



2024/25

70th Annual Report

Toowoong Bay Surf Life Saving
Club

TOOWOON
BAY SLSC
Join the fun!



Celebrating 70 years of Lifesaving

OUR MISSION

“Surf Life Saving exists to save lives,
create great Australians and build
better communities.” SLSNSW



Toowoomba Bay SLSC was founded in 1954

OBJECTS

The Club is a Charitable Organisation established solely to be and to continue as such and to this end the Objects of the Club are to:

- a) Provide for the conduct, encouragement, promotion and administration of surf life saving throughout the Toowoomba Bay SLSC and the community in which it is placed;
- b) Participate as a Member of SLSCC, SLSNSW and SLSCA through and by which surf lifesaving and the preservation of life in the aquatic environment can be conducted, encouraged, promoted, advanced and administered and to cooperate with those of the Club;
- c) Ensure the maintenance and enhancement of the Club, SLSNSW Surf Life Saving Clubs, SLSCA and surf lifesaving, its standards, quality and reputation for the benefit of the Members and surf lifesaving;
- d) At all times promote mutual trust and confidence between the Club, SLSCC, SLSNSW, Surf Life Saving Clubs, SLSCA and the Members in pursuit of these objects;
- e) At all times act on behalf of and in the interest of the Members and surf lifesaving;
- f) Promote the economic and community service success, strength and stability of the Club, SLSCC, SLSNSW, Surf Life Saving Clubs, SLSCA and surf lifesaving;
- g) Affiliate with and otherwise liaise with SLSCC, SLSNSW and SLSCA in the pursuit of these objects and surf lifesaving;
- h) Conduct, encourage, promote, advance and control surf lifesaving in Toowoomba Bay SLSC, its many aspects devoted to aquatic safety and management and the preservation of life in the aquatic environment;
- i) Conduct or commission research and development for improvements in methods of surf lifesaving and surf lifesaving equipment and in all ways to improve and safeguard the use of the aquatic environment;
- j) Use and protect the Intellectual Property Guidelines;
- k) Apply the property and capacity of the Club towards the fulfilment and achievement of these objects;
- l) Promote the involvement and influence of surf lifesaving standards, techniques, awards and education with bodies involved in lifesaving;
- m) Strive for Governmental, commercial and public recognition of the Club as the authority on aquatic safety and management in the community in which it is placed;
- n) Promulgate, and secure uniformity in, such rules as may be necessary for the management and control of surf lifesaving and related activities and the preservation of life in the aquatic environment;
- o) Further extend the operations and teachings of the Club throughout Toowoomba Bay SLSC and the community in which it is placed;
- p) Further develop in conjunction with the organisations referred to in (g) above, surf lifesaving into an organised institution and with these objects in view, to foster, regulate, organise and manage assessments, competitions, displays and other activities and to issue badges, medallions and certificates and award trophies to successful Members;
- q) Review and/or determine any matters relating to surf lifesaving which may arise, or be referred to it, by any Member;
- r) Pursue through itself or other such commercial arrangements (which are not in conflict with other SLS bodies), including sponsorship and marketing opportunities as are appropriate to further the interests of surf lifesaving in Toowoomba Bay SLSC;
- s) Adopt and implement appropriate policies, including in relation to sexual harassment, equal opportunity, equity, drugs in sport, health, safety, junior and senior programs, infectious diseases and such other matters as arise from time to time as issues to be addressed in surf lifesaving;
- t) Represent the interests of its Members and of surf lifesaving generally in any appropriate forum in Toowoomba Bay SLSC and the community in which it is placed;
- u) Have regard to the public interest in its operations;
- v) Undertake and or do all such things or activities which are necessary incidental or conducive to the advancement of these objects.

STAKEHOLDERS

Our stakeholders are the major groups and individuals we communicate with, who are affected by and include the activities of the Club. These include:

- Our members and their families.
- Surf Life Saving Central Coast and affiliated Clubs.
- Surf Life Saving NSW and Australia.
- The local community including businesses and supporters.
- The beach users.
- Our sponsors, business partners and supporters.
- Local, State and National Government.
- Support Services (Police, Ambulance and Emergency Services).
- Media agencies.

OUR CORE BUSINESS AREAS ARE:

- Lifesaving and Patrols
- Training and Education
- Surf Sports
- Member Services
- Business and Administration
- Community

Toowoomba Bay SLSC – forever vigilant in serving the community.

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TOOWOON BAY SLSC 70TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the 70th Annual General Meeting of Toowoomba Bay Surf Life Saving Club Incorporated will be held on Sunday 27th July 2025, commencing at 1pm, upstairs in the Clubhouse.

AGENDA

- Welcome
- Apologies
- Life Members Presentation
- Minutes of 69th Annual General Meeting, Sunday 21st July 2024
- Business arising from previous Annual General Meeting 2023/2024
- Presentation, consideration, and adoption of the 70th Annual Report and Financial Report of the Board and auditors 2024/2025
- Appointment and fixing of the remuneration of the auditors
- Election of Directors for the 2025/2026 season
- Election of further office bearers for the 2025/2026 season
- Motion of affiliation with SLS Central Coast and SLSNSW
- Any other business of which notice is given in accordance with the constitution
- Meeting close.

LIFE MEMBERS



ROBERT ROBERTS †
 HARRY SHEAN †
 ROY SWADLING †
 BILL PAWSON †
 RON CALMAN OAM ESM
 GORDON MATTHEWS †
 PETER COX
 DENNIS MOIR
 KEITH SALMON †
 KENNETH STRICKLAND
 JOHN HORN SNR †
 GRAEME SLADE SNR
 MARK BRADLY †
 ANGELO DELUCA †
 BRIAN FORD †
 MARGARET FORD †
 THELMA LAIRD †
 DENISE AUSTIN
 MARGARET MOORE †
 NORMA MURPHY †

RAYMOND HATFIELD †
 ROBERT HILL †
 DARREN LEWIS
 BETH BRADLY †
 MARK SHEARAN
 JOHN MURPHY †
 LYN WATERS
 ROSS BLOWERS
 BIL KENSEY
 CHRIS JONES
 DEAN GRIFFIN
 DENIS HANNIGAN
 HELEN CLIFTON
 MICK COOK †
 CHRIS MANNING
 GRAHAM SHERER
 DENNIS COELLI
 GEOFF GRICE
 BRUCE MOHR
 WENDY MCNAMARA

VALE

Mick Cook

“Cookie”

It is with profound sadness that we acknowledge the passing of Mick Cook, affectionately known as "Cookie" to all. Mick was a warm yet bold individual whose passion and dedication were evident in everything he undertook.

Mick Cook was widely respected and cherished for his extraordinary service to the community, particularly as a dedicated volunteer surf lifesaver for 25 years. Mick embodied the essence of lifesaving and embraced its guiding motto, "Vigilance and Service." A life member of the club, Mick was serving as Club President at the time of his passing, having held the position on five previous occasions and the role of Club Captain six times previously.

Over the years, Mick contributed extensively to numerous committees, was a trainer, assessor and served as Patrol Captain of Patrol 5. His commitment to lifesaving was unwavering, as demonstrated by his remarkable achievement of completing 100% patrol for the majority of his 25 years of volunteer service. In recognition of his dedication, Mick was awarded the National Medal and earned the 25-year clasp, highlighting his exceptional contributions.

Beyond his lifesaving duties, Mick was a true embodiment of the spirit of volunteerism. His willingness to assist was unparalleled—he would enthusiastically lend his support to community events, fundraising initiatives, carnival preparations, and programs such as the Stingray Nipper Program and the Clontarf Foundation. Among his many passions, Mick held ANZAC Day commemorations and the Toowoomba Bay Ocean Swim closest to his heart, dedicating his time and energy to their success.

Mick carried out every task with generosity and a can-do attitude. For him, nothing was ever too much trouble. He exemplified the timeless adage: "Those who can, do. Those who can do more, volunteer" — author unknown.

Mick Cook leaves behind a legacy that will be remembered with respect, admiration, and gratitude by all who knew him. His contributions to the community and his selfless dedication will forever remain an inspiration.



Mick Cook Eulogy 2nd April 2025

Read by Greg Owen

I have been asked on behalf of Ruth and Cookie's family to say a few words about Cookie on behalf of Toowoomba Bay SLSC. A few words won't even come close to describing Cookie and his Surf Club involvement, however, many of you already know of his contribution to the agency that he loved and devoted so much time to. As Cookie would say 'just do your best mate!'

My first knowledge of Cookie wasn't a personal connection with him, rather it was between him and my beautiful wife Bryn. After relocating to the Central Coast in 1999 and discovering Toowoomba Bay, Bryn and her mate Cheryl went walking along the beach one day and while on that walk an IRB beached on the sand just near them. This bloke jumped out and said "g'day girls, wanna go for a ride in the duck?", to which they replied "errr, no thanks", to which he replied "come on, you'll be right. I got the Bride with me!", and so the two of them took him up on the offer and got a tour of the bay, Blue Bay and surrounding waters. When hearing this story later that night, I asked Bryn if her parents had taught her about not going anywhere with strangers!! But that, as I was to find out, was Cookie. Welcoming, always engaging with people with genuine warmth and wanting to showcase this community with everyone.

Cookie joined TBSLSC in 1999, attaining his Bronze Medallion and over the past 25 years served in many roles. Five times he served as, and is at this time the Club President, he served as Club Captain six times and is Patrol Captain of Patrol Five. Cookie also served on various sub committees and working groups, especially

around sourcing and securing funding from Government and private entities, often bringing all those stakeholders together as a united group. He was one of the first to volunteer to projects to enhance the surf club he loved. He was awarded life membership on 25th June 2017.

Cookie had a rare ability to bring people together. He made you feel good about volunteering and as a result you participated in and built strong ties with others within this community. Cookie would always highlight the common goal that we all share within this surf club and that's how he got you on board. His actions, at times, ruffled feathers and his "seek forgiveness not permission" attitude got positive results.

Family was important to Cookie, and Toowoomba Bay Surf Club and many of its members were as an extended family to him.

Cookie and Ruth have attended many family functions of my own including our Lauren's wedding and the christening of Lauren's daughter.

Cookie, as you all know, was a funny bugger, every time I was with him, he made me laugh. He had his stock jokes, the infamous Peking Duck gag as an example, but he often made observations or found himself in situations that were bloody funny. If any of you have heard the bakers truck/duck incident, you'll know how funny Cookie thought that was and somehow the retelling got funnier. There was the infamous watermelon incident too. On Patrol 5 this particular day someone deposited a watermelon in the fridge and after sampling and recognising how rough it was, he decided to put it on dear Carole Bickley stating to her "geez mate that watermelon you've brought is rough!". Carole responded that it wasn't hers so Cookie can get stuffed! This became sport to Cookie, so he ribbed her about it throughout the day till in the end she picked it up and deposited it on Cookies head exclaiming "it's not mying watermelon!". We all laughed so hard but not as hard as Cookie did himself.

Cookie loved to christen you too..... with a nickname. It wasn't always flattering either. Often it was in response to something you said or did, or some observation he made, maybe a joke at your expense or simply playing with your name:

The Bride, Ducky, Babe, Igloo, Average, Rissoles, Leaves, AbFab, Diddums, Precious, The Tall One, and Barbie to name a few.

To my knowledge Cookie never let too much get under his skin. In a diverse community such as a surf club there is always differences of opinion. As our good mate Mark Everingham pointed out, Cookie demonstrated strong emotional intelligence and didn't let anything stick. Many times, when differing views were flying about and frustration ensued, I questioned his energy and resilience, and he would say "mate it's just an opposing opinion, don't worry about it!".

I have many stories about Cookie, but I think this demonstrates the man he was. As many of you would know Cookie lost his toes to diabetes and he tolerated many gags due to those losses. Losing his long toe, that is the one next to his big toe, he said, limited his footwear options.

I, for many years, coordinated the Toowoomba Bay Ocean Swim and Cookie was always the first volunteer, rounding up others and controlling the water safety component of the event prior to and on the day. One year not too long ago, just prior to the 2K start with the wind picking up creating a fair chop on the water, a rising high tide and a lot of water moving in different directions, I went to Cookie and whaled into him in an expletive driven tirade about preparing and positioning water safety volunteers. After the event, without incident and feeling lousy about my behaviour to someone who has only ever supported me in everything I've done in this Club, I sheepishly went to Cookie and apologised for my unacceptable tirade. Cookie looked at me straight in the eye, looked down at his foot to where my gaze travelled also, and said "geez I miss my thongs!". And that was Mick Cook.

We will never be able to replace you mate, neither within this club nor within each of our lives. You have become so much to me, my family, your Patrol Five family and your Toowoomba Bay family. Patrol Five, in particular Patrol Five debriefs, will never, EVER be the same without you.

Farewell my old mate and thank you for everything.

Requiescat in pace Mick Cook
30th August 1941 – 22nd March 2025

OFFICE BEARERS FOR 2024/2025 SEASON**Executive Committee**

President	Mick Cook (LM) †
Director of Administration	Tracey Clifton
Director of Finance	Karen Hickmott
Vice President Rescue Services/Club Captain	Graham Sherer (LM)
Vice President Youth Services/JAC	Luke Mabey

Management Committees

Chief Training Officer	Simon Hicks
Manager – Rookies	Vacant
Manager – Masters	Vacant
Board and Ski Captains	Karen Igoe and Rod Mergan
First Aid Officer	Irene Freeman
Manager – Gear and Equipment	Garry Chappell
IRB Captain	Mike Hayhurst
Manager – Radios	Jacqui Donadel
Registrar	Jacqui Donadel
Cultural/Historical Officer	Lyn Waters
Grants/Fundraising	Karen Hickmott
Sponsorships	Karen Hickmott and Mick Cook †
Building Committee	Chairperson – Julie Dawson (resigned)
	Phillip Raymont
Life Members Committee	Chairperson – Graham Sherer
	Secretary – Chris Jones
Uniform Shop	Vacant
Function Room	Jacqui Donadel
Social Media	Katie Hinshelwood
	Insta TBSLSC
	Insta Nippers
	FB TBSLSC
	FB Nippers
Licencee	Luke Mabey
Bar Manager	Christi Mergan
Club Liaison Officer/Complaints	Tracey Clifton
MPIO	Denis Hannigan
Child Safe Co-Ordinator	Karen Hickmott
Community Liaison Officer	Jacqui Donadel
Water Safety Supervisor	Mick Cook †
70 th Anniversary Committee	Geoff Cresswell
	Chairperson – Phillip Raymont
Live In Caretaker	Leigh Perrow
Club Manager/Admin (Paid)	Jacqui Donadel
Accountants/Auditor	Fortunity
Lawyers	Aubrey Brown
Financial Advisors	Fawkes Financial Services

OUR MISSION

No Lives Lost

Membership and Lifesaving



957
Members



Active – 170
Associate – 357
Life – 20
Probationary – 8



402
Nippers



126,889
Visitors



8,099
Total hours patrolled

Safety Outcomes



6
Rescues



211
First Aid Treatments



388
Preventative Actions

Key Achievements



1124
New Awards
Bronze Medallion, ART, IRB
Crew and driver, SRC, Junior



8
National Medal
7 National Medals
1 Clasp



22
Recognition Awards
Patrol Service, Officiating, and
Long Service

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – 2024/2025

It is with immense sorrow that we reflect on the sudden passing of our President and cherished life member, Mick Cook. His presence always radiated warmth, laughter, and camaraderie, enriching every gathering. Mick's unwavering dedication to our club and surf lifesaving left an indelible mark on us all. His absence has and will be profoundly felt within our club and the broader community. While we mourn this incredible individual, we also celebrate the joy and inspiration he brought into our lives. We will honour his memory by upholding the spirit and values he embodied. Mick took immense pride in our community-oriented, family centric club and serving as President was the icing on the cake for him.

