

# COOGEE BEACH SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB ANNUAL REPORT 2022-2023





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# Board of Directors

President	Aaron Patton
VP Beach Operations	Vacant
VP Club Operations	Darren Spencer
Director Finance	Meiling Sparrow
Director Administration	Jacqui Snelgar
Director Member Development	Elise Stallard
Director Life Saving	Patrick Rivers
Director Surf Sports	Vacant
Director Club Development	Dave Lanfear

## Club Operations Team

Club Manager	Jacqueline Grijusich
Club Administrator	Melissa Pursey
Wedding Co-ordinator	Jasmine Smedley
Chef	Andrew Buckley

Immediate Past President	Nick Neal
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Development Officer	Nick Neal
Maintenance Coordinator	Nick Neal
Maintenance Officer	Jason Sparrow



# Presidents Report

AARON PATTON

This season Coogee Beach SLSC celebrated our 20th year patrolling the beach and serving the community. In delivering this service for another year, we can proudly say no lives lost.

This is our core responsibility and drives everything we do. Nippers, Youth, Surf Sports, Training are all focused on developing and preparing our Lifesavers now and for the future. Nipper numbers were slightly down on the previous year, however this was expected with Covid 19 travel restrictions lifting. We still had over 500 Nippers and Youth members for the season. Great work by Nippers Coordinator Jaqueline Grljusich, Youth team and all Age Group Managers in presenting the Woodside Nippers program to members.

Simone Blom and assistants produced another great Starfish Nippers season. Participation continues to rise and the Starfish Nippers have such a great time which is fantastic to see. Our Junior Competitors have represented the club well throughout the season at carnivals. A number of competitors medaled and achieved personal best results, thank you to the Surf Sports team for their dedication and support of our young competitors.

The Boaties Kick started the season with another successful Gotcha for Life 24hour row. They raised \$5,457.00 for the Gotcha for life program. A huge effort by the team to row over the 24-hour period.

In October the Club held the first Surf Boat Race Carnival and at the start of May held the first IRB Race Carnival of their respective seasons. Well done to both the Boaties and IRB teams for their commitment and enthusiasm to run these events



Our Patrol members completed another great season and their diligence and hard work has resulted in incidents being kept to a minimum. Coogee Beach attendance is increasing each year and demands on Patrols increase with these greater numbers.





Again the Training team had a very busy season. Throughout the year there has been Bronze, SRC, ART, IRB Driver & Crew, Nipper Rescue Certificates, plus proficiencies to be completed. It is a credit to the Coogee Beach Training team the club can offer and complete all these courses in the year.

The Storage Project outside of the Function Room has experienced delays due to current construction and supply constraints being experienced in Western Australia.

I would like to thank the Board members – Patrick Rivers (Lifesaving), Elise Stallard (Member Development), Jacqui Snelgar (Administration), Dave Lanfear (Club Development), Darren Spencer (Club Operations) and Meiling Sparrow (Finance) for their efforts and support during the season.

I thank all supporters and sponsors for continuing to be part of our surf club life and encourage everyone to show support through buying their products or using their services. They are the business partners that support us.

One of the most pleasing aspects of the season was the number and quality of nominations for our annual awards. It was great to see so many volunteers recognised for all their work throughout the season and other volunteers taking the time to complete nominations for their peers.

Our challenge for next season is to encourage more volunteers in all areas of the club to assist with programs and achieving club goals.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone for their support and assistance provided to me. I thank you for your dedication and your efforts are greatly appreciated. You have served the community well by keeping them safe and look forward to the start of the season 2023/2024.

Aaron Patton  
President Coogee Beach SLSC



# VP Club Operations

DARREN SPENCER

As you are no doubt aware the club saw our admin and function team along with our chef all decide to leave the club to further their careers in other locations. We wish Mel Rainey, Anette Cronin, Sunny Viros, Roi Kareko and Jim Edwards all the best for their futures.

Due to the departure of the admin and functions staff all leaving within a month of each other, a huge amount of pressure was placed on the club to keep operating whilst looking for replacement staff.

A huge shout out to Meiling and Jason Sparrow, along with Nick Neal for jumping in and keeping the club operational.

As the old saying goes “Out with the old and in with the new”, they also say change is good and in this case we can say that of our new staff Jacqueline Grljusich and Melissa Pursey who have jumped into their roles and have made a number of positive changes throughout the club with positive feedback coming from our members.

