

# FSC Branch SLS

## Season 2015/16

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64th Annual Report &  
Financial Statement



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Notice is hereby given that the 64th 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 21st August 2016

## Agenda

- 1 Welcome
- 2 One minute silence for deceased members
- 3 Apologies & Proxies
- 4 Minutes of the 63rd Annual General meeting
- 5 Business arising from the minutes of the 63rd Annual minutes & report
- 6 Presentation and adoption of the 64th Annual Report
- 7 Notice of motions  
**“That affiliation be sought for the 2016/17 season with Surf Life Saving New South Wales and further, 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, be accepted without reservations”**
- 8 Election of Office Bearers for season 2016/17
- 9 General Business

Sue Hunt

Director of Administration

## 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 Parbery
GC Chewing*	DF Pheeny*
Frank Davey	P Robinson*
NA Dixon*	Paul Smith*
PV Dwyer*	Fergus Thomson OAM*
JA Eadie*	Paul White
Bruce Frost	Max Young
Julie Frost	Steve Dobson

Anthony Rettke

### 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 Pheeny\*  
Fergus Thomson OAM\*

### Surf Life Saving Australia

Ron Chesher OAM  
NA Dixon\*

\*Denotes deceased members



## Patrons

Andrew Constance—State Member for Bega  
Dr Peter Hendy—Federal Member for Eden Monaro  
Ann Sudmalis—Federal Member for Gilmore

## Vice Patrons

Mayor Lindsay Brown—Eurobodalla Shire Council  
Mayor Michael Britten—Bega Valley Shire Council

## Presidents of Affiliated Clubs

Batemans Bay:	Kristen Moore
Broulee Surfers	Allan Veness
Moruya	Michael Pheeneey
Narooma	Ben Bate
Bermagui	Rob Shaw (Vice President)
Tathra	Scott Meaker
Pambula	Steve Hodgson



## 2015/16 Executive

President	Tony Rettke
Deputy Presidents	Allan Veness
Director of Administration	Sue Hunt
Director of Finance	Wendy Law
Director of Education	Michele Bootes
Director of Lifesaving	Andrew Edmunds
Assistant Director of Lifesaving	Samantha Law
Director of Member Services	Sue Hunt
Director of Surf Sports	Melissa Meaker
Assistant Director of Surf Sports	Wendy Law
Director of Communications	Jim McGrath
Youth Development	Frank Davey
Powercraft Captain	Kiaran Harris
Assistant Powercraft Captain	Max Harris











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## President—Tony Rettke

Well if our Branch AGM last year was going to be an indicator for the lifesaving season ahead, we were looking forward to a strong and positive time for all. We saw all of our positions filled through written nominations right there on the day with a strong and dedicated committee, largely re-elected with the only changes being in Education and Powercraft.

Our team for the 2015/2016 season were:

Deputy President – Allan Veness

Administration - Sue Hunt

Finance - Wendy Law

Education - Michelle Bootes

Lifesaving - Andrew Edmunds

Assistant DoLS– Samantha Law

Member Services - Sue Hunt

Surf Sports – Melissa Meaker

Assistant DoSS – Wendy Law

Powercraft - Kiaran Harris

Assistant Powercraft – Max Harris

Communication - Jim McGrath

Junior Activities - Frank Davey

Always great to see our politicians showing support also, with the attendance of Dr Peter Hendy, Andrew Constance and Lindsay Brown.

I'm pleased to say that all of our clubs fulfilled their patrol agreements with consistent numbers on the beach each day, and keeping it safe. Club numbers are still solid and looking forward to growth in some of our smaller clubs.

Our biggest event for the season was our biennial marathon surf boat race, the "**George Bass Marathon**". Thanks to a dedicated committee who work tirelessly for over 6 months to make this happen in such a short preparation time. No major sponsor for this one. But thanks to the Bruce & Angela Annabel, with a passion for the event through the late Curly Annabel, made a substantial cash injection to help make the event happen.

Good competitor numbers in both the boats and skis pushed through shocking weather in the early stages, with great weather finish to the event. Andrew Edmunds that lead the small group with Sue Hunt, as always, getting the paperwork done, and a super job from Andrew Holt in working with Maritime to get the Waterways licensing completed. Others that waded in to get the 2016 running were Melisa Clarke, Kiaran Harris, Kerry Parbery, Kerry McKee, David Butt and Pam Hughes, thank you all for your commitment.



Our surf lifesaving year following on from here was a strong and positive season for all seven Clubs which I'm sure you will find as reported in their respective club reports. Some highlights and events that I saw unfold for us this season were.

**Batemans Bay club house opening:**

This year we saw the opening of the reborn Batemans Bay Surf Club clubhouse, such a beautiful and practical facility! It's been a team effort from so many that spans across several committees to finally get there. It was great to have NSW president Tony Haven & wife Thecla attend and also Andrew & Jen Constance. Congratulations to the Bay president Kristy, and her hardworking team.

**Jindabyne Junior Carnival:**

There were many successful carnivals within the Branch this season, thanks to the hard work from DoSS Melissa Meaker and her assistant Wendy Law. Congratulations goes to the whole Jindabyne crew for turning on such a great weekend for our Far South Coast Junior Lifesavers. The trouble they made to make this work, part of which included the carrying and spreading of large quantities of sand, was a credit to their commitment to our Branch. A special thanks you to Duane Burke & Steve Hansen from Jindy, and the Tathra contingent for assisting.

**Junior Lifesavers of the Year:**

All of our young nominees were outstanding! Unfortunately, we can only choose two.

Our female winner is Annabelle Smith – Broulee Surfers SLSC

Our male winner is Jake Shaw - Pambula SLSC

Congratulations to you both, such a great effort.

Sean Henry from SLSNSW is our new quality clubs officer. Sean is a member of the Broulee club and is very educated in all aspects of surf lifesaving. Congratulations on your position and we look forward to working with you.

One of our weekends in March, I saw as the biggest single weekend for the Branch this season with the mix of member participation.

**Wambiri:** A great number of participants and helpers, great weather, and again the perfect venue. This is key member development camp for the FSC Branch. Every season, all clubs from the Branch send their under 14 nippers to Tathra where vital training takes place and the competencies for the Surf Rescue Certificate are practiced.



Wambiri, is a great transition from the junior movement to the senior patrolling. As a development camp it offers so much more than just lifesaving skills. Members learn vital leadership skills and form very strong bonds and friendships with members their age from other clubs, a whole lot of fun! Thanks goes to Frank Davey, Sue Hunt and many assistants.

**15-17s SMAR course:** So good to see this age group flourishing in our Branch. Again thanks to Sue Hunt and her band of assistants, Tony Vella, Jack Pritchard, Max Harris and Beth Knox who deserve a special mention.

**Same Wave (special nippers):** Our Same Wave people from the Pambula SLSC and Moruya SLSC gathered at Pambula Beach. Around 60 clubbies joined up for the best experience and fun that anyone could have. This educational program, provides local people with disabilities with an opportunity to enjoy the beach, have fun and learn some surf safety skills. Every lifesaver in the Branch should make the time to come along and experience at least one of these sessions. It is just so uplifting, when being surrounded by so many inspirational people. To Pete and Michelle Bootes (Pambula) and Mike and Liz Hallahan (Moruya), you are very special people.

**FSC Branch Presentation night:**

A big thank you to all the clubbies representing all 7 clubs and making it a great night for all. To the Bermi club and especially Bruce & Cheryl and their team who went to great lengths to transform their clubhouse for that special night. Congratulations to all the incredible nominees from across the Branch and specially the very deserving winners.

**They were:**

Highly Commended Junior Lifesaver Ryley Spoelder-Hanlon – Moruya  
Kallan Lavender – Pambula

Rescue of The Year Pambula

**Dave Pheaney Patrol Efficiency Award:** Club of The Year Broulee SLSC

President’s Award for Outstanding Service to the Branch Andrew Edmunds – Broulee

Carnival of the Year Jindabyne Junior Carnival

Team of the Year Narooma Boat Crew – Narooma

Coach of the Year Neil Innes – Batemans Bay

Training Officer of the Year Mick Lambert – Broulee

**The Myril Bunt Award:** Administrator of the Year Wendy Law – Broulee

Club Person of the Year Cheryl McCarthy – Bermagui

Young Lifesaver of the Year (U19) Ryley Spoelder-Hanlon - Moruya

**Fergus Thomson Award** Young Branch Person of the Year Joe Halsey –Narooma

Lifesaver of the Year Will Vaughan-Smith – Bermagui

Branch Person of the Year Sue Hunt – Batemans Bay

Our people up front on the night, Tony McCabe and Kerry Parbery, yet again did an outstanding job with Sue Hunt to pull the night together.





Sadly, we have lost several great people this past season from our movement.

- ◇ Dave Elliot was both Tathra's, and our Branch Club Person of the Year 2014/15. Both Dave and wife Fran have been such a major part of everything behind the scenes at Tathra camp for many years.
- ◇ We have also lost a great Wambiri stalwart this past year, Jamie Woods has been the long term camp cook and one of the original organisers of this junior leadership weekend.
- ◇ Al Armstrong; Al was one of the founding members of the George Bass Marathon, and has made huge contributions to the event over his life time.

#### **Life Memberships:**

**Steve (Dobbo) Dobson** was very deservedly given life membership to the FSC Branch. Dobbo has play major roles in the Branch across many seasons including Narooma Club President, instructor, patroller, IRB, Wambiri leader, carnival referee, GBM referee and much much more. Congratulations Dobbo.

**Myself;** I must say that it was a very well-kept secret. It wasn't till I thought back about a few things that I wasn't sure about at the time. Without a doubt, what makes any role in lifesaving a pleasure is the people around you. I have many friends in the movement but special thanks must go to all those in the Branch team and the Branch Directors for giving so much to our Branch and your Clubs. I would also like to thank my good friend Mike Hallahan for the nomination and also for giving so much to our movement. A special thank you Sue in admin, her passion for lifesaving has made my role very easy.



I sincerely thank all of the Branch Directors and all of our 7 Clubs, particularly their President's for the work and dedication you have given to make this past season work. Many thanks too to SLS NSW, it's volunteers and staff for your support making lifesaving on the FSC easier.

Finally, to my wife Judy, for the support and understanding that is required for me to enjoy this role.



## Director of Lifesaving—Andrew Edmunds

Well another season has wrapped up, with a fantastic record on our beaches. We can proudly reflect on no lives being lost in the Surf during patrol hours. This is a tremendous achievement and testament to everyone's efforts throughout the season.

Unfortunately there were two fatalities in our region this summer.

- 30 August 2015, Dark Beach Durras, 50 yo male rockfishing drowning
- 2 January 2016, Tomakin, 62 year old male drowned while snorkelling.

While two drownings are tragic our members can be proud of their efforts performing 157 rescues.

I'd like to thank and recognise Surf Life Saving NSW and the NSW government for their ongoing support delivering \$23,563.80 worth of equipment to local clubs and support operations. This funding is always appreciated and goes a long way to helping us keep the beaches safe.

I'd also like to thank Darren Browning for his efforts in running the Broulee RWC service and Don Hay in running the Pambula RWC service. Thank you to Samantha Law who again worked as our Assistant Branch Director of Lifesaving. Sam does a great job and is a role model to our young members.

Duty Officers Ken Bellette, Anthony Bellete, Don Hay along with new Duty Officers Ben Bate, Andrew Holt, Harley Dengate and Josh Crouch continued to do a fantastic job, thank you for your contributions.

It was fantastic to see Pambula SLSC being awarded Rescue of the Year. Surf lifesavers, two nurses and an off-duty doctor all rushed to help a man brought ashore at Pambula Beach, who was not breathing. The incident occurred on Saturday, January 9 at about 12.30pm. The Victorian man, aged 52, had been surfing about 400 metres north of the Pambula Surf Life Saving Club patrol area, close to the end of the caravan park at Pambula Beach when he disappeared from sight. Fortunately his sister had been watching him and went into the water when she could no longer see him. The man was brought ashore just at the same time that the surf lifesavers were running the 4WD along the beach. The man was not conscious and was not breathing. Patrol captain Frank Davey had just organised for the 4WD to go along the beach and outside of the normal patrol area when the man's sister was pulling him out of the surf. Lifesavers Dave Prowse, Hayley Ashcroft and Nick Tondering were the first respondents, and were backed up by Marcia Vitouchova, patrol captain Frank Davey and Karen Griffiths. The lifesavers commenced CPR and were assisted by two nurses from Melbourne who were on the beach at the time and work in ICU. They defibrillated the man who then started breathing. The Snowy Hydro SouthCare helicopter had been tasked to the beach but was not required and the man was taken to Bega hospital.

### **Patrol Efficiency Award (Club of the Year)**

Highly commended - Pambula and Narooma

Winner: Broulee

Broulee has been recognised for performing 110 rescues throughout the year, 38 first AIDS and 386 preventions, a number of them serious. They were involved in treating 12 year old female who lost consciousness, treating a 62 year old male also in and out of consciousness and also the unsuccessful CPR of a snorkeller at Tomakin.

On a development point of view it was fantastic to see Cheryl and Bruce from Bermagui represent the branch at the SLSNSW development program Beyond My Club.

