

71st Annual Report

2025/2026 Season



71 years
of community
connection and
coastal legacy.

*Stronger Together
Brighter Futures.*

OUR MISSION

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



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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Toowoomba Bay SLSC 71st Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the 71st Annual General Meeting of Toowoomba Bay Surf Life Saving Club Incorporated will be held on Sunday 2nd August 2026, commencing at 1pm, upstairs in the Clubhouse.

AGENDA

- Welcome
- Apologies
- Life Members Presentation
- Minutes of 70th Annual General Meeting, Sunday 27th July 2025
- Business arising from previous Annual General Meeting 2024/2025
- Presentation, consideration, and adoption of the 71st Annual Report and Financial Report of the Board and Auditors 2025/2026
- Appointment and fixing of the remuneration of the Auditors
- Election of Directors for the 2026/2027 season
- Election of further office bearers for the 2026/2027 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.

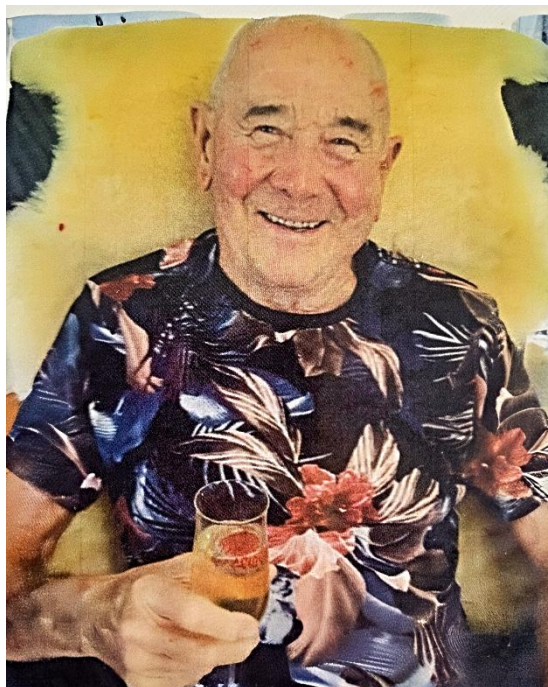
Vale

The community of Toowoomba Bay SLSC mourned the loss of a true local character, Tommy O'Neill, a man whose presence was bright and welcoming.

Tommy was a larrikin in every sense of the word, known far and wide for his cheeky grin and a mischievous spirit that could light up any room. If you were lucky enough to know him, you knew that behind that constant, playful banter was a heart of pure gold. Always willing to offer a hand, always ready to help a neighbour or a friend in need without a second thought.

In his younger years, Tommy was a force to be reckoned with on the footy field. He carried that same strength and determination into his life, never more evident than in his act of incredible bravery during a tragic accident. When others might have hesitated, Tommy's courage saw him dive into a river to rescue those in danger, an act of selflessness that defined the kind of man he was.

Tommy leaves behind a legacy of kindness, laughter, and courage. He will be deeply missed by all who had the pleasure of sharing a laugh with him by the Bay. His cheekiness may have kept us on our toes, but his genuine care for others kept us close to his heart.



Rest easy Tommy. You were one of a kind.

Life Members



ROBERT ROBERTS †	DARREN LEWIS
HARRY SHEAN †	BETH BRADLY †
ROY SWADLING †	MARK SHEARAN
BILL PAWSON †	JOHN MURPHY †
RON CALMAN OAM ESM	LYN WATERS
GORDON MATTHEWS †	ROSS BLOWERS
PETER COX	BIL KENSEY
DENNIS MOIR	CHRIS JONES
KEITH SALMON †	DEAN GRIFFIN
KENNETH STRICKLAND	DENIS HANNIGAN
JOHN HORN SNR †	HELEN CLIFTON
GRAEME SLADE SNR	MICK COOK †
MARK BRADLY †	CHRIS MANNING
ANGELO DELUCA †	GRAHAM SHERER
BRIAN FORD †	DENNIS COELLI
MARGARET FORD †	GEOFF GRICE
THELMA LAIRD †	BRUCE MOHR
DENISE AUSTIN	WENDY MCNAMARA
MARGARET MOORE †	GREG OWEN
NORMA MURPHY †	RUTH COOK
RAYMOND HATFIELD †	
ROBERT HILL †	



Lifesavers standing side by side to pay tribute to the Bondi victims.

OFFICE BEARERS FOR 2025/2026 SEASON**Executive Committee**

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

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	Stuart Mangion
Manager – Radios	Jacqui Donadel
Registrar	Jacqui Donadel
Cultural/Historical Officer	Lyn Waters
Grants/Fundraising	Karen Hickmott
Sponsorships	Karen Hickmott
Building Committee	Chairperson – Phillip Raymont
Life Members Committee	Chairperson – Graham Sherer
	Secretary – Chris Jones
Function Room	Jacqui Donadel
Social Media	Katie Hinshelwood
	Insta TBSLSC
	Insta Nippers
	FB TBSLSC
	FB Nippers
Licencee	Luke Mabey
Bar Manager	Tracey Clifton
Club Liaison Officer/Complaints	Tracey Clifton
	Denis Hannigan
	Kristy Higgins
MPIO	Karen Hickmott
Child Safe Co-Ordinator	Jacqui Donadel
Community Liaison Officer	Vacant
Water Safety Supervisor	Geoff Cresswell
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



1075
Members



Active/Award – 171
Associate – 400
Life – 21



483
Nippers inc Inclusive/
Adaptive



81,656
Visitors



8,250
Total hours patrolled

Safety Outcomes



24
Rescues



43
First Aid Treatments



1,519
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 – 2025/2026

As another season comes to a close, I am proud to reflect on what has been an outstanding year for Toowoomba Bay Surf Life Saving Club.

At the heart of our Club remains our commitment to keeping our beach safe. Our volunteer members continue to demonstrate remarkable dedication through patrols, emergency response, training, education and community engagement. Every patrol hour contributed by our members helps ensure that Toowoomba Bay remains one of the safest and most welcoming beaches on the Central Coast, and I thank every volunteer and their families for their ongoing support.

This season has once again highlighted the strength of our club culture. From our youngest nippers through to our Master's members, we have seen enthusiasm, teamwork and a genuine passion for surf life saving. Membership numbers continue a strong trajectory, with our club recording well over 1,000 members in total. The patrolling membership continues to grow strongly now exceeding 150 and our Nipper program remains one of the strongest on the coast with the program approaching 500 members. The growth and development of our youth members gives us confidence in the future of the club and reinforces the importance of investing in training, mentoring and leadership opportunities.

I would like to acknowledge the efforts of the executive team, patrol captains, trainers, assessors, age managers, coaches and bar volunteers who all take on that little bit extra throughout the season. The success of our club is built on countless hours of volunteer work carried out behind the scenes. While much of this work goes unseen, it is essential to the operation and success of our club.

Our sponsors and supporters deserve special recognition. Their generosity and commitment to the club assist us in delivering equipment, training, member development programs and community initiatives. On behalf of all members, thank you for your continued support.

As we celebrate another successful year, it is important to remember that our achievements belong to every member of our club. Whether you patrol, compete, coach, train, officiate, volunteer on the bar or BBQ, assist with fundraising or simply lend a hand when needed, you contribute to making Toowoomba Bay SLSC the special place that it is.

Huge congratulations are extended to Simon Hicks on being named the SLSCC Trainer of the Year. This well-deserved recognition is a testament to his unwavering commitment to ensuring our training standards remain top-notch and reflects the immense amount of time and effort he has dedicated to his role as Chief Training Officer. His passion for excellence and his tireless work behind the scenes have been instrumental in preparing our members, and we are incredibly grateful for his leadership and the lasting impact he continues to have on our club.

Looking ahead, we remain focused on building a strong, sustainable and inclusive club. We will continue to develop our members, strengthen our lifesaving capability and enhance the experience we provide to our community.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed throughout the season. It is an honour to serve as President of this great club, and I look forward to another successful year ahead.

Luke Mabey

President 2025/2026

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE REPORT – 2025/2026

Our financial result this year was a surplus of \$82,428 up from a deficit last season of \$4,296.

This year was a return to more normal expenditure without the one off's in relation to the 70th anniversary, Heritage Walk and write offs experienced in the previous result. We have been successful with a number of grants and a large one to help with the redesign of the club will be included in next season's figures. This season also saw an increase in membership fees for the first time in many years and grants to replace our patrol trailer, BBQ and various building improvement and maintenance works.

Karen Hickmott

Director of Finance 2025/2026

SPONSORSHIPS, FUNDRAISING, DONATIONS AND GRANTS 2025/2026

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:

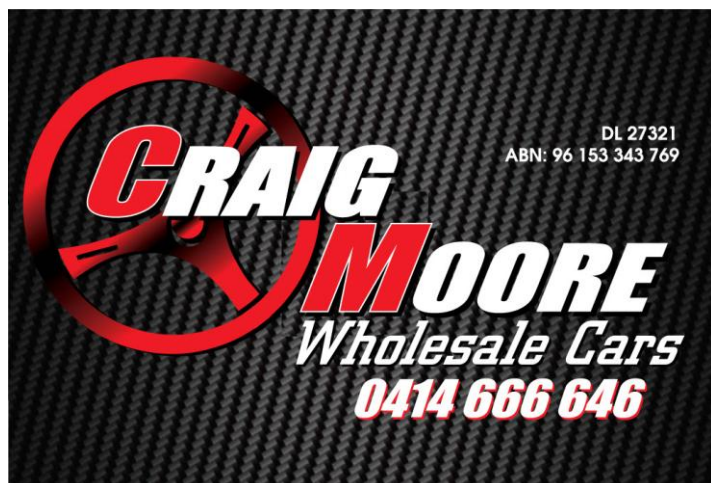
Platinum – over \$5,000



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 Mums Maintenance** to keep our member's change area and first aid rooms spick and span. Many thanks to Kim Burns and her 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.



Dock and Bay have provided us this season with funding from a very successful samples sale stall, fabulous gazebos to use both on nipper days and at carnivals and a heavy discount on a fabulous Club branded beach bag which was supplied as gifts to all our members at presentation events.

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



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



Club member Brent Fitzpatrick of [Fabric Architecture Studio](#) very generously sponsored a number of co-branded gazebos for use both on nipper days and at carnivals.



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.



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FINANCIAL SERVICES PTY LTD

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

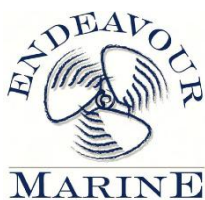


[Little Dog Design](#) assisting us with ongoing maintenance of our website, server and emails.



[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.



[Central Coast Bridge Club Long Jetty](#) provided a cash sponsorship.

Sponsors of Surf Life Saving Australia

AMPOL
DHL
Isuzu
QANTAS
Westpac

Sponsors of Surf Life Saving NSW

ABE's Bagels
Ingenia Holiday Parks
Sharkskin
Your Local Club

Sponsors of Surf Life Saving Central Coast Branch

5 Star Swim Schools
BOS Oceansport
Central Coast Council
Fortunity
Freemasons on the Central Coast
Good Gear
Hit 101.3FM
IContact Optometrists
Infront Surfcraft
Mingara
Newcastle Permanent
Resinc Solar
Stevens Group
Triple M 107.7FM

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, answering your door to SLSA fundraising representatives and generally donating. With these funds we purchased vital lifesaving equipment, first aid equipment, PPE and training equipment.

