

# Far South Coast Branch Surf Life Saving 65th Annual Report & Financial Statement

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Notice is hereby given that the 65<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Far South Coast Branch Surf Life Saving Australia Incorporated will be held at the Narooma Surf Life Saving Club, commencing at 2pm on 27<sup>th</sup> August 2017.

## Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Lifesaver's Prayer
3. One minute of silence for deceased members
4. Apologies and Proxies
5. Minutes of the 64<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting
6. Business arising from the minutes of the 64<sup>th</sup> meeting and report
7. Presentation and adoption of the 65<sup>th</sup> Annual Report
8. Notice of Motions  
***“That affiliation be sought for the 2017/18 season with Surf Life Saving New South Wales, and further, and that the articles, constitution, by-laws, regulations and resolutions, together with the awards and equipment of Surf Life Saving Australia Limited and/or affiliated State/Territory Centres and/or affiliated Branches, can be accepted without reservations.”***
9. Election of Office Bearers for the 2017/18 Surf Life Saving season
10. General Business

Sue Hunt  
Director of Administration

## Life Savers Prayer

O Lord of all good life who has given to us in this land of Australia bathed in sunshine, enriched by the bounties of nature, encircled by the rolling waves,

We ask that You accept the service that we offer as a guardian of the lives of others.

We give thanks for the joy of living, the strength of mankind, the honour of the noble deed.

Help us remember that the value of a single life is of infinite worth in Your sight.

May we ever be alert to the needs of those whose safety is dependent on our vigilance.

Help us at all times to set the example and never to flinch at the call of duty.

Make us ready to match the moment of testing with the spirit of courage and adventure.

Make us strong and steadfast in the service that we have embraced  
Help us to be good mates.

May we never be disheartened by difficulties or discouraged by discipline.

May the standard of our lives be a help to those who look to us for an example.

Help us to offer to You, to our communities, and to those whose safety is dependent on our skills nothing less than the best we can give, asking for no reward save that of knowing that we do our duty and fulfil Your will.

O Lord, Our God accept this prayer.

Amen

## Life Members - Far South Coast Branch

WB Annabel*	Donald Hay
Myril Bunt OAM	Max Hogno
Arthur Bunt BEM*	John “Jim” McGrath
Paul Caddey	Paul Morgan
JJ Caddey*	GJ Nicholson*
Ron Chesher OAM	Kerry Parberry
GC Chewing*	DF Pheeney*
Frank Davey	Anthony Rettke
NA Dixon*	P Robinson*
Steve Dobson	Paul Smith*
PV Dwyer*	Fergus Thomson OAM*
JA Eadie*	Paul White
Bruce Frost	Max Young
Julie Frost	

## Junior Activities – Far South Coast Branch

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### Surf Life Saving New South Wales

Arthur Bunt BEM\*  
Ron Chesher OAM  
NA Dixon\*  
GJ Nicholson\*  
DF Pheeney\*  
Fergus Thomson OAM\*

### Surf Life Saving Australia

Ron Chesher OAM  
NA Dixon\*

\*Denotes Deceased Members

## 2016/17 Executive Committee

President	Tony Rettke
Deputy President	Allan Veness Jim McGrath
Director of Administration	Sue Hunt
Director of Finance	Wendy Law
Director of Life Saving	Andrew Edmunds
Director of Life Saving	Samantha Law (Assistant)
Director of Education	Peter Bootes
Director of Member Services	Sue Hunt
Director of Surf Sports	Tony Dale
Director of Surf Sports	Wendy Law (Assistant)
Powercraft Captain	Kiaran Harris
Powercraft Captain	Max Harris (Assistant)
Youth Development	Frank Davey
Communications	Jim McGrath



## Patrons

Andrew Constance - State Member for Bega  
Dr Mike Kelly - Federal Member for Eden Monaro  
Ann Sudmalis - Federal Member for Gilmore

## Vice Patrons

Mayor Liz Innes – Eurobodalla Shire Council  
Mayor Kristy McBain - Bega Valley Shire Council

## Presidents of Affiliated Clubs

Batemans Bay	Kristen Dengate
Broulee Surfers	Allan Veness
Moruya	Michael Pheaney
Narooma	Ben Bate
Bermagui	Bruce McAslan
Tathra	Scott Meaker
Pambula	Steve Hodgson



## President

## Tony Rettke

It is again an honour for me to have this opportunity to thank all seven clubs in the Far South for volunteering the 1000's of hours it takes to patrol our beaches and keep our treasured Far South Coast beach goers happy and safe while enjoying time between the flags.

The Clubs should also be congratulated for readily accepting and moving forward with the introduction of our Branch capitation fee. This was introduced in our Branch this past season, and funds will assist members in so many positive and effective ways across the Branch.

### To our Directors

It takes quite a number of hard working people to run a successful Branch. These people have a commitment and passion for lifesaving that extends from time that is already contributed in their own clubs. I sincerely thank you.

- Deputy Presidents - Alan Veness & Jim McGrath.
- Director of Finance - Wendy Law. Wendy was deservedly presented with multiple awards at our Branch Awards of Excellence.
- Director of Lifesaving - Andrew Edmunds. Andrew also heads up our George Bass committee as well as being a NSW duty officer.
- Director of Administration and Member Services - Sue Hunt "SLS NSW Volunteer of the Year 2015/2016"
- Director of Education – Peter Bootes
- Director of Surf Sports - Tony Dale.
- Powercraft Co-ordinator – Kieran Harris
- Director of Junior Activities – Frank Davey. Leader of our Annual U14s Wambiri Youth Camp.
- Director of Communications – Jim McGrath

### Junior Lifesavers

I know it may have been said before, but yet again, the quality of the nominations from across our Branch for Junior Lifesaver of the Year was outstanding. Their Clubs, parents and families should all be very proud. Thank you to our amazing "DoMS" Sue Hunt for getting these brilliant young people together for their interviews. Our Branch winners for 2016/17 were:

- Darcy Coppin - Moruya SLSC (female)
- Joel Doble – Batemans Bay SLSC (male)





While mentioning the Junior Lifesavers it's time to mention the tireless work done by our Director of Admin and Member Services, Sue Hunt.

Sue's work, on behalf of our Branch, takes her across the State. She sits on the State panels for Junior Lifesaver and Volunteer (except last year) of the Year, officiates at Carnivals far and wide, has worked on our new Constitution for the past year, ably supported by Wendy Law, all whilst fulfilling her roles at Branch and holding down a job, and supporting me in my role as President of the FSC Branch.

She also makes a huge contribution, supported by Tony Vella, with our cadets in the Branch through the very active 14 - 17 years programme.

Sue can also boast another very special crown, "**SLS NSW Volunteer of the year. 2015/2016**". All of the people who work tirelessly for our Branch, and alongside Sue, know that there is no one in lifesaving anywhere in our State that is more passionate about getting the job done and being sure that it is done well and to the absolute best of her ability!! For these exact reasons is why at the 2015-2016 SLS NSW Awards of Excellence Sue was awarded with this most prestigious award. Thankfully Sue's efforts were no different in 2017. From all of us on the FSC, both Clubbies and our beach going public, thanks so much Sue. (Sue was also nominated by SLS NSW as "Volunteer Director of the Year", selected from all types of sporting clubs throughout NSW), and received a NSW Premier's Award for Volunteering, wow!!!

### **Special Nippers/Same Wave:**

I must congratulate the Bermagui club and especially its leaders and committee for recently taking the steps to introduce Special Nippers into their club program. We in our Branch also appreciate the work from Pambula and Moruya for their ongoing same wave program, such a great asset in our community. Well done to the volunteers from all three clubs who give their time for this wonderful programme. Mind you, I think the most fun may be had by the volunteers.



## **RWC's :**

I'm pleased to report that our RWC stable has never been as healthy. We have been successful with our bid for a new RWC from the BPR Grant's. We have also purchased a used ski from the Central Coast Branch and the Illawarra Branch generously donated one of their used skis to us. This now gives us a total of 4. In the short-term it will certainly assist with our water safety requirements in the upcoming George Bass Surf Boat Marathon in January 2018.



## **Interbranch**

Again, through the efforts of our Director of Finance and Assistant Director of Surf Sports, Wendy Law for not only putting the budget together, but also wearing another cap as team manager. With the help of Tony Dale, Sean Hendry, Andrew Holt and a swag of parents, we sent our best competitors north to represent us at the State Interbranch competition. We retained our position of 10th from last season with an exceptional performance from

u14 Geordie Kemp - Batemans Bay with 2nd in the flags and 4th in the sprint, and u12 Patrick Broe – Jindabyne, with a 3rd in the sprints. Always a great event.

## **Surf Sports:**

***Congratulations to all of our competitors***

### ***SLS Country Championships:***

- Batemans Bay: Sam Blake, Jackson Blake, Geordie Kemp, Lachlan Blake
- Broulee: 120 Female Surf Boat, Open Female Boat, Simone Elliott, Makynli Dale, Kirra Dale, U19 Female Surf Boat
- Narooma: Joe Halsey, Rogue Constable, Elli Beecham
- Tathra: Luella Boulton
- Pambula: Hugh Campbell-Jones
- Jindabyne: Patrick Broe

### ***SLS NSW State Championship:***

- Batemans Bay: Geordie Kemp, “Phoenix”Masters Women & Open Men boat crews
- Broulee: U19 Female Surf Boat, Darren Browning
- Narooma: Masters Men Boat crew, Joe Halsey
- Pambula: Archer Whitby

### ***SLSA Aussies 2017:***

Although the Aussies this year was cut short by the wide-reaching aftermath of TC Debbie, FSC Branch competitors had some outstanding outcomes;

- Batemans Bay – “Phoenix” 140 yrs Female Boat Crew
- Broulee – Darren Browning, 120 yrs Female Boat Crew
- Narooma – Joe Halsey, 140 yrs Male Boat Crew (bringing home Narooma’s first ever surfboat medal from an Aussies Championship)

## FSC Branch Award winners

To all the men and women who do outstanding volunteer work to keep their own Club on top of its game, thank you. And there are many!!!

The very best of these people from each Club become our Branch finalists, this then brings us to the special list below. These are the very deserving winners from our FSC Branch Awards of Excellence held in June.

Junior Life Saver of the Year (FEMALE)	Darcy Coppin	Moruya SLSC
Junior Life Saver of the Year (MALE)	Joel Doble	Batemans Bay SLSC
Presidents Trophy	Wendy Law	Broulee
Carnival of the Year	Narooma	
Team of the Year	Broulee Vets	Broulee
Coach of the Year	Brendan Constable	Narooma
Official of the Year	Wendy Law	Broulee
Club Person of the Year	Glenn Bywater	Narooma SLSC
Trainer of the Year	Bruce McAslan	Bermagui SLSC
Administrator of the Year - Myril Bunt	Wendy Law	Broulee
Young Lifesaver "Rookie" of the Year	Ainslie Scully	Moruya SLSC
Young Branch Person of the Year - Fergus Thomson	William Vaughan-Smith	Bermagui SLSC
Lifesaver of the Year	Darren Browning	Broulee
Branch Person of the Year	Wendy Law	Broulee
Rescue of the Year	Tathra SLS	
Patrol of the Year	Bermagui SLSC	
Club of the Year	Bermagui SLSC	



## Sponsorship

It is with great excitement for myself and my hardworking Directors that I can report on some big news for the Branch. The securing a major sponsor for this upcoming season is all but signed up. Let's hope it all goes as planned..... watch this space.

See you on the Beach.  
Tony Rettke

## Director of Life Saving      Andrew Edmunds

2016/17 has been an excellent year for Life Saving services within the Far South Coast Branch. All clubs worked together, with patrol members volunteering at other beaches to back each other up during emergencies.

Continued expansions were rolled out as per the three year Life Saving Service Agreements at all FSC clubs with patrols in the branch from September through to April. Notably all Eurobodalla and Bega clubs provided 9am to 5pm patrol services over Saturday, Sunday and Public Holidays – with an increase of 8 hour patrols in the February period at Batemans Bay and Broulee. Moruya Surf Life Saving Club patrolled a second beach (Shelley Beach) over January and Easter period.

Proactive patrolling has seen a dramatic reduction in rescues, callouts and most importantly coastal drownings.

The FSC Branch has again been a leading partner in the Surf Life Saving NSW Emergency Response System, responding to 45 incidents from July 2016 to June 2017. All calls were out of hours or away from regular patrolled locations and most were tasked through 13 SURF.



Volunteers responded to incidents day and night covering over 200 kilometres of coastline. On a single day lifesavers responded to an incident at Bawley Point down to Eden.

Remarkably, club callout crews responded from home or work, to the scene with rescue equipment, recording an average response time of 11.5 minutes. On average their response time improved by two minutes which is remarkable given the time critical

nature of drowning. On many occasions, surf life savers were the first agency on scene providing vital rescue and first aid services.

Support operations continued to work well at Broulee and Pambula with RWC patrols every Saturday, Sunday and Public holiday, targeting peak drowning hot spots with a focus on late afternoon. A big thank you to Don Hay, Darren Browning and Kieran Harris for their efforts running these skis.

Surf Life Savers continued to work in very well with the Westpac Life Saver Rescue Helicopter Service based at Moruya airport. The FSC Branch conducted numerous



training exercises with the aircraft, and had operational debriefs after major incidents to improve combined responses.

Matthew Goddard of Broulee won Rescue of the Month in March 2017

The biggest improvement from a Lifesaving perspective was Bermagui SLSC which the Branch has worked directly over several years to build up their capacity and membership. Three years ago the club was unable to meet the vast majority of their patrol service agreement and had continual breaches and exemptions, with the branch having to complete patrols on behalf of the club. The branch worked proactively in supporting their new enthusiastic executive who dramatically turned the club around. Looking at their capacity the branch assisted with setting stretch goals and negotiating a realistic Patrol Service agreement and growth plan, taking into consideration the club sustainability program which were exceeded in year one. Additional patrols were added in in their first year of the

LSA which exceeded all expectations. They have gone from having less than 16 members to around 41 patrollers in 2016/17 and continue to show seriously impressive signs of future growth with a solid strategic plan and vision. A big congratulations to Cheryl and Bruce and the whole club on being awarded the Club of the Year/Dave Pheaney Patrol Efficiency Award!

A big thank you to our branch duty officers Anthony Bellette, Ken Bellette, Don Hay, Andrew Holt, Joshua Crouch, Harley Dengate, Ben Bate and Andrew Mizzi for their efforts over the year.