## PATROL STATISTICS

Club	Rescues	Attendance	First Aids	Preventative Actions
Batemans Bay	6	9683	0	368
Broulee Surfers	110	26746	38	368
Moruya	21	2931	1	52
Narooma	13	6334	23	103
Bermagui	0	6984	6	2
Tathra	0	13408	20	1
Pambula	6	14762	11	243
Branch Total (including RWC & DO)	157	80848	100	1137

## SURF EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEM YEARLY TOTAL

2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	Total
1	10	16	28	58	32	26	35	25	231

## SURF EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEM MONTHLY BREAKDOWN

Month	2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	Total
July				1	1	2	2	2		8
August									2	2
September				2	1	2	1	3	2	11
October			2		1	1	2	2	2	10
November		1		1	2	1	1	2	2	10
December		1	3	4	17	3	4	6	1	39
January		4	2	9	15	8	7	11	9	65
February		1	1	5	9	4	1	3	3	27
March		2	2	1	2	6		1	2	16
April	1	1	2	3	7	2	7	4	1	28
May			3	2	2			1	1	9
June			1		1	3	1			6
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>231</b>

SURF EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEM 2015-2016 ACTIVITY BREAKDOWN

Job Type	2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	Grand Total
Boating		2	6	13	17	9	11	8	5	71
Diving/Snorkelling		1	1						1	3
Flood assistance					1				1	2
Missing Person - Land						1			2	3
Other			1		2	5		1	1	10
Other - aerial based observation									2	2
Other - land based observation					2			2	1	5
Other - Light aircraft crash				1				1		2
Other - Parachute/parasail					1		1			2
Rock/Cliff related		1	2	2	3	1	1	1	1	12
Rock Fishing		1	1		1	1			1	5
Suicide/Self Harm				1		1				2
SurfCraft (non powered)					2					2
Surfcraft (non-powered) - Kayak		1		3	4	1		2		11
Surfcraft (non-powered) - SUP									1	1
Surfcraft (non-powered) - Surfing			1		2	2	1	3	1	10
Surfcraft (non-powered) - Windsurfer					2	3		4		9
Swimming	1	4	4	8	21	8	12	13	9	80
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>232</b>

### SURF EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEM 2015-2016 INCIDENT TYPE BREAKDOWN

Job Type	2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	Grand Total
Person/s in distress (in water)	1	10	12	18	46	23	19	26	13	168
Vessel in distress			1	5	3	1	4	1	3	18
Person/s injured/stranded/missing on land			1	2	3	3	2	3	4	18
Vessel broken down/ damaged			1	2	3	1		1		8
Unknown object in water			1	1		3			1	6
Shark sighting					2			1	3	6
Drowning/death						1		1	1	3
Shark attack							1	1		2
Other					1					1
Other animal incident								1		1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>231</b>

### SURF EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEM 2015-2016 LOCATION BREAKDOWN

Unpatrolled Location	Patrolled Location – Outside of Patrol Hours	Patrolled Location – Inside Patrol Hours	Grand Total
22	3	0	25

### COASTAL DROWNING YEARLY TOTAL

2004-2005	2005—2006	2006-2007	2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	Total
0	0	4	3	4	2	3	8	0	2	0	2	28

Club	Breach Date	Lifesaving Standards Report	Reply Received	Breach Details	Breach
Bermagui	5/12/2015	9/12/2015	10/12/2015	Patrol no show (10am to	Yes
Narooma	5/12/2015	9/12/2015		Insufficient patrolling	Yes
Narooma	25/12/2015	11/01/2016	12/01/2016	Insufficient patrolling	Yes
Tathra	25/12/2015	11/01/2016	12/01/2016	Patrol no show (1pm to	Yes
Bermagui	28/12/2015	11/01/2016	12/01/2016	Insufficient patrolling	Yes
Narooma	3/01/2016	11/01/2016		No operational IRB	Yes
Bermagui	24/01/2016	1/02/2016	1/02/2016	Insufficient patrolling	Yes
Bermagui	28/03/2016	31/03/2016	31/03/2016	Insufficient patrolling	Yes
Pambula	10/04/2016	14/04/2016	15/04/2016	Insufficient patrolling members (10am to 2pm) + no operational IRB 10am to 2pm	No



## Director of Education—Michele Bootes

Last season got off to a positive start with a Pre Season Workshop held in Narooma. Sessions were conducted on the new proficiency process now known as Skills Maintenance, Achieving Consistency in Assessment, The Developing Club Education, Member Portal and online resources and The Future Direction for Branch training. The main points to come out of the day were the desire to have more shared training and mentoring of new Educators between clubs, the need for practical professional development for all Educators and the need for more Training Officer and Assessor courses to be offered to interested clubbies.

One issue that was identified at this weekend was the lack of knowledge many Educators have of the Members Portal, which is where all the latest course resources are now located. This was a common issue facing Educators around the state so it was good to see 2016 Chief Training Officers Conference offering many sessions on this throughout the weekend's program.

Congratulations to Mick Lambert who was awarded FSC Training Officer of the Year. Mick has done an amazing job training Broulee candidates as well as mentoring new trainers and assessors from other clubs.

Over the past season we gained three new Facilitators, one Training Officer ART and one Assessor ART and one Assessor IRB. Hopefully the new State delivered Training Officer Course consisting of pre course study, a full weekend of face to face training and having candidates come away holding the Training Officer units of competency will encourage more members to complete this award next season.

Skills Maintenance took on a different direction this season with the option for clubs to choose 'delegates', usually patrol captains, to run member proficiencies. Feedback across the state has been mixed from clubs trialing this new method with many concerned about standards of assessment. It will be up to each Branch and club to decided which method they will use in 2016/17.



The table below shows the many awards achieved by FSC Branch members over the past season.

Award	Number of Participants
ART AID	18
BRONZE	85
SRC	60
IRB CREW	41
SMIRB DRIVER	7
SMAR	11
SM BASIC BEACH MANAGEMENT	25
SPINAL MANAGEMENT	6
FIRST AID	57
FACILITATORS	3
ASSESSOR OFFICER ART	1
TRAINING OFFICER ART	1

Due to family and work commitments I have made the decision not to stand for the position of Director of Education in the coming season. I would like to say a big thank you to Peter who has done a lot of the administration and training of branch courses this season as well as the Branch executive, who work so hard to keep our organization running so smoothly. Thanks also to Steve Allan who is always there to answer questions and provide any necessary support.



## Member Services - Sue Hunt

2015-16 has been a very busy season for us on the Far South Coast.

This season we implemented a 15-17's program, this is the group of young adults that we need to engage and encourage to stay involved in surf lifesaving, whether it be in our regional clubs or supporting them at city clubs if they move away to work or study.



As a Branch we decided that we needed to do something to actively engage the youth in our Branch. We approached a core group of our 18-25's who told us that apart from the networking opportunity we needed to offer the kids a pathway in surf lifesaving that they could follow, and the opportunity to undertake a variety of awards in a peer training environment. We also need to take them seriously and not overlook them because they are teenagers. The distances between our Clubs make it quite difficult to have informal get-togethers so our older teens wanted to schedule structured weekends that would make it easier to network.

Our first weekend was held in September with 30 young Bronze holders, from 6/7 clubs, joining us at Tathra for an IRB training weekend. Our first item of business was to get our new season's skill maintenance out of the way, calm conditions made it easy, but the freezing water (14 oC) literally took our breaths away. Once all of the course paperwork was completed we started on the fun stuff. Deflating the IRBs, pulling them apart and then putting

them back together seemed to be a highlight for most of these kids.



Five of the kids already held their IRB Crew certificate and took on the mentoring role, with 5 teams of 5 working together to learn the fine art of being an IRB crewie over the two day weekend, at the end of which we sent 25 new IRB crewmen and women back to their Clubs patrol ready.



Thanks to Tathra SLSC for allowing us to camp at Club over the weekend and to use their IRBs, also to Kiaran Harris and Matt Harvey from Pambula for their expertise and IRB & RWC water safety. Tony Rettke and Tony Vella for their facilitation of the program and Jack

Pritchard, Beth Knox, Max Harris and Sam Law for putting the weekend together.



After the success of this first weekend we have had two more weekends, both at Tathra. The first coincided with our Branch Senior Carnival, where we mentored 15 new Junior Officials through the program, then followed it up

with power craft skills, with several of the older group starting their IRB Driver award.

Our third weekend in March saw 15 kids and a few dads rock up for a SMAR course, everyone was thoroughly engaged and went away from the weekend feeling chuffed with their achievements.

We have a few more programs in the pipeline for our 15-17s, 'Surf Boat School' (with the help of Tracy & Neil Innes – Batemans Bay and Steve Swane – North Cronulla), an IRB race training weekend, weekend away from the beach, at Goulburn Police Academy in August, and would like to put together a visit to a city club over the Christmas holidays.

Our hope is that once the participants of this year's program hit 18 they will step up and mentor the next group through the program.

**GBM 2016:** This year was a George Bass Surf Boat Marathon year for our Branch. Never having been involved in this I made eye contact with the wrong people and found myself with a couple of jobs, and I'm glad that I did. What an amazing adventure!!!! It's not about winning a boat race and the prize money, it is about the personal challenge, working together as a team and mateship.



One role that I did have was member welfare. The weather was against us in the first few days so there was plenty of need to check on competitors, officials and our water safety boys and girls

## **Wambiri 2016**

Our 19<sup>th</sup> U14s Youth Leadership Program kicked off in March. Numbers were down this year due to conflicting schedules across our region.

Over the past two years we have work on evolving our program. This season we threw in a



visit to the Pambula “Same Wave” program, and as a special treat the Moruya “Same Wave” group had a road trip to join in for the day.

Prior to the bus trip to Pambula we briefed the kids on what to expect and what was expected of them.

On arrival at the Pambula SLSC we all received a 2<sup>nd</sup> briefing from Michele & Peter Bootes – Same Wave Co-ordinators, where the Wambiri participants were allocated a buddy and headed to the sand.

A great day was had by all and it was a great learning experience for all of us, as the majority have had little or no contact with disabled members of our Clubs in the beach environment.

On return to the camp we had a big table conference and de-brief about the mornings events. Most of our participants were overwhelmed and quite confronted and talked about coming to the realisation at how well off they were and how rewarding it was to make a useful contribution.

Night Ops search and rescue was on the agenda for the Saturday evening with the 15-17’s SMAR group. The older kids took on the mentor role with our U14’s and all “missing persons and patients” were successfully located and returned to the Club.

### **Some thoughts from our young lifesavers;**

*Over the course of one weekend I attended Wambiri Camp. The camp was very well organised and had lots of enthusiastic kids attend. While I was at Wambiri Camp I participated in lots of fun activities including meeting and getting to know everyone, Special Nippers.*

*Special Nippers was helping out Autistic people become more confident in the water I found it great. Helping out with senior members doing a search and rescue, riding on the back of a jetski and inside an IRB, free time down at the beach which included surfing swimming and mucking around in the water. We also played roles in lots of different SLS scenarios which was great. The food was delicious and everyone was very well behaved.*

*My favourite Part of the Wambiri experience was helping out in Special Nippers. It gave me a whole new perspective on how not everyone can participate in nippers so I think Special Nippers is a great way of sharing the experience and enabling everyone to take part in nippers.*

*I think Wambiri was a great learning experience and that it was also fun and social, I would encourage anyone to join as it was such an awesome experience. I was stoked to attend and hope to attend the following years to come.*

**Wade McDonald (age 13) – Broulee Surfers SLSC  
2016 - Participant**



## **An Unforgettable Experience**

Same Wave Pambula is a program run for people who are unable to do everything that you and I are able to do. This wonderful program allows people with disabilities, no matter their age or ability to participate in fun and exciting activities on the beach and in the water. This program runs for only an hour every Saturday, it may not seem like much to us, but to these people that short amount of time that we have given up to help them means so much and I would never have realised that if I had not attended the Wambiri Camp 2016.

As a Camp leader I came back this year looking forward to guiding the younger candidates through the tasks that I had conquered on my previous camp, but to my pleasant surprise Sue Hunt and Frank Davey had other plans. This year the many younger candidates and myself had a much greater task at hand, we were going to assist the Same Wave program in Pambula with their activities.

To many of us, including myself this came as a bit of a shock as we had never worked with disabled people before. It was a very interesting experience, and it allowed me to see how much, yet how little these people were effected by their disabilities. Some struggled with tasks as simple as jumping a rope, but it opened my eyes to see that these people were willing to put themselves out of their comfort-zones to complete these tasks. That is what I believe to be the true definition of a champion.

When I look back on this day I think about how lucky I am to be alive, how lucky I am to be born without any disability. We as teenagers are so self-absorbed and it just goes to show how much we take for granted. I know that if I am ever given this wonderful opportunity again, I will take it and I will make the most of it because these people deserve it as much as anyone else and it is the most incredible feeling to see that you have made someone's life just that little bit better by giving up that small amount of your time.

**Nimmity Ford (age 14) – Tathra SLSC  
2015 – Participant  
2016 – Leader**



### **SLS NSW Programs:**

**Club Open Day:** Most of the FSC Branch clubs participated this year, Bermagui found the open day extremely successful with several new members and Bronze students coming on board. Narooma, who hold their open day in conjunction with an emergency services day, also found the opportunity successful for their club. Several of the Clubs still maintain that it is far too cold at this end of the State for anyone to show much interest.

**18-25s Development Networking Program:** we struggled to get interest this year, those that were interested found that the dates clashed with other things.

**YOMS:** We were fortunate that State accepted three of our members this year. Maddy Grayson (Broulee Surfers), Alec Sinclair (Moruya) and Elizabeth Halsey (Narooma) spent the week in Sydney. They had an absolute blast and highly recommend the program to any others.



**JLOTY:** The calibre of these young men and women never ceases to amaze me and every year the new crop of U14s raises the bar, making it exceptionally difficult to pick just one boy and one girl to represent us at State level. Jake Shaw (Pambula SLSC) and Annabelle Smith (Broulee Surfers SLSC) were outstanding, both interviewed exceptionally well and I have no doubt that they represented the

Far South Coast admirably at the SLS NSW Junior Lifesaver of the Year interviews in April.

I am very fortunate to sit on the SLS NSW interview panel for this award. The young lifesavers from across the State that we interview leave me inspired and ready to be the best lifesaver that I can be and this year is no exception.

Thank you to Rhonda Scruton and Steve Knight for sharing with me their Youth Program, we will be implementing it at our Clubs in the new season.



We would also like take this opportunity to thank Kate, Glenn and the crew at SLS NSW for their continued support of us in the Far South of the State, and to wish Kate joy and happiness in her new role as a mum.

## Master Class 2015

### Kirsty Campbell—Club Captain Broulee SSLSC

On the first weekend of September I attended the 2015 SLS Master Class. Firstly I would like to say thank you for the opportunity to be able to attend, I felt very honoured to be one of only 22 people selected from all over Australia.

After a very Bumpy flight to Sydney on Thursday the class started with a meet and greet evening. This was where we all started to get to know each other meet the facilitators and listened to our first motivational speaker Melissa King. Melissa is the New CEO of SLS and it was interesting to hear her back ground. She spoke about her career and personal journey to reach the point she is at today.