In the interim, the remaining members of the Executive decided to continue operations and managing the Club, and I am serving as acting President. Mick would often say "do your best" and that remains our guiding principle.

I want to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to each member for your dedication and passion, which truly defines our community. Every one of you has made a meaningful contribution and had a significant impact. Let us continue fostering camaraderie and running the club smoothly in this new season and beyond.

Our patrol numbers remain strong, with well represented teams. The response from Nipper parents has been remarkable, with many completing their Bronze, first aid and higher awards, thereby strengthening our patrol teams. Many have also taken on the officials' courses ensuring our nippers are well prepared for carnivals. I am pleased to report that all water safety and official requirements are met by these committed parents.

There has also been significant commitment to skill building among our patrolling members. I would like to extend my thanks to our skilled trainers, assessors and facilitators for providing top notch training.

We would certainly not be as successful if it were not for our wonderful sponsors, and to all of them we remain indebted. Information on our sponsors is later in this report.

At our recent Senior Presentation on Friday 23rd May, TBSLSC Lyn Waters was formally presented with her Surf Life Saving Central Coast (SLSCC) Life Membership jacket. Lyn has become the second member from our organisation to be awarded life membership of SLSCC. This remarkable achievement is a testament to her dedication and contributions to the surf lifesaving community.



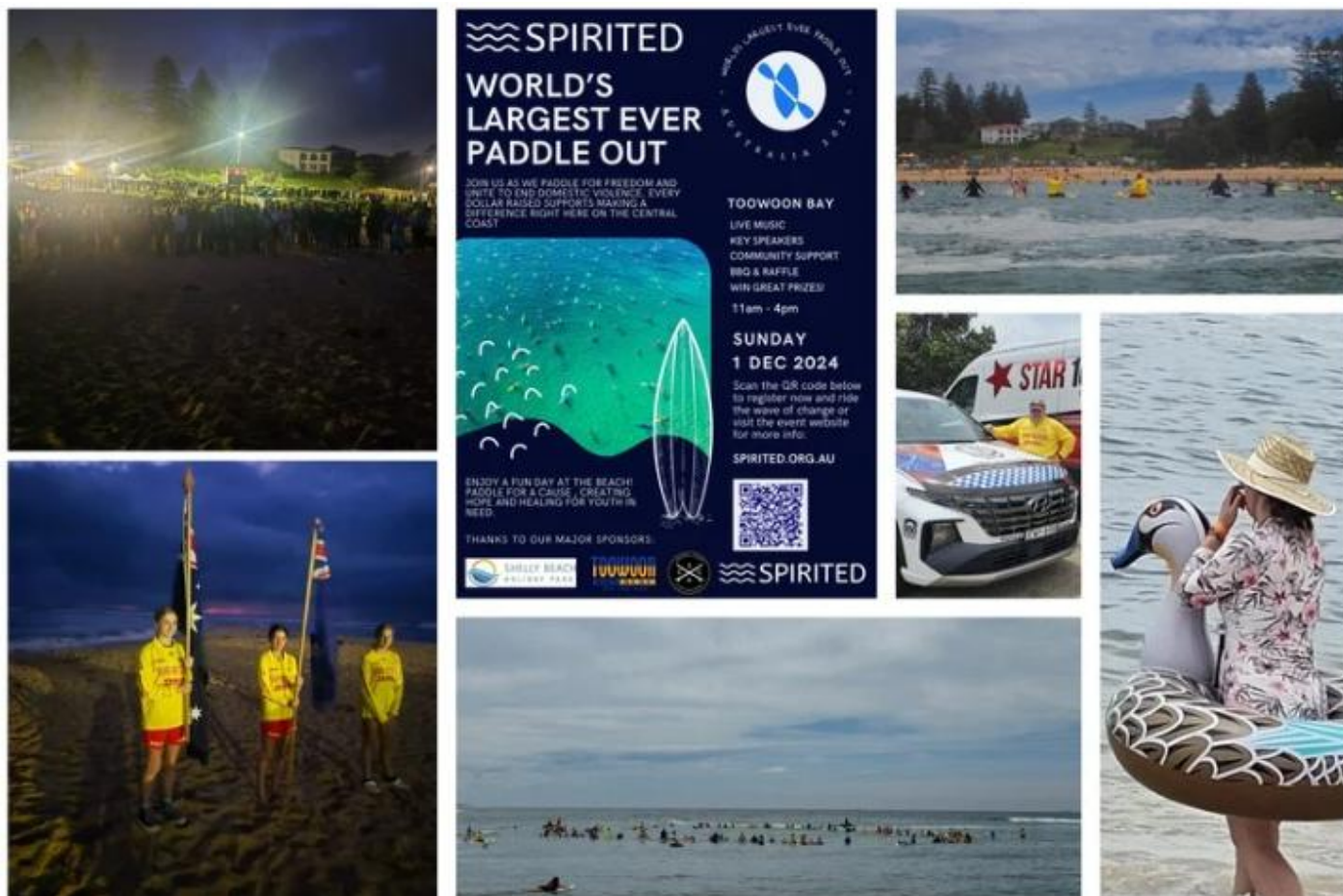
This season brought many achievements, with our primary goal of keeping the community safe on the beach accomplished – there were no lives lost here. Beyond our life saving efforts, we hosted several notable events and ongoing projects:

- Celebrated 70 year of lifesaving at TBSLSC with a beach party and display (information later in this report).
- Completed the 'Heritage Walk'.
- Hosted the World's Biggest Paddle Out attempt.
- Hosted another very successful Ocean Swim.
- Organised a trivia night for 100 members to foster connections between nipper families and the wider membership, supported by outstanding prize donations for our raffle.
- Hosted our first carnival in many years, which received praise from other clubs on the coast.
- Co-ordinated an excellent ANZAC Day commemoration, with attendance increasing despite the weather. We aim to continue incorporating our Rookies and younger members in reflecting on what ANZAC Day means to them.
- Hosted another very successful Biggest Morning Tea, with Wendy and her team raising over \$9,000 for the Cancer Council.
- Made significant progress with the clubhouse redevelopment plans, thanks to the efforts of the Building Committee (information later in this report).
- The Nipper BBQ enjoyed another successful season, and it's uplifting to see more nipper parents getting involved.

- Sunday SIPS continues to thrive, though slow in the winter, generating good revenue.

All these achievements are the result of our incredible volunteers! We are a community brought together not only by our love of the ocean but also by our shared commitment to service and community. The dedication and efforts displayed by all our members are truly remarkable. Whether you are a long-standing member or a newcomer, thank you for being part of this wonderful club and for your contributions this season. On behalf of the Executive, thank you! I look forward to seeing you all for many seasons to come.

Luke Mabey
Acting President 2024/2025



DIRECTOR OF FINANCE REPORT – 2024/2025

This season has seen a turn around in our overall profitability with a small deficit of \$4,296 for the season after our record surplus of \$172,776 in the previous season.

There was always going to be a big downturn in the financial result following the large grants received in the previous season. This has also seen us complete our Heritage Walk, celebrate our 70th anniversary, and write off the old swimwear, having been replaced with an outsourced provider. We have also experienced increases in non-cash expenses related to depreciation with the increased asset base and employee benefit accruals.

While the overall result is a deficit, we have managed to maintain a positive cash flow result and expect to see an improvement in our result in the coming season without these one-off expenses.

Karen Hickmott
Director of Finance 2024/2025

SPONSORSHIPS, FUNDRAISING, DONATIONS AND GRANTS 2024/2025

SPONSORSHIPS

We continued our tiered sponsorship program which clearly outlines the range of sponsorship opportunities and benefits to our existing and future sponsors who are generously supplying much needed cash or products/services or both to assist us in efficiently running the Club:

Platinum – over \$5,000



[Central Coast Council](#) provided us with \$7,150 to cover costs of life saving equipment and supplies required to support and deliver our life saving service on the weekends and public holidays throughout the season.



We continue to be very fortunate to have the support of the team at [Magic Mum's Cleaning](#) to keep our member's change area and first aid rooms spick and span. Many thanks to Kim Burns, Tara Meurant and the team!



[Craig Moore Wholesale Cars](#) provide us with use of a digital road sign to attract people down to events at the Club.



[Hornby Project Signage](#) – Continue to provide us with professional and attractive signage outside and inside the Club



[erbas™](#) - providing consulting advice for the proposed club redevelopment.



We are delighted to welcome Dock & Bay as a new platinum sponsor. They have provided us with superb quality, heavily discounted, Club branded quick dry towels for us to use at our presentation events. Expect to see them on the beach next season!

Gold - \$2,000 - \$5,000



Patrolling member Robbie MacDougall's [Alba Creations](#) have been helping around the club particularly with the installation of the TV, jobs around the Club and Kiosk.



We continue to be fortunate to be able to call on the pro bono advice of [Aubrey Brown Lawyers](#) throughout the season.



[Choices Flooring Tuggerah](#) – help provide us with flooring ideas.



We are lucky to have the continuing support of [Fortunity](#) in the preparation and audit of our financial statements and general financial advice throughout the year.



Patrolling member and Director of [Fawkes Financial Services Pty Ltd](#) Stuart Mangion continues to oversee and advise us on our investment portfolio.



[Little Dog Design](#) assisting us with ongoing maintenance of our website, server and emails.



[Waste2product](#) assisting us with signs for the Club (Jeff Hornby)

Silver - \$500 - \$2,000



[Endeavour Marine](#) assist us with the maintenance and servicing of our IRB motors at a discounted rate.



[Village Kiosk Toowoomba Bay](#) for providing the very important 'patrol chips' that keep our patrolling members happy on the beach.



We are delighted to welcome Central Coast Bridge Club Long Jetty who are providing a cash sponsorship.

Sponsors of Surf Life Saving Australia

Ampol
DHL
Isuzu
Westpac

Sponsors of Surf Life Saving NSW

Your Local Club
Ingenia Holiday Parks
Oakberry Acai
Sharkskin

Sponsors of Surf Life Saving Central Coast Branch

BOS OceanSport
Central Coast Council
Fortunity
Freemasons on the Central Coast
Good Gear
Hit 101.3 FM
Infront Surfcraft
Mingara
Newcastle Permanent
Resinc Solar
Stevens Group
Triple M

FUNDRAISING

The Surf Life Saving Foundation must be acknowledged for conducting fundraising on behalf of clubs and branches. Conducting fundraising efforts centrally frees up our members' time to focus their energy and resources on lifesaving activities – their number one mission. We acknowledge and thank all the members of the general public and donors for their generous support. Thanks for taking the call from Surf Lifesaving, buying raffle tickets at Bay Village and donating. With these funds we purchased vital lifesaving equipment, First Aid Equipment, PPE and training equipment.

DISTRIBUTIONS AND DONATIONS

We gratefully received the following distributions from events and donors:

Event/Donor	Net income
Annual Compliance Funding from SLSNSW	\$8,000.00
Cost of Living Subsidy from SLSNSW	\$7,092.00
Nipper Raffle	\$2,997.00
Nipper Trivia Night	\$2,372.00
Donations from Member's employers	\$1,364.00
Nipper Carnival	\$1,062.00
Envirobank (bottle and can recycling)	\$900.00
Kim Cannan for use of hall for concerts	\$330.00
Gosford Scouts (for assistance at Christmas activity)	\$250.00
Various small donations from grateful members of the public	\$375.00

This year the organisers of the Toowoomba Bay Ocean Swim instead of providing a cash donation to the Club have purchased 10 nipper boards directly for our use.

The Cost-of-Living Subsidy from SLSNSW was used to reduce the out of pocket expenses of our patrolling member's fees.

We are also fortunate to have the dedication of incredible volunteers operating our regular Sunday morning BBQ's during nipper season and our weekly Sunday afternoon SIPS – these all add to the community of the club as well as generating important revenue.

GRANTS

We were extremely lucky to obtain \$19,000 in funding from the Central Coast Council to assist us in putting on a 'Party on the Beach' to celebrate our 70th anniversary. It was a great day with bands, a static demonstration of life saving over that time and the launch of our recently completed Heritage Walk.

We received a package of obstacle equipment from the SLISA Inclusive Beaches Equipment grants proudly supported by **etrainu** (the SLISA Learning Management System provider).

The Club Lifesaving Equipment Grant (CLEG), proudly funded by the NSW Government and facilitated by Surf Life Saving NSW, was once again available to all NSW Surf Life Saving Clubs. The CLEG aims to provide financial assistance to each club to promote maintaining and upgrading operation gear and equipment items which are essential to lifesaving operations. The amount of \$2,118 was allocated to Toowoomba Bay SLSC for the purchasing of the following lifesaving equipment:



- 3 x pulse oximeters
- A fuel cell for the IRB
- 2 x little baby QCPR manikins
- High power binoculars



Surf Life Saving's mission is to save lives, create great Australians and build better communities. To support its mission, the Australian Government provided support to the organisation to ensure that Australia's Surf Life Saving Clubs are better equipped to assist in saving lives and reducing risk as well as the nation's coastal drowning toll.

The Australian Government, through the Beach Safety Equipment Fund (BSEF), has provided funding to purchase vital safety equipment since 2013. This funding package has since been extended to 2025 through the Water and Snow Safety Program. The Australian Government must be acknowledged for this initiative which provided \$11,000 in funding to TBSLSC for the purchase of vital safety equipment listed below:

- First aid supplies inc defib batteries and training pads
- Apple iPad
- Multicharger for our Hytera radios
- Hytera radio
- Mercury motor
- Rescue tubes
- Patrol and buffer zone flags
- Waterproof radio cases
- Surf Club Kit for IRB motor
- Life jackets
- Oxygen bottle refills



NSW Surf Life Saving Clubs are grateful for the continued support of these Government agencies:

-  The NSW Government through the Emergency Services portfolio for ongoing funding of state-wide operations and programs which benefit club, members, and the community.
-  The NSW Government for the support of the Office of Sport, for their support to increase usage, safety and participation in Surf Life Saving through ongoing programs.

- The Federal Government for the VET Funding which enabled hundreds of assessors to update their training qualifications.

FEES FOR THE 2025/2026 SEASON

Active Youth (U6-U8)	\$100.00
Junior Active (U9-U14)	\$100.00
Cadet (Inc 15yrs not holding BM)	\$100.00
Active 15-18yrs (holding BM)	\$100.00
Active 18+ (BM/Award)	\$100.00
Stingray Nipper	\$55.00
Stingray Associate	\$55.00
Associate (including Parent Associate)	\$100.00
Family Membership (2 adults and up to 3 children)	\$320.00
Family Membership additional family member	\$60.00

As you may be aware, we have faced significant increases in overall operational costs this year. This has made it necessary to adjust our fees to ensure we can continue to provide the high-quality services and support that our members expect and deserve.

Additionally, it must be mentioned that, unlike previous years, we are not receiving a subsidy from SLSC this season. The subsidy has historically played a vital role in helping us retain memberships and lured back members following the COVID-19 pandemic. Unfortunately, without this financial support, we are unable to maintain last year's fee structure.