A full review of function costs was carried out which highlighted why required margins were not being achieved. Food and beverage reviews were also carried out to identify where improvements could be made.

As you may or may not be aware, our club is dependent on the help from volunteers to ensure that our venue operates successfully. Thankyou to Craig Murray, Nick Neal and Jason Sparrow for helping out in the kitchen to keep our hungry nippers fed on Sundays.

Ongoing reviews of the venue management operations are being carried out in order to determine the best way forward for the club operations.

Like always, we looking to secure sponsors and donations for the Club. If you have a business or are interested, please contact the Club so we can discuss our Sponsorship Packages for next season. Once again, as we enter a new season we are looking for new volunteers to help share the load and assist to make the club the best in Western Australia





# Director Club Developement

DAVE LANFEAR

The Club building has continued to adjust and develop throughout the year with a significant level of support from the City of Cockburn who we continue to meet every two months to run through facility development and management requirements . This more recently has been challenging in an environment where costs are increasing on a monthly basis. The building itself requires significant volunteer time to keep operational and we are indebted to the work which continues to be put in by Jason Sparrow and Nick Neal, ably supported by many volunteers when the club operates busy bees. Being in a prominent location on the coast and being constantly under attack by the natural elements, the need to keep on top of maintaining the asset is critical. The following provides an overview of some of the challenges and improvements over the past 12 months and those currently in progress:

- This year has seen the first season under which we have operated the replacement air conditioning units in the function area which allows the club to sell the space far more easily for functions and events. This has been a valuable addition
- The Surfing Lizard and Coogee Beach Fitness Club continue to contribute significantly to the services on offer at the club and assist in contributing to the clubs financial viability. The Surfing Lizard has undergone a number of changes and is currently closed until the end of July pending some urgent repair works and minor internal changes.
- We still currently benefit from access to the Ngarkal Beach storage unit to service our patrol operations at Port Coogee. This is an ongoing agreement pending a permanent solution to support our remote patrol.
- The Observation Tower at Coogee Beach Jetty has been shored up by piling work paid for by the City of Cockburn who from the 1st July 2023 will take over the responsibility of maintaining the asset and thereby reducing the clubs risk.
- Nick Neal continues to support club development and has provided a draft of the clubs strategic plan which identifies priorities for all aspects of the club for the next five years (currently awaiting adoption). In addition he has continued to liaise with all of our affiliated clubs and where necessary re-align the affiliation agreements.
- In addition, Nick has led the grant funded storage project for the gym, kiosk and club which we are seeking to progress in the coming months. This has been delayed due to inflationary costs in the current construction market and while we seek a reduced scope of works. Discussions are ongoing with the City of Cockburn related to future funding opportunities which may be accessed to assist in achieving what we need.
- The City have also assisted the club in funding an independent review of management and operations to assist the Board in determining the optimum future direction for the function, bar and club member services. This review is currently ongoing and likely to be reported later in the year.



- Dulux through an ongoing Surf Life Saving Australia sponsorship continue to provide us with support through the provision of paint on an annual basis to assist us in maintaining the external fabric of the building.
- Over the next year we will continue to engage with the City to discuss options to assist the club via paid lifeguards to support our surf lifesavers. This has been an ongoing discussion, but something the club feels is necessary to provide support to our volunteer patrol units given the more extensive use of the beach and jetty areas over the past three years.
- In the next financial year (July 2023 onwards) the City have also committed to providing the funding and contractors to replace the tiles on the balcony (which have been an ongoing cause for concern).
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There are a large range of other projects we work in partnership with the City of Cockburn on and seek their support for which I would wish to express our thanks.

In addition, thanks go to our staff, led by Jacqueline Grljusich and supported by Mel Pursey who since the New Year have had to pick up a heavy workload in managing the day to day liaison with the City and a range of contractors, suppliers to minimise disruption to our members.





# Director Finance

MEILING SPARROW

After returning to somewhat back to 'normal' conditions post Covid-19, 2022-2023 saw an improvement on 2021-2022 season.