The main Focus of the weekend was for all of us to identify our “WHY”, and in doing this it would help us to set goals and implement new things for our Clubs. It was all about maintaining a healthy future for Surf life saving as a whole.

On Friday we headed off to the Helicopter base at La Perouse. To start off our session we heard from Steve Leahy the CEO for the rescue Helicopter. We heard a lot about his path way to becoming a leader. The main point that Steve made was that “we all leave a trace” whether it is a positive or a negative way it is up to the individual. He was also very passionate about mentoring, being a good leader and surrounding yourself with like minded people. He believes that he is a good leader and Boss today because he had previous employer’s that set a very bad example and was difficult to work for, he is proud of the fact that he knows all his staff personally.

The second guest speaker was Shane Fitzsimmons the CEO of the rural fire service. He spoke a lot about being a good leader under pressure. He joined the RSF in 1985 as a volunteer and has 20 years experience in emergency services management. He spoke about the pressure he feels at times with dealing with the media. He spoke about having conviction in the decisions you make and being honest with yourself and others. In doing this you will not have regrets in the decisions you make.



The rest of the afternoon was spent with the facilitators talking about our own clubs and challenges we face. It was a good chance to listen to the other participants and gain knowledge on positive ways to overcome different situations. We also did some brainstorming sessions on ways to retain new and old members. There was a lot of focus on Youth but also on the older members. There was a massive push in trying to get the older members to interact more with the youth and pass down their history and knowledge.

On Saturday we headed back to the helicopter base for another day filled with sessions. These sessions were about Gender equality, leadership diversity, engaging with members and how that a sense of self is central to all we do in leadership.

Our guest speaker for the day was Suzanne Young. Suzanne is a member of Bondi and was awarded the Sydney branch SLS of the Year award in 1996. She has held the position of Club Captain, Chief instructor and also an Age manager to her boy's who have just completed their Bronze. Suzanne is the Chief Operating Officer for the NRL. Her main goal in her career and also in SLS is to make a difference. She spoke about challenging yourself and others around you to promote growth, planning for the future and setting goals.

Sunday was only a short session until Lunch time where we revisited the things we had learned over the past three days and then had a presentation.

I found the whole weekend inspiring and would encourage the branch to send other members in the future. This being only my third season as Club Captain at Broulee, I feel like the weekend has increased my confidence to put forth new ideas and make changes for our club for a positive and strong future. Also it has given me a contact with 21 other members around Australia and also the Facilitators. Through the Master Class face book page, we have all been staying in touch and sharing our challenges and stories.

Thank you once again for the opportunity to attend this weekend I am looking forward to implementing new ideas and securing a strong future for our club and Branch.



## Youth Opportunity Makers Workshop

### Maddie Grayson—Broulee Surfers

My YOM Experience started at the Moruya airport where Annabelle, Elizabeth, Alec and I had assembled to board the tiny airplane that would take us to Sydney both for YOM and JLOTY. On the plane we met Jake that had boarded in Merimbula. It didn't help that, Annabelle, one of the girls coming for the JLOTY group had a massive phobia of flying and heights so it was my job as the eldest of the group to distract/entertain her with silly faces, lollies and random funny phrases.

Once we had landed it was a better trip for Annabelle and everyone else as well. The airport was so big we needed a bus to get off the tarmac; this was definitely a shock for a bunch of country kids! We were dropped off inside where we found the group. We then headed off to Collaroy centre where we were all assembled as a group and performed some ice breakers that enabled us to meet everyone.

Over the next few days we watched many inspiring people give motivational talks and overcame many tasks given to us by our leaders. One of the many tasks was that we had to make a boat out of cardboard and had three people sail across the Collaroy ocean pool – something I think all of us thought would not happen. Another task we did that finished up our YOM Experience that was worked on throughout our time in Collaroy was our group presentations. This entailed us having a fake club that we represented given a visionary statement and a goal that the club needed to achieve. My group's goal was to increase social capita; we used three strategies for this:

1. Bring a friend to nippers – On a chosen nipper's Sunday each nipper was given the opportunity to bring a friend to nippers to participate and encourage more kids to join.
2. Outdoor family movie – An outdoor cinema set up outside with snacks and beverages for sale.
3. Disability nippers – Once a month we would organise to have a day for disabled children to come and use the facilities such as boards and flags.

This presentation was presented to the president of surf lifesaving along with many of the leaders.

The experiences that were made over those few days were some that I'll never forget – lifelong friends were made, challenges conjured and lessons learnt. As I mentioned before lifelong friends were made and the group chats on facebook are still going even after three long months apart. It's good that we are still all talking and you know that even if you've had a stressful week you have a whole group of friends just a chat away. Journeys are already being planned to reunite in the near future.

Overall it was an amazing experience one that I'd recommend to everyone in surf lifesaving because it's so enjoyable and knowledgeable at the same time. Everyday something new was definitely learnt especially about ourselves and overcoming our own challenges.

## Youth Opportunity Makers Workshop

### Alec Sinclair - Moruya SLSC

The Youth Opportunity Makers Workshop camp, 2016, was an enlightening experience, it was so much fun to meet other surf life savers from both NSW and QLD, the programs were all well-structured and you were engaged from the start, these programs helped participants work as a team; via communication and goal setting. The relaxed atmosphere of the program lessons allowed participants to further develop self-esteem and confidence.



The instructors for the program were able to support participants and provide their own input to the program.

I was proud to be selected to participate for Moruya Surf Life Saving Club, NSW, it was easier on me to go as there was a representative from other Far South Coast Surf Life Saving Clubs, who some I knew, Although I didn't have a lot to do with these representatives I was comfortable knowing that there were others that I knew.

Over all I feel that the program was a positive experience, and I gained a lot from the experience, I would recommend it to all junior surf lifesavers





## Youth Opportunity Makers Workshop

### Elizabeth Halsey—Narooma SLSC

Youth Opportunity Makers workshop 2016 was such a great privilege to be accepted in. Yom is a great way to make new friends and listen to great inspirational speakers.

During the April holidays Maddie, Alec and myself attended YOM 2016 program in Collaroy Sydney.

During the four days we undertook many challenges in groups, these challenges ranged from building a boat out of cardboard to undertaking a made up club house issue in groups of 6, we worked on solving these issues through team work and discussion, and presented them on the last day.

During the 4 days we had a few guest speakers talking about the opportunities and pathways we can take as Surf Life Savers, this was a great eye opener to see that i can have a successful future in Surf Life Saving as it is something I'm passionate about.



We also had Rosie, SLS NSW of the Year who talk to us, this was great as she talked about completing and achieving our gold and rescue 30.

During these four days the best part was meeting everybody and becoming life friends, also the speakers and activity's, so to sum it up the whole camp was fantastic, so I strongly recommend it for anyone between the age of 15 and 17.

But I must say there was one bad thing, what everybody who went can agree on and that was the food.



## Junior Life Saver of the Year

### Annabelle Smith—Broulee Surfers SLSC

On the 11th of April I flew to Sydney with Jake Shaw (jloty), Maddie Grayson (yom), Alec Sinclair (yom) and Elizabeth Halsey (yom). When Jake and I arrived we were interviewed by a panel of three including Sue Hunt. We did icebreakers and group games whilst we waited. We were given tasks and activities to complete whilst we were there.

Jake and I created a program that we would like to initiate within our clubs, we worked on the program during sessions. During the four days many people came to talk to us sharing moments in their life they found tough and challenging. The resilience program was one of them, we talked about how to better ourselves whilst making others feel better as well. We also went to SLSNSW for a career visit learning about Surfcom and other jobs within SLS. I have found many pathways within SLS that I didn't know were there. Westpac also visited whilst we were there giving us a walkthrough of the helicopter. They talked to us about how to get into a closest Westpac and what it involved. We did many team building activities and leadership workshops which were of fun within our small groups, a photo challenge was one and it was lots of fun taking photos of things using our body's. Lots of the things that we did were leadership and teambuilding, they were directed at trying to build on the leader that we already were. We had a talent show with the YOM on the last night, seeing what others could do and having a great laugh it was so much fun.

Most nights were spent doing things as a group and getting to know each other better. In the JLOTY room we all had envelopes that people could put notes into, we called them warm and fuzzes.

Whenever you got the chance we would write a note and slip it into an envelope. When we opened them it was a great laugh trying to find who wrote what. On our last day everyone had to write a letter to ourselves with future goals and things that we wanted to remember. They will be mailed to us next year.





The facilitators that were with us during the camp were amazing, their personalities were fun and caring. They all spoke with pride when talking about SLS and seem to really enjoy training us. It was all organised well and flowed great. I have made so many lifelong friends and we are all still talking to each other. All the JLOTY kids were amazing and we all had so many different qualities that made each of us shine within our group. Though I did not get JLOTY I am proud of the people who did as we all deserved it just as much as each other. Both boys and girls mixed during the camp making it a lot better friends wise. None of us have stopped talking about how much we miss each other all ready and we already want to go back and spend more time together.

I am excited to go back as a YOM in a couple years time and hopefully a facilitator later on, as I think that it is a awesome experience and program that I would like to keep involved in. I think that it has been one of the best programs in SLS and would recommend it to anyone who wants to be JLOTY.



## Junior Life Saver

### of the Year Jake Shaw—Pambula SLSC

The week started of with us all getting to know each other on the bus and socialising, and when we got to our cabins we listened to a man talk about the different pathways through surf lifesaving and about surfcom where we would be visiting the next day. The Next day we hopped on a bus and headed north to surfcom where we had a tour and had a talk to everyone there and they answered some questions. Throughout the week we had a lot of little talks about various things from different people and the one that stuck with me the most is



one about a disabled little boy who was never happy until he made up an imaginary friend and believed that he was real so much that he demanded that his careers do what the imaginary kid says, leading to them being kicked out of the local swimming pool and various other troubles. Overall I think that the week was a great experience and I met a lot of very nice people who all love doing the same things as me.

## Beyond My Club (26+) Development Program

### Bruce McAslan & Cheryl McCarthy—Bermagui SLSC

Bruce McAslan and I were fortunate to be selected to represent Far South Coast Branch at the SLSNSW Development Program *Beyond My Club*. The program was held from 11<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> June 2016 at the Collaroy Centre in Sydney. *Beyond My Club* is a unique development program as it aims at those who have entered Surf Life Saving as patrolling members later in life. To be eligible you must be over 26 years old and have attained your Bronze Medallion within the last 3 years.

Being so new to Surf Life Saving means we are on a very steep learning curve to understand how the organisation works, from a club perspective but also at the Branch, State and National levels. While we might lack knowledge of SLS, those of us who join at a later age still bring strong skill sets that we've gained through other aspects of our lives, working, volunteering being involved in our communities. Figuring out how best to tap into that knowledge and expertise to make a positive impact at our Surf Clubs can be a challenge and a little intimidating at first.

There were 14 participants from all across NSW in this year's *Beyond My Club* and it was encouraging to learn that we weren't the only ones feeling a little daunted by the learning curve we're on. Everyone had different motivations for joining SLS but all were very inspiring in their commitment to the organisation and willingness to have a positive impact on their clubs. There were participants from the smallest clubs in the State and the largest and everything in between. While the larger clubs can be a great model to aspire to for the smaller clubs, those in smaller clubs also had a lot to offer in terms of ideas and different ways of doing things. It

became clear that being a bit smaller often means you can be more responsive to changing needs of your members and this represents a great opportunity for all of the clubs in the FSC Branch.





The program featured several guest speakers on a range of topics from sustainability to the Quality Club Program to education to building bridges between juniors and seniors. There was an opportunity for interaction and sharing of ideas with each presentation and the topics themselves had been chosen in large part by participants who identified topics they wanted to focus on in their initial application. Each day also included a range of team building activities which were a great way to get to know people in a short space of time. Several employees of SLSNSW joined us at various times over the course of the weekend and it was encouraging to see the level of support from State and the willingness to listen help provide solutions for

challenges.

By the end of the weekend, we all went away having made some great new friends and having learnt a lot from each other. In the weeks since the course we have stayed in



contact with everyone and many new ideas are still being shared. The program was an amazing opportunity and both Bruce and I came back to Bermagui inspired and energised for the season ahead. We are both very grateful to be involved and we'd definitely recommend the program to new members who are looking to get more involved at a Club level.



## Director of Surf Sports —Melissa Meaker

Many Challenges popped up this year in the running of Carnivals, but all were managed with ease thanks to a capable group of surf sports officials, new and old. Kel (pictured right) provided excellent leadership skills as an up and coming official, travelling from Canberra on the weekends to official at our carnivals. He was very deserving of the award of Far South Coast Branch Official of the Year.



The branch carnivals started off in November with Tathra SLSC hosting a senior carnival with beautiful summer conditions in chilly waters. December brought a new group of officials attending their level 1 official's course in Moruya, followed by most of the new officials gaining their stripes at the junior carnival on the Sunday.

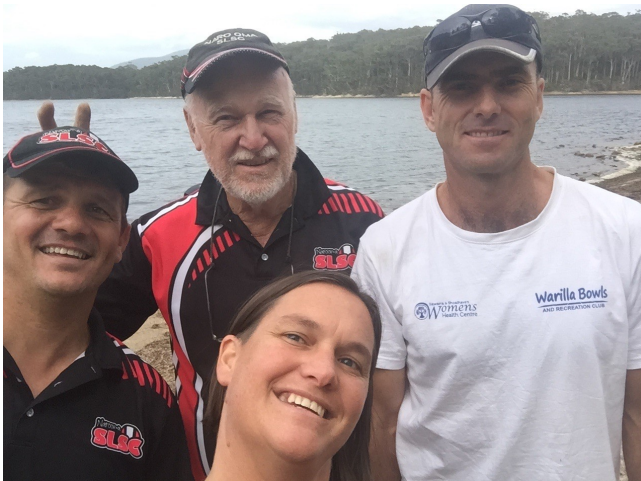
Wendy Law and all her willing helpers again managed another successful interbranch team. They welcomed some elite athletes as to the team as draftees from a couple of the other branches. See the separate report for all the details of their successes.

