



Yamba Surf Life Saving Club

July 2015

"Vigilance and Service"

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...from the CHAIRMAN (President)

I'd like to start by acknowledging the outstanding efforts of outgoing President Alan Schofield. Alan has done an enormous amount of work over the last 6 years, and prior to that as Secretary for 5 years. He steps down for a well-deserved break with the club in a very healthy position. His knowledge and experience won't be lost thankfully with Alan taking on the role of vice-President. I'd also like to thank Bobbie Winger for her efforts over the last 2 years as Secretary and welcome Leah Essex into this role.

The AGM was held on Sunday 26th. It was pleasing to see a large rollup of members interested in the future of the club. A list of the newly elected Board and office bearers for 2015/16 appears later in the newsletter.

A reminder of the surf club Golf Day on Sunday 23rd of August. This event, run in conjunction with the Yamba Lions Club, is a great fundraiser for the club and I would encourage members to get along on the day either to assist or participate. More information will follow soon.

Be sure to read the reports from the Lifesaving director and Education director for information on training and the upcoming patrol season which will be upon us before you know it.

It is an honour to be elected to this position and I hope that I can help to guide the club forward. There are a lot of great people in the club volunteering their time not because they have to, or because they get paid, but because they care about the club. I want to encourage this to continue as my experience tells me the more you give, the more you get out of it.

It has been brought to my attention that there are some people within the club who have become a little unhappy with certain aspects in recent times. If you have a concern regarding the club, I encourage you to come forward and speak directly with me as I am more than happy to listen and discuss. My mobile is 0431710007 and email joe.dougherty@elston.com.au. Having said that, I don't just want to hear gripes. If you have an issue come to me with possible solutions to the problem. If you have ideas on how we can improve things please let me know. Everyone involved in this club wants to see it continue to prosper and if we work together I am sure that we will build on the good work that has been done.

I look forward to seeing you around the club as the weather starts to warm up.

Joe Dougherty

President

OFFICE HOURS
Mon 9am-12 noon
Tues 9am-12 noon
Fri 2pm-5pm



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...from the EDUCATION DIRECTOR (Chief Training Officer)

I would firstly like to say how honoured I am to have become a Life Member of Yamba SLSC, it was a great surprise.

The 2015/16 Training Calendar is as follows:

Advanced Resuscitation Techniques Certificate (minimum age 15 years) one day course on Sunday 30th August. Maximum number for course is 16. (Must hold 1st Aid or Bronze)

Surf Rescue Certificate (minimum Age 13 years) 7 week course beginning Sunday 11th October; assessment on 29th November. Minimum number for course is 4, maximum 9.

(A 200 metre pool swim time of less than 5 minutes must be completed before the course begins.)

Bronze Medallion (minimum age 15 years) 9 week course beginning Sunday 11th October, assessment on Sunday 13th December. Minimum number for course is 4, maximum 10.

A second Bronze course may be held from Sunday 31st January, assessment on 20th March, if there is a need to run it.

(A 400 metre pool swim time of less than 9 minutes must be completed before the course begins.)

Resuscitation Certificate (minimum age 10) will be run during the Junior Activities program, as it has been for the last two seasons. (No prerequisites)

Other, Branch Courses will be advertised by the Branch. If you wish to do an Advanced First Aid, a Silver Medallion Aquatic Rescue, a Gold Medallion or a Basic Beach Management course please let the office know asap so we can let the Branch know.

Spinal Management Course (minimum age 15 years) is being held at LENNOX HEAD SLSC on Saturday 8th August. Please contact the office before 31st July to enrol in this course. (Must hold 1st Aid or Bronze)

Assessors Certificate is being held on Saturday 15th August at the Branch Training Rooms, Shelly Beach, Ballina. Please contact the office before 1st August to enrol in this course.

Pre-Season Education Meeting for all Training Officers and Assessors will be held on Saturday 22nd August at the Branch Training Rooms, Shelly Beach, Ballina.

IRB (Crew and Drivers) will be run in squads with specific training times this season. Please contact James Ryan directly if you wish to do an IRB course. WE DO NEED MORE CREWIES AND DRIVERS TO MEET PATROL EXPECTATIONS.

Kim Morgans-Chief Training Officer

Phone: 66 462823

...from the Youth Development Officer (Cadets)

Hi my name is Kim McFarlane and I am the youth development officer of the 2015/16 season. I would like to encourage all our cadet members to take an active role in our club.

