Richard Hamilton	Matteo Salval	Ronan MacSweeney	
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Constitution Committee

Tim Murray (chair)	Phil Hogan	Sue Jackson	Ronan MacSweeney	Thomas Bodger
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Club Members who are Life Members of Surf Lifesaving Australia Ltd

Ron Buist*	Michael Burke*			
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Ron Buist*	Michael Burke*	Kevin Andrews*	John Wardall*	Clive Owens oAM
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* Denotes Member is deceased



Patron's Report



Hello again to everyone...wow another year has passed!

It was really nice to see you all at the last catch up at the Bronte Surf Club.

So good to see all those awards being given out! But just being part of the Tamarama Surf Club is special in itself, you don't need an award for that. So don't worry if you did not receive one. Everyone plays their part!

I was disappointed to know there were building troubles for our new clubhouse. I recently went down to visit the site to see how far it has progressed and looking forward to having lunch in the Club soon. Nice to know that someone else has taken over the job.

Never tire of going down to that special beach which has been a part of my life for so long now and remember due to our service, we have never lost a life down there! That beach can get very rough as we know.

On a final note it was so great to meet and greet everyone at the awards night. Hope to see you all again soon when our amazing new clubhouse opens!

Fond regards

HENRY HOURIHAN

Club Co-Patron and Life Member

It is always a pleasure to start my report off with “No Lives Lost”. For those new to the Club, Tamarama SLSC has an enviable record. The Club was formed and started patrolling the beach in the early 1900's and we have not lost a life whilst patrolling the beach. As all of you know Tamarama is the most dangerous patrolled beach in NSW, so keeping this record intact for another year is fantastic work and something we can all be proud of maintaining.

2022-23 season was a strange change for many of us as we came out of Covid restrictions and could go about patrolling, training and proficiencies as per usual. Unfortunately the post Covid supply-chain issues, staff shortages and continued severe weather events threw up more challenges for our members, who struggled to find their new normal. I was happy to see many clubs get more involved in looking after refugees/new Australians and teaching fun (and safety) in the surf, as we have been with our migrant beach safety days aimed at newcomers to Australia. Sadly the Club renovation could also be seen as unintended collateral damage from the supply chain issues and aggressive price rises over the last 12 months, more on that from our long-suffering President. I look back on the reports where I have written about the Club being finished the following season, but this time I am confident we will be in our new home before the end of this season. Go Matteo.

Thinking back over the season, it would be hard for us not to talk about World Pride and all the Pride celebrations we collectively and many individually got involved in.

I did hear one of the reasons so many of our members were so happy for Mardi Gras was because carbs were back on the menu. And I have to admit the stamina shown by many of our club members was impressive, almost two weeks of solid partying is putting your body on the line. All jokes aside, I think Tamarama and Sydney as a whole, showed the world that we can not only survive, but thrive together as an inclusive community.

I am also pleased and very impressed by our 'Women in Surf' often highlighted by the wonderful 'She's a Lifesaver' articles that continue to grow from strength to strength, although it would be good to have the International Women's Day BBQ without rain for once. We have seen a strong turnout to the women's and gender diverse swims, women led patrols and guests from other clubs that all help encourage and promote 'Women in Surf', which is an important part of the Club's mission to increase women's numbers in lifesaving.

I am sorry I missed the Club's annual dinner but my sister's 60th trumped the party. It seemed like I missed out, but I will see you all on the beach in a few months time. Thanks to all of you, especially the fantastic Management Committee for making Tamarama a great club and yet another successful year.

BILL SHIRES

Club Co-Patron and Life Member



President's Report



Dear Tamarama SLSC members, another patrolling season wraps up. Another season of 'no lives lost' at Tama.

So Close Yet So Far

We were all eagerly anticipating the completion of the Club renovation this year when another roadblock got in the way and delayed the project further. The news that Lloyd Group entered into administration hit many organizations including ours. Throughout the construction process we have worked well with Waverley Council and continue to do so to find a way to resume works on site as quickly as possible. By the time you will be reading this report, a new builder will have been appointed. I would like to thank the Building Committee (Mike Turner, Richard Hamilton, Ronan MacSweeney) for the huge amount of work to date. Despite all the difficulties, the Building Committee will keep pushing for the best outcomes for the surf club.

We are all feeling the fatigue of not having a home where we can socialize, rest, exercise or simply rinse off: the pleasure of having the clubhouse back will be even greater after such a long wait. On behalf of the Building Committee I thank everyone for their patience and words of encouragement during the renovation.

Our Supporters

Thank you to our institutional supporters Waverley Council, the NSW and Federal Governments for their ongoing assistance. Our gratitude goes also to our corporate supporters Easts Group and Sculptures By The Sea for their financial contributions and to Versatile and



Dulux for their in-kind support. A big thank you for all our existing and exciting new donors: every dollar helps to rebuild the Club.



Our Inclusive Club

This year once again Tamarama SLSC has led the way for inclusion and diversity through the amazing work of the 'She's a Lifesaver' team and through the participation to the World Pride Celebrations and to Lifesavers with Pride. Thank you to all the members who dedicated countless hours to these initiatives, including the fantastic Rainbow Beaches.

A Renewed Focus on Member Protection and Welfare

This year we renewed our focus on member protection and welfare. Thank you to registrar Lisa Bodrero and to Louise Thompson for their assistance in developing initiatives aimed at helping us look after one another.

A New Constitution

A lot of work went into drafting our new constitution this year. Thank you to Sue Jackson, Tom Bodger, Tim Murray and Phil Hogan for bringing their expertise to the table and for developing the new constitution we will be voting on soon.

Kiosk

The community consultation process about the new kiosk at Tamarama has started earlier this year and we are expecting the results shortly. This is the next step in delivering a small commercial tenancy that can provide revenue to the Club and hopefully relieve a little bit of pressure on our hall hire and fundraising activities. Depending on the outcome of this initial consultation, a development application will be lodged later this year.

Vale Wil Bailey

Tamarama SLSC lost one of its most fabulous members this year. Wil embodied the spirit of inclusiveness and kindness we hold so dear at Tamarama – he is missed every day.

Next Year

Predicting the completion of the Clubhouse has become notoriously hard to make but I would like to think that by the end of the year we will be able to have a hot shower again!

With the Clubhouse finished we will be looking at restarting Migrant Beach Days and our education programmes and resume our social activities at the Clubhouse. I am very much looking forward to seeing you there!

See you on the beach!

MATTEO SALVAL

President

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Vice President's Report



Another fabulous year at Tamarama SLSC!

For many of us, Tamarama Surf Lifesaving Club is our home away from (even if we don't have a building to call home). In fact, the strong bonds in place across our membership that continue to grow and be nurtured by all our activities and fun together just show how strong we are as a club -without a clubhouse. And of that, I am enormously proud.

As Vice President my focus this year has been supporting the fabulous Zoe Scott-King and the rest of the 'She's a Lifesaver' team. You'll recall that this campaign is the implementation of Tamarama's strategy to increase the number of women and non-binary people within our Club. It is an appalling fact that women were only allowed to be lifesavers from the 1980/81 season. At Tamarama we are leaders in inclusiveness and now have a 33% component of women and non-binary people within our membership – which is both a good achievement of which we are proud. As well as a figure we hope to keep improving on in the coming years.

The campaign this season continues to offer welcoming ocean swims to women and non-binary people of less ocean swimming experience – and for some their first ocean swimming experience was with us on these swims. Water safety, education and encouragement is all provided by the Tamarama members who lead and participate in these swims. Zoe and the 'She's a Lifesaver' team have now run swims at Bondi, Coogee, Malabar and Gordon's Bay. This is a big time commitment particularly from Zoe and we all thank her and appreciate her enormous energy, enthusiasm and encouragement to keep the campaign going from strength to strength.

We also continued our celebration of International Women's Day, treating the Nipper mums to morning tea and featuring our now famous all female patrols. A lunch held around patrol shift changeover allows everyone including our visitors from other clubs to relax and chat and share initiatives from across our different clubs.

I've also been working with Bronte SLSC on sharing their Sustainability Strategy and seeing what we can build as a joined up sustainability approach across our bay. I'll be joining their Sustainability Committee meetings to learn

more about the way they have involved their members, supporters and neighbours to build a sustainability strategy and their ambitions to implement that strategy.

As we (soon) move into a new building it's timely for us to reflect on how sustainable we can be, what will work well for that building, for our life saving and education work, for all the functions and events that our building may host and our everyday use of the Club and our activities on the beach. I look forward to engaging more with our membership around sustainability.

I am also on a mission to identify the world's best caretaker for our new Clubhouse! We hope to go into selection mode shortly as we get closer to a move on date on our new building. I'll be back in touch with our membership regarding the selection over caretaker once we have clarity about the move in date for our new clubhouse. I know we're all looking forward to our fabulous new clubhouse!

SANDRA FOX

Vice President and Life Member
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If you're the
world's best
clubhouse caretaker
APPLY HERE!



