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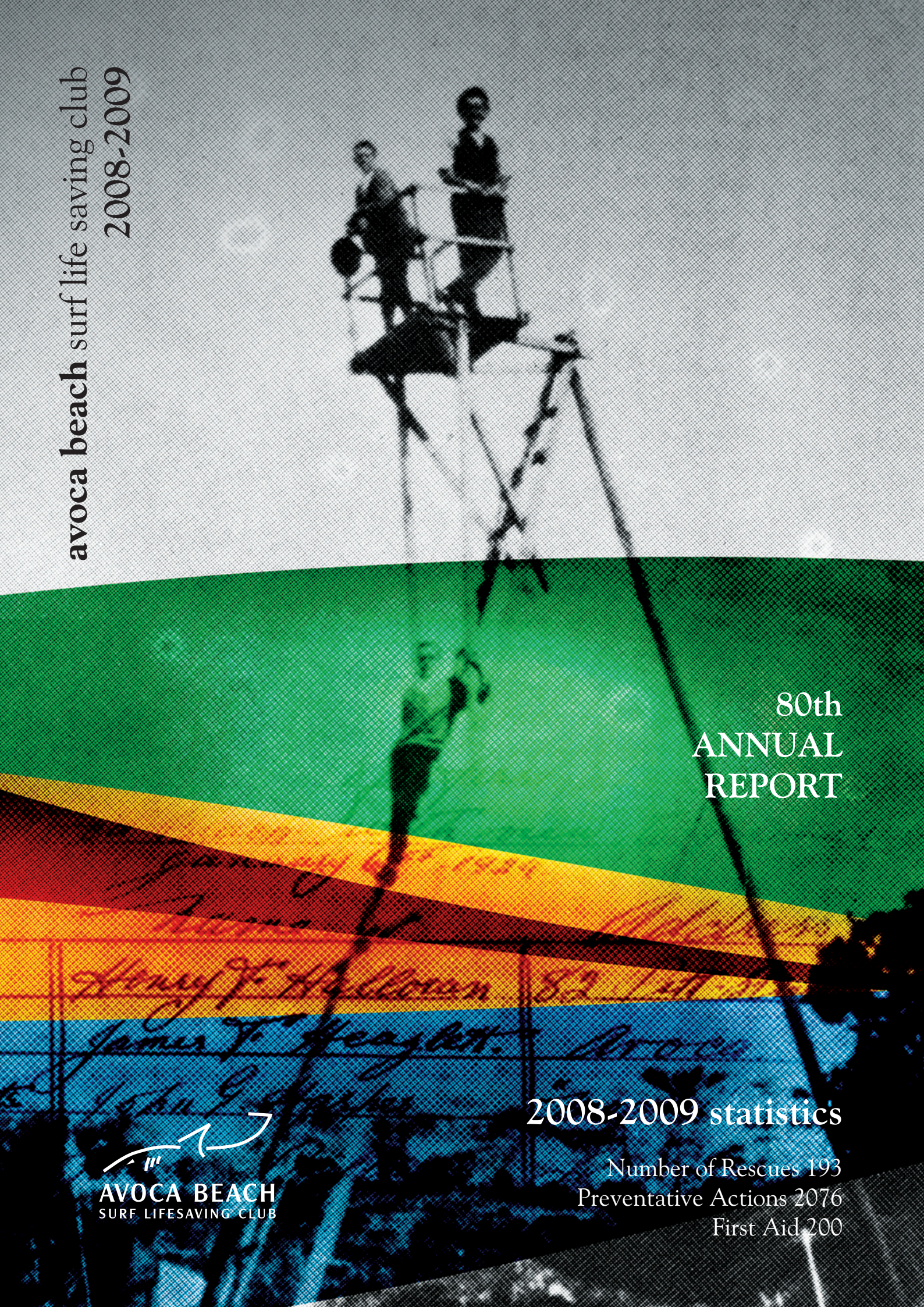

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2008-2009 statistics

Number of Rescues 193
Preventative Actions 2076
First Aid 200

SPONSORS APPRECIATION

Gold Sponsors

Central Coast Mazda
George Brand Real Estate
Gosford City Council
Mitchell Bros Builders
Premier Fire Protection Services (NSW)
Raine & Horne, Avoca Beach
Robson Civil Projects
UD Trucks

Silver Sponsors

Airpak Sheetmetal Pty Ltd
Avoca Beach Architectural & Hardware
Avoca Beach Bowling & Recreational Club
AB SLSC Ladies Auxiliary
BlueBerry Events
Central Coast Radio
Coastal Tiles
Dunes
Elle Bache - Erina
Energy Australia
Erina Fair
H&H Catering
Michael Riley & Associates
Mr Catering
National Truss Company
NBN
Paks
Skins
TJ's Country Fresh
Three Point Surf

Bronze Sponsors

Allcoast Concrete & Pump Hire
Avoca Beach Community Association
Avoca Beach Cake Shop
Avoca Beach Cellars
Avoca Beach Hotel
Avoca Beach Medical Centre
Avoca Beach Welcome Mart
Avoca Palms Resort Apartments
Booths Mitsubishi
Central Coast Mechanical Repairs
Gosford Golf Club
Hair on York
Light Culture Australia
Lions Club Green Point
Mermaids
Mitre 10 Kincumber
Peter's Meats Erina
Riley's B&B
Ritchie's Stores
Rotary Club of Kincumber
Shirro Australia
Singo's Meats
SLS Central Coast
The Funky Kitchen
The Kiosk, Avoca Beach
The Palms at Avoca
Zoggs

UD Trucks supporting patrols

Swimmers preparing for
Hunters Raine & Horne Ocean Swim

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the 81st Annual General Meeting of the Avoca Beach Surf Lifesaving Club Inc. will be held at the Avoca Beach Surf Lifesaving Club on Sunday 9 August, 2009 commencing at 11am.

Business

1. To confirm the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting
2. To deal with any such business arising out of such Minutes
3. To deal with any relevant correspondence
4. To receive and adopt the Annual Report and Financial Statement
5. To elect Office Bearers for the 2009-2010 season
6. To transact any further urgent business which may be brought before the meeting.

Fees for the 2009 – 2010 Season

Active Members	$45
Active Member U18, Cadet	$45
Long Service, Reserve Active	$45
Award Members	$45
Associate Member (must be over 35)	$50
Ladies Auxiliary - Associate	$40
Gym Levy – Active Members	$50
Gym Levy – Associate Members	$100
Competition Levy	$55

Please Note: Only financial Active, Long Service, Active Reserve, Honorary Life Members and Award Members are entitled to vote at any General Meeting. Associate Members cannot vote except if they have had seven (7) years active service.

Life Members

Throughout the years, certain Members have distinguished themselves by their outstanding services to Avoca Beach Surf Life Saving Club and their devotion to its ideals. The Club honours such Members by bestowing on them the coveted office of 'Life Member'.

Jim Heazlett (dec)	1930	Colin Barker	1979	Eric Walters	1988	Craig Kelly (active)	2000
E. Benson (dec)	1945	Richard Gee (dec)	1979	Andy Hoban	1991	Bob Dorrell	2001
Ken Ross (dec)	1948	Edwin Poole	1979	Mick Kendal	1992	Stuart Paterson	2002
Dick Pickett (dec)	1958	Graham Love	1982	Jim Mitchell	1992	Wendy Norman (active)	2003
Bert Maloney (dec)	1959	Dennis Barker	1983	John Mitchell	1992	Jim McAtamney	2004
Adrian Pickett (dec)	1959	Max Sainsbury (active)	1983	Howard Jones	1996	David O'Grady (active)	2004
Colin Smith (dec)	1960	Mike Tamblyn	1983	Kevin Bootle	1998	Quentin Riley	2006
Jim Wood (dec)	1960	Dennis Gee	1984	Phillip Gee	1998	Murray Braund (active)	2007
Bryce Norman	1962	Norm Boden (dec)	1985	Alistair Peebles	1998	Robert Cairncross	2007
Jim Harpur	1967	Gerry Hoban (dec)	1985	Wayne Fuller	1999	Bill Mitchell (active)	2007
Ron Way	1971	Brian Cahill	1988	Larry Thorncroft	1999		

Distinguished Members

John Andrews	Robert Dorrell	Tony Licciardo	Fred Spindler
Ross Allan	Arthur Ellis	Brian Low	Ross Tait
Eddie Baker	Wayne Fuller	Ian Messenger	Geoff Thomson
Frank Buckley	Ray Fyffe	Bill Mitchell	Larry Thorncroft
Murray Braund	Phillip Gee	Jim McAtamney	Kerry Worrell
Peter Battye	Brian Goffett	Wendy Norman	John Gorey
Kevin Bootle	Bob Haynes	David O'Grady	David Broadbent
Frank Byrnes	Neville Hillyard	Bob Patterson	Garry Clarke
Bob Cairncross	Michael Hunter	Stuart Paterson	Gordon Jones
Steve Cannon	Terry Hunter	Slim Peebles	Laurie Power
John Cheadle	Greg Jarmaine	Quentin Riley	Craig Anderson
Nan Jones	Keith Jones	Wayne Ritchie	Murray Iles
Kevin Cheadle	Craig Kelly	Adam Robinson	
Len Cook	Ian Lambert	Neil Robinson	

Ladies Auxiliary Life Members

Joyce Harpur	1972	Helen Walters	1985	Norma Love	1989	Jan Gee	2007
Cecely Norman	1974	Annette Cahill	1987	Nola Thompson	1993	Margaret Wilson	2007
Amy Britton	1976	Rhonda Sainsbury	1987	Jan Hoban	1996		
Dulcie McAtamney	1982	Peg Gee	1989	Robyn Tinker	1998		

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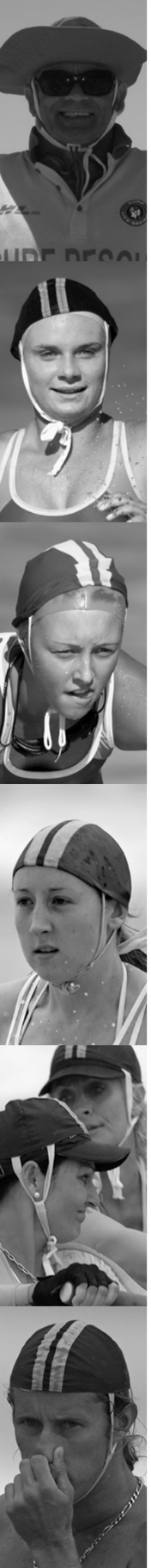

MINUTES OF THE 80TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 10TH AUGUST 2008 AT AVOCA BEACH SLSC CLUBHOUSE

Meeting Started: 11.05am

Attendees

Rod Butler, Matt Mitchell, Murray Tancred, Joe Murray, Fred Spindler, Nigel Tebb, Daniel McClelland, Matt Parker, Howard Jones, Craig Anderson, Michael Hunter, Dan Ryan, Pauline Priest, Maree Bootle, Kevin Bootle, Ted Poole, Bryce Norman, Rob Cairncross, Max Sainsbury, Graham Love, Colin Barker, Steve Jung, Gordon Stalley, Greg Cook, Tony Ide, Chris Tasker, Bill Mitchell, Bob Dorrell, Jim McAtamney, Mick Kendal, Kim Byrnes, Karen Douglas, Trevor Tame, Ann Tame, Tony Bennett, Gary Hore, Murray Iles, George Spencer, Chris Blakeway, Eddy Baker, Keith Jones, Frank Buckley, Kahlee Doyle, Olivia Doyle, Jeff Doyle, David O'Grady, Jeffrey Smith, Rob Davis, John Laing, Brian Munton, David Babbage, Robert Burns, Andy Hoban, Anita Jung, Michael Foley, Steve Jelfs.

Apologies

Mike Tamblyn, Brett Hunter, Bryan Low, Alison Tomlin, Wendy Norman, Wayne Donnelly, Peter Merrick, Cheryl Hatch, Brendan Cullen, Kelly Yule, Ian Gillespie, Alistair Peebles, Brian Goffett, Joyce Harpur, Robert Hurrell, Larry Thorncroft, Adam Robinson, Brian Cahill, Dennis Gee, Darren Clarke, Wayne Fuller, Jess Davis, Warwick Pearce.

Proxies Nil

Item Notes / Discussion

Nominated/ Seconded

1. Chairpersons address

- Welcome Life Members and Ladies Auxiliary
- Thankyou Anita Jung on preparation
- Included in Annual Report
- Matt Penn standing down, pass on our thanks
- Welcome Deb See
- Lifesaving has moved forward in leaps and bounds, thank you
- Competition continues to excel, well done to boats in particular and junior members
- Ladies Auxiliary thank you
- Worked well with partners in Cafe and Kiosk, small difficulties but we worked through those
- Welcome Joe Murray in new Functions Manager Role
- Thank you Anita Jung on administrative and functions role
- Gym, thank you Andy, George Spencer and Brian Lowe
- Thank you to Brian Goffet as bar manager over the past couple of years
- Dave Broadbent and Fiona Kirkman in preparation of reports and Anita Jung

2. Confirm minutes of previous AGM

Confirmed. Michael Hunter / Ed Baker

3. Business arising from Minutes

Nil

4. Relevant correspondence

Nil (for this meeting)

5. Building Report

- Working on memorabilia at present
- Mike Tamblyn standing down, Bill Mitchell expressed thanks for his many efforts
- Continued maintenance on building since completion, will be ongoing
- Water tanks discussed, location to be likely against existing council toilets, currently at DA stage

6. Vote to receive and accept Financial Statement and Annual Report

Neil Robinson

- Coaching expenses of $12,000, who and where is this spent
- Surf Sports Panel were left responsibility of apportioning these monies throughout the coaching committee
- A portion of these funds were specifically donated for this purpose
- Recommendation that the allocation of these funds are transparent and be published

Karen Douglas

- Request regarding transparency
- Possibly an executive summary after all executive meetings

Robert Burns

- Query relating to credits for Function Centre hire
  Responded by Anita Jung

Carried. Neil Robinson / Howard Jones

7. SLSCC Affiliation and Nominations

Carried. Nigel Tebb / Tony Bennett

8. Life Membership Nomination

Nil

9. Elect Office Bearers for 2008-2009

Directors

Chairperson..... Garry Clarke
Vice Chairperson (House) .....John Mitchell
Vice Chairperson (Special Events) .....Rod Butler
Director of Administration ..... Murray Tancred
Director of Finance .....Steve Jelfs
Director of Lifesaving..... Wendy Norman
Director of Competition ..... Matt Mitchell
Director of Youth Development .....Deb See
Eduction Officer.....Craig Anderson
First Aid Officer ..... Karen Douglas
IRB Captain .....Held over - Brett Beswick
Vice Captain of Lifesaving - 1 ..... Peter Saint
Vice Captain of Lifesaving - 2..... Chris Blakeway
Head Coach .....Nigel Tebb
Board Captain ..... Daniel McClelland
Water Captain.....Darren Clarke
Ski Captain ..... Matt Mitchell
Boat Captain ..... Warwick Pearce
Beach Captain..... Robert Cairncross
Masters Captain ..... Jeff Smith
Sunday Events Coordinator..... Held over
Bar Manager.....Howard Jones
Gym Co-ordinator ..... Andy Hoban
Board Riding Captain .....Adam Robinson
Radio Officer..... Held over
Carnival Entries ..... Held over
Grievance Officer..... Held over
Duke of Edinburgh..... Held over
Building Co-ordinator..... Bill Mitchell
Building Committee..... Tony Ide
Life Membership Committee Co-ordinator .... Max Sainsbury
Decoration Committee ..... Held over
Special Events Co-ordinator
Golf Day ..... Held over
Door Knock..... Fred Spindler
Ocean Swim ..... Michael Hunter
Melbourne Cup .....Ladies Auxiliary
Competition Manager..... Held over

General Business

9, 10 & 11th January 2009 for Door Knock

Age managers for each competitive age group to assist people at carnivals, to be advertised

Phuket trip

- Club has openly supported and assisted with some financing for the Phuket program
- Government grants in the order of $50,000
- Club provided in the order of $7,000
- Thanks for the community for supporting Thai lifesavers while in Oz
- Booklet currently being prepared to promote the program
- John Mitchell and Slim flying in a weeks time to follow up securing of land grant for surf club location
- Bluescope Steel have committed to construct surf club
- John Mitchell spoke at length in regards to ongoing activites in Phuket
- Thanked all members who have assisted in the past

Boardriders

- Request for funds and storage of equipment
  Executive will review any request from all sections for funds
- Craft damage (Neil Robinson)
  Own risk

Membership badge

- Eddy Baker raised issue of membership badges

  Garry Clarke committed to follow through

Jimmy Mac

Norm Boden not at all well

Congratulations to Richard Brierty for acceptance into ASRL Hall of Fame

15 Year Service Awards

Laurie Power
Craig Anderson
Gordon Jones
Murray Iles
Garry Clarke

Meeting Closed 12.05pm

Some of the Avoca Beach Board of Directors

Committee Members of Avoca Beach

Spinal Management Awardees
Nigel Ball, Neil Lenehan, Bryan Low with Peter Saint

On Patrol,
John Bishop, Larissa Shelton, Carol Forety

Cody-Leigh Callaghan, Jade Condon and Tayla Nicoll
U15 Board Relay Team, State Champions
and Australian Silver Medallists

Lizards Early Morning Swim

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FINANCIAL MEMBERS 2008 - 2009 SEASON

Cadets
Allanson, Mackenzie
Annabel, Robert
Barnes, Joshua
Byrne, Tim
Colman, Dylan
Condon, Jade
Cracknell, Toby
De Wit, Peta
Gathercole, Natalie
Gosper, James
Grant, Aiden
King, Dylan
Ludlam, Rhiannon
Malone, Maddison
McCarthy, Stevie
McCloghry, Christopher
Mitchell, Brad
Mitchell, Demi
Mitchell, Mitchell
Morrow, Cody
Mould, Dillon
Munton, John-James
Nicoll, Tayla
O`Brien, Harrison
O`Grady, Matthew
Penn, Maddison
Purcell, Nathan
Reekie, Nicholas
Richards, Matthew
Ross, Shane
Russell, Nicholas
Shearim, Charleigh
Short, Maxine
Simpson, James
Tomlin, Alex
Whitfield, Chase Lily
Yeo, Katrina
Yeo, Vanessa

Active Jnr Members
Bacigalupo, Julian
Barnes, Jessica
Brickwood, Jacob
Cashin, Aiden
Conduit, Beau
Cooke, Alex
Davis, Jessica
Dennis, Christopher
Dittes, Callum
Donnelly, Jonothan
Doyle, Kahlee
Dykes, Rebecca
Farr, Jordan
Giffin, Timothy
Heathcote, Emily
Hipwell, Ellie
Holland, Joel
Houghton, Adam
Hunt, Tami
Hunter, Bill
Isbester, Michael
Langlands, Kimberley
Leason, Stewart
Maitland, William
Malone, Ellie
Manks, Nicholas
McAtamney, Daniel
McIntyre, Alex
Meadham, Joshua
Meere, Claudia
Mitchell, Peter
Morrow, Kyall
Murray, Breana
O`Brien, Daniel
Parkin, Cameron
Parrish, Tom
Pickup, Nathan
Poll, Jordan
Redden, Jessica
Rendall, Stephanie
Short, Mitchell
Smith, Keiran
Smith, Scott
Tarrant, Simon
Thurlow, Racheal
Tomlin, Briony
Williams, Matthew
Winter, Penelope
Woods, Tim
Yeo, Jason

Active Members
Anderson, Craig
Anderson, Matthew
Andrew, Brett
Andrew, Simon
Anstee, David
Archer, Mark
Atkinson, Katie
Ball, Graham
Ball, Nigel
Barnes, Jeff
Bennett, Anthony
Benson, Aaron
Benson, Emma
Berry, Mitchell
Birch, Andrew
Birt, Alexandria
Birt, David
Bishop, John
Blakeway, Christopher
Bohr, Samuel
Bourke, Ava
Bradbury, Hallie
Braund, Erin
Braund, Mitchell
Burrell, Anthony
Burrell, Penny
Butler, Michelle
Byrne, Darren
Byrne, Greg
Carmichael, Luke
Cassidy, Juliette
Chamberlain, Ricky
Champion, Scott
Charlton, Ian
Christensen, Paul
Clark, Matthew
Clarke, Darren
Clarke, Garry
Cobb, Janet
Concar, Paul
Cook, Alex
Cook, Don
Cook, Greg
Cook, Sam
Cook, Vicki
Cullen, Brendon
Dare, Richard
Darnley, Genevieve
Darnley, Robin
Davis, Robert
Davis, Troy
Davison, Joanne
De Paoli, Denise
Dean, Lee
Dignam, Matthew
Donnelly, Wayne
Douglas, Karen
Doyle, Jeff
Dransfield, Kendall
Duckett, Jackie
Duerden, Andrew
Felton, Mark
Ferrier, Paul
Finnigan, Simon
Fitzsimmons, Bruce
Fitzsimmons, Julie
Fortey, Carol
Frendo, John
Gee-Maclean, Annette
Gillespie, Ian
Grady, Dean
Green, Richard
Hatch, Cheryl
Hayes, Chris
Higgins, Andrew
Hodgson, Mitchell
Hogan, Belinda
Hore, Gary
Houghton, Joel
Humphries, Glen
Hunter, Brett
Hunter, Craig
Hunter, Garth
Hurrell, Robert
Hutchinson, Paul
Ide, Tony
Incoll, Mitchell
Jackman, Helen
Jackson, Liam
James, Andrew
Jelfs, Stephen
Johnson, Emma
Johnston, Ross
Jorgenson, Doug
Jung, Daniel
Jung, Samantha
Jung, Steven
Kennedy, Thomas
Kirkpatrick, Jane
Knowles, Rebecca
Koole, Michael
Laing, John
Lenehan, Neil
Ludlam, Wayne
Maclean, David
Maclean, Jessica
MacPherson, Melinda
Malone, Joshua
Malone, Vincent
Matuschka, Amanda
McCloghry, Craig
McCloghry, Steven
McIvor, Andrew
McNamara, Kate
McQueen, Kristy
McRae, Trent
Merrick, Peter
Mitchell, Angus
Mitchell, Belinda
Mitchell, Julia
Moate, Robert
Moore, Kieren
Morgan, Brookelan
Morrison, Amanda
Morrison, Geoffrey
Morrow, Tom
Munton, Brian
Munton, Karen
Murray, Joseph
Noone, Matthew
O`Connor, Elizabeth
O`Connor, Felicity
Parker, Andrew
Parker, Lesley
Paterson, Anne
Paterson, Timothy
Paton, Jack
Patterson, Cassandra
Pearce, Warwick
Penn, Matt
Penn, Michelle
Pepper, Michael
Perry, Jayden
Preston, Stacey
Priest, Pauline
Priestley, Stan
Prince, Jaxson
Rance, Lisa
Reeves, James
Rossiter, Michael
Rossiter, Tristan
Ruzek, Catriona
Ruzek, George
Ryan, Con
Ryan, Dan
Ryan, Jessica
Saint, Peter
Santangelo, Kimberley
Scott, Bradley
Settree, Graham
Shelton, Larissa
Short, Peter
Skahill, Mick
Sloan, Sam
Smith, Grant
Smith, Jeffrey
Spencer, George
Spindler, Ben
Stalley, Annabelle
Stalley, Gordon
Stephens, Karen
Stylianou, Nick
Sullivan, Timothy
Tame, Lachlan
Tame, Trevor
Tancred, Bronwyn
Tancred, Murray
Tasker, Chris
Thurlow, Bruce
Thurlow, Kate
Tobin, Greg
Tomlin, Alison
Turner, Christopher
Wallace, Peter
Walter, Matthew
Warren, Mark
Whitfield, Liza
Whitfield, Rob
Wilson, Tony
Wiseman, Ian
Yule, Kelly
Yule, Mark

