

2019-2020 ANNUAL REPORT

# tamarama surf life saving club inc.

We're all in this  
together







## tamarama slsc objectives

**Tamarama Surf Life Saving Club recognises and acknowledges Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are the original peoples and the traditional owners and custodians of Australian lands and waters.**

The objectives are an important part of any organisation.

The ongoing objectives of TAMARAMA SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB INCORPORATED are as follows:

- To minimise the loss of life by drowning by providing efficient life saving equipment and rendering first aid.
- To preserve and safeguard life by the study and practice of the methods of Life Saving as taught by Surf Life Saving Australia.
- To promote and arrange demonstration, and arrange classes of instruction to bring about a thorough knowledge of the principles which underline the art of Life Saving.
- To assist the Council's Lifeguards in their duty and by appointing patrols, render all possible aid to those in distress.
- To provide conveniences for Club Members and obtain the best facilities for surf bathing.





# office bearers season 2019–2020

PATRON:	William Shires
PRESIDENT:	Tim Murray
VICE PRESIDENT:	Matteo Salval
HON. SECRETARY:	Daniel Qualischefski
TREASURER:	Robert Foulkes
CLUB CAPTAIN:	Holly Love
CHIEF INSTRUCTOR:	Michelle Cowans
JUNIOR ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR:	Jon Hancock
VICE CAPTAIN (COMPETITION):	Lance Brooks
VICE CAPTAIN (LIFESAVING):	Patrick Connors
ASSISTANT SECRETARY/REGISTRAR:	unfilled
ASSISTANT TREASURER:	unfilled
GEAR STEWARDS:	Brent Solomon and Matteo Salval
BOAT CAPTAIN:	unfilled
IRB CAPTAIN:	Jack Collins
ASSISTANT CHIEF INSTRUCTOR:	Nicola Schlitz-Wells
SOCIAL SECRETARY:	David Murphy
PUBLIC OFFICER:	unfilled
RADIO OFFICER:	unfilled
BOARD AND SKI CAPTAIN:	Chris Barrett
PUBLICITY OFFICERS:	Jemima Waddell and Danny Adams
FIRST AID OFFICER:	Aryan Shahabi-Sirjani
HERITAGE STEWARD:	Chris Bromhead
REGISTERED SPORTS OFFICIALS:	Peter Davis and Guy Waddell
SLSA DELEGATE:	Tim Murray
HON. LEGAL OFFICERS:	Martin Hadley and Santo Losurdo
HON. MEDICAL OFFICER:	unfilled

# tamarama committees

<b>management committee</b>		
Tim Murray	Matteo Salval	Daniel Qualischefski
Robert Foulkes	Holly Love	Michelle Cowans
Jon Hancock		
<b>judiciary committee</b>		
Peter Davis	Jon Hancock	Chris Glover
Sue Jackson	Tom Bodger	
<b>awards committee</b>		
Derek Bagatourian	Arnaud De La Chaise	Nicola Schlitz-Wells
<b>building committee</b>		
Tim Murray	Matteo Salval	Ronan MacSweeney
<b>migrant beach safety team</b>		
David Murphy	Sophie Taylor	
<b>heritage project</b>		
Chris Bromhead	Guy Waddell	
<b>club members who are life members of surf lifesaving australia ltd</b>		
Ron Buist*	Michael Burke*	
<b>club members who are life members of surf lifesaving nsw inc.</b>		
Ron Buist*	Michael Burke*	
<b>club members who are life members of surf lifesaving sydney inc.</b>		
Ron Buist*	Michael Burke*	Kevin Andrews*
John Wardall*	Clive Owens OAM	

\* Denotes Member is deceased

# club patron's report



**We find ourselves in difficult times this year and as I write this, I hope everyone is healthy and well. I was impressed to see the Club reacting so well to the current health crisis for our members and their families.**

Lots of virtual drinks, zoom get togethers and not to mention the grants for members that are doing it extra tough. I wish I could say that we are through the worst of it and things will only get better, but only time will tell. I urge everyone to remain vigilant, socially distant where applicable and don't forget to wash your hands regularly. On a positive note, I am hoping some of this infrastructure spending will find its way to Tamarama. We are shovel ready and have the paperwork in order.

The season had other challenges with bushfires and the related smoke haze earlier this year. It seems so long ago, but we also need to thank those members that helped out with the regional clubs in person or via donations, these were very impressive gestures and remind us how great a club we are apart of. I was down the coast just before the fires hit and I know the help was greatly appreciated.

In amongst everything of this incredibly strange year, we can all still take pleasure that as a club, we can report yet another (albeit shortened) season with 'No Lives Lost'. The dedication of the current management team and our club members can only be applauded. We managed two sets of new bronzies through in the shortened season and I notice we are back into IRB training already. Great news!

I hope to see everyone down at the beach soon. Keep well.

**BILL SHIRES**  
Club Patron

This page – Jose, Richard and Matteo showing how to correctly wear a face mask.

Opposite page – Above left: Tama as a wave of heavy smoke haze from the bush fires rolls in. Image by Brianne Makin

Middle left: Three generations in action with David, Alice and Milly.

Below left: Social distancing in action as the beach is officially fenced off.

Above right: Roving patrol at Mackenzies.

Above middle right: Tama Life Members – Paul Cooper, Steve Bell and John Hall.

Below middle right: IRB training underway.

Below: The Croatian Men's Tennis Team visiting Tamarama SLSC.





# club president's report



**Thank you to all members for maintaining our record of 'no lives lost' at Tamarama, since we began patrolling in 1906, has been maintained for another season.**

We had another big year. Tamarama SLSC was on the front page of the Star Observer! Tracey Rockwell staged the first Wonderland Art Show at the club. Ayran Shahabi-Sirjan and Ben Armitage ran fundraisers for the bushfires.

We have fantastic news that we intend to start construction on our new club house in this year. We are still short of our funding target by around \$500,000, however, we have strategies in place to raise the funds before we commence construction. The Club has entered into a public private partnership with Waverley Council for the project. The Council will be responsible for tendering and project management of the build.

With the capital campaign nearing completion and our club now ready to be rebuilt my remit as President of the club is coming to an end. While I will continue on the building committee, I will not seek re-election as President. The new management committee is shaping up to be a young and diverse committee that reflects the core membership that patrols the beach.

As we transition to a new club house and management committee it is a good time to revisit our strategy and establish a new operating plan for our club. The new club house will be a vastly improved facility for our members and the community. Members will be able to have regular drinks events in the Reef Lounge looking out over the ocean. Or work out in the new gym with the same view. We will have more commercial events at the club. Community groups will have at least double the access to our hall. We will need a general manager to coordinate all of these activities. We should expect a surge in membership. So who should get priority access? Which community groups should get access? What is our greater role in the community? We need to review the future of the club to ensure patrolling members are at the heart of our club.

In this time of pandemic we are reminded how important our community is to us. It has been great to feel the love of our members looking after each other. Our club is a strong community and we should build off that strength.

I have had the honour of working with great people on the management committee over the past three years.

Outstanding life savers with diverse skills. It has been a great pleasure to serve as the representative for our members.

Highlights of the last few years have been establishing the migrant beach safety program, the return of the Holly Days program, supporting our LGBTIQ members with our loud participation in the Yes campaign and winning the Tamarama Clovelly Cup at Tamarama Beach in 2019!

Being part of the management committee, you see the strong dedication of many members that help make our club work. Members like Jo Miller who puts in over 100 hours a season to ensure the Holly Days kids participate in nippers each weekend. Richard Hamilton, who along with partner Alex Jang, developed merchandise and raised thousands of dollars for club operations. Ian Hopkins who has managed the club accounts each month for over two decades. Life Member and former Secretary Phil Hogan who is always available to give advice and support for the management of the club. Troy Longworth who was the architect and driving force of our capital campaign to rebuild the club. Guy Waddell, always fixing something. All have also given generously of their time and money to the capital campaign.

I would like to thank our sponsors for making it possible to operate our club. Simon Exleton from McGrath Real Estate who was sponsored us for over a decade, Channel 10 for their generous sponsorship of our nippers and Waverley Council that is providing a large portion of the capital to rebuild our club.

Please consider taking up a role to help operate the club in the next season.

Keep fit over the winter and I look forward to seeing you all back on the beach next season.

**TIM MURRAY**  
President



Opposite page – Above: A sign to behold – our beach closed off.  
Below: Patrol 8 eagerly awaiting their next challenge.