Secretary’s Report

Dear Members,

I am pleased to present the Secretary’s Report for the Tamarama Surf Lifesaving Club Annual Report. We have had yet another successful year with no lives lost – a testament to the dedication and commitment of our members, who have tirelessly worked towards our mission of promoting beach safety and providing an inclusive environment for all beachgoers.

During the past year, our Club has gained 139 new members, ranging from young Nippers to seasoned patrolling members. Our patrolling members have demonstrated an unwavering commitment to their duty of ensuring the safety of our community on the beach. Throughout the year, our dedicated patrollers have patrolled for just over 6,800 hours, conducted 1,339 recorded preventative actions and 73 recorded rescues. This is not to mention all of the unrecorded rescues and safety that we provide within the community. We express our gratitude to all patrolling members for their invaluable service.

Education, training and support for our members have always been at the core of our Club’s activities. In the past year, we organised a range of training programs, including bronze medallion courses, first aid training, advanced resuscitation techniques and IRB training. We have also introduced two new roles to our committee focused on ensuring the safety and well-being of our members – with the new Member Protection Officer and Safety Officer roles.

Over the past year, our Club has taken significant strides towards fostering a more inclusive and equitable environment for all. Recognising the importance of creating equal opportunities and promoting diversity within our Club, we have implemented a range of initiatives focused on gender inclusivity, including our ‘She’s a Lifesaver’ campaign, our women and gender diverse beginner’s swims, and targeted recruitment campaigns to increase our female and gender diverse membership. We now have over 35% female and gender diverse membership thanks to these efforts. We still have a long way to go, but considering women have only been surf lifesavers since 1980 (can you believe that?!), we are exceptionally proud of our increasingly diverse and vibrant membership base.

I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to our volunteers, committee members, sponsors, and supporters who have contributed their time, resources, and expertise to the success of our Club. Together, we have made a significant impact on beach safety, saved numerous lives and continued to foster a community of considerate and caring volunteers. Let us continue our collective efforts in the coming year and work towards an even better year ahead.

CHARLOTTE MANN
Secretary
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These are our patrol statistics for the 2022-23 season:

Patrol Attendance

(number of patrolled hours by members)

SEASONS	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
Patrol Hours	3,368	5,794	5,686	6,831

Recorded Statistics

SEASON	2022-23
Total Preventative Action	1,339
Beach Users Advised/Warned	121
Swimmers Advised/Warned	586
Craft Users Advised/Warned	11
Shark Alarm	0
Searches	0
Lost Children	1
Preventions	607
Warning Signs Erected	13

Beach Attendance

SEASONS	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
Total	17,186	12,324	15,928

Rescues

SEASONS	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
Total Rescues	47	81	54	73
No Gear	2	4	0	3
Rescue Tube	29	51	30	32
Rescue Board	7	26	23	36
IRB	6	0	0	1
Other	3	3	1	1

First Aid

SEASON	2022-23
Total First Aid Actions	25
Fractures/Dislocations	1
Major Wounds	0
Minor and Minor Marine Stings	3
Minor Cuts/Abrasions	16
Other	5
Resuscitation	0
Spinal	0



Captain's Report



A good captain is great only if he has a great team.

S. SREESANTH

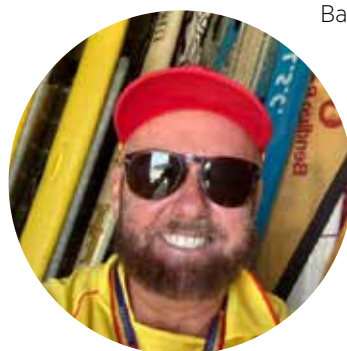


The dedicated members of Tamarama SLSC demonstrated exceptional performance during the 2022/23 season, successfully accomplishing all our core objectives for a second season without a clubhouse.

Preserving and safeguarding lives through the study and practice of surf lifesaving remained our top priority. We took great pride in maintaining our record of 'no lives lost' throughout the season. By employing efficient lifesaving techniques and the right well maintained equipment, our members rendered competent patrols, rescues, and first aid. The traditional values and practices of our Club were upheld by our diverse and highly capable membership, ensuring the continuation of our great surf lifesaving legacy.

While our goal of 'no lives lost' during patrol was delivered again this season, off the beach we did lose our active member Wilbur (Wil)

Bailey. Wilbur will be remembered for his big heart, hugs and smile. A pride rescue board has been named in his honour.



A sunny covid free season delivered increased community members to our beach this year over last and our competent and growing membership met the additional demand confidently executing our surf lifesaving objectives. Thanks to the exceptional efforts of the Education team, led by Arnaud de la Chaise and Andrew Addie, we welcomed 36 enthusiastic new bronzies into our patrols. This influx of new members complemented the growth and active participation of our existing membership, enabling us to meet our Life Saving Agreement (LSA) for every one of the 142 patrols and finish the season with a Club record 151 active patrolers. Additionally, Guy Waddell's tuition resulted in 5 new SRCs.

Our end of season survey was completed by nearly 80% of our membership and I'm delighted to share that more than 98% expressed their commitment to return next season. More than 90% of our members like the Substitute system of combining the Member's Portal with What's App, so I expect we will retain that next season. We do still crave more scenario, first aid and board training. For the third year running, the largest demand was for more 'after patrol drinks and BBQs'. I know it will be easier to organise social events once we have our clubhouse open, however prior to the new clubhouse please host your after patrol gathering in the park. We also received a variety of constructive comments on how we can improve as a Club, most notably 'please finish the clubhouse' and 'give me a hot shower'.

Thank you to everyone who completed the survey. It is helpful to get your feedback and please approach any Management Committee member if you would like to get more involved in delivering positive outcomes.

Locating the Club's IRB trailer at Bondi and over filling it with rescue boards, race boards, and nipper boards has seen an observable increase in the Club's board skills. It is wonderful to see this asset so well utilised and returning skill dividends in our lifesaving capabilities. Who would like to lead the campaign for a second trailer?

A massive shoutout goes to our incredible patrol captains who absolutely rocked it when it came to ensuring beach safety this season. A huge thank you to Zoe Scott King, Harriet Gillies, Patrick Connors, Chris Barrett, David Head, Lance Brookes, Stephen Moynihan, Jody Fitchet,

Bill Shires, Chris Glover, Derek Bagatourian, Tim Murray, Jesse Price, and Sandra Fox. These experienced members lead with enthusiasm, providing leadership, training, and giving their unwavering dedication to the cause. You all deserve a round of applause.

We would also like to express our appreciation to Vice Captain Annabelle Paterson, IRB Captain Brandon Kober-Brown, Gear Steward Cameron Caldwell, First Aid Steward Roger Moresi, Radio Steward Oliver Hunt, and the Board trio Chris Barrett, David Murphy, and Tim Wright, for their invaluable contributions. Furthermore, we are grateful for the support provided by the Communications Team, and the ever-reliable Guy Waddell. We also acknowledge the strong support we received from Sydney Branch, Surf Life Saving NSW, and the Waverley Lifeguards.



Captain's Report CONTINUED

The success of our operations and the gradual rebuilding of our clubhouse have been made possible by the generous grants and funding received from the City of Waverley, as well as State and Commonwealth grants. We would like to express our gratitude to City of Waverley and Mayor, Paula Masselos, State Member for Coogee, Marjorie O'Niell, and Commonwealth Member for Wentworth, Allegra Spender, for their support.

As we gear up for the 2023/24 season, let's keep the strong momentum going. While our commitment to beach and water safety remains at the heart of our mission, we're also keen to keep growing the representation of women and other less represented groups in our patrols. Currently our women are standing strong at 33%, up from 30% at the start of the season, but still a fair distance from our 50% goal. Let's channel our enthusiasm into championing diversity and empowering more amazing women, non-binary, and minorities to join our ranks and contribute their skills and passion to our

lifesaving endeavours. Together, we can make waves and create an even more inclusive future for our Club.

After three years as Club Captain, it's time for me to pass the role on. Thank you to the Management Committee and all Club members for your support; it's been a great experience.

See you on the beach again soon.

RICHARD HAMILTON

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Club Captain

Our
22/23 season
welcomed
36
new Bronzies
on patrol



Life Members Lost – Remembering John Hall

The Club was advised recently that **John Hall, Life Member, passed away on 29th of July 2023, at 88 years of age. John was a long standing member of Tamarama SLSC and contributed to many aspects of Club life and Surf Life Saving more generally over many, many years, being awarded his 60 Years Service pin in 2019.**



John joined Tamarama SLSC in March 1959 and was a dedicated member beyond patrolling – aside from the core qualifications of Bronze Medallion and Advanced Resuscitation, John also was member of club Education team as an Instructor and was also an Assessor at Branch level. John was a key contributor at Club Committee level, holding key positions including Secretary and Registrar for many years, positions vital for keeping the Club running. John's time in Surf Life Saving was marked by innovation and he was very much at the forefront of that innovation, being a founding crew member of the Wales Helicopter Rescue Service (which is today known as the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service) and a member of the Eastern Beaches Jet Boat crew as driver.

The Club is very grateful for having such a dedicated member and friend who served so well for so many years, and is saddened to learn of John's passing.

Thanks John for your service.