A new leadership team headed up by our Director of Lifesaving Andrew Edmonds ran a very successful George Bass Surfboat Marathon. Big thank you to Sue Hunt, Steve Dobson, Rob Pollock, Kerry Parbery, Pam Hughes, Wendy Law, Kieran Harris, Andrew Holt, Allan Veness, Rod Harrod, Greg Johnston, Mel Clarke, Jimmy McGrath, Kerry McKee and all others involved in making the week such a success. I had a great time over the week, spending most of my time as an IRB crew or helping with the Medical support boat. It was definitely a different perspective to being a competitor.

Most of our clubs were represented this year at the NSW Country Championships, making the 12hour drive up to South West Rocks. This was a great weekend with a few of our competitors bringing home medals, Jon from the Narooma boaties joined me in the commentary box and a great weekend was had by all. Quite a few clubs joining together for BBQ and fun at the caravan park after the events were over.

The new year saw us hold a senior carnival in Broulee under beautiful conditions, followed by our Carnival of the year : Lake Jindabyne Yabbies hosting an Alpine Nippers Carnival. A massive 64Ton of sand was trucked in for the flag pits and the alpine conditions with a 30-

degree day had everyone out playing in the lake and enjoying the community afterwards.



Our Final Branch Championship and Nippers Carnival weekend challenged us with the weather conditions and we utilized the entire Narooma district by holding our carnivals across the Narooma beach, Corunna Lake and also the Nets area of Bar Beach.

Overall, another fantastic Season with great helpers from all around the branch. I hope all can get involved next year for another great surf Sports Adventure.







## George Bass Surfboat & Ski Marathon

2016 marked a year of transition for the George Bass Marathon. With the event initially in doubt a small but dedicated group of volunteers banded together to keep this great event alive. With just six months to put it together a huge amount of team work was essential to make it all happen.

It was a tremendous week with testing conditions for competitors and organisers alike, with the flooding of Moruya High School, the event forced inland two days and changed courses for another 2 days. All in all only 3 days followed the usual course. It was a massive team effort – take a bow everyone involved. It was good to see the planning and contingency courses paid off, with a little improvising along the way.

There are many people to thank. Firstly all 7 clubs in the branch for your support and assistance during the week. Without our branch the event wouldn't happen.

To the Annabel Family thank you for your substantial financial backing. This year was always going to be challenging with no major sponsor on board. Without Bruce and Angela's support the race was not guaranteed.

A number of key volunteers: Greg Johnston (Referee), Rob Pollock (Deputy Referee), Steve Dobson (Emergency Management Officer), Kerry Parbery (Recorder), Pam Hughes (Recorder), Sue Hunt (ski official and GPS tracker, and many many more jobs), Andrew Holt (looked after NSW aquatic licence), Kerry McKee (Medical and Support Boats), Melisa Clarke (looked after the merchandise and trophies and with the BATs sorted out all the shirts), Tony Rettke (water safety and all round helper), John Whipp (Drove the Medical boat for the week), Thanks also to the Drs who gave their time and expertise freely. Dr Gundi Muller-Grotjan, Dr Belinda Allen, Dr Sam Tormey, Dr Giles Ellingworth and Dr John McKee. Thanks also to Phil Hanel and his side-kick Deano Muller who were to have provided the media boat but generously supported Anglesea, who had no support boat. Jimmy McGrath (Communication Officer), Kiaran Harris (Water Safety Coordinator), Allan Veness (Beach Set up manager and all round helper), David Butt (High School liaison and committee member), Wendy Law (Treasurer), Gary Cairns (Drove the Referee's boat), Les Herstik (Cameraman), Rod Harrod (announcer), Andrew Green (Photographer), Tony Vella (RWC coordinator), Matthew Eton (Sponsorship coordinator), Water safety team of: Beth Knox, Sam Law, Jack Pritchard, Max Harris, Jim Harris, Melissa Meaker, Vikki Marshall, Josh Crouch, Kristy Moore, Wayne Forster, Craig and Grace Kelly





Our sponsors: Annabel Family, Team Navy, Capital Chemist, Fairfax Media, Green Homes Australia, Webstercare, Tathra Beachside, Moruya Golf Club, Tuross Country Club, Narooma Golf Club, Bermagui Country Club and Tathra Beach Country Club and of course the Eurobodalla Shire and Bega Valley Shire Council for their support of the event.

Our fabulous treasurer Wendy Law advises final numbers are being audited but expects a small profit to be returned to the Bass account meaning the 2016 event was cost neutral.

The committee would like to acknowledge the contribution of previous organisers especially Bert Hunt, Lesley Pheeny and Michael Pheeny for their years of dedication to this great event. We were fortunate to retain the tremendous Pam Hughes and Kerry Parbery who joined our enthusiastic group of newbies and believe that the future looks bright for the 2018 George Bass.

We were saddened to hear in June that one of the original founders of the George Bass Marathon, Al Armstrong passed away. Al with Nick Dixon joined Curly Annabel in what was really a mad idea to race surfboats from Batemans Bay to Eden and the rest is history. Al and his boat Sara Jane was the referees boat for all the early years. A true gentleman gone and now the link to the original bass concept has been closed.

#### **George Bass Marathon Race Overview:**

Bulli went back to back in the George Bass marathon successfully defending their title in the Open Men. Bulli had a strong marathon taking out three legs, winning the Nick Dixon Trophy and the Curly Annabel Trophy. Narooma also won back to back titles in the Masters Men, while Pambula took out the Masters Women. The Open Women was won by the composite crew Moruya/Long Reef. The Fastest boat over the Marathon was Bulli with 13 hours, 55 minutes, 17 seconds. The fastest female boat over the marathon was the Broulee Capitals with 16 hours and 14 seconds.

A special mention to the Pambula/Tathra combined junior crew who put in the hard yards all week as the sole junior crew.



## MAJOR AWARDS AND OVERALL RESULTS

Al Armstrong Hat for dedication to the Bass – David Butt (Broulee) and Lincoln Costello (Bulli)

Nick Dixon Trophy – Bulli Open Men

Curly Annabel Hat – Bulli Open Men

### Ski Race

3rd overall Craig Vipond  
2nd overall Nick Ziviani  
1st overall Stew O'Regan

### Masters Women

3rd overall Warriewood  
2nd Broulee Bats  
1st Pambula

### Masters Men

3rd Tallebudgera  
2nd North Cronulla  
1st Narooma

### Open Women

3rd Metropolitan Caloundra  
2nd Broulee Capitals  
1st Long Reef/Moruya

### Open Men

3rd Coogee  
2nd Moruya Vikings on a count back  
1st Bulli

### Juniors

Pambula/Tathra

## Day 7: Merimbula to Eden

### Ski Race

Sixth	Ed Gwynne	2 hours 27 minutes 08 seconds
Fifth	Chris Ryan	2 hours 11 minutes 55 seconds
Fourth	Andrew Stone	2 hours 3 minutes 40 seconds
Third	Craig Vipond	2 hours 1 minute 30 seconds
Second	Nick Ziviani	1 hour 54 minutes 26 seconds
First	Stew O'Regan	1 hours 53 minutes 03 seconds

### Masters Women

Fourth	Anglesea	2 hours 32 minutes 56 seconds
Third	Broulee Bats	2 hours 16 minutes 49 seconds
Second	Warriewood	2 hours 16 minutes 24 seconds
First	Pambula	2 hours 9 minutes 52 seconds

### Open Women

Third	Wollongong City	2 hours 14 minutes 53 seconds
Second	Broulee Capitals	2 hours 11 minutes 7 seconds
First	Moruya/Long Reef	2 hours 7 minutes 34 seconds

### Masters Men

Seventh	Pambula/Tathra Juniors	2 hours 21 minutes 56 seconds
Sixth	Bulli	2 hours 7 minutes 08 seconds
Fifth	Yeppoon	2 hours 11 seconds
Fourth	Tallebudgera	1 hours 59 minutes 18 seconds
Third	Tathra	1 hour 58 minutes 10 seconds
Second	Narooma	1 hour 58 minutes 7 seconds
First North	Cronulla	1 hour 57 minutes 22 seconds

### Open Men

Fifth	Pambula	2 hours 3 minutes 44 seconds
Fourth	Long Reef	2 hours 5 seconds
Third	Bulli	1 hour 57 minutes 57 seconds
Second	Coogee	1 hour 56 minutes 36 seconds
First	Moruya Vikings	1 hour 56 minutes 11 seconds

## **Day 6: Tathra to Pambula**

### **Ski Race**

Sixth	Ed Gwynne	3 hours 28 minutes 08 seconds
Fifth	Chris Ryan	2 hours 44 minutes 30 seconds
Fourth	Craig Vipond	2 hours 33 minutes 42 seconds
Third	Andrew Stone	2 hours 32 minutes 50 seconds
Second	Nick Ziviani	2 hours 28 minutes 23 seconds
First	Stew O'Regan	2 hours 23 minutes 37 seconds

### **Masters Women**

Fourth	Anglesea	3 hours 10 minutes 05 minutes
Third	Warriewood	3 hours 1 minute 06 seconds
Second	Broulee	2 hours 54 minutes 37 seconds
First	Pambula	2 hours 46 minutes 55 seconds

### **Masters Men**

Seventh	Pambula/ Tathra Juniors	2 hours 55 minutes 53 seconds
Sixth	Bulli	2 hours 36 minutes 10 seconds
Fifth	Tathra	2 hours 32 minutes 18 seconds
Fourth	Yeppoon	2 hours 31 minutes 6 seconds
Third	North Cronulla	2 hours 28 minutes 54 seconds
Second	Tallebudgera	2 hours 26 minutes 41 seconds
First	Narooma	2 hours 25 minutes 25 seconds

### **Open Women**

Fourth	Wollongong City	2 hours 49 minutes 20 seconds
Third	Met Caloundra	2 hours 45 minutes 48 seconds
Second	Broulee Capitals	2 hours 44 minutes 28 seconds
First	Moruya Long Reef	2 hours 41 minutes 21 seconds

### **Open Men**

Fifth	Pambula	2 hours 35 minutes 49 seconds
Fourth	Long Reef	2 hours 27 minutes 11 seconds
Third	Moruya	2 hours 25 minutes 33 seconds
Second	Coogee	2 hours 24 minutes 7 seconds
First	Bulli	2 hours 22 minutes 39 seconds



## **Day 5 Bermagui circuit 1km to sea to Camel Rock to Bermagui**

### **Ski Race**

Sixth	Ed Gwynne	Did not finish
Fifth	Chris Ryan	1 hour 22 minutes 27 seconds
Fourth	Craig Vipond	1 hour 12 minutes 18 seconds
Third	Andrew Stone	1 hour 12 minutes 26 seconds
Second	Nik Ziviani	1 hour 3 minutes 50 seconds
First	Stew O'Regan	1 hour 2 minutes 53 seconds

### **Masters Women**

	Anglesea	Lay Day
	Broulee Bats	Lay Day
	Pambula	Did not finish
First	Warriewood	2 hours 34 minutes 54 seconds

### **Open Women**

	Wollongong City	Lay Day
Third	Moruya/Long Reef	2 hours 21 minutes 16 seconds
Second	Met Caloundra	2 hours 5 minutes 13 seconds
First	Broulee Capitals	2 hours 23 seconds

### **Masters Men**

Seventh	Pambula/Tathra Juniors	2 hours 9 minutes 59 seconds
Sixth	Yeppoon	1 hour 50 minutes 38 seconds
Fifth	Tathra	1 hours 49 minutes 42 seconds
Fourth	Bulli	1 hours 48 minutes 7 seconds
Third	Tallebudgera	1 hour 43 minutes 46 seconds
Second	North Cronulla	1 hour 39 minutes 38 seconds
First	Narooma	1 hour 38 minutes 46 seconds

### **Open Men**

Fifth	Pambula	1 hour 49 minutes 53 seconds
Fourth	Long Reef	1 hour 42 minutes 58 seconds
Third	Coogee	1 hour 37 minutes 29 seconds
Second	Moruya Vikings	1 hour 36 minutes 16 seconds
First	Bulli	1 hour 35 minutes 4 seconds



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## **Day 4: Bermagui to Tilba to Bermagui Circuit**

### **Ski Race**

	Ed Gwynne	did not finish
Fifth	Chris Ryan	1 hour 53 minutes 02 seconds
Fourth	Craig Vipond	1 hour 49 minutes 58 seconds
Third	Andrew Stone	1 hour 44 minutes 59 seconds
Second	Nic Ziviani	1 hour 39 minutes 30 seconds
First	Stew O'Regan	1 hour 37 minutes 28 seconds

### **Masters Women**

Fourth	Anglesea	2 hours 5 minutes 42 seconds
Third	Warriewood	2 hours 2 minutes 2 seconds
Second	Broulee Bats	1 hour 59 minutes 37 seconds
First	Pambula	1 hour 52 minutes 48 seconds

### **Open Women**

Fourth	Wollongong City	1 hour 57 minutes 39 seconds
Third	Met Caloundra	1 hour 55 minutes 42 seconds
Second	Broulee Capitals	1 hour 52 minutes 9 seconds
First	Moruya/Long Reef	1 hour 48 minutes 36 seconds

### **Masters Men**

Seventh	Pambula/Tathra Juniors	1 hour 54 minutes 35 seconds
Sixth	Bulli	1 hour 51 minutes 34 seconds
Fifth	Yeppoon	1 hour 47 minutes 35 seconds
Fourth	Tathra	1 hour 46 minutes 17 seconds
Third	Tallebudgera	1 hour 43 minutes 8 seconds
Second	North Cronulla	1 hour 40 minutes 3 seconds
First	Narooma	1 hour 38 minutes 27 seconds

### **Open Men**

Fifth	Pambula	1 hour 46 minutes 40 seconds
Fourth	Moruya Vikings	1 hour 41 minutes 53 seconds
Third	Bulli	1 hour 40 minutes 10 seconds
Second	Long Reef	1 hour 38 minutes 39 seconds
First	Coogee	1 hour 37 minutes 51 seconds



### **Day 3: Wagona Inlet - Narooma**

#### **Ski Race**

Seventh	Ed Gwynne	2 hours 21 minutes 19 seconds
Sixth	Chris Ryan	2 hours 15 minutes 31 seconds
Fifth	Andrew Stone	2 hours 12 minutes 23 seconds
Fourth	Craig Vipond	2 hours 10 minutes 10 seconds
Third	Will Hardman	2 hours 8 minutes 59 seconds
Second	Nick Ziviani	2 hours 4 minutes 08 seconds
First	Stew O'Regan	2 hours 24 seconds