DISTRIBUTIONS AND DONATIONS

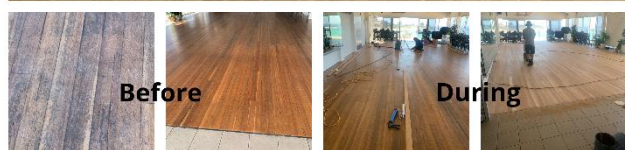
We gratefully received the following distributions from events and donors:

Event/Donor	Net income
Annual Compliance Funding from SLSNSW	\$8,000.00
Francis and Christine Cook	\$3,000.00
Nipper Carnival	\$1,628.91
Dock & Bay – proceeds of samples stall	\$1,569.55
Envirobank (bottle and can recycling)	\$1,174.50
Frank and Janet Gaudaci	\$500.00
Nipper raffle and slushy sale	\$480.91
GKR Karate group for hosting Christmas function	\$322.00
Ducks for Bucks	\$282.00
Various small donations from grateful members of the public	\$261.90
SLSNSW Step One underwear donations	\$40.00
Paypal Giving Fund donations	\$36.00

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 are most grateful for the support of Premier Chris Minns and Member for The Entrance David Mehan for the NSW Government's Community Building Partnership Programs grant of \$30,658. This has enabled us to re-sand the wooden floor in our main Clubroom, replace faulty lighting in the gear shed, refurbish our member's changing rooms and replace a hot water tank and the pump for our rainwater tank.



This season we were fortunate to obtain \$17,875 from Mingara Recreation Club and The Entrance Leagues Club via the NSW ClubGrants program to purchase a custom designed patrol trailer.



We were also fortunate to receive \$5,000 from Coca Cola which enabled us to purchase a commercial grade BBQ for our regular BBQ fundraising activities and patrol BBQ's.

During the season we were also grateful to receive news from the NSW Premier, Minister for Sport, Member for The Entrance David Mehan, and the Office of Sport of our successful application through the Office of Sport's Surf Club Facilities Program. This funding will enable us to progress with the necessary reports and planning applications for our proposed Clubhouse upgrades. The first instalment of this funding was received in early June 2026 and will be included in next season's report.

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 \$2,557.50 allocated to Toowoomba Bay SLSC went towards the purchase of two Bennett soft rescue boards.

Surf Life Saving's mission is to save lives, build strong communities and develop great Australians. To support its mission, the Australian Government provides funding through the Beach Safety Equipment Fund (BSEF), aimed at reducing water-related injuries and deaths by equipping Surf Life Saving Clubs with vital front-line equipment and patrol uniforms.

The Australian Government, through the Beach Safety Equipment Fund (BSEF), has provided funding to purchase vital safety equipment since 2013. 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:

- AED Trainer 3 pack
- First Aid Supplies
- AED Smart Pads
- Radio Bags
- Female CPR Manikins
- Fuel Cell
- Mercury 25HP Motor with Surf Club Kit
- Rescue Tubes
- Life Jackets
- Sunscreen
- Da Fin Swim Fins



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 statewide operations and programs that benefit clubs, members, and the broader community.
- 🏠 The NSW Government, through the NSW Office of Sport, for ongoing support to increase participation, safety, and facility usage in Surf Life Saving, including funding provided under the Surf Club Facilities Grant Program.
- 🏠 The Federal Government for the ongoing Vocational Education and Training (VET) funding, which strengthens training capability across the state and supports members to gain skills and qualifications required to perform their lifesaving roles safely and confidently.

FEES FOR THE 2026/2027 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

VICE PRESIDENT RESCUE SERVICES/CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT – 2025/2026

As another season draws to a close, I would like to reflect on the commitment shown by our members. From the shorter hours at the start and end of the season to the extended patrols during the Christmas school holidays, our team has consistently met the demands of the beach. With favourable conditions, Toowoomba Bay has seen a high volume of both locals and visitors, and our members have risen to the occasion.

I want to extend my sincere gratitude to our frontline patrol personnel: you carry out your responsibilities with immense diligence and professionalism. Managing the beach from opening to closing is a significant responsibility, and your dedication ensures the safety of our community whenever they visit our beach.

Throughout the season, our members have demonstrated a high level of skill, and it has been clear that our operations – both on and off the sand – have run smoothly. I encourage everyone to continue prioritizing your fitness and skills maintenance throughout the off-season. Taking the time to refresh your knowledge now will ensure we remain at our best when we return.

A special thank you goes to our trainers, assessors and facilitators. Your dedication to upskilling our members in areas such as Advanced Resuscitation Techniques (ART), First Aid, and IRB operations is critical; this training ensures that our patrolling teams are fully prepared and capable of responding effectively to any emergency situation. To our new 'Bronzies' and Rookie's, we are committed to maximising your integration into our patrol teams and providing meaningful pathways for you to continue a fulfilling journey in Surf Life Saving. Your contribution is greatly appreciated by the entire club, and we look forward to seeing you back on the beach for the 2026/2027 season.

I also want to acknowledge the members who sacrificed their time on Christmas Day to keep our beach safe. It is truly humbling to see so many volunteers choose to step away from their families to ensure the safety of our visitors.

Our rescue equipment is the backbone of our operations, and I would like to thank our Managers of Gear and Equipment for their tireless work. Whether it is our IRB's, motors, rescue boards or rescue tubes, your efforts in keeping our gear in top working order are greatly appreciated.

Beyond our regular hours, our Emergency Call Out Team (ECOT) remains ready to respond to incidents at a moment's notice, and your readiness is a credit to this club.

In closing, thank you to all our members for your support throughout the season. A special thanks to the Executive Board for your guidance, and to Jacqui for your assistance with the many administrative requests throughout the year.

Thank you all for a fantastic season

Graham Sherer

Aka Cuddles

VP Rescue Services/Club Captain

2025/2026





PATROL SERVICE AWARDS 2025/2026

National Medal (15yrs)

Craig Horton, Michelle and Graham Jackson



25 Years National Patrol Service Award

20 Years National Patrol Service Award

15 Years National Patrol Service Award

10 Years National Patrol Service Award

5 Years National Patrol Service Award

Dennis Coelli (LM), Helen Clifton (LM),
 Geoff Grice (LM), Lyn Waters (LM)
 Andrew Porter, Mei Ling Venning
 Diana Lennox, Geoffrey Cresswell, Julie Dawson
 Nicole Hill and Rodney Mergan
 Simone Dunn, Jazzmyn Fillingham, Karen
 Hickmott, Nicole Locker, Robert MacDougall,
 Stuart Mangion, Kristen Meikle, Vincent O'Keeffe
 Denise Ryals
 Cass Arthur, David Ashton, Deirdre Coates,
 Sophie Gois, Trung Cang Nguyen, Nathan Oliver,
 Alison Peacock, Wendy Sheppard, Tim Snelling
 Nicole Syphers



50 Years Long Service Award

40 Years Long Service Award

30 Years Long Service Award

25 Years Long Service Award

Denise Austin (LM) and Peter Cox (LM)
 Ron Calman OAM ESM (LM), Denis Moir (LM),
 Graeme Slade (LM)
 Chris Jones (LM)
 Tracie Cole and Andrew Porter



SATURDAY PATROLS

Patrol 1	PC Sue Hale
Patrol 3	PC Chris Fillingham
Patrol 5	PC Greg Owen
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:

Connor Brown	Garry Chappell	Ros Chugg	Tracey Clifton	Helen Clifton	Julie Dawson
Jacqui Donadel	Jacqueline Dunkerley	Chris Fillingham	Ethan Fillingham	Jazzmyn Fillingham	Julie-Anne Fillingham
Irene Freeman	Denis Hannigan	Simon Hicks	Kristy Higgins	Nicci Hill	Sam Hilton
Graham Jackson	Michelle Jackson	Bil Kensey	Darryl Lennox	Di Lennox	Nicole Locker
Wendy McNamara	Jenny McNamee	John McNamee	Paul Quick	Denise Ryals	Graham Sherer
Lyn Waters					

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

Cass Arthur	Tim Andersen	Steve Angel	Barbara Attard	Garry Chappell	Ros Chugg
Helen Clifton	Tracey Clifton	Deirdre Coates	Craig Cole	Ruth Cook	Julie Dawson
Jacqui Donadel	CJ Eklund	Mark Everingham	Chris Fillingham	Ethan Fillingham	Jazz Fillingham
Julie-Anne Fillingham	Sophie Gois	Geoff Cresswell	Dean Griffin	Denis Hannigan	Karen Hickmott
Simon Hicks	Kristy Higgins	Craig Horton	Geoff Hunter	Graham Jackson	Michelle Jackson
Bil Kensey	Jennifer Kirkby	Olivia Kirkby	Ryan Kirkby	Daniel Kirkwood	Darryl Lennox
Nicole Locker	Stuart Mangion	Chris Manning	Gayle McCann	Lisa McGrath	Wendy McNamara
Jenny McNamee	John McNamee	Rod Mergan	Craig Mueller-Ahsmann	Greg Owen	John Pearson
Andrew Porter	Peter Pracy	Wendy Sheppard	Graham Sherer	Dani Smith	Tim Snelling
Jason Stuart	Dee Sullivan	Nicole Syphers	Robert Walker		

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

AWARD:	Ruth Cook	Caroline Dean	Irene Freeman	Gemma Harrison
David Prescott	Glenn Thew	Ashley Turner	Robert Walker	Jack Waters
CADETS 13+:	Connor Ashton	Georgia Baldwin	Isla Haywood	Olivia Kirkby
Chloe McGrath	Sophie McGrath	Amelia McHugh	Noah Meacham	Cooper O'Sullivan
Charlotte Sandilands	Levi Sandilands	Keira Valleau		
ACTIVE 15-18YRS	Matilda Baldwin	Jemima Bonham	Connor Brown	Oliver Coucke
Osman Gungor	Elyana Keys	James Kirkwood	Charlotte Mangion	Amelie McKay
Leo Mueller-Ahsmann	Eadie O'Sullivan	Zoe Peat	Ebony Stephenson	

ACTIVE 18+

Mathew Anastasiou	Nathan Adams	Anthony Akers	Monique Alfris	Scott Allen
Cass Arthur	Tim Andersen	Janet Anderson	Stephen Angel	Petrina Apfel
Tyson Booth	David Ashton	Barbara Attard	Arron Barker	Rebecca Black
Garry Chappell	Kim Burnes	Paul Byrne	Dixon Callender	Jackson Caulfield
Tracey Clifton	Rosalind Chugg	Joshua Clarkson	Matthew Clarkson	Siobhan Clarkson
David Coucke	Deirdre Coates	Kate Coates	Craig Cole	Tracie Cole
Gavin Douglas	Geoffrey Cresswell	Julie Dawson	Ruby Dean	Jacqui Donadel
Donna Egger	Michael Drew	Lorena D'Souza	Jacqueline Dunkerley	Simone Dunn
Jazzmyn Fillingham	CJ Eklund	Mark Everingham	Chris Fillingham	Ethan Fillingham
Sue Hale	Julie-Ann Fillingham	Liam Findlay	Brent Fitzpatrick	Sophie Gois
Simon Hicks	Kate Handley	Michael Hayhurst	Christopher Herring	Karen Hickmott
Katie Hinshelwood	Kristy Higgins	Nathan Higman	Nicole Hill	Samuel Hilton
Richard Horton	Shane Hobbs	Andrew Hoffman	Kerry Hoffman	Craig Horton
Graham Jackson	Mark Howbrigg	Byron Hubble	Geoff Hunter	Karen Igoe
Ryan Kirkby	Michelle Jackson	Sanaam Jerabek	Andrew Kerrsmith	Jennifer Kirkby
Darryl Lennox	Daniel Kirkwood	Katherine Kirton	Christine Laing	Ben Lane
Carole Luntungan	Diana Lennox	Nicole Locker	Mathieu Louchart	Roland Lowe
Stuart Mangion	Luke Mabey	Emily MacDougall	Robert MacDougall	Michael Madigan
Michael McHugh	Emma McBride	Gayle McCann	Lisette McGrath	Paul McGrath
Mohammed Meeran	David McKay	Greg McMahan	Jenny McNamee	John McNamee
Ben Mervin	Georgia-Leigh Meikle	Kristen Meikle	Christiana Mergan	Rodney Mergan
	Craig Mueller-Ahsmann	Heidi Mueller-Ahsmann	Callum Nash	Trung Cang Nguyen
	Christopher O'Loan	Tom Openshaw	Tim O'Sullivan	Susan Paliskis
Alison Peacock	John Pearson	Jenny Perram	Andrew Porter	Will Postle
Jeff Powell	Peter Pracy	Lara Pratt	Libby Press	Sue Projceski
Phillip Raymont	Louise Rowland	Denise Ryals	Kylie Sandilands	Gregory Sawyer
Wendy Sheppard	Hannah Sherer	Joe Shippam	Danielle Smith	Tim Snelling
Gith Strid-Nwulaekwe	Jason Stuart	Dee Sullivan	Nicole Syphers	Selena Thomas
John Thomson	Corban Trim	Mei-Ling Venning	John Vergara	Shane Warbrick
Estelle Wicks	Paul Witney	Emma Young		

PATROLLING LIFE MEMBERS

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

CHIEF TRAINING OFFICER'S REPORT - 2025/2026

It has been an incredibly rewarding season for education and member development at Toowoona Bay SLSC. The focus for the 2025/2026 season has been to strengthen operational capability, increase member engagement, and create clear development pathways that support members from their first qualification through to advanced operational roles.