GUY WADDELL

Heritage Steward and Life Member

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Above left: Introduction of the Wales Helicopter Service newspaper article
Above right: John Hall

Middle above: (L-R) Life members Paul Cooper, Steve Bell and John Hall

Middle below: 1971/1972 Power Boat Report by Neil Smith

Below left: Original Bell Wales Helicopter

Below right: Jet Rescue Boat in action

THE WALES HELICOPTER RESCUE SERVICE

Life saving in Sydney took a giant step forward during the past season with the introduction of the Wales Helicopter Rescue Service.

At the outset the service had its share of critics and mutterings of "just another expensive toy," etc., were not uncommon. However, by Christmas even the most ardent critic recognised its worth and by the end of the season the service had stamped a name for itself in life saving in this city.

During the season its uses were vast and varied, from transporting injured hikers from Royal National Park in the south, to search and rescue on the Central Coast in the north.

The service is linked to every club in Sydney and Manly Warringah Branches by two-way radio network and is also in direct contact with police, ambulance and all other emergency services.

Tamarama was represented in the crew of 28 who man the helicopter by John Hall and Lex McNab. Also of interest, the first rescue performed by the helicopter was of a surfer who injured his leg while jumping into the surf from the rocks off McKenzies Point and was supported by Bell and John Copas until the helicopter picked him up.

The Bank of New South Wales has indicated that it will sponsor the service again in the coming season. When we consider that the cost of running the service for a season is in the vicinity of \$25,000, it only goes to prove you can bank on the Wales.



POWER BOAT COMMITTEE REPORT

1971/72 was the fifth season we have had the Easts Leagues Surf Rescue Boat and was our most successful, having carried out 77 rescues in the Waverley Municipality and also completing no less than 48 consecutive patrols without mechanical breakdown. This fine result was achieved with a better designed boat, 2-way radios and a higher degree of mechanical maintenance. We are greatly indebted to Waverley Council for their generous financial assistance towards the maintenance of the boat throughout the season.



NEIL SMITH
Power Boat Captain

I am proud to say that Tamarama Club was well represented, supplying seven drivers for patrol duties. These men were Bob Wormleaton (P.C.), Steve Walton, John Hall, John Rogers, Bob Gillroy, David Jex and Neil Smith (Captain). However, we are still seriously short of personnel and if you feel that you may be suitable for power boat patrol work, please contact me or your Club Captain. Please help us to continue to provide and improve this vital extension of surf rescue work.

NEIL SMITH, Power Boat Captain.



Chief Training Officer's Report

TAMARAMA EDUCATION



What a fantastic year it has been! After years grappling with Covid and its restrictions, La Niña and no clubhouse, we're finally only one step away from achieving perfect conditions for training. True, the delay in the delivery of our new shiny Club will continue to present some challenges for at least another cohort, but we kept, and will keep our spirits up to continue delivering more life changing experiences to many future Bronzies!

It was a great year as the Education team trained **36 new Bronzies and five SRC's**, bringing us to a whooping 151 active patrollers, likely to be the highest Tama has ever been. This wouldn't have been possible without the great help of our Deputy CTO Andrew Addie (now a fully fledged trainer), Lead Trainer David Murphy and our own Guy Waddell teaching the SRC's (because repairing the boards and holding the Club together obviously wasn't enough!)

A **huge thank you** go to all the trainers, aspiring trainers and Water Safety who consistently showed up on Saturdays to help: Audrey Rollin, David Head, Hayden Bagnall, Hugh

French, Jack Handford, Jesse Price, Lisa Bodrero, Matthew Phillips, Murray Osborne, Oliver Hunt, Sarah Goodear, Steph Atkinson, Steven Martion, Suzanne 'Hélène' Ballard, Thomas Fraser, Tim Wright, Troy Longworth (and apologies to whomever I may have missed).

A **special thanks** goes to Michelle Cowans, firstly for all the amazing work she's done in the past and the legacy she left in the training team; secondly for still showing up from Jervis Bay to teach spinals, and thirdly for being an amazing coach who helped me navigate the intricate mechanism of Surf Life Saving. With the conditions we had, Michelle's education materials and the brilliant team, it was truly a pleasure to take over the role this season. The paperwork, which Michelle clearly underplayed when we discussed the role handover, was less fun, but let's not talk about this.

The first half of the season was an exemplary demonstration of **teamwork**, with David Murphy and Andrew Addie led the Spring Bronze Medallion cohort



(the 'Sunzies' to commemorate the stark weather contrast from their predecessors – 'La Niña' Bronzies), Guy Waddell taught the SRC's, and I coordinated the Skills Maintenance in time for the new year. Everything went smoothly and I would like to thank the Patrol Captains for their great help in conducting the Skills Maintenance; we started to conduct the skills maintenance within each patrol when Covid hit, and it turned out to be a good way of running them so we will continue to do so in the future.

Hope marked the beginning of the second half of the season with the promise of finally getting a clubhouse in time for the Summer Bronzies graduation. That hope eluded, but was replaced with extremely favorable conditions for our Bronzies, rightfully called 'Rainbow' Bronzies. The name honored the great weather conditions they had (with even several training days at Tamarama!) and the World Pride. It was also the first cohort to benefit from our new 2 for 1 offer for non-binary members, making our little club even more

inclusive. We are so happy to welcome all these new Bronzies, hopefully in a new Club this season!

In regards to other awards, we finally see some of the awards that were on a hiatus since Covid to reappear. We celebrated this season six new Silver Medallion Aquatic Rescue holders and Jesse Price is our newest proud Gold Medallion award holder.

The next season is going to be the season we're finally back to normalcy, with great weather, no Covid restrictions and more importantly, with **a brand new clubhouse for all of us to call home**. I hope the clubhouse will inspire more people to join our Club, but also more people to help the Education team provide a great training to our new members so we can stay true to our motto 'No Lives Lost'

ARNAUD DE LA CHAISE

Chief Training Officer

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Long Service, Life Saving, Education and Training Awards 2022-2023

75 Years SLSA Long Service Award – 2

Robert Marrott* John Shand

70 Years SLSA Long Service Award – 3

Edward Gillroy Henry Hourihan Geoff Mould

60 Years SLSA Long Service Award – 9

Brian Beer Kenneth Eastment Robert Hodgson Ron Norman John Proctor
Allan Roberts Neil Smith Brian Tutill Robert Wormleaton

50 Years SLSA Long Service Award – 4

Greg Bell Steven Bell Wayne Evans John Fisher

40 Years SLSA Long Service Award – 4

Graeme Brewer Phillip Serjeant Guy Waddell Neil Warren

30 Years SLSA Long Service Award – 2

Mark Cassidy Warwick Clout

25 Years SLSA Long Service Award – 6

Megan Blamires Robert Brander Shay Deguara Jonathan Hancock Sean James
William Shires

Gold Medallion – 1

Jesse Price

Silver Medallion – Aquatic Rescue – 6

Stefano Aldini Arnaud de La Chaise William Forrest William Lenard Gretchen Masters
Lindsay (Andrew) Davidson

Silver Medallion – IRB Driver – 1

Cameron Caldwell

Silver Medallion – Patrol Captain – 3

Lisa Bodrero Paul Ranocchiari Scott Walker

Training Officer – Bronze Medallion – 1

Andrew Addie

Offshore Rescue Boat Crew – 1

William Forrest

Bronze Medallion – 37

Robbie Adamiak	Mohammad Al-shinnag	Lachlan Andrew	Suzanne Ballard	Charlie Bell
C Benedict	Cait Burley	Shaun Cole	Jeff Coulter	Amelia Curtis
Olivier Delaruelle	Luke Exell	Elaine Faddis	Eliza Farbenblum	Tom Fraser
Adam Goldstein	Jack Handford	Sarah Harmelink	Marcus Harris	Akito Hirata
Hannah How	Gracie Hyde	Stirling Keen	Merryn Kellie	Sophie Langham
Madeleine Legoe	Mark Loong	Carrie Markel	James Masters	Murray Osborne
Andrew Ragless	Erin Riley	Bash Signal	Michael Simms	Lucie Whatmore
David Wickstrom	Tim Wright			

RWC Operator – 2

William Forrest William Lenard

IRB Crew Certificate – 1

Amelia Curtis

Surf Rescue Certificate – 5

Jake Beer Liliana Capela Finnigan O'Reilly Talia Truong Oscar Murray

Nipper Surf Education – 111



IRB Captain's Report



As I said in my last year's report, we operate at NSW most dangerous patrolled beach. It takes a lot of courage and skill to navigate our small beach, and it can be hazardous at times. Yet, the Tamarama Inflatable Rescue Boat (IRB) team answer that call of duty.

As a result of the Tamarama IRB asset recycling that was developed by this author eighteen months ago and supported by the 21-22 Management Committee. We started this season strong in terms of deployable and, importantly, reliable assets. Over the winter break, we saw the arrival of three new IRB motors that were much needed to replace the rapidly aging old motors. This took the average age of our IRB motors from 7.5 years down to just 1. I am proud to say this asset turnover led to no motor failures throughout the season and did not lead to any incidents or situations where the IRB could not be operated or deployed.