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27/08/2016 13:53	FSC - Duty Officers	Tathra	WALLAG OOT LAKE	Rescue	OVERTURNED KAYAK	13SURF RECEIVED A REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE FROM VKG OAK FLATS FOR SWIMMERS IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE IN WALLAGOOT LAKE.	2 people rescued
30/10/2016 16:17	FSC - Duty Officers	Moruya	CONGO BEACH	Other Incident (IRD)	PARAGLIDER REQUIRING ASSISTANCE	13SURF TASKING: FOR A PARAGLIDER IN THE WATER REQUIRING ASSISTANCE.	Paraglider Rescued
31/10/2016 10:50	Tathra	FSC - Duty Officers	TATHRA - KIANINNY BAY	Suspect ed Cardiac Arrest (IRD)	SCUBA DIVER UNCONSCIOUS ON ROCKS	13SURF CALL FROM VKG OAK FLATS. SCUBA DIVER WAS MISSING, HAS BEEN FOUND AND DRAGGED ONTO ROCKS. BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN UNCONSCIOUS/NOT BREATHING BUT IS NOW CONSCIOUS. LOCATED NORTHERN SIDE OF KIANINNY BAY.	Scuba Diver drowned
27/11/2016 15:19	Broulee Surfers	Westpac Helicopter - Sydney Region	BROULE E	Rescue	RESCUE	INFT LIFESAVER 10 STEVE LEAY NOTIFIED FISHERMANS OF A FEMALE IN DISTRESS AT BROULEE. LS23 HAS BEEN NOTIFIED AND WILL RESPOND. LIFESAVER 10 IS ABOUT TO ENTER WATER FOR RESCUE.	Self Rescue
01/12/2016 23:01	Batema ns Bay	Batemans Bay	BATEMA NS BAY (MOSQU ITO BAY)	Missing Person - Water (IRD)	SWIMMER MISSING SINCE 4PM THIS AFTERNOON	LOCAL POLICE RANG ADVISING GEARING UP FOR SEARCH FOR MISSING PERSON WHO WENT IN AT 4PM AND DIDNT RETURN. WANTED WATER ASSETS. ADVISED NIL, ADVISED LS23 OFF LINE TILL MORNING. SUGGESTED SHE CO-ORDINATE THROUGH MAC. HAD CONTACTED MRU FOR HELI. COMMAND POST TO BE ESTABLISHED AT 23:30 AT BAKERY BOATRAMP, CNR	POI Located deceased by Police

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						GEORGE BASS DRIVE AND BARINGA CRESCENT. WASNT ABLE TO SUPPLY CAD# AT MOMENT.	
14/12/2 016 08:20	FSC - Duty Officers	Narooma	DALMEN Y BEACH	Rescue	1 POI IN RIP	13SURF CALL FOR 1 MALE POI STUCK IN A RIP AT DALMENY BEACH.	POI Self rescued
22/12/2 016 06:58	FSC - Duty Officers	Bermagui	WALLAG A LAKE	Other Vessel Incident	OVERTURNED YACHT	13SURF RECIEVED A CALL FROM VKG OAK FLATS REGARDING AN OVERTURNED/PARTIALLY SUNK YACHT. 13SURF SDO PASSED JOB ONTO SOCTYO LIAISE WITH VKG.	Marine Rescue attended No further action
23/12/2 016 11:59	FSC - Duty Officers	Broulee Surfers	MELVILL E POINT, TOMAKI N	Rescue	2 X KAYAKERS IN DISTRESS	13SURF TASKING TO MELVILLE POINT, TOMAKIN FOR 2 KAYAKERS THAT APPEAR TO BE IN DISTRESS. POI'S ARE NOT SIGNALLING FOR ASSISTANCE BUT ARE BEING WASHED AROUND AND LOOK TO BE STRUGGLING.	2 people rescued
26/12/2 016 11:55	Batema ns Bay	FSC - Duty Officers	BATEMA NS BAY SLSC	Injury (IRD)	PERSON HIT BY JETSKI	POI HIT WITH JETSKI ABOVE WAIST, EXTENT OF INJURIES UNKNOWN, POSSIBLE INTERNAL INJURIES AND CONCUSSION. CONSCIOUS, BREATHING NORMALLY, NO BLEEDING. AMBULANCE REQUESTED TO SURF CLUB, DO TO ASSIST.	Person charged with dangerous operating of craft. 1 person

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							taken to hospital
27/12/2016 18:24	FSC - Duty Officers	Batemans Bay	MALUA BAY, BATEMA NS BAY	Suspect ed Cardiac Arrest (IRD)	CPR IN PROGRESS ON ROCKS AT BEACH	13SURF RECEIVED A CALL FROM VKG OAK FLATS FOR A CARDIAC ARREST/CPR IN PROGRESS AT MALUA BAY/BATEMANS BAY. MEMBER OF PUBLIC CURRENTLY PERFORMING CPR.	Person deceased, located by LS23
02/01/2017 15:43	FSC - Duty Officers	Pambula	BAR BEACH, MERIMB ULA	Missing Person - Water (IRD)	KITE SURFER MISSING OFF BAR BEACH	VKG OAK FLATS REQUEST 13SURF ASSISTANCE FOR MISSING KITE BOARDER. REPORTED MISSING 20MINUTES AGO.	Search conducted nothing found
05/01/2017 17:43	Pambula	Westpac Helicopter - Sydney Region	SHORT POINT BEACH	Other Incident (IRD)	SHORT POINT BEACH	DOWNWARD NOTIFICATION FROM VKG O/F VIA 13SURF: 1 DOG WASHED OFF ROCKS BEHIND BIG 4 CARAVAN PARK.	Self Rescue
06/01/2017 09:30	FSC - Duty Officers	Pambula	TERRACE BEACH	Shark Sighting	7 BRONZE WHALERS SIGHTED	7 BRONZE WHALERS SEEN BY DPI HELI Z6 AT TERRACE BEACH, SWIMMERS ALERTED VIA PA SYSTEM.	No Further action
06/01/2017 15:02	FSC - Duty Officers	Broulee Surfers	BROULEE - OFFSHORE	Injury or Fatal (IRD)	ELDERLY MALES BODY RETRIEVED	CALL TO 13SURF FROM ANDREW EDMUNDS ASKING IF WE WERE AWARE OF A JOB OFF BROULEE TODAY? UPON CHECKING WITH MARINE AREA COMMAND, AN ELDERLY MALES BODY WAS LOCATED OFFSHORE. IT IS	Male located deceased, retrieved



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						BELIEVED HE HAD A HEART ATTACK ON BOARD HIS VESSEL.	by Marine Rescue
07/01/2017 10:31	Broulee Surfers	FSC - Duty Officers	BROULEE SURFERS	Wildlife	BROWN SNAKE	CALL FROM BATEMANS BAY POLICE VIA 13SURF FOR A BROWN SNAKE AT THE END OF BROULEE SURFERS NEAR THE TURNING BAY. INFT TRAVIS WARREN IS ON SCENE. PEOPLE REPORTING TO BE JUMPING OVER IT.	
07/01/2017 17:04	FSC - Duty Officers	Westpac Helicopter - Sydney Region	TOMAKI N BEACH	Shark Sighting	SHARK SIGHTING	CALL THROUGH 13SURF FROM BATEMANS BAY POLICE STATION. TOMAKIN BEACH - SHARK SIGHTING NIL SWIMMERS.	Search conducted nothing found
11/01/2017 09:43	Tathra	FSC - Duty Officers	TATHRA - NEAR BOAT RAMP	Broken Down Vessel	3.5M BOAT TAKING ON WATER	13SURF RECEIVED A CALL FROM VKG OAK FLATS IN REGARDS TO A 3.5M BOAT TAKING ON WATER AT TATHRA. MARINE RESCUE HAVE CONFIRMED LOCATION AS NEAR THE BOAT RAMP. REQUESTING ASSETS TO ATTEND. VKG UNABLE TO TALK TO POI AS HE HASNT PICKED UP HIS PHONE.	Boat rescued by Tathra SLSC
11/01/2017 12:43	Surf Beach (Lifeguards)	FSC - Duty Officers	SURF BEACH, BATEMANS BAY	Other Vessel Incident	KAYAKER IN DISTRESS	13SURF RECEIVED A CALL FROM MARINE RESCUE BATEMANS BAY. KAYAKER IN DISTRESS BETWEEN SURF BEACH AND DENHAMS BEACH. 1 PERSON SEEN IN KAYAK, POSSIBLE 1 PERSON IN THE WATER (NOTE TO ADD, LOCATION GIVEN BY MARINE RESCUE WAS SURF BEACH & DENHAMS BEACH, ULLADULLA)	Rescue conducted by council lifeguards

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11/01/2017 16:29	FSC - Duty Officers		SOUTH DURRAS	Other Incident (IRD)	GREEN KAYAK WASHED UP ON BEACH	13SURF RECEIVED A CALL FROM VKG FOR A GREEN KAYAK WASHED UP ON THE BEACH AT SOUTH DURRAS BEACH. NO ONE SEEN TO BE IN THE WATER. BELIEVED THAT POI MAY HAVE TRIED TO GO FISHING ON AN ISLAND JUST SOUTH EAST OF THE BEACH.	Search conducted nothing found
11/01/2017 18:50	FSC - Duty Officers		DISASTE R BAY, SOUTHE RN NSW BORDER	Other Incident (IRD)	2 POI IN WATER	13SURF RECEIVED A CALL FROM VKG OAK FLATS REGARDING THIRD HAND INFORMATION PASSED ONTO THEM. INFORMANT RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM A PERSON ON A BOAT THAT THERE WAS A FEMALE ON THE BEACH AT DISASTER BAY IN DISTRESS. FEMALE ON THE BEACH SAID HER HUSBAND AND SON HAD BEEN CAUGHT IN A RIP AND SWEEPED OUT TO SEA. VKG EXPLAINED LOCATION AS 5KM FROM WONBOYNE AND CONFIRMED LOCATION MOST LIKELY EDEN. INFORMATION ADDED TO NOTE AT 1911 LOCATION CONFIRMED BY LOCAL DO AS ALMOST AT THE BORDER.	2 people self rescued
20/01/2017 13:16	FSC - Duty Officers	Batemans Bay	SNAPPE R ISLAND/ WIMBIE BEACH	Other Vessel Incident	POSSIBLE 3 KAYAKERS IN DISTRESS	13SURF RECEIVED A CALL FROM SYDNEY WATER POLICE AS A HEADS UP ONLY. VMR ON SHORE SAW 3 KAYAKERS POSSIBLY IN DISTRESS. THEY MOVED TO GET OUT OF THE WIND AND LOST SIGHT OF THEM, MAY HAVE BEEN SWEEPED OUT TO SEA. NEAR SNAPPER ISLAND. CONFIRMED MARINE RESCUE BOAT ENROUTE TO ASSESS AND WILL ADVISE IF SLS ASSETS NEEDED	Rescue

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21/01/2017 13:04	Tathra	FSC - Duty Officers	TATHRA	Drowning (IRD)	5 POI IN WATER WASHED OFF ROCKS	13SURF TASKING TO TATHRA FOR 5 POI WASHED OFF ROCKS. NEAREST LAND LOCATION WAS GIVEN AS BAY ST X TATHRA ST. POI'S REPORTED TO BE ROCK FISHING AT TIME OF INCIDENT. 1 POI WEARING LIFE JACKET WHO WAS RESCUED. 2 POI'S GIVEN CPR BY MEMBERS IN RESPONDING IRB'S. 1 POI REVIVED, 1 DECEASED. 3RD POI TRANSPORTED TO HOSPITAL WITH HEAD INJURIES.	Mass rescued, 1 POI deceased
24/01/2017 19:22	FSC - Duty Officers	Moruya	BINGIE BINGIE	Broken Down Vessel	52 FT YACHT IN DIFFICULTY LOST ANCHOR	13SURF TASKING TO BINGIE BINGIE FOR 52 FT YACHT LOST ITS ANCHOR. SYDNEY WATER POLICE REQUEST LIFESAVER HELICOPTER AND SLS ASSISTANCE AS VESSEL IS DRIFTING TO ROCKS (APPROX 800 METRES FROM ROCKS) MARINE RESCUE TASKED ETA 45 MINS.	Club members attended, rescue conducted by Marine Rescue
02/02/2017 12:04	FSC - Duty Officers	SC - Duty Officers	DEPOT BEACH	Rescue	ELDERLY LADY STRANDED ON ROCKS	13SURF NOTIFICATION OF AN ELDERLY LADY THAT HAS FALLEN AND BROKEN HER ARM ON ROCKS. AMBULANCE HAS ALREADY BEEN CALLED, BUT THE PATIENT AND 9 OTHER POI WITH HER ARE NOW STRANDED ON THE ROCKS DUE TO THE INCOMING TIDE. REQUESTED LS23 TO LAUNCH AND WINCH THE PATIENT.	LS23 rescued patient
08/02/2017 12:39	FSC - Duty Officers		MERIMBULA BEACH	Rescue	TRAPPED ON SANDBAR W/ SUSPECTED SPINAL	AMBULANCE NOTIFICATION OF A MALE POI POSSIBLY TRAPPED ON A SANDBAR AT MERIMBULA BEACH, ADJACENT TO FISHPEN RD. WAS CALLED INTO 000 AS	Lifesavers attended, POI

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						A SUSPECTED SPINAL, AND FURTHER ASSISTANCE MAY BE REQUIRED TO MOVE THE PATIENT TO RESPONDING ASSETS.	retrived by Ambulance
08/02/2017 14:21	FSC - Duty Officers		MALUA BAY	Missing Person - Water (IRD)	MISSING MALE POSSIBLY IN WATER	13SURF NOTIFICATION REGARDING A 17 YEAR OLD MALE MISSING SINCE LAST NIGHT, POSSIBLY IN WATER. POI WAS LAST SEEN AT ROCKS AT MALUA BAY. SEARCH OF AREA REQUIRED.	Search conducted POI found safe and well
10/02/2017 13:45	Pambula	FSC - Duty Officers	BAR BEACH MERIMBULA	Rescue	2 POI IN DISTRESS	13SURF DOWNWARD NOTIFICATION FOR 2 POI BEING WASHED OUT TO SEA IN FRONT OF BAR BEACH KIOSK. 1 POI HAS SURF BOARD BUT IS UNABLE TO RETURN TO SHORE.	Self Rescue
11/02/2017 14:57	Batemans Bay	FSC - Duty Officers	DENHAMMS BEACH AND SURF BEACH	Other Incident (IRD)	5 POI IN WATER, BOAT CAPSIZED	13SURF RECEIVED A CALL FROM VKG OAK FLATS REGARDING A BOAT THAT HAS CAPSIZED AND IS WASHING UP AGAINST THE ROCKS. REPORTS OF 5 POB BUT INFORMANT CAN NOW ONLY SEE 1 POB. INFORMATION LATER ADDED FROM VKG: LOCATION IS THE ROCK ISLAND HALF WAY BETWEEN DENHAMMS BEACH AND SURF BEACH. LS23 CONFIRMED WITH POB THAT HE WAS THE ONLY PERSON SO ONLY 1 POB	Rescue by Batemans Bay IRB
25/02/2017 13:10	Pambula		PAMBULA	Shark Sighting	12FT SHARK OFF PAMBULA	13SURF RECEIVED REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE FROM VKG OAK FLATS. 12FT SHARK SEEN BY FISH SPOTTING/TRACKING PLANE OFF PAMBULA.	Search conducted

<b>Opened (Date Time stamp)</b>	<b>Primary Service</b>	<b>Secondary Service</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Final Type</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Further Information</b>	<b>Outcome</b>
10/03/2017 15:21	FSC - Duty Officers	Westpac Helicopter - Sydney Region	MORUY A RIVER	Missing Vessel (IRD)	MISSING VESSEL	POLICE REQUEST POLICE ASSISTANCE TINNIE TAKING ON WATER IN MORYA RIVER. CLOSEST STREET ADDRESS CNR SHORE ST & FORD ST.	Search conducted nothing found
12/03/2017 16:20	Batema ns Bay		DENHA MS BEACH	Rescue	3 KIDS IN A RIP	13SURF UPWARD NOTIFICATION FOR 3 KIDS BETWEEN 7 AND 11 YEARS OLD IN DISTRESS STUCK IN A RIP.	Rescued by IRB
06/04/2017 14:18	Batema ns Bay		MALUA BAY BEACH	Near Drowni ng (IRD)	4 POI IN WATER CAUGHT IN RIP	ALERTED BY OAK FLATS OF 4 POI IN WATER AND IN DIFFICULTY UNABLE TO RETURN TO SHORE.	Rescued by IRB
07/04/2017 11:20	FSC - Duty Officers	Batema ns Bay	MOSQUI TO BAY, EUROBU DULLA	Other Vessel Incident	BROKEN DOWN TINNIE	EDMUNDS ADVISED SOC OF BROKEN DOWN TINNIE OFF MOSQUITO BAY WITH AN 8Y/O OLD ON BOARD. LOCAL CONTACT IS FSC12 ANTHONY BELLETTE	returned to shore safely
14/04/2017 17:40	FSC - Duty Officers	Westpac Helicopter - Sydney Region	MALUA BAY BEACH	Other Incident (IRD)	3 POI STUCK ON ROCKS	3 POI TRAPPED ON ROCKS AT MALUA BAY. BEING BASHED BY WAVES. OFF KUPPA AVENUE MALUA BAY.	2 people rescued, 1 taken to hospital
15/04/2017 16:50	FSC - Duty Officers	Pambula	MERIMB ULA - 1.7NM OFFSHO RE	Other Medical Incident (IRD)	2 X INCOHERANT PERSON ON BOARD VESSEL	13SURF TASKING TO 1.7NM OFFSHORE MERIMBULA FOR A VESSEL WITH 2POB WITH POSSIBLE FOOD POISONING. PERSONS ARE NOW INCOHERENT AND REQUIRE MEDICAL ATTENTION. LS23 REQUESTED AND	Rescued by LS23

<b>Opened (Date Time stamp)</b>	<b>Primary Service</b>	<b>Secondary Service</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Final Type</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Further Information</b>	<b>Outcome</b>
						TASKED TO SCENE. LOCATION IS 36 DEGREES 46.4S AND 150 DEGREES 00.73E.	
17/04/2017 14:45	FSC - Duty Officers	Westpac Helicopter - Sydney Region	ASLINGS BEACH, EDEN	Rescue	1 POI IN DIFFICULTY NEAR THE CEMETERY	TASKING - CALL FROM VKG OAK FLATS IN RELATION TO 1 POI IN DIFFICULTY NEAR THE CEMETERY AT ASLINGS BEACH. NO FURTHER INFORMATION GIVEN.	Self Rescue
23/04/2017 15:27	FSC - Duty Officers	Pambula	DISCOVE RY PARK, PAMBUL A	False Alarm	3 CHILDREN STUCK IN RIP	MAC REPORTS OF 3 KIDS STUCK IN A RIP OFF DISCOVERY PARK, PAMBULA. WHILE TASKING ASSETS MAC CALLED BACK AND REPORTED ALL SAFE AND WELL	False Alarm
09/05/2017 07:00	FSC - Duty Officers	Pambula	MERIMB ULA BAR	Rescue	VESSEL CAPSIZED 3 PERSONS IN WATER	13SURF TASKING - BAR BEACH MERIMBULA - VESSEL CAPSIZED 3 PERSONS IN WATER - WAER POLICE 75 ENROUTE - NFI	rescued by Surfers. Pambula SLSC atttended 1 POI taken to hospital
24/06/2017 09:29	FSC - Duty Officers	Westpac Helicopter - Sydney Region	MORUY A ROCK WALL	Broken Down Vessel	VESSEL IN DISTRESS	REPORTS OF VESELL IN DISTRESS OFF MORUYA HEADS 3 PEOPLE ON BOARD.	Search conducted vessel in no immediate danger.