#### **Masters Women**

Fourth	Warriewood	2 hours 31 minutes 34 seconds
Third	Anglesea	2 hours 26 minutes 20 seconds
Second	Broulee Bats	2 hours 26 minutes 04 seconds
First	Pambula	2 hours 21 minutes 04 seconds

#### **Masters Men**

Seventh	Pambula/Tathra Juniors	2 hours 17 minutes 58 seconds
Sixth	Bulli	2 hours 11 minutes 53 seconds
Fifth	Tathra	2 hours 11 minutes 40 seconds
Fourth	Yeppoon	2 hours 10 minutes 51 seconds
Third	Tallebudgera	2 hours 9 minutes 18 seconds
Second	North Cronulla	2 hours 6 minutes 2 seconds
First	Narooma	2 hours 4 minutes 59 seconds

#### **Open women**

Fourth	Wollongong City	2 hours 30 minutes 13 seconds
Third	Met Caloundra	2 hours 26 minutes 41 minutes
Second	Broulee Capitals	2 hours 16 minutes 07 seconds
First	Moruya/Long Reef	2 hours 15 minutes 25 seconds

#### **Open Men**

Fifth	Pambula	2 hours 17 minutes 14 seconds
Fourth	Bulli	2 hours 8 minutes 28 seconds
Third	Long Reef	2 hours 7 minutes 11 seconds
Second	Coogee	2 hours 5 minutes 56 seconds
First	Moruya Vikings	2 hours 5 minutes 11 seconds



## Day 2: Moruya River

### Ski race

Sixth	Chris Ryan	1 hour 26 minutes and 56 seconds
Fifth	Ed Gwynne	1 hour 24 minutes and 56 seconds
Fourth	Craig Vipond	1 hour 18 minutes and 49 seconds
Third	Nick Ziviani	1 hour 18 minutes and 36 seconds
Second	Will Hardman	1 hour 16 minutes and 19 seconds
First	Stew O'Regan	1 hour 15 minutes and 08 seconds

### Masters women

Fourth	Anglesea	1 hour 48 minutes and 30 seconds
Third	Warriewood	1 hour 47 minutes and 16 seconds
Second	Broulee Bats	1 hour 46 minutes and 53 seconds
First	Pambula	1 hour 42 minutes and 43 seconds

### Masters men

Sixth	Pambula/Tathra Juniors	2 hours 4 seconds
Fifth	Tathra	1 hour 31 minutes and 14 seconds
Fourth	Yeppoon	1 hour 31 minutes and 11 seconds
Third	Tallebudgera	1 hour 35 minutes and 39 seconds
Second	North Cronulla	1 hour 29 minutes and 19 seconds
First	Narooma	1 hour 28 minutes and 30 seconds

### Open women

Fourth	Wollongong City	1 hour 38 minutes and 37 seconds
Third	Metropolitan Caloundra	1 hour 37 minutes and 53 seconds
Second	Broulee Capitals	1 hour 35 minutes and 31 seconds
First	Long Reef/Moruya	1 hour 32 minutes and 16 seconds

### Open men

Fifth	Pambula	1 hour 36 minutes and 26 seconds
Fourth	Long Reef	1 hour 26 minutes and 52 seconds
Third	Moruya	1 hour 25 minutes and 43 seconds
Second	Coogee	1 hour 23 minutes and 6 seconds
First	Bulli	1 hour and 23 minutes



## **Day 1: Batemans Bay to Moruya**

### **Ski Race**

	Ed Gwynne	Withdrew
Sixth	Chris Ryan	
Fifth	Andrew Stone	
Fourth	Nick Ziviani	
Third	Craig Vipond	
Second	Will Hardman	
First	Stew O'Regan	

### **Masters Women**

Fourth	Anglesea	3 hours 54 minutes 34 seconds
Third	Warriewood	3 hours 51 minutes 50 seconds
Second	Broulee Bats	3 hours 46 minutes 16 seconds
First	Pambula	3 hours 31 minutes 17 seconds

### **Masters Men**

Seventh	Pambula/Tathra Juniors	3 hours 30 minutes 06 seconds
Sixth	Bulli	3 hours 19 minutes 38 seconds
Fifth	Tathra	3 hours 8 minutes 43 seconds
Fourth	Yeppoon	3 hours 04 minutes 31 seconds
Third	North Cronulla	2 hours 51 minutes 08 minutes
Second	Narooma	2 hours 50 minutes
First	Tallebudgera	2 hours 49 minutes 45 seconds

### **Open Women**

Fourth	Wollongong City	3 hours 29 minutes 39 seconds
Third	Metropolitan Caloundra	3 hours 28 minutes 11 seconds
Second	Broulee Capitals	3 hours 21 minutes 29 seconds
First	Moruya/ Long Reef	3 hours 16 minutes 37 seconds

### **Open Men**

Fifth	Pambula	3 hours 07 minutes 42 seconds
Fourth	Coogee	2 hours 52 minutes 22 seconds
Third	Long Reef	2 hours 50 minutes 09 seconds
Second	Moruya Vikings	2 hours 50 minutes 02 seconds
First	Bulli	2 hours 47 minutes 01 seconds











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## SLS NSW InterBranch 2015—Cape Hawke

Interbranch for 2015 was held up north at the Cape Hawke surf club near Forster, and once again we gained a credible 10<sup>th</sup> place in the Branch pointscore and 5<sup>th</sup> in the Country branch pointscore totals. Another great result.

This year State had reinstated the draft system for U19 and Open competitors and this meant that for the first time in many years FSC was able to have an open team in every event.

We welcomed our five draftees who did us proud. They were wonderful competitors and also wonderful young people, who gave our younger athletes a lot of their time and advice. They joined our team wholeheartedly and became great role models. In return I'm sure we had many of our team members watching the State and National Titles avidly as their new found heroes won medals.

The trip north couldn't have happened without the support of our parent helpers and chaperones. Scott Elliott, Amy Miles, Jo Flood, Kristy Dale, Cathy O'Shannessy, and Pete Lenehan were all able to give up their weekend and lend a hand. Beth Knox was again along as a coach for the younger members and we had our water safety Kirsty Campbell and Andrew Mizzi. Thank you all, it truly is a team event.

Our team consisted of:

Callum Elliott BROULEE,	Aiden Miles NAROOMA
Rhys Flood BROULEE	Hayley Stubbs NAROOMA
Kirra Dale BROULEE	Zali Smith TATHRA
Sam O'Keeffe Broulee	Christian Filmer BROULEE
Sam Reedy BATEMANS BAY	Jayde O'Shannessy BATEMANS BAY
Luella Boulton TATHRA	Roxy Horne BROULEE
Kellen Lenehan BROULEE	Lachlan Blake BBAY
Kallan Lavender PAMBULA	Jorja Moore BERMAGUI
Jessie Campbell-Jones PAMBULA	Megan Rutherford BERMAGUI
Craig Price BROULEE	Craig Senior BROULEE
Xavier Smith TATHRA	Nimmity Ford TATHRA
Claire Turnbull BATEMANS BAY	Lexus Knight BATEMANS BAY
Aaron Flood BROULEE	Hugh McAlpine - Newport
Jack McGuire PAMBULA	Scott Senior BROULEE
Hayley Ashcroft PAMBULA	Tara Stortenbeker - Elouera
Maddy Harvey PAMBULA	Elizabeth Halsey NAROOMA
Joe Halsey NAROOMA	Jackson Borg - Newport
Zak Van Dartel - Terrigal	Grace Knox - PAMBULA
Bronte Sloane - Manly	Sam Law - Nth Wollongong



Some of our outstanding results were:

6<sup>th</sup> U17 male board- Hugh

6<sup>th</sup> Open male surf – Jackson

5<sup>th</sup> U12 male flags – Rhys

5<sup>th</sup> U13 female flags – Jayde

4<sup>th</sup> U17 male flags – Aaron

4<sup>th</sup> Open female flags – Grace

6<sup>th</sup> U17 male ski – Hugh

6<sup>th</sup> U17 male ski teams – Hugh & Jack.

5<sup>th</sup> U17 male Ironman – Hugh

3<sup>rd</sup> Open male Ironman team – Jackson & Zac

5<sup>th</sup> U13 female sprint – Jayde

4<sup>th</sup> U15 male sprint – Xavier

4<sup>th</sup> Open female sprint – Grace

5<sup>th</sup> Open male taplin team

6<sup>th</sup> Open male rescue tube rescue

6<sup>th</sup> U12 female flags – Hayley

5<sup>th</sup> U15 female flags – Nimmity

4<sup>th</sup> U17 female flags – Tara

6<sup>th</sup> Senior All age Beach relay

3<sup>rd</sup> Open male ski – Jackson

5<sup>th</sup> Open male ski team – Jackson & Joe

3<sup>rd</sup> Open male ironman- Jackson

6<sup>th</sup> U13 male sprint – Sam

5<sup>th</sup> U17 female sprint – Tara

5<sup>th</sup> Open Male sprint – Joe

These results were amazing considering that the competition is some of the best in the Country. Thank you all for giving your best for your branch, and thank you for making the trip so enjoyable. The van park we stayed in at Forster remarked that our team was one of the best behaved that they had seen over the years.

I look forward to next year's event.

Wendy Law

Interbranch Team Coordinator









## Powercraft Captain—Kieran Harris

A big thank you to everyone who has helped out during the season.



We have had the RWC's used for water safety for the Club to Pub at Pambula the and the 15-17s programs run throughout the year. Training as well as water safety for the nippers and the George Bass. Along with patrols Also search and rescue in conjunction with other services at Tathra

The IRB has also been busy this year with the Bass 15 to 17yrs water safety at Jindy and as the duty boat for IRB racing.

It has been a busy season for lots of people thanks to Bermagui for letting us store the IRB in their club house as it is neutral to our Branch I hope we can continue to be able to in the future



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## Batemans Bay SLSC —Kristen Moore



The 2015-2016 was a massive season for the Batemans Bay Surf Club! The Hon. Andrew Constance joined us to officially open our new Clubhouse, our 160+ female boat crew won another plethora of awards, including their back to back Australian Female Masters Title, and also the Male 120+ boat crew achieved a well-deserved gold medal at the Australian Titles, the Male 140+ finished 4<sup>th</sup> at Aussies, 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, Danielle Heron, Flic Clark and Barbara Van Luin ) and the male 120+ boat crew (Wayne Coppin, Brendan Ellis, Brian Stephenson and Sam Funch) to gold at the Australian Championships held at Mooloolaba on the Sunshine Coast in March, together with their sweep Neil Innes again brought home a 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 Bermagui 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 first time in his under 13s 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 Nippers program saw many new faces and a revamp of the pre-existing Nippers Room. The generosity of Clyde Auto Group

and specifically Isuzu for their sponsorship this season has been overwhelming. Matt Davenne as orchestrated new pink vests and boards for our Nippers, and a brand new shade tent for competitions. 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.



We have acquitted all of the funds we have received from the Hon. Andrew Constance, our local council, and the Clubs NSW funding. Our treasurer, 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. Steve has been pivotal in ensuring that our Clubhouse was delivered on time, and that our partnerships with local organisations are prosperous. We held a few working bees led by Ken Bellette and his friends, as seen in the picture below. There has been so many items and hours donated by our members and local businesses. Thank you all!



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.



President	Kristy Moore
Vice President	Ken Bellette
Captain	Harley Dengate
Treasurer	Steve Allen
Chief Training Officer	Joshua Crouch
IRB Captain	Anthony Bellette
Vice IRB Captain	Andy Pustravh
Boat Captain	Neil Innes
Radio Officer	Peter Fane
First Aid Officer	Kate Fetterplace
Vice First Aid Officer	Peter Fetterplace
Craft Captain	Colin Knight
Nippers Coordinator	Tracey Reedy

In closing, I would like to thank Harley Dengate, for his patience this season when surf club matters have required my time. He is an asset to the BBSLSC in his role as Club Captain, and also as my partner in life. At the end of the season he offered me his surname, and I said “hell yes”... so, I am signing off as Kristy Moore for the last time! Next time I’ll be using his last name! :)

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!









## Broulee Surfers SLSC—Allan Veness



The 2015-2016 year has been one of significant achievements for Broulee SSLSC. These are not the result of just a few but rather the product of many people working together. This year we had 423 financial members which included 187 patrolling members and 142 Nippers.

### Patrols

Our patrollers contributed a total of 5380 hours keeping our beach safe for the local community and visitors. Patrols are the Club's prime function and this year saw over 24,000 people use our beach. Patrols conducted;

- 110 rescues
- 37 first aid
- 357 preventative actions
- 1 person required CPR
- 3 people required an ambulance

In addition, the callout crew also responded to several incidents in the area. Without the commitment of members to be on patrol we would be unable to fulfil this role. Thankyou to all patrollers but especially to the patrol captains who accept the responsibility of ensuring patrols are conducted in an efficient and correct manner. Those who attended 100% of their rostered patrols also deserve a special thanks. Well done to all.

### Trainers and Assessors

Trainers and assessors, along with some designated helpers completed 423 proficiencies or skills updates. This aslo included 197 nipper proficiencies.

There were 257 new awards attained by our members. This included 111 nipper awards.

Training, assessing and the annual proficiencies consumes a lot of time and effort and this task has been handled by a relatively small group. Special thanks go to Mick Lambert, Peter Halpin, Kel Pearce, Gary Pettigrove, Diego Carrasco, Gary Robbins and Shane Madden for their skill, dedication and organisation.



## Competitions



Again Broulee has retained both the Jack Beale Trophy for senior competition and the Dave Pheeney Trophy for Nippers competition. There have been some outstanding individual competitors who have achieved a high level of success by gaining medals at NSW Country Championships. There have also been a large number of competitors who have also gained points by just attending carnivals and competing.

The rowers have had a successful season in competition. The under 19 girls were placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the ASRL Open. The BATS were placed second in the Vet Womens category of the George Bass Marathon. The Capitals were also second in the Open Womens category of the Bass and also achieved the fastest overall time for the event in their category. They were also the Open Ladies Branch Champions.