This page – Above: Ben and David in training for the Gold, Masaki, David and Sebastian in training for the Bronze.  
Middle: IRB crew training Feb 2020.  
Below: Signals review for Patrol 2.



# club vice president's report



It has been a peculiar season, a strange summer. Yet, despite bushfires and pandemic, the Tamarama spirit of support, inclusion and love for the surf and the community kept shining through.

## sculptures by the sea

This year our annual Sausage by the Sea sizzle managed to sell over 6,000 sausages over three weekends. That is an average of 1,000 sausages a day! This could not have happened without the help of our friends at Lions: Sari-Elle, Anna, David, Jenny, Maureen, Michael, Sean, Shane, Tony and Bruce. And of course, our club members Arnaud, Guy, Bill, Sophie, Jody, Jose, Rob, Jo, Michelle, Brad, Chris, Adrian, Scott, Jonathan, Lennon, Patrick, Richard, Alex, Abigail, Tarek, Nat, Jesse and the unrostered heroes, nippers and nipper parents that showed up to give a hand – you are simply the best!

## bsef grant and gear inspection

We are ever so thankful for the NSW Government for providing the club with much needed funds for new gear. This year we purchased, boards, tubes and IRB gear. Thank you, Aryan, Ellie, Guy, Holly, Jose, Lance, Liam, Jack, Michelle and most importantly Daphne for getting new and old gear sorted in time for gear inspection: this year we had only two items to reinspect – best year yet, well done everyone!

## resqme and club merchandise

A special mention to Alex Jang and Richard Hamilton for raising \$3,858 for the surf club through the sale of RESQME swimwear during Sculptures by the Sea – great initiative with funds going straight into our building renovation account.

The new merchandise designed by Richard Hamilton is hard to miss – particularly when it is worn by the exceptionally good-looking Patrol 2! Thank you, Richard, for creating such great apparel - get in touch with him if you missed out – hoodies are a must have for the cold months!

## holly days

Well done Jo Miller for another great season of Holly Days with the fantastic kids from Maroubra and La Perouse joining Nippers on Sundays and representing our Club in competitions and at development camps – Thank you Jo for the monumental effort in delivering this fantastic program.

## responding to the bushfire appeal

The bushfires that devastated the country earlier this season might see like a distant memory in these trying times – yet so many are still grappling with the damage done by the fires. We are very grateful for Aryan's determination in running a fund-raising barbeque to support the Red Cross. Tamarama SLSC was able to contribute \$6,000 to the bushfire relief appeal.

## sydney airport bucket shake

We were thrilled to participate to the Sydney Airport Bucket shake with other branch clubs this year to raise money. Tamarama performed amazingly – one of our shifts was the second best performing with over \$2,000 raised in just over three hours. Well done all involved!

## thank you

To all our members and their supporting families: thank you for being such an amazing community and tirelessly, selflessly making Tamarama SLSC the amazing surf club it is. A special mention from me goes to Tim, our outgoing President: thank you for your tireless efforts and thank you for showing such incredible, inspiring leadership. Keep safe and in touch this winter.

## MATTEO SALVAL

Vice President



Opposite page– Above: Ellie, Daphne and Andy shaking a bucket for surf life saving.  
Below: All dressed up with buckets to shake and money to make.

This page – Above: Our new tap donation point...now with sunscreen!  
Above middle: New merchandise with Patrol 2.  
Below middle: What a spread at gear inspection.  
Below: Migrant Beach Safety Day.



# club secretary's report



As we cap off another successful, albeit shorter, season I am reminded of how much of a family our club is. We might be the little club on the rocks, but our diversity and support for each other makes us a strong community that always punches above its weight.

Left: Somewhere over the rainbow.  
Right: Holly, Adrian and Cameron keep these future lifesavers in line.



Our number one priority to keep the Tamarama/Mackenzie's coastline safe while visitors and locals enjoy our beautiful corner of Sydney is a job we all enjoy doing with our fellow clubbies, and one we've done well this season.

I think we can all be proud of the efforts our club continues to make in being truly representative of the community we serve. Our drive to encourage an inclusive culture at the club is well evidenced this season by our initiative to increase female membership in the Bronze Medallion courses, the continuation of the migrant safety days, and on a more personal note for me, the hosting of the Lifesavers with Pride rehearsals for Mardi Gras this year. Tamarama is a club that prioritises member welfare and support, and this makes for a club that is better equipped to do our job of keeping the beach safe.

Although this season was bookended by the fires and the pandemic, lowering beach attendance, I thank all the members who turned up for their patrols rain, hail or shine and put in the hours.

I am grateful to have been a part of a dedicated Management Committee and to see the inner workings of the club that keep things going. Serving as secretary has also shown me even more, how tirelessly some of our members work beyond normal patrolling, contributing many extra hours to the success of the club. I encourage everyone to thank those you see putting in this extra time and to consider contributing in any way you can.

We have a great beach and a great club to be proud of. Here's to doing it all again for our 114th season!

**DANIEL QUALISCHEFSKI**  
Honorary Secretary



Crowds lining up for Tamarama world famous sausage sizzle (no Bondi wieners).

These are our patrol statistics for the 2019-20 season:

## patrol attendance

(number of patrolled hours by members)

Season	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Patrol Hours	4,560	5,233	3,368

## recorded statistics

	2019-20
Total Preventative Action	810
Beach Users Advised/Warned	8
Swimmers Advised/Warned	359
Craft Users Advised/Warned	0
Shark Alarm	0
Searches	0
Lost Children	0
Preventions	422
Warning Signs Erected	21

## beach attendance

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Total	50,797	54,458	19,281



Keeping Mackenzies safe.

## rescues

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Total Rescues	140	152	47
No Gear	12	14	2
Rescue Tube	82	97	29
Rescue Board	44	38	7
IRB	2	3	6
Other	0	0	3

## first aid

	2019-20
Total First Aid Actions	46
Fractures/Dislocations	3
Major Wounds	2
Minor Marine Stings	24
Minor Cuts/Abrasions	14
Other	2
Resuscitation	1
Spinal	2



# club captain's report



**It has been an honour to lead as Club Captain in our 113th season, a season that has truly exemplified what makes the community of Tamarama Surf Lifesaving Club so special. We are accepting and welcoming of everyone, our team is built on strong bonds of trust and friendship and we are rescue-ready at all times.**

The season began with us taking delivery of an ATV funded with assistance from the Federal Government and Sydney Airport. I'm pleased to say that the presence of an ATV has decreased the risk of member injury from carrying heavy patrolling equipment to and from the water's edge. It's also facilitated quick and easier training for our IRB Team and proved itself vital in two major rescues this season.

While it's not unusual for us to have a few weekends patrolling MacKenzie's beach each season, it's appearance for most of the Summer certainly put us through our paces, with most patrols and off-duty members undertaking multiple rescues. It was great to see all patrols thinking in new and efficient ways, and everyone really putting their skills to the test to make sure there was help when needed.

Mid-season, a review of our after-hours call out procedures was undertaken, providing an opportunity to reframe this in line with the principles of the NSW Incident Management Framework. This has resulted in a refreshed and energised team, and a procedure that will ensure our future response is swift and coordinated.

Regular meetings, mock scenarios and joint training exercises continued to grow our relationship with Bronte and the Waverley Lifeguard Service, and I remain grateful for the continued assistance of Bronte's IRB Team in covering Sunday's patrolling hours. I am pleased to say, under the guidance of this season's IRB Captain Jack Collins, we have increased the number of IRB Crew and Drivers this year, with likely capacity to cover most Sunday morning patrols from next season.

Away from the beach, Tamarama Lifesavers were the second highest contingent represented in the Lifesavers with Pride float at this year's Mardi Gras Parade. It's fantastic to see so many of our members promoting our Club, and Surf Life Saving, as an accepting and welcoming community.

While we saw an early close to the season due to COVID-19, it didn't mean that our members clocked off for the season. All too often, stories would filter through on various WhatsApp chats of members performing rescues while exercising along the coastal track. Rescues performed without hesitation and with no equipment.



Thank you. Your dedication and courage demonstrates that there is no such things as an off-duty Tamarama lifesaver.

I'd like to thank my fellow members on the Management Committee, Vice-Captain of Lifesaving Pat Connors, IRB Captain Jack Collins and Vice-Captain of Competition Lance Brooks for your hard-work and support this season.

Thank you to previous Club Captains Dan Zafir and Dan Adams, the many long-serving members of the Club and our Club Patron Henry who freely shared with me their time, knowledge and advice.