Achievements and Certifications:

Throughout the season, a total of seven training programs were delivered at Toowoona Bay SLSC, providing development opportunities for new and current club members.

Training Delivered:

- 2 Surf Rescue Certificate cohorts
- 4 Bronze Medallion Courses
- 1 SRC to Bronze Medallion Course
- 1 IRB Crew Course
- 1 Silver Medallion IRB Driver Course
- 3 Provide First Aid Courses
- 2 Advanced Resuscitation Courses

Training Result:

- 23 new Bronze Medallion holders
- 15 new SRC holders

Training Highlights:

A significant focus this year has been on improving the transition between SRC and Bronze Medallion. Through practical, scenario-based learning and greater exposure to operational activities, younger members have become more engaged and confident.

Inclusive training opportunities also remained a priority. Women's Bronze courses and supportive learning environments enabled members of all backgrounds and abilities to participate, develop confidence, and continue progressing within Surf Life Saving.

Recognising the importance of sustainable education, effort was invested into mentoring emerging trainers and assessors. Developing future educators ensures the club continues to build internal capability while reducing reliance on a small number of volunteers.

This season has demonstrated that education is far more than delivering qualifications. It is about building confidence, developing leaders, strengthening operational capability, and creating a culture where members are encouraged to continually learn and challenge themselves.

Looking ahead to the 2026/2027 season, our priorities include:

- New role – **Youth Development** (Callum Nash) focussed on expanding youth development pathways from SRC through to Bronze and advanced awards.
- **Growing** the number of active **trainers, assessors and facilitators** through mentoring.
- **Introducing** a structured **Winter Training Program** to maintain operational capability during the off-season (Bronze course to start in September).
- **Building** on the Club's strong culture of **inclusion and engagement**.
- **Focus** on **UAV training** ahead of potential UAV purchase.
- **Developing** a **TBSLSC Board of Education**.
- **Developing** an **inclusive Bronze Medallion** certificate unique to TBSLSC.

I would like to sincerely thank every trainer, assessor, facilitator, mentor and volunteer who has contributed their time throughout the season. The success of our education program is built on the commitment of people who willingly share their knowledge and experience with others.

Finally, I would like to congratulate every member who undertook training this season. Watching members develop new skills, gain confidence and step into patrol and leadership roles has been one of the highlights of the year. Together, we continue to build a stronger, more capable and more connected Toowoomba Bay Surf Life Saving Club.

Simon Hicks

Chief Training Officer 2025/2026
SLSCC Trainer of the Year 2026

Our Trainers, Assessors, and Facilitators

Deirdre Coates, Julie-Ann Fillingham, Chris Fillingham, Simon Hicks, Nicci Hill, Bil Kensey, Chris Manning, Craig Mueller-Ahsmann, Greg Owen, John Vergara and Lyn Waters



20 Years Training Service:

Lyn Waters

15 Years Training Service:

Chris Manning

15 Years Assessing Service:

Lyn Waters

10 Years Assessing Service:

John Vergara

5 Years Facilitating Service:

Chris Fillingham and Nicci Hill



Advanced Resuscitation Techniques:

Kim Burns, Sophie Gois, Geoff Hunter, Darryl Lennox and Michael Madigan

Bronze Medallion/Certificate II Public Safety – Aquatic Rescue:

Rebecca Allen, Matthew Anastasiou, Petrina Apfel, Tysson Booth, Connor Brown, Oliver Burke, Kim Burns, Kate Coates, Lorena D'Souza, Osman Gungor, Mark Howbrigg, Byron Hubble, Brett Innes, Sanaam Jerabek, Olivia Kirkby, Robyn Lowe-Hart, Kellie-Marie McDonald, Chloe McGrath, Ben Merven, Robert Pisto, Libby Press, Jill Rowson and Emma Sailah.

IRB Crew Certificate:

Matthew Anastasiou, Tysson Booth, Kim Burns, Sanaam Jerabek, Leo Mueller-Ahsmann and Dannielle Smith.

Silver Medallion IRB Driver:

Matthew Anastasiou, Tysson Booth and Dannielle Smith

Surf Rescue Certificate (CPR Endorsed):

Claudette Austin-Nichols, Allegra Barboza Martello, Oliver Carter, Connor Haywood, Heleana Johnson, Georgia Mangion, Ella Mitrovich, Grace Mueller-Ahsmann, Lucinda Parezanovic, Hannah Rowland, Sophia Turner, Skye Valleau, Jack Waters, Max Waters and Leila Zreika.

SLSC, SLSNSW, and Academy Facilitated Courses:

Assessor Bronze Medallion and IRB:

Simon Hicks

Branch U15 Youth Development Program:

Georgia Baldwin and Olivia Kirkby

Branch U17-U19 Youth Leadership Program:

Matilda Baldwin

Emerging Leaders Program:

Tracey Clifton

First Aid:

Nathan Adams, Georgia Baldwin, Matilda Baldwin, Kim Burns, Deirdre Coates, Jenny Davis, Geoff Hunter and Rachel Scott.

Pain Management:

Craig and Heidi Mueller-Ahsmann

Resuscitation:

Kylie Sandilands and Dannielle Smith

Silver Medallion Aquatic Rescue:

Matthew Anastasiou, Matilda Baldwin and
Craig Mueller Ahsmann

Silver Medallion Patrol Captain:

Kristy Higgins and Luke Mabey.

SS – Technical Officials:

Emma Barker, Courtney Boyle, Harriet
Fitzpatrick and Catherine Openshaw.

Training Officer Bronze Medallion:

Deirdre Coates



TOOWOON BAY SLSC SENIOR PRESENTATION – 2025/2026

Friday 29th May 2026

Held in the hall area at Toowoona Bay SLSC

PERPETUAL AWARDS

Competitors of the Year

Julie Dawson and John McNamee

Contribution to Education within Surf Life Saving

Simon Hicks

Youth Patrol Person of the Year

Claudette Austin-Nichols

Patrol Person of the Year

Geoff Cresswell

Patrol of the Year

Patrol 6

Patrol Captain: Bil Kensey

Vice Captain: Stephen Angel and
Tony Akers

Scott Allen, Cass Arthur, Paul Byrne, Geoff Cresswell, Sophie Gois, Chris Herring, Byron Hubble, Geoff Hunter, Vince O’Keeffe, Kylie Sandilands, Levi Sandilands and Danni Smith.

Club Captain’s Award

Deirdre Coates

Senior Encouragement Award

Tysson Booth

Masters Outstanding Club Person of the Year

Tracey Clifton and Jacqui Donadel

Volunteer of the Year

Brent Fitzpatrick

President’s Award

Callum Nash

Mick Cook Memorial Club Person of the Year

Tracey Clifton



Rainbow Beaches 2026

On Saturday, February 21st, Toowoomba Bay SLSC proudly hosted a Rainbow Beaches Day, an event dedicated to fostering an inclusive environment where everyone is welcome, regardless of background, ability, gender, race, age or sexuality. As part of a national February initiative where volunteer surf lifesavers across Australia embraced diversity by adorning patrols and equipment in rainbow colours, Toowoomba Bay celebrated the simple truth that the ocean does not discriminate – and neither do we. This initiative underlines our commitment to inclusiveness not only during February but always.

The day kicked off with vibrant energy as Katie and Jacqui brought the community together with rainbow zinc, disco tunes, sidewalk chalk expressions, and a beautiful tea ceremony. As tea holds such deep significance in uniting people, the ceremony served as a perfect centrepiece for the event, inviting everyone to “pour love and brew unity” while enjoying teas from around the world.

The atmosphere was one of warmth and safety, where every attendee felt heard, valued, and respected. We were honored to welcome one and all in the spirit of true inclusion, and we extended a massive thank you to Emma McBride for her continued support. A special shout out to Patrol 3, who were absolutely fantastic in keeping our beachgoers safe while wholeheartedly joining in the rainbow celebrations. Under spectacular weather and conditions, it was a day that truly reflected the supportive and nurturing community we strive to maintain at Toowoomba Bay SLSC.



ASSOCIATE MEMBERS (INC STINGRAY ASSOCIATES, PARENT ASSOCIATES) 2025/2026

Mitch Abi-Hanna	Kylie Adams	Reuben Adrichem	Cecilia Aguirre	Dee Aitken
Michael Alderdice	Sarah Aldred	Melinda Andrews	Jessica Anscombe	Courtney Aribowo-Scott
Hannah Ashton	Mikayla Bailey	Chris Baird	Carly Baldwin	Chris Baldwin
Emma Barker	Kathryn Barker	Michael Barnard	Tricia Barnard	Jenny Barnes
Mark Baumer	Craig Bennett	Danyelle Benton	Gregory Berry	Carole Bickley
Lohren Bird	Terrine Black	Leila Bloomfield	Domoneque Bolton	Kellie Bond
Heath Bonnefin	Kaylie Bosshard	Robyn Bourke	Xanthe Boyce	Courtney Boyle
David Brand	Emma Branson	Kaitlyn Brickwood	Tanya Bright	Ryan Brown
Tayla Brown	Candice Bruzgulis	Jennifer Calkin	Leonie Camana	Jackie Campbell
Nicholas Campbell	Kim Cannan	Christopher Carattini	Anna Carter	Daniel Carter
Alana Cassar	Ryan Cassar	Andrew Chapman	Lauren Chappell	Victoria Charlesworth
Alejandro Chicco	Clare Chiofalo	Sally Clark	Stuart Clear	Valerie Clifford
Michael Coates	Bianca Cogger	Alison Collins	Stephen Collins	Vicki Colmer Ridge
Christine Cook	Francis Cook	Rochelle Cooper	Richard Cordell	Samantha Cordell
Robert Cortis	Jessica Cunningham	Stephen Cutler	Kim D'Albora	Kim Anna Daly
Sarah Daubney	Nicholas Davies	Sheena Davies	Jenny Davis	Constance Day
Riordan Day	Gary De Jesus	Luke De Vincenzo	Penny Diplock	Taryn Doe
Sebastian Domingo	Theofina Dongas	Jonathon Dore	Sarah Drew	Kristie Dries