## Member Service Programs

During the season, SLSA and SLSNSW have run several member programs designed to enhance the skills of the members who are lucky enough to attend. We have been fortunate to have our members attend some of these events. Annabelle Smith was awarded the Far South Coast Branch Nipper of the Year and attended the Junior Lifesaver of the Year Camp. Madeline Grayson attended the Youth Opportunity Makers Workshop, Sam Law was a presenter at the Beach to Bush program and Kirsty Campbell attended the National Masterclass.



## Nippers

Once again, Scott (and Simone) Elliott have coordinated our large nipper program. They, along with our dedicated Age Managers and Water Safety helpers are to be congratulated for efficiently running another very successful season.



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

Again this very successful event was held in early March. There were over 260 swimmers which was well up on numbers from the previous year. Perfect conditions resulted in some very quick times. The introduction of a shorter course for juniors and a category for those wearing flippers also helped in boosting participation. This was the 5<sup>th</sup> time the event has been held.

Many thanks to the organising committee chaired by Gary Pettigrove and also to the Broulee Mossy Point Community Association for their help in staging this event.

### **The Sunday Swim**

Another highlight of our year has been the summer series Sunday swim. This has been hotly contested and has drawn up to 50 swimmers. All have enjoyed the challenge, the competition and also the chance to mix socially. The winner will be announced this afternoon. This series is largely the work of Barb and Geoff Wells. They have set the cans, done the risk assessments, recorded the times and adjusted the handicaps. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

### **Fund Raising**

To run a club like ours requires a lot of money. We receive grants for buildings and equipment, sponsorship from the Tomakin Sports and Social Club, support from the Eurobodalla Shire Council and from SLS NSW.

However, we also rely on income from member's fees, income from the bar and other events such as the annual door knock. Thanks to all those who have assisted in these fund raisers as your efforts do make a significant difference.

### **Building**

The most visible changes during this season are the completion of the new gear shed and the beginning of the club house extension. Once completed, these new facilities will help meet the current and future needs of the club. There are many people who have played significant roles. The builders, Kayair for the shed and P&L Louttit Total Construction Services for the club extension.

Darren Browning in organising the replacement of the club house roof

Vicki Haselden and Kerry Evans for numerous grant applications.

The building committee consisting of Wendy Law, Andrew Mizzi, Vicki Haselden, Kerry Evans and Lynda McKay

Those who donated time and materials (Coastal Concrete, Lawmans Frame & Truss, DWL Demolitions and others)

The many people who did the fit out of the shed (Darren Browning, Scott Elliott, Peter Halkett, Peter Lenehan, and Andrew Mizzi).



## General Helpers

There are also a number of our members who quietly complete a number of tasks that are necessary to keep the club operating. Gordon Harris handles beer deliveries, Peter Haselden refuels the IRBs and ATVs, Fuzz keeps the outboard motors in operational condition and they probably do a whole heap more behind the scenes than this. May thanks for your continued support.

## The Committee

The club committee contributes a large amount of their time to ensuring the club runs smoothly and efficiently. This generally involves looking after a specific aspect of the club's operations but also allows them to contribute to decision making that involves the whole club. All members of the committee are congratulated not only for the fine job they do but also the way in which issues are discussed with the interests of the whole club at heart.

The club executive however, deserves special mention. This group handles a huge level of responsibility and have all performed their roles in an exemplary manner.

Geoff Wells – Vice President. Geoff has provided assistance in many areas and can be relied upon for informed and wise opinions.

Wendy Law- Secretary. Wendy is the ultimate organiser. She records member's details, proficiencies, new awards, she makes sure all reports to SLSNSW are done; she has assisted in



the building committee. The list is very long!

Lynda McKay- Treasurer. Lynda has kept a fantastic record of the Club's financial position. Her accurate records and reports make decision making a lot easier.

Kirsty Campbell / Andrew Mizzi – Club Captain. This job involves setting up the patrol roster, ensuring patrols run smoothly, problem solving and keeping surfguard records up to date.



## Conclusion

Again thanks to all for your efforts and support over the year. Your continuing support makes the job of club president an easy one. When nominations for next year's committee open in July, please consider nominating for a position as new faces with new ideas are essential for the long term health of any organisation.







## Moruya SLSC— Michael Pheaney

It is with great pleasure that I present to you my first President's Report for the Moruya SLSC Inc. When I accepted the role as President, it was with the open knowledge that performing this task from Canberra was going to be difficult. I have been very fortunate to have had the support of our wonderful Management Team, enabling me to delegate a number of tasks that previous Presidents would have performed first hand. With this said, I would like to make special mention of the tireless work undertaken by our Club Captain – Jane Coppin who was most ably assisted by Deputy Club Captain, Clare Immens (our very own female version of Batman & Robin). I would also like to thank Bert Hunt and Mike Hallahan for their counsel and Shaun Pike for filling in for me when I am unable to make it down the hill. 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 has been no different.



Last year, President Mike Hallahan thanked the team of Brad Coppin, Bert Hunt and Gavin Hunt for gathering together a formidable team of competitors, both locally and from Canberra, to represent the club at all levels of competition in surf boats. We have again seen many positive results this season with the highlights being the Women's composite crew (Moruya/Long Reef) winning the George Bass Surf Boat Marathon and our Under 19's crew winning the ASRL National Short Course Gold medal. I would also like to thank the Canberra Vikings crews for their dedication to their patrol commitments. The patrol hours that they complete significantly reduces the burden on our local patrolling members.

Brad, Bert and a band of volunteers also transformed a very weather beaten Stegbar boat into an amazing "Steg Bar" feature within our beautifully renovated clubhouse. The countless hours spent in transforming the old hull into its current form is nothing short of amazing and the Moruya Surf Club and the wider community are richer for your selflessness .





The transitional nature of volunteer organisations sees us heading into the 2016/17 season with some significant challenges. The resignation of Wayne Foster, due to work and family commitments, from the position of Chief Training Officer during the season combined with Nerida Johnson stepping down as Treasurer at our next AGM means that we have some significant positions on the Management Committee to fill. I would like to take this opportunity to formally thank Nerida and Wayne for their many years of service to the club.

Thank you to Renee Jenkins and her Nippers Team. As mentioned at our End of Season get together, please continue with your enthusiasm and drive to engage as many young members as possible so that they too can share in the enjoyment of being a volunteer. To the Age Managers and Assistants, Water Safety personnel and the reliable BBQ crew, a massive thank you and to all the parents who turn up each week and spend time with your children, there is no better role model. Thank you to everyone that assisted with the Nipper Carnival held at Moruya. After some minor hiccups, the weather gods smiled upon us and produced a fantastic day for our junior athletes. Renee also provided Darcy Coppin, Maddie Bolton, Ryley Spoelder-Hanlon and James Jenkins the opportunity to network with other junior lifesavers at the Warmbiri camp. Im sure that we as a club will see the benefits of your efforts in the near future.

As is all too often when writing reports, we must reflect on those that we have lost and this year is no different. The passing of Life Member Fergus Thomson was a particularly sad occasion not only for me personally but the Surf Club movement and wider community in general. Ferg was a much loved member of our Club and the christening of the Ferg Thomson surf boat on Australia Day 2016 will ensure his legacy within the Moruya Surf Club will continue for years to come. I commend Far South Coast Branch for introducing "The Fergus Thomson Award – Young Branch Person of the Year (18-25yrs)". I am sure that, while he would be slightly embarrassed by the fuss shown, he would be extremely proud of the honour bestowed upon him.

On the subject of awards, I would like to congratulate our FSC Branch Young Lifesaver of the Year: Ryley Spoelder Hanlon. You should be very proud of what you have achieved in such a short space of time, with feedback from all that attended the awards night holding you in very high regard. Congratulations also go to Clare Immens (Captains Award), Renee Jenkins (Presidents Award) and Brad Coppin who was awarded our Clubman of the Year at the recent End of Season bash. In writing this report there were very few paragraphs where Brad's name would not have appeared such is the help he has given to a number of areas within the Club. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.

I would also like to make mention of Alec Sinclair who represented Moruya and the Far South Coast Branch at the "Youth Opportunity Makers" workshop at Collaroy this year. This combined with his current mentoring role with the 15-17yr age group at Branch level is a great credit to his dedication to the Surf Life Saving movement

The continued growth of our Special Nippers program emphasises the importance of the opportunity afforded to a wonderful group of people and their care givers. Rosie Spoelder, Janni Thompson, Liz Hallahan, Mike Hallahan and Marco the Marvel have successfully steered the Special Nippers ship once again this season. The season culminated in a trip to Pambula for a combined day and was, by all reports, a monumental success. The volunteers and leadership group of this program are outstanding in what they achieve.

While our attendance at local carnivals may have been small, the dedication of Andy Baker, Andrew and Ainslie Scully cannot go unmentioned. Nor can the additional work that you do around the club in the various roles that you unselfishly put your hands up for. Similarly, and only just past their competitive days, the ever present Col Chesher and Max Hogno continue to show their love and dedication to the Club completing a multitude of tasks wherever required. Likewise, the passion shown by Katrina Maguire ensuring that the Club has a united presence with our clothing and Karyn Starmer registering, reconciling and maintaining our membership data base is also very much appreciated. New to the committee, Jeff Morgan has provided valuable input to the club and hopefully will take on a more significant role in the near future. A massive thank you to all of you for your efforts.

We are currently in negotiations for a new Patrolling Agreement and the support from FSC Branch for our requests to be granted is needed now more than ever. On behalf of Moruya SLSC I express our thanks to Branch, State and the National body for working with and for us over this past season.

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. A thankyou also to Chris for her assistance in taking on the role of Sponsorship Coordinator for the Club and for obtaining her Level 1 Officials Accreditation so that she can help out at carnivals.

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
- **Dulux** have provided us with many litres of paint for our building works
- **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.
- **NSW Government's Ministry for Police and Emergency Services** has once again provided funding for our \$ for \$ purchases which were applied to radio and equipment purchases.
- **Premier Mike Baird and the Community Building Partnership** funding for \$30,000





Some 32 years ago Marco Cardinale took on the role as caretaker of our Club and it is very fitting that he receives this title. The care that “The Marvel” has shown in all areas, be it maintenance, cleaning, training our members (not the physical type) or volunteering his time, your passion for our great club very rarely wavers. The knowledge you have gained in all lifesaving areas is a great asset to our club and I hope we will be able to access this for many

years to come.

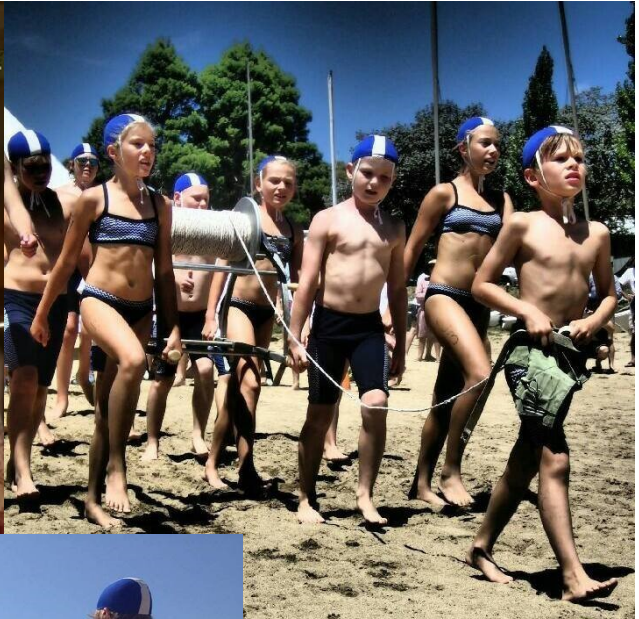
For my final thankyou I would like to thank take a direct quote from last year’s Presidents Report. *“All things Secretary is Lesley Pheeny. With so many paid staff in SLSNSW there is an enormous amount of paperwork generated and a lot of this requires attention. Fortunately we have had Lesley fulfil this roll for the last 15 years. Thankyou Lesley for a marvelous job of keeping the wheels moving.”* In addition to being Secretary, Lesley has volunteered her time with Special Nippers, Parked Cars at the Races and pops up whenever and wherever she is needed. Only poor health in recent months has slowed her down but she is still giving of her time whenever possible. Nothing more need be said other than to change the 15 years to 16 years and to thank her for the support she has given me my whole life.

The Moruya Surf Club faces a whole new set of challenges next season. Securing changes from our existing Patrol Agreement to an agreement that benefits both our Club and our community is paramount and we are working hard to ensure the best outcome for our members. We have the task of completing our kitchen to finalise the renovations that will enable us to generate a revenue stream that will assist in offsetting the cost of rescue equipment that we desperately need to purchase. Of this equipment, none is more important than a new ATV, that we are currently seeking sponsorship or donations for, as our existing ATV is non repairable. As mentioned, we require the expertise of a new CTO and Treasurer and we look forward to those positions being filled at our AGM that will be held on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> August at 3.00pm at the Club.



I would like to 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 and by apologizing if I have missed personally thanking anyone in my report. As we all know, and as a very wise man once said to me, ***“If you volunteer your time to seek recognition you are volunteering for the wrong reasons”***









## Narooma SLSC— Ben Bate

Another season has passed us by and boy what a season it was. While there was a lot involved there is no doubt that some of the highlights were:

1. We achieved a full complement of patrols for the season as per our service agreement.
2. Most importantly no lives lost in our area.
3. 220+ nippers registered for the season.
4. An increase of over 25% in patrol members which meant the creation of an additional patrol.
5. 10 new SRC and 6 new Bronze patrollers.
6. Members gaining qualifications for Patrol Captain, Training Officer and Carnival Officials.
7. Increased number of senior members competing at carnivals.
8. Increase in our junior skills across the board which in turn has resulted in some excellent results at branch and country championships.
9. Our men's boat crew winning the veterans division of the 2016 George Bass Surf Boat Marathon.
10. Our men's boat crews A & B competing in the South Coast Boat Series in the Illawarra for the first time and the A Crew winning the Veteran Division.
11. Numerous successes at branch, country and state titles for both senior and junior members.
12. Completion of internal upgrades to our club house.
13. Two very well attended presentation evenings.