Thank you to the Executive of the Sydney Branch, Keith Grima OAM, members of the Lifesaving and Education Committee, Waverley Lifesaving Area Coordinator Scott Muir and the Duty Officers for your guidance.

Finally, thank you to our active patrolling members who have, once again, given up their valuable spare time to keep our beach, and all those who visit it, safe. Since 1906 no lives have been lost at Tamarama Beach during patrolling hours and I'm very proud to say, with your hard work, this season has been no different.

I look forward to seeing you all on the beach soon.

**HOLLY LOVE**  
Club Captain



Opposite page – Above: Holly Love trying to pry Club secrets out of Past Patron Henry Hourihan.

Below: Gold Medallion legends Ben Doherty and Chris Barrett showing us how it's done.

This page – Left: Michelle and Nicola clearly feeling irresistible – for good reason!

Above right: Bondi Rescue who? Photo shoot for The Star Observer.

Middle right: Is there anything Guy doesn't do?

Below right: Bronzies in action.



## TAMARAMA EDUCATION

## club chief instructor's report



**I became a member of Tamarama Surf Life Saving thanks to its inaugural Migrant Beach Safety Day, which I helped organise. I loved everything about that day and wanted to experience life from the other side – the red, yellow, blue and white side.**

At that time I never would have dreamed that just three short seasons later I would be asked to be CTO of the club, and it was a role I accepted with both pride and trepidation. Pride because I loved Tamarama SLSC from the moment I set foot in her creaking, tired, yet oh-so-cherished doors, and trepidation due to the magnitude of the task ahead of me. There was much to learn in a short space of time, and no one could have possibly predicted that a pandemic would wreak havoc: closing our beaches, ending our season early, and thwarting the education achievements of many of our members, new and old.

But in these strange times, it's important to focus on the positive, and there certainly are so many things for which to be grateful. One of the things I love most about Tamarama is the strong sense of community, and the willingness and dedication of members to get involved, lend a hand, and act as mentors. So, I am extremely thankful for the abundance of enthusiastic aides, people to talk to, bounce ideas off, and learn from, during my first season as CTO. Special mention goes to my Deputy CTO, Nicola Schlitz Welsh, whom I fondly dubbed 'Agent 99' after the vastly more capable, sophisticated and accomplished agent to the bumbling Maxwell Smart of the 1960s TV show Get Smart. She has been tireless in her assistance and it was a wonderful experience to work with her over this season. I would also like to thank Ellie Pietsch, Hugh French and Liam McDermott - the latter two who mentored myself and Nicola throughout the Bronze training, and Ellie for always being my go-to person when I had CTO-related questions.

But enough accolades for now, although there are many more who deserve them. Time for the nitty gritty of education and training of a season that ended in a way no one could have anticipated.

We kicked off the season with seven available dates for member proficiencies, and were able to ensure that most active members were proficient before the end of year. Tamarama currently has 141 active and proficient members.

For existing members, there were also plenty of education opportunities available and it has been wonderful to see so many members taking advantage of them. This season 13 members completed the Silver Medallion in Beach Management

(SMBM), 13 completed the Silver Medallion in Aquatic Rescue (SMAR), and three members completed the Gold Medallion. Thanks to the tireless efforts of our IRB Captain, Jack Collins, we also now have 12 new IRB crew and three new IRB drivers. All these numbers would be greater, but with the coronavirus restrictions in place, the final Gold Medallion assessments, SMBM and SMAR courses were all cancelled.

In addition, there are currently four members with the TAE trainers award, with six members due to start the next TAE qualification online via Zoom. I am especially proud of Rachel Feakes and Jack Collins, who successfully completed the Assessor course, with two other members due to start theirs in May.

There were two Bronze Medallion cohorts this season. Each cohort saw a dedicated training team giving up their time on a Saturday morning to assist, and I am proud that we now have four new training officers – Jack Collins for IRB training, and Nicola Schlitz Welsh, Rachel Feakes and Benedict Armitage for the Bronze Medallion. I would also like to give my thanks to Ben Armitage and Chris Barrett, and all the early mornings boards training they provided for both Bronze cohorts.

The September cohort graduated providing Tamarama with 14 new members, two of whom had moved from SRC to the Bronze. The February cohort started with 20 members and would have finished with 18, but this cohort was not assessed due to COVID-19.

Google Classroom was trialled across both cohorts. This educational platform is a collaborative online space that allows for content to be posted and consumed. This space was used to post digital flashcards, educational videos, virtual reality experiences, and more. Its use was optional, and provided trainees with a one-stop shop for materials.

For the final cohort, we trialled a new eight week model, which included an evening theory session, reduced Saturday hours, and shadow patrols. The rationale behind introducing this model was to allow more patrolling time for the new members before the end of season. The shadow patrols allowed the Bronze Medallion candidates to experience patrols, practice skills learnt, and pick up

new ones. Once the coronavirus restrictions are lifted, we will be able to get this final cohort assessed, who are currently meeting via Zoom once a fortnight to keep up their skills, and are eagerly awaiting an assessment date.

It's been a crazy and unprecedented season's end, but the Tama community is nothing if not resilient and I look forward to another season of education and innovation, meeting the next team of new surf lifesavers and continuing to assist and support the educational needs of current ones. It's been an honour to oversee the club's education and training, and I am grateful to the Tama family for all the help and support.

**MICHELLE COWANS**

Chief Training Officer



Opposite page – Above: Tama's Spring cohort happily graduating.

Below: Tama's February Bronzies, still waiting to graduate.

This page – Above: Social distance swim instead of assessment, just before the beaches were closed.

Below: Bronzies training on Zoom in COVID-19 times.



# life saving awards 2019–2020

## gold medallion – 3

Chris Barrett	Benedict Armitage	Ben Doherty
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## silver medallion – aquatic rescue – 13

Stephy Atkinson	Derek Bagatourian	Lance Brooks	Jack Collins
Patrick Connors	Sophia Coombs	Rachel Feakes	Alice Lang
Holly Love	Nicholas Spencer	Emmily Spormann	Guy Waddell
Zoe Whitton			

## silver medallion – beach management – 13

Stefano Aldini	Benedict Armitage	Chris Barrett	Jonathan Brett
Bradley Charters	Michelle Cowans	Arnaud de La chaise	Rachel Feakes
Albert Gillies	David Head	Liam McDermott	Timothy Murray
Nicola Schlitz Welsh			

## silver medallion – irb driver – 3

Jack Collins	Richard Hamilton	Nicola Schlitz Welsh
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## bronze medallion – 15

Calo Amaral	David Bermettler	Amanda Breen	Tarek Elgayar
Michael Field	Bertille Fousenant	Jack Fowles	Sebastian Geotzenberger
Ramon Guimaraes	Oliver Hunt	Lucas Molan	AJ Rincon
Masaki Shibata	Natalie Sutton	Lachlan Waddell	

## irb crew certificate – 12

Alex Chang	Michael Field	William Forrest	Albert Gillies
Ramon Guimaraes	David Head	Oliver Hunt	Michael Hutchings
William Lenard	Lucas Molon	Matteo Salval	Emmily Spormann

## training officer bronze medallion – 4

Benedict Armitage	Jack Collins	Rachel Feakes	Nicola Schiltz Welsh
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Above left: Sophia and Jessie on roll patrol.  
Above right: Bronzie action.  
Below: Tama Nippers at the Waverley Shield. Photo courtesy of MumMe Photography.

## advanced resuscitation techniques [aid] – 32

Elizabeth-Rose Ahearn	Caio Amaral	David Barmettler	Lisa Bodrero
Amanda Breen	Amanda Brooker	Lance Brooks	Riccardo Colucci
Lara De Carli	Oliver Hunt	Lachlan Waddell	Kimberley Doherty
Ben Doherty	Michael Field	Bertille Fouesnant	Jack Fowles
Harriet Gillies	Sebastian Goetzenberger	Harriet Gould	Jamie Gould
Ramon Guimaraes	Andrew Heggie	Brandon Kober-Brown	Lucas Molon
Alexandra Porter-Hepworth	Fabien Punin	AJ Rincon	Sidney Russell
Zoe Scott-King	Natalie Sutton	Fabian Velez	Daniel Zafir

## nipper surf education – 70



## TAMARAMA INFLATABLE RESCUE BOAT

## irb captain's report



**Our IRB team has made strong advances in the year since the last annual report, guided by our 2019/2020 and 2020/2021 Strategy, written to develop our IRB team to have two drivers and two crew on each patrol team by May 2021.**

This strategy is staged to achieve the following targets:

- Stage 1:** 11 drivers and 24 crew and 2 IRB trainers by December 2019
- Stage 2:** 15 drivers and 24 crew and 3 IRB trainers by May 2020
- Stage 3:** 20 drivers and 24 crew and 3 IRB trainers by December 2020
- Stage 4:** 24 drivers and 24 crew and 4 IRB trainers and 1 IRB assessor by May 2021

At present we have not met our Stage 1 targets, and making up the ground to meet our Stage 2 targets has been not been possible due to the restrictions to combat COVID-19.