## Director of Education **Peter Bootes**

This season saw our clubs quietly going about the business of training and building up their members' skills. See summary table below;

### AWARDS DELIVERED

	ART	Bronze	IRB Crew	RWC	SRC	SMBM	IRB Driver	Spinal
FSC	13	27	23	1		20	11	12
Batemans Bay		7	2		1			
Bermagui	7	16	10		3	3		
Broulee		16	1	2	8	1		
Moruya		11	5		3	1		
Narooma		3	6		9			
Pambula	1	8	3	3	11		3	
Tathra		14	10		20			
	<b>21</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>12</b>

Thanks to Sue Hunt, Tony Vella and Don Hay for assisting me in running the branch courses. They have proved very successful, especially with our cadets.

FSC members: Glen Hall, Michael Weyman, Tim Lassau, Nick Goddard, Craig Goddard, Dave Vosen, Scott Senior, Andrew Mizzi, Jon Carruthers, Kiaran Harris and Chris Briggs. These participants just need to be mentored through two courses to become fully qualified.

A special thankyou to Judy Spicer, for organizing the Training Officers course. Which is now being facilitated by state. Steve Allen did a great job coordinating the course, with Cheryl McCarthy and Bruce McAslan assisting, both of whom have been successful in gaining the Training Officer Award. Congratulations to you both, your input was brilliant.



As this is my last report I would like to thank all the FSC Branch trainers for the work you do in your clubs. In particular, thanks to all the CTOs, for keeping the paperwork and organization of their clubs training up to scratch.

All the best for the coming season

Peter Bootes  
Retiring DOE

## Director of Member Services Sue Hunt

Another amazing season has passed in the Far South Coast, and what a season it has been.

On the back of winning the FSC Branch Person of the Year – 2015/16, I was nominated for the SLS NSW Volunteer of the Year, short listed, interviewed, and at the Awards of Excellence in August was announced as the State winner.



How incredibly overwhelming and humbling to stand on the stage, in front of 350 of our peers, and receive this award on behalf of the FSC Branch. Whilst this award hangs on my wall at home, it belongs to every one of our members. The support and the faith that you have in me for the job that I do is remarkable, so I thank you for being with me in my journey. I have been left overawed from the recognition that I have received from across the SLS community.

And it didn't stop there.....following my State Award;

- SLSA – Shortlisted and interviewed for National Volunteer of the Year. I didn't win, but what an amazing night in a room full of inspirational passionate lifesavers. I took my sister as my + 1 who, until that night didn't 'get' my passion and commitment to this extraordinary organisation, she now see SLS in a whole new light.
- NSW Sport....stop I can hear you laughing (as did I, ME? a sports award). Again, didn't I win, but to be nominated for something outside of Surf was discomforting, way outside of my comfort zone. To be in a room full of elite athletes, professional sports men and women, Paralympians was awe-inspiring. Even in my category the four finalists included Al Baxter, former Wallaby International, and me.
- In October last year I was further blown away when I had a surprise visitor “just pop in” to work. Andrew Constance, Member for Bega and State Minister for Transport & Infrastructure, presented me with the NSW Premiers Award for Volunteering. This was totally overwhelming, I even cried.
- And last month I received further notification that I am a finalist for NSW Volunteering Volunteer of the Year....watch this space.

For those of you that know me all of the recognition and accolades do not sit well with me. This award isn't about me. It is about the FSC Branch and Surf Life Saving as a whole. I believe in what we do as an Organisation, and I believe that what I do behind the scenes truly does make a difference to what we do as Lifesavers on our beaches. From this whole experience I have gained many new friends, being able to network





across the State and the Country, and I have also acquired a wardrobe full of new frocks and more shoes than I know what to do with!!!

My patrols this season happened at the beautiful Bermagui, the beach where I did my first Bronze in 1978, but because I was a girl they wouldn't give it to me. Thanks to Cheryl, Bruce and Lobba for making me feel part of the team.

Again I officiated at a few carnivals, 23 in fact, mainly surf boats and IRBs, meeting some amazing people and having a whole lot of fun along the way. Completing my Level 2 Surf Sports Official accreditation at the end of last season has allowed me to step up into safety and emergency management roles, which I have relished. Thanks to Tony Haven, Charles Melloy, Mick Lang and John Masters for their guidance during the process, and their ongoing support.



Well...enough about me. As a Branch, we did great things again;

- Our 737 volunteer patrol members clocked up an amazing 17828.25 volunteer patrol hours – **our core business**, and I have to say we are pretty bloody good at it.
- Youth Programs were well attended again this season, although it is getting harder to identify weekend when we can all get together. Big thanks go to Tony Vella, Tony Rettke, Maddie Grayson, Emma Grayson, Ainslie Scully, Alec Sinclair and the Griffiths boys, Jack, Jamie and Garry for all of their support in running these programs.
- The SRC to Bronze course we did early last season was a hit and moving them straight through to their IRB crew certificate went down really well.
- We had 13 of our first lot of Juniors start their IRB Driver, with two picking it up really quickly, whilst the others were working on their skills over winter.
- **Wambiri 2017:** Still evolving the format of the camp changed again this year. We asked a bunch of the core 17-25s to come to the camp as leaders, and we introduced a visitor to the Tree Climb Challenge at Merimbula, and the visit to Pambula Special Nippers was on the agenda again. Overall the camp went well and I think we are almost at a point where we are happy with the program
- **State & National Programs** – it's always fantastic to be able to offer our members opportunities such as the programs run by SLS NSW and SLSA. It gives us the chance to see that SLS is bigger than the FSC, meet incredible new people, gather ideas and network. Here is a brief overview of the programs and this season's participants, see more in their reports following my report;
  - **SLSA Masterclass 2016** – Cheryl McCarthy and Kel Pearce attended this amazing opportunity in September last year. Both participants found this to be a great weekend with other like-minded people
  - **Junior Lifesaver of the Year** – Each year it gets harder to choose just two of our talented young Lifesavers for this award. The calibre of the U14s in the FSC Branch is exceptional. 2017 saw me sit on the selection panel for SLS NSW Junior Lifesaver of the Year for the 5<sup>th</sup> year. WOW!!!! Just WOW!!! Each year these U14s blow me away. It is reassuring to know that the future of SLS is in good hands if this is what our lifesavers will look like in years to come. This year's FSC Branch winners were;
    - **Darch Coppin – Moruya SLSC**
    - **Joel Doble – Batemans Bay SLSC**
  - **Youth Opportunity Makers Workshop** – I love sending our kids on this program. They get to see the big picture of what SLS can offer to them. This year's participants were;
    - **Hayley Ashcroft – Pambula SLSC**
    - **Scott Senior – Broulee Surfers SLSC**
    - **Eric Hills – Bermagui SLSC**
  - **19-25 Development Networking Program:** The sole participant for this season's DNP program was **Maddie Grayson – Broulee SLSC**. Maddie had a blast over this weekend designed specifically for our older youth members.
- George Bass Marathon 2018: Planning for this is well and truly underway. There has been a huge amount of interest from boat crews and ski paddler from across the Country and New Zealand, and at this point it looks like we will have in excess of 30 crews. A great adventure for anyone that wants to come and help.

After all of this I have to say the highlight of my season was spending 9 months redoing the FSC Branch Constitution... ..just kidding, what an awful task. It has been many years

since our Constitution was updated, and after making noises about doing it for the past couple of years, we decided it was time. Thanks so much to Wendy Law who put in countless hours with me, to Tony Rettke, Allan Veness, Andrew Edmunds, and Gordon Harris for their input, and to the incredible Don Hay who gave it the final once over before we sent it to the printers.

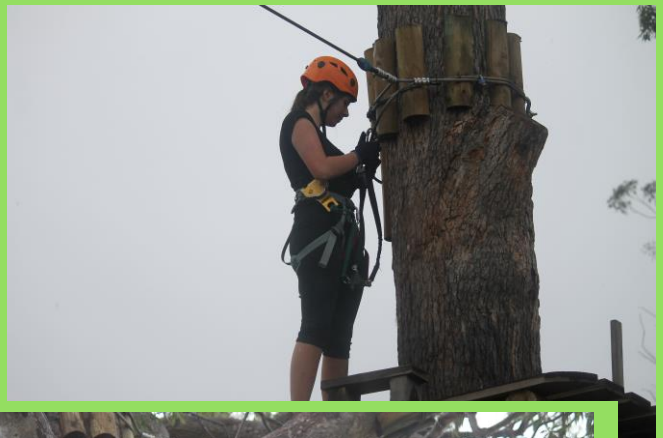
I would like to thank SLS NSW, Dave Murray, and the band of staff and volunteers behind him that support us in Surf Life Saving, particularly in the far south of our State. Steve Allan and Sean Hendry do a huge amount to support us and we give them extra thanks. Two other people I must thank personally are;

- Denise Lees: Retiring this year after a life time of service to SLS NSW. I'm sure that Denise rolls her eyes back in her head every time I call, but without the wealth of knowledge, experience and bucket loads of patience I would have walked away long ago. There isn't anything Denise doesn't know about Surf. I wish her well in retirement and spending time with her Grandbabies.
- John Restuccia: What can I say about Restucc? After 12 years in the SLS NSW Director of Life Saving role, in a voluntary capacity, Restucc has retired. John has been a huge help to me, his support at Batemans Bay in our rebuilding years was phenomenal. His support and guidance over the years that I have been involved in Surf has been invaluable, and whilst I know that he isn't far away I will miss him terribly.

My biggest thanks though go to Tracy Innes and the Tonys (Rettke & Vella), they drive me to be the best that I can. They are inspirational, compassionate and simply amazing people.

As always, I am incredibly proud to be part of this Branch. We might only be small, compared to the other Branch's across the State, but no one can question our passion, education, and commitment to this extraordinary Organisation.







## SLS NSW Programs – Participant Reports

### Junior Lifesaver

#### Darcy Coppin – Moruya SLSC

Hi I'm Darcy Coppin and I was honoured to be awarded Female Junior Life-Saver of the year, 2017 for the Far South Coast (FSC). I'm from Moruya SLSC. Last holidays Joel (male JLOTY) and I were flown up to the northern beaches in Sydney and stayed at the Collaroy Centre for 3 nights and 4 days. Over that week we did various of ice-breaker activities and many different other games. When Sue Hunt (Director of Administration & Member Services) called to tell me that I got Female JLOTY of 2017 I was speechless, I couldn't believe that they gave me the award. At that time I didn't even know Joel or anyone else that was going up to Sydney and was nervous but then I thought 'I'll make new friends'.

Once we got off the plane at SLS workers were there to pick us up and take us to Collaroy. I remember looking at the list of names of other girls in my room and not knowing anyone, it was pretty nerve racking. During this whole amazing experience I made many new friends. There was a pretty wide range of ages. At the same time as we were there was also another SLS camp going on called YOMS. To be a YOM you had to have been a JLOTY representative before.

On one of the days we went to the Surf Life Saving New South Wales Head Quarters, it was so interesting finding out all of the jobs that they do and especially where Surf Com is. Later that day we were interviewed for NSW JLOTY that was very nerve racking too.

Over the whole week we had different types of people come in and give us talks about Cyber Safety, SLS, etc... It's really nice meeting new people and experiencing SLS in many different ways. Every morning at 6:30am we had to be up and ready for fitness, it was a nice start to the day. On the second day all of the JLOTY members were up in the conference room and in our Branches we had to create a poster/campaign focused on different ways to help get kids and adults in to SLS.

This poster/ campaigning didn't really have to be used but you could actually use in and take it to your branch. Joel and I made poster on beach safety and how to look after yourself if you are harmed at the beach. We decided to actually go through with this idea and are going to go around to schools in the Eurobodalla and Canberra. The reason why someone will go in Canberra is because Joel lives in Canberra and I live on the coast.





Everyone one from JLOTY decided that we will go back up to Sydney for YOMS. We decided that we will go in 2 years because you have to be 15 and some of the people who went to JLOTY in 2017 only turned 13. So we will go in 2 years so we can all see each other. As you can tell I made heaps of friends who were really lovely and nice.



## Joel Doble – Batemans Bay SLSC

My name is Joel Doble and I am a member of the Batemans Bay surf club, on the Far South Coast. I had an amazing patrol season but one part stood higher than the rest, I was honoured to be the far south coast male junior lifesaver of the year. I remember the night I got the phone call from Sue Hunt. I didn't know what to say.

When I was told I would be travelling to the Sydney northern beaches with Darcy (female JLOTY) and there was an instant weight on my back to do our small branch proud whilst being professional and having fun.



I met so many like-minded people from all over the state and I still talk to them on a weekly basis. All the activities I participated in were worth it, I learnt so many skills and communication skills. Whilst we were attending the camp I learnt about many different pathways that surf can lead you to.

Visiting the SLSNSW headquarters was a highlight of the camp, especially visiting the S.O.C. (state operation centre) better known as Surfcom.

Some of the activities I partook in was lasertag, morning fitness, Branch Program making (which I will touch a bit on later) and the trivia night with YOMS (youth opportunity making) group. During the camp, all branch pairs had to come up with a program to input into their branch. Darcy and I came up with a program called "Surf to Schools". We will go around to schools talking about surf safety/awareness and about surf lifesaving/how to get involved. I live in Canberra, there for I will visit schools in Canberra which also helps with preventing rescues as 80% of people we rescue on the Far South Coast are from the ACT region.

Darcy and I proposed the idea to Tony Retke (Branch President) on the Branch Presentation night. He put us in the spot and asked Darcy and I to present our idea to the audience, so we did and got amazing feedback. We are trying to get it up and running for around week 6 or 7 of the next school term just in time for season rego time. Help will be needed so we will ask certain people in the branch/ member services NSW team to help us with resources and funding.

Thank you FSCSLs for this amazing, once in a lifetime experience and I look forward to implementing the Surf to Schools Program and putting in an application to travel to the YOMS course.

Thank You  
Joel Doble





## YOUTH OPPORTUNITY MAKERS

### Scott Senior – Broulee Surfers SLSC

During my participation in the Yom's camp this year, we undertook activities like creating a boat from scratch and paddling it in the ocean, as well as movie and game nights where we gained close friendships that we will cherish. To further educate ourselves on ways we can continue to add to surf lifesaving we went to the NSW headquarters where we talked to employees and gained valuable knowledge. We also undertook a practice exercise of what we would do to solve a problem in our surf club. This could have been member retention, being seen as an emergency service or becoming more ecofriendly we then presented this in groups to a panel of judges to practice our presenting skills and to make sure we were proud of the ideas. In conclusion, the Yom's camp was a great opportunity for us younger members of the surf club to grow and try and assist our local branches.

I would like to thank the whole branch for this amazing opportunity



## Hayley Ashcroft – Pambula SLSC

Early Monday morning I arrived at the Merimbula airport and was soon on the plane to Sydney. Fellow members of my branch and myself were greeted at Sydney airport where we meet with the rest of the YOM and JLOTY participants. We were taken by bus to the Collaroy Center where we meet the rest of the participants and began lots of ice breaker games to help everyone to get the know each other.

We then had lunch and were divided into our YOM and JLOTY groups. Our mentors explained to us our assignments and activities that we would be doing over the four days. Later we were shown to our cabins and I got to know the girls staying in mine a bit better. Before having dinner.

Over the next four days we participated in team building activities such as building our own boats out of cardboard and even got to run our own virtual surf clubs where we were faced with scenarios and had to work together to solve the problems at hand. We visited the SLS NSW headquarters and learnt how surf COM, SLS media and other departments were run. We also visited the beach where we used the Jet Ski and IRB.

