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Sawtell SLSC is located on the lands of the Gumbaynggirr Aboriginal people, who are the Traditional Custodians of the lands and waters from which the Club operates. Sawtell SLSC pays our respects to the Traditional Custodians and their Elders past and present.



Message from the President

What a good turn out to the recent AGM! I wish to acknowledge and thank all those who have volunteered to be a part of the Committee which is integral to the running of our Club. I am very excited to be able to work with the new committee and I am sure we will continue to improve the culture and Club Spirit as we move into the 2024/25 season.



You will see following in the newsletter under the new committee, so if you or someone you know wants to be a part of this amazing team, please don't hesitate to contact us.

I can't wait for the warmer weather to return, be a part of the fantastic team here at Sawtell that keeps our beach safe for locals and visitors alike, as well as seeing our nippers in the water developing life skills that will help them and the community alike into the future.

I wish you all a fantastic break, hope you all come back refreshed and healthy.

President

Sean Golding



Message from the Club Captain

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A number of our members who obtained 100% patrol status for the 2023/24 season. Congratulations and thank you!! There are gifts for you which, if you did not receive at our end of season presentation night, I have in store for you. Maybe an ideal time to collect it at our pre-season meeting? A list of those who received 100% status for last season is contained within this newsletter.

The Club will undergo its annual Gear Inspection on the weekend of **7 - 8 September**. This is a very time consuming task between now and that date where all of our equipment is checked, repairs undertaken, and checklists ticked off to ensure we have the correct items on patrols and available for our Club. Preparations are already underway, and I wish to sincerely thank the following members for the work they are starting to do in this regard to ensure our Club is compliant: Neil Robertson, Denis Maher, Tony Ensbey, Scott Rayson, Steve Rayson and Shane Golden.

A reminder as we are presently in the off-season ... I urge our patrolling members or those with a bronze who would like to commence patrolling to consider if they would be willing to upskill in any of their qualifications ... as mentioned in earlier newsletters, emails and in face to face meetings, the desire to gain two extra patrols to return to a patrolling group of 12 is still high on the agenda but it all depends if we have enough of our members willing to upskill to make this a reality.

WE ARE NEEDING::

Beach Captain Silver Medallion

The branch is running a further course in this qualification.

ART – Advanced First Aid.

Please check the branch website

For an interest in these qualifications / courses – please let us know.

A heads up for dates to put in the calendar ... first patrol of the season will be commencing on **Saturday 28 September 2024**. Roster will come out in due course. If you are not planning on patrolling this year, **can you please let me know?** Also – if you are an **SRC or a bronze member and not allocated to a patrol and would like to** – please also let me know so I can add you to the roster.

I am also looking at putting a new patrol group together this year – this patrol group will not be allocated to any patrol roster, rather

it will contain a number of our members who are Active Reserve / Long Service to enable them to receive Surfguard messages to support our rostered patrolling members. If any Active Reserve / Long Service members would like to be added to this group, please let me know. There is no commitment to any rostered patrol, rather to ensure you receive patrol based messaging for meetings, patrol swaps / support etc.

Thank you to those members who attended my end of season wrap up / Lifesaving Agreement meeting on 30 June. At this point in time, discussions are still ensuing in regards to the upcoming season. If no resolution has been made, we will, in the interim, revert back to the current hours of operation to which we were rostered to for last season. I will of course keep you updated in this regard once more information comes to light.

I was very fortunate to be able to attend a recent SLS weekend Conference in Sydney where the Lifesaving Agreements were one of the main topics of discussion along with a whole range of initiatives State Lifesaving is rolling out or proposing. One of the topics centred around be open to change, and being open to new ways of flexible rostering. Whilst State is still working through that process and what it entails, we will continue status quo for the moment. It will certainly be a discussion for another day if and when it comes to fruition. I thank the Club and the Committee for enabling and supporting me to attend. It was a fabulous opportunity to catch up with other Club Captains and committee members from all Clubs throughout NSW.

I will be holding a pre-season meeting for Patrol Captains, Vice Captains and any other interested member prior to the first patrol. Stay tuned for more information in this regard.

Thanks again for all your efforts this season – it is greatly appreciated.

See you all on the beach.

Cheers



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Message from Chief Training Officer

Over the break, we have been busy with a few courses including the first aid course and ART course. We have some upcoming courses SMPC on **14-15 September** and SMAR **21-22 September**. If you are interested, please let Shelley know ASAP.

We will be providing a Bronze Course starting in October. If you're interested in this please email trainingsawtellsisc@gmail.com.

We are needing someone to fill the Role of Chief Training Officer, If you're interested in this position please contact any of the senior committee.

GENEROUS SUPPORTERS

Sawtell Surf Lifesaving Club is indebted to a local in the community Barry Cook who kindly arranged and paid for a stainless steel railing to be installed on the stairs leading down to the public toilets.