It is understood that any increase in fees can be difficult and appreciate your understanding and continued support as we strive to meet the needs of our community. Our commitment remains to provide valuable services and support to our members and the community, and we are hopeful that these adjustments will allow us to continue doing so.

VICE PRESIDENT RESCUE SERVICES/CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT – 2024/2025



Another successful patrolling year has come to an end, marked by varying hours and a season of dedication. I am pleased to report that there were no serious injuries or drownings between the flags during our patrol period.

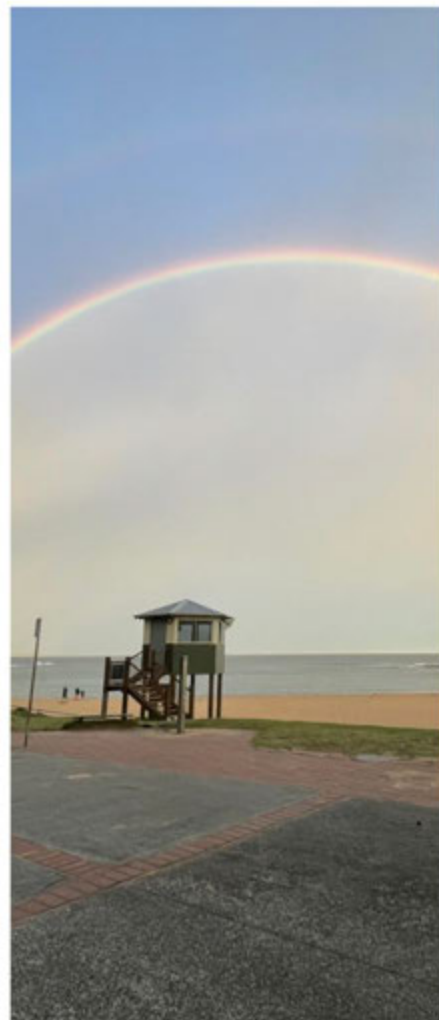
I extend my heartfelt gratitude to all our patrolling and Club members for their unwavering commitment and hard work throughout the season. Whether volunteering for two hours or eight, your efforts have ensured the safety and wellbeing of our community. Special thanks go to our patrol captains and bronzies, who have taken on their responsibilities with due diligence and professionalism. From opening to closing, training to cleaning, they have managed long days and significant responsibilities with excellence.

Overall, our club members have developed and maintained a high level of skills, which has been evident throughout the year as operations ran smoothly both on and off the beach. A very big thank you goes out to the facilitators, assessors, and trainers for their tremendous efforts in up-skilling everyone this season, particularly with more ART, IRB crew, and drivers. Your dedication and sacrifice for surf lifesaving are deeply appreciated by myself and the club membership.



It has been a great honour to serve as Club Captain for 2024/25 for this esteemed club – Toowoomba Bay SLSC. PS – It is wonderful to see more new Bronzies emerging from the nipper parents, more nippers participating in carnivals, and a special thank you to everyone who has contributed to water safety at Sunday nippers and carnivals.

Yours in lifesaving
Graham 'Cuddles' Sherer



PATROL SERVICE AWARDS 2024/2025

National Medal 25yr Clasp
National Medal (15yrs)

Mick Cook †
Mark Everingham, Chris Fillingham, Julie-Ann Fillingham, Sue Hale, Andrew Hoffman, Greg McMahon and Darryl Lennox



25 Years National Patrol Service Award

Ruth Cook, Denis Hannigan, Chris Manning and Graham Sherer

20 Years National Patrol Service Award

John and Jennifer McNamee

15 Years National Patrol Service Award

Graham and Michelle Jackson, Doug Millard

10 Years National Patrol Service Award

Anthony Akers, Rosalind Chugg, Jacqueline Dunkerley and Jenny Perram

5 Years National Patrol Service Award

Katie Hinshelwood, Gayle McCann, Callum Nash and Emma Young

25 Years Long Service Award

Dennis Coelli, Chris Manning, Graham Sherer and John Vergara

SATURDAY PATROLS

Patrol 1	PC Sue Hale
Patrol 3	PC Chris Fillingham
Patrol 5	PC Mick Cook LM †
Patrol 7	PC Dean Griffin LM

SUNDAY PATROLS

Patrol 2	PC Andrew Porter
Patrol 4	PC Stuart Mangion
Patrol 6	PC Bil Kensey LM
Patrol 8	PC Tracie Cole

Thank you to the following for giving up part or all of your **CHRISTMAS DAY** with your family to keep the beach going community safe whilst visiting Toowoomba Bay:

Tim Andersen	Connor Brown	Garry Chappell	Ros Chugg	Helen Clifton	Tracey Clifton
Mick Cook	Ruth Cook	Julie Dawson	Ruby Dean	Jacqueline Dunkerley	Simone Dunn
CJ Eklund	Chris Fillingham	Ethan Fillingham	Jazzy Fillingham	Julie-Ann Fillingham	Denis Hannigan
Simon Hicks	Graham Jackson	Michelle Jackson	Bil Kensey	Darryl Lennox	Di Lennox
Nicole Locker	Michael Madigan	Gayle McCann	Greg McMahon	Wendy McNamara	Jennifer McNamee
John McNamee	Christi Mergan	Rod Mergan	Jeff Powell	Denise Ryals	Graham Sherer
Mei Ling Venning	John Vergara	Lyn Waters	Craig Mueller-Ahsmann		

And these members reached **100% PATROL** for the season:

Tony Akers	Tim Andersen	Stephen Angel	Barbara Attard	Dixon Callender	Garry Chappell
Ros Chugg	Helen Clifton	Tracey Clifton	Deirdre Coates	Dennis Coelli	Craig Cole
Tracie Cole	Geoff Cresswell	Julie Dawson	Ruby Dean	Jacqui Donadel	CJ Eklund
Mark Everingham	Denis Hannigan	Karen Hickmott	Simon Hicks	Craig Horton	Bil Kensey
Carole Luntungan	Luke Mabey	Stuart Mangion	Gayle McCann	Lisa McGrath	Paul McGrath
Greg McMahon	Wendy McNamara	Jeff Powell	Denise Ryals	Graham Sherer	Nicole Syphers
Craig Mueller-Ahsmann	Emma Young				

ACTIVE MEMBERS – 15-18YRS AND 18 YRS AND OVER (INCLUDING AWARD AND CADETS)

<u>AWARD:</u>	Ruth Cook	Caroline Dean	Irene Freeman	Lianne Halpin
David Prescott	Glenn Thew	Ashley Turner	Robert Walker	

<u>CADETS 13+:</u>	Connor Brown	Chloe McGrath	Noah Meacham	Gungor Osman
Levi Sandilands	Ilisha Stephens	Keira Valleau		

<u>ACTIVE 15-18YRS</u>	Matilda Baldwin	Jemima Bonham	Matthew Clarkson	Oliver Coucke
Ruby Dean	Gemma Harrison	Elyana Keys	Faith Kimpton	Charlotte Mangion
Amelie McKay	Eadie O'Sullivan	Zoe Peat	Hudson Sky	Noah Ward
Leo Mueller-Ahsmann				

<u>PROBATIONARY</u>	Matthew Anastasiou	Billy Attenborough	Oliver Burke	Mark Howbrigg
Hazel Jakes	Sanaam Jarabek	Grace Mitchell	Jamie Taylor	

<u>ACTIVE 18+</u>	Nahan Adams	Anthony Akers	Monique Alfris	Scott Allan
Matthew Allen	Tim Andersen	Stephen Angel	Cass Arthur	David Ashton
Barbara Attard	Arron Barker	Rebecca Black	Justin Burgers	Paul Byrne
Dixon Callender	Josh Caulfield	Garry Chappell	Rosalind Chugg	Josh Clarkson

Siobhan Clarkson	Tracey Clifton	Deirdre Coates	Craig Cole	Tracie Cole
David Coucke	Geoffrey Cresswell	Julie Dawson	Jacqui Donadel	Gavin Douglass
Michael Drew	Jacqueline Dunkerley	Simone Dunn	CJ Eklund	Belinda Elliott
Mark Everingham	Chris Fillingham	Ethan Fillingham	Jazzmyn Fillingham	Julie-Ann Fillingham
Liam Findlay	Brent Fitzpatrick	Sophie Gois	Sue Hale	Teegan Harrison
Mike Hayhurst	Chris Herring	Tamie-Jean Hersom	Karen Hickmott	Simon Hicks
Kristy Higgins	Nathan Higman	Nicole Hill	Sam Hilton	Katie Hinshelwood
Shane Hobbs	Andrew Hoffman	Kerry Hoffman	Craig Horton	Richard Horton
Geoff Hunter	Karen Igoe	Graham Jackson	Michelle Jackson	Joy Kentwell
Andrew Kerrsmith	Jennifer Kirkby	Ryan Kirkby	Katherine Kirton	Christine Laing
Darryl Lennox	Di Lennox	Nicole Locker	Mathieu Louchart	Tom Luke
Carole Luntungan	Luke Mabey	Emily MacDougall	Robbie MacDougall	Michael Madigan
Stuart Mangion	Emma McBride	Gayle McCann	Lisette McGrath	Paul McGrath
Michael McHugh	David McKay	Greg McMahon	Jennifer McNamee	John McNamee
Mohammed Iqbal Meeran	Bailey Meikle	Georgia Leigh Meikle	Kristen Meikle	Lachlan Meikle
Christiana Mergan	Joseph Mergan	Rodney Mergan	Andrew Micheline	Doug Millard
Craig Mueller-Ahsmann	Heidi Mueller-Ahsmann	Callum Nash	Trung Cang (TC) Nguyen	Dee O'Brien
Vincent O'Keeffe	Nathan Oliver	Christopher O'Loan	Tom Openshaw	Tim O'Sullivan
Greg Owen	Susan Paliskis	Alison Peacock	John Pearson	Jenny Perram
Dean Piper	Andrew Porter	Matthew Porter	Jeffrey Powell	Peter Pracy
Lara Pratt	Jason Prior	Sue Projceski	Phillip Raymont	Michael Roberts
Louise Rowland	Denise Ryals	Kylie Sandilands	Greg Sawyer	Belinda Schippers
Wendy Sheppard	Joe Shippam	Danielle Smith	Michael Smith	Tim Snelling
Gith Strid-Nwulaekwe	Jason Stuart	Nicole Syphers	Selena Thomas	John Thomson
Jonty Tipton-Akers	Josh Tisdell	Mei-Ling Venning	John Vergara	Shane Warbrick
Estelle Wicks	Paul Witney	Emma Young		

PATROLLING LIFE MEMBERS

Helen Clifton	Dennis Coelli	Mick Cook †	Geoff Grice
Dean Griffin	Denis Hannigan	Bil Kensey	Chris Manning
Wendy McNamara	Mark Shearan	Graham Sherer	Lyn Waters

CHIEF TRAINING OFFICER'S REPORT -2024/2025

It is with great pride that I present the Chief Training Officer's report for the 2024/25 season. This year has been another strong one for the development of our Club's lifesaving capabilities, with a focus on high-quality training delivery, improved member engagement, and strengthening our operational readiness.

Achievements and Certifications:

Unfortunately, due to ongoing issues with the Assessing App, recording of awards and requalification's, providing accurate numbers is impossible. Needless to say, they are higher than what is indicated.

- **New Awards Delivered:**
 - **Bronze Medallion:** 16 members successfully obtained their Bronze Medallion and a group of 9 having been successfully assessed, however the processing has been unfortunately delayed. These candidates' names will be reflected in the 2025/26 Annual Report.
 - **Surf Rescue Certificate (SRC):** 15 new SRC holders
 - **First Aid and Advanced Resuscitation Techniques (ART):** 15 and 8 respectively members accredited
 - **IRB Crew:** 9 candidates successfully completed the crew course, and a group of 8 candidates have been successfully assessed, however (again) the processing has been delayed. These candidates' names will be reflected in the 2025/26 Annual Report.
 - **Silver Medallion IRB Drivers:** 9 and counting with a new course starting in August.
- **Proficiency Requalification (Skills Maintenance)**

- Under 50% of active patrolling members were marked as having completed their annual proficiencies due to poor management of the Assessing App. It is hoped that SLSC improves this system for the new season.

Training Highlights:

- **Youth Development:**
 - Collaborated with the Junior Activities Committee to integrate more transition pathways from Nippers to SRC training.
 - Conducted joint water and land-based training sessions for Under 14's preparing for their SRC.
- **Trainer Development:**
 - One new trainer and one new assessor have been endorsed or upgraded their qualifications.

Challenges:

- **Trainer Availability:**
 - Like many volunteer-run clubs, trainer availability remains a balancing act. Thanks to all who stepped up and gave extra time to support the training groups with their skill development and the TBSLSC Assessors who gave their time to conduct the assessments and complete the required paperwork.
- **Weather Disruptions:**
 - Several planned sessions were rescheduled due to poor weather conditions or unsafe surf, impacting the training calendar.

Future Goals and Initiatives:

1. **Engaging Juniors:**
 - The Club aims to keep Juniors engaged through dynamic training approaches, providing younger members with training days, real life scenarios, and professional training introductions across advanced skills such as SMAR, IRB and RWC.
2. **Patrol Readiness:**
 - The Chief Training Officer (CTO) plans to work with Patrol Captains to tailor skill refreshers around the operational needs of their patrols, offering training during patrol times.
3. **Club Training Days:**
 - Introducing club training days where all patrolling members are invited to attend skill-specific training sessions run by TBSLSC trainers, such as board and tube skills, resuscitation refreshers, and patrol scenarios.
4. **Advanced Awards Participation:**
 - Increasing participation in advanced awards (IRB Driver, Advanced First Aid, Advanced Resuscitation Techniques, Patrol Captain etc)
5. **Pre-Season Prep Programs:**
 - Introducing structured pre-season prep programs to lift fitness and readiness, including pre-season re-quals.
6. **Transition Programs:**
 - Encouraging more SRC holders to transition to Bronze Medallion training through mentorship and dedicated transition programs.
7. **Advanced IRB Skills:**
 - Focusing on advanced IRB crew and driving skills.
8. **Rookie Trainers Program:**
 - Establishing a Rookie Trainers Program designed for Rookies to train Nippers in surf skills.
9. **Member Feedback:**
 - Improving feedback from members regarding training and upskilling.
10. **Patrol Scenario Challenge:**

- Introduce a Patrol Scenario Challenge to be carried out during patrols.

These initiatives aim to enhance member engagement, improve training quality, and ensure the Club's operational readiness.

A massive thank you to our dedicated trainers, assessors, and facilitators who have made this season a success. Your knowledge, time, and commitment to lifesaving education is invaluable. Thanks also to the Executive Committee, Patrol Captains, and parents who supported our members through their training journey.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our sponsors and supporters for their generosity and commitment. I would also like to acknowledge SLSCC, SLSNSW, SLISA, NSW and Federal Government for funding received. It is with this funding support that we can continue to provide good quality training through up-to-date training resources, ensure our FA room and bags are adequately supplied, our members have adequate and varied equipment use in educational training as well and training for competition and our on beach capabilities are guaranteed, and our equipment is properly maintained.

We continue to build a strong, skilled, and responsive patrol team. I look forward to another successful year of training and collaboration as we maintain high standards in surf lifesaving at Toowoomba Bay.

Simon Hicks

Chief Training Officer 2024/2025

Our Trainers, Assessors, and Facilitators:

Trainers: Chris Fillingham, Julie-Ann Fillingham, Simon Hicks, Katie Hinshelwood, Darryl Lennox, Craig Mueller-Ahsmann, Greg Owen, and Lyn Waters.