On the fourth day, we had a presentation where we demonstrated our surf clubs in our smaller groups and the junior lifesaver of the year was announced. Before we departed and arrived at the Sydney airport to board our planes home.





### Eric Hills – Bermagui SLSC

Eric Hills was selected to represent Far South Coast Branch in the YOMs Workshop run by Surf Life Saving NSW. The workshop is for 15 – 17 year olds who've been identified by their Clubs and Branches as having strong leadership qualities and ran over a week in the April school holidays at the Collaroy Centre in Sydney's Northern Beaches.

Eric had a great time and sent through an update on what they got up to:

"I had an amazing time in Sydney and I can't thank [the Club] enough for your support towards this experience. We did a lot of teambuilding activities at the beginning of the week to get to know each other. Every morning

we had a fitness session and every evening we had a games/movie/trivia night.

The main thing that we worked on was club management projects in which we worked in teams of six to achieve an aim for our hypothetical club. My group's aim was to place our club in the Aussie's Top 10. We had a set amount of club members and resources (such as trainers, surfboats, jet skis, and money) that we could trade with the other five groups. At the end of the camp, we presented our project plans to a Board which included two of the facilitators and two SLSNSW Directors.

We also got to visit the SLSNSW headquarters which helped us understand how everything operated. We got to ask questions to a Board of all the Directors and the CEO. A visiting Director spoke to us about mental health and how lifesaving supports wellbeing (e.g. Fluro day, One wave).

We also had a fun activity in which we had less than two hours to build small boats out of cardboard and tarp to carry us from one side of a pool, rescue a casualty and bring them back to safety. This was loads of fun!

This above is only a glimpse of the time at YOMS. I enjoyed it so much and would encourage anyone else to sign up for it!"

## 18-25 Development Networking Program

### Maddie Grayson – Broulee Surfers SLSC

In November last year I was lucky enough and sincerely honoured to be able to represent my Branch at the 18-25 Development Networking Program. This was held in Sydney in the Rocks at the YHA.

An early morning flight from Moruya on 35 seat regional plane. Upon arrival at the airport I met the Program liaison; Naomi and the first three people to join me at the program: Emily, Luke and Patrick.



When we left the airport we were on our way which took a little longer than expected due to missing a turnoff and finding an alternate route. In the end it took an extra 20 minutes but we got to the YHA and were able to meet everyone that was there for the program including our facilitators: Dilan, Rosie and Jake. The YHA was used for our accommodation and for holding most of our

activities.

Amongst the Program we had the opportunity to listen to some inspirational speeches held by some amazing young people throughout the entire weekend. Talks were given by 2016 lifesaver of the year Kane Hughes from North Cronulla SLSC and 2015 lifesaver of the year Rosemarie Taliano from North Bondi SLSC who we were also lucky enough to have as a facilitator. We also were able to listen to our other facilitators talk of their own journeys through their personal life and lifesaving and the impact that lifesaving as well.

We were also given the opportunity to talk about issues within our surf clubs and brainstorm ways to fix these issues. There was also the opportunity to explore a bit of Darling Harbour in our free time.

I loved this program as it was fun and enjoyable. They also delivered great and inspiring stories that make you want to become a better leader.



## SLSA Masterclass - 2016

Cheryl McCarthy – Bermagui SLSC & Kel Pearce – Broulee Surfers SLSC



The SLSA Leadership Masterclass for 2016 was held at SLSA Headquarters at Surf House, Bondi Beach from 1 – 4 September. The Masterclass is a high-level leadership program for those within SLS to refresh and extend their leadership capabilities. Through the program SLSA hopes to raise awareness of the issues, responsibilities and accountabilities in leadership within SLSA and further expand the resource pool of innovative, skilled and experienced senior leaders within the organisation. Participants have an opportunity to network and share ideas while thinking at a more strategic level about the leadership challenges and opportunities in their individual clubs, Branches and also at State and National levels.

The 2016 Masterclass had 19 participants representing some of the smallest to some of the largest clubs in the country from NSW, QLD, NT, WA, SA and Victoria. Participants came to the course with a broad range of experience both within SLS and in their everyday lives. They also came from a range of roles within their surf clubs but all were either already involved in leadership roles in their clubs or seeking to be in the near future.

Far South Coast Branch had two participants accepted to the program: Kel Pearce from Broulee Surfers and Cheryl McCarthy from Bermagui SLSC. Both Kel and Cheryl have been highly engaged within their clubs and were keen to meet others and share ideas with a goal of reinforcing some existing skills and also taking new skills and ideas back to their clubs and Branch.

The program was very full and featured a number of guest speakers interspersed with some valuable group discussions. It was clear from the outset that everyone was highly engaged and very passionate about their commitment to SLS. The discussions were typically open, honest and even robust at times but they gave everyone a chance to share frustrations and successes and showed that other clubs right across the country often face similar challenges but also often have solutions that can work for others. The open sharing of ideas was refreshing and continued past the Masterclass itself with continued contact through the alumni group.

Both Kel and Cheryl found the Leadership Masterclass was an exceptional opportunity and professionally run from every perspective, including the administration, venue, logistics, accommodation and overall coordination. Kel commented:

“in my decades of formal leadership training, leadership experience and in professional and volunteering careers I regard this as one of the, if not the, best development opportunities I have experienced”.

“The facilitators were excellent; they were knowledgeable, engaging, enthusiastic, focussed and professional. The 19 attendees were from a broad range of clubs, backgrounds, communities, vocations and ages. I was the elder statesman and the youngest was only 21; we had club presidents, we had members of the executive/directors at club and branch level, there were staff from state offices, we had attendees who have had only a few years’ involvement with surf lifesaving though to decades, and we had those with no lifesaving awards or only SRC through to many specialist awards. Without exception, they contributed to the masterclass; they were all highly regarded for the contributions they make on the beach, in the club, and in management.”



Cheryl found sharing ideas with such an impressive group of Surf Rescue members from across the country left her with “a renewed energy and enthusiasm for the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead. The diversity of age, experience in Surf (with me being by far the Rookie of the group!) and range of expertise from our ‘other lives’ formed the foundations of some excellent and insightful discussions”.

When reflecting on conversations throughout the weekend about Club and Branch support across the country, Cheryl commented that “it was apparent to me that we enjoy a great deal more support, opportunity and encouragement in our Branch, and within our clubs, than many others across the country”.

The initial challenge set for the group when they first met on the Thursday afternoon was to brainstorm and agree on an overarching objective for the program. The one created by the group was “we will challenge ourselves, share our experience and create positive outcomes”. This objective was definitely realised throughout the Masterclass and both Cheryl and Kel are very grateful for the opportunity and the support of FSC Branch in nominating them for the program.

They both recommend the Leadership Masterclass highly, whether it be for aspiring leaders, emerging leaders, developing leaders or experienced leaders, there was something to be gained by everyone.





## Director of Surf Sports      Tony Dale

The 2016 17 season was another good one for the branch with state and national finalists across the board from juniors to masters with several medallists. All of these competitors along with those who gave their best but failed to make the finals must be congratulated on their efforts. Competitors that attend these championships do a great deal to grow the sport within the branch by bringing back the experience they gain for others to see.

I intend to run for the DOSS position again next season and my plan is outlined below;

Again, I intend to run the branch sports by the Board of Surf Sports (BOSS). This board will be made up of 1 member from each club who will represent all facets of surf sports within that club. They will have 1 vote on the BOSS when decisions affecting the clubs and branch are made. These decisions will then be forwarded to the branch council for ratification and approval.

In this regard I will need each club to select a surf sports coordinator who will become their member on the BOSS.

Carnivals again this year were very poorly attended by the club members. The club have the responsibility to encourage and chase up their members to attend any carnivals that are run within the branch. It is not a branch responsibility to chase up club members to attend these carnivals. Members should have the pride in their club to want to attend. Not one senior carnival last season was well attended.



An agenda has been issued to the BOSS for consideration at the next BOSS meeting which will be held in August/ September later this year. These items include the restructure of our carnival system to reduce the number of senior carnivals and to introduce a different format for the seniors such as a branch champion carnival.

With the branch champion carnival, each club nominates 3 members to compete in the nominated divisions. Each competitor must compete in all events such as Ski, board, swim, sprint, flags and 2km run. The one with the most points at the completion of the day becomes the champion competitor for the branch.

Reintroduction of the teens carnival which will be based mainly on team events Clubs that have teens that want to have a go will be allowed to join with other clubs for the day. It will be purely a fun day and used as a training tool for the teens. These competitors will become the backbone of our branch teams into the future and it is up to us as a branch to give them every opportunity to improve themselves. In this regard, I encourage all clubs to encourage and support your competitors to attend the Sydney

water events. These carnivals are a great way to introduce your young members to quality competition and strict competition conditions. They will develop a good network of friends from other clubs and I believe they will develop personal competitive rivals with these other clubs which will in turn increase their skill and competitive levels.

The traditional branch championship will still be run as normal with individual branch champions on the day. This would be the only branch senior carnival for the season and it would be open to all competitors within the branch.

I must thank Wendy for her tireless work in the surf sports area and as organiser of the branch team, carnivals, and officials again this year. Wendy has carried me quite a bit this year and I am very appreciative to her.

Thanks to everyone for their support throughout the season and see you on the beach.



## Assistant Director of Surf Sports

## Wendy Law

The 2016/2017 Surf season saw the Jack Beale Trophy returning to the Broulee club for the 7th consecutive year, and the Dave Pheeny Nippers Trophy awarded to the Narooma Club. Well done! This was the first time in a few years that the Broulee Club hasn't won them both. It's great to see Clubs having competition.

Nippers carnivals were well attended as usual, however Master competitor numbers were down this season. It was reassuring to see a number of cadet competitors coming through though. As usual all competitors displayed great sportsmanship and competitive spirit at carnivals and were always happy to get in and have a go. Well done to everybody who competed throughout the season.



The first carnival of the season was held at the Broulee Club in cold, windy conditions and saw a poor turn out of competitors from other clubs. Everyone competed well in the tricky conditions. Thank you to everyone at Broulee that helped out on the day. Without these people the carnival would not have been possible.

Narooma Surf Club hosted the 2<sup>nd</sup> carnival of the season, which was a 2 day combined Nipper and Senior carnival. Competitors were met with a beautiful weekend and favourable surf conditions making it a great weekend of racing. The program was set as a short course where possible and all water events were run with beach starts and finishes. We've had some feedback from Clubs about these changes and would welcome more before decisions are made regarding next season.

Pambula Surf Club did a fantastic job hosting the Branch Championship carnivals, which was again a 2-day combined Nipper and Senior carnival. Surf conditions were perfect and it was a great weekend of racing. Many families made a weekend away of it which all enjoyed.

FSC had competitors from Nippers, Opens, Masters, and surfboats compete at the NSW Country Titles, NSW State Championships and the Australian



Titles this year. Some great results were achieved across the board. All competed well and it was great to see some young competitors coming through from our clubs and doing well in carnivals outside of our Branch.

Thank you to all officials and water safety personnel who helped at all of our local carnivals this season. They do an amazing job and without them we could not hold these events which are so important to our Branch.

With regard to training of coaches and officials; SLSA have revamped the training requirements for both these types of awards over the past two years. This season I ran the last of the old style junior officials courses and an old style Level 1 officials course. We also had a couple of new coaches awarded. Thanks to all those that take the trouble to get and keep their qualifications up to date, we rely on you to run our FSC carnivals and programs effectively and efficiently.

Thanks to all for a great season of competition. We would love to see more competitors hitting the beach and in the water next season. Come and give it a go and enjoy the camaraderie and friendly FSC competition. Well done to all of our competitors and we look forward to seeing you on the beach next season training hard for the 2017/2018 Surf season.

Wendy Law  
Assistant Director of Surf Sports



## Interbranch 2016 – The Lakes SLSC

This season Interbranch was held at The Lakes SLSC near Newcastle, and we came away with some outstanding results from our competitors (summary below) and for the first time ever, we had no one withdrawn from a team event because we were too far behind the other branch teams!

Everyone competed to the best of their ability, and as a branch, we should all be very proud of their achievements.



We retained our 10<sup>th</sup> spot on the points tally and edged closer to 9<sup>th</sup> spot, even with less draftees this time. We managed to have a full team of male competitors!

Special mention needs to go to Luella Boulton who stepped up and competed so well in all water and beach events for her age due to the very late withdrawal of her injured team mate from the team. This was a huge effort for the weekend.

Another special mention to Kailey Jorgensen, who as an U12 beach competitor, jumped into the team water events in big conditions on Sunday after her team mate was injured. This was a huge ask and she performed beautifully.

However, I'm so proud of all of them, especially the ones that have been coming every year for the past six years that I've coordinated the team. They are a great group of young people that have nurtured the younger athletes every year and made this trip such a success.

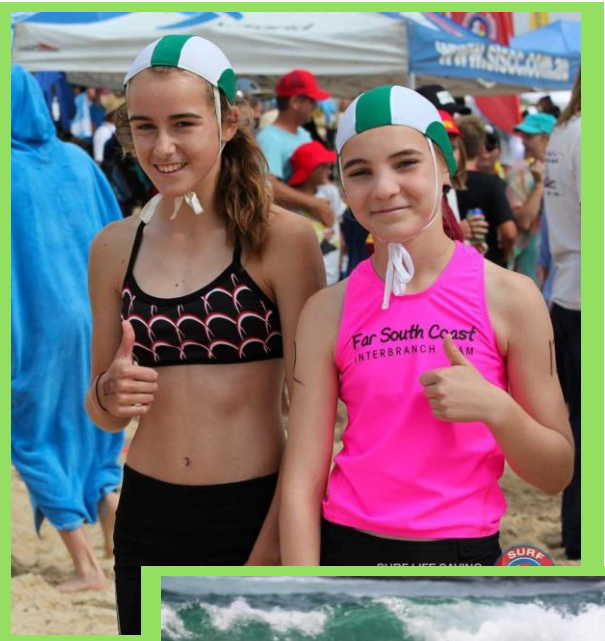
A huge thank you needs to go to the adults that helped us over the weekend because without them the trip just doesn't happen.

Team coaches were Sean Hendry, Andrew Holt and Tony Dale. Scott Elliott assisted in the lead up, but was unable to attend the weekend with us.

Adult helpers were Mel Woodley, Gary Blake, Pete Lenehan, Maree Boulton, Shaun Jorgensen, Rob & Kristy Dale, and Ian Filmer.

Thanks to the FSC Branch for supporting the team

Wendy Law  
Interbranch Coordinator



## Powercraft Captain

Kiaran Harris

Thank you all who have contributed to keeping our Branch power craft maintained and fully operational.

The RWC purchased from the Central Coast proved to have issues to begin with which Canberra motor cycle centre misdiagnosed which made for a slow process in getting it to Broulee to replace their one, but it got there eventually and is fully operational and currently stored at Broulee.

With BRP grant combined with Surf NSW gear and equipment grant we were able to purchase a new RWC at no cost to our Branch.

A phone hook up meeting with the executives of the Branch decided to place the new RWC at Pambula beach and their existing go to Broulee.

We also acquired another RWC donated from The Illawarra which has been tested goes well will need to have a service. It is currently located at Tathra in Tony Rettke's shed.

State have given us a new sled which will be put onto the RWC in Pambula and the existing replace the one at Broulee.

So currently we have 4 RWC 2 sleds in service and 2 sleds that need either repairs or replacing.



showing signs of wear. I have ordered one for the branch and, also for Pambula and the supplier has still not delivered. I will chase up state for other authorized suppliers.



I would recommend we purchase 1 new sled to be placed at Broulee and their sled be put on either the RWC from Central Coast or Illawarra whichever is in the best condition to keep and use for the upcoming George Bass, and sell the remaining one. The IRB is currently stored at Tathra fully operational but we need to purchase a new fuel cell whilst the existing one is ok it is





## CLUB REPORTS

### Batemans Bay

### Kristen Dengate – President

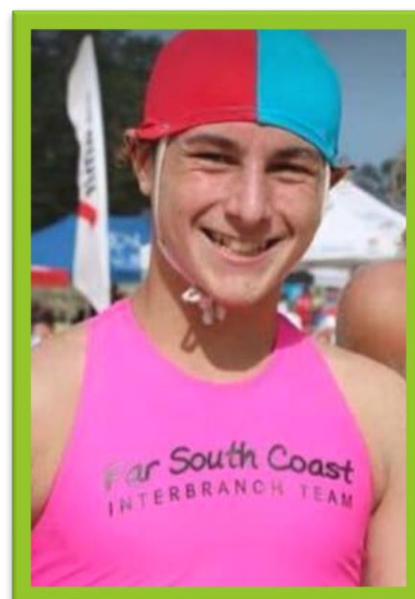
The 2016-2017 was a massive season for the Batemans Bay Surf Club! Our 160+ female boat crew won another plethora of awards, including the World Titles held in New Zealand. The male 120+ and 140+ had a great season and did not have the opportunity to compete at Aussies due to the water conditions. Our Nippers had a huge season, and our new committee has sourced new partnerships and expanded our reach within the community. Each and every one of our amazing members should be proud of the effort they have contributed to ensure our beaches are safe, and the positive contributions made to the local community.