There is no doubt even more that could be added so as you can see it has been a big year.

None of this would have been possible without the help of the many, many people in our club and at a branch level. In mentioning people is not who to mention but who I may inadvertently miss... so consider this a pre-emptive apology here now if I do miss you or someone you know as it is certainly not intentional.

To Branch President Tony Rettke and his team including Sue Hunt, Wendy Law, Melissa Meaker, Peter and Michelle Bootes and Andrew Edmunds I say thank you on behalf of the Narooma SLSC for without your efforts and energy at a branch level we would not have the opportunity to operate as we do.







To our club I would like to thank each of our patrol members for giving their time throughout the season on weekends and public holidays unselfishly in order to make Narooma a safer place for both locals and visitors.

Congratulations to our Male Patroller of the Year Jon Carruthers, Female Patroller of the Year Narelle Constable and our Junior Patroller of the Year in her first year at our club and first season in surf lifesaving Bridgette

Smart.

To our fabulous patrol captains Youngy, Pip/Macca, Brendo, Big Rog and Gilly/Glenn and especially our club captain Joe Halsey..... we have watched as Joe has gone from a young patrol member to an exceptionally talented athlete at branch, state and a national level and now his development in the last 12 months as club captain. He has grown into the role from being quiet and reserved to much more comfortable around people which was highlighted with his presentation night display. Congratulations Joe we are proud to have you.

To all our 220+ nippers, whether you were in our club for the first time or back again for another year we all love seeing you on the beach in uniform between November and March. It is a site to behold. Whether you have competed at a carnival, represented us at Country or State Titles or managed to catch your first wave on a board, it does not matter, you are there and that is what it is all about. We hope to see you again next season. Congratulations to those that won Branch Titles and a very big congratulation to our Nipper of the Year Ellie Beecham.

Thank you to each and every parent, grand parent, carer, friend or family member that has been involved with our nipper movement. Whether you brought a nipper along, did water safety, age manager or just joined in the fun we could not hold it without your help.



Our Club Person of the year was awarded to Brendan and Leanne Constable. We all know their passion for the club and this year they helped elevate the nipper program to an even higher level with Friday afternoon board training, Sunday Nippers and Carnivals. On top of this they are committee members and of course Brendan is the driving force behind our very successful boaties. I personally could not think of anyone more deserving of such an award. They represent everything that we want our club to be. Congratulations Brendan and Leanne.

Graeme Sawyer and Wayne Mullavey our chief training officers who have a huge task each season ensuring that our patrol members re qualify and that we give the best training available to our new members coming through. Thank you for another year and yes we are working to provide more support for you in the coming season.

And finally to a number of our awesome committee members that make things happen behind the scenes:

Sue Anne – our registrar – what a job this year. Largest enrolment for a long time!

Liane – caterer extraordinaire – first to front up and last to leave and loves it!

Lisa – whether it is hiring, cleaning or setting up for our presentation night Lisa does the lot.

Leichelle – our uniform star – has turned us into the club that sets the standard. And how good did we look this season.

Jon Carruthers – took over this year as our gear manager which is a challenge with the amount of stuff being used and the inevitable damage that occurs and I have to say that Jon did a terrific job. Boards were repaired as needed and the area looked the tidiest it has in a long time.

Gilly – Patrol Captain this season as well as 1<sup>st</sup> Aid room manager and our Grants officer.

Chases every opportunity she can for us and just recently managed to secure two grants.

Radio Ray – best in the business... rumour has it he is retiring soon but I don't listen to rumours. We love seeing him there on a Saturday/Sunday morning and even more when St George lose.

Paul – 30th year as Branch Delegate and that should say it all, however, he was also one of our officials at carnivals this season, organised the set up for both Narooma carnival days in February, did Australia Day and turns up nearly every week for nippers...

Megan – our website/publicity officer – joined us this season and took to the job from day one providing great information throughout the season to keep all members and the public informed.

Macca – IRB Captain – quiet year from the ducks but he made up for it with boats, board training, water safety, nippers, patrols, carnivals and functions...

Belinda - our resident treasurer who has tried very hard this year to keep us all in a good financial position. On top of this she arranges all our meetings, takes the minutes and then in turn distributes them out and does a lot more than anyone sees. Thank you Belinda for all you do and have done over a period of time now.

Glenn our secretary, patrol captain, branch delegate and now club official as well as our Licensee. Another very busy year from Glenn and like Belinda has done so for a number of years. Glenn you were a great help to me this year and it was really appreciated.

Madam Vice President Fleur had to be slightly coerced into the role and I am so glad she said yes. What a power house. From day one she was off and running with ideas and enthusiasm. Did a mountain of work organising the renovations of the hall, chased up sponsors, patrol members, nipper parents, took photos at nippers, helped with the George Bass, attended carnivals and basically did more things than I can remember.

Thank you to everyone at our fabulous club for the opportunity and honour this year to be Club President. Taking over from the one and only Dobbo was always going to be a big challenge and I can only hope that I have fulfilled to your satisfaction.







## Bermagui SLSC - Cheryl McCarthy (Secretary)

Thankfully this season has been a quiet one in Bermagui with no major rescues or injuries to report. We had over 6,000 visitors to our beach during patrol hours with our patrollers putting in 1,456 hours between them. We had several members patrol many more hours than those rostered and we thank everyone for their professionalism and dedication to keeping our beachgoers safe.

2015-16 was a transition year for our Club and the key positions of President and Club Captain went unfilled for the season. All committee members pitched in to help out in filling the responsibilities of those roles and a big thanks goes to all for their extra efforts – Cassy Dowd, Warren Marshall, Bruce McAslan, Cheryl McCarthy, Peter Mercieca, Julie Rutherford, Neil Rutherford, Peta Shaw, Rob Shaw, Jenni Tedesco, William Vaughan Smith and Rachel Wallbank.

While we faced some challenges, we had many highlights during the season. The future of our Club is in a successful junior program and we had over 60 Nippers this season. The Nippers program was run by Peta Shaw, as was the popular Friday afternoon board training. Peta is stepping down after 15 years of involvement with the Nippers program and we'd like to extend our thanks and admiration for all of her contributions over the years.

Bermagui had one of its most successful training years with the addition of 10 new Bronze Medallion members and 6 SRCs. We are in dire need of more active patrollers and 2015-16 was a good start towards rebuilding our capacity. Another critical area in which we saw progress was in IRB Driver and Crew certificates. 1 new driver was qualified along with 8 who undertook the IRB Crew Certificate. We are making a concerted effort to train the IRB Crew members for their Drivers award and have a winter training program underway.





Other training awards consisted of 5 Basic Beach Management Awards, 3 ART and 3 Spinal Management Awards. We'd like to thank our training team, Bruce McAslan, Peter McCabe, Warren Marshall, Vikki Marshall and Cheryl McCarthy for their time and effort during the season. A special thank you to Anthony Vella for travelling from Batemans Bay to assist with assessing and to Michele and Peter Bootes for their patience and guidance at a Branch level during the season.

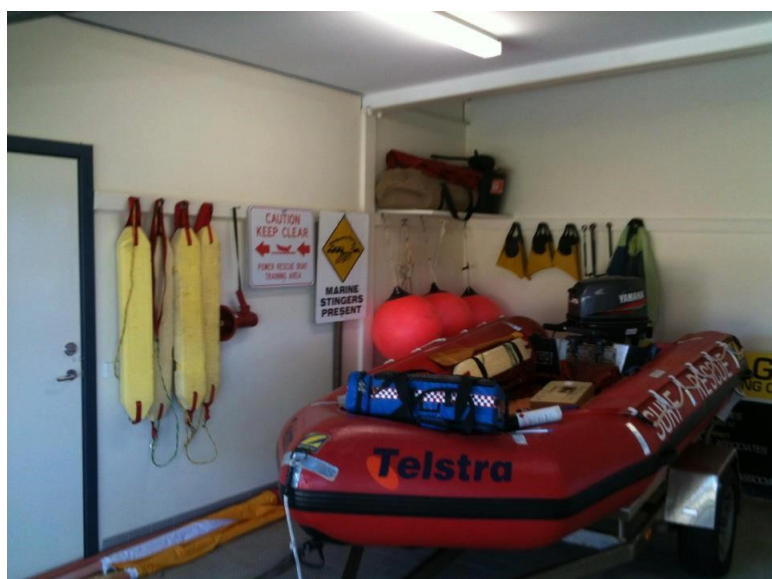


Our Club introduced a new initiative, Friday Night Sippers, over the summer and we hope to continue monthly over the off season. We had over 60 people attend each of the Fridays in January and have had good turnouts since. Sippers is a great opportunity to introduce new people to our Club and is also a chance to raise funds. Thanks to Rob Shaw, Neil Rutherford, Bruce McAslan and Rachel Wallbank for their efforts

in getting this up and running.

Bermagui SLSC has had some success with fundraising during the season. We were very grateful to receive a \$5,000 donation towards our Nippers program from the Bermagui Seaside Fair. We also received a grant of \$1,776 from the Local Sport Grant Program to assist with training costs. We also receive valuable support from many people and business in our community and would like to make special mention of Bermagui Cellars and Mitre 10 for their support.

Functions have also become a successful source of revenue for our Club. Our goal is to have one per month and we're well on our way. Jenni Tedesco worked hard to build a solid base for functions before relocating overseas and Neil Rutherford is now taking the lead on growing functions capacity and revenue. Thanks to both Jen and Neil for their work on what is fast becoming a key source of revenue for our Club.



Negotiations for a new 3-year Lifesaving Service Agreement were very positive and the outcome gives Bermagui SLSC a great opportunity to build our membership and create a sustainable model for the future. We'd like to thank Andrew Edmunds from FSC Branch and the Lifesaving team at SLSNSW for their support and willingness to work with us to create a strong and vibrant club. While we very much appreciate the support of all Clubs in FSC Branch for their assistance with our patrols during the season, our goal moving forward is to build our patrolling numbers so that we no longer have to rely on the generosity of those who already volunteer many hours at their own clubs.



We were very proud to have one our young patrollers, William Vaughan Smith, awarded FSC Branch Lifesaver of the Year. For someone so young William has had a very positive impact on our club and we look forward to having him on our team for many years to come. Congratulations also go to Cheryl McCarthy who was awarded FSC Branch Club Person of the Year.

Finally, we'd like to extend a special thank you to Sue Hunt, Director of Administration and Member Services, and Tony Rettke, FSC Branch President, for their exceptional support and guidance during the season. Your many efforts on our behalf are recognised and appreciated.

Our AGM will be held on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016 and we look forward to filling all of our key positions for the coming season. We are very positive about the future of our Club and we looking forward to working with our members, our community, FSC Branch and SLSNSW towards building a strong and successful Surf Lifesaving Club in Bermagui.





## Tathra SLSC— Scott Meaker

This season has been great for Tathra both on and of the beach. Patrols have been excellent this year; every season without any major incident is an awesome season in my book.

Our annual events have once again been successful, with both the moonlight cinema and Wharf to Waves raising much-needed funds. A new wharf to waves committee have really taken to the job and already have new ideas that I'm sure will see the success of this event well into the future.

Our nipper numbers remain strong and junior carnival participation the highest its been for years. Branch medals too have been steadily on the rise. Tathra also took a small team of nippers and senior competitors to the NSW Country Champs, where a great time was had by all. It was great to see clubs in our branch helping each other out at this event. Tathra even managed two gold medals; an awesome performance! Our Alpine Nippers, the Jindabyne Yabbies were also again a strong group and hosted a very successful carnival on Lake Jindabyne in February this year.

Tathra once again had a crew in the George Bass Marathon, maintaining our unbroken run of having a crew in every George Bass since its inception. The boys rowed well and did themselves and Tathra proud.

Unfortunately we lost a great member and friend this season, David Elliot. Tathra and FSC branch's, club person of the year last season. David had become Vice President this year and I'm sure would be proud of the way things have gone this season. Tathra will endeavor to be bigger and better going into the future to honor the memory of David and all of our past fallen members.

I am very thankful for the support given to me by the committee this year, they have done an amazing amount of work as always. Lastly, I would like to welcome on board Bruce Annabel as our new club Patron.