Reserve Active
Burns, Robert
Clarke, Brett
Hamilton, Ben
McClelland, Daniel
Parker, Chris
Shade, Daniel

Award Member
Cunningham, Lindsay
Jung, Anita
Murray, Maria
See, Debra

Life Member
Barker, Colin
Bootle, Kevin
Braund, Murray
Cahill, Brian
Cairncross, Robert
Dorrell, Robert
Fuller, Wayne
Gee, Dennis
Gee, Phil
Harpur, James
Hoban, Andrew
Jones, Howard
Kelly, Craig
Kendal, Michael
Love, Grahame
McAtamney, Jim
Mitchell, Bill
Mitchell, James
Mitchell, John
Norman, Bryce
Norman, Wendy
O`Grady, David
Paterson, Stuart
Peebles, Alistair
Poole, Edwin
Riley, Quentin
Sainsbury, Max
Tamblyn, Michael
Thorncroft, Larry
Way, Ronald

Long Service
Andrews, John
Armstrong, Robbie
Babbage, David
Baker, Eddy
Battye, Peter
Benson, Damien
Beswick, Brett
Boland, Don
Brierty, Richard
Brierty, Sharon
Broadbent, David
Buckley, Frank
Butler, Rodney
Byrnes, Kim
Cummings, Mark
Davies, Rob
De Wit, Bradley S.
Duthie, Ron
Franklin, William
Gee, Trevor
Harvey, Stuart
Hunter, Michael
Iles, Murray
Jelfs, Paul
Jones, Gordon
Jones, Keith
Jones, Nanette
Low, Bryan
Lynam, Maurice
Mcluckie, Trent
Mitchell, Daniel
Mitchell, Matthew
Mulally, Scott
Nicholls, Paul
Parker, Matthew
Petrie, Todd
Power, Laurie
Robinson, Adam
Robinson, Neil
Sharpe, Steve
Smith, Duncan
Spindler, Fred
Stringer, Herbert
Tait, Ross
Tebb, Nigel
Williams, Michael

Associate Members
Allanson, Penny
Ashworth, Peter
Bateman, John
Bates, Andrew
Battye, Maree
Birch, Linda
Booth, Carolyn
Bootle, Maree
Brahams, Stephen
Browning, Andrew
Cappadona, Joseph
Carmichael, Dean
Christensen, Janine
Clark, Bettina
Cummings, Tina
Deans, Adrian
Duerden, Karen
Dykes, Jennifer
Fortey, Steven
Frost, Karen
Frost, Steve
Froud, Wayne
Gathercole, Chris
Gathercole, Debra
Giffin, Douglas
Gilbert, Adam
Gilkes, John
Gordon, Joseph
Gordon, Sally
Grejsen, Leonie
Griffin, Daniel
Griffin, Janet
Grossemy, Didier
Growden, Gina
Harmon, Alan
Henry, Karen
Henry, Michael
Jones, Tracey
Kasun, Joshua
Kauter, Jack
Kemp, Peter
King, Peter
Kirkman, Fiona
Kirkman, Thomas
Livingstone, Barbara
Lohan, Roberta
Lyon, Andrew
Macgugan, Ian
Maric, John
Massies-Brahams, Dale
McCloghry, Robyn
McCowan, Millar
McNulty, Karen
McQueen, Michael
Mezzone, Rebecca
Moore, Janet
Moore, Nicole
Mullen, David
Mullen, Margaret
Myers, Kevin
Nelson, Glen
Nordish, Peter
O`Brien, Samantha
O`Connell, Kelli
O`Grady, Ray
Ollerhead, Bronwyn
Ollerhead, Greg
Palmer, Helen
Parker, David
Parkin, David
Pascoe, John
Pearce, Lisa Anne
Power, Rod
Reekie, Davina
Richards, Jeanette
Richards, Murray
Richardson, Lauren
Riley, Julie
Riley, Michael
Rubbo, Mike
Russell, Grant
Sharp, Harold
Shaw, Paul
Shearim, Sandra
Sparkes, Rachel
Steven, Bob
Steven, Kerry
Sykes, Tanya
Toll, Matt
Tomlin, Nicholas
Ward, Marie
Warn, Michael
White, Stephen
Yates, Kerrie
Young, Lisa

Associate Ladies Auxiliary
Babbage, Elizabeth
Bissett, Cathy
Bromley, Julie
Cracknell, Bronwyn
De Wit, Christene
Dorrell, Janice
Gee, Janet
Harvey, Barbara
Hoban, Jan
Hobbins, Ngaire
Ludlam, Susan
Mitchell, Rachel
Norman, Cecely
O`Brien, Shaunah
Rendall, Debbie
Semmler, Gail
Short, Diana
Short, Lisa
Spencer, Maureen
Tame, Ann
Thurlow, Jacquiline
Walters, Helen
Walters, Sonya
Wilson, Margaret

FINANCIAL MEMBERS 2008 - 2009 SEASON

Nippers - Under 6
Abra-Colnan, Olivia
Bakarich, Jai
Bateman, Yaden
Bender, Jazmyn
Berchi, Reilly
Berry, Darci
Birch, Samantha
Bird, Byron
Bragg, Jenna
Charlwood, Nicholas
Cracknell, Abbey
Cullen, Jep
Flaherty, Owen
Foran, Kyah
Forrest, Matthew
Fowles, Kate
Frazer, Oliver
Gillam, Amber
Graham, Sarah
Grussemy, Louis
Hayes, Anna
Heron Little, Amelia
Hingee, Nathan
Jackson, Bree
Jones, Lily
Kasun, Mia
Langburne, Oscar
Martz, Ryan
Massie-Brahans, Joshua
Mitchell, Elle
Moser, Tahilia
Myers, Zoe
Parker, Henry
Perricone, Ava
Pettit, Abbey
Phillips, Riley
Rose, Elliott
Sanchez, Jessica
Scriven, Daisy
Shelton, Corey
Smith, Matthew
Spicer, Bonnie
Tancred, Kye
Tobin, Sara
Van Hove, Noah
Walker, Piper-Lily
Walter, Jayde
Warton, Ebonie
Wind, Nicholas
Zocher, Arabella

Under 7
Andrew, Josh
Ardita, Kaya
Armstrong, Fletcher
Arundell, Tegan
Beier, Nikita
Bissett, Riley
Bragg, Shelbey
Brooks, Jakob
Burrows, Seren
Butler, Jordan
Callan, Kane
Cameron, James
Cameron, Jessica
Chandler, Kyley
Clarke, Zoe
Conner, Adam
Cuttance, Archie
Davies, Kye
Denham, Alana
Dorey, Clare
Downie, Isaac
Duerden, Jemma
Eccleston, Bailey
Eddy, Sara
Feeney, Mya
Flett, Kaia
Frank, Zane
Giles, Louis
Gillam, Caitlin
Groves, George
Hamilton, Tommy
Harvey, Willa
Hempel, Trent
Hill, Finnley
Hilton, Bailey
Hobbins, Jackson
Incoll, Eleanor
Jenkins, Liam
John, Grace
Kiss, Ruby
Koizumi-Smith, Miki
Livingstone, Samuel
Lowrie, Rose
Lukins, Matilda
Martin, Nicholas
McCrae, Cloe
McLoughlin, Imogen
Melville, William
Murray, Mark
Norman, James
Priestley, Caitlin
Richardson, Callum
Richardson, Ellie
Ristuccia, Rory
Robinson, Tex
Scriven, Lily
Spicer, Lilymay
Taylor, Chloe
Thomson, Lily
Tindale, Kyle
Tracey, Alyssa
Upcroft, Rylea
Warden, Jack
West, Joshua
Wheatley, Liana
Williams, Ruby
Wiseman, Ben

Under 8
Bain, Ella
Barwick, Meaghan
Bateman, Taylor
Bender, Drew
Birch, Ryan
Brown, Travis
Bush, Bryce
Buteux, Ella
Callaghan, Macy
Carey, Rachel
Colless, Callum
Colless, Samantha
Davidson, Jonah
Dennis, Lachlan
Edwards, Olivia
Eyles, Mikayla
Felton, Tate
Fender Waters, Taji
Ferguson, John
Flaherty, Finn
Giles, Eliza
Graham, Anna
Graham, Georgia
Hayman, Charlotte
Howard, Luke
Hughes, Samuel
Irving, Harry
Kasun, Levi
Kensell, Monique
King, Sophie
Lord, Leilani
Macnamara, Billy
Matthew, Jye
McQueen, Eden
Mezzone, Brooke
Mitchell, Benjamin
Mitchell, Finn
Myers, Hannah
O`Toole, Skyla
OMalley, Charles
Paterson, Zachary
Pepper, Jack
Preston, Alexandra
Richardson, Dylan
Ristuccia, Jacob
Rogers, Griffin
Rose, Fletcher
Rutherford, Tobie
Sharpe, Tegan
Sim, Toby
Slape, Logan
Stables, Ella
Steele, Amielle
Stewart, Hannah
Tancred, Caleb
Tarasenka, Adam
Walker, Scout
Warn, Sharnee
Welsh, Taylah
Williamson, Natalie

Under 9
Abra-Colnan, Luke
Armstrong, Harry
Batt, Isabella
Berry, Fletcher
Beswick, Kaitlin
Booth, Keeley
Byrne, Isobel
Cameron, Amy
Conner, Jack
Cracknell, Lily
Davies, Elle
Donovan, Kori
Drew-Gittoes, Baille
Eddy, Mia
Forrest, Georgia
Frost, Nicholas
Gilmore, Benjamin
Harries, Phoebe
Harriott, Lenny
Harvey, Mya
Houssenloge, Michael
Hughes, Emily
Incoll, James
Jackson, Jamie
Jackson, Kit
Jenkins, Jack
Keenan, Lewis
Kensell, Zoe
Kent, Claudia
King, Cooper
Koizumi-Smith, Maya
Lawrence, Amy
Livingstone, Emma
Lohan, John
Lynch, Thomas
Matuschka, Meggan
McCabe, Jaz
Morris-Bowyer, Tristan
Norris, Alyssa
ODea, Jim
Penn, Mackenzie
Pettit, Tylah
Rouse, Jordan
Smith, Claudia
Spivey, Kieran
Thomas, Coby
Tobin, Lauren
Walter, Lachlan
Watson, Fletcher
Wheatley, Isabella

Under 10
Arundell, Jayden
Barwick, Shania
Beacroft, Calvin
Birch, Danielle
Carey, Sam
Carrier, Jack
Cracknell, Samuel
Elliott, Cooper
Everett, Nicole
Eyles, Brodie
Eyles, Shawn
Fox, Cameron
Giffin, Jordan
Griffin, Emma
Groves, Harry
Harriott, Natasha
Haseler, Scott
Hayman, Phoebe
Kilbride, Teal
Kim, Matthew
Priest, Bailey
Redmond, Emily
Sanchez, Jordan
Shephard, Benjamin
Tancred, Declan
Thurlow, Emily
Tobin, Nicholas
Warn, Ketisha
Warr, Sophie
Whitfield, Phoebe

Under 11
Abdoo, Taylor
Aloisio-Cook, Sienna
Anderson, George
Baker, Nathan
Beagin, Joshua
Bishop, Matthew
Booth, Rhiannon
Campbell, Fraser
Dick, Jasmine
Douglass, Ryan
Duerden, Rochelle
Esplin, Zoe
Fortey, Harry
Frost, Emma
Griffin, Darcy
Hale, Alex
Hamling, Jarrod
Irving, Jack
Jackson, Ranni
Jackson, Sara
Jones, Tianna
Justa, Eloisa
Kilbride, Teagan
Kondrat, Connor
Mawad, Mason
McCarthy, Jordy
Mitchell, Maddison
Raley, Tabitha
Rendall, Nicholas
Richardson, Kiran
Ross, Danielle
Ross, Jaclyn
Short, Bailey
Sim, Ashley
Smith, Lachlan
Waine, Annaliese
Watkins, Billy

Under 12
Anstiss, Teneille
Beacroft, Alex
Blackburn, Jared
Blair, Emily
Cameron, Ashleigh
Clark, Jack
Cracknell, Jacob
De Carteret, Claire
Donehue, Jordon
Donovan, MacKenzie
Fallon, Nicholas
Felton, Kye
Fox, Lucia
Gathercole, Christopher
Harvey, Mitchell
Hill, Isabella
Hoffman, Ashley
Hutchinson, Sam
Kemp, Jessica
King, Harley
Ludlam, Sean
Mawad, Sabrina
Mocke, Miri
Paterson, Stevie-Ann
Pearce, Luke
Penn, Saxon
Richards, Brooke
Schultz, Finn
Shearim, Georgah
Shelton, Chloe
Shephard, Sarah
Spivey, Jacob
Standen, Jessica-Ellen
West, Brooke
West, Emily
Williamson, Lauren
Wiseman, Luke
Yates, Joshua

Under 13
Anderson, Molly
Annabel, Amy
Benson, Taylah
Byrne, William
Carr, George
Carrier, Maddie
Davis, Jess
Ellis, Hayden
Fitzsimmons, Riley
Grejsen, Dane
Harper, Stephanie
Hayes, Bailey
Holland, Georgia
Hunter, Hariette
Johnson, MacCallum
King, Jessica
Kondrat, Sophie
Lohan, Jennifer
Matuschka, Kaitlyn
McCloghry, Bradley
Mould, Bianca
Paterson, Sam
Raley, George
Ratcliffe, Maddison
Redmond, Jessica
Richards, Nicole
Robins, Talissa
Robinson, Teague
Tindale, Lauren
Wallis, Madeline
Watkins, Harry
Watson, Connor

Under 14
Bain, Michael
Beagin, Jessica
Bishop, Jacob
Callaghan, Cody-Leigh
Campbell, Maddy
Carmichael, Keely
Delaney, Joel
Doyle, Olivia
Felton, Jay
Fitzsimmons, Jared
Frost, Ashley
Hale, Andre
Harvey, Karli
Hughes, Matilda
Kim, Joshua
King, Ben
Malone, Meagan
McCarthy, Bobbi
Meere, Sophie
Mocke, Nina
Munton, Gareth
O`Brien, Jake
Redden, Angela
Schultz, Piers
Smith, Madeleine
Wheatley, Patrick
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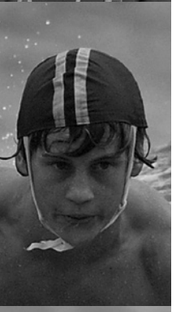


PRESIDENT'S REPORT

At a period when society has less and less time to allocate to volunteer duties it is pleasing to see the increasing involvement of members in assisting the operation of Avoca Beach SLSC. Of particular note is the number of young people undertaking their Bronze Medallion training and participating in regular patrols. I encourage those new Members to maintain their involvement in the coming years.

2009 saw the end of a 3 year venture to hold the Australian Surf Titles in Perth. Many enjoyed the opportunity to travel but the 3rd year has impacted on participation in surf sports at all levels. It will be good to get back to Queensland for next years titles with a larger number of competitors involved.

Central Coast Branch should be congratulated on their award as best Branch in NSW. It is an award that is well deserved and comes as a result of much hard work to support each of the clubs in the Branch. Well done to Chad and his team. **Energy Australia** continues their valued support of surf life saving on the coast.

The Club continues to develop due to the assistance of a large number of people carrying out diverse roles. While we still heavily rely on sponsorship for our survival this year has been a time where many sponsors have had to review their involvement due to the world economy. As a Club we still continue to support our long time sponsors so that we can maintain ongoing relationships into the prosperous times.

I would like to acknowledge, in particular, the contribution of our major gold sponsors: **Gosford City Council; George Brand Real Estate Avoca Beach; Raine and Horne Avoca Beach; Central Coast Mazda; Premier Fire Protection; Robson's Civil Projects; UD Trucks** and **Mitchell Bros** who have provided continued support to the Club. A list of our other sponsors which appears in the annual report highlights their contributions to the Club.

The management of the function division of the Club has become a major operation and we are lucky to have people of the quality of Joe Murray and Spike Jones overseeing the operation of the facility. Both Joe and Spike have put in many volunteer hours to ensure the profitability of this arm of the Club. At the same time they have been active in working with Bill Mitchell on the House Committee overseeing the maintenance of the facility. Anita in administration continues to provide excellent support to all arms of the Club with her thorough procedures and response to all concerns.

Our executive team continue to ensure the direction of the Club and assist in the management of the business section as well as the life saving roles. We are well advanced in preparation for the memorabilia and hope to have a substantial amount completed by the AGM. We are always aware of the many different ideas as to how this should be undertaken. A special message of thanks goes out to Steve Jelfs who has been involved in the executive of either Nippers or seniors for over a 10 year period. We thank you for your contribution to the development of Avoca Beach SLSC. Another executive member who has expressed that he will not be seeking re-election is Rod Butler and again I would like to thank him for his involvement over the past years.

Wendy Norman and Craig Anderson have continued to drive the development of life saving in the Club, ensuring good structures to support training and administration within life saving. Craig and Brett Beswick have worked with Branch in setting up facilities in the training room which assists both Club Members and the Branch. We will work with Branch for another 2 years as a Radio Control Room before they move to a new facility at Terrigal. Peter Saint, Chris Blakeway and Karen Douglas have also been instrumental in maintaining a strong life saving division and their support is acknowledged. While we have only a small group of Trainers, they continue to do a marvellous job in training and up skilling our members. **UD Trucks** as our Gold Sponsor in this area provides well needed support in upgrading our equipment. **DHL** continues to support life saving through uniforms and grants to Clubs while **Gosford City Council** provides support both through grants and equipment. Special thanks go to our Trainers who include: Mick Kendal, Andy Hoban, Murray Iles, Craig Anderson, Don Cook, Jeff Barnes and Garry Clarke and to our examiners, Garry Clarke, Craig Anderson, Jeff Barnes and Lee Dean. I would also like to acknowledge Brett Beswick who continues to work tirelessly to maintain our IRBs and recruit new drivers and crew.

I would also like to thank the many volunteer patrol members that have given up valuable time to ensure safety on our beaches. To those who achieved 100% or participated in extra duties your efforts are greatly appreciated. It is satisfying to know that the training can support the public in critical incidents. Congratulations must go to Sharon Brierty, Julia Mitchell, Warwick Pearce for their efforts at The Entrance while on a volunteer patrol. While they were unsuccessful in saving the patient they exhibited quality life support procedures. Two other Members, though not on weekend patrol, were able to revive a member of the public who had no signs of life. The efforts of Darren Clarke, Daniel McClelland and Club Member Graham Malone further exhibit the value of our training.

In the competition arena it was great to see the emergence of so many young competitors. The effort Dave O'Grady, Damien Benson and the parents committed to the development of the kids paid handsome results at the major championships. Our competition report outlines the tremendous results achieved. Of particular note are our Australian medallists with Codie-Leigh Callaghan, Matthew O'Grady, Tayla Nicoll and Jade Condon proving outstanding. Our 17yrs and 19yrs age groups also achieved great results at both State and National Championships. Aaron Benson displayed that he is one of the premier paddlers in the country and Jess Davis achieved a well deserved silver at the Aussies. Tayla, Cody-Leigh and Aaron were also members of the NSW team which competed at the Interstate Championships. While our female ranks are not high in numbers in the older age groups it is fantastic to see Tami, Jess and Natalie competing so well and maintaining their involvement. Annie Stalley also continues to support the Club in the limited time she has available.

Often competitors are wary of moving into the Masters division but Gordon Jones and Ben Hamilton can attest to the competitiveness of the divisions and also be proud of their results in achieving Australian Titles. Jeff Smith persists in developing a motivated team of masters who contribute greatly to the fabric of the Club.

Our boat section had greatly reduced numbers this season but still achieved good results at all championships. In the masters divisions the Zulus, Blueberries and Tweakers were all rewarded for their efforts. Paul Nichol's crew The Helmets were able to emulate the results of previous crews at Aussies and maintain Avoca as one of the premier boat clubs by taking out the National Championship. Well done to Warwick for maintaining the direction of our boat section.

Again Avoca were successful in most divisions at Branch taking out the Masters, Nippers and placing second in the Opens for a great overall result by the Club.