Income for the year was \$1,373,734 as compared to last year's result of \$1,156,098. The main variances were increased income from:-

- Club & Functions
- Leased facilities
- Donations / Fundraising / Sponsorship
- Surf Sports / Member Development

Net operating profit for the year was a profit of \$86,448 compared to last year's loss of \$55,727. The net profit adding back the benefits from asset sales the result was a profit of \$92,115 vs FY2022-23 loss result of \$49,170. The difference resulting in the significantly large increase in Sponsorship/Donations/Fundraising and also a \$20,000 Covid 19 Hardship Govt grant.

Cash on hand at the end of the financial period was \$398,386 compared to \$376,440 last year. This year's figure still includes major Grant funds for the storage project where approximately 14% of the \$140,000 Grant has been expended.

## INCOME

Income for the year of \$1,373.7k, was 18.8% greater than FY2021-22, and derived from the areas summarised in Table 1.0 below with detail provided in the following paragraphs.

**Table 1.0 Revenue Summary**

Functional Area	2021-2022	2022-2023	% $\Delta$
Club Membership	\$185,123	\$171,790	-7.20%
Merchandise	\$20,434	\$17,260	-15.53%
Sponsorship / Fundraising / Donations	\$43,828	\$116,218	+165.17%
Grants	\$35,027	\$31,705	-9.48%
Facilities - Leases / Rentals	\$99,384	\$117,180	+17.91%
Club Functions	\$715,701	\$847,626	+18.43%
Surf Sports/Member Development	\$28,053	\$40,306	+43.68%
Other Income	\$27,871	\$31,649	+13.56%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,156,098</b>	<b>\$1,373,734</b>	<b>+18.83%</b>



## Membership

Overall membership numbers, as detailed in Table 2.0 below, decreased 15.8% from last season.

Juniors (13-15yr) member numbers have remained consistent, Adults dropped slightly by 7% however the numbers in Nippers, Youth and General have all declined 14-25% compared to last year.

Income was slightly lower (7.2%) than last year due to member mix, decreased numbers (-16.5%) and offset with increase in fees.

**Table 2.0 – Membership Summary**

Category		2021-2022	2022-23
Active Members	Juniors: 5-13 years	598	492
	Juniors: 13-15 years	67	67
	Youth: 15-18 years	56	42
	Adult: 18+ years	144	134
General		523	447
Sunset Crew		366	280
Life		9	10
<b>Total</b>		<b>1763</b>	<b>1472</b>

## Merchandise

The Woodside Sponsorship via Surf Life Saving WA continues to provide nippers' uniforms free of charge.

This had reduced the level of merchandise purchases overall per annum. New Merchandise lines to be arranged for next season.

## Sponsorship / Fundraising / Donations

Revenue of \$116.2k, which includes the Woodside sponsorship, was 165.2% up on last year's result of \$43.8k.

The key variance came from all classifications. The 'Boaties' held their Cow Pat Lotto event this year with great success. Donations were also increased by a couple of large cash donations towards the IRB Racing team.

Sponsorship increased by 27% this year however this is still lower than our target and will continue to be one of our key focus areas for our team in 2032/24. This was still a great result given that the Sponsorship co-ordinator role remained vacant throughout the season



## Grants

Grants were down slightly this year by 9.5%, given that the other positive contributions were City of Cockburn, Department of Industry and SLSWA.

Our strategy remains to fund majority of asset expenditure from grants and/or sponsorship therefore identification of next year's requirements is currently being assessed by each of our departments.

## Lease/Rental Income

Our lease income increased 17.9% this financial year due to increased rental rates.

Our target is to continue to work with our leasees to achieve market value rental income.

## Club Functions

There was an increase (18.4%) in revenue from Club functions during the year, with the number of events increasing 2% to 241 as summarised in Table 3.0 below. The increase in revenue coming from the increase in Weddings and Other events with the drop in Club Social nights.

The focus to increase the number of external events is being maintained as indicated in Table 3. Catered functions such as weddings, funerals and birthdays will continue to be targeted as these provide higher revenues and margins. There had been a swing in the number of social club nights that was available for members to attend which had received much negative feedback. This is being rectified going forward to be available more consistently for our members.

**Table 3.0 - Club Functions**

Function	2021/2022	2022/2023
Friday Social Night	39	20
Thursday Parmi Night	47	37
Sunday Sessions/Carvery	13	22
Club Events	13	15
Weddings	19	41
Funerals	12	13
Corporate Events	55	30
Other Functions	38	63
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>241</b>

## Surf Sports/Member Development

Income from Surf Sports and Member Development was \$40.3k which was up 43.7% from last year's figure of \$28.0k.