Neil Innes lead both the 160+ ladies boat crew (Tracy Innes, Megan Douros, Frances Campbell, and Barbara Van Luin) and the male boat crews massive tally of medals from ASRL events as well as our own SLSA sanctioned carnivals. The achievements of our boaties this year has been outstanding. In addition to these amazing team accomplishments Neil Innes was also awarded coach of the year at the Far South Coast Branch Awards held at Narooma this year. Congratulations Neil!

Our Nippers, led by Tracey Reedy and her team of passionate helpers had a very impressive season. We saw Geordie Kemp represent at the State Championships for the second time in his under 14s age group. Geordie performed extremely well for his first time on the big stage, and we are so proud of his efforts.

Five of our brightest young stars made the Interbranch team: Jayde O'Shannessy, Claire Turnbull, Lexus Knight, Sam Blake and Lachlan Blake. These talented young people represented the Branch, the Batemans Bay Surf Life Saving Club and themselves with impressive sportsmanship and determination. Our Sunday The generosity of Clyde Auto Group and specifically Isuzu for their sponsorship this season has been overwhelming. Matt Davenne as orchestrated more new pink vests and more boards for our Nippers.





We have a strong and passionate group of age managers and parents who are always willing to assist Tracey, especially on the cold Sunday mornings. The Malua Bay beach has offered some challenging conditions this year, which polarised our Nippers. Many chose to watch from the shore, however a few brave souls tackled the sizable waves and grew in respect for the ocean. We are so proud of our Nippers, their parents and our age managers for their achievements this year. We have such a talented young

group of sea shepherds and we are very excited to assist in their development.

Our treasurer, Judith Johnson who has taken over this season with the guidance of Steve Allen, has worked tirelessly to ensure that our practices and governance issues are updated, and has been an absolute asset to our committee and our club. Judith has been pivotal in ensuring that our partnerships with local organisations are prosperous. We continue to have many bookings using our community facility for a variety of functions, which is a great support to our fund raising efforts and taken the pressure off our grant writing initiatives.



Our committee this year has been nothing short of spectacular. We are so lucky to have such a progressive and motivated group of people all passionate about the surf life saving movement. We have a significant mix of young and old, experienced and newbies... which provides for a few laughs at every meeting. Without the expertise, professionalism and integrity of our current committee, our surf club may not have experienced such a stellar season.

Thanks again to everyone who has assisted our club this year. It has been a wonderful experience to be the BBSLSC President this season. We have such a beautiful environment surrounded by some amazing individuals, I thank you all for your support. Thanks so much!

Kristin Dengate



## **Broulee Surfers**

## **Allan Veness – President**

The 2016 – 2017 year for Broulee SSLSC has been one that we can all be proud to be associated with. We have had a fatality free season and we have performed our core function of lifesaving with skill and professionalism. A summary of the Club's achievements follows.

### **Membership**

The Club's total membership is 544.

This includes 236 patrolling members and 202 nippers.

Over 300 of our members are based in the ACT which highlights the importance of this

group of people to our club. While our total numbers are

large, there is always

a need to attract new members and to ensure that we retain our existing members.

Hopefully we can utilise the results of a recent club survey of members to come up with strategies to better achieve our membership goals.

Some of our members participated in programs run by SLSNSW. Sam Law participated in a Lifesaving Exchange Program, Scott Senior attended a Youth Opportunity Makers Camp, Madeline Grayson participated in a Network Development Program and Kirra Dale attended a Talented Athlete Program. Such participation has a flow on effect to other members with new skills being passed on to others in the Club.

### **Trainers and assessors**

Our team of Trainers and Assessors have once again done an amazing job this year. Mick Lambert, Peter Halpin, Kel Pearce, Gary Pettigrove and Shane Madden deserve our thanks for the hard work and hours they have put into delivering new awards and conducting annual proficiencies.

To illustrate the work these people do, there were 495 proficiencies including 228 nippers. There were also 229 new awards which included 167 nippers, 15 bronze medallions, 8 SRC, 1 beach management and 1 IRB crew.

### **Building**

During this year, Stage 1 extensions were completed and opened. This has made a huge difference to the look and functioning of the building. Thanks goes to all who contributed to this project. There were many who provided materials, labour, time and expertise. The major contributors were Peter Louttit and Lawmans Trusses. Others who made significant contributions were Peter Halkett, Peter Lenehan and Ian Filmer. Thanks also go to our grant application writers Vicki Haselden and Kerry Evans who have worked behind the scenes in securing the funding which has allowed us to complete the building.





### **Hotondo Homes Bay to Breakers Ocean Swim**

The sixth annual ocean swim attracted a record 281 swimmers. We were lucky that conditions allowed the race to be held over the normal course. Feedback from those who participated was very positive. This event helps promote the club and is a major fundraising event. Our thanks goes to Gary Pettigrove and the organising committee ( Geoff wells, Gordon Harris, Lyn and Andrew Bain, Bede Webster, Lynda McKay, Ray Vest and Jeff Lucas) and to the Broulee

and Mossy Point Community association who co host the event.

### **Fundraising**

As in previous years we have relied upon grants for building and equipment, sponsorship from the Tomakin Sports and Social Club, support from the Eurobodalla Shire Council, Southern Phone and from SLSNSW.

We also heavily rely on income from members fees, bar sales, our annual doorknock and donations from individuals. The club thanks all those who have helped raise these vital funds.

### **General Helpers**

As is the case in most organisations, we have a number of members who quietly complete the many ongoing tasks necessary to run our Club. This ranges from running the bar, cooking BBQs, meeting the beer truck for deliveries, cleaning equipment, maintaining motors, refilling fuel drums and keeping radios operational. Thanks to all those who do these jobs.

### **Sunday Swim**

Once again the Summer Sunday swim series has proved a popular event. It has attracted up to 50 contestants and has been hotly contested. Thanks to those who ran the event especially Mike Evans and Cherise Walker. Completing risk assessments, recording swim times and adjusting the dreaded handicap times are all time consuming tasks. Simon Fearn also deserves special mention for setting the cans out each week.





### Club Committee

The Club's Committee have again ensured our smooth operation and progress. Each member is not only responsible for a specific aspect of the club but also contributes to decision making that affects the whole Club. They are to be thanked for their commitment and for the spirit in which decisions are made with the whole Club's welfare in mind. The Club's executive again deserves special thanks. These are the people who perform the major roles in running the club. All are good at what

they do; make informed comments and dedicate many hours in ensuring our Club continues to meet set requirements and is steering towards a successful future. They are; Geoff Wells - Vice President, Wendy Law – Secretary, Lynda McKay – Treasurer, Kirsty Campbell/ Andrew Mizzi - Club Captain.

### Nippers

This season saw the establishment of a Canberra based Nippers Group who train mostly in Canberra but then join the rest of Broulee Nippers once each month. This is an exciting development for our Club as it opens up the Nippers program to Canberra people who would normally not have such an opportunity. It has also resulted in a boost to our club membership base. Bethany Williams along with Wendy Law have been the driving forces behind the project and should be congratulated for their foresight and hard work. Including the Canberra Nippers, our total number of Nippers was 202.

Broulee Nippers continued to run successfully under the guiding hands of Scott and Simone Elliott. Sunday morning sessions were well attended and it always looked like our Nippers had fun. Thanks also to the Age Managers and Water Safety people who make our Nipper program possible. Broulee Nippers came second to Narooma in the Branch



Dave Pheeny Trophy. This is the first time we have lost this competition in several years and reflects a very successful resurgence of the Narooma Club.



### Patrols

I would like to give a big thank you to all our patrolling members. Surf patrols are time consuming and involve taking on a high degree of responsibility no matter what role each patroller performs. In addition, we have many patrollers who make special trips from Canberra to Broulee just to patrol. Thanks to all for your

commitment and your professional approach to lifesaving.

This season our club had 236 patrolling members who completed 4880 patrol hours. They performed 58 rescues, 274 preventative actions and provided first aid on 19 occasions. There were over 20,000 visitors to South Broulee Beach. In addition, our call out lifesavers responded to 37 emergencies away from the patrolled area. Incidents ranged from rock fishermen, capsized kayak, missing people and swimmers in trouble.

Matt Goddard performed the State Rescue of the Month in March when he rescued a swimmer whilst on patrol. Surf conditions were challenging with a large swell and the rip at the rocks working hard. Matt put his training into use in a quiet and efficient manner and in doing so certainly saved the life of the person he spotted in trouble.



*Paul Gurak - Kayakcameraman*

## Surf Sports

Once again Broulee SSLSC retained the Jack Beale Trophy after gaining the most points in FSC Branch carnivals. This is the eighth year in a row which must be close to a branch record. Congratulations and thank you to all our members who competed for the Club this year.

Two boat crews deserve special mention. The Broulee Mens Masters crew won gold and silver medals at the World Championships, won the French International, won gold at the ASRL in the over 160 category and made a clean sweep of the South Coast Boat series.

The under 19 girls crew won gold at the ASRL short course, silver at the NSW State Final and silver at NSW Country Carnival.

In addition, some notable individual results were Darren Browning winning a Bronze medal at The Aussie Championship (possibly the first individual Aussie Medal for our Club), Kirra Dale and Makynli Dale (medals at Country) and several others including Scott and Simone Elliott competed at State and Country carnivals.

The Club's thanks also goes to those who acted as officials and others who helped at carnivals, but especially at the Broulee carnival

## Conclusion

The Club has an impressive list of achievements for this year. However, we also face some challenges as we move forward to the future. Maintaining and increasing our membership, encouraging new people to join the Club's Committee and take on some of the major roles, making better use of club facilities in the off season and how we continue to fund our activities are all significant challenges that will require some considerable thought and effort.

Thanks to all for another great year.  
Allan Veness





## Canberra Broulee Nippers     Bethany Williams

The motivation for establishing the Canberra/Broulee Nippers was an idea that I had had for many years, but never had the capacity to act on. I had spent some time as a Broulee Surfers Surf Lifesaving Club member in the early 1990s, but found when I took my own children down the coast to swim in recent years, that they lacked the vital ocean safety awareness and skills when they went in the water. I had long recognised that there was a gaping hole in sports and water safety training for young children in Canberra, who have access to many indoor facilities for swimming, but no regular access or training in water safety.



After approaching the Broulee Club and much red tape and many logistical hurdles, Canberra Broulee Nippers was born. Initial interest was slow, but then gathered momentum and we had a full quota of 80 nippers by the start of the season.

Because the parents of the kids are also such a fundamental part of making an initiative like

this successful, we were also keen to get a large group of parents actively participating in SLS activities. By putting parents through their Bronze or SRC training, we are also generating more adult members who, as well as providing Age Manager and Water Safety assistance, also volunteer to do patrols with the club over the Summer holidays, boosting the Club's patrol member capacity – which all flows through to more ocean safety on patrolled beaches. And when the Canberra kids go through their Nippers age groups and become teenagers, we will create a new generation in Canberra of kids who will be able to patrol at Broulee, as well as at their local pools as lifeguards.

The model for the Canberra/Broulee Nippers emerged out of practicality and functionality. We were initially going to train at Lake Burley Griffin, but due to lake water temperatures at the start of the season, we had our first Canberra-based training session at the Canberra Olympic Pool (COP) – and have stayed there ever since.

The COP is a great location for our training sessions – it has a beach volleyball court with fine sand for the flag races and beach sprints. There is a 5m deep diving pool where the kids are able to paddle on their Nippers boards and get used to paddling and flipping the boards. And we use the 50m indoor pool for swimming training.

But of course, we can't learn ocean safety if the kids don't train at the ocean – so there was a mandatory one weekend a month training session at Broulee with the Broulee Nippers. Parents were welcome to go down to Broulee more than once a month, however, the designated dates mean that families could all go down to Broulee at the same time and train together. It was also a great opportunity for the Canberra families to meet the Broulee families – as we are part of the same club, and it's important for us that we show our support and gratitude to the Broulee Surf Club members for being so welcoming.

For the short term, the future plans for the Canberra/Broulee Nippers will be to put our energy into the Pool Rescue space. While our kids will relish competing in Nippers carnivals at the coast, competing in the ocean will never be our area of strength. So, to use our resources to our advantage, we believe we can create lots of champion Pool Rescue competitors. We are taking advantage of getting some of our parents involved in the training aspect of pool rescue so that we can incorporate pool rescue training into our training schedule. This season will be the first time that pool rescue will be incorporated into our regular training schedule, and we are really excited about building a strong competency in this field.



Thanks for being so welcoming Broulee!!



## Moruya

## Michael Pheeny – President

As I pen my second report as President I look back upon the 2016/17 season with very mixed emotions. I see all the wonderful things that a very committed group of people have achieved and provided to our community on so many differing levels yet I also see that if we are not prepared to allow a new generation to steer the club in the direction that they believe we need to travel then the consequences for us as an ongoing concern may be jeopardised.

I thank Bert Hunt once again for his support this season and commend him for his efforts in leading change that is positive for the Surf Life Saving movement nationally. I also thank him for stimulating discussion with his Vision for Surf Clubs correspondence

It is quite obvious from responses received that we all have a very strong sense of belonging to the club. As is expected, one person's view on the way we move forward will differ from another. The challenge for us as an organisation is to ensure that all this passion is channelled in a way that will benefit the club well into the future.



The completion of the Steg Bar has now enabled us to transition into regular Friday night sippers and the South Heads community is richer for this social meeting place. The ability to attract people outside our normal core group of volunteers and be able to generate revenue and more importantly community interest in the facilities that we provide is paramount to our longevity as a community organisation. I see this as an integral part of the club moving towards being somewhat financially independent if we get the model right. Thank you to everyone that has provided their time to ensure the success of this wonderful addition to our social calendar. A special mention to Ainslie Scully, Andy Baker Brad Coppin and Michael Weyman who are so giving of their

time to ensure that the sippers are consuming responsibly. For us to be able to provide a top class function facility, derive income from it and reduce the burden on members to constantly seek out ways to obtain funds to purchase the necessary equipment to continue to contribute to the community is paramount. This is not to say that we ignore sponsorship opportunities or stop submitting grant applications, more so that we can reduce the need to call on members to give up large portions of precious family time outside of their normal patrolling commitments.

The Sunday timed handicapped swim is a very positive “Back to the Future” re-introduction. While I have not participated in the Sunday swims, anything that improves our member’s confidence and abilities in the surf is welcomed. I also believe that we need to adopt an open house policy, for current financial members, on the use of equipment that has been identified as training equipment. Having come through the club in an era where the equipment was chained up and only available for competition use, it was difficult to obtain the necessary skills required to be competent on the equipment.



I thank Karyn Starmer for all her hard work in maintaining our membership data base and am pleased to report that the Club has steady membership numbers. What I question within these numbers, (and this is not meant as a slight on our members but merely playing devil’s advocate) is how many of our current membership base would feel comfortable entering the water when the proverbial hits the fan, the sea is less than friendly and not feel that they have placed themselves in a situation that they cannot handle. Good or bad, gone are the days when the patrol would close the beach to Joe Public because the surf was too dangerous and then proceed to take out rescue craft (be it boards or IRB’s) or go body surfing to sharpen their skills. Sound beach management and our new patrol agreement allowing us to better utilise Shelly Beach significantly reduces this rescue scenario but we still need to ensure that we are skilled and trained to handle the worst case scenario’s.



As a positive, the implementation of our new Patrol agreement saw the introduction of roving patrols to Shelley Beach during the peak Christmas season. Personally I believe this to be a great step forward in our ability to re-engage with the public as we now have a greater opportunity to patrol an area that has people swimming and participating in water activities as opposed to regularly counting seagulls of an afternoon on Moruya’s main beach. From my own personal experience of patrolling this area it was very

enjoyable chatting to members of the public and feeling appreciated for the time and effort we, as a club, were spending to ensure the safety of the community.