Probationary Trainer: Deirdre Coates

Assessors: Chris Fillingham, Chris Manning, and Lyn Waters.

Facilitators: Chris Fillingham (RWC), Nicci Hill, Bil Kensey and John Vergara.

Advanced Resuscitation Techniques:

Caroline Dean, CJ Eklund, Mohammed Iqbal Meeran, Heidi Mueller-Ahsmann, Leo Mueller-Ahsmann, Callum Nash, Christopher O'Loan and Danielle Smith.

Bronze Medallion/Certificate II Public Safety – Aquatic Rescue:

Matilda Baldwin, Belinda Elliott, Jade Haywood, Kristy Higgins, Samuel Hilton, Jennifer Kirkby, Katherine Kirton, Charlotte Mangion, Mohammed Iqbal Meeran, Dee O'Brien, Eadie O'Sullivan, Zoe Peat, Ben Reyes, Danielle Sedevic, Danielle Smith and Noah Ward.

IRB Crew Certificate:

Scott Allan, Tim Andersen, Paul Byrne, Liam Findlay, Mathieu Louchart, Michael McHugh, Jason Prior, Tim Snelling and Jason Stuart.

Silver Medallion IRB Driver:

Scott Allan, Tim Andersen, Paule Byrne, Liam Findlay, Mathieu Louchart, Michael McHugh, Jason Prior, Tim Snelling and Jason Stuart.

Surf Rescue Certificate (CPR Endorsed):

Georgia Baldwin, Nevah Bell, Pepper Duff, Kira Elliott, Isla Haywood, Jhy Kimpton, Olivia Kirkby, Chloe McGrath, Sophie McGrath, Amelia McHugh, Cooper O'Sullivan, Layla Rice, Charlotte Sandilands, Jack Tame and Keira Valleau.

SLSCC, SLNSW, and Academy Facilitated Courses:**Branch U15 Youth Development Program:**

Levi Sandilands

Branch U17-U19 Youth Leadership Program:

Elyana Keys

Branch Youth Program Facilitator:

Callum Nash

First Aid:

Kim D'Albora, Jacqueline Dunkerley, Mark Everingham, Elyana Keys, Jennifer Kirkby, Katherine Kirton, Mohammed Iqbal Meeran, Christiana Mergan, Rodney Mergan, Julie-Anne Nichols, Christopher O'Loan, Kylie Sandilands, Danielle Sedevic, Gith Strid-Nwulaekwe, Shane Warbrick

**Rescue Water Craft Operator Certificate:**

Luke Mabey, Stuart Mangion

Silver Medallion Aquatic Rescue:

Elyana Keys

Silver Medallion Patrol Captain:

Tim Andersen, CJ Eklund

Surf Sports – Technical Official:

Nathan Adams, Lauren Boyce, Luke Mabey

Training Officer IRB:

Craig Mueller-Ahsmann

UAV Operator (Non RPL):

Greg Berry, Michael McHugh

Mid North Coast Flood Response supported by Volunteer Lifesavers

TBSLSC patrolling member Craig Mueller-Ahsmann and surf lifesavers from across the state responded to the extreme weather event which affected the Mid North Coast in May, lending support to NSW SES and other emergency service agencies in rendering assistance to flood ravaged communities in the area. In all, 35 lifesavers across 10 teams of three and four, comprising of in-and on-water flood operators, UAV pilots and team leaders, took on missions including rescues, welfare checks, food resupplies, clean ups and intel gathering.

Craig and his strike team Sierra were deployed to Taree and the surrounding area with his team conducting welfare checks on residents cut off by flood water utilising IRB's and Archangel rafts, they conducted surveys of flooded roads and tagged abandoned cars in flood water. They also supported isolated communities and conducted medical drops and helped resupply essential items. Craig was involved in the rescue and recovery of a police officer and his vehicle which had become stuck on a flooded road. His team also supported the community at Kempsey by operating a ferry service of IRB's to transport people across flood water to access supplies and for essential workers (nurses, paramedics etc) to get to work.

If you would like to get involved with Flood Water rescue, please contact our CTO Simon Hicks or Surf Life Saving Central Coast for more information.



TOOWOON BAY SLSC 70TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

During 2023, it was determined that Toowoomba Bay SLSC would celebrate its milestone 70th and the idea was that there would be a birthday party on the beach.

Director of Finance Karen Hickmott successfully secured two grants: one from the Central Coast Council's Events Team to help with the cost of holding the event. The other from Member for The Entrance David Mehan.: to assist with the renovation of the club's foyer area and stairwell, which now proudly showcases the club's rich history. Additionally, it was resolved to formally recognise the club's outstanding achievements in surf sports.

The stairwell and foyer have been refurbished and transformed into the 'Heritage Walk'. A lifesaving service board has been installed in the foyer, featuring the names of members who have patrolled for a minimum of 10 years, alongside a board honouring those who have achieved meritorious distinction. This project was managed and curated by Lyn Lewis, with historical research conducted by Lyn Waters.


The 70th Anniversary Celebrations was planned to serve as a comprehensive showcase of 70 years of lifesaving, culminating in a celebration on the beach.

As detailed in the program below, the first part of the day included a static display featuring the various forms of rescue equipment, ranging from 1954 to present day. This exhibit included items from the original rescue reel to the current drones. The intention was to capture a photograph in the water that featured all forms of rescue equipment from different decades, with the Westpac Rescue Helicopter hovering overhead. Our keen photographer TC managed to capture the intention.

Participants were selected based on their specific contributions, as outlined in the program. The reel team comprises the last five members of the Club who were required to carry out a belt rescue to successfully obtain their Bronze Medallion. Notably, the boat crew included Jeff Heyden an original member of TBLSLSC's first surf boat medal winning team, and Dean Griffin, after whom one of the Club's boats is named.

The impressive stage and installation, made possible by club member Rob Shaw, contributed to the day's remarkable success. It was a joy to witness everyone dancing to the music pumped out by Shot Boys, they were dancing on the sand and in the water. People came and enjoyed the music in the sun, enjoying a picnic on the sand. It was a picture-perfect day at Toowoomba.

Special thanks to the Organising Committee - Jeff Powell, Craig Mueller Ahsmann, Jacqui Donadel and Karen Hickmott.



12pm Westpac Rescue Helicopter arrives for photo.

12:15pm Display of rescue techniques - tube, board, mass etc.

1pm Shott Boys commence.

3pm VIP event wraps up.

4pm Event comes to a close.

10am Static display of 70 years of surf rescue equipment on the beach.

10.15am Trium commence playing.

11am VIP's arrive and proceed to hall.

11.30am Display commences.

DISPLAY PARTICIPANTS

Surf Reel Team - The team was selected as the only five members of the TBLSLSC who gained their Bronze Medallion by performing a belt rescue:

- Belt Swimmer MARK SHEARAN
 - Life Member of Toowoomba Bay SLSC
 - Awarded Bronze Medallion in 1974
 - Patrolling member to date
- First Linesman PHILIP RAYMONT
 - Awarded Bronze Medallion 1974
 - Patrolling member to date
 - Immediate past President of Toowoomba Bay SLSC 2019 - 2024
- Second Linesman ROD WALLIS
 - Life Member of Toowoomba Bay SLSC
 - Awarded Bronze Medallion 1960
- Third Linesman RAY WALDEON
 - Life Member of Toowoomba Bay SLSC
 - Awarded Bronze Medallion 1985
- Reelman CHRIS JONES
 - Life Member of Toowoomba Bay SLSC
 - Awarded Bronze Medallion 1967 in Wales, UK
- Patent: ELLIE SYTHERS

Board Rescue - ESTELLE WICKS and CHRISTIANA MORGAN

- Patrolling Members
- Multiple local, State, National and World medallists
- Medallists of Coolangubra Gold

Surf Boat Crew

Sweep - PAUL QUICK

- Life Member of SLSCC and Tarragal SLSC
- Multiple local, State, National and World medallist rower and sweep
- Patrolling member to date

Stroke - LYN WATERS

- Life Member of Toowoomba Bay SLSC
- Multiple local, State, National and World medallist rower
- Patrolling member to date

Second Stroke - JEFF HEYDEN

- Member of first Toowoomba Bay SLSC boat crew
- Multiple local and State medallist rower

Second Bow - DEAN GRIFFIN

- Life Member of Toowoomba Bay SLSC
- Boat being rowed in display is named after him
- Multiple local, State and National medallist rower and sweep
- Patrol Captain to date

Bow - JACQUI DONADEL

- Multiple local, State and National medallist rower
- Patrolling member to date

IRB (Rubber Duck) - STUART HAYGREN

- Patrol Captain
- Gold Medallion Holder

JOHN VERGARA

- Patrolling member
- Facilitator
- Member of SLSCC RWC Team
- SLSCC Duty Officer

Jurk - SIMON HICKS

- Patrolling Member
- Member of SLSCC RWC Team
- Current TBLSLSC Chief Training Officer

IRB Rescue Patient - DERRIE COATES

Junior Board Paddlers - COOPER BARKER and NIXON ADAMS

First Aid - ELYANA KEYS and JEMMA BONHAM

TBLSLSC Youth Lifesavers of the Year 2023/24

Drone Pilot - TRACEY CLIFTON

- Director of Administration 2024/25
- SLSCNSW and RFS Helicopter Coastal Surveillance Operations
- SLS Land Based Flood Training
- HUET Trained
- TBLSLSC Masters Club Person of the Year and Lifesaver of the Year 2023/24

Bring on the 80 year anniversary!

With thanks
Phillip Raymont



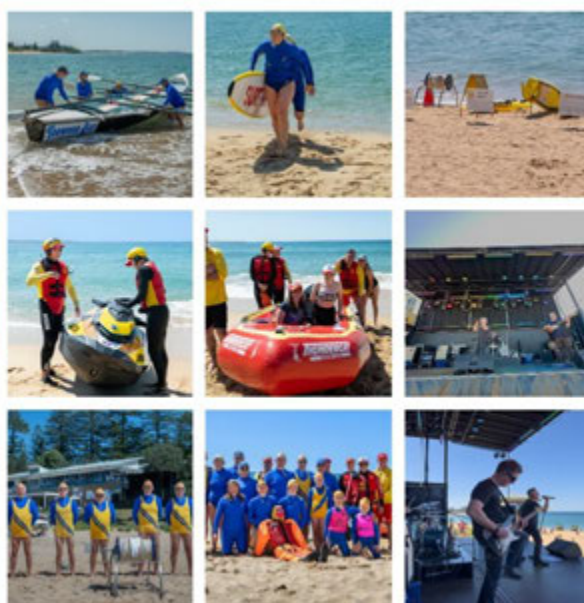
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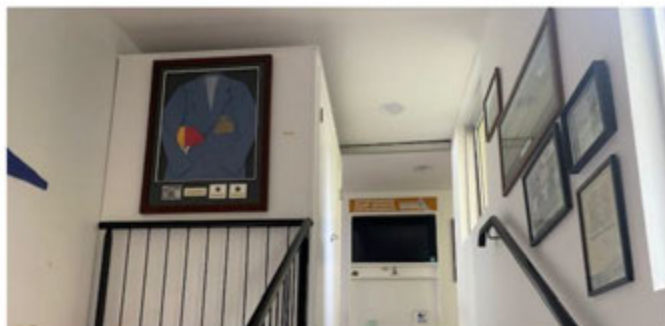
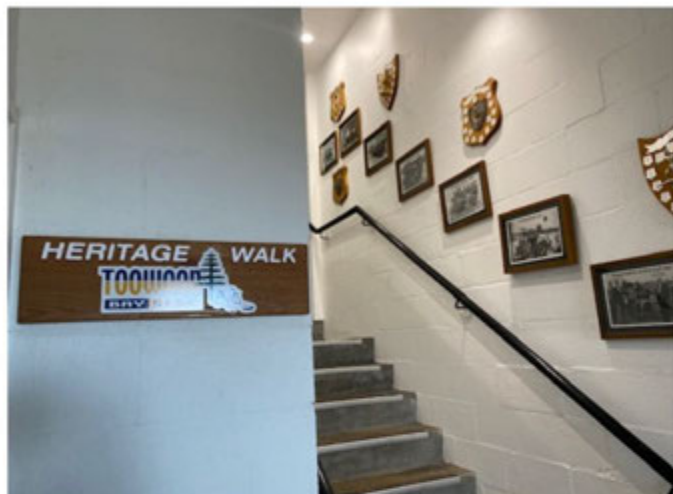
Thank you to all the volunteers, work crews, the 70th Committee, participants, supporters, helpers and Central Coast Council - without your help this day would not have been possible.

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TOOWOON BAY SLSC SENIOR PRESENTATION – 2024/2025

Friday 23rd May 2025

Held in the hall area at Toowoona Bay SLSC

PERPETUAL AWARDS

Competitors of the Year

Barbara Attard, Ben Hickmott, Ayden Littlechild, Julie Dawson, John McNamee, Wendy McNamara, Jenny Perram and Estelle Wicks

Contribution to Education within Surf Life Saving

Deirdre Coates

Youth Patrol Person of the Year

Olivia Kirkby

Patrol Person of the Year

Simone Dunn

Patrol of the Year

Patrol 2
Patrol Captain: Andrew Porter
Vice Captain: Karen Hickmott
Rod Mergan
Matt Allen, Rebecca Black, Garry Chappell, Lliam Findlay, Irene Freeman, Teegan Harrison, Simon Hicks, Emma McBride, Greg McMahon,

Christi Mergan, Doug Millard, Callum Nash, Chris O'Loan, Ali Peacock, Denise Ryals and Michael Smith

Club Captain's Award

Simon Hicks

Senior Encouragement Award

Jason Stuart

Masters Outstanding Club Person of the Year

Wendy McNamara

Volunteer of the Year

Zoe Mabey

Mick Cook Memorial Club Person of the Year

Jacqui Donadel

President's Award

Luke Mabey

Turtle Award

Stuart Mangion and Tim Andersen





It was with heartfelt congratulations that we recognise Luke and Chris for their well-deserved awards at the 2025 Surf Life Saving Central Coast Awards of Excellence evening held at Mingara on Saturday 7th June. As SLSCC Administrator of the Year, this accolade acknowledges Luke's unwavering commitment and positive impact on the Nipper Program, the Club and the wider community. As SLSCC Assessor of the Year, this award acknowledges Chris and his commitment and dedication to skill building, supportive assessment experiences, and encouragement of others.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS (INC STINGRAY ASSOCIATES, PARENT ASSOCIATES)