While our competitors perform well it could not be done without the contribution of our coaches and officials. Matt Mitchell has co-ordinated a strong team of coaches this season. Our officials who are also essential to our operation have contributed tirelessly once again. Special mention to Chris Gathercole, Rob Davis and Brett Beswick whose contributions allowed us to participate at the major championships.

Nippers also had a successful year and Deb See ensured that they were well represented at the senior level. The results in competition were outstanding and up with the best results ever achieved.

Our Special Events committee continue to do a great job in contributing to the finances of the Club. This year Glenn O'Brien and Keith Ferrier supported the successful organisation of the Golf Day. Fred Spindler continues to do a professional job with the Door Knock well supported by our volunteer collectors. Michael Hunter and his family have maintained a strong association with both the Rocks to Rocks and The Hunters Ocean Swim and their contribution is highly valued. The 80th Birthday Celebrations were a success due to the efforts of John Mitchell and Ted Poole. Fiona and Dave's work in design and contributions to the Annual Report continue to be a valuable role in the Club.

The Ladies Auxiliary has witnessed resurgence and their involvement this year has been fantastic. Not only have they assisted at the many events, fundraising, sippers and carnivals but, also, they have financially assisted in the upgrading of a number of club facilities. Debbie and Sonya's efforts with uniform and Melbourne Cup functions are other examples of their efforts.

Garry Clarke – President, Avoca Beach SLSC

Jack Paton one of our new bronze members and James Reeves our surprise rocket at Branch Masters

George Ruzek, Annie Stalley and Jess Ryan

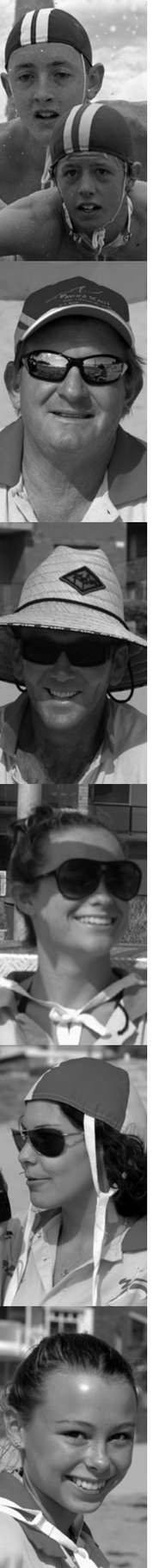
Jess Davis,
Australian Silver Medallist

Handicap Winners,
John Laing, David O'Grady with Jim Mitchell

John Mitchell with some of our
newest Bronze Medallion Holders

Wendy Norman with
Assessor and Nipper VP, Jeff Barnes

President, Garry Clarke



DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION REPORT

Happy 80th Birthday Avoca Beach Surf Life Saving Club. 80 years of tireless effort by thousands of dedicated volunteers has moulded this great Club into what it is today. Thank you to all those past and present Members who have helped build this Club, and leave it in the wonderful position it is today - in both a physical and financial sense. We must focus our efforts and continue to expand on this great legacy.

Another year gone, with many trials and tribulations, great memories and achievements. Thank you to all Club Members for their efforts on the beach this season, whether it be patrolling or in competition, you must all be congratulated.

It is a priority of the Club to keep all Members abreast of Club information, news, events and upcoming Club functions. We continue to use the website www.avocabeachslsc.asn.au, newsletters, emails and notice board to keep Members updated. We have also introduced a new information outlet this season being text messaging to keep Members informed. We request that Members keep the Club updated with all current contact details, and please contact us if you are experiencing any problems with any of these forms of communication.

A special thank you and best wishes for the future to Steve Jelfs, our departing Director of Finance. Steve has provided over 10 years continual service on Surf Club Executives, and it is this type of passion and commitment that keeps this Club moving forwards.

To Rod Butler our departing Vice President - House, good luck with your future waterskiing endeavours, keep safe mate. We know you will continue to be involved with the Club over the years to come, and we will all see you on the beach. Thank you for your efforts on the Executive over the past 4 years.

A lot of time and work has gone in this year to getting the memorabilia up around the Club. Hopefully by the time this report is published we will see the fruits of everyone's efforts. A special thank you must go to Garry Clarke for his time scanning all existing photos and Club memorabilia, Sharon Brierty for her dedication and drive throughout the design process, Mitch Incoll for coming on board and offering his creative vision, and all the past and present Members who have offered invaluable input throughout this process.

Joe Murray (Functions Co-ordinator) and Spike Jones (Bar Manager) require special mention for the work they have done this year in the functions department. Our Club has a very successful Functions Centre which generates considerable income for the Club. This revenue stream is crucial for our Club to remain successful and continue to progress forward. These men are the driving forces behind this area of the Club and must be congratulated on their efforts and dedication to this Club. Again bookings are being taken into late 2010. A special thank you should also be extended to their wonderful wives, Maria and Nan who behind the scenes provide many hours of volunteer assistance to the Club.

Thank you Anita Jung for your continued efforts again this season. The strong administrative position the Club is in, is thanks to your commitment to this Club. You have always completed many volunteer hours in your role, well in addition to the paid position, and we thank you for this.

My season highlight must be the commitment of Dave O'Grady and his efforts with the U15's this season. Dave brought through 12 kids from Nippers last season to the U15 ranks, and committed to taking them to the Aussies in Perth. Dave and his team of mothers arranged all types of fundraising to pay for this tour, including training these kids throughout the season. Thankyou Dave for your time and commitment to these kids, and all coaches and parents who assisted Dave throughout the season. Also to the U15's, your efforts at The Aussies was awesome, bringing home plenty of medals for the Club.

Some food for thought for our Members next season. The Executive get plenty of requests for more Club functions, so over the past 2 seasons the Executive has arranged a number of Club social functions, but the attendance has been poor. This makes it very hard to cater for, and commit to bands and the like. Please support our Club functions and get there in numbers next season, and don't hesitate to contact the Club with any suggestions.

To my fellow Members of the Executive, thank you for another rewarding and enjoyable season. The Club could not function without your efforts and dedication. Your many and varied opinions are always valuable and necessary in the running of the Club.

Here's looking forward to another exciting season in 2009/10.

Cheers boys and girls.

Murray Tancred – Director of Administration

House Committee Members,
Spike Jones - Bar Manager,
Joe Murray - Functions Manager

Murray Tancred, Director of Administration

The Lizards other love, golf!

DIRECTOR OF LIFESAVING REPORT

It has been a pleasure to have served as the Club Captain again this year. Both Patrol Assistant Co-ordinators Peter Saint and Chris Blakeway have been a great support. Once again the **Patrol Captains** have done a great job in taking on the responsibility of organising their patrol teams to effect great beach management and water safety. Well done.

I would like to congratulate all those **Patrol Members** who consistently and vigilantly attended their rostered schedules to keep the Avoca beach red and yellow flagged area, a safe and secure place to swim, for members of the public.

The season was busy with large crowds on the beach during the Christmas and January holiday periods. February and March witnessed large and challenging sea conditions. Our patrols managed well with no lives lost.

The 2008/09 season patrol hours were divided into three time slots…and covered by 16 patrols.

9am–5pm Oct, Nov, March, April (2 patrols per day)

8am–6pm Dec, Feb (2 patrols per day)

8am–7pm Dec 22 to Jan 26 (3 patrols per day)

The patrol hours this season remained the same as last season as they mirror the same hours lifeguards patrol Avoca Beach. Again this will be reviewed and discussed at Branch level and Members will be informed of any changes/outcomes.

Along with the Patrol Captains and Patrol Members I would like to thank:

- Our club Chief Instructor Craig Anderson and his assistants Andy Hoban, Mick Kendal and Lee Dean who have recruited and trained 49 new Bronze Members this season. These new Members are now on and/or will be placed on rostered patrol.

  I would encourage both new and existing Members to update their life saving awards and skills. Both the Branch and our Club will advertise course dates for the up coming season.

  Check our club website for available Awards and Courses.
- Our First Aid Officer, Karen Douglas for consistently replenishing and updating the medical supplies in the First Aid room. It is essential that all lifesaving equipment is in top working order.
- Our Club Administration Assistant, Anita Jung for the mountain of paper work done, collating patrol efficiency statistics each week and keeping up to date and accurate patrol records.
- Our IRB Captain and Jet Ski operator Brett Beswick, for volunteering many hours to maintaining and operating these essential lifesaving crafts.

Again this year the Central Coast Branch called on clubs to supply patrols for The Entrance Beach. Avoca was allocated 4 days and sent 8 patrols.

Thank you to the following patrol teams who volunteered to attend Munton, Norman, Hore and Blakeway. Plus those Long Service and Life members who also volunteered.

Unfortunately, a tragic incident occurred at The Entrance whilst our patrol was on duty in December. An unconscious surfboard rider was pulled out of the water by his mates. Immediately, our patrol members worked on him, administering CPR, Resus/oxygen and treating the patient as a spinal case, until the paramedics arrived. The patient was then transported to hospital by helicopter. Unfortunately, the patient had suffered an aneurism and could not be revived.

The paramedics praised the efforts of our patrol members, Sharon Brierty, Julia Mitchell and Warwick Pearce and commended their response actions in following the correct Lifesaving/Resuscitation and First Aid procedures under pressure and in a tough situation.

Many rescues were carried out at Avoca during the season. However, most of these were performed either after patrol hours and/or in non patrolled areas.

Additional Lifesaving equipment.
A patrol tower has been provided by Davenport. It is placed in the patrol area to help patrol members monitor swimmers and changing sea conditions.

Additional cupboards have been built in the Captain's Office for Patrol Members to store their bags etc. And an extra cupboard space has been built in the First Aid Room to store the oxy-vivas and other equipment.

Thank you to Bill Mitchell for organising the cupboards and thank you to the Ladies Auxiliary for contributing $1400 to pay for the First Aid Room cupboard.

Surf Com is now completely installed and in full operation in the Training Room on the top level of our Clubhouse. It is a great communicative facility which not only collects vital patrol statistics and data from all 15 Central Coast clubs. But also provides important information such as shark sightings, approaching storms and changing weather and sea conditions, for warning patrols to take the necessary actions.

In closing, I would like to thank the Club Executive for their total support throughout the season and am looking forward to a great 2009/10.

Wendy Norman – Director of Life Saving

Patrol Statistics for Avoca Beach 2008/2009 Season

Number of Rescues

Type	Total
No Gear	24
Rescue Tube	17
Rescue Board	77
IRB	50
RWVC	12
Other	13
Total	**193**

Preventative Actions

Type	Total
Lost Children	9
Preventions	2066
Searches	0
Shark Alarm	1
Total	**2076**

First Aid

Type	Total
Marine Stings	100
Minor Cuts/Abrasions	72
Major Wounds	4
Spinal	14
Resuscitation	2
Other	8
Total	**200**

Patrol Captains of 2008/09 with Mike Tamblyn

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE REPORT

This was the Club's 80th year and we continued to grow and again it was another successful year at all levels. The Club made an overall net loss of $9,855.55 for the year and some reasons for this included:

- Clubhouse expenses increasing by over $39,000 to $84,533 compared to last year. These expenses included an amount $21,280 being the first payment of rent to Gosford City Council since we moved into the new clubhouse.
- Clubhouse expenses increased by nearly $15,000 to $42,094. These included increased water rates of $8,154 and higher security expenses of $7,889.

The Function Centre which provides the main income stream for the Club operated with a profit of $79,727 which is slightly higher than last year and the function centre continues to provide funds for our general life saving and competition expenses.

The bar ran at a profit of $7,953 which is a slight increase compared to last year and Spike Jones should be congratulated for managing the bar with great enthusiasm and success.

Our rental income which largely comes from the Café and Kiosk increased by $11,695 to $70,457.

Steve Jelfs

Donations/Sponsorships increased by over $15,000 to $38,706 and thanks should go to all our sponsors but especially our gold sponsors being **Central Coast Mazda, George Brand Real Estate, Gosford City Council, Raine & Horne Avoca Beach Real Estate, Mitchell Bros Builders, Premier Fire Protection Services, Robson Civil Projects** and **UD Trucks.**

The Ladies Auxiliary whose accounting records are kept separate from the club's accounts had a bank balance of $15,815.30 at the end of April.

I would again like to thank Anita Jung for continuing to expertly maintain our accounting records which is a complex task. The unqualified audit report is a measure of her efficiency and dedication she puts into this work.

The committee is arranging to expend a significant sum on installing our memorabilia into the clubhouse in the near future and this will display the impressive history of the club. I am sure this will contribute to another successful year in 2009/2010.

Steve Jelfs – Director of Finance

Peter Saint, VP Life Saving

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Profit & Loss Statement
May 2008 through April 2009

Income	2008/2009 $	2007/2008 $
Registrations	28,349.87	29,212.69
Bar Income	36,217.91	26,685.66
Clothing Sales	3,869.73	4,319.60
Rental Income	70,457.59	58,762.86
Donations/Sponsorships	38,706.22	23,827.97
Special Events	38,111.86	31,674.67
Lifesaving Income	11,573.39	11,965.79
Sectional Incomes		
Boat Income	13,224.96	42,740.94
Ski Income	11,386.00	13,458.92
Board & Swim Income	2,886.20	2,963.46
Masters Income	3,370.40	7,244.66
U15 & U17 Income	12,629.06	4,072.72
IRB Racing	–	300.00

Income cont.	2008/2009 $	2007/2008 $
Aussies Gear Levies	5,243.54	5,502.55
Aussies Funds & Clothing	2,467.53	2,336.89
Competition Fundraising	340.00	216.90
Total Sectional Income	51,547.69	78,837.04
Coaching Income	7,000.00	5,000.00
Service Fee	580.33	479.72
Function Centre		
Hall Hire	65,650.00	92,220.00
Hire Sundries	53,389.99	37,477.50
Total Functions Centre	119,039.99	129,697.50
Junior Activities		
Carnivals	167.36	2,180.00
Clothing	26,035.02	27,950.00
Club Donations	1,506.00	2,006.00
Equipment Hire	568.18	–
Fundraising	6,876.31	7,976.65
Registrations	28,412.30	31,630.00
Total Junior Activities	63,565.17	71,742.65
Total Income	$469,019.75	$472,206.15

Expenses	2008/2009 $	2007/2008 $
Clothing	7,634.95	7,496.64
Sponsorship Expenses	–	1,686.00
Administration Expenses	5,876.43	5,977.52
Bank Fees	1,026.50	1,042.86
Bar	28,264.42	23,256.65
Bar Replacements	3,106.69	–
Clubhouse Expenses	84,348.24	45,614.25
Clubhouse Services	42,094.28	27,692.49
Club Expenses	5,936.12	5,169.14
Depreciation	34,778.61	43,401.84
Insurance	7,941.11	8,036.28
Telephone	2,097.01	2,683.52
Employment Expenses	20,015.97	20,538.18
Registration Expenses	9,002.50	9,726.00
Special Events	41,131.86	33,178.99
Lifesaving		
Lifesaving Expenses	11,634.41	7,164.18
Training/Awards	4,772.49	8,257.40
Competition Expenses	21,705.44	39,839.44
Sectional Expenses		
Boat Expenses	14,102.99	36,362.16
Ski Expenses	1,842.73	5,835.86
Board & Swim Expenses	9,106.55	1,586.81
Masters Expenses	2,259.09	2,135.62
U15/U17 Expenses	16,433.95	2,981.06
Coaching Expenses	5,595.26	12,371.06
IRB Expenses	–	27.26
Member Equipment	12,058.19	–
Rental Expenses	10,645.51	6,083.95
Motor Vehicle Expenses	–	579.14
Functions Centre		
Advertising	1,248.64	2,338.20
Bad Debt	–	370.00
Hall Hire Expenses	38,063.66	39,870.92
Hall Hire Discounts	–	15,045.00
Total Functions Centre	39,312.30	57,624.12
Junior Activities		
Bank Fees & Charges	–	19.50
Carnival Expenses	11,320.64	9,022.90
Clothing	23,012.27	39,149.24

Maxine Short, Rhianon Ludlam

Expenses	2008/2009 $	2007/2008 $
Clubhouse Costs	628.50	10,046.06
Education	1,703.11	2,053.23
Equipment	4,983.10	1,352.45
Photos	–	586.50
Postage	109.09	236.70
Presentations	10,506.87	212.73
Printing & Stationery	534.32	764.98
Accounting and Audit Costs	1,818.18	600.00
Registrations	7,884.25	13,875.71
Total Junior Activities	62,500.33	77,920.00
Total Expenses	$505,223.93	$494,268.42
Operating Profit	($36,204.18)	($22,062.27)

Other Income	2008/2009 $	2007/2008 $
Interest Income	8,933.72	8,814.52
Income for Capital Expenditure	22,454.00	34,513.64
Insurance Claims	2,340.91	8,737.80
Phuket Training Program	9,800.00	24,853.82
Club Events	–	1,818.18
Sale of Donated Items	1,500.00	15,000.00
JAC		
Bank Interest		185.51
Post-Carnival Income		693.20
Total Other Income	$45,028.63	$94,616.67

Other Expenses	2008/2009 $	2007/2008 $
Interest Expense	–	16.87
Capital Items from Donation	18,680.00	–
Phuket Training Program	–	59,720.09
Club Events	–	1,750.97
Insurance Claims	–	1,000.00
JAC		
Sundries	–	1,654.01
Total Other Expenses	$18,680.00	$64,141.94
Net Profit / (Loss)	($9,855.55)	$8,412.46

Official Chris Gathercole

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BANK RECONCILIATION

General Account	$
Cashbook Balance @ 30/4/09	21,716.24
Add: Outstanding Cheques	1,351.16
Subtotal	23,067.40
Less: Outstanding Deposits	1,184.00
Bank Statement @ 30/4/09	**21,883.40**

Fundraising Account	$
Cashbook Balance @ 30/4/09	273.20
Add: Outstanding Cheques	0.00
Subtotal	273.20
Less: Outstanding Deposits	0.00
Bank Statement @ 30/4/09	**273.20**

MaxI Credit Account - Capital	$
Cashbook Balance @ 30/4/08	57,806.02
Add: Outstanding Cheques	0.00
Subtotal	57,806.02
Less: Outstanding Deposits	0.00
Bank Statement @ 30/4/08	**57,806.02**

Functions Account	$
Cashbook Balance @ 30/4/09	37,062.95
Add: Outstanding Cheques	570.00
Subtotal	37,632.95
Less: Outstanding Deposits	0.00
Bank Statement @ 30/4/09	**37,632.95**

Functions MaxI Credit Account	$
Cashbook Balance @ 30/4/09	97,638.95
Add: Outstanding Cheques	0.00
Subtotal	97,638.95
Less: Outstanding Deposits	0.00
Bank Statement @ 30/4/09	**97,638.95**

JAC Account	$
Cashbook Balance @ 30/4/08	8,037.57
Add: Outstanding Cheques	6,989.33
Subtotal:	15,026.90
Less: Outstanding Deposits	3,272.21
Bank Statement @ 30/4/08	**11,754.69**

Lachlan Tame and Tim Paterson at State

Avoca Beach SLSC Inc.
PO Box 22, Avoca Beach NSW 2251
Balance Sheet As at April 2009

	Note	2008 $
Current Assets		
Cash Assets	2	224,453.68
Receivables	3	23,133.85
Total Current Assets		**247,587.53**
Non - Current Assets	**Note**	**$**
Plant & Equipment	4	46,764.56
Office Equipment	4	411.70
Furniture & Fittings	4	276,643.96
Total Non - Current Assets		**323,820.22**
Total Assets		**571,407.75**
Current Liabilities		**$**
Deposits Refundable		20,748.00
Trade Creditors		18,537.83
Superannuation Payable		–
Total Current Liabilities		**39,285.83**
Net Assets		**532,121.92**
Members' Funds		**$**
Members Capital		280,610.00
Retained Profits		251,511.92
Total Members Funds		**532,121.92**

AVOCA BEACH SLSC ABN: 76 358 503 029
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1 Statement of Significant Accounting Policies

"This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act, and the Charitable Fundraising Act and Regulations. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity."

"The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act, the Charitable Fundraising Act and Regulations and the following Australian Accounting Standards:"

AAS 3 : Accounting of Income Tax

AAS 5: Materiality

AAS 8: Events Occurring After Reporting Date

AAS 17: Leases

"No other applicable Australian Accounting Standards, Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied."

"The financial report is also prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets."

"The following specific accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this report:"

Fixed Assets

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets are depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Leasehold improvements are amortised over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

2 Cash Assets	$
Cash in Hand	1,918.75
Cash at Bank	222,534.93
	224,453.68

3 Receivables	$
Trade Debtors	23,233.30
GST on Acquisitions	(99.45)
	23,133.85

4 Plant and Equipment	$
Plant & Equipment - at Cost	107,603.37
Less Prov'n for Depreciation	(60,838.81)
	46,764.56
Office Equipment - at Cost	1,008.18
Less Prov'n for Depreciation	(596.48)
	411.70
Furniture & Fittings - at Cost	323,952.60
Less Prov'n for Depreciation	(47,308.64)
	276,643.96
Total Plant and Equipment	**323,820.22**

5 Fundraising 2008/2009 Season	$
30 Aug 2008 – Poker Night	
Income	3,633.62
Expenses	3,392.33
Profit	**241.29**
Nov 2008 – Melbourne Cup Lunch	
Income	3,305.00
Expenses	2,529.45
Profit	**775.55**
29 Dec 2008 – Golf Day	
Income	7,638.18
Expenses	4,781.64
Profit	**2,856.54**
Jan 2009 – Door Knock	
Income	10,132.05
Expenses	10.00
Profit	**10,122.05**
26 Apr 2009 – Ocean Swim	
Income	5,672.73
Expenses	419.19
Profit	**5,253.54**
Nov to Feb – U15 Fundraising	
Income	10,243.56
Expenses	10,092.46
Profit	**151.10**

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STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the committee the financial report as set out on pages 1 to 3:

1 Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of Avoca Beach SLSC as at 30 April 2009 and its performance for the year ended on that date including:
(a) the accounts give a true and fair view of all income and expenditure with respect to fundraising appeals;
(b) the Balance Sheet gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the organisation with respect to fundraising appeals, and;
(c) the provisions of the act, the regulations under the act, and the conditions attached to the fundraising authority have been complied with by the organisation, and;
(d) the internal contrals exercised by the organisation are appropriate and effective in accounting for all income received and appied by the organisation from any of its fundraising appeals.