Jon Dunk	Erin Eccles	Sybil Edwards	Dean Egger	Elise Ellsmore
Katie Elphinstone	Zoe Erbacher	Chloe Erdmanis	Kerry Fallon Horgan	Stefanie Farina
Emily Fernandez	Keelan Ferris	Vicki Field	Harriet Fitzpatrick	Thomas Fleming
Susan Flisar	Scott Fogden	Colin Ford	Matthew Ford	Stephen Ford
Glenn Fraser	Prudence Fraser	Alyce Frost	Rebecca Garnsey	Heather Garriock
Daniel Garvey	Michelle Garvey	Jack Gates	Kiel Gazzard	Michael Giaquinto
Scott Gilbert	Sebastian Giry	Simone Glas	Danielle Glew	Luke Goddard
Simone Goldrick	Johnathan Goldthorpe	Sharon Goodman	Emily Graham-Redelinghuys	Gina Grant
Richard Grant	Sarah Griffiths	Kristine Hall	Lianne Halpin	Marnie Hanlon
Annette Harding	Lyndal Harris	Alanah Harrison	Cory Harrison	Sharon Harrison
Racquel Hassett	Mat Hawthorne	Joanne Hayes	Michael Hayes	Joelene Hayward
Jade Haywood	Andrew Head	Valerie Heimerdinger	Brooke Heinjus	Genine Hekking
Peter Hickmott	Bernard Higgins	Drew Hile	Jay Hinde	Carly Hobbs
Jessica Hokin	John Hope-Hodgetts	Yoni Hope-Hodgetts	Alexandra Horton	Carina Howarth
Paul Hoyland	Marty Hunt	Tomoki Ichihashi	Brett Innes	Katie Jackson
Svetlana Jackson	Scott Jacob	Timothy Jeffries	Madison Jelbart	Reg Jenkins
Ashleigh Johnston	Bruce Johnston	Lyn Johnston	Michael Johnston	Marguerite Jones
Samantha Jones	Stuart Jones	Nicole Judge	Martin Katzmann	Mandeep Kaur
Jenna Keating	Maria Kelly	John Kemp	Joy Kentwell	Claudia Kerslake
Natalie King	Gina Knight	Brodie Komorowski	Laura Kruger	Kyle Lange
Christopher Lendich	Craig Levy	Dean Lewis	Lynette Lewis	Paula Lopez
Robyn Low-Hart	Paul Lugo Ramos	Katrina Luxton	Rachel Lyons	Zoe Mabey
Mitchell MacLaren	Kenzie Maguire	Peter Mak	Vicki Mak	Natalie Makepeace
Rebecca Manfredotti	Margaret Manning	Belle Manuelle	Wade Paul Marquart	Carissa Marr
Kyle Marston	Ricardo Martello	Jean Martin	Kristy Martin	Jake Mason
Alyce Mateljan	Nathan May	Camille McArthur	Kellie-Marie McDonald	Naomi McGrath
Kathryn McHugh	Sarah McIntosh	Adam McKay	Teigan McKay	Marney McQueen
Jodie McQuillan	Steve Medcalf	Michael Melville	Jill Merrett	Imogen Michelini
Jemma Milanovic	John Miller	Jade Mitrovich	Simon Mitrovich	Paul Molan
Jessica Moody	Craig Moore	Justine Moore	Angela Morgan	Jackie Morrison
Sheraden Morton	Anne Moylan	Ben Muller	Malita Mulley	Emma Mumberson
Tim Murane	Ciara Murray	Belinda Myles	Gary Nash	Holly Nash
Tracey Nash	Antoinette Newton	Suellen Newton	Julie-Anne Nichols	Wendy Nobbs
James Nuttall	Paul O'Brien	Kristen O'Connell	Alex Oehm	Jana Ondrejko
Ai Keng Ong	Angela O'Reilly	Luke O'Reilly	Sara Othman	Bryn Owen
Iain Palmer	Rob Parchert	Tony Parezanovic	Bronwyn Parris	Steven Parsons
Leah Partridge	Gabrielle Payne	Chris Pearson	Hayley Pearson	Lorena Percy
Samara Perram	Tim Perram	Robert Pisto	Oliver Pitts	Marissa Pletz
Mitchell Pont	Lorraine Poulton	Charlotte Powell	Yasuko Preedey	Rennae Projceski
Cameron Quilty	Casey Radndige	Kaylee Raethel	Natasha Ratcliff	Lauren Ratray
Stephen Reed	Clarissa Rhodes	Chris Richardson	Michael Roberts	Barry Rogers
Julianne Rogers	Alicia Rogerson	Claudia Rosznercki	Alaina Rowe	Jill Rowson
Rochelle Russell	Hayley Rutherford	Olivia Ryan	Emma Sailah	Mitch Saunders
Leaha Sanderson	Rachel Scott	Ashley Seeto	Kurt Segalla	Jessica Serena
Benjamin Shanahan	Gavin Sharpe	Robert Shaw	Lauren Sheean	Pei-Hui Shen
Michael Sibbald	Daniel Sigl	Ellen Smeets	Amber Smith	Kristy Smith
Marie-Eve Smith	Rebekah Southam	Walter Stafford	Luke Stanley	Justine Starr
Warwick Stevens	Erynne Stow	Debra Stratton	Monique Stuart	Melissa Sturgess
Georgina Sutcliffe	Kieta Swan	Sarah Sweeney	Ian James Syphers	Gareth Taber
Pressica Taber	Amy Taylor	Emily Taylor	Jan Taylor	Simon Taylor
Rachel Tchappat	Jamie Thompson	Katherine Thompson	Lauren Thorpe	Tod Tipping
Jeffrey Tischler	Rebecca Tischler	Bianca Trampnau	Brendan Turner	Chris Turner
Luke Turner	Marlon Valleydam	Peter Valleau	Rachel Valleau	James Van Den Broek
Maarten Van Den Wende	Naomi Vargas	Laura Varney	Angela Vidaicu	Danielle Vinton
Giovanni Vitagliano	Mikko Von Lueders	Petra Vozenilkova	Wilma Wakeley	Raymond Waldron
Cara Walker	James Walker	Michele Wall	Damien Wallington	Rod Wallis
Jean Walsh	Melissa Walsh	Heeni Ward	Jenine Waters	Shaun Waters
Lyndal Wells	Stephen Wells	Anna Wemmert	Alison West	Paige West
Jamie Wheeler	Amber White	David Wicks	Rodney Wicks	Andrew Wilkins
Ashley Williams	Ian Williamson	Louise Williamson	Brenda Wilson	Rachael Wilson
Timothy Wilson	Sandra Wingrave	Penelope Wood	Joshua Woods	Emma Woodward
Steven Woodward	Stuart Wright	Sushil Yadav		

VICE PRESIDENT YOUTH SERVICES/JAC REPORT 2025/2026

Reflecting on an Outstanding Season

The 2025/2026 season has been another outstanding year for Junior Activities at Toowoomba Bay SLSC. Every Sunday our beach is filled with energy, excitement and 451 young members learning valuable lifesaving skills, building confidence in the surf and creating lifelong friendships.

While competition often attracts the attention, our greatest achievement continues to be providing a safe, welcoming and inclusive environment where every child has the opportunity to learn, grow and enjoy everything our club has to offer.

This season, our Junior Activities program welcomed **451 registered nippers**. Membership included:

- Under 6 – 94 Nippers
- Under 7 – 87 Nippers
- Under 8 – 62 Nippers
- Under 9 – 53 Nipper
- Under 10 – 47 Nipper
- Under 11 – 48 Nippers
- Under 12 – 26 Nippers
- Under 13 – 19 Nippers
- Under 14 – 15 Nippers

Average attendance before Christmas exceeded **385 nippers** each Sunday (around 80%), with post-Christmas attendance averaging **195 nippers**. More than **42 age managers and assistant age managers**, together with coaches, water safety, officials, committee members and parents, contributed thousands of volunteer hours.

Developing Future Lifesavers

Junior Activities is about far more than racing or winning medals. Our purpose is to develop young people who are confident in the surf, understand beach safety and enjoy spending time in the ocean while preparing them to become future volunteer lifesavers.

Throughout the season, our members developed surf awareness, rescue techniques, board paddling, surf swimming, beach safety, first aid awareness and teamwork through weekly Surf Education and training.

A significant milestone this season was seeing **all 15 Under 14 members successfully complete their Surf Rescue Certificate (SRC)**. This achievement reflects the commitment of the members, the support of their families and the dedication of our trainers and assessors.

Our Under 13 and Under 14 members also volunteered their own time outside Sunday Nippers to patrol Toowoomba Bay Beach alongside active lifesavers. These patrols provided invaluable experience in surf rescue, teamwork, communication and public safety while preparing them for active service.

Our Rookies further demonstrated the spirit of Surf Life Saving by volunteering on the Sunday BBQ and assisting with our Stingray Nippers program. Whether serving families, helping with equipment, or mentoring our youngest members, they embraced every opportunity to contribute. Their willingness to give back reflects the strong community values that define our club and gives us great confidence in the future leaders of Toowoomba Bay SLSC.

Competition, Club Spirit and Achievement

Toowoomba Bay proudly competed at the Forster Weekend of Surf carnival, Toowoomba Bay Mini Carnival, Terrigal Carnival, SLSCC Branch Championships and the SLSNSW Age Championships.

Highlights included the Under 10 Girls Relay and Under 10 Mixed Relay qualifying for state finals. Ivie Keating placed 4th in the Under 10 Girls sprint and 7th in the Under 10 Girls Flags. Claudette Austin-Nichols placed 7th in the Under 14 Girls Flags.

Our three Club Championship rounds encouraged participation, improvement and club spirit across every age group. Just as importantly, carnival weekends strengthened friendships and reinforced the pride our members have in representing Toowoomba Bay.

Volunteers, Community and Looking Forward

Every successful Sunday relies on an incredible team of volunteers. Thank you to our age managers, assistant age managers, coaches, water safety personnel, officials, committee members, parents, and supporters for their dedication throughout the season.

A special acknowledgement goes to **Helen, Denis and their amazing BBQ team**. For more than 20 years they have welcomed generations of families with warmth, friendship and what many consider the best sausage sandwiches on the Central Coast. Their contribution has helped shape the welcoming culture of our club and we sincerely thank them for their outstanding service.

As we look ahead to the 2026/2027 season, our future is incredibly bright. Strong membership, dedicated volunteers, increasing participation in surf sports and a clear pathway into active lifesaving ensure our club continues to thrive. Thank you to every member, volunteer and family for making the 2025/2026 season another memorable chapter in the history of Toowoomba Bay Surf Life Saving Club.

Shane Hobbs

VP Youth Services JAC 2025/2026

AGE MANAGERS REPORTS



UNDER 6 – Rob Parchert, Sarah MacIntosh, Jamie Walker. Age Manager's Assistant Olivia Kirkby

What an incredible debut season for our Under 6 Nippers! Stepping into the role of a first time age manager along with others can be daunting, but the overwhelming warmth and support from our wonderful families and club staff made it an absolute joy from day one. Rain, hail, or shine, our youngest athletes showed up each week with boundless energy, ready to tackle every challenge with a smile. Their enthusiasm was contagious, and watching them grow in confidence, embrace new skills, and form lasting friendships on the sand was the ultimate reward.

This season's success belongs equally to our phenomenal parents, whose dedication kept our season running seamlessly. Whether diving into water safety, organising beach games or simply cheering from the sidelines, your hands on involvement created a safe, vibrant, and genuinely inclusive community. Thank you all for your outstanding commitment, teamwork, and shared laughter, you have set a fantastic foundation for these young lifesavers, and we cannot wait to see you all back on the beach next season!

Surf Play One: Ashton Andrews, Zelan Bailey, Audrey Bennett, Trinity Bond, Harlen Bosshard, Lacey Branson, Mia Brickwood, Kai Camgrand, Jaxon Campbell, Koa Chappell, Camille Chiofalo, Georgia Cogger, Patrick Corral Ondrejka, Amelia D'Albora, Billy Daubney, Sarah Davies, Taya Dries, Tully Eccles, Ruben Egger, Sasha Ellsmore, Oliver Erdmanis, Elsie Fitzpatrick, Lily Fitzpatrick, Ruben Ford, Charlie Fraser, Eden Galla, Estelle Galla, Elena Gargrave, Jarie Gazzard, Hunter Giaquinto, Annika Glas, James Griffiths, Grace Harris Wilkins, August Harrison, Oliver Harrison, Steele Heinjus, Indigo Hile, Harlow Jelbart, Sadie Johnston, Ivie Jones, Noah Easton Katzmann, Archibald Kaye, Yorke Knight, Koah Kruger, Knox Lewis, Macy Lyons, Lilli-Faye Annibel Mackenzie, Finnley MacLaren, Beau Makepeace, Banx Manfredotti, Taylor Manuelle, Bradley McIntosh, Hugo McKay, Samuel Millar, Cleo Molloy, Jessica Money, Koa Morton, Florence Moylan, Isabelle Murnane, Logan Newton, Jagger O'Reilly, Hunter Parchert, Marley Perram, Christian Pletz, Penelope Pont, Frankie Radnidge, Yadin Richardson, Ila Ryan, Leo Seeto, Evan Segalla, Zach Segalla, Sophie Serena, Mahli Shailer, Julian Sigl, Knox Smith, Willow Stacey, Bodhi Taylor, Frankie Tchappat, Darcy Tipping, Lottie Turner, Levi Van Den Broek, Reuben Varney, Penny Vermeulen, Lucy Walker, Marlie Walsh, Olive West, Sonny West, Jaxon Woods, Van Woodward, Enya Yi-Fei Yang.