Kylie Adams	Craig Adamson	Cecilia Aguirre	Dee Aitken	Luke Angus
Jessica Anscombe	Petrina Apfel	Courtney Aribowo-Scott	Julia Artiss	Hannah Ashton
Aidan Bailes	Chris Baird	Carly Baldwin	Chris Baldwin	Dannielle Bambury
Patrick Bamford	Emma Barker	Tricia Barnard	Jenny Barnes	James Bayliss
Michelle Bell	Tim Bell	Bianca Beresford	Gregory Berry	Carole Bickley
Lohren Bird	Leila Bloomfield	Heath Bonnefin	Tyson Booth	Kaylie Bosshard
Robyn Bourke	John Boyce	Lauren Boyce	Courtney Boyle	Tanya Bright
Tayla Brown	Shane Brownlee	Kelly Burden	Katrina Button	Caira Reece
Jennifer Calkin	Adam Campano	Michelle Campbell	Nicholas Campbell	Kim Cannan
Christopher Carattini	Anna Carter	Daniel Carter	Alana Cassar	Ryan Cassar
David Cassell	Andrew Chapman	Denise Chapman	Victoria Charlesworth	Alejandro Chicco
Sally Clark	Katelyn Clarke	James Cleveland	Valerie Clifford	Kate Coates
Alison Collins	Angela Collins	Stephen Collins	Vicki-Colmer Ridge	Christine Cook
Francis Cook	Rochelle Cooper	Richard Cordell	Samantha Cordell	Robert Cortis
Alicia Curry	Kim D'Albora	Kerry Davenport	Constance Day	Riordan Day
Luke De Vincenzo	Michelle Delena	Tierney Desbrulais	Taryn Doe	Theofania Dongas
Chelsea Doorey	Jonathon Dore	Carla Douglass	Sarah Drew	Kristie Dries
Belinda Duff	Allyson Duke	Emma Duncan	Jon Dunk	Ashleigh Eacott
Kelly Easey	Erin Eccles	Dale Edgerton	Sybil Edwards	Jan Elsworth
Max Enders	Jennifer Ennion	Kimberley Eulenstein	Kerry Fallon Horgan	Stefanie Faria
Chandelle Featherstone	Emly Fernandez	Keelan Ferris	Harriet Fitzpatrick	Thomas Fleming
Scott Fogden	Colin Ford	Daniel Ford	Lisa Ford	Glenn Fraser
Prudence Fraser	Rebecca Garnsey	Heather Garriock	Daniel Garvey	Michelle Garvey
Jack Gates	Scott Gilbert	Adriana Gillies	Tavis Gillies	Sebastian Giri
Luke Goddard	Melina Goddard-Smith	Carlos Gonzalez Toro	Raymond Grace	Emily Graham-Redelinghuys
Gina Grant	Richard Grant	Sarah Griffiths	Kim Haidar	Kristine Hall

Luke Hammond	Marnie Hanlon	Michelle Hansen	Racquel Hassett	Joanne Hayes
Michael Hayes	Joelene Hayward	Jade Haywood	Brooke Heinjus	Genine Hekking
Robert Hekking	Katie Henstock	Kenneth Hey	Peter Hickmott	Bernard Higgins
Hariklia Hill	Jay Hinde	Jessica Hislop	Jessica Hokin	Alexandra Horton
Carina Howarth	Paul Hoyland	Briohny Humphreys	Marty Hunt	Katie Jackson
Marta Janaszek	Timothy Jeffries	Reg Jenkins	Lauren Jenson	Bruce Johnston
Connar Johnston	Lynne Johnston	Michael Johnston	Marguerite Jones	Samantha Jones
Stuart Jones	Jenna Keating	Paul Kelaher	Therese Kelly	John Kemp
Claudia Kerslake	Belinda Kimpton	Natalie King	Brodie Komorowski	Ben Lane
Kyle Lange	Melinda Lawther	Robert Lawther	Christopher Lendich	Craig Levy
Lynette Lewis	Steve Lloyd	Paul Lugo Ramos	Zoe Mabey	Donna Mackintosh
Jack Maclean	Kenzie Maguire	Peter Mak	Vicki Mak	Rebecca Manfredotti
Margaret Manning	Wade Marquart	Scott Marshall	Ricardo Martello	Kirsty Martin
Stephanie Martin	Erica Martinelli	Alyce Mateljan	Alana Maxwell	Nathen May
Camile McArthur	Kate McCallum	Kellie-Marie McDonald	Karinne McDougall	Naomi McGrath
Katheryn McHugh	Logan McLoughlin	Brendan McMahon	Steve Medcalf	Jacob Melling
Michael Melville	Jill Merrett	Alec Mills	Jade Mitrovich	Simon Mitrovich
Paul Molan	Cory Moody	Angela Morgan	Michael Morgan	Matthew Morris
Jackie Morrison	Anne Moylan	Ben Muller	Emma Mumberson	Ciara Murray
Grant Muston	Garry Nash	Holly Nash	Tracey Nash	Emma Neate
Suellen Newton	Julie-Anne Nichols	Wendy Nobbs	James Nuttall	Paul O'Brien
Jana Ondrejko	Ai Keng Ong	Luke O'Reilly	Rebecca Oritz Rubio	Emily O'Sullivan
Bryn Owen	Iain Palmer	Tony Parezanovic	Steven Parsons	Gabrielle Payne
Sonya Peat	Saolotoga Perese	Samara Perram	Robert Pisto	Oliver Pitts
Lorraine Poulton	Charlotte Powell	Yasuko Preddey	Rennae Projceski	Rachel Rampe
Simon Reed	Ben Reyes	Peter Reynolds	Clarissa Rhodes	Christina Rice
Daniel Rice	John Ridal	Anthony Roche	Barry Rogers	Julianne Rogers
Alicia Rogerson	Damien Rosenbaum	Katrina Roseworn	Olivia Ryan	Emma Sailah
Mitch Saunders	Leaha Sanderson	Rachel Scott	Danielle Sedevic	Ashley Seeto
Kurt Segalla	Jaime Shanahan	Matthew Shanahan	Adam Shanks	Robert Shaw
Carly Sheppard	Daniel Sigl	Rebecca Slattey	Ben Smith	Brad Smith
Marie-Eve Smith	Leigh Spring	Walter Stafford	Luke Stanley	Courtney Starr
Andrew Stead	Craig Stephens	Danni Stephens	Judah Stephens	Warwick Stevens
Emma Stokes	Karen Sutton-Ward	Sarah Sweeney	Phillip Swinford	Kristy Symons
Ian Syphers	Gareth Taber	Pressica Taber	Amanda Taylor	Patrick Teen
Dylan Theuerjahr	Jamie Thompson	Katherine Thompson	Lauren Thorpe	Eric Thorsby
Victoria Tipton	Elodie Tipton-Akers	Jeffrey Tischler	Rebecca Tischler	Keira Trainor
Bianca Trampnau	Kate Turner	Luke Turner	Marion Valleydam	Peter Valleau
Rachel Valteau	Maarten Van Der Wende	Ben Vaughan	Jacinta Vergara	Nicholas Vergara
Giovanni Vitagliano	Mikko Von Lueders	Petra Vozenilkova	Wilma Wakeley	Raymond Waldron
Cara Walker	Michele Wall	Bridget Wallbank	Rod Wallis	Jean Walsh
Sam Watson	Jenna Weller	Anna Wemmert	Alison West	Amber White
David Wicks	Rodney Wicks	Stephanie Wicks	Brian Wilkins	Ian Williamson
Brenda Wilson	Timothy Wilson	Sandra Wingrave	Penelope Wood	Jack Woods
Daniel Woolley	Maryanne Woolley	Stuart Wright	Sushil Yadav	Ryan Yates
Rebecca Young	Claudia Hickmott			

VICE PRESIDENT YOUTH SERVICES/JAC REPORT 2024/2025

As the sun sets on another incredible season, we reflect with pride on what has been a successful and rewarding year for Toowoan Bay Nippers. Building on our achievements of the last three years we have seen further growth in overall nipper membership and a noticeable strengthening of the culture within our nipper program.

Pleasingly, we have seen strong numbers of nipper parents getting involved in helping to deliver nippers but also completing their Bronze Medallion as well as other awards and joining the patrolling membership.

Our additional training, both sprint and board, has continued to deliver growth to the nippers who attend regularly, this is evident in our carnival results. Thank you to Shane (Hobbs) for stepping up to drive training this season.

Carnival representation was one of our biggest achievements this season. We managed to send over 60 nippers to most carnivals, more than a lot of the other clubs in the branch. The culture within our carnival team is something that I am extremely proud of and I know it is only going to continue to grow.

Twilight Nippers was another season highlight. We were blessed with amazing weather (again). The kids played games, climbed in and jumped off the IRB and competed in a pool inflatable race. Santa and his elf arrived via IRB for a visit and handed out lollies. The day was capped off with a club sponsored ice block. A massive thanks must be given to the team on Patrol 3, Nicole Locker and Geoff Cresswell who were instrumental in making the afternoon a success.

The new year saw Olivia Kirkby represent the Club in the Junior Lifesaver of the Year competition. Each year this program recognizes the outstanding contributions U14 Central Coast members provide to their clubs and the community. Olivia was selected as our representative on the back of her commitment to the SRC program and her contributions to the Club. Olivia was also nominated as our Rookie of the Year at this year's SLSCC Awards of Excellence.

We capped off a successful season with our presentation days in March where we were able to recognize the achievements of our nippers and volunteers through the season.

Plans are well underway for season 25/26 with an increased focus on competition and also creating great youth lifesavers. A big thank you to the Toowoomba Bay Ocean Swim (TBOS) for sponsoring us with 10 new foamie nipper boards to bolster our supplies for the season ahead.

I would like to thank all the volunteers involved in the running of the nipper program for making this possible. Finally, thanks so much to the BBQ crew who do such an amazing job providing great food and even better banter every Sunday morning during the nippers season.

Luke Mabey
VP Youth Services JAC



AGE MANAGERS REPORTS:



UNDER 6 – Sam Cordell, Imogen Michelini, Kristy Higgins, Elyana Keys, Jemima Bonham and Matilda Baldwin

The 2024/25 season has been fantastic as we welcomed over 60 new nippers to the Club. Being part of their journey and witnessing their development and enthusiasm for the beach, swimming, environmental

awareness and safety has been inspiring. From cautious beginners to confident nippers, the progress made by each child is a testament to their efforts and determination to improve.

A warm thank you to parents and guardians. Your commitment to bringing your children to nippers each Sunday, volunteering to assist with the program and cheering from the sidelines has been invaluable.

None of this would have been possible without age managers Imogen, Kristy, Ely, Jemima and Matilda. A huge thanks for their collaboration, energy, ideas and support throughout the season.

We hope to see you all back for the 2025/26 season ready to build on the foundations and continue the nipper journey.

Surf Play One – Under 6

Olive Anscombe, Ivy Barker, Sibella Booth, Jayk Bourke, Sonny Brownlee, Beau Caira, Conor Caira, Luca Chicco, Austin Cleveland, James Colmer Ridge, Madison Cordell, Julia Corral Ondrejкова, Torah Doe, Jayla Duncan, Olivia Dunk, Daisy Enders, Penelope Ennion, Sonny Findlay, Ella Fogden, August Ford, John Fountain, Harry Fraser, Elena Gargrave, Daisy Gates, Jasper Gilbert, Eli Giry-Ducluzeau, Harvey Hammond, Loki Higman, Matilda Hislop, Asher Hokin, Rowen Hookins, Beau Jackson, Connor Jenkins, Jagger Kerslake, Cohen Lange, Bronte Lawther, Valentina Lugo Oritz, Gwen Marquart, Mateo May, Florence McMahon, Anastasia Morgan, Isla Morris, Louis Moylan, Aidan Murray, Maggie Neate, Jimi O'Brien, Maeve O'Reilly, Tate Pisto, George Powell, Bodhi Redelinghuys, Dominic Reed, Tahlia Russell, Marley Sailah, Skylar-Jae Salmon, Lilah Smith, Noah Smith, Cameron Stokes, Ariana Theuerjahr, Brock Thomas, Osar Thompson, Eaden Thorpe, Kohen Trainor, Reggie Turner, Matilda Want, Lily Wheele, Emily Wood, Orlando Wood, Verity Woolley,



UNDER 7 – Carly Baldwin, Chris Baldwin, CJ Eklund, Samara Perram and Faith Kimpton

What a fantastic season it's been for our Under 7's! from our first session to the final Sunday, the energy, enthusiasm and growth in our group has been incredible.

A big focus was making sure our nippers were "rule ready" for sprints and flags. We regularly practised correct starts, finishes and race etiquette to prepare them for club champs and carnivals next season. We also introduced basic relay transitions, laying the groundwork for future team events.



As the season progressed, we raised expectations around listening, focus and effort – and our Under 7's rose to the challenge. They became more independent, more responsive to instruction and more determined in every activity.

Toward the back end of the season, we began separating boys and girls to allow for more focussed skill development. This helped build confidence and better prepared them for their transition to Under 8's next season.

Beyond surf sports, we saw amazing growth in friendships, confidence, water safety and survival skills. Week by week, they grew from shy beginners to confident, capable nippers.

A huge thank you to the parents and carers who got in the water or helped organise activities each week – your support made a big difference.

We are especially grateful to Georgia and Sophie from the Under 14's, who regularly joined us to share their sprinting and flags expertise after their own session. The boys loved racing them – especially when given a head start with the goal of not being caught!

We're so proud of how far this group has come. With strong foundations in place, they're ready to take on the challenge of Under 8's and all the excitement of competition.

Thanks for a great season, we can't wait to see everyone back on the beach next summer!

Surf Play Two – U7

Liam Angus, Hendrix Aribowo-Scott, Marley Bailes, Patrick Baldwin, Indy Bambury, Ivy Anne Bayliss, Nora Bird, Henley Boyle, Tamara Campano, Jordan Carattini, Enzo Cassar, Gabriela Chapman, Maya Charlesworth, Beau Cleveland, Lucibelle Collins, Colby Cortis, Theo Desbrulais, Quinn Diessel, Bronte Douglass, Lacey Dries, Indiana Eccles, Oliver Edgerton, Nash Eklund, Mateo Fernandez, Charlotte Fitzpatrick, Piper Fleming, Ari Ford, Imogen Gargrave, Aria Glushankova, Jacob Grace, Winter Hannon, Slate Heinjus, Ziggy Hemingway, Orlando Henstock, Noah Higgins, Calie Higman, Freya Hobbs, Dylan Johnston, Hazel Komorowski, Astin Louchart, Tobias Marshall, Emily Mateljan, Luca May, Leo McCarthy, Frank McMahon, Koby Melville, Nathan Mills, Jace Morrison, Georgia Mumberson, Alec Muston, Olivia Muston, Liara Nuttall, Helena Palmer, Hayden Rae, Mahalia Reyes, Eloise Sedevic, Raphael Seeto, London Shanks, Cali Sheppard, Edith Shippam, Eloise Smith, Indiana Smith, Evie Spring, Madelyn Spring, Rosie Stead, Lily Stokes, Zaiden Teteveno, Oliver Thorsby, Maddison Tischler, Isabelle Troy, Summer Turner, Bodhi Vaughan, Talon Vergara, Remi Wallbank, Ashton West, Mason Woods, Stella Yates.



UNDER 8 – Matt Allen, Lliam Findlay, Zoe Mabey, Kellie McDonald and Kylie Adams

What a year for the mighty Under 8's!

This year we saw the kids develop skills, knowledge and such improvement from last year, gaining more confidence and building friendships along the way. It has been an absolute pleasure mentoring and managing this group of young superstars and we were fortunate to have such an amazing team of age managers and parent volunteers, without which, we could not have been so successful. We saw the kids compete at carnivals for the first time, and even come away with some medals!

Watching the kids grow from the start of the season to the end and seeing how far they've come has been so rewarding and I am looking forward to seeing the progress and develop more skills in the years to come. Next season we will see the kids learn the techniques of board paddling and more surf survival skills.

I would personally like to thank each and every parent who stepped up and helped out in one way or another this year. Everyone got involved and it was so nice to see the enthusiasm and smiles on everyone's faces. A special mention to the U8's age managers for making this season run so smoothly and I hope to see you all back next season!