2 At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Avoca Beach SLSC will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Committee by:

President: _____
Garry Clarke

Treasurer: _____
Stephen Jelfs

Dated this 22nd day of May 2009

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see accounting group UNIT TRUST
GOLDPLAN PTY LTD ATF

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INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS

Scope

We have audited the financial statements, being the Income and Expenditure Statement, Statement of Financial Position and notes as set out on pages 1 to 3. We have conducted an independent audit of these financial statements in order to express an opinion on them to the members of the Organisation.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial statements, and the evaluation of accounting policies and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion whether, in all material respects, the financial statement are presented fairly in accordance with Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements and statutory requirements so as to present a fair view which is consistent with our understanding of the Organisation's financial position and the result of their operations.

As the Association is entirely dependent on the internal control exercised by the management committee and the members, no warrant can be given that all entitlements of revenue have been received. Our audit of income and expenditure statement items extended only to vouching the records of receipts and payments actually recorded by the Association. Income has been brought to account when received and banked.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formulated on the above basis.

Independence

We are independent of the association, and have met the independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements and Auditing Standards.

Audit Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report of Avoca Beach Surf Life Saving Club has been prepared:

(a) so as to fairly represent the financial position of the organisation and the result of its operation pursuant to this Agreement (Service Agreement) for the year ending 30 April 2009; and

(b) in accordance with the provisions of the Associations Incorporations Act; and

(c) in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards and other Mandatory professional reporting requirements.

(d) so as to show a true and fair view of the financial results for fundraising appeals conducted during the year; and

(e) that the accounting and associated records have been properly kept during the year in accordance with the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 and the regulations; and

(f) that monies received as a result of fundraising appeals conducted during the year have been properly accounted for and applied in accordance with the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 and the regulations.

At the date of this report there are reasonable grounds to believe that the organisation will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

Graham Schmidt *M.For.Accg.(Dist) B.Bus. CPA Forensic Accountant*
Registered Company Auditor 4480
Registered Tax Agent
Signed at Erina this 22nd May 2009

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DIRECTOR OF COMPETITION

Congratulations to all the Competitors and Coaches for their great efforts and achievements this season.

To the Board Coaches this season: Spike Jones, Dave O'Grady, Damien Benson, well done on all the effort you put in with the Board Paddlers. Dave O'Grady needs a special mention for all the time and effort he put in with the young 14, 15 and 16 year old kids – it is a hard age to keep everyone happy but he did a great job.

Congratulations to our Boat Captain, Warwick Pearce for a job well done looking after all the gear and crews, and to the Boat Coaches: Paul Nicholls, Jim Mitchell, John Mitchell well done, these coaches have been assisted by Dave Babbage and Bobby Dorrell.

This year the Club hosted the Branch Championships for Opens and Masters, unfortunately the weather was against us and most things had to be transferred to Terrigal, which made the hard job of hosting even more complicated. Thank you to all those who assisted on the days with set up, pack up, first aid and BBQs. A special thanks to Garry Clarke and Murray Tancred for all their help and their assistance over the two days. Thank you to Jeff Doyle and Bunnings for their support and supply of the BBQ for the carnivals, thank you to the U15s involved in running the BBQ both days, and to the Ladies Auxiliary who prepared all the lunches and morning and afternoon teas for the officials…what would we do without you!

Another year, and another trek to Perth, and once again we packed the containers. Thank you to Warwick Pearce, Lachlan Tame, Spike Jones, Bill Mitchell, Pete Mitchell and all the Tweakers who packed and unpacked at both ends…And did such a great job, there was no damage to any of our equipment!

To the Officials, thank you. Without your efforts and assistance we would not be able to compete. It is a hard job and a long day, you are there before and after most of the competitors, so thank you.

Boats: Maree Bootle, Kevin Bootle, Mike Tamblyn, Brian Low, Bobby Dorrell, Jeff Doyle, Jenny Dykes, Kerri O'Connell.

Opens and Masters: Chris Gathercole, Rob Davis, Garry Clarke, Steve Jung, Lee Dean.

Special mention to Rob Davis for the countless hours sitting out the back in an IRB either freezing cold or boiling hot conditions and fighting off sea sickness. Brett Beswick also spent countless hours at all local and State carnivals on the jet ski.

To Gordon Jones thank you for taking on the job of carnival entries and your assistance throughout the year.

In closing, thanks to everyone involved in towing gear, setting up tents and helping out at carnivals to make things easier for people to compete for the mighty Avoca Beach.

Here's hope for another great season in all disciplines next year.

Cheers Boys

Matt Mitchell – Director of Competiton

Aaron Benson, winner of the Michael Riley & Assoc, Male Competitor of the Year with Matt Mitchell

Sharon Brierty with Female Competitor of the Year, Cody-Leigh Callaghan

Matt O'Grady U15 Australian Board Medallist & Cadet Clubperson

Official Jeff Doyle and SLS CC Rep Team Manager

Rob Davis, our IRB Driver at all Carnivals

SPECIAL EVENTS

Welcome to the Season Night
The Club launched the 2008-09 season with a special night for all Club Members and Nipper parents. It was a good night to get together, and it would be great to see more people attend this next season.

Melbourne Cup Day Lunch
Once again, Sonya Walters organised a great day of fun, food, laughter and betting! The place looked fantastic with the decorations supplied by Bec Knowles from BlueBerry Events. Thank you to both ladies for a great day!

Avoca Beach Cellars Golf Day
This year, the day was organised by Glen O'Brien and Keith Ferrier and as per usual sunny skies led to a day of good, and not-so-good golf shots. The return to the Clubhouse for presentation and lunch was greatly welcomed. Thank you to **Avoca Beach Cellars** for their on-going sponsorship of the day!

Annual Door Knock
One of the Club's biggest fundraisers of the year! Although the emphasis is now off actual door knocking, and more a bucket drive at the local shopping centres. We thank **Erina Fair, Green Point Shops and Centro Kincumber** for allowing us to collect at these venues. Once again the Lizards stole the show at the local shopping centre and using the young Nippers brought in the cash. Thank you to Fred Spindler for coordinating the day.

Hunter's Raine & Horne Ocean Swim
This event which was regularly run in December was deferred to April as December is such a busy month for so many. The planned date of 5 April saw big seas and heavy surf so the day was put back to 26 April, once again big seas nearly threatened the day but the day dawned with clear skies and a miraculous drop in seas. Unfortunately the day was not as well attended as in previous years, but those that swam all had praise for the event. Our thanks to the Hunter family, who not only sponsor the day, but also spend many hours on organisation and set up.

80th Birthday Celebrations
The Surf Club celebrated 80 years since the first Bronze exam held at Avoca in April and we had a party that went over very well, with many older and newer Members in attendance.

The night started out with our youngest Nippers, blowing on trumpets, heralding a procession showcasing our past, with re-enactments of the first exam and swimmers in period costume, the pram race etc and this set the mood for a great evening. The displays of old memorabilia and trophies with the photos of the past led to a great many stories of yesteryear. The short film by Dave Stalley was also one of the many highlights of the night.

Graham Love was busy taking photos with Bill Mitchell and Garry Clarke busy videoing the night which in turn will lead to great memories for the future.

Thank you to Kimberley Santangelo, Alison Tomlin, Wendy Norman who put in a lot of work setting up the scene, Bec Knowles for the great table decorations. Ted Poole, although not there on the night, his continuing role as a historian of the Club is greatly appreciated. Our thanks to A R Ardus, who donated the tables that showcased the trophies and memorabilia. Denise De Paoli also assisted the girls with the cleaning of the trophies. Our thanks to **Mr Catering** who as per usual, provided us with great food for the night.

Snow Trip
This coming winter there will be a bus load going to the snow for a weekend away, which we have not done in many years! A lot of our younger Members who have not been to the snow before are looking forward to this weekend away and our thanks to Bill Mitchell and Jeff Barnes for their initiative in getting this former traditional weekend away, back on the agenda again.

Thailand Project
Unfortunately the change in Government has led to much of our good work of the past falling by the wayside. However we have recently heard of a new source wishing to pursue the teaching of life saving in Phuket. The book on our endeavours is currently being put together and should be ready to be launched by June.

The project was recognised by the AustSwim association where we achieved a Highly Commended for our efforts. Mel Macpherson was also recognised on the night with a Highly Commended for her film on the project.

John Mitchell – Vice President

FUNCTION REPORT

The use of the Club's function facility has grown dramatically since the renovation of the Club. Functions now constitute a regular and significant income stream for the Club.

The role of functions has grown steadily thanks to the efforts of all the people who set up the structures from the initial period after the renovation. The systems that we use today are built on their hard work.

The role of managing these systems was, for a long time undertaken by Anita Jung as an addition to her role as Administration Assistant. Anita did a fantastic job but it simply became too much, in addition to the other things that she was doing for the Club.

At the beginning of 2008 Joe Murray stepped in to help and share the workload of managing the functions. Joe has been working with Mick Foley and Spike Jones to gradually develop the role of Function Manager.

During 2009 the Club applied for and was granted an 'On-Premises' liquor licence to replace the existing 'Functions' Licence. The main reason for this change was to allow the Club to run the bar facilities whenever there was a need without all the constraints of the older category of 'Function' licence.

Now that the Bar and the Function Centre are working in conjunction with each other it is planned to develop more opportunities for the raising of funds for the Club with less interference with Members using the Club.

It is also expected that with our new category Liquor Licence we expect to be able to offer the facilities of the Club to support other groups and causes within the community of Avoca Beach by using the bar as an income stream to cover our costs.

It is proposed to make the facilities more user friendly for Members by expanding the types of bar furniture available to them as well as making the facilities more easily accessible for individual Members to access at the lowest possible cost. Should Members wish to run functions they are welcome to contact Joe on 0412 479 066 and see what can be done.

THE DECORATION COMMITTEE

The Decorations Committee has enlisted the professional help of Mitch Incoll and his colleague Tom McMahon to assist in the design concept for the display of the Surf Club Memorabilia.

Over the past 5 months, Mitch and Tom have worked hard to come up with an amazing design which will portray all aspects of our Club: from our origins, to competition, social activities, Ladies Auxiliary, Life Members, history, surf life saving milestones and the unsung heroes who have been the backbone behind our Club over the years.

Mitch and Tom have presented their concept to the Executive, which was very well received, although the installation was of some concern. Efforts are now being made to look at alternative ways to install the design to reduce costs.

We were hoping to have at least the entry wall "genesis" design up for the presentation night, but due to deliberation over the installation, this will probably happen late June 2009.

At the moment, it has been decided just to put the "genesis" wall up and get feedback as to the general consensus of the design, then go ahead with the rest if received well. It is hoped that all will be finished by December 2009.

I would like to thank you all for your patience in waiting for our Club's memorabilia and history to be redisplayed. I hope that you can appreciate what a big job it is and that to get it right we needed professional guidance and lots of research.

Sharon Brierty

Hunters Ocean Swim start

Some of our Masters competing
at the Avoca Beach Cellars Golf Day

Function Manager, Joe Murray
and Club Person of the Year

Kimberley Santangelo

Highly Commended to the
Phuket Training Team at the AustSwim Awards

Some of our Special Event Organisers

All smiles whilst on patrol!

Off the beach and enjoying a drink at Captains Keg

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CHIEF INSTRUCTORS REPORT

The 2008–2009 season seemed to fly by so quickly, but once again good results in awards and training.

With the help of so many good trainers, the following statistics were achieved.

Bronze Medallion	49
Surf Rescue Certificate	34
Radio Operators Certificate	42
ARC	6
Defibrillation Certificate	4
Jet Ski / RWC Driver	3
Spinal Management Certificate	3
SM Basic Beach Management	4
SM Advanced Emergency Care	6
SM IRB Driver (7 in training)	6
IRB Crewman (10 in training)	11
Senior First Aid	9
Surf Coach Level One	9
Surf Official Level One	23

The season saw another dedicated effort by Mick Kendal and Andy Hoban with Bronze Squad training. A great effort and inspiration to all the other trainers. Thanks again guys.

Good numbers with the Juniors gaining SRC awards thanks to Jeff Barnes and Adam Robinson.

A big thankyou once again to Lee Dean and Garry Clarke for their efforts in training and assessing.

Don Cook new ARC trainer extraordinaire, has done a great job this season with assistance from Trent McRae. The boys have done a heap of work this season with both new awards and requals. Big thanks to you guys!

I have been fortunate enough to be involved with Club Members wishing to do IRB Crewman and Driver training. As shown in the above statistics the numbers of successful candidates were considerable. It is great to see so many members put in the time and effort to become ' IRB ready' as the Club has been short of Drivers and Crewman for some time.

All of these awards, training and requals have loads of paperwork to deal with which fortunately for me, is dealt with by Anita. So thanks to Anita for all her administration assistance.

It was great to see new Members so enthusiastic to learn and gain awards this season. Two standouts were Jonathan Donnelly gaining – Bronze, Radio Operator, IRB Crew, IRB driver and ARC. Jackie Duckett gaining – Bronze, Radio Operator, IRB Crew, IRB Driver. Both of these new Members are also training in surf boats. Congratulations to both.

It would be great to see some new faces interested in becoming Trainers and/or Assessors. Please contact me if you have any interest.

Looking forward to another good season with equally good levels of training and development.

See you on the beach.

Craig Anderson - Chief Instructor.

LADIES AUXILIARY REPORT

Well done girls for the past season, you have really excelled yourselves. Enough cannot be said for how valuable your services are to the benefit of Avoca Beach Surf Club. The major highlight this year was our contribution to the kitchen area, donating a new industrial double door fridge and freezer as well as new stainless steel cupboards, they look great! We also paid for new cupboards in the First Aid room. The total cost for these additions was around $16,000. Thank you to Bill Mitchell for his co-operation in organising everything for us. Well done everyone.

Our main fundraisers were:	**$**
Lamington Sales	770
Australia Day	438
Billabong Promotion	173
Theatre Night	1,577
Lifeguard Challenge	460
Quilt Raffle (approx.)	500
Social Night	309
BBQ	4,889
TOTAL	**$9,116**

Our main fundraiser was the BBQ'S for Sunday Sippers which ran very smoothly this season with many helpers on the roster. Minor details to improve the system were ironed out early in the season, another meeting will be held in the coming months to improve things even more, so any new suggestions are welcome. Thank you everyone. Matt Mitchell provided cooks each week from all sections of the Club. This was a great help, thank you Mattie. Special thanks to Margie, Jan K, Jacqui, Rachael and Helen Moore for their organisation in this area.

We also have many other people to thank for their help and donations:

- Bob Dorrell – extra wheels on BBQ
- Brian and Deb Rendall (Kincumber Signs) – great new fundraising sign
- Australia Flag – courtesy of Mr Phillip Ruddock M.P
- Jan Dorrell – Hand made Quilt and Bag for raffle
- Justin and Ava (TJ's Fruit Market)
- Avoca Beach Welcome Mart
- Avoca Beach Cake Shop
- Peters Meats Erina.

We had two social Nights organised by Jan Hoban and Committee. The "Mamma Mia Night" was a riot, the DVD set the mood and there was lots of fun and dancing.

The Theatre Night (Australia) organised by Lisa and her helpers was a great success as was the food donated by everyone.

Ladies helped with Band Night organised by Joe Murray, it should have been better supported by all Club Members.

Jacqui bought DVD's for kids entertainment at Sippers – great selection!

Our Xmas Party was catered for by Jo and Rob (**Mr Catering**), a delicious lunch followed by lots of "champas" was enjoyed by all. Jan Hoban entertained us with her hilarious "skit"!

Melbourne Cup organised by Sonya was a great success once again.

Our Ladies prepared the food for Hunters "Rocks to Rocks" and thanks to Karen Duerden and her husband, as well as Julie Bromley for running the BBQ.

Hunters Ocean Swim – Thanks to our Ladies who provided the cooking, cleaning and Registrars on the day.

The Sewing Ladies did their usual good work making Patrol and Competition Caps. What a great asset these ladies are to our Club.

We were asked once again to cater for the lifeguard challenge between Gosford and Wyong Councils. It was successful with plenty of thanks from all who attended.

The Branch Masters Championships were a hectic affair with the transfer of carnivals on both days to Terrigal because of dreadful weather and big seas. We did a great job with the food for the Officials, transferring it all to Terrigal on both days. Thank you especially to Jan Gee for her organisation on that weekend and to everyone who helped out.

Two very memorable days were Joyce Harpur and Peg Gee's 80th Birthdays. We had luncheons for them both at the Surf Club. Both Joyce and Peg have been stalwarts of the Ladies Auxiliary.

The barbeque donated by Ladies Auxiliary has been put to good use by all sections of the Club especially for fundraising for U15 Competitors to go to the Aussie Titles in Perth. We are pleased that the BBQ is being put to good use and has been properly maintained by those who have used it, which we really appreciate.

Our Ladies helped out again with food preparation at the Club functions following both the State and Australian titles. These events were well attended.

The Club's 80th Birthday celebrations on Easter Saturday wound up the season. It was a great night displaying so much history of our Club. The memorabilia on display, thanks to Ted Poole, was amazing. Thank you to John Mitchell for organising the night and Anita for the foresight, way back, to make it all happen.

Thank you to all Patrol members for keeping our beach safe. Congratulations to competitors at all levels and to our Junior Club for their excellent season.

In all, it has been a good season. Our President Jan Gee wishes to thank you all for your support. I think that we do have a lot of fun so it makes it all the more worthwhile when we are fundraising for our Club.

Hope to see you all next season when we will once again be supporting the blue, green and gold of the Avoca Beach Surf Club.

Cheers Girls and Boys

Cec Norman – Hon. Secretary

Members

Chris Adams, Jan Babbage, Linda Birch, Cathy Bissett, Julie Bromley, Brenda Buckley, Vicki Carmichael, Nicole Cassar, Jeneanne Christensen, Yvonne Cox, Bronwyn Cracknell, Evelyn Colless, Leanne Delaney, Jan Dorrell, Karen Duerden, June Faulder, Helen Fitzsimmons, Carol Fortey, Daphne Froud, Marie Fuller, Sherryn Fuller, Marie Glasgow, Linda Goodwin, Iris Hancock, Adele Harris, Barbara Harvey, Bev Hoban, Kaylene Hoban, Ngaire Hobbins, Maureen Hodge, Pat Hodge, Leanne Jelfs, Nan Jones, Pat Jones, Shirley Kelly, Robbie Kelly, Jan King, Sue Lewis, Mary Liccardio, Sue Ludlam, Julie MacGugan, Susan Mara, Diane March, Maureen Mclaren, Shirley McLuckie, Jess Mitchell, Michelle Mitchell, Rachael Mitchell, Helen Moore, Kerry Moore, Susan Moore, Linda Morrow, Wendy Norman, Shaunah O'Brien, Ellery Pearce, Sharon Pettit, Julie Pickett, Jan Portelli, Jackie Power, Barbara Pridham, Debbie Rendall, Lola Robinson, Sonya Robinson, Jude Ryan, Gail Semmler, Larissa Shelton, Lisa Short, Rachel Sparkes, Elaine Spindler, Jennie Spindler, Marissa Stennett, Carol Tamblyn, Anne Tame, Bronwyn Tancred, Jacqui Thurlow, Alison Tomlin, Sonya Walters.

Ladies Auxiliary Profit and Loss

Income	**2008/2009**
Bank Interest	2.02
Subs	325.00
Clothing and Donations	45.00
Social and Fundraising	6,610.52
Lamingtons	3,348.05
Sippers BBQ	8,699.56
Branch Titles	1,031.29
Senior Club Catering	604.68
Total	**$20,666.12**

Expenses	**2008/2009**
Social and Fundraising	3,698.30
Floats	150.00
Donations Junior and Senior	1,000.00
Lamingtons	2,678.00
Sippers BBQ	4,442.06
Senior Club Catering	1,805.36
Clothing	0.00
Kitchen Equipment	13,455.65
Total	**$27,229.37**

Balance at Bank 30.4.09	**15,815.30**
Less Unpresented Cheques	74.00
Plus Floats	650.00
Cash on Hand	9.50
Balance:	**$16,400.80**

Some of our new Bronze Holders

Marg Wilson and Cec Norman enjoying Captains Keg

Brett Hunter and Kelly Yule at Captains Keg

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BOARD REPORT

2008/09 season was by far the best season the Avoca Beach Surf Life Saving Club Board Squad has had in a very long time, if not to say, the best ever. Firstly, I would like to thank the coaching staff Damien Benson, David O'Grady and Howard Jones. The amount of time and dedication these guys put into teaching and coaching of the Board Squad is incredible – and it was appreciated. I would also like to thank Lauren Chivas and Trent McLuckie from **Ella Bache Erina** for their sponsorship of the Board Squad.

The State Championships saw some great results.

The U15s really stepped up and showed that the Club is in safe hands for the future. Tayla Nicoll won the Board with Cody-Leigh Callaghan in 4th, they then teamed up with Jade Condon to finish 1st in the Female Board Relay. Matt O'Grady finished 4th in the individual Board which gave him a lot of confidence going into Aussies. Matt, Josh Barnes and Dillon Mould finished 5th in the Board Relay.

In the U19s Aaron Benson and Liam Jackson finished 4th and 5th in a tight Board race. Both Aaron and Liam then stepped up to the Open Board Relay with Nugget and finished 3rd, which was a huge effort.

With only a small squad to Aussies this year there was some well deserved results.

Cody-Leigh Callaghan who is still an U14 competitor, won the individual U15 Board and then stepped up to win the U15 Ironperson. These two results from a Nipper left myself and the majority of the beach in Perth speechless. Cody-Leigh then teamed with Tayla and Jade in the Board Relay – the girls showed dedication and true ability to finish an amazing 2nd! Matt O'Grady then stepped up and finished 2nd in the Board which shows he has a huge future in board paddling.