UNDER 7 – *Sam Cordell, Brad, Kristy, Jodie, Jono, Daniele and Liam*

Sam and her team focused on bringing competition readiness towards the end of the season.

This season has been a huge step forward for our Under 7's. Many of these kids began their nipper journey as tiny preschoolers, and now they're confident, capable young athletes who take on every Sunday with enthusiasm and grit. Their growth – in skills, independence and attitude – has been incredible to watch.

A big part of our focus this year was helping the kids become competition ready. We spent time building strong habits around starts, finishes and race behaviour so they understand how surf sports actually work. Whether it was lining up properly, listening for commands or practicing clean finishes, they learned the foundations that will carry them into future club champs and carnivals.

We also introduced simple relay concepts to help them understand teamwork and transitions. These early skills set them up beautifully for the more structured team events they'll encounter as they move through the age groups.

A huge thank you to all parents and carers who jumped in the water, helped organise activities or supported from the sidelines. Your involvement makes a massive difference to how these kids learn and grow.

We're incredibly proud of this group. They've built strong foundations, developed real confidence and shown they're ready for the next step. Under 8's will bring new challenges and exciting opportunities – and these Nippers are more than ready for it.

Surf Play Two – U7

Lyla Abi-Hanna, Jacob Aldred, Olive Anscombe, Justian Ayma Mulley, Ivy Barker, Lucas Barnard, Sibella Booth, Noah Brown, Stella Bruzugulis, Audrey Campbell, Ivy Clear, Milah Coelho, Harvey Cogger, James Colmer Ridge, Madison Cordell, Julia Corral Ondrejкова, Sofia D'Albora, Torah Doe, Darcy Domingo, Francesca Drew, Olivia Dunk, Sophia Erbacher-Thomas, Xavier Fenton, Sonny Findlay, Ella Fogden, August Ford, Harry Fraser, Ronni Forst, Daisy Gates, Jasper Gilbert, Eli Giry-Ducluzeau, Elouise Goldthorpe, Mia Hawthorn, Loki Hogman, Asher Hokin, Beau Jackson, Zoe Jackson, Adolin Jacob, Hazel Jakes, Connor Jenkins, Jagger Kerslake, Cohen Lange, Valentina Lugo Ortiz, Riley Maguire, Gwen Marquart, Ellie Marston, Mateo May, Theodore McKay, Clodagh McQuillan, Cohen Max Miller, Paige Moodie, Anastasia Morgan, Olivia Moss, Louis Moylan, Aidan Murray, Jack Nutter, Jimi O'Brien, Maeve O'Reilly, Amelia Pearson, Mila Pearson, Tate Pisto, Poppy Postle, George Powell, Zara Raethel, Daisy Ratcliff, Bodhi Redelinghuys, Lochlan Russell, Elsie Ryan, Archer Sharpe, Elorah Sheean, River Sibbald, Evie Sturgess, Olivia Taylor, Oscar Thompson, Lennox Tipping, Ocean Vergou, Audrey Vinton, Noah Wallington, Matilda Want, Charlotte Ward, Annabelle Wells, Lily Wheele, Willow Whyte, Ayla Wilson, Emily Wood, Orlando Wood.



UNDER 8 – *Carly Baldwin, CJ Eklund, Alana Casser, Samara Perram, Faith Kimpson, Chris Carattini*

The Under 8's started the season off strong with their first ever participation year in carnivals. A group of boys and girls headed to Terrigal for the first carnival of the year and came away with some impressive results in the wade and flag events.

Of special note was the friendship, teamwork and camaraderie all the kids displayed both at the carnivals, and during the regular nippers sessions and the good sportsmanship they display every time they step on the sand.

Focus throughout the season that followed was on presenting the nippers days as mini carnival sessions so that the kids could feel more confident attending official surf lifesaving nipper carnivals in the future.

Water proficiency was increased with the introduction of nipper boards being used instead of boogie boards for water activities, with many of the boys and girls especially displaying strong talent for board riding. We saw many of the kids improve their balance and stamina with the introduction of boards and we also saw kids gain confidence where they had previously lacked it.

We saw a noted increase in parent participation, with some parents stepping up to help marshal at the carnivals and help supervise the board activities as water safety, which strengthened our ability to run multiple sessions at the same time for both girls and boys.

As we head into the Under 9's, we feel we have a strong group that are keen and capable of making the step into water events at carnivals and we look forward to fostering the skills they have been working on throughout previous seasons.

A big thank you to all of the Age Managers, Rookies, parents and kids who attended and helped out during the season, we couldn't do it without you all.

Awards

Age Managers – Georgia Mumberson

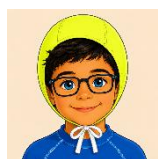
Most Improved – Leo McArthur and Maddison Tischler

Club Championship Results

<u>Girls</u>	<u>Beach</u>	<u>Water</u>	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Beach</u>	<u>Water</u>
1st	Charlotte Fitzpatrick	Imogen Gargrave	1st	Zaiden Bailey	Zaiden Bailey
2nd	Freya Hobbs	Charlotte Fitzpatrick	2nd	Raphael Seeto	Henley Boyle
3rd	Lacey Dries	Freya Hobbs	3rd	Jace Morrison	Jace Morrison

Surf Aware One – U8:

Abigail Adrichem, Hendrix Aribowo-Scott, Zaiden Bailey, Patrick Baldwin, Nora Bird, Henley Boyle, Jordan Carattini, Enzo Cassar, Gabriela Chapman, Maya Charlesworth, Lucibelle Collins, Colby Cortis, Lacey Dries, Indiana Eccles, Nash Eklund, Mateo Fernandez, Charlotte Fitzpatrick, Piper Flemming, Florence Ford, Jackson Gardner, Imogen Gargrave, Aria Glushankova, Winter Hannon, Slate Heinjus, Noah Higgins, Calie Higman, Thor Hillwegg, Freya Hobbs, Oaklee Jelbart, Bodi Johnston, Dylan Johnston, Finn Johnston, Hazel Komoroski, Matteo Cruz La Rosa, Astin Louchart, Lachlan Lyons, Emily Mateljan, Luca May, Leo McArthur, Betty-May McKillop-Davies, Koby Melville, Jace Morrison, Georgia Mumberson, Mia Newton, Liara Nuttall, Helena Palmer, Percy Palmer, Ariel Pamount, Cheston Pamount, Clementine Parris, Hudson Partridge, Luna Percy, Aston Pletz, Arlo Reed, Raphael Seeto, Hayley Serena, Stella Shailer, Eloise Smith, Indiana Smith, Maddison Tischler, Ashton West.



UNDER 9 – Liam, Zoe, Kelly and Matt

This year the Under 9's made a big jump in their surf skills. The children built confidence in the water tackling the 150m swim, 250m board and the combined iron person for the first time. All the age managers were impressed with how capable the children became in the water as we moved through the year.

The Under 9's also participated well in carnivals and improved their ability to work as a team in relays. They learnt new surf and beach safety skills as well and continued to strengthen their friendships as many have now been doing Nippers together for several years. All the children were a delight to age manage and brought a great attitude to the beach each week.

Huge thanks to all the children, families, age managers and club members who make every nippers Sunday something to be proud of. Looking forward to next year!

Awards

Age Managers – Charli Kaye

Most Improved – Hudson Mason

Most Consistent – Ethan Trampnau

Club Championship Results

Girls	Beach	Water	Boys	Beach	Water
1st	Elizabeth Haywood	Ivy Findlay	1st	Thomas Wood	Thomas Wood
2nd	Talloh Pisto	Arielle Mabey	2nd	Zarius Bailey	Jaxon King
3rd	Ivy Findlay	Talloh Pisto	3rd	Elijah Anscombe	Rafferty Adams

Surf Aware Two – U9

Rafferty Adams, Elijah Anscombe, India Apfel, Zarius Bailey, Lukas Bosshard, William Byrne, Amelia Chappell, Hazel Clear, Jet Cooper, Lincoln Cordell, Darcy De Vincenzo, Jude Ellsmore, James Farina, Ivy Findlay, Olive Frost, Dallas Galla, Stevie Goodman, Harriet Griffiths, Elizabeth Haywood, Miley Head, Nalani Jones, Charli Kaye, Jaxon King, Taylen King, April Komorowski, Harvey Lendich, Arielle Mabey, James Marston, Hudson Mason, Grace McDonald, Tyler McIntosh, Sam Murray, Catalina Myles, Aria Patten, Nora Perram, Talloh Pisto, Jax Raethel, Hank Rattray, Everleigh Shanahan, Zali Southam, Arley Stacey, Eloise Sweeney, Reyna Sylva-Aguirre, Benjamin Syphers, Anise Taber, Sophia Taylor, Thomas Tchappat, Evie Torfi, Ethan Trampnau, Quinn Turner, Zahli Wheele, Thomas Wood, Ted Wright.

**UNDER 10 – Brent, Shane and Callum**

The 2025-2026 season was another fantastic year for our Under 10's, with beautiful sunny weather allowing the kids to make the most of the ocean almost every Sunday. The consistent conditions gave the group countless opportunities to build confidence in the surf while continuing to develop their swimming, board paddling and surf awareness skills.

Having progressed from the Under 9's, this group embraced a greater focus on competition, and it was exciting to see so many Nippers represent Toowoomba Bay at carnivals throughout the season. A major highlight was having competitors travel to the Forster carnival, one of the biggest events on the junior calendar, where they challenged themselves against some of the strongest clubs in the state. Even more rewarding was seeing several of our Under 10's qualify for and compete at the Surf Life Saving NSW State Championships, a milestone that Toowoomba Bay had not achieved in this age group for many years.

While the competition results were something to celebrate, the greatest achievement was the confidence and resilience the children developed. Their swimming became stronger, their board skills improved dramatically, and they tackled bigger surf and more challenging conditions with enthusiasm. Just as importantly, they learned to support one another, celebrate each other's successes and represent the club with pride.

A sincere thank you goes to all of our parents and volunteers whose support each Sunday and at carnivals made the season possible. Their encouragement and willingness to help created a positive and enjoyable environment for the children to thrive. We are incredibly proud of this group and look forward to watching them continue to grow as confident young surf lifesavers in the seasons ahead.

Awards

Age Managers – Emile Goddard

Most Improved – Abigail Edwards

Most Consistent – Gracie Fitzpatrick

Club Championship Results

Girls	Beach	Water	Boys	Beach	Water
1st	Ivie Keating	Poppy Hobbs	1st	Archie Parezanovic	Harrison Witney
2nd	Madeleine Haywood	Ivie Keating	2nd	Cole Openshaw	Zach Horton
3rd	Poppy Hobbs	Olive Stuart	3rd	Charlie Want	Archie Parezanovic

Surf Safe One U10

Angus Arancio, Isabella Baldwin, Harper Brand, Elijah Brown, Beau Campbell, Bella Carter, Abigail Edwards, Isolde Ferris, Gracie Fitzpatrick, Eva Ford, Emile Goddard, Siena Grant, Isabelle Guise, Aine Harrison, Madeleine Haywood, Onyx Heinjus, Poppy Hobbs, Zach Horton, Preston Hunt, Eliza Jean Jeffries, Ivie Keating, Jack Kirkwood, Oscar Lendich, Elsa Maguire, Tristan McArthur, Rylee May Miller, Spencer Moodie, Wyatt Oehm, Cole Openshaw, Vivienne Palmer, Archie Parezanovic, Rafael Parnell, Elliott Pitts, Millie Reed, Isla Sanders, Lennox Shailer, Arlo Sibbald, Mahie Singh, Thomas Snelling, Madison Stockbridge, Olive Stuart, Baxter Thorpe, Jayda Techler, Ashtyn Vitagliano, Charlie Want, Rueben Wilson, Harrison Witney.