Awards

Age Managers - Elise Tisdell

Most Improved – Talloh Pisto

Most Consistent – Jaxon King

Club Championship Results

Girls	Beach	Water	Boys	Beach	Water
1st	Elizabeth Haywood	Anise Taber	1st	Thomas Wood	Thomas Wood
2nd	Lestelle Muston	Elizabeth Haywood	2nd	Darcy De Vincenzo	Ethan Trampnau
3rd	Ivy Findlay	Ivy Findlay	3rd	Zarius Teteveno	Lincoln Cordell

Surf Aware One – U8:

Rafferty Adams, Elijah Anscombe, India Apfel, Lukas Bosshard, William Boyce, Kai Button, William Byrne, Edge Cassell, Valentina Chicco, Jet Cooper, Lincoln Cordell, Darcy De Vincenzo, Nina Douglass, James Faria, Ivy Findlay, Dallas Galla, Liam Gillies, Celeste Gonzalez Clavijo, Harriet Griffiths, Charlie Haidar, Penelope Hammond, Elizabeth Haywood, Didi Hill, Liliana Hinde, Nalani Jones, Jaxon King, Taylen King, April Komorowski, Harvey Lendich, Arielle Mabey, Kendall Maclean, Grace McDonald, Chace Melling, Sam Murray, Lestelle Muston, Aria Patten, Talloh Pisto, Eve Rampe, Arabelle Rosenbaum, Jack Shanahan, Xand Slattery, Ava Smith,

Edie Smith, Eloise Sweeney, Harrison Swinford, Reyna Sylva-Aguirre, Benjamin Syphers, Anise Taber, Zarius Tetevano, Elsie Tisdell, Ethan Trampnau, Flynn Watson, Zahli Wheele, Thomas Wood, Lydia Woolley, Ted Wright.



UNDER 9 – Brent Fitzpatrick, Georgia-Leigh Meikle, Callum Nash, Shane Hobbs

The 2025 season saw the Under 9's continue to build on their strong foundation, with a renewed focus on carnival participation and water confidence. A large number of Nippers at this age group took part in local carnivals, and it was fantastic to see their enthusiasm, team spirit and sportsmanship on full display.

Our Sunday sessions and board training significantly boosted the group's water skills, with many children showing marked improvement in swim strength and board handling.

This year, the group stepped up their confidence in the surf, transitioning from playful water games to more challenging wave navigation and ocean swimming. The progress was evident as many took on iron person events and confidently rode foam boards through both the shore break and point sections of the beach. These milestones highlight how much the group has matured not only in skill but in resilience and determination.

A huge thank you to our committed parents and volunteers who consistently support the program and created a fun, safe, and encouraging environment.

We look forward to another successful and exciting season ahead.

Awards

Age Managers – Beau Campbell

Most Improved – Tristan Mcarthur

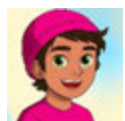
Most Consistent – Estelle Henstock

Club Championship Results

<u>Girls</u>	<u>Beach</u>	<u>Water</u>	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Beach</u>	<u>Water</u>
1st	Ivie Keating	Olive Stuart and Poppy Hobbs	1st	Archie Parezanovic	Harrison Witney
2nd	Madeleine Haywood		2nd	Baxter Thorpe	Archie Parezanovic
3rd	Olive Stuart	Ivie Keating	3rd	Harrison Witney	Thomas Snelling

Surf Aware Two – U9

Isabella Baldwin, Sam Buakhao-Bamford, Olivia Burgers, Beau Campbell, Bella Carter, Bodhi Duncan, Olivia Eacott, Abigail Edwards, Lily Fenton, Isolde Ferris, Gracie Fitzpatrick, Eva Ford, Emile Goddard, Siena Grant, Isabella Guise, Zara Hart, Madeleine Haywood, Onyx Heinjus, Estelle Henstock, Poppy Hobbs, Willow Hookins, Zach Horton, Preston Hunt, Eliza Jean Jeffries, Ivie Keating, Kye Lawther, Oscar Lendich, Elsa Maguire, River Marquart, Tristan Mcarthur, Max Mcloughlin, Cole Openshaw, Vivienne Palmer, Archie Parezanovic, Patricia Perese, Elliott Pitts, Isla Sanders, Elise Segalla, Rowan Shippam, Thomas Snelling, Olive Stuart, Baxter Thrope, Grace Thorsby, Jayda Tischler, Ashtyn Vitagliano, Charlie Want, Harley Williamson, Reuben Wilson, Harrison Witney.



UNDER 10 – Mick Drew, Holly Lane and Ben Lane

The Under 10's at Toowoan Bay SLSC brought unstoppable energy, enthusiasm, and a strong sense of team spirit to every Sunday this season. With a focus on developing surf and sand skills in an inclusive, supportive environment, our nippers embraced every challenge with courage, curiosity, and courtesy.

We celebrated some fantastic results throughout the season. Highlights included a bronze medal in the girls' swim relay at the Terrigal carnival, individual medals in beach sprints and flags, and a silver in the beach flags at Terrigal. Our girls also reached finals in the swim, board, beach sprint and beach flags events at the SLSCC

Championships, while the boys made finals in beach sprints and flags across several carnivals, including the SLSCC Championships.

Every member of the age group completed their competition proficiency swim, a testament to their growing confidence and capability in the water. We paddled and swam the bay on numerous occasions, successfully transitioning from foamies to fibreglass boards, with both boys and girls board relay teams proudly representing the club at carnivals.

Our Sundays were made even better thanks to the unwavering support of our parent group, who played a vital role in water safety and beach activities each week.

We are proud of the adventurous, inclusive, and encouraging culture this group has built – the Under 10's truly embodied the spirit of Toowoomba Bay.

Awards

Age Managers – Kai Valleau

Most Improved – Kiara McGrath

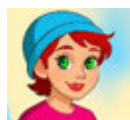
Most Consistent – Hugo Campbell

Club Championship Results

<u>Girls</u>	<u>Beach</u>	<u>Water</u>	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Beach</u>	<u>Water</u>
1st	Ava Moody	Catherine Drew	1st	Flynn Molan	Hunter Hobbs
2nd	Catherine Drew	Eden Boyle	2nd	Hunter Hobbs	Leonardo Lane
3rd	Milliana Jones	Kiara McGrath	3rd	Benjamin Griffiths	Benjamin Griffiths

Surf Safe One U10

Cormac Ashton, Landon Bosshard, Cleaver Boyce, Eden Boyle, James Byrne, Hugo Campbell, Hitch Cassell, Samuel Chapman, Vali Coates, Miguel Delena, Huxley Dhillon, Catherine Drew, Theodore Ennion, Ava Ford, Benjamin Griffiths, Isaac Guise, William Hinde, Hunter Hobbs, Milliana Jones, Mia Kelaher, Madeleine Kirkby, Leonardo Lane, Noa Louchart, Ethan Lugo Oritz, Jesse Macdonald, Jax Manfredotti, Kiara McGrath, Scarlett Mitrovich, Flynn Molan, Ava Moody, Cian Murray, Cian O'Reilly, Sienna Smith, Chloe Tischler, Matilda Tisdell, Kai Valleau, Nicolas Want, Charlotte Wicks, Asher Woolley.



UNDER 11

Age Managers – Jason Stuart and Josh Tisdell

Parent Helpers – Nathan Adams and Nicole Syphers

The 2024/25 season was the first for us as age managers for the Under 11's and was extremely successful in a number of key areas.

ATTENDANCE – we had a very strong contingent of nippers in regular attendance. A core group of 20-25 in attendance every week. Our female nippers outnumber the males by two to one, and it's great to see the engagement levels.

SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND PARTICIPATION – All our nippers have made significant improvements this year. The participation rates in both sand and water events improved each week as nippers became more comfortable with the introduction of fibreglass boards and the larger course for the swim and board. We also introduced some board and tube rescues this year as well as signals which was well received by the nippers. Our female nippers are a very competitive bunch, and their skill levels are on par with each other which creates a great competitive nature between them. It is very exciting to watch them compete against each other every week. Our male nippers remained extremely consistent throughout the season, willing to give anything a go.

FRIENDSHIPS AND SUPPORT – A highlight for this season has been watching the group grow together. They are extremely supportive of each other, they will always stand and cheer each other along. They all are extremely encouraging to each other and will participate with each other to help each other along.

EXTRA TRAINING – There are a core few nippers from this age group which also participated in the extra board training that was on offer, attending earlier mornings and some alternate days to complete this.

CARNIVALS – We had a core group of participants attending carnivals for Toowoona. Four males and six to seven female competitors at each carnival. They are also producing great results here and some extra training in these events will ensure great results next season.

Awards

Age Managers – Nixon Adams

Most Improved – Harper Stuart

Most Consistent – Elizabeth Syphers

<u>Girls</u>	<u>Beach</u>	<u>Water</u>	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Beach</u>	<u>Water</u>
1 st	Matilda Haywood	Kara Stuart	1 st	Finlay Murphy	Nixon Adams
2 nd	Kara Stuart	Saskia Parezanovic	1 st	Ethan Burgers	Ethan Burgers
3 rd	Noa Louchart	Noa Louchart	2 nd	Levi Carter	Levi Carter

Surf Safe Two – U11

Nixon Adams, Riley Bell, Ethan Burgers, Levi Carter, Hunter Collins, Jackson Cordell, Eden Davis, Helena Dore, Abbey Duke, Noah Giry-Ducluzeau, Grace Goodyer, Kody Grant, Matilda Haywood, Ruby Heinjus, Izabelle Higman, Finlay Murphy, Saskia Parezanovic, Harriet Porter, Charlotte Rhodes, Aida Rice, Paige Shanahan, Harper Stuart, Kara Stuart, Elizabeth Syphers, Arthur Taber, Misha Vergara, Pearl White, Imogen Wicks.



UNDER 12 – Luke Mabey

This season the Under 12's was a much smaller group with a core group of around 15 nippers. We continued to develop great ocean confidence within the group with our mostly experienced team of nippers now excelling in the core disciplines both in the water and on the beach.

We continued with 'Lifesaving' focus introduced last season where kids were taught techniques for board and tube rescues, as well as being introduced to signals. This not only added great skills which our nippers will continue to hone over future years but also adds a bit of variety for the weekly sessions.

A big thank you to all the parents who are willing to jump in and help out in running the sessions each week. I really appreciate it! I am immensely proud of the continued growth in this group of kids, and I know this will continue next season.

Awards

Age Managers – Grace Snelling

Most Improved – Joseph Horton

Most Consistent – Jagger White

Club Championship Results

<u>Girls</u>	<u>Beach</u>	<u>Water</u>	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Beach</u>	<u>Water</u>
1 st	Freya Kerrsmith	Freya Kerrsmith	1 st	Tomas Dlesk	Tomas Dlesk
2 nd	Kaizen Louchart	Izabelle Mabey	2 nd	Cooper Barker	Cooper Barker
3 rd	Elouise Kirkby	Elouise Kirkby	3 rd	Austin Boyle	Joseph Horton

Surf Smart One – U12

Lellani Adler Vallaydam, Charlotte Ashton, Allegra Barboza Martello, Cooper Barker, Austin Boyle, Luna Coates, Tomas Dlesk, Christian Godbold, Joseph Horton, Katie Kelaher, Freya Kerrsmith, Elouise Kirkby, Kaizen Louchart, Izabelle Mabey, Chelsea McHugh, Grace Snelling, Malachi Stephens, Sophie Szmura, Charlie Toulman, Elvis Waldron, Jagger White.



UNDER 13 – Craig and Heidi Mueller Ahsmann

The 2024/25 season welcomed several new faces to our Under 13's nipper group and the kids quickly adapted and learned brand new skills. Despite many having been with us for three years, everyone showed maturity in accepting new team mates and solidifying friendships and they became a cohesive group.

We began learning CPR as a group to prepare for the Surf Rescue Certificate in Under 14's. You could even see the enthusiasm as a new group grow as they gained confidence throughout the season.

I am also happy to report that two of our Under 13 members – Claudette and Lucinda – were picked from our group to attend the Rookie Camp, where they proudly demonstrated their dedication to surf life saving and Toowoan Bay SLSC. In addition, they attended several weekend patrols and learnt the ropes of what it is like to be on patrol. This will be a requirement for all the Rookies in the coming season.



Overall, it was a great year and we look forward to an even better 2025/26 season.

Awards

Age Managers – Oliver Carter

Most Improved – Winter-Rose Garvey

Most Consistent – Lucinda Parezanovic

Club Championship Results

Girls	Beach	Water	Boys	Beach	Water
1st	Claudette Austin Nichols	Skye Valleau	1st	Connor Haywood	Connor Haywood
2nd	Skye Valleau	Lucinda Parezanovic	2nd	Max Ford	Oliver Carter
3rd	Lucinda Parezanovic	Allegra Barboza Martello	3rd	Oliver Carter	Max Ford




Surf Smart Two – U13

Claudette Austin-Nichols, Nevah Bell, Samantha Burden, Oliver Carter, Ruby Collins, Pepper Duff, Max Ford, Winter-Rose Garvey, Connor Haywood, Indie Lambert, Ella Mitrovich, Grace Mueller-Ahsmann, Lucinda Parezanovic, Hannah Rowland, Miranda Smith, Sophia Turner, Skye Valleau, Laela Zreika.



UNDER 14 – Ryan Kirkby and Mick McHugh

The 2024/25 season brought a noticeable rise in Rookie numbers, with a great mix of fresh new faces and returning nippers stepping up for their final season. With plenty on the calendar, it was always shaping up to be a busy one, and Toowoan didn't disappoint, showing up in strong numbers across several branch-run Rookie events including:

-  Raising of the Flags at Avoca
-  Rookie Disco at Copacabana
-  Rookie Camp at Point Wolstoncroft

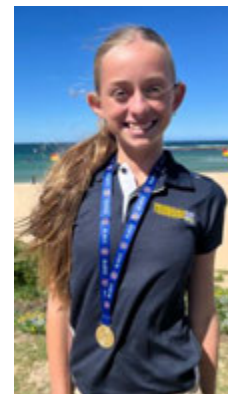
- 🏆 Rookie Challenge at Umina
- 🏆 Junior Lifesaver of the Year (JLOTY) Patrol at The Entrance

Every Sunday morning, our Under 14's gathered in the Club's multifunction space with Greg and Lyn, kicking off their Surf Rescue Certificate (SRC) training. From theory to hands-on practice, they covered everything from rescue techniques and communication to first aid, CPR, signals, and beach safety. The energy in the room was quite high considering the usual energy levels of 13/14 year olds at that hour on a Sunday morning, and both Greg and Lyn were quick to praise the enthusiasm and dedication of the group.

Once they'd earned their SRC's, the Rookies hit the beach to practice the skills they'd learned in addition to supporting water safety, mentoring younger age groups, and even squeezing in some adrenaline-pumping rides on the jet ski and IRB. Several also took the next step in Surf life saving by joining patrols.

On the competition front, we saw some outstanding achievements at Branch level:

- 🏆 Sophie McGrath took home silver in the Flags.
- 🏆 Olivia Kirkby claimed GOLD in Signals.
- 🏆 A special shout out to Cooper O'Sullivan and Isla Haywood, who both competed in three carnivals and came incredibly close to making the SLSCC rep squad – great effort!



We also had Chloe McGrath complete her Bronze Medallion this season too, which showed that the SRC is a great stepping stone to bigger and better things.