Safety Services and training fees both increased significantly from last year after all the impacts of Covid-19.



## GROSS MARGIN

A summary of gross profit for the respective functional areas is summarised in Table 4.0 below.

**Table 4.0 – Gross Margin Summary**

Functional Area	2021-2022		2022-2023	
	Margin \$	% Sales	Margin \$	% Sales
Club Membership	\$175,927	95.00%	\$146,199	85.10%
Merchandise	\$7,867	38.50%	\$1,183	6.85%
Donations/Sponsorship/Fundraising	\$43,151	98.50%	\$115,319	99.23%
Grants	\$35,027	100.00%	\$31,705	100.00%
Leases / Rentals	\$99,384	100.00%	\$117,181	100.00%
Club Functions	\$148,432	20.70%	\$150,786	17.79%
Surf Sports/Member Development	\$15,223	45.60%	\$31,187	77.38%
Misc	\$676		\$25,981	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$525,687</b>	<b>45.47%</b>	<b>\$619,540</b>	<b>45.10%</b>



The gross margin as a percentage of sales of 45.1% was pretty much on par with last year's result of 45.4%. This would have shown a higher gross margin of 55% if compared directly to last year as we had reallocated some costs from Operating costs to COGS.

Significant improvements from member development were achieved and the other areas were in line with expected levels apart from Club Membership (due to allocation of Rebate in P&L from SLSWA compared to last year) and Merchandise GP was down significantly which will require further investigation into the mix of items being sold.

There is, however, still further work required to improve the margin for bar and food within our Club Function area. The bar margin had begun to drop below our target range due to increases in alcohol prices however food was approximately 10% below our target but with the change in staff and chef and other changes being implemented since January 2023 we are beginning to see the margin on food increase to more acceptable levels. With some changes to allocation of costs from Operating costs to COGS compared to last year, this would have seen a GP of 33% compared to 20.7% last year.

The Club Operations Team in conjunction with Finance are currently completing a full pricing review and cost inputs to achieve target levels. Other strategies are also being investigated to increase the profitability of the function area.

The Club has agreed spoken with the City of Cockburn to engage an independent consultant to assist in a full review of the facilities to provide a report and alternate suggestions for the way forward on running the facility. The CoC is funding this independent review.

## OPERATING EXPENDITURE

The Operating Expense (excluding depreciation) decreased by 5.11%.

The main variances in expenditure were:

- Administration costs decreased mainly due to correct allocation of Entertainment costs (\$19.9k LY compared to \$0) to Gross margin as they were directly related to functions being held, Merchant Facility increase (\$3k), Advertising/Marketing decreased (\$2.6k).
- Equipment/Consumables experienced a slight decrease overall.
- Occupancy main increases were gas usage (\$7.9k) and cleaning services (\$11k)
- Staff costs showed a decrease, however there were some changes to the allocation of staff and some costs were changed to Wages in the Cost of Goods area. Although with the office staff changeover, from Jan 2023 there was a decrease in wages of 13% from Employee Expenses.



**Table 5.0 – Operating Costs**

AREA	2021-2022	2022-2023	% $\Delta$
Administration Costs	\$108,022	\$83,082	-23.09%
Employee Expenses	\$189,735	\$153,067	-19.33%
Equipment & Consumables	\$47,375	\$44,354	-6.38%
Facility Maintenance	\$25,238	\$40,893	+62.03%
Insurance Costs	\$14,732	\$17,779	+20.68%
Occupancy Costs	\$129,323	\$149,744	+15.79%
Poore Grove Expenses	\$850	\$0	
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>\$515,275</b>	<b>\$488,919</b>	<b>-5.11%</b>
Depreciation	\$71,254	\$44,171	
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$586,529</b>	<b>\$533,090</b>	<b>-9.11%</b>



## NET PROFIT

Overall net profit is summarised in Table 7.0 below for the three main areas of operation for the club.

**Table 6.0 – Net Operating Profit Summary**

Area	2021-2022	2022-2023
Club Operations	-\$265,000	-\$123,795*
Beach Operations	\$104,000	\$74,784
Facilities	\$112,000	\$121,126
<b>Net Profit*</b>	<b>-\$49,170</b>	<b>\$72,115</b>
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>\$21,992</b>	<b>\$116,286</b>

\*Excludes Covid19 Hardship Grant

The Net Operating result for Club Operations was an improvement on last year however majority of this was as a result of the split of the Operating costs between Club Operations and Beach Operations from prior years. The negative result remains below our target and as mentioned, further actions are in place to gather some further input and guidance.