Aaron Benson had probably one of the smartest races he has done and won the U19 Board. Aaron led from start to finish and was not going to let anyone past. Liam finished 5th and was unlucky not to finish in the top 3!

Aaron also had another great board paddle in the Open Board Relay, giving Nugget and Liam every opportunity. With Liam bringing it home, the boys were still in the top 3 and a chance of winning, with 200m to go the surf didn't give Liam any luck or help with 4 teams coming from behind on a wave. It was a huge thing for Aaron and Liam to step up to Opens and have unbelievable paddles.

Tayla, Cody-Leigh and Aaron all represented NSW on the Wednesday before Aussies. Tayla had an amazing race and finished 1st. Tayla showed grit and determination in some large and tricky conditions. Cody-Leigh finished 2nd and Aaron 3rd. It was good to see these guys do so well representing their State.

Well done to all Board Paddlers and hope to see you back again next year representing Avoca!

Nugg'e – Board Captain

Daniel McClelland, Board Captain and State Medalist

BOAT CAPTAINS REPORT

2008/2009. The season that claimed a few crews from the shed, eight to be exact which left five, out of that five, one did more training than racing, one did row but didn't row and still made the final at State and was unlucky not to win it, either the crews that battled out the final were unfit or our blokes are pure athletes.

The year saw Avoca take to the water with no open men and women crews due to a season rest that they deserved, some retired, HSC claimed a couple, some were in the family way, some had to work in WA and partying claimed the rest.

2009 was the year of the Ox, it definately was not the year of the snake as it spent all year in the shed hibernating, although it did make an outing on the Saturday at branch, it misbehaved in the wind so it went back to its hiding spot in the shed, so its younger competitor the black python was used to shade us from the sun, a smaller version but just as heavy.

There were three crews that raced on a regular basis, The Helmets, The Zuluz and The Tweakers, a defection from Terrigal saw the Ibbett girls come over and form the Blueberrys and part time rowers The Munjas made up the five.

The year has been an easy one for me not having so many crews to look after, but I feel that next season may come alive again with the Aussies being back at Kurrawa, but in saying that I have had a lot of laughs and an enjoyable year with the crews that rowed.

Year Three in Perth saw three crews make the long trip across to the west for the last time, The Zuluz and The Tweakers tackled huge seas on the Wednesday, I think out of all the racing that day there might have been only one race that a boat didn't roll, I must admit it was a bit nerve racking for me as all I saw all day was broken gear being carried up the beach, fortunately we broke nothing but only because of the experience of the two sweeps Jimmy and Johnny Mitchell who were victorious in both there races to have medals swinging around there necks.

The Zuluz picked up a bronze and the old blokes (who looked after me for the week) The Tweakers came home with a silver medal.

The third crew were the U19's, The Helmets, Paul Nicholls has done a fantastic job with these boys this year, a bit of a slow start in the first part of the year but the second part was something to see, the way they picked up there pace was truly amazing, it was like watching an open crew row: the timing, speed and power that they produced in the water really paid off for them, the boys brought home the gold medal, it was a race to the end and they have proved that they are true Australian Champions, good on you boys you made the old cranky Boat Captain very happy. (And boys a bets a bet) So another Aussies over and success for the three crews that competed, a great result.

I would like to thank Andy Hoban and Bryan Low for all there help in packing the container that went west, I think they might have unpacked it as well, I was overseas at the time and was unable to be there, so if there was anyone else I have missed, thank you.

Warwick Pearce, Boat Captain

To all the Officials that are involved not only in the Peters series but who donate there time to represent Avoca at other carnivals, a big thank you to all of you because without you no one would be able to compete, next season will see one official with new knees, you never know we may see him in the beach sprint at branch next year, good luck Bobby and thank you for the help that you gave me throughout the year.

A big thank you goes out to a cranky little bloke with long hair, Peter Saint, he has done a great job in doing the sign writing of the boats and other things that I have asked him to do throughout the year, your services are much appreciated.

A big thank you to all the sponsors, **George Brand, National Frame and Truss, Hair on York** and **Booths Motor Group**, your kind donations helps us enormously to keep the Boat Section going strong.

Thank you to Gordo for doing all the entries for the boats this year; Anita for all that she does for me: many challenges are made, many challenges are met, the little sand floored Office wouldn't be the same without you.

To my wife Lisa (mrs surf com), yes, for all that do patrols, sometimes the voice behind the microphone is her, she has been deserted on many occasions with me away at carnivals, but she understands what it is all about, life with you gets better and better as the years go on apart from the 10 to 15 km you made me do each day in KL, the beer was good though.

In closing, Avoca is a great Club to be involved with, the people that form this Club are the foundation that it is built on, there are many surf clubs out there that have many disputes as all Clubs do, the disputes that seem to happen at Avoca always seem to have a happy ending, people do have different opinions and not everyone is always right, but that's life, we are never too old to learn from each other.

Cheers

Warwick Pearce – Boat Captain (CBC)

The Helmets, U19 Australian Boat Champions, Adam Houghton, Joel Houghton, Paul Nicholls, Jaxson Prince, Matt Anderson

The Tweakers in Action, Australian Medallists, State Champions

CREWS and RESULTS

MUNJAS RESERVE & OPEN BOAT

John Mitchell, Matt Parker, Duncan Smith, Dan Mitchell, Brookelan Morgan, Todd Petrie

3rd Branch Open Boat; 4th State Reserve Boat; Semi finalist Battle of the Boats

BLUEBERRYS OPEN BOAT & WOMENS MASTERS

Jim Mitchell, Bec Knowles, Hallie Bradbury, Genevieve Darnely, Jade Hogan, Karen Stephens

1st Branch Women's Masters; 2nd State Women's Masters; 5th Peters Women's Masters; 5th Peters Open Boat

HELMETS U19 & U23 MEN

Paul Nicholls, Jaxson Prince, Matt Anderson, Joel Houghton, Adam Houghton

1st Peters U19; 5th Peters U23; 1st Young Guns Ocean Beach; 1st Young Guns Collaroy; 1st Young Guns Ocean Thunder; 2nd ASRL Broulee; 1st Branch U19; 4th State U19; 2nd Battle of the Boats U19; 1st Australian Titles Perth U19

ZULUZ OPEN BOAT & WOMEN MASTERS

John Mitchell, Karen Douglas, Alison Tomlin, Kimberley Santangello, Denise (Agnus) De Paoli

1st Peters Women's Masters; 5th Peters Open Boat; 2nd ASRL Broulee Women's Masters; 1st Branch Women's Masters; 3rd Branch Open Boat; 1st State Women's Masters; Semi Finalist Battle of the Boats; 3rd Australian Titles Perth Women's Masters

TWEAKERS 240 MASTERS

Jim Mitchell, Mike Tamblyn, Andy Hoban, Kevin (I love a graze) Bootle, Bryan (the pasta chef) Low

3rd Peters; 1st ASRL Broulee; 1st Branch; 1st State; 2nd Australian Titles Perth; Finalist Battle of Boats

SILVERTAILS 180 MASTERS

Jim Mitchell, Tony Ide, Dave Birt, Peter Wallace, Graham Settree

A flying visit at Christmas saw the boys take out the Twilight at Terrigal and that was that for them for the year.

The Blueberries, Geneveive Darnley, Karen Stephens, Bec Knowles, Hallie Bradbury at Branch

The Zuluz Australian Medallists, State Champions

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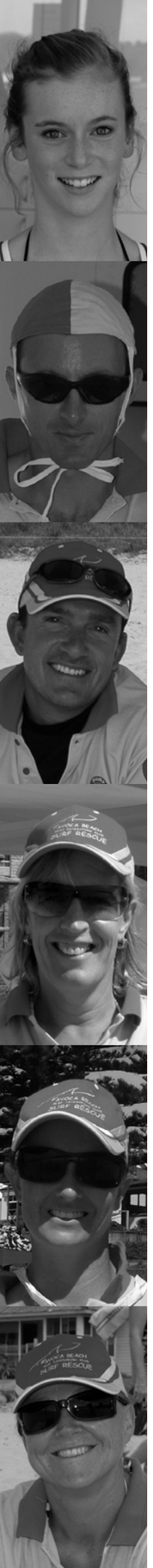

WATER CAPTAINS REPORT

For the past five years, the **Robson Civil Project** Water Team has seen a continual growth in its numbers and diversity. This season has been no different. At a time where the depth of swimmers across the Branch, State and Nation has grown increasingly strong, the Avoca Beach swimming squad has maintained its competitive edge. More importantly, Avoca has also inherited some of the strongest swimmers I have seen for quite some time out of the Nipper ranks. It was a pleasure to see many of our squad members reap the benefits of their tireless commitment to training and their willingness to listen and learn to their Coaches and senior role models within the Club. To this extent, I have no doubt the junior swimmers our Club is now blessed with will be able to emulate the great success our club has had in swimming events in its rich history.

Once again the Wednesday Wipeout morning surf sessions enabled our swimmers to have a break from the black line of the pool and hit the waves. The benefits from such training are enormous and I highly recommend competitors of all strengths, disciplines and age to attend these sessions in the coming season. As an indication of the strength of this squad, 9 of the top 12 competitors in the Hunters Rocks to Rocks were regular Wednesday Wipeout trainers. This is reinforced by the fact that we will see the much anticipated return to the wave friendly Kurrawa for the Australian Titles next year. No matter how experienced or confident, a weekly session working on wading, bodysurfing, navigating the break and reading surf conditions will definitely develop a worthy surf skill set that may ultimately become as important as, if not more important than, speed and fitness.

On the competitive front, this season has been another successful season for the squad. Once again, some of our swimmers have played a significant role within the variety of teams they have competed in. In particular, one of the veterans of the swimming squad, Liam Jackson, produced yet another superb swim in the U19 Taplin relay at the State Titles to secure a gold medal to add to his silver medal at the Australian Titles in the same event last season. Likewise, Jade Condon, in teaming with Tayla Nicoll in the U15 Board Rescue, showed her class with the cap and goggles to win a silver medal at the Australian Titles, a great effort by both girls!

However, this year's results in individual races have reinforced my belief that Avoca's swimming talent will continue to shine in years to come. Special mention must go to Jessica Davis who, year in year out, produces outstanding results in her swimming events at major carnivals. This year was no different as Jess went on to win silver in the U17 female swim at the Australian Titles, well done Jess. But this year also saw the emergence of some of our newer members. Most significantly, an outstanding swim leg for Cody-Leigh Callaghan complemented her incredible board paddling ability to win gold in the U15 Ironwoman at the Australian Titles. A continued commitment to hard training also saw new members Andrew Higgins and young gun, Rob Annabel, reach the finals of their individual swims at the State and Australian titles respectively. As an indication of her great diversity, Tayla Nicoll also replaced the board for a tube to take a top 8 placing in the U15 Tube race at the Australian Titles. But, perhaps the most memorable moment this season has come from one of the stalwarts of the Surf Lifesaving movement, Mr Gordon Jones. In a complete display of his sprinting dominance, Gordo was successful in winning the Australian 30-34yrs tube race. Well done Gordon, you can't teach that stuff!

With the introduction of tubes races, belt races and an increasing dependency on strong swimmers in team events, swimming is becoming an increasingly significant discipline in Surf Lifesaving. I encourage all Members of the surf club to throw the cap and goggles on and take a lap or two around the cans (or to the cans for those sprinters) next season. With the continued support from **Robson Civil Projects**, the Club committee and the continued development of junior members, I'm sure the water squad will only strengthen in the coming years.

Cheers Boys and Girls
Darren Clarke – Water Captain

SKI REPORT

The season 2008–2009 saw a lot of the regulars still paddling and training hard. We also saw some new faces in the Under 17 kids starting to learn to paddle and do a few races. Hope to see them keen and continuing on with it next season.

We had some great results during the season…With Hammo, Lachlan and Tim Paterson winning our first State Open Ski relay medal in 10 years! It was good to be back on the dais!

Hammo had a great year in both Masters and Opens… In 30-34 years Masters, Hammo was first at Aussies and second in the State, then in the Opens, he was third in the State and made the semi-finals at Aussies. He then teamed with Lachlan in the double ski at Aussies and they had great paddles in the quarters and semis…unfortunately they did not quite get the same start in the final…but it was a great result.

Lachlan in his first year in Opens made it to the quarter finals at Aussies and also had some great paddles in the relays and taplins at both State and Aussies. In the Doubles at State he teamed up with Tim Paterson, who made a return to competition and they came in 5th.

Pete Mitchell and Alex McIntyre have worked hard and made the finals in the double ski at both Aussies and State. Hopefully they can continue building on this into next year, in their final year in the U19s. Pete also made the single ski final at State and Aussies, paddling right amongst the leaders.

Tami Hunt and Jess Davis, trained hard all year and competed in all events. Jess made the final at Aussies in the U17 ski, Tami just missed out on a top 6 placing in the U19 State ski final. Well done girls! Your determination to do your best is great to see.

Gordo trained hard and had good improvements…as his third at State Masters show…more to come next year.

Thank you to our sponsors, **Central Coast Mazda, Three Point Surf, Avoca Beach Architectural and Hardware**, your support has assisted us to achieve our great results.

I would like to finish in congratulating all of the Club's Branch, State and Aussie medallists and everyone that made the finals at State and Aussies…great effort. It takes a lot of time, effort and commitment to do so well.

So best of luck to everyone next season.

Matt Mitchell – Ski Captain

MASTERS REPORT

It was good to see some newcomers to Masters this year. Namely Trevor Gee and for their second year of competition, Ben Hamilton and Gordon Jones. Other newcomers that enjoyed themselves at some of the more fun carnivals such as Fingal and Pacific Palms were members of the Lizards. The Ball boys (Graham and Nigel) and Pauline Priest in particular excelled in all areas of competition. The addition of the Lizards brings back many of the fun aspects of Masters Competition. A welcome addition to our ranks!

Central Coast Branch Championships
The challenges came from all areas, Terrigal, North Avoca with record numbers and Copacabana, however, in true fighting spirit, Avoca have retained the title of Central Coast Branch Champions. That makes twelve years in a row. Our strength lies in our ability to put together a large number of competitive teams. As usual the likes of Stuart Harvey, Robbie Armstrong and Stuart Paterson plus the Boaties such as Karen Douglas and her crew come out of the wood work and dug deep to earn valuable points for the team. Whilst Avoca was the host, due to a large swell the water events were moved to Terrigal and the beach events run at Avoca. This made it difficult for competitors to compete in all events. The results for Branch, State and Australian Titles are tabled elsewhere in this report.

NSW State Championships
Congratulations to Adam Robinson who won both the short and long board riding titles. Apart from Adam's Gold we had to settle for a number of silver and bronze medals. Karen Douglas, Sharon Brierty, Emma Benson did us proud with a second in the 110 years Surf Team, Ben Hamilton and Gordon Jones finished 2nd and 3rd respectively in the Ski. Pauline Priest after blitzing the Branch picked up her first State Medal with a 3rd in the Tube.

Australian Championships
The last year for the titles at Scarborough saw our smallest Masters contingent to date. That didn't stop Ben Hamilton (1st Ski) and Gordon Jones (1st Tube) collecting Gold and Pauline Priest picking up a silver in the Tube. Well done to all who competed this year.

Major achievements this year included a successful retention of the Toilet Seat at the annual Pacific Palms event. The challengers are coming thick and fast so we need a good turn up next year. The last thing we want is for North Avoca to take our title. We were also successful in winning the annual Fingal Bay competition. These two competitions are great weekends away with the focus on fun with the added advantage of a bit of competition thrown in for good measure.

Masters Club Championship

Whilst it was delayed until the last patrolling day, it was again a resounding success. Minimal injuries (except for the Flash – Trevor Tame with his dicky hamstring), fun, good conditions and a good way to end the year. Thanks to all the competitors for making it so successful.

In wrapping up I must thank a number of people, Anita Jung for her continual support especially when we are unsure of what we are expected to do, Gordon Jones for looking after the entries and running Handicaps. It has been a good season with a good atmosphere. Pacific Palms, Fingal Bay are great opportunities for getting away at the weekend and building that atmosphere. Special thanks to the Masters Committee (Dan Ryan, David O'Grady, Sharon Brierty, Jim McAtamney, Q)

Jeff Smith – Masters Captain

BEACH EVENTS

The season just concluded was not the best for Senior Beach events but in Junior events the results were excellent as noted elsewhere in the Annual Report.

While Branch results were pleasing in Senior and Master events, at State and Australian level we were less than well represented with a fourth in the NSW Championships flags a notable result and this from a non-specialist competitor!

I was, however more than pleased with the numbers of competitors and the amazing age range from eight to over 60 at most training sessions.

The strength of our Juniors in Beach events is self-evident and is a result of the efforts of many during the season. I have watched the progress of competitors such as Jake O'Brien, Bianca Mould and Macy Callaghan to name but three and am anticipating further impressive results as they enter more senior ranks.

I have always taken a long term view of success and look forward to next season and beyond with great anticipation. All we really need are just a few more Club Members to take an interest in Beach events at a Senior level.

Robert Cairncross – Beach Captain

Liam Jackson, State and Australian Medallist

Pete Mitchell

Ben Hamilton, Australian Masters Champion and State Medallist

Pauline Priest, Australian & State Medallist and Recruit of the Year

SURFBOARD RIDING REPORT

At the time of writing this report the 3rd shark attack in as many weeks has just occurred at North Avalon on a young surfer. This attack really makes one think about sharks and their habits as North Av is really just down the road. Some advice I always try to adhere to, is not to surf to close to dawn and dusk especially when there are fish about and always surf with somebody. If it wasn't for the quick thinking of the boy's father he probably would not be with us today.

The summer of 08/09 will go down as one of the worst ever for waves, flat spell after flat spell. However this did not deter most of the young grommits from Avoca getting out there and ripping up what little was on offer. These kids have gained a wealth of surf knowledge over the past couple of years and will keep most unwary beach goers out of trouble whether they stay members of the surf club or not.

A big thanks to Bob Dorrell for the board rack built, certainly makes it a lot easier to move around in front of the clubhouse. Another big thank you to Rob Purcell and Rick Byrne for their continued support of the grommit surfers.

This season we did not manage to have too many training sessions, I don't know where the time went, but with the continued help from Avoca Boardriders our younger guys continued to lead the way with impressive performances at both branch and state level.

This year the branch went back to MacMasters Beach. I believe big Jimmy and his crew did a good job in running the show. Please refer to archive for results.

It is not very often one goes to a surfing comp and the waves are good but the State at Blacksmiths for the under 13 and14 divisions was an exception, with some great waves on offer. I hadn't been to a state event for a number of years and I was amazed at the number of competitors, especially in the girls division. I know Avoca SLSC has a number of girls that surf, maybe next year they could get amongst it.

In the under 14's both Pat Wheatley and Joel Delaney exceeded their own expectations to reach the final and came 2nd and 3rd respectively. It was an exciting moment when we realised that both these boys had earned a medal. In the under 13 division Avoca had Teague Robinson and Will Byrne compete. Teague's surfing was impressive throughout the day. He eventually went on to win the event. A special mention to Will Byrne, who basically sacrificed his surfing, to compete with others in a team event.

Toby Cracknell, Michael Bain and Adam Robinson were the only ones to compete at the senior level. Next season it would be great to see more members complete their patrol obligations so they can come along and compete on the day. Michael continued to impress finishing 3rd in the under 15's whilst Toby was just behind him in 4th. It was great to see both boys make the final. Adam Robinson was entered into the over 30's and over 40's shortboard division, which was being run for the very first time at state level. He felt pretty loose, enabling him to surf well on the day, finishing with a win in both divisions. We had no competitors compete at the Australian this time around, maybe we will see a few next year.

Even though the Tubes 4 Googs is not a sanctioned surf life saving event it was great to see so many club members contributing to the successful running of the event.

For the history buffs, surfboard riding has a long history within the surf lifesaving movement with the first national titles held just after the Duke had visited our shores. Claude West from Manly was the first National Champion in 1915, I believe.

See Ya in 09/10 – Robbo

PS Don't forget your hours, don't talk about it, get in there and do it.

Beach Competitor of the Year & Branch Champion Board Rider, Toby Cracknell with Admin Assistant Anita

POWERCRAFT / IRB REPORT

The 2008/2009 season has been one of our best years for recruiting IRB Drivers and Crewman. Over the past few years our Patrols have been low on IRB Drivers, putting pressure on our Patrols for drivers and particularly crewman. Its great to see more Members striving to gain new awards, and a big thank you has to go to Craig Anderson our Chief Instructor for his efforts in getting our new Bronze Holders to obtain not only their Crewman's certificates, but continue on and obtain their IRB Drivers award. Also a special thanks to Rob Davis for his continued assistance over the last few seasons. Rob has been a huge help in assisting me during the season. Thanks Rob.

This year we acquired our new ridged hull IRB through the Water Safety Levy, and are looking to purchase another new rigid hull in the off season, as we sell off two of our older IRB's that have seen better days. We have also undertaken, to ensure our outboard motors are, and remain in tip top shape, bi-annual servicing.

It is timely to remind all IRB Drivers that these motors are not toys and all Drivers should ensure basic motor care when operating and cleaning at the end of your Patrols. The Club has spent countless hours and money to have this equipment maintained, to ensure we have the outboards working in the best possible condition we can. It is the Drivers obligation to ensure these outboards are handled and flushed properly and any issues to be recorded in the IRB log book.

I still see people starting the motors in ankle deep water and dragging the IRB out with the motor running. The damage to the water pump from sucking up sand can cause the motors to overheat and cause terminal damage. We did lose a new Tohatsu motor at the start of the season because someone rolled the duck and didn't perform the proper rollover procedures and record the rollover in the log book. This motor was basically brand new and is now scrap metal as it has ceased up.

Jake O'Brien

On a lighter note I would like to recognise and congratulate the following people who obtained IRB awards this season.