We do however have nine drivers and nineteen crew at time of writing, with three drivers and nine crew receiving their award this financial year. In addition we have one probationary IRB assessor and four probationary IRB trainers, making considerable progress towards components of our Stage 4 target.

Working with the bronze medallion training team to time crew courses to start after the final examination as per the strategy has been a highly successful initiative, driving the majority of the numbers of new crew. The team extend our thanks to the CTO, Michele Cowans, and her team for their efforts in this regard and for their invitations to the IRB team to talk about their work with the candidates.

Our IRB team has continued to engage in surf sports and support services. In the 2019 IRB racing season three members of our team and the Kirsty Boden competed with our friends from Garie, South Maroubra and Bondi in six competitions, including the States and Aussie's, under the flag of Bondi SBLSC. This expanded to five for the 2020 season, which has been postponed due to restrictions as of time of writing. Members of our IRB team logged over 100 hours on the support skis and the Offshore Rescue Boat (Surf Rescue 30) for the 2019/2020 season. The team has attended the ALBERT advanced training weekends, including in Yamba during winter 2019, and members of our team organized an advanced training course at Tamarama run by the State IRB Racing Coach, Damien Woods. We also

had the opportunity to welcome a friend from Clovelly SLSC to accompany us for our winter 2019 driver's course while Bronte SLSC kindly hosted two of our members in their winter crew course.

The IRB equipment and facilities have undergone significant upgrades, with significant funding secured from grants by the work of team members. We have invested \$1,078 in a legally compliant fuel cabinet to mitigate fire risk, kindly provided at cost price by Global Spill Control. The club acquired an ATV to tow the IRBs, with the \$18,202 cost funded entirely by two grants from Sydney Airport and the Federal Government's Stronger Communities Programme Round 5. This had make launching and retrieving the IRB significantly easier and safer, and made a material improvement to the lives of our IRB team. The federal government grant also covered more than half the cost of a new pallet shelf in the IRB shed (\$1,000 towards \$1,605) for more organized and voluminous storage. The shelf was specified to be able to hold a rolled up IRB to accommodate future increases in our fleet, and to allow storage of equipment during the club rebuild. After lobbying by our Management Committee and Caretaker the Council has undertaken works to replace the incorrectly installed track of the sliding IRB shed door, entirely replacing the track to only require a few kilos of force to open the door. This work has significantly reduced the risk of workplace injuries to our members, and alongside the ATV allows us to respond to out of hour's incidents with only two people.

For the 2020/2021 season the IRB team will be concentrating on further building long term capacity, with a deep bench of trainers and young members gaining experience and leadership skills. To these ends we have enrolled members in trainers' courses and sent three of our members to the Young Leaders Program that was held in Stanwell Park in January 2020. They were the only members from the Waverley clubs to attend the program, jointly run by Sydney and Illawarra branches. We also wish to significantly increase our female representation. While we have significant numbers of CALD (culturally and linguistically diverse) and LGBTIQ members, our proportion of female members is 10 percentage points below that of patrolling members and nearly 30 percentage points below 50%.

In this report I have avoided naming people out of fear that I will miss people. All of the team this year have made huge contributions however I would like to, in no particular order, make special mention of,

- Richard Hamilton for his management of our racing team
- Adam Treharne from Coogee SLSC for training our winter IRB drivers course
- Ronny Krite from South Maroubra SLSC for training our spring and summer IRB crew courses
- Damien Woods, NSW State IRB Racing Coach, for assisting with our training courses, advanced training, and being our racing coach
- Guy Waddell for making his advice, expertise and experience available to me whenever I need it
- Matteo Salval for his assistance managing the gear shed and IRB shed
- All the members of the management committee for their support, assistance, and advice.

And of course all the team deserve congratulations. Tamarama is renowned as one of the most challenging, and dangerous, beaches for IRBs in Australia. Everyone that gets out there and has a go in an IRB at our beach is already a champion.

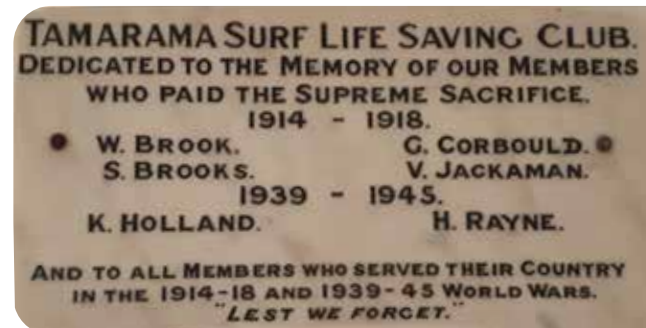
**JACK COLLINS**  
IRB Captain



Opposite page – Above: Ruari Dowdney – Bondi to Watson's Bay Water Safety.  
Middle: Driver Assessment September 2020.  
Below: Big Dan at the Start Line.  
This page – Left: We break sh\*t.  
Right: We fix sh\*t.



# heritage report



There's been steady progress on the Heritage front over the last few years – somewhat organic which is great to see, yet purposeful at the same time. The current round follows on from great foundation work undertaken by Philippa Ardlie and has involved members including Jon Hancock (Current Junior Activities Director and Life Member), Phil Hogan and John Hall (past Club Executive/Management Committee members and Life Members) and myself (self appointed Club Serial Pest, Gratuitous Advice Giver and Life Member).



While we all know that Tamarama was one of the foundation clubs of Surf Life Saving, looking around the club, you'd hardly know it as all our heritage items have been tucked away in anticipation of renovations at some point. The club history is indeed rich and deep and members should be proud of this fact – and indeed I'd strongly argue that this tradition continues to this day with the progressive and inclusive people and programs that we have on deck and in play today.

During 2019, Jon Hancock undertook to organise an event that recognised the contribution and sacrifice of one of our earliest members, Gordon Corbould. Gordon served on AE1 during World War I. AE1 was one of the first two submarines in the Australian Navy. Sadly, Gordon was killed on board AE1 when it was lost at sea, near what is now New Britain, on 14 September 1914. Gordon was also the first member of SLSC to lose their life in World War I. For some reason the memorial plaque at the club had Gordon's surname incorrectly spelt. Phil Hogan kindly undertook to have this corrected. Take a look next time you are at the club and take a quiet moment to thank those that made the supreme sacrifice. The memorial plaque recognising Tamarama SLSC members is at the top of the stairs in the Reef Lounge. Thanks Jon and Phil for your work on this.

John Hall has been busy combing through Annual Reports and other documentation to build a list of members and their qualifications, going as far back as records will allow. Remember – we did not always have Surfguard to hold member details, so this really is a labour of love. Thanks John – looking forward to seeing the outputs.



I've spent several days of my spare Tama time scanning, scanning, scanning with the help of the lovely Ingrid Grace (Local History Research and Engagement Officer) from Waverley Library. We now have a near complete record of Annual Reports dating back to 1928 – you can find these at [https://www.tamaramaslsc.org/annual\\_reports](https://www.tamaramaslsc.org/annual_reports). There's lots of great information, stories and pictures of our club, so you can build get a sense for yourself of the history that you are now part of. A shout out to Ted Gillroy (Life Member) for helping to plug some of the gaps in the annual report sequence – especially 1946-47. Not many clubs have access to this information, let alone the depth of history and significance of the history we have – we are a small club but punch above our weight. Although there are many, two great reads are the 50th and 75th Annual Reports.

Another huge callout to Phil Hogan for supporting the 'Flag Project'. Our March Past flag went missing several years ago – Phil has kindly agreed to support the acquisition of a replacement. The design chosen harks back to the flag as used in the 1950s and as paraded in front of the Queen and the Duke on their Royal Tour of 1954. It's not a 100% replica and includes some more recent features as well. Be on the look out for it when it arrives from our friends at Fineprint.

Opposite page – Above left: Memorial Plaque in Reef Lounge.  
Below left: Gordon Corbould – lost on AE1 September 14, 1914.  
Above right: Annual Report 1946-47 #3.