I spoke last year of how fortunate I was to have had the support of a wonderful Management Team and this season has been no different. My work commitments and conflicting schedules have restricted my time on the better side of the mountain but the support provided by everyone is very much appreciated. With this said, I would like to once again make special mention of the tireless work undertaken by our Club Captain – Jane Coppin and her band of merry men and women. I would also like to personally thank Dawn Daken for her efforts as the clubs Treasurer, a very busy and thankless task. The work that you all perform outside of your very busy personal lives is the life blood of the club and we certainly would not be functioning as a patrolling club if it weren't for the

effort that you all put in. As has been reported in the past and will be continued to be reported well into the future, all that we do as an organisation cannot be achieved without the wonderful support from a very dedicated group of volunteers and this season again has been no different.

The continued success of the Special Nippers Program highlights the dedication and care provided by our wonderful group of volunteers and Mike and Liz Hallahan have provided outstanding guidance in this area. Once again the season culminated in a trip to Pambula for a combined day and was a monumental success. The volunteers and leadership group of this program are outstanding in what they continue to achieve and the opportunities and experiences that they provide.

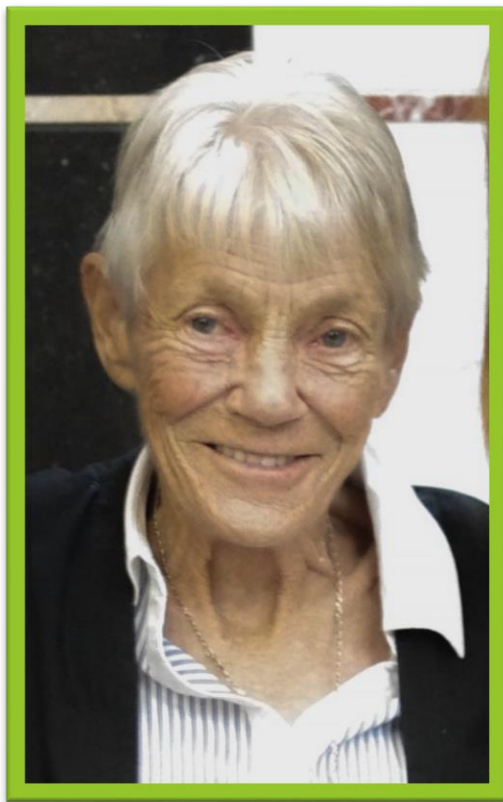
Continuing on with the Nippers theme, it is very pleasing to see our hardy group honing their skills on a regular basis both at club days and through competing at local carnivals. I look forward to working with Amanda Stafford and her Age Managers in the upcoming season. Recent changes to the delivery of Surf Awards will hopefully enable us to better capture new members by an “on the job” type training structure. It is hoped that this form of training



will encourage members to continue to improve their Life Saving and Patrolling Skills. I congratulate all our new awardees that have received their ARTC, Silver Medallion, Spinal Management, Bronze Medallion or SRC. A massive thank you to everyone that have given up a significant amount of personal time to obtain qualifications that will benefit the Club. I would like to make special mention of Darcy Coppin, our Junior Life Saver of the Year and Ainslie Scully, Rookie Life Saver of the Year for Far South Coast Branch. Your dedication to the Surf Life Saving movement and to the Moruya SLSC is very much appreciated. I also congratulate all our award winners from Presentation Night, none more so than our most recent Life Member inductees. The recognition of Lesley Pheeneey, Nerida Johnson, Shaun and Tracey Pike for the contributions they have made to our great club are long overdue.

In my report last year I spoke of the challenges that we faced in generating enough revenue to purchase a new ATV. I am pleased to advise that, with the support of Southern Phones and Surf Life Saving Australia we are now the proud owners of a shiny new ATV. This vehicle will greatly assist our ability to provide the roving patrols that proved to be so successful this season.

Once again, we must reflect on those that we have lost and this year is no different. Not wanting to offend anyone, I pass on my deepest sympathies to all our members that



have been effected by the loss of a loved one throughout this season. I make special mention of Margie Pike who made the best bacon and eggs with lime cordial of a Saturday morning you could wish for. Much closer to my heart was the loss of my beautiful mum Lesley Pheeneey. Her dedication to the Moruya Surf Club can never be question, nor will the support that she provided to dad and myself in all things surf club. I thank her for the life lessons she taught me about selflessness and the true meaning of what volunteering is all about.

The support and friendship of **Dial Before You Dig (DBYD)** has continued and we are extremely grateful for their extremely generous contribution. Thank you to Chris Holley and Dominic Puiu from DBYD for their assistance and representations on our behalf to the DBYD board.

Support and donations have also been received from many businesses and organisations including **Camerons H Hardware, South Head Store, Southern Phone, IMB Foundation, Moruya Chamber of Commerce, Moruya Rotary and Moruya Lions.** The assistance of **Eurobodalla Shire Council** is also acknowledged and appreciated.

We must also remember that our National and State bodies have been responsible for procuring major corporate sponsors that assists all surf clubs.

- **DHL and Telstra** - subsidise our patrol shirts
- **Stramit Building Products and ClubsNSW** have supported Country and State Championships.
- **Surf Life Saving NSW (SLSNSW) & Surf Lifesaving Foundation** once again distributed to Moruya SLSC funds from the Guardians of the Surf raffle.

The position of club Secretary is integral in the successful running of any organization and we have been extremely fortunate this season that the position was filled by Jeff Morgan. Thank you doesn't go anywhere near covering my gratitude for your tireless efforts and you leave extremely large shoes to fill. I look forward to catching up with you from time to time over summer.

I close my report by thanking all our wonderful members for the time and effort supplied this season to ensure that our core business of keeping people safe has once again been upheld to the best of our abilities and by apologizing if I have missed personally thanking anyone in my report.



**Ron Chesher, 70 Year Membership Celebration.  
Heather Chesher, (Inaugural) Distinguished Service Award**



Sunday 30 July 2017 saw a gathering of past and present Moruya Surf Club Members as well as a number of Rotary Club Members, family and friends to join Ron (Mr. Big) Chesher to celebrate his 70 Years Membership of MSLSC.

We were also there to witness the presentation of the Inaugural Distinguished Service Award presented to Heather Chesher for all her years of dedicated work for the Club but, more importantly, her many years of being Ron's backup and support in his Surf Lifesaving work.



MC for the day was, Life Member, Max Hogno. Due to ill health, President Michael Pheeney was not able to be present but he was well represented by Club Captain Jane Coppin who presented Ron with his Award. Heather was presented with her Award by Merle Hogno.

**Congratulations to Ron and Heather Chesher. Here's too many more years association with Moruya Surf Lifesaving Club. Without people like you our wonderful club wouldn't exist.**



## Narooma

## Ben Bate – President

Yet another season has passed us by and each one seems to get bigger and better. On behalf of the entire Narooma Surf Club I would like to start by thanking the Branch Executive for their help throughout the season. To President Tony Rettke and his team including Sue Hunt, Wendy Law, Peter and Michelle Bootes, Andrew Edmunds and the rest involved.

Our club had a successful year highlighted by the following:

- 1) No lives lost on our beach or in our area.
- 2) 200+ nippers registered for the season.
- 3) Completion of all patrols as per our agreement.
- 4) 8 New IRB crew members
- 5) Members gaining qualifications for Patrol Captain, Training Officer and Carnival Officials.
- 6) Outstanding results by our junior members at local carnivals which resulted in 41 branch champions.
- 7) Our boaties competing all over the State and then placing at the Nationals.
- 8) Joe Halsey competing at Nationals again.
- 9) Numerous successes at branch, country and state titles for both senior and junior members.
- 10) Two very well attended presentation evenings.
- 11) DA approval for our new shed
- 12) Glenn Bywater winning FSC Branch Club Person of the Year
- 13) Brendan Constable winning FSC Branch Coach of the Year
- 14) Narooma winning FSC branch carnival of the year

I would like to acknowledge at a branch level our patrol members and thank them for giving their time throughout the season on weekends and public holidays. Our beach remained fatality free again this year and that is ultimately what we are here for to ensure that locals and visitors alike can come to our beautiful part of the coast and enjoy themselves in the comfort of knowing that they are being looked after.



### **Patrol Members:**

Congratulations to our Male Patroller of the Year Sebastian Bachler, Female Patroller of the Year Gillian Kearney and our Junior Patroller of the Year Cyann Vlatkavic.

And a special thank you to our patrol captains and especially our club captain Joe Halsey for all of his effort throughout the season to ensure that patrols ran as well as possible.

Our chief training officers Graeme Sawyer and Wayne Mullavey did the job again for us this year. They have a huge role to play each season ensuring that our patrol members re qualify and that we give the best training possible to our new bronze and SRC members coming through.

### **Nippers:**

This year we had some 200+ nippers... and there is no better sight on our beach than the red, black and white all running, swimming or paddling. Due to the dedication of Brendan and Leanne Constable and their team of supporters we had the largest number of nippers from our club to compete at local carnivals, represent us at Country or State Titles in many years.

Congratulations to all those that won Branch Titles and to all of those who competed and were a part of Narooma winning overall points score for the year for the first time in over 10 years.

Like every club we acknowledge the parents, grandparents, carers, friends or family members that were involved with our nipper movement. It takes a lot to make this work each week with the running of the program and our age managers and water safety people deserve a very special mention because without them it would not be possible.

A huge thank you to both Brendan and Leanne Constable who have done an amazing job in the last five years co-ordinating our nipper program. Yes, they have managed to



collect a small army of helpers along the way but without their drive it would not have occurred. Brendan won the branch coach of the year award this year and on the basis of his work with the nippers alone he was thoroughly deserving.





**Around the club:**

Our Club Person of the year was awarded to Glenn Bywater this year. There could not have been a more deserving winner. Glenn did everything possible around the club and his enthusiasm is infectious. Winning the Club Person of the year at Branch was confirmation of the effort he has displayed for a long time.

Our hardworking committee including Sue Anne, Liane, Leichelle, Macka, Jon, Gilly, Ray, Paul our branch delegate, Graeme & Dobbo did another excellent job this year along with a lot of other people just like in all clubs.

And finally, I want to acknowledge our executive of Glenn Bywater, Belinda Bywater and Fleur Constable. They put in so much effort behind the scenes to enable the administration of our club to continue at a time when the off season seems to be getting shorter and the expectations placed on our and all clubs is becoming greater and greater.

Thank you to everyone at our fabulous club for the opportunity and honour this year to be Club President.

See you again next season.



Ben Bate





## Bermagui

## Bruce McAslan – President

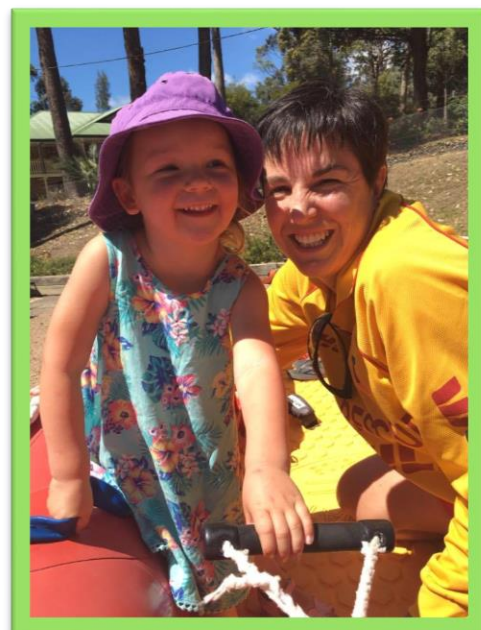
2016-17 has been a very interesting year, to say the least!! We've had some awesome growth in both active membership and engagement. I'd first like to acknowledge and thank our team. All the key committee roles were filled this year and we've had impressive input from a number of other people who have stepped up and helped out.



There are 4 people, in particular, that have gone way above and beyond to make this year a success. Firstly, I'd like to acknowledge Andrew (Lobba) Curven who is our Club Captain and has been instrumental in whipping up excitement within the club, engaging everyone he has come into contact with. Rachel Wallbank is our Registrar and Uniforms Officer but more importantly she is first in line to help with whatever task is required. Neil Rutherford is our

Functions Coordinator/ Licensee as well as filling the Vice President's role. He has worked tirelessly on functions this year and we've had tremendous success. The future is looking very bright on our functions side. Last but certainly not least is our driving force, Cheryl McCarthy. She has brought an energy to our club that is amazing. Her attention to detail and keen business sense has driven the club forward more than any year in recent history. As a result, we have been nominated for "Club of the Year" for NSW. Thank you all for your exemplary work!!

We have had almost 6000 visitors to our beach this year without major incident. Our focus is on visitor engagement so that we can educate and pre-empt incidents if possible.



Key Achievements from last season to this season:

Compliance with Lifesaving Agreement	100%
Conversion of Eligible SRC to Bronze	80%
% of patrollers who attained additional awards	60%
Increase in new Bronze Medallion awards by	60%
Increase in A.R.T. awards by	167%
Increase in qualified IRB drivers on patrol by	600%
Increase in Nippers' Water Safety personnel by	63%
Increase in active Bronze Patrollers by	55%
Increase in Call-out Team members by	67%
Increase in Major Function Hires by	38%

As evidenced by these achievements we have created and nurtured a culture of continuous improvement. We started with a committee brain storming session and agreed that we want the club to be a fun place to be with the emphasis on a family environment. Listening to our members and encouraging input from all, we feel we have created an environment where everyone is welcome to contribute in whatever form possible. While we understand the basic function of the Surf Life Saving movement is the ensure beach and water safety, our view is that there are many more ways to be involved than just patrolling and if anyone wants to help... we'll find a job for them. As a result we have members coming to the club with the "what can I do to help?" attitude.



One of our most significant achievements this year was 100% patrol compliance for the first time in many years. This was due to a number of factors, among them were SLSNSW support through our Lifesaving Service Agreement renegotiations, increased Bronze members coming through our training programs, and our new patrol rostering system. The new rostering is a first-of-its-kind as far we've been able to find out. Patrollers are

given a list of every shift for the season and asked to select their top 15 choices. They are then rostered according to their preferences. Almost 70% of patrollers responded to the initial request for choices and the balance were scheduled to fill in gaps. While it means a bit of an upfront workload for the Club Captain, the results have been outstanding. In addition to meeting our patrol requirements, other benefits to this rostering system include:

- Exposing patrollers to different team mates and a wider variety of skill sets
- Ensuring people have a vested interest in reliably turning up, given they had the opportunity to choose dates
- Flexibility allows people, who have previously been unable to commit at certain times of the year, to participate. For example, those who attend University but return for the summer can fit all their shifts in the 6-week period they're home. Alternatively, those who run businesses that rely on the busy Christmas tourism period can schedule all their shifts in the shoulder periods and be free to focus on their business over the school holidays.
- Less chance of patrollers having to source swaps or replacements which often proves difficult in a club of our small size

### **Junior Activities**

We feel that the future of our club's health starts with our youth. We have been so fortunate to have 2 Nippers parents step up and do a fantastic job with the program. Christina Potts and Rosie Chapman have driven our Nippers program with the assistance of several volunteers. Taking over with no experience at all, they have done a great job. On the carnival front we did not turn out a huge team but the kids that did participate represented us very well. Sophie Potts was awarded Branch Champion in 2 categories. We did roll out our new water trampoline which was a huge success and we feel will be a drawing card to the youth in our area which should increase Nippers numbers and membership in general.

In addition to Nippers we started our Same Wave Bermagui with the help and guidance of Moruya and Pambula clubs. This is a program for people in our community living with a disability. We hope this will help to make the Surf Club a more inclusive environment and highlight that we represent something of value for everyone in the community regardless of physical or intellectual limitations.

“Patrol Buddies” is another new program that was developed over the last season. It is an opportunity for members in Nippers, between the ages of 8 – 12, to come and hang out with patrolling members for the first 2 hours of the shift. During that time, they do a beach walk to inspect for possible hazards, assist with beach set-up and do equipment



checks. The goal is to inspire Nippers to take their SRC as soon as they are old enough and to close the perceived gap between active patrollers and Nippers' families making everyone feel as though they are part of the team.

Other youth activities include Wambiri Youth Development Camp and Youth Opportunity Makers Workshop. We were successful with putting forward members for both of these Leadership Development initiatives.



### **Functions:**

Our beautiful club house is starting to get a reputation as a wonderful place to hold a social function. Weddings and milestone birthday parties have been the primary events hosted in our functions room. With our spectacular ocean view and the observation platform an ideal setting for a wedding ceremony, demand is growing. Neil Rutherford has done an outstanding job promoting our facility and providing guests with top notch bar and catering services. Our goal is to host an average of one major function per month. We hosted 11, up from 8 the previous year and we have several already booked for the up-coming season so we are very close to achieving our goal.