Many thanks Barry.

Other community members who have so kindly supported the Club include Geoff and Hilda Sproule who have donated \$5000 to go towards a new IRB motor, Carol Lindsay who has given the Club \$4000 to be spent as the Club sees fit, the residents of Rockpool units who donate the proceeds from cashing in bottles and cans, Peter Irish, the Club auditor who donates back to the Club \$200 of his fee, and IGA who continue to provide their monthly Community Rewards sponsorship payments.

There are some very generous people within our community.

VALE MAL CHAFFEY

The Club was saddened to hear of the sudden passing of Life Member Mal Chaffey.

Mal always had the Club at heart and came down from Armidale to attend the last Presentation Evening in June before being diagnosed with and succumbing to a very aggressive cancer.

Mal gained his Bronze in 1963 at his second attempt and went on to fill numerous positions within the Club including secretary, club captain, boat captain, chief instructor, branch delegate and carnival organiser over his 13 years involvement. Chaff, as he was known, was a "doer" - a backbone of our Club.

IRB MOTOR FOR SALE

In order to ensure that we have good and modern equipment available for our patrolling members our Club has an ongoing process of replacing old equipment with new equipment. In accordance with this process, we have 2 outboard motors for sale. These 25HP Mercury motors were purchased in 2016 and, while they are worn, are still in working condition. Currently they are being used every week for IRB training but are available for sale immediately. The motors come complete with propellers, propeller guards and fuel hoses but not fuel tanks.

If you are interested, please contact **Scott Rayson**, the IRB Captain, on **0429 805 602**. If you know of anyone else who may be interested in purchasing a motor, please let them know.



4 DATES

GEAR INSPECTION

7 – 8 September 2024

PATROLS COMMENCE

28 September 2024
Sawtell

MANLY CAMP

Wed 2 – Fri 4 October 2024
Sawtell

FIRST DAY OF NIPPERS

13 October 2024
Sawtell

2024/2025 MEMBERSHIP

RENEWALS

Membership renewals are now open on the SLS NSW members portal. Please make your membership payment at the time of renewing.

Approved fees for this coming season 2024/25 are as follows:

All Patrolling Members **\$70 ***

Active Reserve **\$70**

Past Active **\$70**

Long Service **\$70**

Associate Members **\$120**

General Members (Nipper Parents) **\$70**

Juniors U6, U7 **\$75**

U8-U14 one nipper **\$130**

U8-U14 two nippers **\$250**

U8-U14 three nippers **\$330**

* Discount of \$20 if paid by 30 September

Nipper News

NIPPERS OUT AND ABOUT

The start of the 2024 / 2025 Nipper season is fast approaching. It has been awesome to see the smiling faces of our young members back in the surf at club training, hanging out with mates and practicing their skills under the guidance of our head coach Erin Powell. With excitement many of our Nippers will be competing at Forster in the Weekend of Surf over the October long weekend and the following weekend at the Coolangatta Gold event. If there are any Nippers wishing to enter the Coolangatta Gold event, please contact our Competition Manager Naomi Little.

A huge thank you to Sawtell RSL club for the grant to purchase three new fibreglass competition / training boards. With the generosity of all our supporters including the Sawtell RSL Club we can provide our nippers with quality and safe equipment to learn life skills.

I personally would like to thank Tiffany Easman for her dedication to the Nipper program and the Sawtell SLSC. Tiff has recently taken the position of Vice President of the senior committee. Tiff will continue to support the Nipper program as one of our Beach Superintendents.

If you have ever wondered how, you could become more involved in our club or gain qualifications to assist, please see one of the junior committee members or age managers.

See you on the beach,

Matt Herbert, Chairperson JASC

MANLY CAMP

Please see below information about the Manly Pre-Season Camp which is being held at Sawtell from September and is open to all Nippers U9-U15's.

The camp will take place in the first week of the September school holidays and focuses on ocean training and becomes a highlight of the year for many Nipper families. It is a great experience for new U9's and significantly develops their skills and independence in the ocean. It's also a good opportunity to bond with other Nipper families and have some fun.

Please register with this link:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=JrVa5fvvkkijbZ4Li15EO14r5ySUbsZEgCiWas3kz5URUZaV0oxOEdJOVYxSzIXWVZGMTFIVTBWOS4u>

Please note: above link not working at time of publication; for further information please contact Jacsawtellslsc@gmail.com



FACEBOOK

We have created a Facebook closed group to better our communication with all junior/senior, patrolling or associate members for information about and around the club.

Please join our closed Facebook group for information updates regarding the overall club via the link below or by searching the group "Sawtell Surf Club Members".