This page – Above left: Forever Young – Tama SLSC on tour Moana Beach SA 1982.  
Below left: Annual Report 1946-47 #2.  
Above right: Annual Report 1946-47 #1.  
Below right: Forever Young – Tama SLSC on tour Evans Head NSW 1981.



For those of you that don't know, our motivated members have created two documentary DVDs that capture our club history as well – check out the 2006 'No Lives Lost' and 2014 'Way of Life' Tamarama SLSC documentaries. With the permission of the Management Committee and some effort on the web site, we can make these available to members and interested parties soon. There are a few other heritage projects in the works so keep an eye out. If you'd like to be involved please let me know.

**GUY WADDELL**  
Heritage Officer



## treasurer's report



**2019–20 was quite a season – although it was all too short, there were many opportunities to showcase the values of our great club.**

Above: On the lookout – Tama water safety keeping surfers and swimmers safe.  
Below: Surf's on at Tama. Photo courtesy of MumMe Photography.

Some personal highlights include our fundraising efforts for the bushfire relief fund and at Sculptures by the Sea, the building project moving to the next level, some fantastic rescues (and prevented rescues) and the versatility of all our members in the face of the COVID-19 crisis. All these efforts have highlighted the strength of our small community of volunteers.

This will be my last season as Treasurer. The club's finances will be in even stronger hand next year, with Georgie and Jacob putting their hands up to help out going forward. Massive thanks are due this year to our accountant Ian (as always), our auditor Tom, the management committee and others involved in running the club (you know who you are), and to all members who make this club such a great one to be a part of. As always it has been a great pleasure to be involved and able to contribute in whatever ways I can; I very much look forward to seeing you on the beach again soon.

**ROB FOULKES**  
Treasurer

TAMARAMA NIPPERS – FUTURE LIFESAVERS IN TRAINING

## junior activities director's report



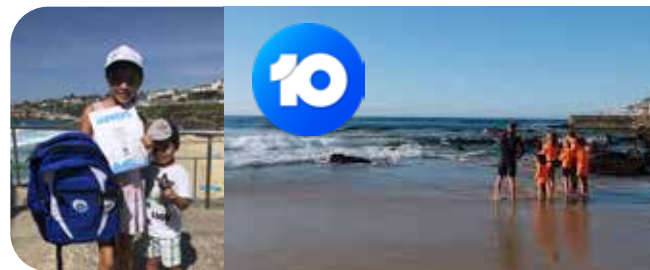
**With 100 Nippers registered for the 2019/20 Season, the beach was busy, the weather mostly kind, and skill development for participants exceptional.**

As with all Surf Life Saving Clubs throughout Australia, the Junior Development (Nipper) Program targets children aged from 5 to 14 and is designed to 'train future lifesavers'. The training encompasses not only beach and surf skills, but surf awareness, water safety, risk assessment, first aid, environmental awareness, leadership, communication, team work and building resilience amongst many other things. A principal aim is also to have fun.

The program at Tamarama is tailored to our own unique circumstances which includes a narrow beach, often challenging surf conditions and a small number of participants (compared to neighbouring clubs). Included with this is a very enthusiastic complement of Age Managers and involved parents. Together, this makes up a very special program for all involved.

Whilst there were no Nippers that completed their Surf Rescue Certificate this season, every Nipper received a trophy, 70 received a certificate for completing the Surf Life Saving components of the Nipper program and 33 were awarded a backpack for 100% attendance. 10 Nippers either pulled out or did not finish the season.





Above left: JAD Jon Hancock presents Annabelle C with her joint Nipper of the Year award in Covid-safe style. Above right: Joint Nipper of the Year winner Annabel C. Middle left: Winner of the Best and Fairest Award Jade B. Middle right and below left: Nippers who braved the Covid-safe presentation. Below right: Jesse Clare points out surf dangers at the Channel 10 sponsored program.

Annabel Crabb and Annabelle Charters were joint 'Nippers of the Year' winners and Jade Brennan received the 'Best and Fairest' Award.

This season, the Nipper program was extremely fortunate in obtaining sponsorship from Channel Ten which has allowed greater opportunities for our Nippers. Part of the funds were used for Nipper skill development at Bondi Beach with accredited swim coach Jesse Clare (Bondi Swim Coach) and his ocean and surf awareness training programs. Around 35 Nippers participated in the training sessions during Term 4, 2019 and Term 1, 2020. The skills learnt will be life long and prove invaluable for handling surf conditions at any beach, but more importantly surf conditions at Tamarama.

The final delivery of eight new Nipper training boards courtesy of the Federal Government's Safer Communities Grant Program (thanks to former MP Kerry Phelp) added to the training tools used by some of the older Nippers. The mid-sized boards allowed the older age groups to improve their board handling skills during variable surf conditions.



Above: Patrol 9 and their SRCs welcome beachgoers with some hi-jinx. Middle: What would we do without our SRC water safety on a Sunday morning? Thanks Guys...you're AWESOME! Below left: middle: Kids getting comfy at our Nipper Winter Movie Night. Below right: Parents getting social with some good food, wine and friends.

These skills will be vital for board rescues and future training for their Surf Rescue Certificate and Bronze Medallion.

As has become a tradition, the club held a mid-winter 'Movie Night' in July with a good turnout of Nippers and excited parents. It is not often that kids tell their parents to stop being so noisy, but this was the case that night – so the kids could concentrate on the movie.

Preceding the official season start, proficiency trials were held at UNSW pool in September to prove water competency. October 13th was the first day on the beach for Nippers followed by a welcome BBQ.

Through the new Channel Ten sponsorship an additional 'Sponsors Movie Night' was held at Bondi Junction cinemas for Nippers to get out and have some fun.

For two weeks (and three weekends) in November, Sculptures by the Sea enhanced the beach environs with their usual collection of unique art installations. Providing truly inimitable surrounds, Nipper activities were held on the sand around the sculptures culminating in an



Above: Everyone helps out at Sculptures. Whether it's slicing buns, spruiking and slinging sausages or selling Tama merchandise...our Nipper families are the best! Below left: Some fat, old guy in a red jacket and boardies, with a white beard is handing out lollies to kids... And no one seems to be complaining! Below right: A great turnout at the South Maroubra Carnival.

educational tour and hands-on workshop delivered by participating artists and Sculpture by the Sea staff. Many thanks to David Handley and his team for putting on the workshop enjoyed by both Nippers and parents.

The fundraising BBQs held on the three weekends during Sculptures by the Sea is a major contributor to the club's finances. Many Nipper parents and Nippers assisted with running the BBQs, and collecting monies from the hungry masses. Thanks to all for your efforts.

Bondi hosted the Waverley Shield Carnival in November and provided a surf carnival experience for the Nipper participants. A couple of outstanding performances by Tamarama in beach flags resulted in medals for Finlay C in the U8s and Annabelle C in the U13s.

A special visitor dressed in a red suit was driven onto the beach in the club's new ATV (used for towing the IRB onto the beach) as part of the Nipper Christmas celebrations and BBQ. Santa was extremely popular as he distributed enormous quantities of sweets from his sack before disappearing into the distance leaving a trail of sugar-hyped kids.



Above: Waverley Shield – Stretches with Margie, Oscar L brings it home in the sprints and fabulous flag starts. Middle: Flags at the Waverley Shield at Bondi Beach. Below: Everyone needs a helping hand. Annabelle C wins bronze in the U13 flags. Isaac K, Jamie T and Dwayne C hanging out after their first Waverley Shield.

The Tamarama Clovelly Challenge was held at Clovelly Beach in late January and surprisingly won by Clovelly. This carnival is essentially a joint Nipper session allowing an appreciation of beach conditions vastly different to Tamarama. The schedule is beach and water focussed with swim and board events. It also allows Tamarama Nippers to test themselves against a friendly larger club and form Surf Life Saving community bonds.

### u13 branch development camp

Four of our U13s girls attended the Sydney Branch Nipper Development Camp in December 2019. Held at the Deer Park Centre on the southern shore of the Port Hacking River in the Royal National Park.

The Nippers attending the camp were: Jade B, Izzy M, Annabel C and Annabelle C. Both Izzy and Annabelle had attended the U11's camp...so knew what to expect...we hoped!

With the 15 Clubs from Sydney Branch, which included approximately 100 Nippers, Tama as usual, was the smallest club there (only because they combine the three





The annual Clovelly/Tamarama Challenge 2020. Beautiful weather and a great day had by all. Thanks Clovelly!

National Park clubs). The 100 Nippers were then split up into different patrols and all were mixed in with kids from different Clubs. This enabled them to get out of their comfort zones, learn new skills and meet new friends. Jade was voted as the Patrol Captain by her new patrol.