Beach Operations produced a positive result but was well down on last year due to increase in operating costs due to the change in allocation between Club operations and Beach operations, this was mostly offset by the increase in revenue from donations/sponsorship/grants and Surf Sports/Member Development.







## CASHFLOW

Overall cash on hand increased \$21,946 to \$398,386 which includes the balance of the Storage Grant of approximately \$119,000.

The Club invested in \$60,299 of non-current assets and divested \$4,400.

The Club's cash reserves are satisfactory but below our set target. With the continual improved performance for next year this target should be closer to being achieved.

### Improvements

The Finance Team have continued to simplify and substantially reduce time required to perform certain tasks that were taking place. Continual improvement will further reduce the complexity of the administrative tasks and time required to complete such tasks.

Upon the resignation of a number of staff, we were left with some massive hurdles to overcome, which I can say we are over that hurdle now but not without the hard work and effort that was required to do so. This also forced the Finance team to put in place some new processes going forward to eliminate some of the issues that arose.

### Forward View

Draft budgets are underway and will be finalised in the coming weeks. Again, we will be forecasting an improvement on last year's results.

Upon our independent review of the club and its facilities in the coming weeks, we will have some more guidance and hopefully a way forward with the outcomes and scenarios for the Club Operations side of the club.

My first year as Director – Finance definitely did not come without its testing times, but I can confidently say that we are definitely looking at a much brighter outlook for the coming seasons.

### Recognition

I take this opportunity to thank Luke Raphael for his efforts for the time he had taken to spend on the Finance Officer role, however resigned prior to the end of the term. I also thank the new staff (Jacqueline Grljusich and Melissa Pursey) who were very patient and resilient on their learning journey since starting in their new roles.



# Director Life Saving

PATRICK RIVERS

This 2022/23 patrol season, services continued successfully across Coogee Beach, Port Coogee and the various water safety services for community events. In contrast to the previous two seasons, operations were not impacted by COVID-19 and we continued to operate safely under State and SLSWA guidelines.

Some changes were made to our operations, to improve our services, and included:



- the establishment of our 9th (Aqua) Patrol, to improve the balance of members and skills across all the groups; and
- the addition of a RWC (jet-ski) to our power craft fleet and training of RWC operators.

This season, we patrolled on most public holidays including Christmas Day. Our January afternoon patrols continued to 4:00 PM to extend our surf rescue services during the busy school holidays.



The club provided water safety services to 9 community events. We are grateful to the volunteers who went beyond their rostered patrols to help out and raise valuable additional income to support our club operations. The club also continued to provide support to the Department of Education for Vac Swim and In Term swimming lessons at Coogee Beach.





In addition to the many instances where first aid were administered, preventative actions implemented, missing children found or members assisted Police, the main incidents we attend to were:

a resuscitation on 21 Jan 23 during which members of the public made use of the public defibrillator to initiate treatment – a great example of the value of these devices;

- a near drowning rescue on 26 Jan 23;
- another near drowning rescue on 28 Jan 23;
- and taking the honours for the quirkiest incident this season ... the rescue by an IRB of a mermaid who had “tail” cramp while swimming around at a City of Cockburn event.

All 3 people (plus the mermaid) involved have fully recovered. This a great testament to the capabilities of our volunteers whose skills are underpinned by the world class training from our CBSLSC Training Team.

Another unusual event during a patrol was the informal visit by Caroline Kennedy, the US Ambassador to Australia, who stopped by for a swim at Coogee. Her protection officers didn't want to get their feet wet and so our patrol members offered to keep an eye on her in the water.

During the season we had the opportunity for member development with two workshops held on:

- Mentally healthier life with Gotcha4Life and Tomorrow Man/Tomorrow Woman; and
- Incident management for our Patrol Captains.

Unfortunately, no season goes without its challenges and this time, issues with our digital handheld radios seemed to be the main one. In the end, and after many attempts, the radios were finally fixed.

Changes to the beach infrastructure included the refurbishment and addition of the wheelchair access to Coogee Jetty. This great initiative however impacted on our ability to cross underneath the Jetty with the ATVs. A short-term solution was implemented but we will continue to work with the City of Cockburn to find a long-term solution to maintain access.