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/109220182177379/>



CLUB COMMITTEE 2024-25 Appointed at the 2024 AGM

PRESIDENT	Sean Golding
VICE PRESIDENT	Tiffany Easman
SECRETARY	Adam Newman
TREASURER	Vacant - Interested?
CLUB CAPTAIN	Shelley Lantry
CHIEF TRAINING OFFICER	Vacant - Interested?
ORDINARY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE (2)	James Moss Ross Waugh
CHAIRPERSON OF JUNIOR ACTIVITIES SUB-COMMITTEE	Matt Herbert
VICE CLUB CAPTAIN	Peter Singleton
REGISTRAR	Lynn Hastings
IRB CAPTAIN	Scott Rayson
RADIO OFFICER	Steve Rayson
SPONSORSHIP OFFICER	Sarah Jennings
COMPETITION MANAGER	Vacant - Interested?
GEAR & MAINTENANCE OFFICER	Tony Ensbey
FIRST AID OFFICER	Dennis Meagher
MEMBER PROTECTION INFORMATION OFFICER	Sarah Jennings
HEALTH AND SAFETY OFFICER	Vacant - Interested?
SOCIAL ORGANISER	Vacant - Interested?
CHILD SAFETY OFFICER	Andrew Martin
HEAD COACH	Erin Powell
PUBLICITY OFFICER	Fiona Lane
COMPETITION MANAGER	Vacant - Interested?
CADET SUPERVISOR	Vacant - Interested?

COMPETITION MANAGER REPORT

Congratulations to all the award winners at the Seniors Presentation evening. Our Seniors/ Open/Master competitors are enjoying some time off. We are still on the lookout for a senior competition manager. if this interests you please get in contact with any seniors committee members.

COFFS COAST OCEAN SWIMS

Members are asked to note that the above event will be held on **Sunday 6 April 2025** and the Club will need all support possible to ensure a great event.

WHERE DO YOU FIT IN?

Someone once said that membership in every organisation is made up of four types of bones

There are the wishbones who spend all their time wishing somebody else would do all the work

There are the jawbones who do all the talking but little else

There are the knucklebones who knock everything that anybody else tries to do

There are the backbones who do all the work

WHERE DO YOU FIT IN?????

2023-2024 PRESENTATION WINNERS

COMPETITION AWARDS

Pam and Jim Worland Award - Female Club Champion -
Amelia Moore

Philip Bellinger Memorial Shield - Male Club Champion-
Angus Waugh

Reg Gentle Memorial Shield - Best Competitor (or Team) and
Sportsperson of the Year - Isaac Ryan

Best Craft Competitor - Isaac Ryan

Wal Edmonds Memorial Trophy Best Team Member -
Maddison Graham

CLUB AWARDS

Kent Pearson Memorial - Trophy Best 1st Year (U15) Cadet –
Lily Bourne

Best New Member -BCU Perpetual Shield – Hans Van Aggelen

Allan Scope Encouragement Award - Alan Scope Memorial
Trophy – Erin Powell

Best Patrol Member – Carly Mosti

President’s Award – Club Spirit –Tiffany Easman

Betty Hobbs Trophy - Best Female Member - Shelley Lantry

Allan (Nugget) Hobbs Trophy - Best Club Member -
Adam Newman

Junior Female Lifesaver of the Year - Maddison Graham

Junior Male Lifesaver of the Year - Saul Easman

Bill Wood Memorial Trophy Best U17 Member – Angus Waugh

Dianne ‘Di’ Clark Memorial Award – Lorraine Hirth

Sabrina Tisdell Award for Sportsmanship - Isaac Ryan

100% PATROL AWARDS 2023-2024

Patrol 1 Mark Sherrin, Kevin Clancy, Russell Day, Lyn Hastings,
Kelly Denison, Taren Preston, Amber Carle, Erin Powell.

Patrol 2 Carly Mosti, Sarah Jennings, Lorraine Hirth, Peter Hirth,
Christopher McNeill, Ruth Philippo, Kim Henderson

Patrol 3 Tiffany Easman, Sheena McTackett, Kieran Ayshford, Matt
Ryan, Nick Murray

Patrol 4 Adam Newman, Ian Dellar, David Eiler, Julie-ann Willis

Patrol 5 Andrew Martin, Kylie Moore, Anthea Martin, Kirsty West,
Murray Vine, Amelia Moore



Patrol 6 Fiona Lane, Tony Ensbey, Shauna Ellis, Kate Williams,
Troy Pinder, Luke Williams, William Mayberry

Patrol 7 Shane Golden, Shelley Lantry, Renee Golden, Jeffrey
Holmes, Neil Robertson, Zac Tumminello

Patrol 8 Steve Rayson, Scott Rayson, Hugh Goddard, Cheryl Lane,
James Moss, Angus Waugh, Ross Waugh

Patrol 9 Barry Walker, Stephen Foster, Abel Straker, Carney Peters,
Erin Straker

Patrol 10 Peter Singleton, Gerard de Carle, Gerard Klinkers, Hans
Van Aggelen

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