The Camp's 'life saving' component let the kids focus on improving their CPR skills, rescuing patients in water and learning about different pathways within the Surf Life Saving organisation, once they complete their SRC. The sessions were long...and the kids had to work hard.

Of course there was bonding sessions that included the 'fun stuff'. Archery, a giant water slide, high rope course, canoeing, rides in the IRB and rock climbing to name a few.

The accommodation is great, with each cabin having its own ensuite. Food is excellent...and neverending...with pretty much three courses at each sitting. There is also a movie night and a music trivia night, which is fun for both parents and Nippers alike.

Everyone goes to bed well fed...and absolutely exhausted!

The weekend finished up with a life saving competition to showcase all the skills they had honed over the previous days. All of the judges commented on how much our Tama team had improved since the U11's camp.

Our thanks go out to all the age managers and parents from all the different clubs who gave up their weekend to instruct and supervise the Nippers. And lastly to Doug Hawkins, Head of Sydney Branch, who organises these camps single handedly, always encourages the kids to do their very best... and is an absolute legend!

### u11 branch development camp

Tamarama put forward nine Nippers (all but one of the age group – the biggest contingent ever from Tamarama) to attend the U11 Branch Development Camp held at the Youthworks Port Hacking Conference Centre in the Royal National Park in early February. Team Tamarama was an outstanding performer amongst nearly 100 participants representing the 15 Clubs from Sydney Branch (with the big clubs limited to eight participants). Split into nine



Another fantastic weekend at Garie. Seas were a little on the big side...but the Tama kids took it in their stride. Thanks Garie!

groups, the Tamarama team made up five of the nine Team Captains. Whilst based on leadership development, a lot of fun was had and friendships developed along the way with activities including dragon boating, kayaking, abseiling, rock climbing, water-sliding and a ride in the IRB. The Camp's serious side provided workshops on leadership and 'being a leader', learning CPR, rescuing patients in a pool scenario and pathways within the Surf Life Saving movement. The weekend culminated in a competition to demonstrate the skills learnt in Rescue and Resuscitation. A big thank you to Kate Jackson (Maisie L's mother) who along with myself, acted as the responsible parents for the weekend.

U11s attending the camp were: Milly D H, Maisie L, Imogen C, Maddie W, Liliana C, Archie L, Oscar M, Lucas C and Jude J.

The back half of the season provided exceptional weather both glorious and formidable.

One Sunday morning had almost cyclonic conditions. Not to be put off, intrepid Nippers held a training session in

the club house practicing signals and learning CPR on the mannequins led by one of the Club's most experienced Life Savers Dan Zafir (who happened to be on patrol) and some of the medical professionals amongst the Nipper parents.

Late February saw Garie SLSC invite Tamarama Nippers to take part in a joint Nipper session in the Royal National Park at Garie Beach with the added bonus of being able to stay in the club house the night before. The allure of bed and breakfast at the beach proved enticing to many and around 30 Nippers plus their parents took up the offer of beach front camping in the club house. Many more Tamarama Nippers joined in on the following Sunday morning session. The weather was reasonably kind, and the Nippers were able to get wet, use the boards and experience conditions unlike the city beaches.

The U8 Branch Championships were held in February with a strong performance by Finlay C who picked up a medal. Unfortunately the other age group Branch Championships to be held the following weekend were cancelled due to bad weather.





We may only be a small Surf Club...but we are mighty!

The Age Managers for the 2019/20 season were:

- U13/14** Jo Miller
- U12** Paul McGivern and Michelle Ng
- U11** Jon Hancock and Dan Leahy
- U9/U10** Tim Murray, Shay Deguara and Steve Oakley
- U8** Tim Gow and Margie Simpson-Lee
- U6/U7** Iain Melhuish and Joe Parker

Providing invaluable assistance to the Age Managers with content delivery and water safety were recent Surf Rescue Certificate (SRC) graduates Wil Charters, Allegra McGivern and Polly Kitson. Allegra and Polly's assistance also contributed towards their Duke of Edinburgh awards.

Sunday morning patrols were generous with their knowledge - often sharing their tent to demonstrate first aid equipment to inquisitive Nippers. They also provided valuable water safety throughout the season. My enormous thanks go to you all for providing your time, skills, good humour and dedication to the Tamarama Nipper Program.

Experiencing a truly amazing 'Tamarama Day' with clear iridescent blue water, flat conditions and remarkably warm weather, the decision was made to extend the Nipper season by an extra week. This proved to be the undoing of the 'End of Season' celebration as the COVID-19 coronavirus put a halt to group gatherings and led to the effective lock-up of society for eight weeks. The outdoors 'award collection' morning (set-up in front of the club house) on the allotted end of season date, brought an anti-climactic finale to an otherwise terrific season.

Delivering the Nipper Program is a team effort. Foremost amongst those is Brad Charters who handles all the administration and Shay Deguara who looks after the competition side of things.

Of course it is the Age Managers who are the backbone to the Nipper program and are on the beach week in week out making the Nipper experience interesting and special.



Tama Nippers do their stuff during another great season.

Jo Miller again stepped up to lead the 'Holly Day's' Nipper Program for the Aboriginal kids from Maroubra and La Perouse. Named after the late Holly Robinson, a member of the club who tragically lost her life from cancer at an early age, the program was originally initiated by her parents Ted and Ann Robinson who have been long term supporters of the Tamarama Surf Club.

Jo's enormous contribution to the program includes co-ordinating all logistics and entails collecting and driving a minibus from Weave Youth and Community Services at Malabar, picking up every participating Nipper from their home in La Perouse area, bringing them to Tamarama to participate in Nippers, being an Age Manager for them, feeding them breakfast before Nippers and brunch after Nippers, and driving them home again. Each and every week, the time commitment for Jo is huge. On behalf of the Committee, I'd like to thank Jo for her extraordinary work with this program.

Thank you to our sponsors Channel Ten whose contribution has assisted 'training future lifesavers'. We look forward to continuing this relationship.



Doug Hawkins is the long term President of Nippers for the Sydney Branch. His enormous dedication to and efforts in delivering the Branch Development Camps for U11s and U13s over the last 20 plus years does not go unnoticed. Additionally, his efforts in bringing together and advocating for all the Nipper Clubs in the Branch are much appreciated. My thanks go to Doug and his team for their work.

The Tamarama Management Committee led by President, and valued Age Manager Tim Murray has been very supportive of the Nippers. Also, the ever-present former Nippers leader Guy Waddell has continued to provide wise counsel on many matters.

Finally, I would like to thank all the many parents who provide the opportunity for their kids to participate in our Nippers program. Your help with the odd-jobs on the beach and in the club house ensure that the wheels keep turning. Nippers is an amazing opportunity for families and the community to spend time together on Sunday mornings at the beach whilst learning and having fun.

See you on the beach.

**JON HANCOCK**  
Junior Activities Director



## sydney branch development camp memories – under 11's

"The Nipper's Development Camp was a blast!! It was a mixture of learning about surf lifesaving, meeting new people and having fun including a great waterslide. My favorite part was riding on the IRB and the rock climbing. I learnt new skills like CPR, rescue techniques and what the pathway is in surf lifesaving. I think my favorite job could be behind a drone. Would definitely like to do it again, massive thank you to Jon and the team who looked after me."

LUCAS C

"The Under 11's Nippers Camp was so much fun! We got to have a full day of fun camp activities where we did things like dragon boating, abseiling and so much more! On the second day we got to boost our knowledge and skills on patrol, CPR and rescues. We got to meet many interesting people from other clubs including someone who helps with the rescues from the Westpac Rescue Helicopter (Lifesaver 1). It helped me understand what I can do with surf lifesaving and what experiences I can have. Thank you to Doug Hawkins from Coogee who has lead the camp for many, many years. It will be an experience I will never forget."

MILLY D H

"It was so much fun. I got to bond with my friends, go out in the rubber ducky, learn new things like Drs ABCD and there was a waterslide!"

JUDE J



## sydney branch development camp memories – under 13's

"I loved nipper camp because at first, I didn't really know anyone that well, it brought me closer to the group and the group closer, it built trust, friendship and a bond between us. It showed us more about lifesaving, we got to ride in the IRB and they taught us to how rescue someone \*aka pull them into the boat. We also learnt CPR, leadership, teamwork skills and we learnt how to rescue someone. Eg. What to say, how to save them and how to resuscitate the patient. My favorite thing about nipper camp was the people, everyone made it so much fun and the activity's. Thank you to Jo for taking us.."