### **Community Engagement:**

As part of our communication strategy we have started a newsletter, *The Sunken Anchor*, which is sent out fortnightly to not only Bermagui SLSC members but also to other stakeholders including community members, event leaders, SLSNSW personnel and all other clubs in FSC Branch. The aim of this publication is to keep stakeholders aware of what's happening in the club as well as an opportunity to engage other community groups and promote their activities. Our mailing list is over 300 and we only have 135 members. Continuing community outreach initiatives such as Friday Night Sippers which includes cricket, pool, table tennis and a BBQ provides a family outing. We hosted Sippers every Friday evening in December and January. Everyone is welcome and you don't need to be a member to attend. Sippers focuses on family and fun and is designed to promote the Surf Club as an open, welcoming and accessible place for everyone in the community as well as visitors to our town. It helps in promoting our venue to visitors as well.







We support other community groups by providing support to their programs and initiatives. We provide water safety to the Bermagui Reboot annual ocean swim as well as the Bermagui Runners Triathlon group. Strong relationships have been formed with other clubs such as the football club and the

cricket club. These relationships provide opportunity to source joint funding for initiatives such as “Same Wave” which complements “Kickability”, a similar program for the football club which runs in the winter (football season).

A new relationship with the local Marine Rescue detachment has been established with the prospect of continued discussion and information sharing so that we can gain an understanding of what each other’s roles, responsibilities and abilities are so we can better serve our community.

### **Training:**

2016-’17 has been a landmark year for training. Part of the goal is to ensure that if members want to be engaged they will be given appropriate training to ensure that they are successful in whatever role they choose. We have focussed on the basics. SRC, Bronze Medallion, ART, Beach Management and Spinal Management but have identified opportunities to recruit and engage through courses such as IRB crew and driver. This year we had the most successful year for training in the history of the club.

16 Bronze Medallion

1 SRC

8 ART

3 Spinal Management

4 SM Beach Management

6 IRB Driver

8 IRB Crew

1 Radio Operator/Provide First Aid

This training has increased our eligible patrollers and water safety personnel immensely. We have been blessed by the contributions of Branch Trainers such as Tony Vella and Peter Bootes. A huge “thank you” to them both. Our own training staff includes the legendary Peter McCabe, William Vaughan-Smith, Warren Marshall and Cheryl McCarthy who did a fantastic job with the able assistance of members Andrew Curven, Vikki Marshall and Rachel Wallbank who provided subject matter expertise. Thanks go to them all. William Vaughan-Smith took the Training Officer Certificate and we have more lined up to take the course next year. Bruce McAslan and Cheryl McCarthy are in the final stages of their training to become Facilitators for the Training Officer Certificate so hopefully we’ll be able to increase Branch capacity for that course soon and take some of the pressure off Peter Bootes.



### **Acknowledgements:**

We have had significant contributions made to our effort this year by every level of the Surf Life Saving movement. We thank our members and volunteers for all the input they have given. At the Branch level, I’d like to thank our Branch President Tony Rettke for his leadership and sage advice. Guidance on so many levels from Sue Hunt must be acknowledged. From a friendly smile and a hug to let us know she is “always there for us” to phone calls and e-mails providing advice to actually joining our patrol team this year. Tony Vella has also done patrols with us as well as training our members. Peter Bootes has helped us out in training our members as well as mentoring our trainers.

Andrew Edmunds has provided guidance and advice all along the way. At the state level I’d like to acknowledge David Murray, John Restuccia, Pip Butt and Sean Hendry. They all have made an impact on our success this year through guidance, advice and supporting our new initiatives. The success of a club is reliant on so many contributions but most important of all is the constant communication at all levels. When a question is asked or a hand needed... there has always been someone there to help. Thanks to you all.





## Tathra

## Scott Meaker – President

Tathra Surf Life Saving Club's 2016-2017 season has again been a great year between the flags. Tathra's club captain Neroli Dickson, patrol Captains, and all the active members have done an amazing job of not just carrying out rescues, but through proactive forethought have also prevented so many more unnecessary rescues, from even occurring between the flags. Congratulations.



TSLSC however has a much wider area to cover outside of the flags, and I want to make special mention of our call out team. There weren't a lot of major rescues this year outside patrol hours, but we always responded quickly and professionally to every incident. The Tathra call out team is a credit to TSLSC and its members and training.

One such major rescue this season, resulted in patrol members helping local abalone divers to retrieve 3 fishermen washed of the rocks.

Unfortunately, one man drowned. This rescue was voted best rescue of the year for our branch. Special mention was made of everyone involved, but none more so than Sharon George who expertly ran the shore team at Kianinny, responding to, and administering everything that could be done to all patients. This rescue is a reminder that rescues are so much more than just pulling people out of the water, and that the people on shore administering CPR and first aid can more often play a bigger part of some rescues. Thank you to everyone involved in this rescue, thank you to our call out team, and thank you to all active members of TSLSC.

TSLSC has wonderful sponsors that make what we do on the beach possible, thanks to our many sponsors.

Along with our sponsors support, we also have our annual events, the moonlight cinemas, and wharf to waves. Both events are extremely well run and patronized. Everybody who runs, volunteers, or participates in these events deserves our clubs gratitude.

Our function room and bar have been in good use this



season, and with Melissa Meaker leading a good volunteer base of barpersons, cleaners etc. there has been substantial earning this year. The function room, annual events, and our sponsors see TSLSC heading into the next season in strong financial stead.

Congratulation's to our major award winners this year; Lifesaver of the year, Ben Potter. Junior lifesaver of the year, Morgan Chappell. Patrolperson of the year, Paul Boillat. Vigilance and service award, Sharon George. Club person of the year, our queen nipper, Maree Boulton. All award recipients were very deserved, and when you next see these guys they should be congratulated and thanked by all for their efforts. Thank you to our awardees this season.

Sharon George led an amazing team of trainers this season. With the ever increasing load of paper work that goes with training, Sharon and team have managed to again train a large number of very good bronze holders as well as one of the biggest crews of surf rescue certificates I've seen. All trained have excelled and fit in very well to patrols. Some even though they only started halfway through the season were in our top ten for highest patrol hours. All trainers and trainees are to be congratulated. Thank you to all.



Nippers this season with Maree Boulton leading the way has grown and is well organized. Maree has a great crew of helpers that are training the future of our club, and from what I've seen the club moving forward looks in great shape. Thank you to all who help out at nippers. Thank you to all the parents who bring their children to participate. Most of all thank you to all you nippers that keep our club young and vibrant and moving in the right direction.



To my committee, a few of which are stepping down, I want to acknowledge and thank you all for the hours given to our club. Hours that otherwise may have been spent with your families or doing other things. Some have done this work for years, simply because you believe in this club. So thank you.



To my wife Melissa, you know that I would be lost in every way without you. I love you and thank you.

Before I sign off on this report I wanted to acknowledge our life members. If you care about our club, go to the function room, look up on the board and learn whom our life members are. Next time you see them in the club or around town thank them for what they have done for our club. If it wasn't for some of them we may not have a club at all. It has been humbling to have more of our life member's back in the club this season.

I love the surf life saving organization, somewhere you can compete, and something you can do as a family, and a place you can volunteer for your community. I don't know anything thing else that has it all.

I love Tathra Surf Life Saving Club, and it has been an honour to have been allowed to be President of such an outstanding group of members that I am honoured to call my friends. Thank you to all.

Scott Meaker  
President



## Pambula

## Steve Hodgson - President

2017 has yet again been another busy year for Pambula Surf Life Saving club.

Again, the nippers and junior part of the club has been led by Andrew Holt and is in a very healthy place.

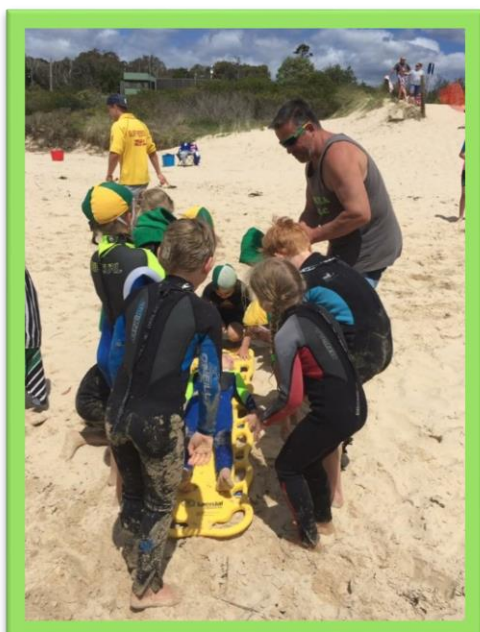
We have received Grants from the Department of primary Industries of \$ 5,000.00 Which the committee purchased 6 Digital radio's along with the third instalment of \$ 5,000.00 of government grants which was spent on rescue equipment. Fundraising which is a very important part of keeping this club ticking over.

We have three major sponsors Merimbula RSL, Merimbula Bowling Club and the Lakeview Hotel Merimbula. Our total income for 2016/2017 from these raffles is \$ 42,216.00 which is fantastic a big thankyou to all the volunteers who help out and give up the time to attend these raffles this form of fundraising is still our major source of income.



The club this year had its first wedding and few other functions we also will be hosting the Rural Fire Service conference in August over two days so the use of the building is starting to take momentum.

This year we have put \$ 47,946.00 back into the club being (new bar stools and chairs, new IRB and motor, surf equipment, electrical upgrade to the building and new hot water Unit).



The Committee is also submitting plans to council to constructed a outdoor BBQ shelter and a shed on the exciting slab on the side of the building which will be used as a storage shed and Gym which will create much needed room in our exciting storage area. We anticipate these new additions will cost around about \$ 50,000.00 and the committee will be applying for Grants to help fund these projects.

This year PSLSC donated \$ 250.00 to Sapphire Coast Arts & Sports youth development Fund. A copy of their quarterly bulletin is available for members to have a read.

A busy year ahead starting with the Club to Pub event, the 2018 George Bass Marathon Nippers and Same Wave program but most importantly patrolling the Beach and keeping the Public safe.



I would like to take the opportunity to thank the committee and all the volunteers

that put in many hours to make Pambula Surf life Saving Club a great club to be involved with. In closing I would like to thank all involved have a safe summer Swim between the Flags.

Yours Faithfully

Stephen Hodgson  
President.







## **SLS NSW – 2015/16 Award Winner**

**Volunteer of the Year**

**Winner: Sue Hunt – Batemans Bay**

## **2016/17 FSC Branch Award Nominees & Winners**

**Junior Lifesaver of the Year**

**The Bruce and Julie Frost Trophy**

Darcy Coppin – Moruya SLSC

Joel Doble – Batemans Bay SLSC

**President's Award for Outstanding Service to the FSC Branch**

Wendy Law – Broulee SLSC



**Carnival of the Year**

Narooma Combined Carnival

Pambula Combined Carnival

**Winner: Narooma Combined Carnival**

### **Team of the Year**

Phoenix Boat Crew – Batemans Bay  
Broulee Vets Surfboat Crew (MALE)  
Moruya Vikings – Open Men  
Narooma Boat Crew

**Winner: Broulee Vets Surfboat Crew (MALE)**



### **Coach of the Year**

Neil Innes – Batemans Bay SLSC  
Garry Pettigrove – Broulee Surfers SLSC  
Andrew Scully – Moruya SLSC  
Brendan Constable – Narooma SLSC

**Winner: Brendan Constable – Narooma SLSC**

### **Club Person of the Year**

Claire Forbes – Broulee Surfers SLSC  
Andy Baker – Moruya SLSC  
Glenn Bywater – Narooma SLSC  
Andrew Curven – Bermagui SLSC  
Maree Boulton – Tathra SLSC

**Winner: Glenn Bywater – Narooma SLSC**

### **Training Officer of the Year**

Kel Pearce – Broulee Surfers SLSC

Bruce McAslan – Bermagui SLSC

Sharon George – Tathra SLSC

**Winner: Bruce McAslan – Bermagui SLSC**

### **“Myril Bunt” Administrator of the Year**

Wendy Law – Broulee Surfers SLSC

Jeff Morgan – Moruya SLSC

Cheryl McCarthy – Bermagui SLSC

**Winner: Wendy Law – Broulee Surfers SLSC**

### **Young Branch Person of the Year**

#### **The Fergus Thomson Trophy**

**William Vaughan Smith – Bermagui SLSC**



## “Rookie” Life Saver of the Year (15-19 years)

Sam Sharkey – Batemans Bay SLSC

Nick Goddard – Broulee SLSC

Ainslie Scully – Moruya SLSC

Eric Hills – Bermagui SLSC

Connor Leayr – Pambula SLSC

**Winner: Ainslie Scully - Moruya SLSC**



### **Lifesaver of the Year**

Nick Huggins – Batemans Bay SLSC  
Darren Browning – Broulee Surfers SLSC  
Andrew Scully – Moruya SLSC  
Andrew Curven – Bermagui SLSC

**Winner: Darren Browning – Broulee Surfers SLSC**

### **Branch Person of the Year**

Wendy Law – Broulee Surfers SLSC  
Tony Rettke – Tathra SLSC

**Winner: Wendy Law – Broulee Surfers SLSC**









**2016/17 Surfs Sports Awards**  
**The “Jack Beale” Trophy**  
Broulee Surfers SLSC



**Official of the Year**

Wendy Law – Broulee Surfers SLSC

**Male Competitor of the Year (pointscore)**

Peter McKay – Broulee Surfers SLSC

**Female Competitor of the Year (pointscore)**

Simone Elliott – Broulee Surfers SLSC

**Branch Competitor of the Year**

Darren Browning – Broulee SLSC

**Special Award for Consistency & Effort**

Peter McKay – Broulee SLSC

**Carnival Competitors of the Year**

Broulee – Scott Senior - Broulee Surfers SLSC  
Narooma – Peter McKay – Broulee Surfers SLSC  
Pambula – Rhys Davies – Batemans Bay SLSC

## 2016/17 FSC Branch Junior Champions

### EVENTS

U12 Male Board Riding	Harry Barrington BROULEE
U12 Female Board Riding	Eliza Marks PAMBULA
U14 Male Board Riding	Tullen Ford TATHRA
U14 Female Board Riding	Luella Boulton TATHRA
U/8 Male Wade	Ethan Bromwich NAROOMA
U/8 Female Wade	Sierra Cowley NAROOMA
U/8 Male Wade Relay	NAROOMA
U/8 Female Wade Relay	NAROOMA
U/9 Boys Wade	Charlie Samsa BROULEE
U/9 Female Wade	Sophie Potts BERMAGUI
U/9 Wade Relay	BROULEE - NAROOMA - TIED
U/9 Surf Teams	NAROOMA
U/10 Surf Teams	NAROOMA
U/11 Surf Teams	BROULEE
U/12 Surf Teams	PAMBULA
U/13 Surf Teams	BROULEE - TATHRA - TIED
U/14 Surf Teams	TATHRA
U/9 Male Surf	Sam Blake BATEMANS BAY
U/9 Female Surf	Rogue Constable NAROOMA
U/10 Male Surf	Darcy Woodley TATHRA
U/10 Female Surf	Emily Walker PAMBULA
U/11 Male Surf	Nathan Price BROULEE
U/11 Female Surf	Tarren Elliott BROULEE
U/12 Male Surf	Jackson Blake BATEMANS BAY
U/12 Female Surf	Keira Lenahan BROULEE
U/13 Male Surf	Aiden Miles NAROOMA
U/13 Female Surf	Kirra Dale BROULEE
U/14 Male Surf	Angus Knight BATEMANS BAY
U/14 Female Surf	Luella Boulton TATHRA
U/9 Male Board	Sam Blake BATEMANS BAY
U/9 Female Board	Rogue Constable NAROOMA
U/10 Male Board	Darcy Woodley TATHRA
U/10 Female Board	Emily Walker PAMBULA
U/11 Male Board	Jorge Constable NAROOMA
U/11 Female Board	Halle Constable NAROOMA
U/12 Male Board	Jackson Blake BATEMANS BAY
U/12 Female Board	Keira Lenahan BROULEE
U/13 Male Board	Angus Patmore NAROOMA
U/13 Female Board	Kirra Dale BROULEE
U/14 Male Board	Christian Filmer BROULEE