Finally, it has been a fantastic season and thank you to all the volunteer lifesavers. None of this would be possible without you – you should be proud of your contributions.



# Director Member Development

ELISE STALLARD

This year saw a restructure in the area of Member Development, with Nippers, Youth and Starfish Nippers under the service area.

## Nippers

This season we had a total of 491 Nippers registered for Sunday morning activities, broken down into the respective age groups.

- U6 – 84
- U7 – 89
- U8 – 81
- U9 – 63
- U10 – 55
- U11 – 40
- U12 – 42
- U13 – 37

Managing these numbers, we had out amazing Age Managers down the beach each week, providing a range of activities and surf awareness skills to the Nippers. We had a new bunch of Age Managers come on board this year, with 15 attending the SLSWA course and brining these skills back to our beach. Above this, our new Nipper Coordinator Jacq was down at the beach each Sunday, coordinating the Age Managers and water safety, ensuring everything runs smoothly and providing assistance when required. New Nipper boards were ordered at the end of the season to replace old and damaged boards, and we are looking forward to seeing these boards being used by our Nippers on the beach next summer.

## Youth

This year the Youth experienced Surf Boat and ski have a go sessions on Sunday mornings, exposing them to a variety of avenues to experience in surf lifesaving once their surf rescue certificate is obtained. Coogee also held a Youth Age Manager course, where Youth learnt all about Age Managing and were then able to be paired with a mentor to assist Nippers on Sunday mornings. We had Fremantle SLSC come down to Coogee for a joint training session, board paddling and snorkelling followed by a joint BBQ. The annual Beach Bumz camp was held at Woodman point in December, with Youth getting to experience a range of activities with highlights including the flying fox and rock climbing.

Our Youth were involved in a range of activities at a State level this year. Taleisha Hurdford partook in the Rookie Lifeguard Program held by SLSWA, where Youth learn what it takes to be a paid lifeguard on beaches up and down the coast. She was then selected as a top 10 participant and got to work alongside lifeguards for the week. U14's Tadhg and Trinity attended the SLSWA T.O.A.D. Camp, and U17's Charlotte and Brooke attended the Rise-Up Camp where they got to connect over the week with Youth from all over the State, participating in fun activities and learning about leadership. The Nipper and Youth Awards were also attended at the end of the year with Maya Coleman awarded Club Nipper Achiever Award, Tadhg Bryan awarded Club Youth Achiever Award and Lachlan Olive achieving Gold Level status for the Youth Leaders Program.



# Training Report 22/23

Chief Training Officer - Beth Lewis

This was another successful year for the training team, with courses completed throughout the year. The 2022-off season saw Coogee candidates complete the Rescue Water Craft (Jet Ski) training award for the first time in many years, resulting in CBSLSC having sufficient qualified RWC drivers to operate our own jet ski patrols at Coogee.

As always, the CBSLSC training team have made huge personal sacrifices to train and requalify our members. It has taken approximately 1,000 training hours to complete our training commitments this year. Enormous thanks to all Trainers for their efforts again this season to achieve the following awards and requalification's.

## 2022/2023 Course Numbers-new awards

·SRC 42 candidates between adult and cadet

Bronze 27

·IRB Crew 8

·IRB Driver 1

·ART 50

·Bronze Trainer Award 1

·RWC 4

## Requalification

·ART and ART(AID) 69

·Bronze Medallion 150

·IRB Crew 39

·IRB Driver 17

·SRC 44

·NRC 2





# Honours Panel Report

NICK NEAL – HONOURS PANEL CHAIRPERSON

The role of the Honours Panel within the Club continued to grow throughout the 2022/23 season.

Consisting of the following Life Members (Lou Doran, Allan Doran, Dave Knowles, Scott McKee, Denise Murray, Craig Murray, Nick Neal, and Patrick Rivers) the Panel's main objective is providing governance over the Club's Honours Policy which provides the framework for the nomination, assessment, and selection for Members of the Coogee Beach Surf Life Saving Club (SLSC) Honour Awards.

With the endorsement of the Board of Directors the Panel has taken on the responsibility of preserving the history of the Club and have dedicated many hours over the past twelve (12) months compiling information relating to the history of the Club.