IRB Crew Certificate

Matt Anderson, Nigel Ball, Jackie Duckett, Nat Gathercole, Adam Houghton, Joel Houghton, Kimberley Langlands, Pete Mitchell, Amanda Morrison, Andrew Parker, Larissa Shelton, Joe Murray (still to sit theory exam Wayne Donnelly, James Reeves, Jack Paton).

SM IRB Driver

Matt Anderson, Jackie Duckett, Adam Houghton, Joel Houghton, Pete Mitchell, Andrew Parker, Brett Hunter, George Ruzek (still to sit theory exam Joe Murray, Wayne Donnelly, Jonathan Donnelly, Cassie Patterson, James Reeves, Jack Paton).

Brett Beswick – Powercraft / IRB Captain

GYM REPORT 2008/2009

The gym has continue to grow in the number of patrons using the facility on a regular basis, most working out individually or in small groups.

Over the past season the club has invested in new and second hand equipment for members use:- Ipod integrated sound system, industrial wall cooling fan with another pedestal fan donated, 90 degree seated bench, mini trampoline, Scott curl bench, Smiths bench press/ squat machine and adjustable triceps machine.

In July 2008 the gym was closed for 10 days for maintenance (which was really needed because of the salt and sand). Machines were refurbished, weights and weight racks were colour coded to make it user friendly for the location and replacement of weights. Many thanks to Bob Dorrell, Sean Grace, George Spencer and Brian Low for the time they put in and Paul Nicholls for maintaining the ergos.

IRB Crew Certificate

Brett Beswick, IRB Captain and SLS CC JWC Manager

In September we were fortunate to purchase two second hand machines in really good working condition. A Smiths bench/squat machine and triceps machine. The gym room had to be rearranged to fit the new machines, thanks to Darren Clarke, Gordon Jones, Dave Babbage and Trent McLuckie for their time in transporting and machine assembly, and to Dicky Norman for the use of his Tinny Tipper truck.

During the year we had the perennial problems. (1) Of sand (it's pretty hard to wipe shoes on the supplied mats at doorways). (2) Patrons not replacing gear after use and, (3) members who have access to the gym letting non club and non gym members into the gym, during the Christmas holidays after work and pre-football season. During this period of time the door was left open because the lock and hinge system was vandalised, it took 10 weeks for the correct fittings to be ordered and fitted. In that time it was a headache for the volunteer cleaners Bryan Low, George Spencer and myself as hours had to be spent cleaning the daily mess. To make matters worse within 3 hours of the lock being repaired some body who did not have routine access used force on the locking system causing further damage. At the time of writing this report the door has been re-hinged again with a new code number electronic entry system.

Security cameras have now been installed inside the gym to help with supervision.

Once again this year the club is in debt to George and Bryan for the time they put in each week to keep the gym clean and tidy. As I mentioned last year they save the club thousands of dollars in cleaning fees. I know they feel so disappointed with the untidiness of the gym at times, I think it is a matter the executive has to address and work out some solutions in the very near future.

In closing this report I have elected not to stand for the position of Gym coordinator next season. It has come time when some younger member/s who use the gym on a regular basis should step in and take this position of responsibility. This gym is well equipped for the role it plays in surf club fitness. I wish the best of fortune to the incoming coordinator in their role in keeping this facility functional.

Andy Hoban

Our new SM IRB Drivers, Brett Hunter, Pete Mitchell, Adam Hougton, Joel Houghton, Matt Anderson, Jackie Duckett with Brett Beswick

Peter Saint Jet Ski

HUNTERS OCEAN SWIM – 2.5KM

On Sunday 5th April, 2009, 60 starters entered the water at 10.00am with 50 finishing the triangular 2.5km course, saying that it felt more like 3kms! Dennis Nathan was first back to the beach in 39mins 52secs, followed by Lauren Hall in 41mins 43secs and Don Boland third in 41mins 52secs The most popular age group was the 41–50 year old, and there were 4 swimmers in the 14–18 year old, with 2 oldies (over 65) in the Back of the Pack.

28 Registered on our web site before the day. Unfortunately, big seas in the preceding week deterred competitors and there were only a few registrations on the day. On the morning, the sea was OK, permitting the conduct of the swim, however the westerly wind increased throughout the morning – to the point where Rod Butler, Steve Jung and Rob Davis needed to add more load to each of the large yellow buoys lest they blow to New Zealand. Swimmers reported that out the back the currents gave a washing-machine effect and by the time they went up and down and around a few times, they swam over 3km. Ultimately, the wind did blow the buoys some distance, and all competitors returned to the beach having faced the challenge of chasing down a moving buoy.

From all reports everyone enjoyed it, especially being back on the beach on dry land. The presentation of the medals and prizes was conducted by Mr Garry Clarke on behalf of the club, and Brett Hunter on behalf of **Raine & Horne Avoca Beach** – the major sponsor of the swim.

1st place in each age group were:

Male, 14-18yrs	Dennis Nathan	39.5mins
Male, Open	Adam Cartmell	46.27mins
Male, 31-40yrs	Scott Lackenby	49.49mins
Male, 41-50yrs	Andrew Howlett	49.12mins
Male, 51-60yrs	Don Bowland	41.52mins
Male, 61+yrs	Lionel Fargher	63.08mins
Female, 14-18yrs	Lauren Hall	41.43mins
Female, Open	Kim Findlay	57.30mins
Female, 31-40yrs	Merlene Dilger	55.52mins
Female, 41-50yrs	Anabelle Copeman	54.15mins
Female, 51-60yrs	Suellen Symons	85.21mins

At the conclusion of the presentation in the club house, our President, Mr Garry Clarke, thanked all the sponsors who had contributed to the successful running of this event for the 6th time. Mr Brett Hunter thanked all the club members who helped so enthusiastically on the day.

HUNTERS ROCKS TO ROCKS

Record Swimmers entered the cool waters for the 17th annual Hunters Rocks to Rocks 1.5km swim on Sunday 8th February, 2009 at 10.00am. All 187 swimmers (the highest ever) were pleased to see the swell drop, the oceans calm and the sun out on the Sunday morning. However, the temperature of the water had dropped over 5 degrees in the last week. 17.2°C on the day of the race had many competitors reaching for their wetsuits, rash vests and swimming caps. Raine & Horne handed out (attractive pink) silicone swimming caps to everyone to ensure all swimmers kept their heads warm. It was great to see all the pink caps bobbing in the ocean.

After the traditional photo, the competitors walked to North Avoca, reviewing their race plan, and debating the age-old question of 'swim wide of the beach' or 'swim close'. The Channel 7 Surf Rescue TV show were there to record all the banter on the start line and interviewed the competitors.

Mens winner again Wade Coster – 19mins 38secs
– Wade's 7th swim

Ladies winner Jessica Davis – 19mins 53secs – Jessica's 3rd swim

The average swimming time was 29mins 21secs.

599 swimmers have now completed this annual fun swim.

Michael Hunter,
Rocks to Rocks and Ocean Swim Sponsor

Rocks to Rocks 2009

Swimmers getting the final instructions
for the Ocean Swim

Dan Ryan completed the Ocean Swim

Each competitor was awarded by **Raine & Horne** a personalised certificate (detailing all their times in the past 17 swims), a photo of the start, and a competitor rash vest for their training in the coming months. The largest crowd ever filled the upstairs for the ceremony, with life members doing the presentations. Large framed photos were again presented to the eleven swimmers who swam for their tenth time:-

Erin Braund, Paul Johnston, Tony Curran, Simon Andrew, Jeff Smith, Jeff Doyle, Jeff Barnes, Craig Hunter, Garth Hunter, Brian Dillon and Wayne Ludlam.

Those who have now completed 10 or more swims are:-

Greg Byrne	17	Daniel Ryan	11
Craig Anderson	15	Rick Parsons	11
Mick Foley	15	Simon Andrew	10
Michael Hunter	15	Jeff Barnes	10
David O'Grady	14	Erin Braund	10
Mick Kendal	14	Peter Burnicle	10
Bill Franklin	14	Greg Cook	10
John Roderick	14	Tony Curran	10
Helen Jackman	13	Brian Dillon	10
Jim McAtamney	13	Jeff Doyle	10
Steven Jung	12	Craig Hunter	10
David Lowe	12	Garth Hunter	10
Maurie Lynam	12	Paul Johnston	10
Les Sinfield	12	Nan Jones	10
Rob Burns	11	Wayne Ludlam	10
Julie Fitzsimmons	11	Stuart Paterson	10
Kristy McQueen	11	Jeff Smith	10

This annual event, which is now the largest competition event for the local two surf clubs, Avoca Beach SLSC and North Avoca SLSC, was again organised by Michael Hunter and his family. The contribution of those who volunteered assisting with the water safety was appreciated by everyone.

SM Advanced Emergency Care: Dan Ryan, Peter Saint,
Neil Lenehan, Keiran Moore with Wendy Norman

Senior First Aid, Jess Davis, Rob Davis, Neil Lenehan,
Kelly Yule with Peter Saint and Wendy Norman

Bob Dorrell with some of our Assessors,
Garry Clarke and Craig Anderson

The Westpac Helicopter airlifting a spinal injury patient

FIRST AID REPORT

Once again a big thank you to all of the patrolling Members of our Club for your ongoing support every weekend and public holiday in providing our community and visitors with a safe haven when they visit our beautiful beach. We have had a very busy season with general patrol duties including numerous rescues as well as many minor and major first aid cases that were all well managed by our Members. Thanks also to our fearless Patrol Captains who keep our patrols organised and on the beach for their duties (not to mention their first aid bags well stocked for ready use at any time!). None of our patrols would function without the co-ordination from our Lifesaving team including Wendy Norman – Director of Lifesaving, her assistant and vice captain Peter Saint, Brett Beswick IRB Captain and Craig Anderson Chief Instructor – thanks for your support this season.

We owe our sponsors enormous appreciation for their kind donations to our first aid and life saving supplies. **Coastal Family Medicine (Avoca Beach** and **Terrigal Medical Centres)** have again donated all first aid equipment and supplies for our patrols this season and **Megasave Chemist Erina** and **Ella Bache - Erina** have stocked our Club with the necessary suncream to keep our own Members protected from those vicious UV rays. Our wonderful **Ladies Auxiliary** must also be thanked for their ongoing sponsorship of bumbags for our bronze recipients.

This season our beach and the great work our patrols provide were again showcased on the popular television series Surf Patrol, still to be aired in the off-season. As the TV cameras rolled our Members strutted their stuff with enthusiasm and pride and the beach and surf (as well as a few fishermen and surfers) provided plenty of action to show how challenging our role as a surf lifesaver can be – well done to all of those on and off the cameras for your great performances!

Signing off after my 10th year as First Aid Officer…

Karen Douglas – First Aid Officer

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PRESENTATIONS 2008–2009

Patrol Excellence

100% patrol attendance with no substitutions

Graham Ball	Nigel Ball	Chris Blakeway
Greg Byrne	Paul Christensen	Matthew Clarke
Alex Cook	Jackie Duckett	Ian Gillespie
Gary Hore	John Laing	Craig McCloghry
Tom Morrow	Brian Munton	Felicity O'Connor
Andrew Parker	Matt Penn	Pauline Priest
Max Sainsbury	Peter Saint	George Spencer

100% Patrol

Completion of 100% of rostered hours through rostered, substitute or voluntary hours and organised substitutions when they were unable to attend their rostered patrol.

Craig Anderson	Tony Bennett	John Bishop
Michelle Butler	Rod Butler	Janet Cobb
Mark Felton	Steve Jung	Wayne Ludlam
Maria Murray	Wendy Norman	David O'Grady
Warwick Pearce	Jeff Smith	Gordon Stalley
Nick Stylinou		

Central Coast Mazda Club Championships 2008–2009

MASTERS Results

30-39 Female
1st Kristy McQueen

40-49 Female
1st Sharon Brierty

50+ Female
1st Julie Fitzsimmons

30-39 Male
1st Brett Hunter

40-49 Male
1st Dan Ryan
3rd David O'Grady
2nd Greg Cook

50-59 Male
1st Graham Ball
3rd Peter Saint & Steve Jung
2nd Greg Byrne

60+ Male
1st George Spencer

OPEN Results

U15 Female
1st Cody-Leigh Callaghan
3rd Maxine Short
2nd Charleigh Shearim

U17 Female
1st Jessica Barnes
2nd Stevie McCarthy

Open Female
1st Mel Macpherson
2nd Jessa Brierty

U15 Boys
1st Josh Barnes
3rd Tim Byrne
2nd Matt O'Grady

U17 Male
1st Brad Mitchell

U19 Male
1st Pete Mitchell

Handicaps

Well Handicaps Races were held a few times this year with the same faces popping up each week. Dog was in good form, as was Vince Malone and Scotty Mullally was racing well early. A highlight was a victory by Rabsy in the Long Swim- with his unique wading technique on display.

Once again a few skis landed on the rocks. Jungy beat Scum Dog in the ski race. Spike came in bloodied after hugging the rocks a bit too much. Jack Mitchell and Rob Armstrong showed their versatility. Nugget did one race. Ozzie Bob was always too hungover. Berry nearly drowned in the rip. Kristy McQueen was always near the front and we all love Michael Hunter - who was a regular placegetter in the swim race.

For a big Club like Avoca it is essential that we have a weekly swimming race. Being a shift worker and competitor I'm not the ideal choice to run these events. I'm sure there is someone out there who will do an excellent job. Thanks to Nan and Spike for helping out each week.

Here's hoping for a better turn out next year.

Yours in racing – Ray Smith

Patrol Excellence Awardees

100% Patrol Achievers

Club Championship Placegetters

Masters Club Championship winners

Board of Directors 2008-2009

Garry Clarke	President
John Mitchell	Vice President, House
Rod Butler	Vice President, Special Events
Murray Tancred	Director of Administration
Steve Jelfs	Director of Finance
Wendy Norman	Director of Lifesaving
Matt Mitchell	Director of Competition
Deb See	Director of Youth Development

MEETINGS ATTENDED

12 Held	Attended	Apology	Total
Garry Clarke	12	0	12
John Mitchell	11	1	12
Rod Butler	11	1	12
Murray Tancred	10	2	12
Steve Jelfs	11	1	12
Wendy Norman	10	2	12
Matt Mitchell	9	3	12
Deb See	9	3	12

Committee

Life Saving

Peter Saint	VP Lifesaving
Chris Blakeway	VP Lifesaving
Craig Anderson	Chief Instructor
Brett Beswick	IRB Captain
Karen Douglas	First Aid Captain

Surf Sports

Matt Mitchell	Ski Captain
Darren Clarke	Water Captain
Daniel McClelland	Board Captain
David O'Grady	Junior Coach
Damien Benson	Coach
Howard Jones	Coach
Gordon Jones	Carnival Entries & Handicaps
Warwick Pearce	Boat Captain
Jeff Smith	Masters Captain
Rob Cairncross	Beach Captain
Adam Robinson	Boardriding Captain

House Committee

Joe Murray	Function Manager
Howard Jones	Bar Manager
Bill Mitchell	Building Committee

Gym

Andy Hoban	Gym Coordinator
Bryan Low	Gym Committee
George Spencer	Gym Committee
Paul Christenson	Radio Officer
Brendan Cullen	Grievances Officer

Special Events

Murray Tancred	Season Launch & Ocean Swim
Sonya Walters	Melbourne Cup
Glen O'Brien	Golf Day
Keith Ferrier	Golf Day
Fred Spindler	Door Knock
Rod Butler	Ocean Swim
Garry Clarke	Ocean Swim
Michael Hunter	Ocean Swim
Brett Hunter	Ocean Swim
Ted Poole	80th Celebration
John Mitchell	80th Celebration
Kimberley Santangelo	80th Celebration

Patrol Person of the Year, Joint Winners,
Craig Anderson, Brett Beswick

Junior Patrol Person of the Year, Vanessa Yeo

Charleigh Shearim

Andrew Higgins

PRESENTATIONS 2008–2009 cont.

Perpetual Trophy Winners 2008–2009

Junior Patrolman of the Year
Vanessa Yeo
Patrolman of the Year
Brett Beswick and Craig Anderson
Cadet Clubperson of the Year
Matthew O'Grady
Junior Clubperson
Natalie Gathercole
Clubperson of the Year
Joe Murray
Female Competitor of the Year
Cody-Leigh Callaghan
Male Competitor of the Year
Aaron Benson
Masters Competitor of the Year
Gordon Jones
Male Encouragement Award
Robert Annabel
Female Encouragement Award
Tami Hunt
Competitors Competitor
Aaron Benson
Boatie of the Year
Jim Mitchell
Female Boatie of the Year
The Zuluz
Recruit of the Year
Pauline Priest
Patrol of the Year
Gary Hore's Patrol
Rescue of the Year
Sharon Brierty, Julia Mitchell and Warwick Pearce

SLS CC Awards of Excellence 13 June 2009

U19 Competitor of the Year
Aaron Benson
Coach of the Year
David O'Grady
President's Award
Brett Beswick
Avoca Beach SLSC
Runner Up Club of the Year

Lifesaving Awardees

Bronze Medallion

John Bishop	Tim Byrne	Paul Christensen
Dylan Coleman	Jade Condon	Alex Cook
Sam Cook	Peta De Wit	Matthew Digman
Callum Dittes	Jonothan Donnelly	Kahlee Doyle
Jackie Duckett	Nat Gathercole	James Gosper
Emily Heathcote	Ellie Hipwell	Dylan King
Michael Koole	Kimberley Langlands	Nicholas Manks
Stevie McCarthy	Chris McCloghry	Claudia Meere
Mitch Mitchell	Amanda Morrison	Cody Morrow
Kyall Morrow	Dillon Mould	Breana Murray
Tayla Nicoll	Elizabeth O'Connor	Felicity O'Connor
Jack Paton	Warwick Pearce	Michael Pepper
Jordan Poll	Pauline Priest	Charleigh Shearim
Larissa Shelton	James Simpson	Sam Sloane
Scott Smith	Rachel Thurlow	Greg Tobin
Katrina Yeo	Vanessa Yeo	Chase-Lilly Whitfield

ARC
Dylan Coleman, Jonothan Donnelly, Wayne Donnelly, Nat Gathercole, Robert Hurrell, James Reeves.

Defibrillation
Nigel Ball, Michael Isbester, Bryan Low, Joe Murray.

IRB Crew Certificate
Matthew Anderson, Nigel Ball, Jackie Duckett, Nat Gathercole, Adam Houghton, Joel Houghton, Kimberley Langlands, Pete Mitchell, Amanda Morrison, Andrew Parker, Larissa Shelton, Dylan Colman, Matt Digman, Jonothan Donnelly, Mitch Mitchell, Joe Murray, Cassie Patterson, Scott Smith.

Rescue Water Craft Certificate
Neil Lenehan, Kieran Moore, Peter Saint.

Senior First Aid
Katie Atkinson, Jessica Davis, Rob Davis, Lee Dean, Matthew Digman, Cheryl Hatch, Michael Isbester, Neil Lenehan, Kelly Yule.

SM Advanced Emergency Care
Samantha Jung, Neil Lenehan, Kieran Moore, Dan Ryan, Jessica Ryan, Peter Saint.

SM Basic Beach Management
Neil Lenehan, Robert Moate, Kieran Moore, Jeff Smith.

SM IRB Driver
Matt Anderson, Jackie Duckett, Adam Houghton, Joel Houghton, Pete Mitchell, Brett Hunter, George Ruzek.

Spinal Management
Nigel Ball, Neil Lenehan, Bryan Low.

Surf Coach Level 1
Wayne Donnelly, Dennis Gee, Andy Hoban, Jim Mitchell, John Mitchell, Paul Nicholls, George Ruzek, Herbert Stringer, Mike Tamblyn.

Surf Official Level 1
Jeff Barnes, Carolyn Booth, Maree Bootle, Bronwyn Cracknell, Robert Dorrell, Jeff Doyle, Jennifer Dykes, Chris Gathercole, Leonie Grejsen, Daniel Griffin, Janet Griffin, Steve Jung, Barbara Livingston, Bryan Low, Kelli O'Connell, Pauline Priest, Debbie Rendall, Jeannette Richards, Lauren Richardson, Lisa Short, Mike Tamblyn, Jacqui Thurlow, Michael Warn.

Surf Rescue Certificate
Mackenzie Allanson, Amy Annabel, Michael Bain, Jessica Beagin, Jacob Bishop, William Byrne, Cody-Leigh Callaghan, Keely Carmichael, George Carr, Joel Delaney, Olivia Doyle, Jay Felton, Jared Fitzsimmons, Ashley Frost, Dane Grejsen, Jared Fitzsimmons, Ashley Frost, Joshua Kim, Jessica King, Meagan Malone, Kaitlyn Matuschka, Bobbi McCarthy, Sophie Meere, Nina Mocke, Bianca Mould, Gareth Munton, Jake O'Brien, Angela Redden, Jessica Redmond, Peirs Schultz, Madeline Smith, Patrick Wheatley, Matthew Williamson, Georgina Woods, Luke Yates.

Instructors
Craig Anderson, Lee Dean, Andy Hoban, Mick Kendal, Don Cook.

Assessors
Craig Anderson, Garry Clarke, Lee Dean, Jeff Barnes.

Officials
Kevin Bootle, Marie Bootle, Mike Tamblyn, Brian Low, Jeff Doyle, Bob Dorrell, Jenny Dykes, Kelli O'Connell, Slim Peebles, Garry Clarke, Rob Davis, Lee Dean, Steve Jung, Craig McCloghry, Chris Gathercole, Marie Ward.

Duck Drivers, Jet Ski Drivers
Rob Davis, Brett Beswick.

Patrol Captains
Craig Anderson, Chris Blakeway, Murray Braund, Lee Dean, Gary Hore, Craig Kelly, Tom Morrow, Brian Munton, Wendy Norman, David O'Grady, Matt Penn, George Ruzek, Jeff Smith, Lachlan Tame, Trevor Tame.