Furthermore, we are very soon going to be welcoming a new IRB. This new Thundercat Generation III will empower us to increase our deployable capability and enable us to operate training again at our own beach out of surf patrols and Surfcom operations times. Hopefully, This will enable us to continue early morning training at Tamarama again and inject more IRB-qualified and proficient personnel into our ranks and patrols.

I'd also like this opportunity to acknowledge and sincerely thank all the people who have led and assisted IRB training throughout the season. Over the last winter break, Will Forest and Will Leonard led an IRB drivers course. This means that while most of us (myself included) were in bed enjoying the luxuries of warm



bedding and hot showers, these gentlemen rose at the crack of dawn and donned their wet suits and overly-sized raincoats to head to the beach to train the current IRB crew in becoming drivers.

I'd also like to thank our own Club Captain, Richard Hamilton, who this autumn has been running around all over Sydney to train and teach IRB crew courses. This is so he can become a fully proficient and qualified IRB trainer. Richard cares very much about our Club, and I thank him for all the extra time he puts in to become an IRB trainer.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our close friends and neighbours at Bronte SLSC. Bronte and their IRB team have always supported our small club and IRB team. I consider Bronte IRB Captain Jochen Valdeck to be one of our biggest supporters and greatest assets. He has always included us in their training programs, and recently, an IRB crew course that saw a few of our own head to Bronte in the early hours of their weekend to learn about IRBing, and how to be safe in the boat and, notably, rescue swimmers.

People like Will, Will, Richard and Jochen ensure our small club's survival and take it from strength to strength. Again, I thank them for their contributions to the Tamarama IRB team and operations.

I look forward to seeing you all on the beach in the next season showing off our hot new ride!

BRANDON KOBER-BROWN

IRB Captain

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Treasurer's Report

As always I take this opportunity to thank the numerous people who have supported me in this role across the season. Firstly to Ian Hopkins in his 21st year of providing accounting services to the Club, thank you. Ian continues to be integral to the monthly financial management of the Club's accounts as well as providing invaluable resources and support in managing the end of financial year reporting. I also wish to thank Tom Nolan for his expertise as the Club's Auditor once again.

We have further progressed Tamarama's finance systems by adopting Xero as our accounting software and with that engaged the services of Amanda McKenzie as the Club's Bookkeeper (Irena's Bookkeeping Services). Amanda now assists in the generation of the Club's Business Activity Statements and will continue to expand the Xero functionality across the Club's more periodic monthly expenses. This will be an important streamlined process as new income generation emerges through the reopening of the Clubhouse.

Operating a surf life saving club without a clubhouse and the income generated through that has been financially challenging. The Club has maintained a sound financial position through this season, weathering business as usual expenses as well as managing the liabilities that arise through construction periods. Reflecting this, a huge effort was invested in seeking support from our wider community. I am so thankful for this support we received this season from Surf Life Saving Australia, Surf Life Saving NSW, Waverly Council, Simon Exleton from McGrath Double Bay, Channel 10, Allegra Spender the Federal Member for Wentworth and the many private members for their kind donations and grants.

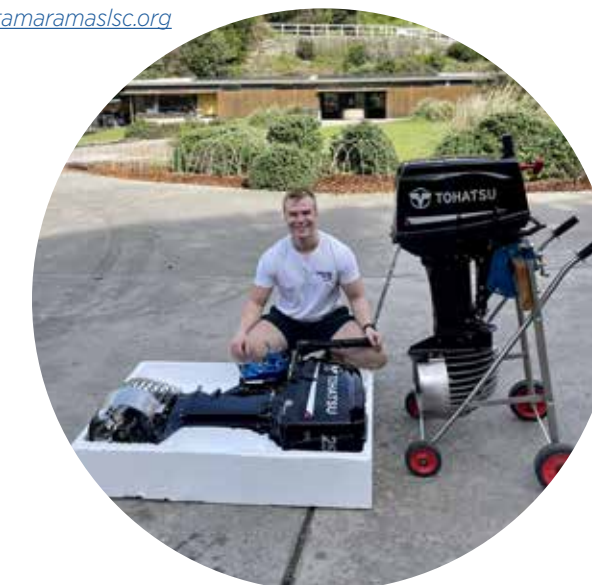
Excitement builds for the imminent reopening of our iconic Clubhouse. The opportunities present by virtue of the Eastern Beaches' newest and leading clubhouse facility will allow for the widening of our income streams. Leveraging this position I intend to build on the Club's financial security in to the future and invest in programs and equipment that will further promote the core values and mission that Tamarama is so proud of.

The Financial Statements supplement this report which I will talk through. In what has been a more challenging year than most I am proud to deliver the financial year results for 2022/23 and enthusiastically look forward to the coming season which I anticipate will bring a new level of maturity and prosperity for the Club.

THOMAS LOVE

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Treasurer



Junior Activities Director's Report



Compared to the challenges offered by the 2021/22 season (COVID-19, weather et al.), the 2022/23 season was a breeze. Unfortunately, the Club was without a clubhouse for the 2nd season in a row. Post Nipper season end, the contracted builder went bust which we hope will not delay the Club completion for a third season.

The 'sun gods' were out during the season and provided arguably the best conditions we've seen for many years with favourable surf and beach conditions, and plenty of sunshine (ideal for no clubhouse).

The Club increased Nipper membership by 11% to 111 active Nippers including a doubling of the U6 nipper cohort to 29, and five members of the U13/14 Age Groups graduated from Nippers to the Senior Club with their Surf Rescue Certificate (SRC) qualification.

Friday afternoon training sessions at North Bondi developing water and board skills continued under the tutelage of Annabelle Paterson who volunteered her time with a cross section of age groups participating (U6 to U13). This enhanced the competition squads at carnivals and developed vital skills for handling the challenging beach conditions which Tamarama produces. The use of the gear trailer situated in the North Bondi carpark provides convenient storage for boards and rescue equipment for Nipper squads and SRC training sessions.

We participated in most carnivals with a solid group of competitors who received outstanding results and plenty of medals – a fantastic performance for a small club. A few members also participated in the State Pool Rescue Championships held at Cranbrook School.

Branch run Leadership Development Camps allowed some of the U11 and U13 Nippers to attend leadership workshops, learn first aid, rescue and resuscitation skills and meet the Sydney Branch future leaders from other clubs in a fun environment based at the Youthworks Conference Centre, Deer Park – down on the Port Hacking River in the Royal National Park. Thanks to the parent Age Managers who attended and helped supervise the weekend.

Reliably, Santa paid a visit to Tamarama Beach on his warm-up to Christmas. The Nippers enjoyed a showering of sweets followed by a BBQ outside the gear shed.

Participation in the 'tug-o-war' events – which are often held at the end of the Nipper sessions – develops a strong sense of collaboration between the kids and ensures an enthusiastic contribution particularly when it is the 'Nippers vs Parents'. It is not always the parents that win.



Tamarama SLSC
Nipper of the Year
Maisie Crichton



Tamarama SLSC
Best and Fairest
Isabel Parker



The Graham Brewer Trophy
Girls' Carnival Competitor of the Year
Jade Deguara



The Graham Brewer Trophy
Boys' Carnival Competitor of the Year
Oscar Llewellyn

Recently graduated SRCs continued to offer their invaluable services as an essential part of Nipper water safety. Additionally, their recent experience as Nippers ensured the newer Age Managers could rely on their 'how to' knowledge to deliver the program. The younger Nippers particularly welcomed a more youthful approach to assist with their motivation for both sand and water events. Thanks to Wil Charters, Annabelle Charters, Eve Prendeville, Eve Crichton, Milly Debelle Hancock, Liliana Capella, Archie Lewellyn, Lucas Crabb, Jude Jungwirth, Aaron Hodge, Cooper Fitzsimmons, and recently bronzed parent Rob Crichton.

It was pleasing to see a few more Nipper parents participate in the Club's Bronze Medallion training squads and go on to receive their Bronze Medallion awards. We look forward to their active participation as Age Managers next season.

Our 'Holly Days' Indigenous program – run by Jo Miller – focussed on providing a Nipper experience for the La Perouse/Maroubra Aboriginal community continued and nears 20 years of collaboration between the Club, and Weave Youth and Community Services.

Tamarama Nippers participated in the Bronte SLSC ANZAC Day Service with Bibi Debelle Hancock carrying the Tamarama SLSC flag in the march and Kate Prendeville and Maisie Crichton laying the wreath alongside Club President Mateo Salval.