UNDER 11 – Ben Lane,

The Under 11's at Toowoomba Bay SLSC brought incredible enthusiasm, resilience, and an unbeatable sense of team spirit to the beach every Sunday this season. Building on their foundation from last year, our Nippers embraced every challenge with courage and camaraderie.

We absolutely loved the energy this group brought, and a massive mention must go to the girls of the Under 11's. Week in and week out, they had each other's backs, always ensuring they finished every activity and race together. It was a proud moment for us all to watch this supportive, inclusive culture thrive on the sand.

Our competition season was packed with great results as the group confidently stepped up to the challenges of older age brackets. The age group showed massive progression across the carnivals, starting with strong local performances at Toowoomba Bay, taking that momentum to Terrigal, stepping it up at the Branch Championships, and finally finishing the year strong at State.

We had some fantastic highlights at the Branch Championships, with special call-outs to our finalists: Catherine and Vali for their brilliant teamwork on the board rescue, and Catherine for her outstanding performances in both the individual board and swim events.

The NSW State Championships saw our team deliver amazing results against the best in the state. Huge congratulations to our state team representatives, especially Noah and Flynn who were absolute standouts on the sand, and Catherine and Hugo who put in phenomenal efforts in the water.

Our Sundays were made even better thanks to the unwavering support of our parent group, who played a vital role in water safety, age management, and beach activities each week. We are incredibly proud of the adventurous and encouraging group the Under 11's have become, and we look forward to seeing what they achieve next season.

Awards

Age Managers – Chloe Tischler

Most Improved – Nicolas Want

Most Consistent – Hugo Campbell

<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	Vali Coates	Vali Coates	1st	Oliver Waters	Arlo Percy
3rd	Milliana Jones	Eden Boyle	2nd	Hunter Hobbs	Leonardo Lane

Surf Safe Two – U11

Keira Allen, Havana Anderson, Isaac Anderson, Harlyn-Ruby Annas, Cormac Ashton, Hallie Bolton, Landon Bosshard, Eden Boyle, James Byrne, Hugo Campbell, Samuel Chapman, Vali Coates, Huxley Dhillon, Catherine Drew, Isla Ford, Benjamin Griffiths, Isaac Guise, William Hinde, Hunter Hobbs, Alyssa Johnson, Milliana Jones, Madeleine Kirkby, Leonardo Lane, Noa Louchart, Jessie Macdonald, Jax Manfredotti, Kiara McGrath, Scarlett Mitrovich, Flynn Molan, Ava Moody, Cian Murray, Cian O'Reilly, Clancy Parnell, Arlo Percy, Alby Rattray, Josh

Rowland, Kit Rutherford, Scout Smith, Luciana Taylor, Edward Tchappat, Chloe Tischler, Remi Turner, Kai Valleau, Luca Vidaicu, Anastacia Wallington, Nicolas Want, Oliver Waters, Charlotte Wicks.



UNDER 12 – Jason Stuart

Parent Helpers – Nathan Adams and Nicole Syphers

The 2025/26 season was my second year as Age Manager, this year as a solo Age Manager. Huge appreciation to the parent helpers (above) as their help was most valuable in the facilitation of the program. They were able to step in on the occasions I was not able to attend. There were also two to three other parent helpers that assisted with water safety.

Attendance – The season started strong with 30 nippers registered for Under 12's, though regular weekly attendance was slightly lower than expected. A core group of 16-20 nippers attended consistently throughout the season. It is also encouraging to see our female nippers outnumbering the males by two to one, reflecting strong engagement levels across the group.

Skill Development and Participation – The nippers this year continue to be really competitive with each other. Participation in events at Nippers was fairly consistent. They thrive in all new activities, spending time this season learning both board and tube rescues along with CPR, which was great. We even adopted the board rescue format from carnivals which was a big hit. Signals was another area we focused on this season and they did really well with them!

Friendship and Support – The core group of attendees continue to grow as friends and competitors. They always congratulate each other and help cheer people along if they have already finished, showing great sportsmanship.

Extra Training – There is a few core nippers from this age group who also participated in the extra board training that was on offer, attending earlier mornings and some alternate days to complete this. There were also a number that participated in the pre-season sprint training with MPACT.

Carnivals – A busy year for carnivals this year starting with the Forster Weekend of Surf carnival. A good number of competitors turning out for this event, a really fun carnival to start the season. State Championships this year was well represented with eight competitors from this age group. Some very good results were achieved, and I am very proud of them all. More male competitors overall at carnivals would be good as they are usually short for any type of relay or team event.

Awards

Age Managers – Levi Carter

Most Improved – Helena Dore

Most Consistent – Ellie Syphers

Club Championship Results

<u>Girls</u>	<u>Beach</u>	<u>Water</u>	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Beach</u>	<u>Water</u>
1st	Saskia Parezanovic	Pearl White	1st	Levi Carter	Nixon Adams
2nd	Noa Louchart	Kara Stuart	2nd	Finlay Murphy	Jackson Cordell
3rd	Matilda Haywood	Saskia Parezanovic	3rd	Arthur Taber	Levi Carter

Surf Smart One – U12

Nixon Adams, James Arangio, Hamish Campbell, Levi Carter, Hunter Collins, Jackson Cordell, Eden Davis, Helena Dore, Noah Giry-Ducluzeau, Grace Goodyer, Kody Grant, Matilda Haywood, Ruby Heinjus, Izabelle Higman, Finlay Murphy, Saskia Parezanovic, Harriet Porter, Piper Quilty, Charlotte Rhodes, Waris Singh, Harper Stuart, Kara Stuart, Elizabeth Syphers, Arthur Taber, Pearl White, Imogen Wicks.



UNDER 13 – Luke Mabey

This season, the Under 13's continued to build on strong foundations developed over previous years, with a dedicated group of nippers demonstrating excellent commitment and enthusiasm throughout the season.

As one of the oldest age groups in the Nippers program, the focus shifted towards further developing lifesaving skills, leadership, and confidence in the ocean. The group embraced the challenges of the season, continuing to improve across all surf sports disciplines while displaying maturity and teamwork both on the beach and in the water.

Our lifesaving component remained a key focus, with nippers refining their rescue techniques, signals, and surf safety knowledge in preparation for the transition into youth programs and future patrol activities. It has been rewarding to watch the group grow in confidence and capability while developing a genuine understanding of the role surf lifesavers play in our community.

A big thank you to all the parents and volunteers who generously assisted throughout the season. Your support and encouragement play a vital role in the success of the age group and are greatly appreciated.

I am incredibly proud of what this group has achieved this season. They have represented the club with enthusiasm, sportsmanship, and respect, and I look forward to seeing their continued progression as they move into the next stage of their surf lifesaving journey.

Awards

Age Managers – Leilani Adler-Vallaydam

Most Improved – Eiji Bell

Most Consistent – Grace Snelling

Club Championship Results

Girls	Beach	Water	Boys	Beach	Water
1st	Kiarn Kirkwood	Izabelle Mabey	1st	Tomas Dlesk	Tomas Dlesk
2nd	Kaizen Louchart	Kiarn Kirkwood	2nd	Jagger White	Jagger White
3rd	Freya Kerrsmith	Elouise Kirkby	3rd	Cooper Barker	Cooper Barker

Surf Smart Two – U13

Leilani Adler Vallaydam, Charlotte Ashton, Allegra Barboza Martello, Cooper Barker, Eiji Bell, Austin Boyle, Luna Coates, Logan De Jesus, Tomas Dlesk, Edith Glew, Joseph Horton, Freya Kerrsmith, Elouise Kirkby, Kiarn Kirkwood, Kaizen Louchart, Izabelle Mabey, Chelsea McHugh, Grace Snelling, Jagger White.



UNDER 14 – Heidi and Craig Mueller-Ahsmann

This year our Under 14 nippers focused on fun, skill development, and achieving the Surf Rescue Certificate (SRC). Our large group of 15 saw a few newbies join the team to complete the SRC and we are so proud of how they integrated into our already established group. The SRC was not without a few hiccups along the way, but the kids showed dedication to achieving their goals and we are so proud of what they have achieved this year.

As part of the SRC, there is an emphasis on integrating the Rookies into the Senior Club. They enthusiastically attended regular patrols and supported the club by assisting with water safety, supporting the Stingray Nippers and assisting at the Toowoona Bay Ocean Swim as well as working on their customer service skills at the famous Toowoona Bay SLSC BBQ.

We applauded our small but highly motivated group of carnival competitors including Lucinda Parezanovic, Skye Valleau, Connor Haywood and Claudette Austin-Nichols. Congratulations to Claudette who came 7th in flags at the SLSNSW Championships.

Expanding horizons saw Claudette Austin-Nichols and Connor Haywood represent the club in the Junior Lifesaver of the Year nominations. Claudette took out the TBSLSC Senior Sports Girl of the Year and Youth Lifesaver of the Year. Lucinda Parezanovic took out the Encouragement Award in the Senior Sports Girl of the Year Award.

Our highlights included: jetski and IRB experiences, swimming across the Bay, board safaris and catching waves off the point. Over the past five years of working with these amazing young people, I have been so proud to watch them grow in confidence and capability.

Awards

Age Managers – Lucinda Parezanovic

Most Improved – Allegra Barboza Martello

Most Consistent – Oliver Carter

Club Championship Results

<u>Girls</u>	<u>Beach</u>	<u>Water</u>		<u>Boys</u>	<u>Beach</u>	<u>Water</u>
1st	Claudette Austin Nichols	Claudette Nichols	Austin	1st	Connor Haywood	Connor Haywood
2nd	Lucinda Parezanovic	Skye Valleau		2nd	Oliver Carter	Oliver Carter
3rd	Skye Valleau	Lucinda Parezanovic		3rd	Max Waters	Max Waters

Surf Rescue Certificate (CPR Endorsed)

Claudette Austin-Nichols, Allegra Barboza Martello, Oliver Carter, Connor Haywood, Heleana Johnson, Georgia Mangion, Ella Mitrovich, Grace Mueller-Ahsmann, Lucinda Parezanovic, Hannah Rowland, Sophia Turner, Skye Valleau, Jack Waters, Max Waters, Laela Zreika

TBSLSC Rookies Report 2025/2026

This season has been such a great way to finish our time as Nippers. It's hard to believe how quickly the years have gone. The Under 14's would like to thank our age managers Craig and Heidi! You both helped us achieve our SRC and dedicated so much time to making our weekends fun! You have taught us so much and we are all so grateful to have had you as our age managers.

We started the season with participating in the Raising of the Flags at Terrigal SLSC. After that we had the Under 14's represent TBSLSC in the Forster Weekend of Surf, branch carnivals and the state carnival at Blacksmiths, even bringing back a medal.

We also represented TBSLSC at the Rookie Disco, Camp and Challenge. We had loads of fun and met other Rookies from the coast.

We had so many highlights throughout the season, but our favourite was going on patrol as a Rookie. The patrol members have given us Rookies so many memories, from getting rides on the IRB, jet ski and ATV, to enjoying the best lunches cooked by the best chefs, as well as learning all about how to set up the flags, do radio calls and so much more. The community built throughout TBSLSC is so amazing and we have learnt so much from everyone!

Being a Rookie is one of the best experiences we've ever had. Thank you to everyone who makes this possible and we can't wait to spend more weekends down at the beach with you all!