ANNABEL C

"Having the opportunity to go to the Under 13's SLSC Development Camp was amazing. All the activities we got to do while we were there and making new friends from other Sydney Branch clubs. From doing high ropes and abseiling, to practicing CPR and different type of rescues. We also got to practice IRB rescues from being in and also being thrown out of the IRB as the patient."

At the end of the camp we participated in a rescue competition against all the other clubs. The teams included one patient, two rescuers and a patrol captain. We had to do a full rescue in a pool with all the equipment for a tube rescue. Doug said we did really well and improved a lot.

Spending more time with Jade, Izzy and Annabel and getting to know them better was a lot fun. I enjoyed the camp very much, learned more about myself and surf life saving. I hope that the Nippers who get chosen next season will enjoy it just as much as I did.

PS: For kids going next year...you need to memorise the names and order of all the other clubs in Sydney Branch. If you don't, you get picked last for dinner! :)"

ANNABELLE C





# club membership 2019—2020

## life members — 98

John Annand*	Brian Beer	Gregory Bell	John Bell
Steven Bell	Rob Brander	Graeme Brewer	George Brooke*
William Brooke*	Tom Brooks*	Ron Buist*	Michael Burke*
Ivan Butterworth*	Alec Cahill*	Des Carroll*	Wally Charles*
Arthur Cole*	Vince Cole*	Christopher Cooper	Paul Cooper
George Corbould*	Ced Davis*	Peter Davis	Geoff Dellet*
Fred Denham*	Bob Deverall*	S Dewild*	James Doyle*
Ray Doyle*	Ken Eastment	Col Ferris*	Geoff Fowle*
Sandra Fox	David Fryer*	Edward Gillroy	Robert Gillroy*
Chris Glover	Neville Gray*	John Hall	Sir Eric Hallstrom*
Jon Hancock	J Hann*	Robert Hann*	Brian Henry
Robert Hodgson	Phil Hogan	Ian Hopkins	Wal Horne*
Henry Hourihan	Vince Jackman*	David Jex	Sid Joss*
Don Keech*	Les Lawrence*	Albert Levy*	Robert Marrott
Max Martin*	Jack Mayes*	Doug McDonell*	Alex McNab*
Geoff Mould	Ron Muller*	Ron Norman	Wal Norton*
Clive Owens OAM	Robert Parton*	Charles Philip*	Ernie G Philip*
George B Philip*	William Philip*	John Proctor	David Radford*
Les Rayne*	Allan Roberts	John Shand	Richard Sheldon
William Shires	Richard Simpson	Margaret Simpson-Lee	Frank Smith
Neil Smith	Ken Stewart*	William Stewart*	Eric Tatnall*
Brian Tutil	Geoffrey Vaughan	Geoffrey Vincent	Guy Waddell
John Wardall*	Peter Wardall*	Neill Warren	B A Weir*
Ernie E Weir*	Dr John Weir*	Wilton Weir*	Bryan Williams*
Robert Wormleaton	Daniel Zafir		* Denotes member is deceased

## honorary members — 14

Robert Talbott OAM	Santo Losurdo	Ann Robinson	Dave Sharma MP
Marjorie O’Neil MP	Clr John Wakefield	Clr George Copeland	Clr Tony Kay
Simon Exleton	David Handley	Raphaella K Crosby	Malcolm Turnbull
Martin Hadley	Joan Wardall		

## long service members — 20

George Banfalvy	Peter Bishop	David Blamires	Megan Blamires
Mark Cassidy	Warwick Clout	Bruce Copas	Guy Debelle
Shay Deguara	Wayne Evans	John Fisher	Rex Hatton
Bob Jones	John Lackey	Paul Martin	Neil McFarlane
Paul Murphy	Denis Paterson	Phillip Serjeant	

## reserve active members — 8

Anthony Alvisse	Steven Batten	Stephen Kearney	Adrian Lim
Andres Mafla Salgado	Mischee Mardardy	Ian Moate	Mark Wilcox

## senior active members — 121

Daniel Adams	Stefano Aldini	Ievgen Aleinikov	Caio Amaral
Benedict Armitage	Steph Atkinson	Derek Bagatourian	Hayden Bagnall
David Barmettler	Chris Barrett	Thomas Bodger	Paul Borrud
Bruce Bouchard	Declan Bowring	Edward Boyd	Amanda Breen
Jonathan Brett	Amanda Brooker	Lance Brooks	Philip Capps
Charlotte Caulfield	Younghwan Chang	Bradley Charters	Jonathan Chew
Lachlan Clough	Reuben Cole	Jack Collins	Giulia Collivadino
Riccardo Colucci	Cameron Colwell	Patrick Connors	Michelle Cowans
Jamie Crawford	Jessica Davey	Lara De Carli	Arnaud de La Chaise
Ric Deverell	Michael Dixon	Ben Doherty	Kimberley Doherty
Ruari Dowdney	Tarek Elgayar	Samantha Eskin	Georgina Farrell
Rachel Feakes	Michael Field	Jody Fitchet	Bertille Fouesnant
Robert Foulkes	Jack Fowles	Rohan Frame	Michael Frazis
Hugh French	Kelvin Giblot Ducray	Albert Gillies	Myles Glashier
Sebastian Goetzenberger	Timothy Gow	John Grady	Aidan Gregan
Jose Guedes	Ramon Guimaraes	Richard Hamilton	David Head
Steven Hodge	Sue Jackson	David Kim	Eric Kleiman
Ronald Krite	Alice Lang	Mark Larmour	David Lee
Troy Longworth	Holly Love	Aymeric Maudous	Liam McDermott
Matthew McGirr	Paul McGivern	Kassandra McGregor	Jack McMillan
Iain Melhuish	Lucas Molon	Stephen Moynihan	David Murphy
Timothy Murray	Francesco Musarra	Matthew Napier	David Ogle
Robert Page	Jacob Parker	Abigail Pearson	Eloise Pietsch
Alice Powell	Jesse Price	Alberto Puls Cruz	Daniel Qualischefski
Elissa Raptis	Laura Roff	David Roux	Matteo Salvat
Nicola Schlitz Welsh	Aryan Shahabi-Sirjani	Kemper Shaw	Daniel Smith
Brent Solomon	Robert Sparshott	David Speck	Nicholas Spencer
Emmily Spormann	Natalie Sutton	Duncan Taylor	Scott Taylor
Sophie Taylor	Louise Thompson	Adrian Vipond	Jemima Waddell
Scott Walker	Zoe Whitton	Angus Wilkie	Michael Wilkins
Tegan Wordley			



junior members – 7

Lauren Eskin	William Forrest	Oliver Hunt	William Lenard
Oscar McGivern	Angus McSwan	Lachlan Waddell	

surf rescue certificate – 9

William Charters	Orlanda Golfin	Polly Kirton	Sofia Kooner
Eleanor Labi	Lucinda Labi	Antonia Lennox	Allegra McGivern
Allegra Tennant			

associate members – 66

Greg Barr	Matthew Begun	Chris Bromhead	Robert Bustos-McNeil
Garreth Butler	Flavio Carnevale	Adam Chandler	Hannah Chikarovski
Mark Chikarovski	Michael Conomos	Stuart Crabb	Robert Crichton
Michaela Conomos	Daniel Covarrubias	Claire Crichton	Reg Dowse
Peter Duff	Philip Freeman	Jessica Glass	James Gray
Alex Hamilton	Stephen Hannan	Farhana Imam	Phillip Janis
Nicole Johnson	Sean Jungwirth	Paul Kammel	Heidi Karonen
Annette Keay	Gillian Lamoury	Daniel Leahy	Vivienne Lopez
Anna Mansi	Geoff Mathews	Angus McFadyen	Jo Miller
Todd Napthali	Lizzy Nash	Michelle Ng	Marilyn Nohra
Mark O'Reilly	Steve Oakley	Joseph Parker	Howard Porter
Matthew Prentice	Anthony Pridgeon	Andrew Ragless	Sophie Reid
Tracy Rockwell	Supriya Ruparelia	Vanessa Roworth	Thomas Schroder
Rebecca Smollen	Shane Smollen	Tom Snow	Melissa Solomon
Con Sotiras	Tony Sparks	Kirstin Telmer	Sarah Thew
Michael Turner	Irene Ulman	Ray Wilson	William Wolfenden
James Wood	Chris Yeo		

probationary associate members – future bronze medallion holders  
(assessment delayed due to covid-19) – 20