Patrol of the Year,
Gary Hore's Patrol with Bryce Norman

Rescue of the Year, Julia Mitchell, Warwick Pearce,
Sharon Brierty with Wendy Norman

Olivia Doyle

Max Sainsbury and Tom Morrow

Josh Barnes

Dave O'Grady, Patrol Captain,
Junior Coach and SLSCC Coach of the Year

Advanced Resuscitation Awardees

Bronze Training

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SLS CC OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Avoca Beach and Terrigal
15 February 2009

Swim

U17	1st	Jess Davis
U15	2nd	Robert Annabel
U15	2nd	Amy Annabel
Open	3rd	Chris Parker

Surf Teams

U15 Female	1st	
U15 Female	2nd	
Open Male	2nd	

Surf Belt

Open Male	1st	Darren Clarke

Multi Discipline

U19 Taplin	1st	Aaron Benson, Liam Jackson, Pete Mitchell
U15 Female	2nd	Team Nicol
Life Saver Relay	2nd	
U15 Male	2nd	Team Barnes
Open Taplin	2nd	Team Jackson
Open Taplin	3rd	Team Clarke
U15 Female	3rd	Team Callaghan

Ironperson

U15 Female	3rd	Jade Condon
U17 Female	2nd	Jess Davis
U19 Ironman	3rd	Liam Jackson

Board Rescue

U15 Female	1st	Jade Condon, Tayla Nicoll
U19 Male	1st	Liam Jackson, Aaron Benson
Open Male	1st	Daniel McClelland, Darren Clarke
U15 Male	2nd	Dillon Mould, Robert Annabel
U15 Male	3rd	Toby Cracknell, Matthew Richards
U15 Female	3rd	Cody-Leigh Callaghan, Charleigh Shearim
U17 Female	3rd	Jess Davis, Nat Gathercole
Open Male	3rd	Chris Parker, Trevor Gee

Board

U15 Female	1st	Cody-Leigh Callaghan
U19 Male	1st	Aaron Benson
U15 Male	2nd	Josh Barnes
U17 Female	2nd	Jess Davis
U15 Male	3rd	Matthew O'Grady
U15 Female	3rd	Tayla Nicoll
U19 Female	3rd	Tami Hunt

Board Relay

U15 Male	1st	Matt O'Grady
U15 Female	1st	Cody-Leigh Callaghan
Open Male	1st	Daniel McClelland
Open Female	1st	Cody-Leigh Callaghan, Jade Condon, Jess Davis
U15 Male	2nd	Team Cracknell
U15 Female	3rd	Olivia Doyle
U19 Male	3rd	Aaron Benson
Open Male	3rd	Chris Parker

Ski

U17 Female	1st	Jess Davis
Open Male	1st	Ben Hamilton
U19 Male	2nd	Pete Mitchell
U19 Ski Relay	2nd	Alex McIntyre, Pete Mitchell, Liam Jackson
U19 Double Ski	2nd	Pete Mitchell, Alex McIntyre
Open Double Ski	2nd	Ben Hamilton, Trevor Gee

Sprint

U19 Female	1st	Annie Stalley
Open Female	1st	Annie Stalley
U15 Female	3rd	Bianca Mould
U19 Female	3rd	Jess Ryan

Sprint Relay

U19 Female	1st	Annie Stalley, Jess Ryan, Sammy Jung, Ellie Malone
Open Female	1st	Annie Stalley, Jess Ryan

Tami Hunt

Keiran Smith

Matt Richards

Jade Condon, State and Australian U15 Medallist

Flags

U15 Female	1st	Bianca Mould
U19 Female	1st	Annie Stalley
U15 Male	3rd	Jake O'Brien
Open Female	3rd	Annie Stalley

2km Beach Run

U15 Female	1st	Maddison Penn
U15 Male	3rd	Toby Cracknell
U17 Male	3rd	Keiran Smith
Open Male	3rd	Jeff Smith

Tube

Open Tube Rescue	1st	Avoca
U15 Female	2nd	Jade Condon
U17 Female	2nd	Jess Davis
U15 Female	3rd	Cody-Leigh Callaghan

Boats

U19 Male	1st	Helmets
Open Female	3rd	Avoca
Open Male	3rd	Avoca

Surf Board Riding

U15 Male	1st	Toby Cracknell

2009 SLS NSW OPENS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Swansea Belmont 27–29 February 2009

U19 Taplin	1st	Aaron Benson, Liam Jackson, Pete Mitchell
U15 Female Board	1st	Tayla Nicoll
U15 Female Board Relay	1st	Cody-Leigh Callaghan, Tayla Nicoll, Jade Condon
Open Ski	3rd	Ben Hamilton
Open Ski Relay	3rd	Ben Hamilton, Tim Paterson, Lachlan Tame
Open Board Relay	3rd	Daniel McClelland, Aaron Benson, Liam Jackson
U15 2km Run	3rd	Toby Cracknell
U15 Boardriding	3rd	Michael Bain
U19 Ski Relay	3rd	Liam Jackson, Alex McIntyre, Pete Mitchell

Waiting for a race at the State Champs…
…tiring times

Lachlan Tame, State Medallist and Patrol Captain

2009 AUSTRALIAN OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Scarborough Beach WA
19–22 March 2009

U19 Board	1st	Aaron Benson
U15 Ironperson	1st	Cody Leigh Callaghan
U15 Board	1st	Cody Leigh Callaghan
U19 Boats	1st	Helmets: Paul Nicholls (Sweep), Adam Houghton, Joel Houghton, Jaxson Prince, Matt Anderson
U17 Swim	2nd	Jess Davis
U15 Board	2nd	Matt O'Grady
U15 Board Relay	2nd	Cody Leigh Callaghan, Tayla Nicoll, Jade Condon
U15 Board Rescue	2nd	Tayla Nicoll, Jade Condon

SLS CC MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Avoca Beach 14 February 2009

Sprints

30-34 Male	1st	James Reeves
30-34 Female	3rd	Denise DePaoli
35-39 Male	1st	Brett Hunter
40-44 Female	1st	Kimberley Santangelo
40-44 Female	3rd	Liza Whitfield
45-49 Male	1st	Greg Cook
45-49 Male	3rd	Jeff Smith
50-54 Male	2nd	Peter Saint
55-59 Male	1st	Doug Jorgenson
55-59 Male	3rd	Nigel Ball
65+ Male	3rd	George Spencer

Sprint Relay

170 Male	1st	Avoca
200 Male	1st	Avoca

Flags

30-34 Male	1st	James Reeves
30-34 Female	3rd	Denise DePaoli

Junior Competitors around the Pool at Raffertys after a day at State

Belt Competitors at State

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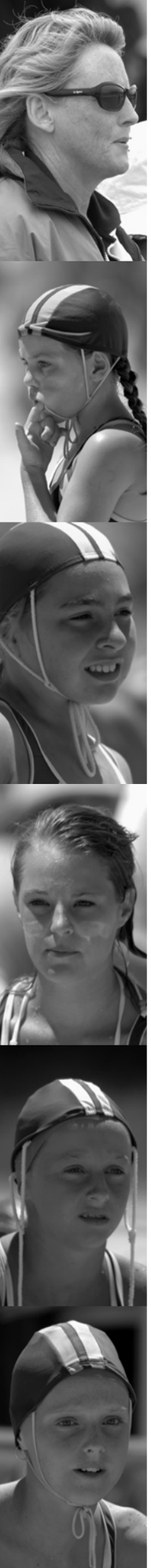

SLS CC MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIPS cont.

Avoca Beach 14 February 2009

Flags

35-39 Male	1st	Brett Hunter
40-44 Male	3rd	Paul Hutchinson
40-44 Female	1st	Kimberley Santangelo
45-49 Male	1st	Greg Cook
45-49 Male	3rd	Jeff Smith
50-54 Male	1st	Doug Jorgenson
65+ Male	1st	George Spencer

Swim

55-59 Male	2nd	Graham Ball
30-34 Female	1st	Emma Benson
40-44 Female	1st	Sharon Brierty
45-49 Female	1st	Karen Douglas
55+ Female	2nd	Pauline Priest

Swim Team

110 Male	1st	Team Jones
150 Male	3rd	Team Avoca
110 Female	1st	Sharon Brierty, Emma Benson, Karen Douglas

Board

30-34 Male	1st	Trevor Gee
30-34 Male	2nd	Gordon Jones
35-39 Male	3rd	Robbie Armstrong
40-44 Female	1st	Sharon Brierty
45-49 Male	1st	David O'Grady
55-59 Male	2nd	Trevor Tame
60-64 Male	1st	Quentin Riley

Board Relay

110 Male	2nd	Stuart Harvey
150 Male	1st	Avoca A
150 Male	3rd	Avoca B

Ski

30-34 Male	1st	Robbie Armstrong
30-34 Male	2nd	Gordon Jones
35-39 Male	3rd	Brett Hunter
55-59 Male	1st	Steve Jung
55-59 Male	2nd	Trevor Tame

Ski Relay

110 Male	2nd	Team Harvey
150 Male	1st	Avoca B

Double Ski

30-34	1st	Team Gee
30-34	2nd	Avoca
35-39	2nd	Team Armstrong
35-39	3rd	Stuart Harvey
40-44	2nd	Dan Ryan, Paul Hutchinson
50-54	2nd	Peter Saint, Jim McAtamney
55-59	1st	John Mitchell, Steve Jung

Ironman

30-34	1st	Robbie Armstrong
50-54	3rd	Jim McAtamney

Taplin

110	2nd	Gordon Jones
130	2nd	Jeff Smith

Rescue Tube

30-34	1st	Gordon Jones
35-39	2nd	Stuart Harvey
40-44	2nd	Stuart Paterson
40-44 Female	1st	Sharon Brierty
45-49 Female	1st	Karen Douglas
50-54	2nd	Greg Byrne
55+	1st	Pauline Priest
65+	2nd	Michael Hunter

Board Rescue

30-34 Male	1st	Gordon Jones
30+ Female	1st	Emma Benson
35-39 Male	1st	Stuart Harvey
35-39 Male	3rd	Mitchell
45-49 Male	1st	Jeff Smith
50-54 Male	3rd	Jim McAtamney
55-59 Male	2nd	Graham Ball, Nigel Ball

Boats

240 Male	1st	Tweakers
140 Women	1st	Blueberries
160 Women	1st	Zuluz

Tim Byrne at State

Winners are Grinners,
John Mitchell, Steve Jung at Branch

Cooling off

All Age Relay Champions, NSW Age Championships
Luke Wiseman, Nick Frost, Macy Callaghan, Jake O'Brien, Bianca Mould, Jordan Giffen, Emma Frost

NSW MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Swansea Belmont 2009 26 February 2009

240 Boats	1st	Tweakers: Jim Mitchell (Sweep), Mike Tamblyn, Bryan Low, Kevin Bootle, Andy Hoban
160 Female Boats	1st	Zuluz: John Mitchell (Sweep), Karen Douglas, Alison Tomlin, Denise De Paoli, Kimberley Santangelo
40+ Short Board	1st	Adam Robinson
30-39 Board Riding	1st	Adam Robinson
120 Female Boats	2nd	Blueberries: Jim Mitchell (Sweep), Hallie Bradbury, Bec Knowles, Genevieve Darnley, Karen Stephens
110 Female Surf Team	2nd	Karen Douglas, Sharon Brierty, Emma Benson
30-34 Ski	2nd	Ben Hamilton
30-34 Ski	3rd	Gordon Jones
30-34 Board Rescue	3rd	Gordon Jones, Trevor Gee
40-45 Board	3rd	Sharon Brierty
55-59 Female Tube	3rd	Pauline Priest
55-59 Male Sprint	3rd	Doug Jorgenson
60-64 Board	3rd	Quentin Riley

2009 AUSTRALIAN MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Scarborough Beach WA 17, 18 March 2009

30-34 Ski	1st	Ben Hamilton
30-34 Tube	1st	Gordon Jones
55-59 Tube	2nd	Pauline Priest
240 yrs	2nd	Tweakers: Jim Mitchell (sweep), Mike Tamblyn, Bryan Low, Andy Hoban, Kevin Bootle
Masters Female	3rd	Zuluz: John Mitchell (sweep), Karen Douglas, Alison Tomlin, Kimberley Santangelo, Denise De Paoli

Tayla Nicoll
U15 State & Inter-State Board Champion

Aussie asleep on the job!

REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS

Central Coast Inter-Branch Team

Saxon Penn, Luke Pearce, Brad McCloghry
Bianca Mould, Tayla Nicoll, Cody-Leigh Callaghan
Jess Davis, Annie Stalley, Gareth Munton
Jake O'Brien (Jnr Captain)

Inter-State Team

Aaron Benson, Tayla Nicoll, Cody-Leigh Callaghan

Endurance Championships

50 years+ Swim	1st	Don Boland
40-49 Board	2nd	David O'Grady
U15 Board	2nd	Tayla Nicoll
50 years+ Swim	2nd	Jim McAtamney
U15 Ironwoman	3rd	Jade Condon
U15 Female Board	3rd	Cody-Leigh Callaghan
U15 Female Swim	3rd	Cody-Leigh Callaghan
U15 Ironman	5th	Robert Annabel

Board & Ski Series

U15 Board	1st	Cody-Leigh Callaghan
Open Ski	1st	Ben Hamilton
U15 Board	3rd	Tayla Nicoll
Open Board	3rd	Aaron Benson

Signing on for patrol!

Early Morning Training
for Juniors, Opens and Masters

Robert Annabel

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MEMBER PATROL HOURS FOR 2008/2009 PATROL SEASON

Anderson, Craig	98	Delaney, Joel	4	MacPherson, Melinda	24.25	Redden, Jessica	33.25
Anderson, Matthew	28.25	Dignam, Matthew	59.5	Malone, Ellie	34.25	Redmond, Jessica	18.25
Andrew, Brett	28	Dittes, Callum	8	Malone, Joshua	4	Reekie, Nicholas	26.75
Andrew, Simon	33.25	Donnelly, Jonothan	17.75	Malone, Maddison	11	Reeves, James	17.75
Annabel, Amy	30.75	Donnelly, Wayne	43.75	Malone, Meagan	32	Rendall, Stephanie	9
Annabel, Robert	36.25	Douglas, Karen	34.5	Malone, Vincent	37	Richards, Matthew	36.25
Archer, Mark	6	Doyle, Jeff	43.5	Matuschka, Amanda	23.75	Richards, Nicole	20.75
Atkinson, Katie	28.75	Doyle, Kahlee	12.75	Matuschka, Kaitlyn	29.5	Riley, Quentin	4
Babbage, David	43.5	Doyle, Olivia	31.25	McAtamney, Daniel	34.75	Robinson, Teague	5.5
Bacigalupo, Julian	17.5	Ducket, Jackie	36.25	McAtamney, Jim	3	Ross, Shane	24
Bain, Michael	27	Duerdin, Andrew	47.5	McCabe, Aimee	2	Rossiter, Michael	22.5
Ball, Graham	45.25	Felton, Jay	27.75	McCarthy, Bobbi	13	Rossiter, Tristan	7
Ball, Nigel	43.75	Felton, Mark	47.5	McCarthy, Stevie	15.75	Ruzek, George	31.75
Barnes, Jeff	43.25	Fitzsimmons, Bruce	20.25	McClelland, Daniel	19	Ryan, Dan	32.5
Barnes, Jessica	32.75	Fitzsimmons, Jared	17	McCloghry, Bradley	35	Ryan, Jessica	23.5
Barnes, Joshua	75.5	Fitzsimmons, Julie	28.75	McCloghry, Christopher	28.75	Sainsbury, Max	40.5
Beagin, Jessica	29.25	Fitzsimmons, Riley	29.5	McCloghry, Craig	52.25	Saint, Peter	83
Bennett, Anthony	43.5	Fortey, Carol	28	McCloghry, Steven	31.25	Santangelo, Kimberley	31.75
Benson, Aaron	25.75	Franklin, William	4	McNamara, Kate	4	Schultz, Piers	17
Benson, Damien	4.25	Frendo, John	12.5	McQueen, Kristy	31	Scott, Bradley	19
Benson, Emma	31.5	Frost, Ashley	23.25	Meere, Sophie	11.5	Scurrah, Kathryn	4.25
Benson, Taylah	19	Gathercole, Natalie	31	Merrick, Peter	32.75	Settree, Graham	33.5
Beswick, Brett	58	Gee-Maclean, Annette	22	Mitchell, Belinda	8.5	Shade, Daniel	19.5
Birch, Andrew	40.75	Gillespie, Ian	53.5	Mitchell, Bill	31	Shearim, Charleigh	33.5
Bishop, Jacob	18.75	Gittoes, Robert	4	Mitchell, Brad	38.5	Shelton, Larissa	27.5
Bishop, John	32.5	Gosper, James	4	Mitchell, Demi	31.5	Short, Maxine	39.5
Blakeway, Christopher	49	Grejsen, Dane	30.25	Mitchell, Jack	1	Short, Mitchell	10.25
Bourke, Ava	38.25	Harper, Stephanie	19.5	Mitchell, John	4	Short, Peter	7
Bradbury, Hallie	13.25	Harvey, Karli	34.75	Mitchell, Julia	9.75	Skahill, Mick	7.25
Braund, Erin	34.5	Hatch, Cheryl	11.75	Mitchell, Mitchell	4.25	Sloan, Sam	3.25
Braund, Mitchell	33.25	Hayes, Bailey	8	Mitchell, Peter	44.5	Smith, Jeffrey	44
Braund, Murray	38.25	Hayes, Chris	25.75	Mocke, Miri	1.5	Smith, Keiran	41
Brierty, Sharon	31.75	Higgins, Andrew	19.5	Mocke, Nina	18.25	Smith, Madeleine	11
Burrell, Anthony	6.5	Hipwell, Ellie	7.5	Moore, Kieren	28.25	Smith, Scott	4.5
Butler, Michelle	33.25	Hoban, Andrew	7.25	Morgan, Brookelan	12.5	Spencer, George	46.75
Butler, Rodney	48.25	Hogan, Belinda	13	Morrison, Amanda	29.25	Spindler, Ben	12
Byrne, Darren	10	Holland, Georgia	19.5	Morrison, Geoffrey	16	Spindler, Fred	4.5
Byrne, Greg	45.5	Hore, Gary	49.5	Morrow, Cody	8	Stalley, Annabelle	29.5
Byrne, Tim	32.75	Houghton, Adam	22	Morrow, Kyall	4.25	Stalley, Gordon	39.25
Callaghan, Cody-Leigh	36	Houghton, Joel	24.5	Morrow, Tom	39	Stephens, Karen	7.75
Campbell, Maddy	6.75	Hunt, Tami	20.5	Mould, Bianca	23	Stylianou, Nick	51.75
Carmichael, Keely	12	Hunter, Bill	33.75	Mould, Dillon	12	Sullivan, Timothy	25
Carmichael, Luke	26	Hunter, Brett	32	Mulally, Scott	3.25	Sykes, Louise	4
Carr, George	5.25	Hunter, Garth	11.25	Munton, Brian	55.25	Tame, Lachlan	38
Carrier, Jack	2	Hunter, Hariette	23.5	Munton, Gareth	38	Tame, Trevor	43.25
Carrier, Maddie	3	Hunter, Michael	4.25	Munton, John-James	28.25	Tancred, Bronwyn	16.5
Cashin, Aiden	11.25	Hurrell, Robert	11.25	Munton, Karen	42	Tancred, Murray	35.75
Cassidy, Juliette	21.75	Hutchinson, Paul	33.5	Murray, Breana	0	Tarrant, Simon	34.75
Chamberlain, Ricky	9.75	Iles, Murray	71	Murray, Joseph	47	Tasker, Chris	7.25
Champion, Scott	40.5	Incoll, Mitchell	1	Murray, Maria	24.25	Thurlow, Bruce	20.25
Charlton, Ian	25.75	Isbester, Michael	9	Nicholls, Paul	7.25	Thurlow, Kate	39.75
Christensen, Paul	29.25	Jackson, Adrian	6	Nicoll, Tayla	23.75	Thurlow, Racheal	19
Clark, Matthew	43.5	Jackson, Greg	18	Norman, Wendy	60.5	Tindale, Lauren	7.25
Clarke, Darren	30.25	Jackson, Sue	18	O`Brien, Daniel	2.25	Tobin, Greg	29.5
Clarke, Garry	53.25	Jackson, Liam	7.75	O`Brien, Jake	39	Tomlin, Alex	9
Cobb, Janet	23.25	Johnson, Emma	11.75	O`Connor, Elizabeth	12.5	Tomlin, Alison	17.75
Colman, Dylan	42.75	Johnson, MacCallum	16.25	O`Connor, Felicity	39.25	Tomlin, Briony	41
Concar, Paul	20	Johnston, Ross	26.75	O`Grady, David	47.25	Van De Graaff, Bronwyn	10.5
Condon, Jade	28.75	Jorgenson, Doug	31.25	O`Grady, Matthew	31.5	Wallace, Peter	16
Cook, Alex	1.5	Jung, Anita	36.75	Parker, Andrew	47.75	Walter, Matthew	39.75
Cook, Don	36.25	Jung, Daniel	26	Parker, Chris	31.75	Warren, Mark	3
Cook, Greg	40	Jung, Samantha	28.75	Paterson, Anne	20.75	Wheatley, Patrick	8
Cook, Vicki	25	Jung, Steven	56.75	Paterson, Stuart	2	Whitfield, Chase Lily	4.5
Cooke, Alex	38	Kelly, Craig	42	Paterson, Timothy	34.5	Whitfield, Liza	22.5
Cracknell, Toby	46.25	Kendal, Michael	7.25	Paton, Jack	28.5	Whitfield, Rob	10.5
Cullen, Brendon	20.75	Kim, Joshua	32.75	Patterson, Cassandra	27.25	Wilson, Tony	37.25
Cunningham, Lindsay	28.5	King, Jessica	19.75	Pearce, Warwick	35	Winter, Penelope	21
Dare, Richard	58.5	Kirkpatrick, Jane	26.25	Penn, Maddison	22.25	Wiseman, Ian	50.25
Darnley, Genevieve	22.5	Knowles, Rebecca	1	Penn, Matt	59.75	Woods, Georgina	13.75
Davies, Rob	4	Kondrat, Sophie	10.25	Penn, Michelle	12	Woods, Sophie	3
Davis, Jess	16	Laing, John	44.25	Pepper, Michael	29	Woods, Tim	20.25
Davis, Jessica	22.25	Langlands, Kimberley	29.75	Poll, Jordan	4	Wright, Pauline	18.25
Davis, Robert	50.25	Leason, Stewart	18.75	Priest, Pauline	45.25	Yates, Luke	23.75
Davis, Troy	33	Lenehan, Neil	27.75	Priestley, Stan	30	Yeo, Jason	25
De Paoli, Denise	38	Lohan, Jennifer	18.25	Prince, Jaxson	25	Yeo, Katrina	35.25
De Wit, Bradley S.	5	Ludlam, Rhiannon	37.5	Purcell, Nathan	10	Yeo, Vanessa	39.5
De Wit, Peta	24.5	Ludlam, Wayne	38	Ratcliffe, Maddison	16	Yule, Kelly	17.25
Dean, Lee	48	Macpherson, James	4.25	Redden, Angela	20.5		

JUNIOR ACTIVITIES 2008–2009

What a great group of kids, what a season, what a privilege to have been involved in Avoca Beach Nippers season 2008/2009.