On behalf of Mick and myself, a heartfelt thank you to everyone who made this season a success:

- ✓ Luke and his family, for their tireless coordination of the Toowoomba Bay Nippers Program.
- ✓ Greg and Lyn for their mentorship during SRC and support with JLOTY
- ✓ Simon and other patrol members for the hours spent giving Rookies rides on the jet ski and IRB.
- ✓ Our amazing Rookie families for years of support and friendship on and off the beach.
- ✓ Everyone who pitched in with beach set-up/pack-up, BBQ's, training, the trivia night, social media, dropping off, picking up and being a guardian for the Rookies at their events, administration and every other thankless job that goes unseen, of which there are many – your efforts don't go unnoticed!
- ✓ And lastly to our Rookies. So many times throughout the season we've been complimented on what an amazing group you are. We hope you keep making a positive contribution to the community and continue being great young people. This may be the end of your nipper journey, but it's just the beginning of a world of possibilities within SLS and we hope to see you all back next season to pass on some of your skills to the next generation of Toowoomba Bay Nippers, and in your red and yellows as you become our next generation of Toowoomba Bay SLSC patrolling member.

Awards

Age Managers – Chloe McGrath

Most Improved – Kira Elliott

Most Consistent – Keira Valleau

Club Championship Results

Water

1st	Georgia Baldwin	1st	Cooper O'Sullivan
2nd overall	Amelia McHugh		
3rd overall	Sophie McGrath		
4th overall	Olivia Kirkby		
5th overall	Nevah Bell		

Beach

1st	Sophie McGrath	1st	Cooper O'Sullivan
2nd overall	Georgia Baldwin		
3rd overall	Amelia McHugh		
4th overall	Olivia Kirkby		
5th overall	Layla Rice		

Surf Rescue Certificate (CPR Endorsed)

Georgia Baldwin, Nevah Bell, Pepper Duff, Kira Elliott, Isla Haywood, Jhy Kimpton, Olivia Kirkby, Chloe McGrath, Sophie McGrath, Anelia McHugh, Cooper O'Sullivan, Layla Rice, Charlotte Sandilands, Jack Tame and Keira Valleau.

Nipper Perpetual Awards 2024/2025

Ross Blowers Junior U8 Sports Boy – Thomas Wood
 Bill Kensey Junior U8 Sports Girl – Elizabeth Haywood
 Junior Sports Person - Male – Winner – Nixon Adams
 Junior Sports Person - Male – Encouragement – Archie Parzenovic
 Junior Sports Person - Female – Winner – Catherine Drew
 Junior Sports Person - Female – Encouragement – Ivie Keating
 Senior Sports Person - Male – Winner – Cooper O'Sullivan
 Senior Sports Person - Male – Encouragement – Tomas Dlesk
 Senior Sports Person - Female – Winner – Sophie McGrath
 Senior Sports Person - Female – Encouragement – Lucinda Parezanivic
 Family of the Year – The Mabey Family
 Volunteer of the Year – Jason Stuart and Matt Allen
 Clem Liddy Junior Club Person of the Year – Izabelle Mabey
 Thelma Laird Junior Club Person of the Year – Olivia Kirkby
 M&M Moore Senior Club Person – Shane Hobbs
 Rookie of the Year – Olivia Kirkby

Training and Competition

What a season the 2025 one was, building on a solid 2024 season with training and competition for our nippers. We hit the ground running kicking off our pre-season fitness training in mid-July. Even in the depths of winter we had a great response to our fitness training averaging 10-12 kids each Sunday morning (and even a few parents).

It was great to see our 2024 competitors keen to back up again, but the word had got around that there were a few new faces keen to have a crack.

Our fitness training was solid through July and August when water training started up again for the year, with another big group keen to hone their skills and some fresh faces ready to learn some skills.

Water training continued to be solid all year with the Saturday morning board and swim training so popular, we added a few Sunday sessions after nippers which drew massive attendance (appx 30 nippers).

Taking one session down the road to Shelly Beach to give the Branch competitors a taste of some surf was a massive hit (although nothing could prepare them for the surf that awaited them at Branch) with 15 kids keen and eager to get out into the surf. This is a training format that we will definitely be adapting in the 2026 season.

Obviously without the help of Luke we couldn't run these sessions, but there was also the week in week out help of our parent helpers Jason Stuart, Ben Lane and Brent Fitzpatrick. I'm truly grateful for all the help.

Our results at carnivals in the water reflected the hard work the kids put in at training with numerous finals in the swim and board and also entering a team in the All Age Board Relay at the Terrigal carnival was a massive achievement.

Beach training was held on a Thursday afternoon and regularly drew some good attendance, which correlated into some great results at carnivals, especially Branch Championships.

We also ran Sunday sessions before Nippers with Matt which was also very popular, these sessions were more fundamentals of flags and relay based and will definitely be on the calendar next season.

With some outstanding beach competitors, we were able to bring home a swag of medals from all the carnivals we attended with some great results reached at Branch Championships.

A great initiative from Luke was having 'focus' carnivals. This enabled us to make sure we took the strongest team possible and also make sure we could fulfill our water safety and official obligations.

2026 is shaping up to be an even bigger year with training set to kick off mid to late July, we can't wait to see what our nippers bring next season.

Thanks everyone
Shane Hobbs
SS – Development Coach



Age Managers Awards:

Nathan Adams, Christopher Carattini, Alana Cassar, Michael Drew, Liam Findlay, Kristy Higgins, Shane Hobbs, Elyana Keys, Craig Mueller-Ahsmann, Samara Perram, Alicia Rogerson, Jason Stuart, Josh Tisdell.

Age Managers Assistant Award:

Matilda Baldwin

Surf Sport Technical Officials:

Nathan Adams, Lauren Boyce, Luke Mabey.

TOOWOON BAY STINGRAY NIPPERS – 2024/2025

(modified nippers program for children with additional needs)

This season we had 23 Stingrays divided into a couple of groups. There were quite a few new members this season and the traditional sandy, wet fun was had with a large group of varying ages and abilities.

A small group of older, more experienced Stingrays were treated to a range of guest presenters putting them through various lifesaving and surf sports disciplines and we hope to be finally able to offer a modified Surf Rescue Certificate or Bronze for those that are interested next season.

We were, as always, blessed with an incredible bunch of dedicated volunteers and special mention must go to Hal Kay from Terrigal SLSC who sought us out after enjoying volunteering at the Aussies adaptive carnival the previous season. He is an absolute legend, and we are thrilled to see that he has been nominated for the Dot Hennessy Scholarship of the Rotary Emergency Services Community Awards – you are a winner in our eyes Hal! We also had some young members of our Club join us as volunteers at the end of the season, which is fantastic, and we encourage anyone to get involved – the more the merrier!



In terms of competition, we hosted the SLSCC Inclusive Carnival which was, as usual, a fun day of friendly competition. We had two competitors – Ayden and Ben – at the SLSNSW Inclusive Championships at North Steyne where only sand events were completed due to the conditions. Ayden took out silvers in the U17 beach sprints and flags and bronze in the open flags. The following week Ben attended the Mona Vale Inclusive carnival which again was a lot of fun and definitely worth supporting in future years. Ayden made the trip up to Queensland for Aussies but this time, due to injury and competitor numbers, didn't manage any medals but had a lot of fun.

Many thanks to everyone that continues to support and make this program the heartwarming experience that it is.

Karen Hickmott

Stingray Nipper Co-ordinator

STINGRAY PARTICIPANTS

Billy Aitken
Raiden Day

Broc Bloomfield
Sebastien Friedrich-
Roche

Kai Curran
Paul Harrison

Atali Day
Ben Hickmott

Ezri Day
Isabella Kelly

Josh Kelly	Elizah Kerr	Cayden Khaw	Ayden Littlechild	Luke Martin
Patrick Martin	Bonnie McGrath	Bethany Roseworn	Charlie Stanley	Indy Von Lueders
Harley Williamson	Krystal Woods	Arthav Yadav		








JUNIOR ACTIVITY MEMBERS (INC ROOKIES)

Nixon Adams	Rafferty Adams	Leilani Adler Vallaydam	Liam Angus	Elijah Anscombe
Olive Anscombe	India Apfel	Hendrix Aribowo-Scott	Charlotte Ashton	Conor Ashton
Cormac Ashton	Claudette Austin-Nichols	Siara Austin-Nichols	Marley Bailes	Georgia Baldwin
Isabella Baldwin	Patrick Baldwin	Indy Bambury	Allegra Barboza Martello	Cooper Barker
Ivy Barker	Ivy Anne Bayliss	Nevah Bell	Riley Bell	Nora Bird
Sibella Booth	Landon Bosshard	Lukas Bosshard	Jayk Bourke	Cleaver Boyce
William Boyce	Austin Boyle	Eden Boyle	Henley Boyle	Sonny Brownlee
Sam Buakhao-Bamford	Samantha Burden	Ethan Burgers	Olivia Burgers	Kai Button
James Byrne	William Byrne	Beau Caira	Conor Caira	Tamara Campano
Audrey Campbell	Beau Campbell	Hugo Campbell	Jordan Carattini	Bella Carter
Levi Carter	Oliver Carter	Enzo Cassar	Edge Cassell	Hitch Cassell
Gabriela Chapman	Samuel Chapman	Maya Charlesworth	Luca Chicco	Valentina Chicco
Austin Cleveland	Beau Cleveland	Luna Coates	Vali Coates	Hunter Collins
Lucibelle Collins	Rusty Collins	James Colmer Ridge	Jet Cooper	Jackson Cordell
Lincoln Cordell	Madison Cordell	Julia Corral	Colby Cortis	Sofia D'Albora
Eden Davis	Darcy De Vincenzo	Ondrej kova	Theo Desbrulais	Huxley Dhillon
Quinn Diessel	Tomas Dlesk	Miguel Delena	Helena Dore	Bronte Douglass
Nina Douglass	Catherine Drew	Torah Doe	Pepper Duff	Abbey Duke
Bodhi Duncan	Jayla Duncan	Lacey Dries	Harper Dyble	Olivia Eacott
Indiana Eccles	Oliver Edgerton	Olivia Dunk	Nash Eklund	Kira Elliott
Daisy Enders	Penelope Ennion	Abigail Edwards	James Faria	Lily Fenton
Mateo Fernandez	Isolde Ferris	Theodore Ennion	Sonny Findlay	Charlotte Fitzpatrick
Gracie Fitzpatrick	Piper Flemming	Ivy Findlay	Ari Ford	Ava Ford
Eva Ford	Max Ford	Ella Fogden	Harry Fraser	Dallas Galla
Elena Gargrave	Imogen Gargrave	John Fountain	Daisy Gates	Jasper Gilbert
Liam Gillies	Eli Giry-Ducluzeau	Winter-Rose Garvey	Aria Glushankova	Christian Godbold
Emile Goddard	Celeste Gonzalez	Grace Goddyer	Jacob Grace	Kody Grant
Siena Grant	Clavijo			
Charlie Haidar	Benjamin Griffiths	Harriet Griffiths	Isaac Guise	Isabella Guise
Connor Haywood	Harvey Hammond	Penelope Hammond	Winter Hannon	Zara Hart
Onyx Heinjus	Elizabeth Haywood	Isla Haywood	Madeleine Haywood	Matilda Haywood
Orlando Henstock	Ruby Heinjus	Slate Heinjus	Ziggy Hemingway	Estelle Henstock
Didi Hill	Noah Higgins	Calie Higman	Izabelle Higman	Loki Higman
Hunter Hobbs	Liliana Hinde	William Hinde	Matilda Hislop	Freya Hobbs
Joseph Horton	Poppy Hobbs	Asher Hokin	Rowen Hookins	Willow Hookins
Connor Jenkins	Zach Horton	Preston Hunt	Beau Jackson	Eliza Jean Jeffries
Katie Kelaher	Dylan Johnston	Milliana Jones	Nalani Jones	Ivie Keating
Jaxon King	Mia Kelaher	Freya Kerrsmith	Jagger Kerslake	Jhy Kimpton
April Komorowski	Taylen King	Elouise Kirkby	Madeleine Kirkby	Olivia Kirkby
Bronte Lawther	Hazel Komorowski	Indie Lambert	Leonardo Lane	Cohen Lange
Kaizen Louchart	Kye Lawther	Harvey Lendich	Oscar Lendich	Astin Louchart
Izabelle Mabey	Noa Louchart	Ethan Lugo Ortiz	Valentina Lugo Ortiz	Arielle Mabey
Gwen Marquart	Jesse Macdonald	Kendall Maclean	Elsa Maguire	Jax Manfredotti
Mateo May	River Marquart	Tobias Marshall	Emily Mateljan	Luca May
Amelia McHugh	Leo Mearthur	Grace McDonald	Kiara McGrath	Sophie McGrath
Chace Melling	Chelsea McHugh	Max Mcloughlin	Florence McMahon	Frank McMahon
Flynn Molan	Koby Melville	Nathan Mills	Ella Mitrovich	Scarlett Mitrovich
Louis Moylan	Ava Moody	Anastasia Morgan	Isla Morris	Jace Morrison
	Grace Mueller-Ahsmann	Georgia Mumberson	Finlay Murphy	Aidan Murray
Cian Murray	Sam Murray	Alec Muston	Lestelle Muston	Olivia Muston
Maggie Neate	Liara Nuttall	Jimi O'Brien	Cole Openshaw	Cian O'Reilly




Maeve O'Reilly	Cooper O'Sullivan	Helena Palmer	Vivienne Palmer	Archie Parezanovic
Lucinda Parezanovic	Saskia Parezanovic	Aria Patten	Patricia Perese	Talloh Pisto
Tate Pisto	Elliott Pitts	Harriet Porter	George Powell	Hayden Rae
Eve Rampe	Bodhi Redelinghuys	Dominic Reed	Mahlia Reyes	Charlotte Rhodes
Aida Rice	Layla Rice	Arabelle Rosenbaum	Hannah Rowland	Tahlia Russell
Marley Sailah	Skylar-Jae Salmon	Isla Sanders	Charlotte Sandilands	Eloise Sedevic
Raphael Seeto	Elise Segalla	Jack Shanahan	Paige Shanahan	London Shanks
Cali Sheppard	Edith Shippam	Rowan Shippam	Xand Slattery	Ava Smith
Edie Smith	Eloise Smith	Indiana Smith	Lilah Smith	Miranda Smith
Noah Smith	Sienna Smith	Grace Snelling	Thomas Snelling	Evie Spring
Madelyn Spring	Rosie Stead	Malachi Stephens	Cameron Stokes	Lily Stokes
Harper Stuart	Kara Stuart	Olive Stuart	Eloise Sweeney	Harrison Swinford
Reyna Sylva-Aguirre	Benjamin Syphers	Elizabeth Syphers	Sophie Szymura	Anise Taber
Arthur Taber	Jack Tame	Zaiden Teteveno	Zarius Teteveno	Ariana Theuerjahr
Brock Thomas	Oscar Thompson	Baxter Thorpe	Eaden Thorpe	Grace Thorsby
Oliver Thorsby	Chloe Tischler	Jayda Tischler	Maddison Tischler	Elise Tisdell
Matilda Tisdell	Charlie Toulman	Kohen Trainor	Ethan Trampnau	Isabelle Troy
Reggie Turner	Sophia Turner	Summer Turner	Kai Valleau	Skye Valleau
Bodhi Vaughan	Misha Vergara	Talon Vergara	Ashtyn Vitagliano	Elvis Waldron
Remi Wallbank	Charlie Want	Matilda Want	Nicolas Want	Flynn Watson
Ashton West	Lily Wheele	Zahli Wheele	Jagger White	Pearl White
Charlotte Wicks	Imogen Wicks	Harley Williamson	Reuben Wilson	Harrison Witney
Emily Wood	Orlando Wood	Thomas Woods	Asher Woolley	Lydia Woolley
Verity Woolley	Ted Wright	Stella Yates	Laela Zreika	August Ford

MASTERS REPORT 2024/2025



A small group of Masters travelled to Queensland's Gold Coast in August 2024 for the ILS World Championships. The team consisted of Christi Mergan, Rod Mergan, Estelle Wicks, Barbara Attard, Jenny Perram, Julie Dawson, Wendy McNamara and Gayle McCann. Impressively, the following results were achieved:

-  Barbara won bronze in the Women's Surf Race and came 5th in Flags.
-  Estelle and Jenny won silver in the Women's Board Rescue.
-  Julie won silver in the 1K Beach Run and Beach Sprint, 4th in Flags.
-  Gayle came 4th in the 1K Beach Run.
-  Rod came 5th in the 2K Beach Run.
-  Estelle came 6th in the 1K Beach Run.
-  Wendy came 5th in Flags and Beach Sprint.