Key achievements for the season:

- Implementation of the Club's Memorabilia Plan in the Daryll Smith Function Room, Ken Hodgkinson Training Room, and the Club's Administration Office.
- Planning and coordinating the "Back to Coogee Day" which saw present and old members come together to celebrate the Club's 20th Anniversary.
- Review of the Junior Club Person of the Year Award, which will see the award replaced next season with two new awards. (Nipper of the Year & Youth of the Year) The criteria for these new awards will be aligned to the following SLSWA awards. (Nipper Club Achiever & Youth Club Achiever)
- Book committee formed to look at the structure for the Club 25th Anniversary Book, led by Nick Neal and with the help of Kerry Herman and Debbie Williamson (community volunteers) the committee to date have developed the book themes, interview question sets and compile a list of members they wish to interview. The committee is looking to commence the member interviews in July 2023.

The Panel has also been busy running their Retro Esky Raffles on Club Member Nights with all proceeds going towards preserving the history of the Club.

Keep your eye out for the final stages of the Club Memorabilia Plan that will be implemented throughout the 2023/234 season.





# Starfish Nippers Report

SIMONE BLOM – STARFISH NIPPER CO-ORDINATOR

Our 2023 Coogee Beach WA Starfish Nipper program had 33 participants that ranged in age from under 6's to Cadets. We had over 20 mentors who volunteered their time to make this year's program a positive, fun and inclusive environment for the nippers and their families!

Our nippers had a range in physical and intellectual disabilities, we modified the Woodside Nipper activities so that everyone's individual needs were met for both sand and water activities.

The mentors assisted the nippers to learn surf sports disciplines like flags, relays, board paddling, ocean swimming and our Club Patrol Members discussed beach safety with our group.

It was fantastic seeing the smiles on their faces each week, especially those brave enough to jump off the pontoon!

Thank you to all the amazing participants, parents and mentors for a great season, I look forward to seeing everyone back on the beach in 2024.





# State Championship Surf Sport Winners



## **Gold**

U8 Swim

U10 1km Beach Run

U12 Male Flags

Eve Steele

Alyssa Bridle

Austin Hall

## **Silver**

U11 Board Rescue

U10 Cameron Relay

U12 Male Beach Sprint

U12 Boys Relay

Alexi Parks

Jayosha Stack

Alyssa Bridle,

Hayley Moffatt

Laci Paterson

Lola Munro-Davis

Maverick Greive

Maverick Greive

Reid Hall

Austin Hall

Lachie Tinsley

## **Bronze**

U8 Sprints

U11 1km Beach Run

Surf Boats Masters 160

Chance Waikari

Noa Dewar

Team Stokers



# Club Annual Award Winners

## LIFE SAVING AWARDS

Life Saver of the Year  
Youth Lifesaver of the Year  
Life Saving Family of the Year  
John Bates Trophy  
Life Saving Patrol Group of the Year  
500 Club Inductee

Michael Rees  
Kaj Winfird  
Snelgar Family  
Kaj Winfield  
Purple  
Elizabeth Lewis  
Lani Slaughter  
Byron Maney  
Catherine Spencer  
Stephan Esterhuysen  
Lachlan Olive  
Paul Maney  
Elaine Ashurst

## MEMBER DEVELOPMENT

Dave Knowles Award for Excellence

Elise Stallard

## SURF SPORTS

Scott & Michell McKee Person of the Year  
Team of the Year – Masters  
Team of the Year – Junior  
Youth Competitor of the Year

Ross Davis  
Stokers  
U10 Cameron Relay  
Josh Snelgar

## CLUB AWARDS

Distinguished service

James Coubrough  
Joe Selden  
Simone Blom  
Justin Blankley  
Andrea McDougall  
Catherine Spencer

Geoff Newman Club Person of the Year  
Junior Club Person of the Year  
Silly Arse Award

Meiling & Jason Sparrow  
Lachlan Olive  
Jo Miguel & Bec Tibbles



## JUNIOR NIPPER CLUB AWARDS

### Female Club Champion

8's	Lola Miles
9's	Inika Beal-White
10's	Alyssa Bridle
11's	Jayosha Stack
12's	Ruby Campbell
13's	Charlotte Gresley

### Male Club Champion

8's	Liam Malcom
9's	Mikki Connell
10's	Noah Wilkinson
11's	Gabriel Shivak
12's	Maverick Grieve
13's	Jacob Monaco