Avoca Beach Junior Surf Life Saving Club is building a proud history, but this sense of pride and the ever growing list of achievements is a result of dedication, commitment, passion, loyalty and hard work.

In this past season Avoca Nippers definitely reaped some reward for the hard work that has been forthcoming since Nippers formed many moons ago. Most notably were our wins at all local carnivals, our first placing at Branch and a fourth placing at State. These results along with every personal achievement gained by all Nippers each and every Sunday morning go towards making us a Club that is the envy of most.

An organisation such as ours has many moving parts and it is important to thank and acknowledge the people who pull it all together. From the elected Junior Executive Committee, to the volunteer Sub-Committees, Age Managers, Coaches, Trainers, Co-ordinators, Officials, Parents and all our Nippers, everyone is to be commended on their hard work and tireless efforts in establishing Avoca Beach Nippers as not only one of the Premier clubs on the Central Coast but also across the State.

With the continued growth of the Junior Club a number of under pinning structures were implemented in 2008/9.

Season 2008/9 also saw the introduction of a new messaging system from Vanilla Sports. The Vanilla Sports premise was to facilitate quick and clear communication within our club. It certainly lived up to this premise and our thanks go to all the Vanilla Sports team for the introduction of this very user friendly tool.

The Nipper financials were consolidated with the senior accounts, as per Charitable Act, a big thank-you to Anita Jung for assisting with the smooth running of proceedings throughout this consolidating process – and providing many financial reports throughout the season.

Thanks should also go to our sponsors – **The Avoca Beach Bowling and Recreation Club, The Kiosk, Three Points Surf** and **The Avoca Beach Hotel**. Our sponsors provide a vital support to our Club and we look forward to a continued mutually beneficial association in the future.

Success can be measured in many ways – from achieving a gold medal or reaching the finals, improving your level of knowledge or skill or, still enjoying your involvement at Club level as you move through the junior ranks and on to seniors. I can happily say that Avoca Nippers have tasted success in all these ways and continues to be a nursery of opportunity for our children.

One can rightly look forward to our progress in 2009/10.

Key Felton and Isabella Hill
Encouragement Awards

Junior President Honor Roll 2008/09

Executive Committee – Deb See, Jeff Barnes, Carolyn Booth, Janet Griffin, Robyn McCloghry and Jeanette Richards

Age Managers – Stan Priestly, Murray Tancred, David Hill, Craig Bisset, Sonya Walters, Jess Redden, Mark Felton, Mandy Matuschka, Steve Frost, Larry Redmond, Greg Tobin, Carolyn Booth, Jessica Barnes, Brian Rendall, John Hamling, Murray Richards, Wayne Ludlam, Craig Matuschka, Robyn McCloghry, Julie Fitzsimmons, Sharon Beagin, Karen Frost, Karen Munton and Shauna O'Brien

Uniform Co-ordinators – Deb Rendall and Sonya Walters

Gear Steward – John Bishop and his band of merry men – Wayne Ludlam and Daniel Griffin

Board Coaches – David O'Grady, Darren Byrne, Wayne Ludlam, Mandy Matuschka, Jess Barnes, Craig McCloghry, Bruce Fitzsimmons, Murray Richards, Damien Benson

Officials – Craig McCloghry, Paul Hutchinson, Deb Rendall, Pauline Priest, Chris Gathercole, Carolyn Booth, Jeff Doyle, Janet Griffin, Dan Griffin, Lauren Richardson, Jacqui Thurlow, Julie Bromley, Michael Warn, Lee Dean, Marie Ward, Leonie Grejsen, Jeanette Richards, Bronwyn Cracknell, Lisa Short, Roberta Lohan (still to do course and be accredited), Jill Fallon, Liz Bain (Both Jill and Liz are registered with Copa club but both officiated for our club)

Beach Coach – Glenn O'Brien

March Past and R and R Coach – Jacqui Thurlow

Board Riding Co-ordinator – Adam Robinson

Rookie Co-ordinator – Kris Felton

SRC Co-ordinators – Jeff Barnes and Adam Robinson

BBQ and Function Co-ordinator – Bronwyn Cracknell

Excel Guru – Mark Felton

Website and Media Guru – Murray Richards

The Fundraisers – Bronwyn Tancred, Sonya Walters, Jeff Barnes, Rick Byrne and Dave Condon

Water Captain – Brett Beswick

Water Starter – Chris Gathercole

Water Safety – Paul Hutchinson, Ian Wiseman, Andrew Duerden, Grant Mould, Andrew Birch, Craig McCloghry, John Bishop, Robert Annabel, Matt Richards

Water Recorders – Karin Barnes, Debbie Gathercole and Sandra Shearim

Beach Recorders – Jeanette Richards and Kerry Yates

I believe we are very fortunate to have committed people with outstanding skills complimented by a genuine interest in our children taking such an active role in the development of our young surf life savers – my sincere thanks.

Deb See – Nipper President 2008/09

Coach & Age Manager Jess Barnes

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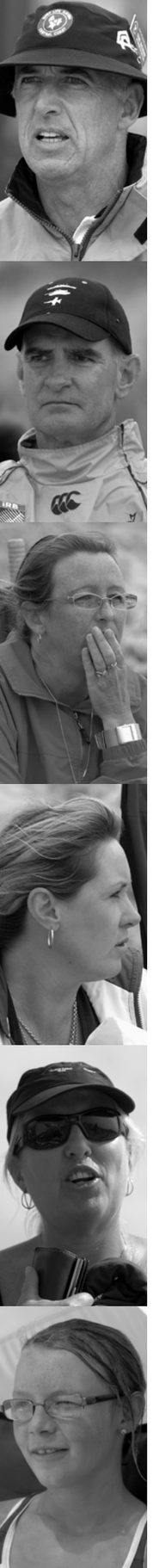

Age Champions

Age	Male	Female
Under 8	Caleb Tancred	Macy Callaghan
Under 9	Nickolas Frost	Lily Cracknell
Under 10	Sam Cracknell	Phoebe Hayman
Under 11	Kiran Richardson	Emma Frost
Under 12	Luke Wiseman	Mackenzie Donovan
Under 13	Brad McCloghry	Bianca Mould
Under 14	Jake O'Brien	Cody-Leigh Callaghan

Perpetual Trophies

The Jelfes Family Trophy
Beach Competitor of the Year – Bianca Mould
Avoca Beach Board Riders Mark Sainsbury Trophy
Nipper Surfer of the Year – Teague Robinson
Most Improved Board Paddler – Female & Male
Teagan Kilbride – Josh Beagin
Bill and Graham Butchery Trophy
Encouragement Award Female – Isabella Hill
Jean Jones Perpetual Trophy
Encouragement Award Male – Kye Felton
The McClelland Family Trophy
Club Person of the Year – Jake O'Brien
Junior Competitor of the Year – Female & Male
Macy Callaghan – Jordan Giffin
Michelle Dorrell Memorial Trophy
Senior Competitor of the Year Female – Bianca Mould
Howard Jones Memorial Trophy
Senior Competitor of the Year Male – Brad McCloghry
Molly Hoban Award
New Member of the Year – Cody-Leigh Callaghan
The Leanne Mcauliffe Perpetual Award
Nipper of the Year – Gareth Munton
The Melanie Thomson Memorial Trophy
Nipperette of the Year – Jess Beagin

Board Riders

Beach Competitor of the Year - Bianca Mould

Club Person of the Year - Jake O'Brien

Wayne Ludlam, Dean Griffen and John Bishop
Gear Stewards

CC Branch Championships Results
Toowyn Bay 1 February 2009

U8

Macy Callaghan	1st wade, 1st flags, 1st sprint, 1st sprint relay, 1st wade relay, 1st all age sprint relay
Scout Walker	3rd wade, 1st sprint relay, 1st wade relay
Tate Felton	2nd wade, 2nd sprint relay, 1st wade relay
Charlotte Hayman	3rd flags, 1st sprint relay, 3rd wade relay
Caleb Tancred	2nd flags, 2nd sprint relay, 1st wade relay
Ryan Birch	3rd flags
Eliza Giles	2nd sprint, 1st sprint relay
Levi Kasun	2nd sprint relay
Bryce Bush	2nd sprint relay
Ella Buteux	1st wade relay
Taylah Welsh	1st wade relay
Taylor Bateman	3rd wade relay
Brooke Mezzone	3rd wade relay
Finn Mitchell	1st wade relay
Zac Patterson	1st wade relay

U9

Keeley Booth	2nd swim, 1st swim team, 3rd board relay, 1st all age board relay
Lily Cracknell	1st board, 3rd swim team, 1st board relay
Meggan Matuschka	2nd board, 3rd swim team, 1st board relay
Mackenzie Penn	3rd board, 1st swim team, 1st board relay
Kori Donovan	1st swim team, 3rd board relay
Jaz McCabe	1st swim team
Mya Harvey	3rd swim team
Emma Livingstone	3rd swim team, 3rd board relay
Nicholas Frost	1st all age sprint relay

U10

Sam Cracknell	2nd board, 1st all age board relay, 3rd swim team, 1st board relay
Emily Thurlow	1st flags
Jordan Giffin	1st flags, 1st sprint, 1st sprint relay, 1st all age sprint
Shawn Eyles	2nd flags, 2nd sprint relay
Brodie Eyles	3rd flags, 2nd sprint relay
Cooper Elliott	1st sprint relay
Declan Tancred	1st sprint relay, 3rd swim team
Jordan Sanchez	1st sprint relay
Cameron Fox	2nd sprint relay
Calvin Beacroft	2nd sprint relay
Emma Griffin	3rd swim team, 2nd board relay
Phoebe Hayman	3rd swim team, 2nd board relay
Isobel Byrne	3rd swim team, 2nd board relay
Ketisha Warn	3rd swim team
Nick Tobin	3rd swim team, 1st board relay
Jack Carrier	3rd swim team, 1st board relay

U11

Rhiannon Booth	3rd swim, 2nd swim team, 2nd board relay, 1st iron person, 1st board rescue
Darcy Griffin	1st board, 2nd swim team, 2nd board relay, 1st board rescue
Kiran Richardson	3rd board, 3rd swim team, 2nd board rescue, 1st all age board relay
Emma Frost	2nd sprint, 2nd swim team, 2nd board relay, 1st all age sprint relay
Jaclyn Ross	2nd swim team
Nick Rendall	3rd swim team
Lachlan Smith	3rd swim team
Bailey Short	3rd swim team
Josh Beagin	2nd board relay, 2nd board rescue
Jordy McCarthy	2nd board relay

U12

Mackenzie Donovan	2nd swim, 2nd swim team
Saxon Penn	1st swim, 3rd board, 1st swim team, 1st board rescue, 1st board relay, 2nd ironman
Finn Schultz	3rd swim, 1st swim team, 2nd board rescue, 3rd board
Luke Pearce	2nd board, 1st swim team, 1st board rescue, 1st ironman, 1st board relay, 1st all age board relay
Jessica Kemp	3rd sprint relay
Lucia Fox	3rd sprint relay
Isabella Hill	3rd sprint relay, 2nd swim team, 1st march past
Josh Yates	2nd sprint relay
Luke Wiseman	2nd sprint relay, 3rd board rescue, 1st all age sprint relay
Alex Beacroft	2nd sprint relay
Kye Felton	2nd sprint relay
Georgah Shearim	2nd swim team
Emily Blair	2nd swim team
Sam Hutchinson	1st swim team, 3rd board rescue
Sean Ludlam	2nd board rescue, 1st board relay
Brooke Richards	1st march past

U13

Amy Annabel	2nd swim, 2nd board, 1st swim team, 2nd iron person
Sophie Kondrat	3rd swim, 1st swim team
Brad McCloghry	2nd swim, 1st board, 2nd swim team, 1st board relay, 2nd ironman, 1st board rescue, 1st all age board relay
Bianca Mould	1st flags, 1st sprint, 1st sprint relay, 1st all age sprint relay, 2nd U14 sprint relay
Riley Fitzsimmons	3rd board, 2nd swim team, 1st board relay, 1st board rescue, 3rd board riding
Nicole Richards	1st sprint relay, 2nd U14 sprint relay, 1st march past
Taylah Benson	1st sprint relay, 1st march past
Jennifer Lohan	1st sprint relay, 1st march past
Kaitlyn Matuschka	1st swim team
Maddie Carrier	1st swim team
Will Byrne	2nd swim team, 1st board relay, 1st board riding
Dane Grejsen	2nd swim team
Jessica Redmond	1st march past
Jessica King	1st march past
Georgia Holland	1st march past

Vice President, Jeff Barnes

Macy Callaghan and Jordan Giffin
Junior Competitors of the Year

Long Service Nippers

Josh Beagin and Teagan Killbride
Most Improved Board Paddler

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U14

Michael Bain	2nd swim, 1st swim team, 1st board relay, 3rd ironman, 1st board rescue, 3rd senior cameron
Gareth Munton	3rd swim, 1st swim team, 1st board relay, 1st board rescue
Sophie Meere	2nd flags, 2nd sprint, 1st sprint relay
Jake O'Brien	1st flags, 3rd sprint, 2nd sprint relay, 3rd senior Cameron, 1st all age sprint relay
Cody-Leigh Callaghan	1st board, 2nd swim team, 2nd board relay, 1st ironperson, 1st board rescue, 3rd senior Cameron, 1st all age board relay
Georgina Woods	1st sprint relay
Nina Mocke	1st sprint relay
Ashley Frost	1st sprint relay
Angela Redden	2nd sprint relay
Maddy Campbell	2nd sprint relay, 2nd swim team
Luke Yates	2nd sprint relay, 3rd senior cameron
Jacob Bishop	2nd sprint relay
Jay Felton	2nd sprint relay
Olivia Doyle	2nd swim team, 2nd board relay, 1st board rescue
Bobbi McCarthy	2nd swim team, 2nd board relay
Jared Fitzsimmons	1st swim team, 1st board relay
Piers Schultz	1st swim team
Joel Delaney	3rd board riding
Jessica Beagin	1st march past
Megan Malone	1st march past
Karli Harvey	1st march past
Angela Redden	1st march past

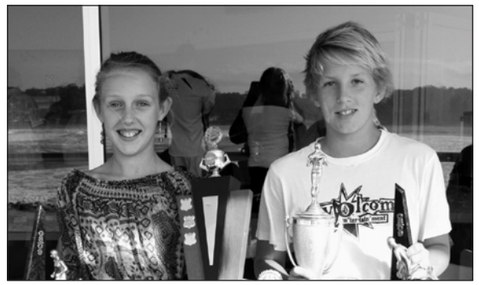
2009 NSW Championships Results
Swansea Belmont 20–22 February 2009

Avoca Beach 4th on 174 points.

1st	All Age Beach Relay	Emma Frost, Luke Wiseman, Bianca Mould, Jake O'Brien, Macy Callaghan, Nicholas Frost, Jordan Giffin
3rd	March Past	

U8 Results

1st	Female Wade	Macy Callaghan
1st	Female Sprint	Macy Callaghan
1st	Female Beach Relay	Ella Buteux, Macy Callaghan, Eliza Giles, Charlotte Hayman
1st	Female Wade Relay	Macy Callaghan, Eliza Giles, Charlotte Hayman, Scout Walker
1st	Male Wade Relay	Tate Felton, Finn Flaherty, Fin Mitchell, Caleb Tancred
2nd	Female Flags	Macy Callaghan
2nd	Male Beach Relay	Bryce Bush, Tate Felton, Finn Flaherty, Levi Kasun
3rd	Wade	Finn Flaherty



Jess Beagin and Gareth Munton
Nipperette & Nipper of the Year

U9 Results

1st	Swim Team	Keely Booth, Kori Donovan, Jaz McCabe, Mackenzie Penn
1st	Female Board Relay	Lily Cracknell, Meggan Matuschka, Mackenzie Penn
3rd	Female Board Relay	Keely Booth, Kori Donovan, Jaz McCabe
2nd	Female Board	Meggan Matuschka
3rd	Female Board	Lily Cracknell

U10 Results

2nd	Male Flags	Jordan Giffin
3rd	Beach Relay	Shawn Eyles, Brodie Eyles, Jordan Giffin, Jordan Sanchez

U11 Results

3rd	Male Board Relay	Josh Beagin, Jordy McCarthy, Kiran Richardson

U12 Results

2nd	Swim Team	Sam Hutchinson, Luke Pearce, Saxon Penn, Finn Schultz

U13 Results

1st	Female Sprint	Bianca Mould
1st	Flags	Bianca Mould
1st	Male Board	Riley Fitzsimmons
1st	Male Boardriding	Teague Robinson
1st	Female Flags	Bianca Mould
1st	Male Board Rescue	Riley Fitzsimmons, Brad McCloghry
2nd	Male Board Relay	Will Byrne, Brad McCloghry, Riley Fitzsimmons
3rd	Ironperson	Brad McCloghry

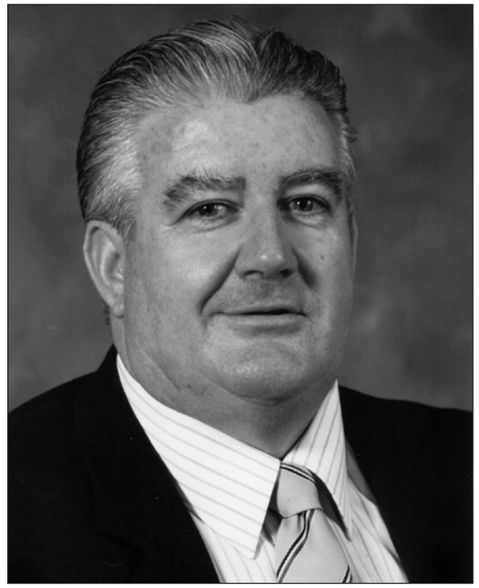
U14 Results

1st	Female Board	Cody-Leigh Callaghan
2nd	Male Boardriding	Patrick Wheatley
3rd	Male Boardriding	Joel Delaney
3rd	Flags	Jake O'Brien

Lucia Fox and Jared Hamling
Most Improved Swimmer

March Past Team

VALE – NORM BODEN



I first met Norm Boden in 1949 when we were 10 year old kids on school holidays at Avoca. We gravitated to the old wooden green surf club and our heroes were the stick board riders. Blokes like Ted Poole, Neville Ryan and Barry Bennett. These boards were plywood and 5.5 metres in length. There is one on display in the surf club foyer and photos on the feature board near the bar. (Norm took the photo)

As we became 12 year olds, frothing at the mouth to ride these boards, we assumed that name of the "The Phantom Board Riding Club", Norm, Ross Greenwood and myself, plus other young kids rode the old guys (21 years olds) boards whilst they were at work. "Who's been riding my board?" "Oh, I dunno, the Phantom". Anyway to set things right most of us purchased our boards second hand off our surf legend old guys. These boards were notorious for diving in at the nose on a wave and launching vertical out of the water. One day, Norm's board made a perfect vertical re-entry on his head. After a good laugh we helped him to the beach.

As the years passed, Norm suggested we get our Bronze Memberships and with the encouragement of the Surf Club's longest serving Captain, Jim Harpur (17 years) we moved towards our goal. Norm suggested we approach Ted Poole "The Man" to train us and with Ted's expertise we became Bronze Medal Life Savers and were examined by the ongoing legend, Bryce Norman. Jim then encouraged us to compete in surf carnivals when Norm proved that he was an excellent strong swimmer and from 1955, Norm competed with success, regularly in Team Events and his speciality was the Novice Surf. Norm's dedication and natural leadership skills were rewarded when he became a Patrol Captain. He retained the post for more than 25 years. He gained the Club's highest honour of patrolmen of the Year twice in 1976/77 and 1977/78. Norm's Club awards included Instructors Certificate, Advanced Resuscitation, Radio and IRB awards.

Norm Boden became an Avoca Beach Life Member in the 1984/85 season.

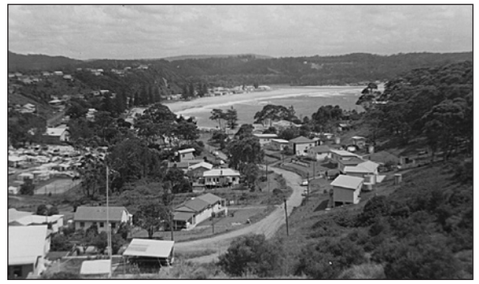
I will always remember Norm as a great life saver, friend and a major part of the Avoca Surf Club community.

Our sincere condolences to Norm's wife Betty and children Ray, Garry and Deanne and all his grandchildren.

Norman Boden 1939 – 2008. *Miss you mate,*

Max Sainsbury

MEMORIES...



Avoca Beach circa 1959

Avoca Beach January 1960

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