U/14 Female Board	Luella Boulton TATHRA
U8/9/10 Buchanan Relay	BROULEE
U11/U12 Cameron Relay	TATHRA
U13/U14 Cameron Relay	NAROOMA
U9/U10 Board Rescue	BROULEE
U/11/U12 Board Rescue	NAROOMA
U/13/U14 Board Rescue	NAROOMA
U/9/U10 Board Relay	NAROOMA
U11/U12 Board Relay	PAMBULA
U13/U14 Board Relay	BROULEE
U/11 Ironman	Hugh Campbell-Jones PAMBULA
U/11 Diamond Lady	Tarren Elliott BROULEE
U/12 Ironman	Jackson Blake BATEMANS BAY
U/12 Diamond Lady	Keira Lenehan BROULEE
U/13 Ironman	Aiden Miles NAROOMA
U/13 Diamond Lady	Kirra Dale BROULEE
U/14 Ironman	Christian Filmer BROULEE
U/14 Diamond Lady	Luella Boulton TATHRA
U/8 Male Sprint	Cosmo O'Leary TATHRA
U/8 Female Sprint	Emily Spooner NAROOMA
U/8 Beach Relay	NAROOMA
U/9 Male Sprint	Daniel Betts NAROOMA
U/9 Female Sprint	Sophie Potts BERMAGUI
U/9 Beach Relay	NAROOMA
U/10 Male Sprint	Darcy Woodley TATHRA
U/10 Female Sprint	Mystery Bennett NAROOMA
U/10 Beach Relay	NAROOMA
U/11 Male Sprint	Archer Whitby PAMBULA
U/11 Female Sprint	Eliza Gray NAROOMA
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U/12 Female Sprint	Kailey Jorgensen NAROOMA
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U/13 Female Sprint	Elli Beecham NAROOMA
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U/14 Male Sprint	Geordie Kemp BATEMANS BAY
U14 Female Sprint	Luella Boulton TATHRA
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U/10 Female Flags	Mystery Bennett NAROOMA

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U/13 Male Flags  
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U/14 Male Flags  
U/14 Female Flags  
**All Age Relay**  
**March Past**

Flynn Whitby PAMBULA  
Halle Constable NAROOMA  
Patrick Broe PAMBULA  
Kailey Jorgensen NAROOMA  
Rhys Flood BROULEE  
Elli Beecham NAROOMA  
Geordie Kemp BATEMANS BAY  
Luella Boulton TATHRA  
**NAROOMA**  
**MORUYA**

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## 2016/17 FSC Branch Senior Champions

### EVENTS

Open Male Boat	NAROOMA
Open Female Boat	BROULEE
Taplin Relay	BATEMANS BAY
U15 Male Tube Race	Lachlan Blake BBAY
U17 Male Tube Race	Scott Senior BROULEE
U15 Female Tube Race	Jessie Campbell-Jones PAMBULA
U17 Female Tube Race	Hannah Walker PAMBULA
O30 Male Tube Race	Rod Patmore NAR
O40 Male Tube Race	Scott Elliott BROULEE
O50 Male Tube Race	Andy Baker MORUYA
O40 Female Tube Race	Simone Elliott BROULEE
Lifesaver Relay	NAROOMA
U15 Board Relay	BATEMANS BAY
U17 Board Relay	BROULEE
Open Board Relay	NAROOMA
U15 Board Rescue	BATEMANS BAY
U17 Board Rescue	BROULEE
Open Board Rescue	BROULEE
Male Double Ski	BROULEE A
Mixed Double ski	BROULEE A
Open Male Ski	Joe Halsey NAROOMA
Open Female ski	Beth Knox PAMBULA
U17 Male Ski	Craig Senior BROULEE
U19 Male Ski	Aaron Flood BROULEE
U19 Female Ski	Ainslie Scully MORUYA
O/40 Male Ski	Scott Elliott BROULEE
O40 Female Ski	Simone Elliott BROULEE
O/50 Male Ski	Darren Browning BROU
U15 Male Swim	Lachlan Blake BBAY
U15 Female Swim	Jessie Campbell-Jones PAMBULA
U17 Male Swim	Alec Radford BROULEE
U17 Female Swim	Hannah Walker PAMB
Open Male Swim	Joe Halsey NAROOMA
O40 Male Swim	Scott Elliott BROULEE
O50 Male Swim	Pete McKay BROULEE
Open Female Swim	Beth Knox PAMBULA
U19 Female Swim	Ainslie Scully MORUYA
O40 Female Swim	Simone Elliott BROULEE
U15 Male Board	Lachlan Blake BBAY
U15 Female Board	Tilly Lee BROULEE
U17 Male Board	Alec Radford BROULEE
U17 Female Board	Hannah Walker PAMBULA
U19 Male Board	Aaron Flood BROULEE
U19 Female Board	Ainslie Scully MORUYA
Open Male Board	Joe Halsey NAROOMA
Open Female Board	Jessie Campbell-Jones PAMBULA
O30 Male Board	Nigel Constable NAROOMA
O40 Male Board	Scott Elliott BROULEE
O40 Female Board	Simone Elliott BROULEE

O50 Male Board  
U15 Iron person  
U15 Diamond Lady  
U17 Iron person  
U17 Diamond Lady  
Open Diamond Lady

Darren Browning BROU  
Lachlan Blake BBAY  
Tilly Lee BROULEE  
Alec Radford BROULEE  
Hannah Walker PAMBULA  
Ainslie Scully MORUYA

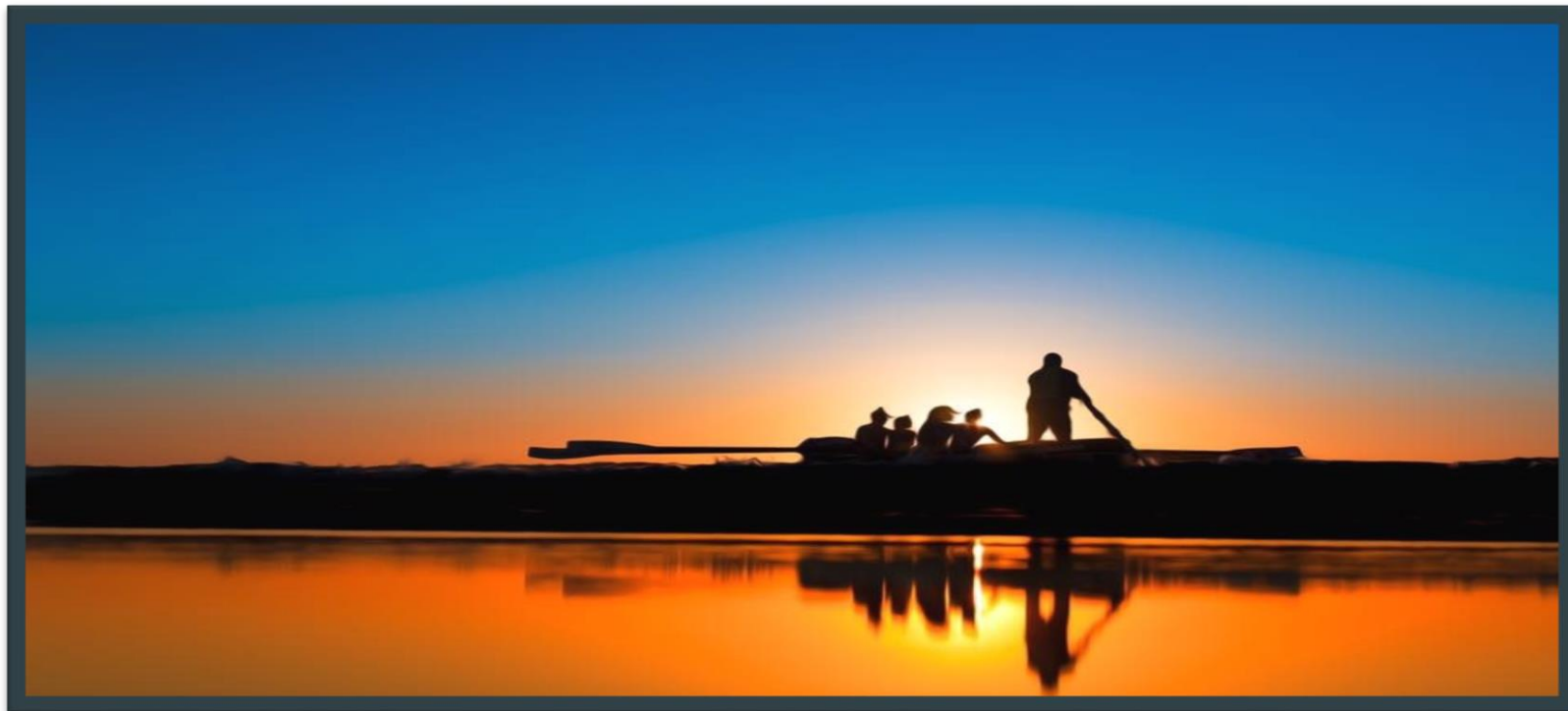


## FSC Branch Competition Results

### SLS NSW Country Championships – South West Rocks

Beach Flags	Under 09 Male	1	Sam	Blake	Batemans Bay SLSC	-
Beach Flags	Under 14 Male	1	Geordie	Kemp	Batemans Bay SLSC	-
Surf Race	Under 09 Male	1	Sam	Blake	Batemans Bay SLSC	-
Surf Race	Under 12 Male	1	Jackson	Blake	Batemans Bay SLSC	-
Surf Boat	Under 19 Female	1	Violetta	Favaloro	Broulee Surfers SLSC	Team A
Surf Boat	Under 19 Female	1	Allana	O'Fee	Broulee Surfers SLSC	Team A
2km Beach Run	Open Male	1	Joseph	Halsey	Narooma SLSC	-
Beach Sprint	Open Male	1	Joseph	Halsey	Narooma SLSC	-
Surf Boat	120 yrs min. Female	2	Taryn	Carver	Broulee Surfers SLSC	Team A
Surf Boat	120 yrs min. Female	2	Michelle	Cottington	Broulee Surfers SLSC	Team A
Surf Boat	120 yrs min. Female	2	Kirsty	Luff	Broulee Surfers SLSC	Team A
Surf Boat	120 yrs min. Female	2	Sabrina	Mallard	Broulee Surfers SLSC	Team A
Surf Boat	120 yrs min. Female	2	Robert	Pollock	Broulee Surfers SLSC	Team A
Surf Boat	Open Female	2	Taryn	Carver	Broulee Surfers SLSC	Team A
Surf Boat	Open Female	2	Michelle	Cottington	Broulee Surfers SLSC	Team A
Surf Boat	Open Female	2	Violetta	Favaloro	Broulee Surfers SLSC	Team A
Surf Boat	Open Female	2	Kirsty	Luff	Broulee Surfers SLSC	Team A
Surf Boat	Open Female	2	Robert	Pollock	Broulee Surfers SLSC	Team A
Beach Flags	Under 11 Male	2	Hugh	Campbell-Jones	Pambula SLSC	-
Beach Sprint	Under 12 Male	2	Patrick	Broe	Pambula SLSC	-
Surf Board Riding	Under 14 Female	2	Luella	Boulton	Tathra SLSC	-
Beach Flags	Under 12 Male	3	Jackson	Blake	Batemans Bay SLSC	-
Surf Race	Under 13 Female	3	Kirra	Dale	Broulee Surfers SLSC	-
Beach Flags	Under 13 Female	3	Elli	Beecham	Narooma SLSC	-

Beach Sprint	Under 13 Female	3	Elli	Beecham	Narooma SLSC	-
Rescue Tube Race	Under 15 Male	4	Lachlan	Blake	Batemans Bay SLSC	-
Surf Race	Under 15 Male	4	Lachlan	Blake	Batemans Bay SLSC	-
Surf Race	Under 10 Female	4	Makynli	Dale	Broulee Surfers SLSC	-
Single Ski	Open Male	4	Joseph	Halsey	Narooma SLSC	-
Iron Man	Under 12 Male	5	Jackson	Blake	Batemans Bay SLSC	-
Surf Race	40-49 yrs Female	5	Simone	Elliott	Broulee Surfers SLSC	-
Beach Sprint	Under 13 Female	6	Kirra	Dale	Broulee Surfers SLSC	-
Board Race	40-49 yrs Female	6	Simone	Elliott	Broulee Surfers SLSC	-
Surf Race	Under 09 Female	6	Rogue	Constable	Narooma SLSC	-





## SLS NSW State Championships – Swansea Belmont

Beach Flags	U/14 Male	1	Geordie	Kemp	Batemans Bay SLSC	
Beach Sprint	U/14 Male	3	Geordie	Kemp	Batemans Bay SLSC	
Beach Sprint	U/11 Male	5	Archer	Whitby	Pambula SLSC	
Surf Boat	160 yrs Female	1	Frances	Campbell	Batemans Bay SLSC	Phoenix
Surf Boat	160 yrs Female	1	Megan	Douros	Batemans Bay SLSC	Phoenix
Surf Boat	160 yrs Female	1	Tracy	Innes	Batemans Bay SLSC	Phoenix
Surf Boat	160 yrs Female	1	Barb	Van Luin	Batemans Bay SLSC	Phoenix
Surf Boat	160 yrs Female	1	Neil	Innes	Batemans Bay SLSC	Phoenix
Surf Boat	140 yrs Male	2	Nigel	Constable	Narooma SLSC	Team A
Surf Boat	140 yrs Male	2	Jae	Constable	Narooma SLSC	Team A
Surf Boat	140 yrs Male	2	Michael	Manning	Narooma SLSC	Team A
Surf Boat	140 yrs Male	2	Rod	Patmore	Narooma SLSC	Team A
Surf Boat	140 yrs Male	2	Brendan	Constable	Narooma SLSC	Team A
Beach Flags	50-54 Male	4	Darren	Browning	Broulee Surfers SLSC	-
2km Sprint	Open Male	2	Joseph	Halsey	Narooma SLSC	-
Surf Boat	U/19 Female	2	Isabella	Bussa	Broulee Surfers SLSC	SY Guns
Surf Boat	U/19 Female	2	Topaz	Eaton	Broulee Surfers SLSC	SY Guns
Surf Boat	U/19 Female	2	Violetta	Favaloro	Broulee Surfers SLSC	SY Guns
Surf Boat	U/19 Female	2	Paris	Hadley	Broulee Surfers SLSC	SY Guns
Surf Boat	U/19 Female	2	Allana	O'Fee	Broulee Surfers SLSC	SY Guns
Surf Boat	U/19 Female	2	Robert	Pollock	Broulee Surfers SLSC	SY Guns
Surf Boat	Open Male	3	Neil	Innes	Batemans Bay SLSC	Team A
Surf Boat	Open Male	3	Wayne	Coppin	Batemans Bay SLSC	Team A
Surf Boat	Open Male	3	Corey	Jackson	Batemans Bay SLSC	Team A
Surf Boat	Open Male	3	Aaron	Jackson	Batemans Bay SLSC	Team A
Surf Boat	Open Male	3	Brian	Stephenson	Batemans Bay SLSC	Team A

## SLSA Aussies 2017 – Kirra (Coolongatta, North Kirra. Tugun)

Malibu Long Board	50+	4	Darren	Browning	Broulee Surfers SLSC	
Beach Flags	50-54 Male	3	Darren	Browning	Broulee Surfers SLSC	
Surf Boat	160 yrs Female	3	Frances	Campbell	Batemans Bay SLSC	Phoenix
Surf Boat	160 yrs Female	3	Megan	Douros	Batemans Bay SLSC	Phoenix
Surf Boat	160 yrs Female	3	Barbara	Van Luin	Batemans Bay SLSC	Phoenix
Surf Boat	160 yrs Female	3	Tracy	Innes	Batemans Bay SLSC	Phoenix
Surf Boat	160 yrs Female	3	Neil	Innes	Batemans Bay SLSC	Phoenix
Surf Boat	140 yrs Male	2	Nigel	Constable	Narooma SLSC	Team A
Surf Boat	140 yrs Male	2	Jae	Constable	Narooma SLSC	Team A
Surf Boat	140 yrs Male	2	Michael	Manning	Narooma SLSC	Team A
Surf Boat	140 yrs Male	2	Rod	Patmore	Narooma SLSC	Team A
Surf Boat	140 yrs Male	2	Brendan	Constable	Narooma SLSC	Team A
Surf Boat	120 yrs Female	5	Robyn	Trenton	Broulee Surfers SLSC	Capitals
Surf Boat	120 yrs Female	5	Claire	Forbes	Broulee Surfers SLSC	Capitals
Surf Boat	120 yrs Female	5	Vicki	Fischer	Broulee Surfers SLSC	Capitals
Surf Boat	120 yrs Female	5	Teresa	Comacchio	Broulee Surfers SLSC	Capitals
Surf Boat	120 yrs Female	5	Garry	Pettigrove	Broulee Surfers SLSC	Capitals
2km Beach Run	Open Male	4	Joe	Halsey	Narooma SLSC	

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