### Coaches AGM Award

6's	Harvey Peters
7's	Alleah Sarader
8's	Luke Bridle
9's	Mia Cubillos
10's	Sophia Di Tullio, George Milbourn
11's	Sophie Rafiq, Mikayla Paterson
12's	Declan Williams
13's	Molly Hewitt, Isobel Stak
Youth	Tadhg Bryan

### U7's Excellence Award

Calli Beal-White	Leah Deetman
Rocco Connelly	Freddie Thomas



# Club Officers

## BEACH OPERATIONS

Club Captain  
Beach Events Officer  
Port Coogee Coordinator  
Merchandising Officer  
First Aid Officer

IRB Officer

Drone Officer

Steve Taylor  
Alex Aitken  
Lani Slaughter  
Kristen Stegnjaic  
Justin Blankley  
Nicholas Gleeson  
Joe Selden  
Gavin Cole  
Duncan Watkinson  
Jacqui Snelgar

## SURF SPORTS

Youth Development Officer  
Youth Officer  
Equipment Officer  
Surf Sports Coordinator  
Surf Sports Coach  
Surf Sports Coach – Surf Boats  
Boats Captain  
IRB Coach  
IRB Race Captain  
Nipper Coordinator  
Starfish Nipper Coordinator  
Water Safety Officer  
Nippers Activity Officer  
Little Nippers Competition Coordinator  
Junior Competition Coordinator

Andrea McDougall  
Vacant  
Lani Slaughter  
Vacant  
Ross Davis  
Kevin Mahony  
Rob O'Connell  
Elena Rigoll  
Elise Stallard  
Jacqueline Grljusich  
Simone Blom  
Lauren Capper  
Kevin Giles  
Kristyn Gohrt  
Katie Gresley

## TRAINING OFFICERS

Chief Training Officer  
Trainers and Assessors

Training Officers

Beth Lewis  
Dave Knowles  
Joe Selden  
Danny Lea  
Justin Blankley  
Michael Rees  
Nicholas Gleeson  
Lachlan Olive  
Dan Richardson  
Jim Coubrough  
Gavin Cole  
Will Selden  
Camile Selden



## LIFESAVING

Chief Patrol Officer

Stephan Esterhuysen

Black Patrol Captain

Black Patrol Vice Captain

Paul Maney

Steve Taylor

Dean Stewart

Burgundy Patrol Captain

Burgundy Patrol Vice Captain

Lani Slaughter

Sarah Brasier

Blue Patrol Captain

Blue Patrol Vice Captain

Elise Stallard

Marilyn Selden

William Selden

Grace Lingard

Green Patrol Captain

Green Patrol Vice Captain

Josh Murray

Connor Ratcliffe

James Kristensen

Orange Patrol Captain

Orange Patrol Vice Captain

Stephen Esterhuysen

Rebecca Tibbels

Olivia Patton

Purple Patrol Captain

Purple Patrol Vice Captain

Bernie Parker

Niamh Cooper

Emma Giles

Red Patrol Captain

Red Patrol Vice Captain

Michael Sarader

Patrick Rivers

Jacqui Snelgar

White Patrol Captain

Tabor Kelly

White Patrol Vice Captain

Stephen Adam

Steve Blaine

Aqua Patrol Captain

Aqua Patrol Vice Captain

Michael Rees

Lachlan Olive



## Age Group Managers and Assistants

### Under 6's

Cash Spencer  
Zoe Spencer  
Flynn Spencer  
Toby Saunders

### Under 7's

Daniel Dulisse

### Under 8's

Belinda Rowland  
Krysten Gohrt

### Under 9's

Stacey Harding  
Cory Cummings  
David Voisey  
Madelaine Hall  
Harper Collinson

### Under 10's

Steve Blaine

### Under 11's

Ross Davis  
Nick Moffatt  
Troy Hunter  
Cindy Wilson



### Under 12's

Karina Pomykaj  
Emma Giles  
Declan Stack

### Under 13's

Nathan Rainey

### Under 14's

Rebecca Tibbels  
Liezl Esterhuysen

### Youth

James Tilbury  
Carren Bell  
Mike Sumich

### Floats

Lisa Belton

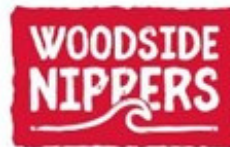




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