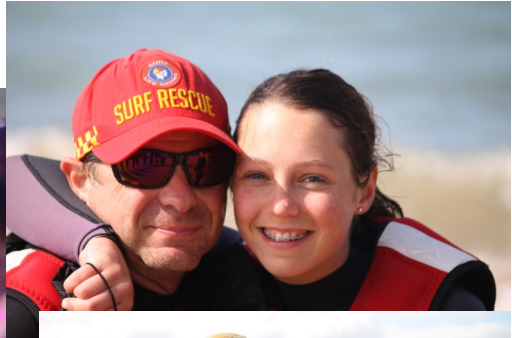


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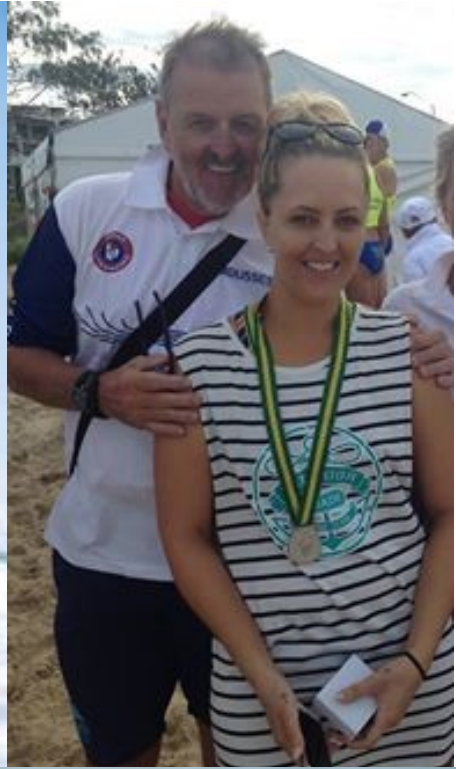


# Pambula SLSC – Steven Hodgson

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## **2015/16 FSC Branch Award Nominees & Winners**

### **The Julie & Bruce Frost Trophy**

#### **Junior Lifesaver of the Year**

Jake Shaw—Pambula SLSC

Annabelle Smith—Broulee Surfers SLSC

### **Presidents Award for outstanding Service to the FSC Branch**

**Winner: Andrew Edmunds - Broulee Surfers SLSC**

### **Carnival of the Year Nominees**

Jindabyne Junior Carnival

Tathra Junior

Narooma Combined Junior & Senior Carnival

George Bass Surf Boat Marathon

**Winner: Jindabyne Junior Carnival**

### **Team of the Year Nominees**

Thunderbirdz—Batemans Bay

Canberra Capitals—Broulee Surfers SLSC

Same Wave Team—Moruya SLSC

Narooma Boat Crew—Narooma

The Ladz—Pambula

**Winner: Narooma Boat Crew—Narooma**



### **Coach of the Year Nominees**

Neil Innes—Batemans Bay SLSC

Scott Elliot—Broulee Surfers SLSC

Brad Coppin—Moruya SLSC

**Winner: Neil Innes—Batemans Bay SLSC**

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

Karen Wallace—Batemans Bay SLSC

Wendy Law—Broulee Surfers SLSC

Cheryl McCarthy—Bermagui SLSC

Melissa Meaker—Tathra SLSC

Kiaran Harris—Pambula SLSC

**Winner: Cheryl McCarthy—Bermagui SLSC**

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

**Winner: Mick Lambert—Broulee Surfers SLSC**

### **The “Myril Bunt” Administrator of the Year Award Nominees**

Wendy Law—Broulee Surfers SLSC

Glenn Bywater—Narooma SLSC

Cheryl McCarthy—Bermagui SLSC

Sue Hunt—FSC Branch SLS

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

## **Young “Rookie” Lifesaver (U19) of the Year Nominees**

Sam Sharkey—Batemans Bay SLSC

Aaron Flood—Broulee Surfers SLSC

Ryley Spoelder-Hanlon—Moruya SLSC

Morgan Chapple—Tathra SLSC

Jack McGuire—Pambula SLSC

**Winner: Ryley Spoelder-Hanlon—Moruya SLSC**

## **The Fergus Thomson**

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

Josh Crouch—Batemans Bay SLSC

Natalie Browning—Broulee Surfers SLSC

Joe Halsey—Narooma SLSC

**Winner: Joe Halsey—Narooma SLSC**





### **Life Saver of the Year Nominees**

Rhys Davies—Batemans Bay SLSC

Craig Goddard—Broulee Surfers SLSC

Will Vaughan Smith—Bermagui SLSC

Jamie Whitton—Tathra SLSC

Dave Prowse—Pambula SLSC

**Winner: Will Vaughan Smith—Bermagui SLSC**

### **Branch Person of the Year—Nominees**

Wendy Law—Broulee Surfers SLSC

Kel Pearce—Broulee Surfers SLSC

Melissa Meaker—Tathra SLSC

Frank Davey—Pambula SLSC

Sue Hunt—FSC Branch

**Winner: Sue Hunt—FSC Branch**



**The “Jack Beale” Trophy**  
(Club with the highest point score from the Branch carnivals)  
**Broulee Surfers SLSC**

**Official of the Year**  
Kel Pearce—Broulee Surfers SLSC

**Male Competitor of the Year**  
Peter McKay - Broulee Surfers SLSC (226 points)

**Female Competitor of the Year**  
Madeline Grayson—Broulee Surfers SLSC (209 points)

**Branch Competitor (Athlete)**  
Peter McKay - Broulee Surfers SLSC

**Special Award for Consistency & Effort**  
Simone Elliott - Broulee Surfers SLSC

**Tathra Carnival Competitor**  
Peter McKay - Broulee Surfers SLSC

**Broulee Carnival Competitor**  
Simone Elliott - Broulee Surfers SLSC

**Narooma Carnival Competitor**  
Joe Halsey - Narooma SLSC



## 2015/16 FSC Branch Junior Champions

<b>EVENTS</b>	
U/8 Male Wade	<b>Sam Blake BATEMANS BAY</b>
U/8 Female Wade	<b>Rogue Constable NAROOMA</b>
U/8 Wade Relay	<b>NAROOMA</b>
U/9 Boys Wade	<b>Hugh Wignell BROULEE</b>
U/9 Female Wade	<b>Alex Young BATEMANS BAY/ Sophie Bolton MORUYA</b>
U/9 Wade Relay	<b>NAROOMA</b>
U/9 Surf Teams	<b>BROULEE</b>
U/10 Surf Teams	<b>PAMBULA</b>
U/11 Surf Teams	<b>BROULEE</b>
U/12 Surf Teams	<b>BROULEE</b>
U/13 Surf Teams	<b>BROULEE</b>
U/14 Surf Teams	<b>BROULEE</b>
U/9 Male Surf	<b>Sam Patmore NAROOMA</b>
U/9 Female Surf	<b>Makynli Dale BROULEE</b>
U/10 Male Surf	<b>Hugh Campbell-Jones PAMBULA</b>
U/10 Female Surf	<b>Tarren Elliott BROULEE</b>
U/11 Male Surf	<b>Jackson Blake BATEMANS BAY</b>
U/11 Female Surf	<b>Keira Lenahan BROULEE</b>
U/12 Male Surf	<b>Aiden Miles NAROOMA</b>
U/12 Female Surf	<b>Kirra Dale BROULEE</b>
U/13 Male Surf	<b>Christian Filmer BROULEE</b>
U/13 Female Surf	<b>Luella Boulton TATHRA</b>
U/14 Male Surf	<b>Lachlan Blake BATEMANS BAY</b>
U/14 Female Surf	<b>Jessie Campbell-Jones PAMBULA</b>
U/9 Male Board	<b>Harry Barrington BROULEE</b>
U/9 Female Board	<b>Emily Walker PAMBULA/ Jade Wilson NAROOMA</b>
U/10 Male Board	<b>Darcy Woodley TATHRA</b>
U/10 Female Board	<b>Chloe Dunn BROULEE</b>
U/11 Male Board	<b>Jackson Blake BATEMANS BAY</b>
U/11 Female Board	<b>Abbey Dunn BROULEE</b>
U/12 Male Board	<b>Callum Elliott BROULEE</b>
U/12 Female Board	<b>Kirra Dale BROULEE</b>
U/13 Male Board	<b>Christian Filmer BROULEE</b>
U/13 Female Board	<b>Luella Boulton TATHRA</b>

U/14 Male Board	Lachlan Blake BATEMANS BAY
U/14 Female Board	Annabelle Smith BROULEE
U9/U10 Board Relay	PAMBULA
U11/U12 Board Relay	BROULEE
U13/U14 Board Relay	BROULEE
U9/U10 Board Rescue	PAMBULA
U11/U12 Board Rescue	BROULEE
U13/U14 Board Rescue	BROULEE
U9/U10 Cameron Relay	PAMBULA
U11/U12 Cameron Relay	NAROOMA
U13/U14 Cameron Relay	PAMBULA
U/11 Ironman	Jackson Blake BATEMANS BAY
U/11 Diamond Lady	Keira Lenehan BROULEE
U/12 Ironman	Callum Elliott BROULEE
U/12 Diamond Lady	Kirra Dale BROULEE
U/13 Ironman	Christian Filmer BROULEE
U/13 Diamond Lady	Luella Boulton TATHRA
U/14 Ironman	Lachlan Blake BATEMANS BAY
U/14 Diamond Lady	Jessie Campbell-Jones PAMBULA
U/8 Male Sprint	Daniel Betts NAROOMA
U/8 Female Sprint	Sophie Potts BERMAGUI
U/8 Beach Relay	PAMBULA
U/9 Male Sprint	Sam Patmore NAROOMA
U/9 Female Sprint	Mystery Bennett NAROOMA
U/9 Beach Relay	NAROOMA
U/10 Male Sprint	Archer Whitby PAMBULA
U/10 Female Sprint	Chloe Dunn BROULEE
U/10 Beach Relay	PAMBULA
U/11 Male Sprint	Patrick Broe JINDABYNE
U/11 Female Sprint	Abbey Dunn BROULEE
U/11 Beach Relay	BROULEE & NAROOMA
U/12 Male Sprint	Aiden Miles NAROOMA
U/12 Female Sprint	Elli Beecham NAROOMA
U/12 Beach Relay	NAROOMA
U/13 Male Sprint	Jack Bennett NAROOMA
U/13 Female Sprint	Makayla Morris NAROOMA



U/13 Beach Relay	<b>NAROOMA</b>
U/14 Male Sprint	<b>Kallan Lavender PAMBULA</b>
U/14 Female Sprint	<b>Hannah Byrne PAMBULA</b>
U/14 Beach Relay	<b>BROULEE</b>
U/8 Male Flags	<b>Daniel Betts NAROOMA</b>
U/8 Female Flags	<b>Rogue Constable NAROOMA</b>
U/9 Male Flags	<b>Sam Patmore NAROOMA</b>
U/9 Female Flags	<b>Mystery Bennett NAROOMA</b>
U/10 Male Flags	<b>Darcy Woodley TATHRA</b>
U/10 Female Flags	<b>Chloe Dunn BROULEE</b>
U/11 Male Flags	<b>Jackson Blake BATEMANS BAY</b>
U/11 Female Flags	<b>Abbey Dunn BROULEE</b>
U/12 Male Flags	<b>Jack Davis NAROOMA</b>
U/12 Female Flags	<b>Elli Beecham NAROOMA</b>
U/13 Male Flags	<b>Geordie Kemp BATEMANS BAY</b>
U/13 Female Flags	<b>Makayla Morris NAROOMA</b>
U/14 Male Flags	<b>Kallan Lavender PAMBULA</b>
U/14 Female Flags	<b>Jessie Campbell-Jones PAMBULA</b>



## 2015/16 FSC Branch Senior Champions

EVENTS	Branch Champion
Open Male Boat	NAROOMA
Vets Male Boat	BROULEE
Open Female Boat	BROULEE
U15 Male Board Rescue	BROULEE A
U15 Female Board Rescue	PAMBULA
U17 Mixed Board Rescue	PAMBULA A
Open Male Board Rescue	TATHRA
U15 Board Relay	BROULEE A
U17 Board Relay	PAMBULA
Open Ski Relay	BROULEE A
Taplin Relay	BROULEE
U15/U17 Tube Race	BROULEE
O30 Female Tube Race	Melissa Meaker TATHRA
O40 Female Tube Race	Ankie Van Haperen TATHRA
O50 Male Tube Race	Andy Baker MORUYA
Male Double ski	NAROOMA A
Masters Male Double Ski	BROULEE A
Female Double Ski	BROULEE A
Mixed Double ski	BROULEE A
Open Male Ski	Joe Halsey NAROOMA
Open Female ski	Simone Elliott BROULEE
U17 Male Ski	Scott Senior BROULEE
U19 Male Ski	Joe Halsey NAROOMA
U19 Female Ski	Ainslie Scully MORUYA
O/30 Male Ski	Nigel Constable NAR
O30 Female Ski	Melissa Meaker TATHRA
O/40 Male Ski	Jamie Ridley BROULEE
O40 Female Ski	Simone Elliott BROULEE
O/50 Male Ski	Pete McKay BROULEE
U15 Male Swim	Kel Lenehan BROULEE
U15 Female Swim	Jessie CampbellJonesPA
U17 Male Swim	Scott Senior BROULEE
U17 Female Swim	Elizabeth Halsey NAR
Open Male Swim	Jesse HoylandMeakerTA
O30 Male Swim	Jae Constable NAROOMA
O40 Male Swim	Andrew Holt PAMBULA
O50 Male Swim	Pete McKay BROULEE
Open Female Swim	Madi Grayson BROULEE
U19 Female Swim	Madi Grayson BROULEE
O30 Female Swim	Narelle Constable NAR
O40 Female Swim	Simone Elliott BROULEE
U15 Male Board	Kel Lenehan BROULEE
U15 Female Board	JessieCampbellJonesPA
U17 Male Board	Scott Senior BROULEE
U17 Female Board	Hayley Ashcroft PAM
U19 Male Board	Joe Halsey NAROOMA



U19 Female Board	Siobhan Brogan BROU
Open Male Board	Joe Halsey NAROOMA
Open Female Board	Simone Elliott BROULEE
O30 Male Board	Jae Constable NAROOMA
O30 Female Board	Kate Whitton TATHRA
O40 Male Board	Darren Browning BROU
O40 Female Board	Simone Elliott BROULEE
O50 Male Board	Pete McKay BROULEE
U15 Ironperson	Kel Lenehan BROULEE
U15 Diamond Lady	JessieCampbellJonesPA
U17 Ironperson	Scott Senior BROULEE
U17 Diamond Lady	Elizabeth Halsey NAR
Open Diamond Lady	Simone Elliott BROULEE
U19 Ironman	Joe Halsey NAROOMA
U19 Diamond Lady	Madi Grayson BROULEE
Open Ironman	Joe Halsey NAROOMA
O30 Ironman	Brendan Constable NAR
O30 Diamond Lady	Narelle Constable NAR
O40 Ironman	Darren Browning BROU
O40 Diamond Lady	Simone Elliott BROULEE
O50 Ironman	Pete McKay BROULEE
U15 Male Sprint	Tyler Bundy BROULEE
U15 Female Sprint	Nimmity Ford TATHRA
U17 Male Sprint	Turi Hides PAMBULA
U17 Female Sprint	Elizabeth Halsey NAR
U19 Male Sprint	Joe Halsey NAROOMA
U19 Female Sprint	Siobhan Brogan BROU
Open Male Sprint	Turi Hides PAMBULA
O30 Male Sprint	Rod Patmore NAR
O30 Female Sprint	Kate Whitton TATHRA
O40 Male Sprint	Darren Browning BROU
O40 Female Sprint	Jo Flood BROULEE
O50 Male Sprint	Pete McKay BROULEE
Mixed Open Sprint Relay	NAROOMA A
U15 Male Flags	Tyler Bundy BROULEE
U15 Female Flags	Nimmity Ford TATHRA
U17 Male Flags	Aaron Flood BROULEE
U17 Female Flags	Elizabeth Halsey NAR
U19 Male Flags	Joe Halsey NAROOMA
U19 Female Flags	Madi Grayson BROULEE
Open Male Flags	Joe Halsey NAROOMA
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