The major award winners of the 2022/2023 season were:

Nipper of the Year	Maisie Crichton
Best and Fairest	Isabel Parker
The Graham Brewer Trophy	
Girls' Carnival Competitor of the Year	Jade Deguara
Boys' Carnival Competitor of the Year	Oscar Llewellyn

Thanks must go to:

- Club President Matteo Salval and the Executive Committee who continue to support the Nipper program
- Junior Activities (Nipper) management team including Brad Charters, Shay Deguara and myself.
- Age Managers who went above and beyond to deliver another memorable season and a great experience for all our Nippers
 - o **U6** – Gretchen Masters
 - o **U7** – Anthea Coupe and Claire Crichton
 - o **U8** – Joe Parker and Tim Gow
 - o **U9** – Ali Handley
 - o **U10** – Ben Fitzsimmons
 - o **U11** – Margaret Simpson-Lee and Daniel Covarrubias
 - o **U12/13** – Shay Deguara and Jon Hancock
 - o **Roving** – Jo Miller

Junior Activities Director's Report CONTINUED



- Water Safety (including recently graduated SRC's) who demonstrated their newly learnt skills, developed their leadership competence and ensured no lives were lost
- Sunday morning patrols who provided inspiration to our 'life savers of the future' and additional water safety
- The BBQ team who met the challenge of cooking sausages for the army of Nippers and their families – from the gear shed (again).
- Alan Lewis from the Tamarama Kiosk who donated ice-blocks for the kids at each of the BBQs
- Waverley lifeguards who provided backup to the patrol and water safety teams, and tolerated and supported the enthusiasm shown by our Nippers
- Sydney Branch Nippers President Dave Love and his team who provided administration support.
- Network Ten again agreed to be a major sponsor of the Tamarama Nipper program. Their continued funding allows the Nippers Swim and Board Skills program held at North Bondi on Friday afternoons.
- SRC Trainer, Guy Waddell who for many years has ensured our Nippers transition into the senior club and achieve their Surf Rescue Certificate along the way.

- Jo Miller's ongoing selfless commitment to the 'Holly Days' program is enormously appreciated. The program partners with Weave and allows Indigenous kids from the La Perouse area to participate in the Tamarama Nippers program. Many participants have achieved their Surf Rescue Certificate and Bronze Medallion. Jo co-ordinates every aspect of the program from registration through to delivery. It is an enormous contribution, and our thanks go to her for ensuring this program continues.

The Nippers and their parents have adapted surprisingly well to 'life without a clubhouse' for the second year in a row, however we are eagerly awaiting a roof over our heads in times of rain, a fridge to store sausages and cool the drinks, and a permanent BBQ to cook on.

The Club – and the Nipper Team – delivered another successful season which strengthened the community, provided fun for the kids, developed their skills on the sand and in the surf as well as offering them a pathway to become our Life Savers of the Future.

JON HANCOCK

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Tama Nippers Competition Report

A year of Building Our Future Lifesavers

Tamarama Nippers had a year of growing in surf sports. Thanks to Annabelle Paterson's Friday Night Board and Swim sessions there were a number of kids who were able to competently represent Tamarama at various carnivals. Despite COVID taking some competitors out, the absence rate was reduced as the pandemic dissipated.

Surf Sports Development Day

The year started with Paz, Amelie, and Leo attending the spring development skills day at Maroubra. This event gets some of the best coaches and athletes in the branch to give tips and guidance about some of the ways to perform better in water and beach events.

Waverley Shield

Waverley Shield saw a number of nippers give competition a go for the first time. We got medals, silver in the U11 iron woman Amelie, bronze in the U12 sprint relay Ava, Paz, Isabel, and Amelie, and Tom Parker medalled in beach sprints. We also placed in a number of other events providing a good point score for the Club. We were able to field a stack of relay teams and for the first time in years an all age board and an all age board relay.

Freshwater

We had a small contingent of Hunter, Lucy, Isabel, and Amelie compete in the Freshwater Bennett Boards water carnival. All competitors made it to finals and did Tama proud.

Wanda Carnival

Due to surf conditions this was spread across four beaches. This carnival was a good hit out for the serious end of season that came after the christmas break.

Australia Day Carnival

Hunter flew the flag for Tama solo and had favourable conditions to take on some the best iron people in Sydney in U9s.

Branch Titles

Well done to our small team at branch. Everyone who attended from Tamarama made a number of finals, and with the first time the carnival has been run in surf for over five years due to North Bondi's more inviting conditions, meant that competitors were able to have a go in beach and water events.

State Titles

State Titles is the pinnacle for nippers competition. The Nippers carnival has thousands of competitors and was held at Manly again this year. We ended up having four competitors enter with all making to at least one semi final.

Lucy, Maisie and Jade made it to the U13 Board relay semi final.

Jade made it to the U13 surf race semi final and Maisie to the quarter final.

Oscar made it to swim, board and flags semi finals.

Well done to our fab four.

State Pool Rescue Championships

This event was the first year that a merged event between Surf Life Saving and Royal Life Saving was held at the new Cranbrook Pool and saw a small contingent from Tamarama attend, mainly around three Tama families as there were masters, opens and nippers. There were number of top ten finishes and several top five finishes. Jade won our first nippers State Medal in a decade with a bronze in the metres.

SHAY DEGUARA

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Junior Activities Director's Report CONTINUED



Friday Afternoon Swim Sessions

Weeks of hard toil at school and work were finished off with the Tamarama Nippers Friday night Board and Swim sessions at Bondi Beach.

An average of 30 nippers attended every Friday as surf sport expert and elite athlete Annabelle Paterson took the kids through their paces improving skills, fitness and

confidence for these Nippers throughout the year in an educative and at times gruelling program of swimming, boards and relays.

Annabelle Paterson, said, "These sessions offer more than what we can do at the more dangerous beach conditions at Tamarama."

"A number of Nippers have grown in their confidence to enter and be competitive in competitions, and this has brought joy. However, the numbers of kids who are confidently taking on the surf, using the rips, the banks, and backing themselves to become better water people is just as great."

These events are not possible without the support of the parents with bronze medallions and the graduated

Nippers with SRCs who provide not only water safety but guidance and mentoring of our nippers.

ANNABELLE PATERSON

Tamarama Nipper Board and Swim Skills Trainer



Heritage Report

This year I have to confess and apologise that I have been very tardy with getting my Heritage Report in on time. I've struggled and procrastinated with what to submit. A final push from the wonderful Jo Miller has finally got me motivated. Jo's 'gentle' reminder that time was up, got me thinking back to a meeting I had with John Shand, one of our senior Life Members, in January 2023, that led to a Tamarama Heritage article entitled 'An Afternoon with John Shand'. John was active with Tamarama throughout the 1950s and has retained an ongoing interest in the Club in the subsequent years +60 years.

In this article, with John's permission, I was able to recount part of his Tamarama story. I have reproduced some of that article in this report for those who missed it, but also to share my reflections arising on community and consequently some of my thoughts on what it means to be part of Surf Life Saving in general, but Tamarama SLSC in particular. .

Tamarama Tigers on location at the McWilliams Wines Tournament in Lithgow

Back row: Doug McDonell, Brian Henry, Tom Datsun (Manager), John Hilton, Peter Wardall. Front row: Keith Dingley, George Bishop (Captain), John Shand. Other members included Peter Malone, Ted Gillroy and Brian Banner

Community

We all joined Tamarama SLSC for our own reasons – it might have been simply as a reason to get fit, something to do, meet people, give back and so on. Often, it's one reason that in time morphs into other motivators to stay and get more involved. Over time, beyond our prime reason for being as an organisation – that of saving lives – the greatest motivator for me has been community. Community in my context means giving back to our wider community through the act of volunteering, being part of a like minded community at Club and Organisation level, getting to know people who live and work in and around Tamarama, understanding other perspectives, having the opportunity as a Trainer to share my experience and knowledge and to develop other people – and more. Community binds us together and builds understanding and tolerance – without community, the world simply becomes a selfish dog eat dog place, with every person for themselves.

I was impressed by John Shand's story and how this talked directly and on several levels to the enduring theme of community – which included the formation of the Tamarama Tigers. In the 1950s members from Tamarama formed a basketball team and named the team 'Tamarama Tigers', taking on the state of NSW.

You'll see an account by John of the Tamarama Tigers later in this report. Two things struck me here – firstly, the building of community, friendships and connections beyond the club environment and secondly the idea that a small club like Tamarama would go on tour across NSW, taking on local teams, doing interviews with local newspapers and no doubt spreading the word about Surf Life Saving. Included in this report is a photograph of the Tamarama Tigers from the digital Heritage collection.

When I met with John, one question he asked me was whether Surf Life Saving was the same altruistic organisation that he may have known. While it's impossible for me to know John's experience and how that relates to the world of 2023, I would have to say that yes, based on what I see, while no doubt it is different by degree given the passage of time, Surf Life Saving and Tamarama SLSC in particular retains the key altruistic attributes that John would have known.!

Tamarama Surf Club – John Shand

Tamarama Surf Club was a home away from home for most of us 'youngens'. We nearly all lived locally and as I have previously mentioned we were all great mates. We formed our own basketball team, the 'Tamarama Tigers'. It was not long after the Harlem Globetrotters had visited Sydney and they warmed up to Sweet Georgia Brown so we warmed up to Tiger Rag and made a tour to country areas where we were interviewed by the local radio station before playing an exhibition match against the local champions. We had co-opted a player from another team who could 'dunk' the ball, very uncommon in those days as very few players were over six foot tall. Our exhibition tour began in Wollongong then Goulburn and on to Orange. The balls were made of leather and tennis shoes were worn which were not much support, however we strapped our ankles. An annual trip was to Lithgow where we competed in the McWilliam Wines Tournament. Many good years were enjoyed and although we failed to win any major tournament we were competitive and two of our team were selected in a NSW Representative team.