Branch was held at Umina in February 2025 and was represented by John, Julie and Wendy with them accomplishing the following:

-  Wendy won silver in the 1K, silver in Flags and silver in Beach Sprint.
-  Julie won gold in the 1K, gold in Flags and gold in Beach Sprint.
-  John won gold in the 1K, gold in Flags, gold in Beach Sprint and gold in the Surf Race.

SLSNSW Championships was at Queenscliffe (SNB) in March 2025, and saw Wendy and Julie achieving the following:

-  Julie won gold in the 1K Beach Run, Flags, Beach Sprint and Surf Race.
-  Wendy won silver in the 1K Beach Run, Flags and Beach Sprint.

John, Julie and Wendy made the trek up to Queensland Gold Coast for Aussies in April 2025, coming home with the following:

-  Julie won gold in Surf Race, Beach Sprint, Flags and 1K Beach Run.
-  Wendy won silver in Beach Sprint, Flags and 1K Beach Run.
-  John won gold in Beach Sprint, bronze in Flags and silver in the 1K Beach Run.

These results reflect the significant dedication and effort all these competitors have put into their training; they are exemplary sports people and committed to fulfilling the patrol requirements needed to enable them to compete. Thank you also to Jenny McNamee for providing your services as an Official.



SURF SPORTS AWARDS:

15 Year Officiating Service Certificate: Jennifer McNamee

FUNCTION ROOM – 2024/2025

This year, our event area (or Multifunction Community Area) has seen a shift in bookings towards hourly rates rather than full-day rentals, with the majority of events being birthday celebrations (70th's particularly), baby showers and wakes. The cost to hire the area remains static, allowing us to maintain affordability. Regular weekday bookings for Pilates, Breathwork, Yoga and Sound Healing remain consistent. These regular weekday bookings generate a secure income stream. Our area is still the preferred space for Central Coast Council to have their offsite meetings and I'm always pointing out the whales to their amazement. We also welcome a group of Japanese students, facilitated by SLSCC, to learn surf safety.

Our Sunday SIPS continues to generate good, reliable income for the club. I think we've accomplished providing a welcoming, friendly, family centric atmosphere and guests that have recently moved to the area express their joy in finding such a lovely club and group of people. To enhance the experience over the winter months, I have added lamps to create a warm ambiance instead of relying on the harsh overhead lighting that detracted from the warm atmosphere.

Additionally, we are planning to replace the worn table tops. In the interim, I have sourced Lycra tablecloths from Temu to cover the existing tables, ensuring that our space remains presentable until the new tops are installed.

Regarding entertainment, we have decided to suspend the monthly band performances during the winter season, as the attendance of regular attendees did not justify the associated costs. However, SIPS will continue throughout winter with the addition of special events such as Karaoke, Open Mic, and potentially a pie afternoon. The October long weekend will mark the launch of our 'Sunshine Soirees,' featuring the ever-popular Breakaways performing on Monday, October 6th. Additionally, new bands will be included in the lineup, and similar to last year, we will host bands on three Sundays in January.

I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to Ben and Karen, who dedicate their time each week to sort the glasses, manage the recycling, unload/reload fridges and handle the return and earn bottles/cans. Their efforts are greatly appreciated and play a significant role in assisting me with managing the area. Additionally, I want to thank the licensee Christi, Bar Manager Tracey and the group of volunteers who assist in manning the bar every Sunday for SIPS. Their invaluable support is essential to the success of this event and contributes significantly

to the club's revenue. Stand up and take a bow SIPS Volunteers: Tracey Clifton, Karen and Ben Hickmott, Mark Shearan, Phillip Rayment, Justine Moore, Jacqueline Dunkerley, Chris Manning, Craig Horton, Denise Ryals, Garry Chappell, Julieann Rogers, Barry Rogers, Selena and Eden Thomas, Christi Mergan, Rod Mergan, Helen Clifton, Denis Hannigan, Sue Hale, Simon Hicks, Paul Hoyland, Dave Thom, Daniel and Mia Garvey, Jan Elsworthy, Holly Nash and Nicole Cameron.

Interested in helping out and volunteering your time at SIPS? You will need to complete an RSA course to serve, however volunteers are always welcomed to help with jobs that don't require an RSA. Let Tracey Clifton know by emailing secretary.toowoombayslsc@gmail.com and she would be happy to help facilitate this.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to Tracey, Sue, Karen, Tom, Denis, Helen, Daniel, and Holly for their unwavering support as bar staff during various events. Your professionalism, hard work, and good humour have been invaluable, and our clients frequently commend the exceptional service and pleasant demeanour of our staff.

Our weekday fitness/pilates/yoga/breathwork/music therapy and sound healing options that are available at Toowoomba Bay SLSC are listed below, and anyone can join in:

- ✓ Every weekday – Roslyn Forman of Central Coast Exercise leads group classes and individual PT sessions focusing on restorative Pilates, strength classes to work on your stability, core strength and functional movement. All fitness levels catered for, book in for an assessment with Roslyn [HERE](#)
- ✓ Yoga with Shona Bridge takes place on Tuesdays from 11am until 12pm. Focussing on stability, strength and relaxation with all levels catered for. New participants always welcome and encouraged to join in. Call Shona 040448615 to book in for a class and for more information on Shona, click [HERE](#).
- ✓ Blake Peachy runs his classes in the warmer months, his classes have finished here now until Spring when it's not so cold early in the morning. Reach out to Blake through his FB page – '[Yoga By Blake](#)' if you would like to find out more.
- ✓ Sunset Sounds, sound healing. These gatherings gently open the doorway to deep presence, guiding you through a journey of sound, stillness, and subtle reconnection. Each session is a weaving of elemental frequencies, shamanic instruments, crystalline tones and voice medicine. Join Tully on the second Thursday of the month from 6.30pm – 8.30pm to begin your healing process. Shadow Flower Healing link available [HERE](#) or email shadowflowerhealing@gmail.com
- ✓ Music Therapy – Ian and his band of merrymakers meet once a fortnight and spend the afternoon from 12 – 4 singing, playing guitar, banjo, piano, taking in some poetry from Denis, and decompressing. Everyone is welcome to join in, just come down to the Club and join in.

Forrester's Beach and Bateau Bay Probus (craft and women's chat group) continue their monthly meetings here.

Our Caretaker Leigh Perrow (CCC Lifeguard), is always on hand to help in maintaining the club and grounds, help with different projects around the Club and is on hand to ensure that events at TBSLSC run to time, have a point of contact for the entirety of the event, and guests exit (with help from the Security Guard) the premises quietly and without commotion. Leigh is eager to help wherever he can, let him know if you see anything around the club that needs attention.

Full day hire is still \$1,800.00 with a \$1,500.00 bond also charged along with after cleaning at \$250.00 and one security guard at \$250.00 for the evening. Hourly rate remains at \$132.00/hour with a minimum booking of six hours. Wakes and Sundays negotiable. Due to recent increases in wage rates, the cost of our bar staff for events has also increased marginally.

Thank you again to the Executive Committee for your continued and valued support.



Jacqui Donadel
Function Room Manager

Toowoomba Bay SLSC Building Committee

As most members are aware, the Club Executive determined in late 2019 that the current clubhouse is not fit for purpose and requires urgent refurbishment and extension work.

Several issues have been identified, including the lack of access for emergency services equipment, insufficient storage space, inadequate training space, and the inability for NSW Ambulance to access the First Aid room with their stretcher due to the narrow door. Additionally, the public toilet facilities are not accessible to beach wheelchair users, and there were inadequate facilities for bump-in/bump-out activities. These are just a few of the issues identified, along with a wide range of Occupational Health and Safety (OH&S) concerns. Despite having one of the largest memberships on the coast, the Club has the smallest clubhouse.

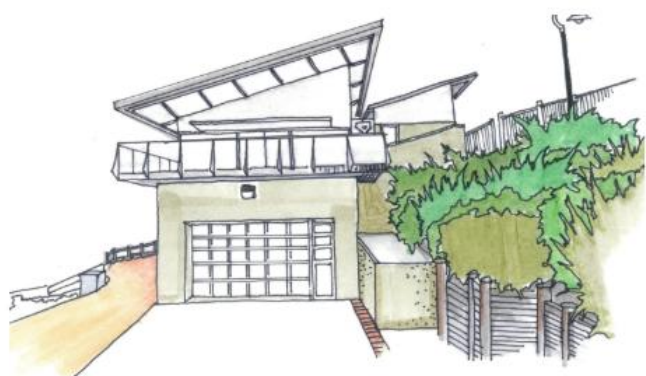
Over the ensuing years, the Club formed a committee and engaged all stakeholders in formulating a suitable design concept. The plans were submitted to Central Coast Council (CCC) last year for pre-development application (pre-DA) approval.

Council's asset manager requested the Club to conduct a public meeting earlier this year, and the feedback at that meeting was somewhat positive. As a result, CCC has asked the Club to hold private meetings with selected stakeholders. At the time of writing this report, these meetings were being organized.

Once these meetings have been conducted and reviewed, it is hoped that the project can move forward.

Thanks to the hard-working Committee: Julie Dawson, Wendy McNamara, Chris Manning, John Vergara, Karen Hickmott, Brent Fitzpatrick, and Luke Mabey.

Phillip Raymont
TBSLSC Building Committee Chairperson



EXISTING VIEW



PROPOSED VIEW

TOOWOON BAY OCEAN SWIM 2024

The annual Toowoona Bay Ocean Swim took place on Saturday 23rd November 2024.

The weather conditions were nearly perfect, which attracted a significantly higher number of participants and supporters. Swimmers of all ages participated, ranging from juniors (as young as eight) to seniors (over 70 yrs old), and we were even honoured to have some swimmers in their eighties.



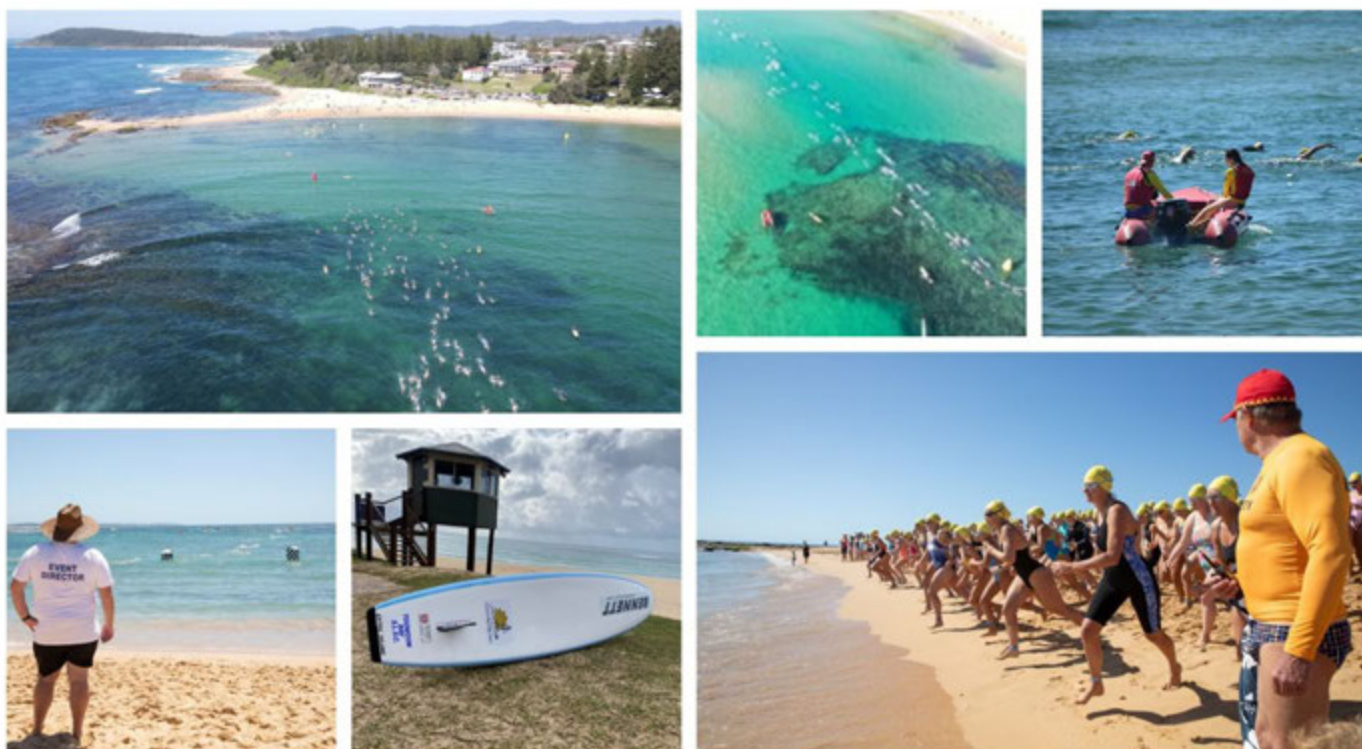
The event featured several races, including the annual John McNamara Memorial Open 400M, the 400m Junior, as well as the 1K and 2K swims. Additionally, the introduction of the 250m 'Dash for Dinner' was a great success, with gift vouchers generously provided by Adelaide from Kim's Beachside Retreat.

Organising this event involves extensive planning, preparation, and execution on the day itself. We could not have run it as efficiently or successfully without the help of our dedicated volunteers. A massive and heartfelt thank you to everyone who worked tirelessly on the day. We also appreciate the Club for providing volunteers with drinks and food during the event. Thank you to our photographers and drone operator for capturing the spirit of the day in such a wonderful gallery of images. We are grateful to our loyal sponsors for their generous contributions, and we thank you for your continued support over the years.

From the funds raised in 2024 event, over \$5,000 has been allocated for the purchase of nipper boards, along with an annual donation of \$500 to the Disabled Surfers Association Central Coast Branch. The Ocean Swim continues to provide vital funds for rescue and safety equipment, as well as for water-based educational programs.

The 2025 Toowoona Bay Ocean Swim is locked in for Saturday 29th November.

Selena Thomas and Scott Allan
Toowoona Bay Ocean Swim



Whilst every endeavour has been made for the information contained in this report to be accurate, please accept our apologies for any incorrect spelling or omissions.

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