Lucinca Parezanovic and Claudette Austin Nichols

NIPPER PERPETUAL AWARDS 2025/2026

Ross Blowers Junior U8 Sports Boy – Henley Boyle
 Bil Kensey Junior U8 Sports Girl – Charlotte Fitzpatrick
 Junior Sports Person - Male – Winner – Emile Goddard
 Junior Sports Person - Male – Encouragement – Zarius Bailey
 Junior Sports Person - Female – Winner – Ivie Keating
 Junior Sports Person - Female – Encouragement – Poppy Hobbs
 Senior Sports Person - Male – Winner – Tomas Dlesk
 Senior Sports Person - Male – Encouragement – Austin Boyle
 Senior Sports Person - Female – Winner – Claudette Austin-Nichols
 Senior Sports Person - Female – Encouragement – Lucinda Parezanovic
 Family of the Year – The Hobbs Family
 Volunteer of the Year – Courtney Boyle
 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 – Denis Hannigan and Helen Clifton
 Rookie of the Year – Claudette Austin-Nichols

Continuous Nippers: Lucinda Parezanovic and Connor Haywood



TRAINING AND COMPETITION

Overview

The 2025/2026 season marked another significant step forward for Toowoomba Bay Nippers program. Our focus remained on delivering high-quality training that developed confident, capable and resilient young surf lifesavers while ensuring every participant, regardless of ability or experience, had the opportunity to enjoy the beach in a safe, inclusive and supportive environment.

Throughout the season, our coaching philosophy centred on developing skills before results. While competition success is always celebrated, our primary objective has remained the development of confident beach users, future patrolling members and young people who proudly represent Toowoomba Bay Surf Lifesaving Club.

Strong participation across all training disciplines, increased carnival representation and continued improvement in beach, water and endurance events highlighted another successful season.

State Championships

The NSW State Championships were once again the pinnacle of our competition season.

Toowoomba Bay proudly fielded a team of 24 competitors, all of whom represented the club with professionalism, determination and outstanding sportsmanship.

Outstanding results

-  U10 Girls Beach Relay – State Finalists
-  U10 Mixed Beach Relay – State Finalists
-  Multiple individual Quarter and Semi Final appearances
-  **Ivie Keating** – 4th U10 Girls Sprint, 7th U10 Girls Beach Flags
-  **Claudette Austin-Nichols** – 7th U14 Girls Beach Flags
-  **Ben Hickmott** – Bronze Medal, Adaptive Open Surf Race

These performances reflect the continued growth of our competition program and provide an exciting foundation for future success.

Coaching Team

The success of our training and competition program is only possible because of the dedication and passion of our volunteer coaches and age managers.

Their commitment to planning quality training sessions, encouraging every athlete and creating a positive learning environment has resulted in noticeable improvement across every age group.

Special thanks to our water safety personnel, officials, carnival team managers, parents and carers, and patrol members assisting with training, and volunteers who helped with equipment, set up and pack down each week.

Conclusion

The 2025/2026 season has been one of continued growth, achievement and opportunity for Toowoomba Bay Nippers.

While our competition results continue to improve each year, our greatest success remains watching young people become more confident, more capable and more connected to their club and the Surf Lifesaving movement.

Every athlete who pulled on the Toowoomba Bay cap represented our club with pride, respect and determination, and they should all be incredibly proud of what they achieved throughout the season.

The future of Toowoomba Bay SLSC is incredibly bright, and we look forward to building on this momentum as we continue developing the next generation of surf lifesavers.

Thanks everyone

Shane Hobbs

SS – Development Coach



Age Managers Awards:

Mitch Abi-Hanna, Kellie-Marie McDonald, Sarah McIntosh, Robert Pisto.

Age Managers Assistant Award:

Olivia Kirkby, Charlotte Sandilands.

Surf Sport Technical Officials:

Emma Barker, Courtney Boyle, Harriet Fitzpatrick and Catherine Openshaw.

TOOWOON BAY STINGRAY NIPPERS – 2025/2026

(modified Nippers program for children with additional needs)

This season saw 20 Stingrays return to the beach and excitingly we had three graduates of the program come back and volunteer and mentor younger members!

Another tremendous boost to the program this year was the influx of incredible, dedicated and enthusiastic young members of the Club – mainly from the Rookie ranks. I can't thank Connor, Matilda, Claudette, Sophia, Lucinda, Skye, Allegra and Madeleine enough for all their assistance with set up and pack up but most of all their incredible heart and enthusiasm with the Stingrays. These are a special bunch of humans and we are thrilled to have them in the team!

Competition this year saw Paul, Ben and Kai between them win all the senior male categories at the Branch carnival that we hosted. Ben progressed on to the SLSNSW Adaptive carnival where he took out the bronze medal in the surf event.

Karen Hickmott

Stingray Nipper Co-Ordinator

SLSCC Inclusive Championships at Toowoomba Bay February 2026

Kai Curran	Gold	Board	Ben Hickmott	Silver	Board	Paul Harrison	Gold	Wade
	Silver	Wade			Swim			Sprint
		Sprint		Bronze	Wade			Flags
		Flags			Sprint			Swim
	Bronze	Swim			Flags		Bronze	Board

SLNSW Adaptive Championships at Blacksmiths Beach March 2026

Ben Hickmott Bronze Open Surf Race



STINGRAY PARTICIPANTS

Billy Aitken	Broc Bloomfield	Kai Curran	Atali Day	Ezri Day
Raiden Day	Raife Diplock	Paul Harrison	Ben Hickmott	Elizah Kerr
Cayden Khaw	Luke Martin	Patrick Martin	Bonnie McGrath	Bethany Roseworn
Charlie Stanley	Josiah Tozer	Indy Von Lueders	Krystal Woods	Arthav Yadav

JUNIOR ACTIVITY MEMBERS (INC ROOKIES)

Lyla Abi-Hanna	Nixon Adams	Rafferty Adams	Leilani Adler Valleydam	Abigail Adrichem
Jacob Aldred	Keira Allen	Havana Anderson	Isaac Anderson	Ashton Andrews
Harlyn-Ruby Annas	Elijah Anscombe	Olive Anscombe	India Apfel	Angus Arangio
James Arangio	Hendrix Aribowo- Scott	Charlotte Ashton	Cormac Ashton	Claudette Austin- Nichols
Siara Austin-Nichols	Justian Ayma Mulley	Zaiden Bailey	Zarius Bailey	Zelan Bailey
Isabella Baldwin	Patrick Baldwin	Allegra Barboza Martello	Cooper Barker	Ivy Barker
Lucas Barnard	Eiji Bell	Audrey Bennett	Nora Bird	Hallie Boulton
Trinity Bond	Sibella Booth	Harlen Bosshard	Landon Bosshard	Lukas Bosshard
Austin Boyle	Eden Boyle	Henley Boyle	Harper Brand	Lacey Branson
Mia Brickwood	Elijah Brown	Noah Brown	Stella Bruzgulis	James Byrne
William Byrne	Kai Camgrand- Dessus	Audrey Campbell	Beau Campbell	Hamish Campbell
Hugo Campbell	Jaxon Campbell	Jordan Carattini	Bella Carter	Levi Carter
Oliver Carter	Enzo Cassar	Gabriela Chapman	Samuel Chapman	Amelia Chappell
Koa Chappell	Maya Charlesworth	Luca Chicco	Camille Chiofalo	Hazel Clear
Ivy Clear	Luna Coates	Vali Coates	Milah Coelho	Georgia Cogger
Harvey Cogger	Hunter Collins	Lucibelle Collins	Rusty Collins	James Colmer Ridge
Jet Cooper	Jackson Cordell	Lincoln Cordell	Madison Cordell	Patrick Corral Ondrejka
Julia Corral Ondrejka	Colby Cortis	Amelia D'Albora	Sofia D'Albora	Billy Daubney
Sarah Davies	Eden Davis	Logan De Jesus	Darcy De Vincenzo	Huxley Dhillon
Tomas Dlesk	Torah Doe	Darcy Domingo	Helena Dore	Catherine Drew
Francesca Drew	Lacey Dries	Taya Dries	Olivia Dunk	Indiana Eccles
Tully Eccles	Abigail Edwards	Ruben Egger	Nash Eklund	Jude Ellsmore
Sasha Ellsmore	Sophia Erbacher- Thomas	Oliver Erdmanis	James Faria	Xavier Fenton
Mateo Fernandez	Isolde Ferris	Ivy Findlay	Sonny Findlay	Emily Firth
Charlotte Fitzpatrick	Elsie Fitzpatrick	Gracie Fitzpatrick	Lily Fitzpatrick	Piper Flemming
Ella Fogden	August Ford	Eva Ford	Florence Ford	Isla Ford
Ruben Ford	Charlie Fraser	Harry Fraser	Olive Frost	Ronni Frost
Dallas Galla	Eden Galla	Estelle Galla	Jackson Gardner	Elena Gargrave
Imogen Gargrave	Winter-Rose Garvey	Daisy Gates	Jarie Gazzard	Hunter Giaquinto
Jasper Gilbert	Eil Giry-Ducluzeau	Noah Giry-Ducluzeau	Annika Glas	Edith Glew
Aria Glushankova	Emile Goddard	Eloise Goldthorpe	Stevie Goodman	Grace Goodyer
Kody Grant	Siena Grant	Benjamin Griffiths	Harriet Griffiths	James Griffiths
Isaac Guise	Isabelle Guise	Winter Hannon	Grace Harris Wilkins	Aine Harrison
August Harrison	Oliver Harrison	Mia Hawthorne	Connor Haywood	Elizabeth Haywood
Madeleine Haywood	Matilda Haywood	Miley Head	Onyx Heinjus	Ruby Heinjus
Slate Heinjus	Steele Heinjus	Noah Higgins	Calie Higman	Izabelle Higman
Loki Higman	Indigo Hile	Thor Hillwegg	William Hinde	Freya Hobbs
Hunter Hobbs	Poppy Hobbs	Asher Hokin	Joseph Horton	Zach Horton
Preston Hunt	Beau Jackson	Zoe Jackson	Adolin Jacob	Hazel Jakes
Eliza Jean Jeffries	Harlow Jelbart	Oaklee Jelbart	Connor Jenkins	Alyssa Johnson
Heleana Johnson	Bodi Johnston	Dylan Johnston	Finn Johnston	Sadie Johnston
Ivie Jones	Milliana Jones	Nalani Jones	Noah Easton Katzmann	Archibald Kaye
Charli Kay	Ivie Keating	Freya Kerrsmith	Jagger Kerslake	Jaxon King
Taylen King	Elouise Kirkby	Madeleine Kirkby	Jack Kirkwood	Kiarn Kirkwood
Yorke Knight	April Komorowski	Hazel Komorowski	Koah Kruger	Matteo Cruz La Rosa
Leonardo Lane	Cohen Lange	Harvey Lendich	Oscar Lendich	Knox Lewis
Astin Louchart	Kaizen Louchart	Noa Louchart	Valentina Lugo Ortiz	Lachlan Lyons
Macey Lyons	Arielle Mabey	Izabelle Mabey	Jesse Macdonald	Lilli-Faye Annibel Mackenzie
Finnley MacLaren	Elsa Maguire	Riley Maguire	Beau Makepeace	Banx Manfredotti
Jax Manfredotti	Georgia Mangion	Taylor Manuelle	Gwen Marquart	Ellie Marston
James Marston	Hudson Mason	Emily Mateljan	Luca May	Mateo May
Leo McArthur	Tristan McArthur	Grace McDonald	Kiara McGrath	Chelsea McHugh