We were also represented in an Ice Hockey team 'The Monarchs'. Bluey Mayes was a regular player and encouraged a few other members to join. So it was that hockey pucks hurtled around the Club house resulting in more than one broken window. We also had a table tennis table and many hours were spent on that table. Phil Dobney became sufficiently talented to make the semifinals of the State Championships. As well there was a billiard table and most of us became quite proficient at billiards.

We had boxing gloves, weights, skipping ropes all of which were fully utilised..

There was also an old piano that sat up on a little stage in the corner of the Club house. Several of the older members would tinkle a melody when they called in on leave from the Services. One of whom was Brian 'Baldy' Bevan who later went on to become the most prolific try scorer in English Rugby League. The piano served us well on dance nights which we held regularly. Jitterbug and Jive had just become popular and we had several members and their girlfriends who were very adept. Accordingly we would prepare the floor after Saturday's patrol by dragging a hessian bag filled with shavings from the local butcher's floor over which kerosene was poured over the dance area. After, Borax was sprinkled around and we trod that in and swept the powder around the floor. Music was from our own collections of records, 78 vinyls and rarely a 33 long play. After midnight the 'professional musos' would arrive, having finished their 'gigs' and play till the break of day just because we provided them with the opportunity to 'jam'. We had some well known musos Jack Allen on piano Ron Gowan saxophone, Don Burrows clarinet.

So you can see our lives were full and immensely happy.

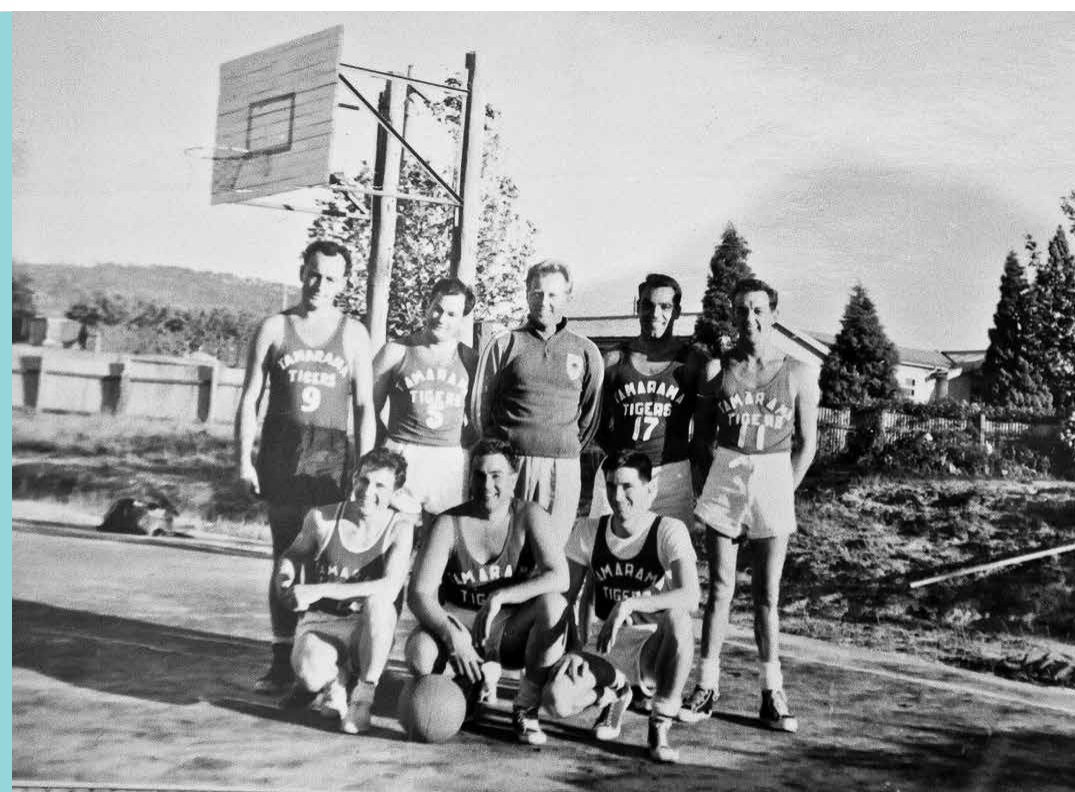
John F. Shand
Tamarama SLSC,
Life Member



This page: Guy Waddell (left) with Senior Life Member John Shand (right)



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Heritage Report CONTINUED



Heritage Communications

Since the last Annual Report, I have managed to publish a number of new Heritage Articles that capture aspects of the 100+ years of our Club history. You should be able to find these in your email inbox – and if not, look out for publication of an item on my to do list, which is to create an anthology of sorts from the Heritage Articles. For the record, here's the inventory so far – please get in touch if you would like a copy of any of these before the publication of the full set.

- The First 50 Years
- The Reminiscences of E.E. Weir
- Jack 'Bluey' Mayes
- Sixty Years Recollections of Swimming and Surfing in the Eastern Suburbs and Kindred Subjects (G.B Philip)
- Gratitude
- Friendships and Memories
- Was There Life Before TamaWaves?
- Was There Life Before TamaWaves? Addendum
- Heroic Rescues, Tragedy and the Trials and Tribulations of Tamarama SLSC
- The Curious Life of a Resident Member
- An Afternoon with John Shand

Heritage Collection

When we packed up the Club back in April 2021 ahead of commencement of renovations, much of the physical Heritage collection was entrusted to Heritage Collective member Chris Bromhead. I am eternally grateful to Chris for taking this on as there is a fair amount of 'stuff' cluttering up Chris' garage – what was planned for twelve months, now stretching to close to three years. Thanks Chris – I am sure Mrs Bromhead, like Mrs Waddell will be grateful to see the back of all the surf club stuff that is taking up space in their respective garages!

During the 2022–23 season, Chris, myself and the other member of the Heritage Collective, my good friend and Legend of Patrol 5, Troy Longworth, invested an afternoon to photograph all of the items that Chris is looking after. There are close to 200 items on the record of varying quality, mostly photographs with some hardware, including vintage surf craft, surf boat oars and reel/line/belt equipment. Within the renovated Club, we will have some dedicated space to exhibit some of the Heritage Collection in both physical and digital form.



Conclusion

Another eventful season for the History Collective – as we uncovered and shared the history of Tamarama SLSC. Thanks to Collective members for the support and inspiration this season – including the Communications Team, Troy Longworth, Chris Bromhead and Jon Hancock.

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COMMUNITY
binds us together
and builds
understanding
and tolerance

Lifesavers Score Century Of Rescues

Nearly 150,000 people went to Sydney beaches yesterday. Treacherous rips and rough seas trapped many surfers, and lifesavers made more than 100 rescues.

TAMARAMA. — Lifesavers' six rescues included a mass rescue of 10 men and a woman who were swept 120 yards out. Three other people went to their help, but they were all poor swimmers, and were soon in difficulties.

A lifesaver, John Wardall, went out on skis, and two club members swam out.

Some of the swimmers clung to Wardall's skis, and the two club members supported others until two beltmen, George Bishop and Robert Marrott, rescued them.

Inclusion Report

This is the second year of our ‘She’s a Lifesaver’ campaign that continues to address the under-representation of women in surf life saving. The aim of the campaign is to increase the active membership of women in surf life saving and support their personal and professional development within the organisation. We aim to break down the barriers and stereotypes surrounding gender and provide a safe, welcoming and inclusive community.

We believe by accepting everyone for who they are and encouraging diversity, new thinking, new ways of doing things, all of this contributes to our members feeling valued, supported and fulfilled. This not only positively impacts our purpose as a surf life saving club and organization but has on people’s personal development and the impact in their communities.

When we started the campaign two years ago, women made up 28% of our active members at the Club.

It is a pleasure to report that women now make up 33% of the active members of our Club, and now 1% of our members identify as non-binary or gender diverse.

We believe our campaign has evolved this season and focusing on inclusivity has been a key theme for us.

We hosted six Swim & Socials across Coogee, Clovelly, North Bondi and Malabar with over 80 participants and a quarter of these new to ocean swimming. We have had several expressions of interest in becoming a surf

life saver which is a fantastic outcome but also we have built a community led by Tamarama members for women and gender diverse people to feel safe, welcomed and connected.

We held a social catch up at Bronte SLSC last year, with women joining us from neighbouring clubs and shall continue to build on these strong relationships across our sister clubs.

We attended an International Women’s Day networking lunch in conjunction with Waverley Council. International Women’s Day saw a successful day at Tama, with a lot of support from Bronte SLSC members who joined our women-led patrols, a Nippers Mum’s morning tea and a social BBQ lunch for everyone.

Rainbow Beaches Day was supported by many of our women and gender diverse members, and in collaboration with Lifesavers with Pride who fully support our campaign.

All our events are open to women and gender diverse people and are trans inclusive.

We are excited for the next phase of our campaign. By the end of next season aim to be a far-reaching, strategic, magnetic initiative that inspires people and clubs all across SLSA to recognise and support this important work we are leading.