Elizabeth-Rose Ahearn	Lisa Bodrero	Harriet Gillies	Harriet Gould
Jamie Gould	Andrew Heggie	Brandon Kober-Brown	Ben Lee
Matthew Lennon	Andrew Nicholson	Marin Peplinski	Matthew Phillips
Alexandra Porter-Hepworth	Fabien Punin	Aj Rincon	Sidney Russell
Pedro Saa	Zoe Scott-King	Masaki Shibata	Fabian Velez

nippers (future lifesavers in training) – 95

Zaria Barr	Ezekiel Begun	Ava Bova	Brandon Bova
Patrick Bova	Jade Brennan	Lulu Butler	Noah Butler
Leroy Campbell	Artur Capela	Liliana Capela	Perla Carnevale
Dwayne Carr	Imogen Carroll	Matilda Carroll	Harriet Chandler
Annabelle Charters	Claire Chikarovski	Cooper Conomos	Paz Couvarrubias
Annabel Crabb	Chloe Crabb	Lucas Crabb	Eve Crichton
Finlay Crichton	Maisie Crichton	Beatrice DeBelle Hancock	Millicent DeBelle Hancock
Jade Deguara	Nash Dobbin	Molly Doherty	Declan Duff
Liam Duff	Ondine Freeman	Sacha Garben-Thew	Wolfgang Glashier
Amelia Gow	Aanya Gray	Lara Hannan	Aaron Hodge
Max Johnson	Olliver Johnson	Jude Jungwirth	Sophie Kammel
Liara King	Isaac Kirovsky	Arjan Kooner	Oliver Kranenburg
Dixie Leahy	Maisie Leahy	Archie Llewellyn	Oscar Llewellyn
Thomas Lopez	Arisa Maksud	Joseph Malev	Sara Marnati
Madeleine Mathews	Molly McFadyen	Felix McGivern	Dominic Melhuish
Isabella Middleton	Finbar Murray	Martha Murray	Oscar Murray
Alma Napthali	Bally Napthali	Max Ng	Oisin Nohra Hoft
Finnigan O'Reilly	Alex Oakley	Isabel Parker	James Parker
Monet Porter	Jousha Prentice	Arabella Pridgeon	Ameerah Quinlan
Betsy Roworth	Mila Schroder	Capri Smollen	Sahara Smollen
Angus Snow	Edmund Snow	Sybilla Snow	Rhea Sotiras
Abby Sparks	Jamie Tobin	Felix Uglow	Jayla Williams
Ariel Wilson	Darcey Wilson	Madeleine Wilson	Gizel Wood
Andrea Yeo Spanbrook	Archer Yeo Spanbrook	Charlotte Yeo Spanbrook	



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major award winners

season	e. e. weir	john kelly	major ripley	season		president’s	george bishop	ted wardall
1993–1994	J Lackey	P Hogan	C Smith	1996–1997		Not Awarded	N Gallagher	Not Awarded
1994–1995	W Clout	R Sheldon	M McAfee	1997–1998		P Serjeant	T Vernados	Not Awarded
1995–1996	M Perry	D Radford	A Vass	1998–1999		G Debelle	E Fletcher	E Fletcher
1996–1997	M Perry	M Perry	M Walton	1999–2000		R Wade	Not Awarded	Not Awarded
1997–1998	N Warren	D Radford	J Lackey	2000–2001		M Corke	Not Awarded	Not Awarded
1998–1999	I Hamilton	P Hogan	W Clout	2001–2002	Male	I Hamilton	R Evans	R Evans
1999–2000	I Hamilton	W Evans	M Walton		Female	E Meagher		
2000–2001	R Wade	N Warren	P Walshe	2002–2003	Male	I Hamilton	M Drennan	M Drennan
2001–2002	R Wade	R Brander	P Walshe		Female	E Meagher		
2002–2003	M Corke	A Stevenson	R Scott	2003–2004	Male	Not Awarded	Not Awarded	Not Awarded
2003–2004	D Bosomworth	S Birch	A Stevenson	2004–2005	Male	S Birch	M Drennan	Not Awarded
2004–2005	S Birch	R Brander	S Deguara		Female	S Snow		
2005–2006	N Warren	P Hogan	S Deguara	2005–2006	Male	S Birch	M Gallagher	M Gallagher
2006–2007	D Zafir	P Hogan	M Simpson-Lee		Female	S Snow		
2007–2008	C Glover	C Nisbet	M Simpson-Lee	2006–2007	Male	C Glover	Not Awarded	Not Awarded
2008–2009	J Leung	R Hatton	S Jackson		Female	M Simpson-Lee		
2009–2010	R Hatton	P Plesums	J Turner	2007–2008	Male	C Glover	Not Awarded	Not Awarded
2010–2011	T Bodger	J Leung	J Turner		Female	M Simpson-Lee		
2011–2012	T Longworth	C Nisbet	Not Awarded	2008–2009	Male	C Glover	Not Awarded	Not Awarded
2012–2013	G Sharratt	K West	T Goyarzu		Female	P Ardlie		
2013–2014	M Turner	D Turner	F Lynch	2009–2010	Male	C Glover	D Bowring	Not Awarded
2014–2015	D Adams	P Capps	D Adams		Female	M Tjhin		
2015–2016	A Blenkinsop	Not Awarded	M Simpson-Lee	2010–2011	Male	J Turner	Not Awarded	Not Awarded
2016–2017	M Tamasy	C Glover and Patrol 11	M Simpson-Lee		Female	D Morley		
2017–2018	E Pietsch	H French	M Simpson-Lee	2011–2012	Male	J Turner	Not Awarded	Not Awarded
2018–2019	M Tamasy	P Connors	M Simpson-Lee		Female	J Davies		
2019–2020	M Cowans	M Salval	M Simpson-Lee	2012–2013	Male	R Hatton	Not Awarded	A Lawther
					Female	P Ardlie		
				2013–2014	Male	J Turner	Not Awarded	Not Awarded
					Female	D Morley		
				2014–2015	Male	G Waddell	L McArthur	Not Awarded
					Female	S Fox		
				2015–2016	Male	T Longworth	Not Awarded	Not Awarded
				2016–2017	Male	G Waddell	Not Awarded	Not Awarded
				2017–2018	Male	I Hopkins	Not Awarded	Not Awarded
				2018–2019	Female	J Miller	Not Awarded	Not Awarded
				2019–2020	Male	R Hamilton	O Hunt	Not Awarded



# club trophies 2019—2020

‘EE’ POP WEIR TROPHY FOR CLUB MEMBER OF THE YEAR	Michelle Cowans
JOHN KELLY MEMORIAL TROPHY FOR SENIOR CLUB MEMBER OF THE YEAR	Matteo Salval
GEORGE BISHOP TROPHY FOR UNDER 21 CLUB MEMBER OF THE YEAR	Oliver Hunt
JACK ‘BLUEY’ MAYES ROOKIE OF THE YEAR AWARD	Benedict Armitage
MAJOR RIPLEY TROPHY FOR THE MOST VALUABLE CARNIVAL COMPETITOR	Margaret Simpson-Lee
DAVID RADFORD TROPHY FOR CADET OF THE YEAR	Polly Kirton
G.B. PHILIP FOUNDATION PRESIDENT’S TROPHY FOR SENIOR CLUB CHAMPION	Not Awarded
TED WARDALL TROPHY FOR UNDER 18 CLUB CHAMPION	Not Awarded
ROLAND TALBOT TROPHY FOR NIPPER OF THE YEAR	Annabel Crabb and Annabelle Charters
RON BUIST TROPHY FOR CLUB SERVICE	Jack Collins
LES LAWRENCE TROPHY FOR CLUB SPIRIT	Arnaud de la Chaise
JOHN WARDALL TROPHY FOR LIFE SAVING INSTRUCTION	Nicola Schlitz Welsh
DAVE FRYER TROPHY FOR OUTSTANDING SURF RESCUES	Patrol 5 and subs
PRESIDENT’S AWARD FOR SERVICE TO THE CLUB	Richard Hamilton
CLUB CAPTAIN’S TROPHY	Rachel Feakes
CHIEF INSTRUCTOR’S AWARD FOR BEST BRONZE MEDALLION CANDIDATES	Natalie Sutton and Bertille Fousenant (Spring) Zoe Scott-King and Jack Fowles (Autumn)
TOP GUN AWARD (MOST HOURS IN A SEASON)	Derek Bagatourian
SANDRA FOX WOMAN OF THE YEAR	Nicola Schlitz Welsh





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