Bradley McIntosh	Tyler McIntosh	Hugo McKay	Theodore McKay	Betty-May McKillop-Davies
Clodagh McQuillan	Koby Melville	Samuel Millar	Cohen Max Miller	Rylee May Miller
Ella Mitrovich	Scarlette Mitrovich	Flynn Molan	Cleo Molloy	Jessica Money
Paige Moodie	Spencer Moodie	Ava Moody	Anastasia Morgan	Jace Morrison
Koa Morton	Olivia Moss	Florence Moylan	Louis Moylan	Grace Mueller-Ahsmann
Georgia Mumberson	Isabelle Murnane	Finlay Murphy	Aidan Murray	Cian Murray
Sam Murray	Catalina Myles	Logan Newton	Mia Newton	Liara Nuttall
Jack Nutter	Jimi O'Brien	Wyatt Oehm	Cole Openshaw	Jagger O'Reilly
Cian O'Reilly	Maeve O'Reilly	Helena Palmer	Percy Palmer	Vivienne Palmer
Ariel Pamount	Cheston Pamount	Hunter Parchert	Archie Parezanovic	Lucinda Parezanovic
Saskia Parezanovic	Clancy Parnell	Rafael Parnell	Clementine Parris	Hudson Partridge
Aria Patten	Amelia Pearson	Mila Pearson	Arlo Percy	Luna Percy
Marley Perram	Nora Perram	Talloh Pisto	Tate Pisto	Elliott Pitts
Aston Pletz	Christian Pletz	Penelope Pont	Harriet Porter	Poppy Postle
George Powell	Piper Quilty	Frankie Radnidge	Jaz Raethel	Zara Raethel
Daisy Ratcliff	Alby Rattray	Hank Rattray	Bodhi Redelinghuys	Arlo Reed
Millie Reed	Charlotte Rhodes	Yadin Richardson	Hannah Rowland	Josh Rowland
Lochlan Russell	Kit Rutherford	Elsie Ryan	Ila Ryan	Marley Sailah
Isla Sanders	Leo Seeto	Rahael Seeto	Evan Segalla	Zach Segalla
Hayley Serena	Sophie Serena	Lennox Shailer	Mahli Shailer	Stella Shailer
Everleigh Shanahan	Archer Sharpe	Elorah Sheean	Arlo Sibbald	River Sibbald
Julian Sigl	Mahie Singh	Waris Singh	Eloise Smith	Indiana Smith
Knox Smith	Scout Smith	Grace Snelling	Thomas Snelling	Zali Southam
Arley Stacey	Willow Stacey	Madison Stockbridge	Harper Stuart	Kara Stuart
Olive Stuart	Evie Sturgess	Eloise Sweeney	Reyna Sylva-Aguirre	Benjamin Syphers
Elizabeth Syphers	Anise Taber	Arthur Taber	Bodhi Taylor	Luciana Taylor
Olivia Taylor	Sophia Taylor	Edward Tchappat	Frankie Tchappat	Thomas Tchappat
Oscar Thompson	Baxter Thorpe	Eaden Thrope	Darcy Tipping	Lennox Tipping
Chloe Tischler	Jayda Tischler	Maddison Tischler	Evie Torfi	Ethan Trampnau
Lottie Turner	Quinn Turner	Reggie Turner	Remi Turner	Sophia Turner
Kai Valleau	Skye Valleau	Levi Van Den Broek	Reuben Varney	Ocean Vergou
Penny Vermeulen	Luca Vidaicu	Audrey Vinton	Ashtyn Vitagliano	Lucy Walker
Anastacia Wallington	Noah Wallington	Marlie Walsh	Charlie Want	Matilda Want
Nicolas Want	Charlotte Ward	Max Waters	Oliver Waters	Annabelle Wells
Ashton West	Olive West	Sonny West	Lily Wheele	Zahli Wheele
Jagger White	Pearl White	Willow Whyte	Charlotte Wicks	Imogen Wicks
Ayla Wilson	Reuben Wilson	Harrison Witney	Emily Wood	Orlando Wood
Thomas Wood	Jaxon Woods	Van Woodward	Ted Wright	Enya-Yi-Fei Yang
Laela Zreika				

CHILD COMMITMENT

At Toowoona Bay SLSC, we are fiercely committed to the safety and wellbeing of every young person in our care. We maintain a zero-tolerance approach to harm, ensuring our club remains a secure, supportive, and inclusive environment where young people can thrive, learn, and grow with confidence.

MASTERS REPORT 2025/2026

Our Masters had a successful season with two male and five female competitors attending the NSW 2026 State Surf Life Saving Championships at Swansea Belmont. Once again, our enthusiastic team showed us that age is no barrier with our team competing in events across sand and water at State.

We had our first entry in double ski for quite a few years, with Peter Pracy and John McNamee jumping in for some fun. John and Pete also picked up medals and points in the swim (John) and 1K run and beach sprint (Pete).

The girls were not to be outdone with Gayle McCann collecting a medal and points across both sand and water events, Barb Attard took home bronze medals for swim and tube water events, Wendy McNamara added to the collection with silvers in sprint and flags and Julie Dawson, never settling for less than gold in 1K beach run, sprint and flags. Christi was our first female iron person since the introduction of the ski into the female iron event.

A big shout out to Robbie MacDougall who transported the double ski to Swansea for us as well as Julie-Anne Fillingham who did a stellar job handling for iron person!

In March Julie continued her quest for gold at Aussies where once again she collected gold medals in flags, sprint and the 1K beach run.

Our well-deserved Competitors of the Year were Julie Dawson and John McNamee.

We always welcome new people to Masters events and if you are a patrolling member and are interested in carnivals, or even just doing some training, we would love to hear from you.

Christiana Mergan TBSLSC Masters



SLSNSW Master's Championships Blacksmiths Beach February 2026

<u>Barbara Attard</u> 70-74	Bronze	Surf Race Rescue Tube	<u>Julie Dawson</u> 75+	Gold	1K Beach run Sprint Flags
<u>Wendy McNamara</u> 75-	Silver	Sprint Flags	<u>John McNamee</u> 75+	Bronze	Surf Race
<u>Gayle McCann</u>	Silver	Rescue Tube	<u>Christi Mergan</u>	5 th	Single Ski

70-74	4 th	1K Beach Run	50-54	6 th	Iron Woman
	4 th	Beach Sprint			
	4 th	Flags	<u>Peter Pracy</u>	4 th	Beach Sprint
			75+	4 th	1K Beach Run

SLSA Australian Championships
QLD Gold Coast
March 2026

Julie Dawson Gold Sprint
 75+ 1k Beach Run
 Flags

SURF SPORTS AWARDS:

10 Year Officiating Service Certificate: Julie Dawson

FUNCTION ROOM – 2025/2026

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 welcomed 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.

Worn table tops were replaced with a much more hardwearing laminate, making the tables much more appealing. The old metal stools have also been replaced with new resin ones, with a back rest.

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.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to Tracey, Tom, Karen, Denis, Helen 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](#).
- ✓ 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 first 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 merry-makers 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 \$270.00 and one security guard at \$270.00 for the evening. Hourly rate remains at \$132.00/hour with a minimum booking of six hours. Weekends 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

Toowoona Bay SLSC Bar and Sunday SIPS

There's no better way to end the weekend than our Sunday SIPS. Grab a drink, watch the sun go down, and keep an eye peeled for migrating whales.

We've recently expanded our Sunday SIPS team by 14 members. This includes 13 of our own TBSLSC members who earned their RSA certification at the Club, plus a warm welcome to Nicholas Vergara, who joins us having completed his training externally. Successfully training and mentoring new team members results in improved confidence, consistency and great customer service and experience. I am very fortunate to have the willingness of so many volunteers at the Club who offer their time to help when needed on the bar.

We introduced cocktails this year in the summer season which has proven to be a great success. Or is that because we have the excellent cocktail experience extraordinaire Daniel amongst us and customers can't resist his charming demeanour!

We now have new flags to help promote SIPS, these are put up outside the front door daily and during the summer season, they are also put up in the patrol driveway. New tabletops and stools were also a welcome addition. Jacqui went to town on some table decorations from Temu which combined with the stunning view at our lovely beach makes for a pleasant afternoon. Our new SIPS shirts give the team a sharp, cohesive look.

I would also like to thank Jacqui and Denis who help set up the furniture and Karen and Ben who fill the fridges, put glasses away and manage the recycling weekly. Phil must also be thanked for organising the entertainment.

I would sincerely like to offer my thanks to the entire bar team for their dedication, professionalism, and hard work throughout the year, the commitment shown has been instrumental in the success of Sunday SIPS, and I look forward to building on these achievements in the new year ahead.

Tracey Clifton
Bar Manager and Licencee

The SIPS Team

Garry Chappell	Ros Chugg	Valerie Clifford	Tracey Clifton
Helen Clifton	Ruth Cook	Jacqueline Dunkerley	Simone Dunn
Sybil Edwards	Jan Elsworthy	Irene Freeman	Daniel Garvey
Michelle Garvey	Denis Hannigan	Jo Hayes	Karen Hickmott
Ben Hickmott	Criag Horton	Paul Hoyland	Chris Manning
Gayle McCann	Justine Moore	Holly Nash	Julie-Anne Nichols
Phillip Rayment	Denise Ryals	Rachel Scott	Mark Shearan
Graham Sherer	Deann Sullivan	Eden Thomas	Selena Thomas
Nicholas Vergara			

If you would like to join the SIPS team, please contact Tracey Clifton

**Toowoomba Bay SLSC Building Committee**

The Building Committee has been very active over the last 12 months engaging in numerous meetings with a variety of Central Coast Council officers and residents to try and plot a way forward with the building renovation project.

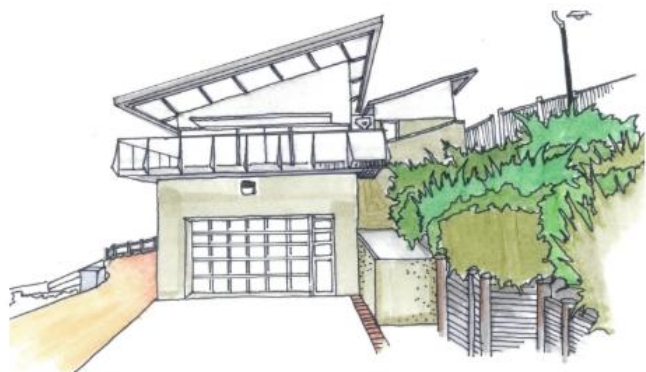
The Club was successful in securing a grant from the NSW Government (see Finance Report) to assist financially with the preparation of relevant plans and reports.

Once these documents are finalised, reviewed and approved by the Committee, it is hoped the project can then be moved forward.

Thank you to the hard working Committee – Julie Dawson, Wendy McNamara, Chris Manning, John Vergara, Karen Hickmott, Brent Fitzpatrick and Luke Mabey.

Phillip Raymont

Building Committee Chairperson



EXISTING VIEW



PROPOSED VIEW

TOOWOON BAY OCEAN SWIM 2025

The annual Toowoona Bay Ocean Swim took place on Saturday 29th November 2025

The weather conditions were close to perfect! This attracted a record number of participants and supporters. Swimmers of all ages participated, ranging from juniors (as young as 8) to seniors (over 70 years old), and we were even honoured to have some swimmers in their 80's.



The event featured several races, including the annual John McNamara Memorial Open 400m, the 400m junior, as well as the 1km and 2km swims. The 250m "Dash for Dinner" has continued to be a great success, with gift vouchers generously provided by Kim's Beachside Retreat. The winners enjoyed a wonderful meal with their family and friends.

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. A big shout-out to Patrol 5 for their unwavering support with swim operations, and dedication to beach safety. Thank you to our photographers and drone operator for capturing the spirit of the day in such a wonderful gallery of images.

We would like to express our gratitude to our loyal sponsors for their generous contributions and thank you for your continued support over the years.

This year, we are excited to announce our new partnership with The Greens, The Entrance. When you visit and enjoy the facilities at The Greens, be sure to mention the ocean swim.

Allocations from the funds raised in 2025 are nearing finalisation. An annual donation of \$500 has been made to the Disabled Surfers Association, Central Coast Branch.

The 2026 Toowoona Bay Ocean Swim is locked in for Saturday 28th November.

Selena Thomas
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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