All of this of course needs people to make it happen, so a huge thank you to everyone who has supported us,



volunteered in whatever capacity and we are always open to members and supporters of our Club to be involved. This is what makes our Club and this campaign so special.

The swim helpers are fantastic led by Steph, with many from our Sunzies and Rainbow Bronzies cohorts this season joining in as soon as they could, Sarah H, Sarah G, Elaine, Maddy, Ce, Erin, Merryn plus many from our Club.

A special mention to Bill and Tim. Gretchen and Patrols 7 and 10 for your support International Women’s Day event. We look forward to many more members being involved next season.

And a very special thank you to this year’s ‘She’s a Lifesaver’ Committee – Sandra, Lisa, Michelle, Sue, Audrey, Charlotte, Ellie and Jemima.

ZOE SCOTT-KING

Opposite page: ‘She’s a Lifesaver’ event at Gordon’s Bay
This page: Above – 2023 International Women’s Day Patrol
Middle left – Women in Surf Life Saving social
Middle right – ‘She’s a Lifesaver’ swim at Coogee
Below – 2023 Rainbow beaches event



Club Membership 2022–2023

Life Members – 104

Michael Alvisse	John Annand*	Brian Beer	Gregory Bell	John Bell
Steven Bell	Rob Brander	Graeme Brewer	George Brooke*	William Brooke*
Tom Brooks*	Ron Buist*	Michael Burke*	Ivan Butterworth*	Alec Cahill*
Des Carroll*	Wally Charles*	Arthur Cole*	Vince Cole*	Christopher Cooper
Paul Cooper	Gordon Corbould*	Ced Davis*	Peter Davis	Shay Deguara
Geoff Dellet*	Fred Denham*	Bob Deverall*	S Dewild*	James Doyle*
Ray Doyle*	Ken Eastment	Col Ferris*	John Fisher	Geoff Fowle*
Sandra Fox	David Fryer*	Edward Gillroy	Robert Gillroy*	Chris Glover
Neville Gray*	John Hall*	Sir Eric Hallstrom*	Jon Hancock	J Hann*
Robert Hann*	Brian Henry	Robert Hodgson	Phil Hogan	Ian Hopkins
Wal Horne*	Henry Hourihan	Vince Jackman*	Sue Jackson	David Jex*
Sid Joss*	Don Keech*	Les Lawrence*	Albert Levy*	Troy Longworth
Ronan MacSweeney	Robert Marrott*	Max Martin*	Jack Mayes*	Doug McDonell*
Alex McNab*	Geoff Mould	Ron Muller*	Ron Norman	Wal Norton*
Clive Owens OAM	Robert Parton*	Charles Philip*	Ernie G Philip*	George B Philip*
William Philip*	John Proctor	David Radford*	Les Rayne*	Allan Roberts
John Shand	Richard Sheldon*	William Shires	Richard Simpson	Margaret Simpson-Lee
Frank Smith	Neil Smith	Ken Stewart*	William Stewart*	Eric Tatnall*
Brian Tutil	Geoffrey Vaughan	Geoffrey Vincent	Guy Waddell	John Wardall*
Peter Wardall*	Neill Warren	B A Weir*	Ernie E Weir*	Dr John Weir*
Wilton Weir*	Bryan Williams*	Robert Wormleaton	Daniel Zafir	

* Denotes member is deceased

Honorary Members – 4

Simon Exleton	Clr Marjorie O'Neil MP	Robert Talbott OAM	Joan Wardall*
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Long Service Members – 11

David Blamires	Megan Blamires	Mark Cassidy	Warwick Clout	Wayne Evans
Rex Hatton	Paul Martin	Neil McFarlane	Denis Paterson	Phillip Serjeant
Nicholas Spencer				

Reserve Active Members – 14

Daniel Adams	Steven Batten	Thomas Bodger	Gary Driscoll	Robert Foulkes
Timothy Gow	Sean James	Adrian Lim	Andres Mafía Salgado	Mischee Mardardy
Ian Moate	Roger Moresi	David Speck	Mark Wilcox	

Senior Active Members – 172

Robbie Adamiak	Andrew Addie	Stefano Aldini	Diego Alonso Moller-Hergt
Simon Alperstein	Mohammad Al-Shinnag	Lachlan Andrew	Brett Appleton
Steph Atkinson	Derek Bagatourian	Hayden Bagnall	Benedict Armitage
Chris Barrett	Jack Batchelor	Caitlin Benedict	Suzanne Ballard
Lisa Bodrero	Paul Borrud	Jonathan Brett	David Barmettler
Lance Brooks	Caitlin Burley	Sergio Caicedo	Chad Bensky
Younghwan Chang	Bradley Charters	Sebastian Chee	Cameron Berry
Shaun Cole	Patrick Connors	Sam Corbett	Andrew Brooker
Michelle Cowans	Robert Crichton	Amelia Curtis	Cameron Caldwell
Olivier Delaruelle	Wil Dennis Bailey	Ric Deverell	Philip Capps
Tarek Elgayar	Lauren Eskin	Samantha Eskin	Jonathan Chew
Jody Fitchet	Ben Fitzsimmons	William Forrest	Lachlan Clough
Hugh French	Katharina Frohs	Andrew Galvin	Jeffrey Coulter
Harriet Gillies	Joshua Gold	Adam Goldstein	Daniel Covarrubias
Jose Guedes	Ramon Guimaraes	Alex Hambly	Lindsay Davidson
Sarah Harmelink	Marcus Harris	David Head	Arnaud de La Chaise
Akito Hirata	Steven Hodge	Marlin Hoppen	Ben Doherty
Oliver Hunt	Michael Hutchings	Grace Hyde	Elaine Faddis
Merryn Kellie	David Kim	Eric Kleiman	Joao Franco
Sophie Langham	Mark Larmour	David Lee	Imogen Gardam
Mark Loong	Thomas Love	Claudia Lowe	Sarah Goodear
Steven Martion	Gretchen Masters	James Masters	Richard Hamilton
Oscar McGivern	Paul McGivern	Kassandra McGregor	Andrew Heggie
Jack McMillan	Iain Melhuish	Stephen Ryan Meyer	Hannah How
Timothy Murray	David Naidoo	Matthew Napier	Nathan Johnston
Hoa Nguyen	David Ogle	Murray Osborne	Brandon Kober-Brown
Annabelle Paterson	Matthew Phillips	Alexandra Porter-Hepworth	Madeleine Legoe
Alberto Puls Cruz	Daniel Qualischefski	Lizzie Rae	Charlotte Mann
Paul Ranocchiari	Erin Riley	Alvaro Rincon-Hernandez	Liam McDermott
Aleksandar Rokic	Audrey Rollin	Nicholas Rolls	Emile McKenna
Pedro Saa Matas	Matteo Salval	Zoe Scott-King	Stephen Moynihan
Masaki Shibata	Brandon Signal	Michael Signal	Harkiran Narulla
Robert Sparshott	Sam Stewart	Natalie Sutton	Robert Page
Louise Thompson	Adrian Vipond	Jemima Waddell	Alice Powell
Lucie Whatmore	David Wickstrom	Tim Wright	Andrew Ragless
			Gerard Robb
			Sean Rubinsztein-Dunlop
			Aryan Shahabi-Sirjani
			Michael Simms
			Duncan Taylor
			Sam Walker
			Kate Young
			Scott Walker



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Junior Members (15– 18 Years) – 5

Jade BrennanWilliam ChartersTaneisha KingLucinda LabiAllegra McGivern

Cadet Members/Surf Rescue Certificate (13– 15 Years) – 20

Jake BeerLiliana CapelaHugo CardonnelAnnabelle ChartersLucas Crabb
Eve CrichtonMillicent Debelle HancockCooper FitzsimmonsAaron HodgeJude Jungwirth
Liara KingArchie LlewellynJoseph MalevFelix McGivernOscar Murray
Maxwell NgFinnigan O'ReillyEve PrendevilleHarry SnowTalia Truong

Future Lifesavers In Training (Nippers) – 118

Oscar ArmstrongScarlett ArmstrongHeidi BarryJack BarryFlorence Basha
Lily BourgarelHolly CairnsArtur CapelaAndre ChungCharlotte Collinson
Matthew CollinsonAshby CooperBilly CoupeClaudia CoupeLachie Coupe
Diego CovarrubiasPaz CovarrubiasFinlay CrichtonMaisie CrichtonDylan Cugati
Dylan DawsonBeatrix Debelle HancockAmelie DeguaraJade DeguaraMolly Doherty
Aiden DunnJasper EdelmuthAva EllisIsabel EllisEden Fitzsimmons
Parker FitzsimmonsSpencer FitzsimmonsRocco FoyOndine FreemanOtto Freeman
Ariella FriendPiers GalvinLuca Garcia-RajapakseAmelia GowLouise Gow
Bailey GrantSofia GrantHarvey HarrisBenjamin HedleyRylan Hedley
Eva HersonLulu HitchensHarmony IngramLilly IngramMikhala Ingram
Talia IngramMax JohnsonOliver JohnsonYuin JohnsonRose Johnston
Samuel JohnstonFlorence JonesLola JonesLeo JungwirthVeronika Kacunko-Lim
Harry KalosIsabella KalosLola KillickRaphael KillickNeliah King
Anna KouckaKatie LiJasmin Livingston AdlerOscar LlewellynAline Masters
Lucy MastersHarriet McFadyenMolly McFadyenMark MeoliOliver Moore
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Leon TuckerVita TulevskiRuby WalkerImogen WalshLouis Walsh
Lachlan WilliamsSaxon YatesLucy Zordan-Jack



Associate Members – 82

Colin ArmstrongAndrew BarryNick BarryJames BashaVincent Bourgarel
Jeanine BribosiaMark CairnsCanna CampbellClare CampbellLucy Chen
Nina CollinsonElizabeth CooperAnthea CoupeClaire CrichtonMarijn Cugati
David DunnGreg EdelmuthKaren EllisKrysha EllisScott Ellis
Roland FleschPhilip FreemanRichard FriendBianca GallifuocoMei Ge
Ali HandleyAllison HarrisIan HarrisMahsa HashemiElena Hattersley
Nathan HedleyJohn HitchensMaria HurtadoPhillip JanisNicole Johnson
Brooke JohnstonChristopher JohnstonAngus JonesSean JungwirthDaniela Kacunkova
Jemima KalosAnnette KeayLeanne KohlerAndrew LimJodie Livingston
Veronika MarvanovaAngus McFadyenCarolina MeoliJo MillerChris Morrison
Todd NelsonMichelle NgDiane NoorlanderSteve OakleyPeter O'Brien
Mark O'ReillyDuncan OrrJoseph ParkerMartin PetruAmber Piggin
Brooke PiltonNiall PrendevilleBruce PrestonImogen PriceYosanta Rajapakse
Dalma RehakTracy RockwellGina SansomPaul SansomLouise Sheerin
Simon ShoebridgeChristina SimmsMelissa SolomonPhat TruongCleopatra Tucker
Celia TulevskiMichael TurnerThi VoAndrew WalshMieka White
Nicholas WilliamsWilliam Wolfenden



Major Award Winners

Season	E. E. Weir	John Kelly	Major Ripley	Sandra Fox
1993–1994	J Lackey	P Hogan	C Smith	
1994–1995	W Clout	R Sheldon	M McAfee	
1995–1996	M Perry	D Radford	A Vass	
1996–1997	M Perry	M Perry	M Walton	
1997–1998	N Warren	D Radford	J Lackey	
1998–1999	I Hamilton	P Hogan	W Clout	
1999–2000	I Hamilton	W Evans	M Walton	
2000–2001	R Wade	N Warren	P Walshe	
2001–2002	R Wade	R Brander	P Walshe	
2002–2003	M Corke	A Stevenson	R Scott	
2003–2004	D Bosomworth	S Birch	A Stevenson	
2004–2005	S Birch	R Brander	S Deguara	
2005–2006	N Warren	P Hogan	S Deguara	
2006–2007	D Zafir	P Hogan	M Simpson-Lee	
2007–2008	C Glover	C Nisbet	M Simpson-Lee	
2008–2009	J Leung	R Hatton	S Jackson	
2009–2010	R Hatton	P Plesums	J Turner	
2010–2011	T Bodger	J Leung	J Turner	
2011–2012	T Longworth	C Nisbet	Not Awarded	
2012–2013	G Sharratt	K West	T Goyarzu	
2013–2014	M Turner	D Turner	F Lynch	
2014–2015	D Adams	P Capps	D Adams	
2015–2016	A Blenkinsop	Not Awarded	M Simpson-Lee	
2016–2017	M Tamasy	C Glover & Patrol 11	M Simpson-Lee	J Miller
2017–2018	E Pietsch	H French	M Simpson-Lee	H Love
2018–2019	M Tamasy	P Connors	M Simpson-Lee	M Cowans
2019–2020	M Cowans	M Salval	M Simpson-Lee	N Schlitz Welsh
2020–2021	M Cowans	R Hamilton	M Simpson-Lee	L Bodrero
2021–2022	R Hamilton & M Cowans	D Bagatourian	G Robb	Z Scott-King
2022–2023	A Addie	L Brooks	G Robb	Z Scott-King

Season		President’s	George Bishop	Ted Wardall	Guy Waddell
1996–1997		Not Awarded	N Gallagher	Not Awarded	
1997–1998		P Serjeant	T Vernados	Not Awarded	
1998–1999	Male	G Debelle	E Fletcher	E Fletcher	
1999–2000		R Wade	Not Awarded	Not Awarded	
2000–2001		M Corke	Not Awarded	Not Awarded	
2001–2002	Male Female	I Hamilton E Meagher	R Evans	R Evans	
2002–2003	Male Female	I Hamilton E Meagher	M Drennan	M Drennan	
2003–2004	Male	Not Awarded	Not Awarded	Not Awarded	
2004–2005	Male Female	S Birch S Snow	M Drennan	Not Awarded	
2005–2006	Male Female	S Birch S Snow	M Gallagher	M Gallagher	
2006–2007	Male Female	C Glover M Simpson-Lee	Not Awarded	Not Awarded	
2007–2008	Male Female	C Glover M Simpson-Lee	Not Awarded	Not Awarded	
2008–2009	Male Female	C Glover P Ardlie	Not Awarded	Not Awarded	
2009–2010	Male Female	C Glover M Tjhin	D Bowring	Not Awarded	
2010–2011	Male Female	J Turner D Morley	Not Awarded	Not Awarded	
2011–2012	Male Female	J Turner J Davies	Not Awarded	Not Awarded	
2012–2013	Male Female	R Hatton P Ardlie	Not Awarded	A Lawther	
2013–2014	Male Female	J Turner D Morley	Not Awarded	Not Awarded	
2014–2015	Male Female	G Waddell S Fox	L McArthur	Not Awarded	
2015–2016	Male	T Longworth	Not Awarded	Not Awarded	
2016–2017	Male	G Waddell	Not Awarded	Not Awarded	
2017–2018	Male	I Hopkins	Not Awarded	Not Awarded	
2018–2019	Female	J Miller	Not Awarded	Not Awarded	
2019–2020	Male	R Hamilton	O Hunt	Not Awarded	
2020–2021	Male	J Collins	W Forest & W Lenard	Not Awarded	G Waddell
2021–2022	Male	M Turner	A Llewellyn	Not Awarded	M Salval
2022–2023	Female	C Mann	T King	Not Awarded	D Murphy



Club Trophies 2022–2023

'EE' POP WEIR TROPHY FOR CLUB MEMBER OF THE YEAR	Andrew Addie	
JOHN KELLY MEMORIAL TROPHY FOR SENIOR CLUB MEMBER OF THE YEAR	Lance Brooks	
GEORGE BISHOP TROPHY FOR UNDER 21 CLUB MEMBER OF THE YEAR	Taneisha King	
JACK 'BLUEY' MAYES ROOKIE OF THE YEAR AWARD	Tim Wright	
MAJOR RIPLEY TROPHY FOR THE MOST VALUABLE CARNIVAL COMPETITOR	Gerard Robb	
DAVID RADFORD TROPHY FOR UNDER 15 CADET OF THE YEAR	Eve Crichton	
G.B. PHILIP FOUNDATION PRESIDENT'S TROPHY FOR SENIOR CLUB CHAMPION	Not Awarded	
TED WARDALL TROPHY FOR UNDER 18 CLUB CHAMPION	Not Awarded	
ROLAND TALBOT TROPHY FOR NIPPER OF THE YEAR	Masie Crichton	
RON BUIST TROPHY FOR CLUB SERVICE	Lisa Bodrero	
LES LAWRENCE TROPHY FOR CLUB SPIRIT	Wilbur Bailey	
JOHN WARDALL TROPHY FOR LIFE SAVING INSTRUCTION	Andrew Addie	
DAVE FRYER TROPHY FOR OUTSTANDING SURF RESCUE	Annabelle Paterson	
PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR SERVICE TO THE CLUB	Charlotte Mann	
CLUB CAPTAIN'S TROPHY	Brandon Kober-Brown	
CHIEF INSTRUCTOR'S AWARD FOR BEST BRONZE MEDALLION CANDIDATES	Not Awarded	
TOP GUN AWARD (MOST HOURS IN A SEASON)	Not Awarded	
SANDRA FOX WOMAN OF THE YEAR	Zoe Scott-King	
GUY WADDELL AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING DEDICATION AND SELFLESS SERVICE – FIVE+ YEARS MEMBER	David Murphy	

Above: U21 Club Member of the Year – Taneisha King

Below: Guy Waddell Award for Outstanding Dedication and Selfless Service, 5+ Years Member – David Murphy

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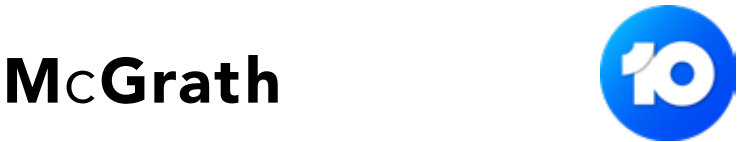
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