If any cadets need information on up and coming courses please call or email me.

Look forward to a great year ahead with loads of activities

Kim McFarlane

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From the Registrar.....**MEMBERSHIPS - Club, Gym & Lockers**

The new club season for Yamba SLSC commenced on July 1st and all club and gym memberships for the 2015/16 season are now due. Members are reminded that it is necessary to complete a new membership form each season, either online or on paper, and to pay the relevant fees. The fee schedule remains the same as last season and is available from the club website www.yambaslsc.com.au . We encourage all renewing members to complete forms and payments online by going to portal.sls.com.au to login and then look for the 'Lifesaving Online' tab to renew and make payments. This system allows you to do away with paper forms and to pay online by visa or mastercard. Thanks to all those who have already successfully mastered the online system and renewed memberships for this season. For those who are unable to use the online system, a membership form was mailed out with the Annual Report with additional forms available from the office. New members are encouraged to join up during club office hours in order to be directed to the appropriate membership category and to obtain further information that may be useful. All eligible gym users must complete new forms and pay the relevant fees where necessary in order to be covered by insurance for this current season. Current eligible gym users are listed on the gym noticeboard each month. Those members with club lockers please note that the annual fee of \$15 is now also due. Please contact the club office if you are having any problems with memberships.

Thank you

Cathy Dougherty

...from the LIFE SAVING DIRECTOR (Club Captain)

July the 18th saw a large contingent of IRB's, the Ballina jet boat and Yamba's jet ski converge on Yamba for the start of what was a fun weekend of training in large surf .

The ALBERT training program " Australian Life Boat Emergency Rescue Training " is a branch run training program aimed at improving current IRB drivers and crew as well as training new drivers and crew and also puts emphasis on search and rescue.



It was great to see the Ballina jet boat down for ALBERT and put on a very impressive display in the large surf and give some very wide eyed SRC club members a very memorable joy ride. Thanks to all those involved in the organisation of the weekend, all the clubs that came down have said what a great weekend it was.

With the patrol season only a couple of months away, could any active patrol members with any special requests for the 2015/16 season roster please contact me ASAP

The first proficiency test of the season will be on the 6th of September. Get in early and don't put it off till a later date.

Stay Safe

James Ryan – Club Captain

Ph. 0400353792



...from the Director of Junior Activities (Nippers)

Time to start planning for the 2015/16 Season!

I will be busy over the next few weeks organising sign on days and the nipper program for the season. We have some exciting new ideas that we are looking at introducing this season, more details will be revealed closer to the start of the season.

Don't forget to join before the 21st September to take advantage of the \$10 discount.

See you all soon,

Kerry Lee

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...from the Director of Surf Sports

NSW Country Titles

SLS NSW has recently announced that the 2015/16 NSW Country Titles will be held at South West Rocks on the weekend of February 6 & 7, 2016. The titles for juniors, seniors and masters competitors have now been changed from a 3 day event to a 2 day event and moved from the January school holidays to the first weekend in February. In the past two seasons Country has been held at Mollymook on the South Coast and the club has only had small representation. Lets hope we see a large group of club competitors line up in the gold cap with black stripe at South West Rocks.

Australian Titles

This season the Australian Titles move to Queensland's Sunshine Coast commencing on Saturday April 16 with the Youth Championships, and running through until Sunday 24th April. Whilst Maroochydore beach will be the main venue, some events will also be held at nearby Alexandra Headlands and Mooloolaba beaches.

Jim Dougherty OAM

Get your team together for the Yamba SLSC and Lions Club
Annual Charity Golf Day being held Sunday 23rd August at
Yamba Golf and Country Club.

Shot gun start at 10.30am.

\$25 per person includes BBQ and drinks tickets

Fantastic prizes to be won

Highlights From the AGM



Don Lee presenting Jim Saunders with his 60 years' Service Pin (a very relaxed looking Alan Schofield in the background)



Yamba SLSC's newest Life Member, Kim Morgans



Life Members Jim Baird, Geoff Sanders, Terry Sahlqvist, Mick Smith, Don Lee, Jim Saunders, Andrew Tarrant, Jim Dougherty, Brad Collis, Kim Morgans, Linda Horton and Ken Ryan,



ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS 2014-15

Chairman: Joe Dougherty

Deputy Chairman: Alan Schofield

Administration Director: Leah Essex

Finance Director: Tim Small

Lifesaving Director: James Ryan

Education Director: Kim Morgans.

Surf Sports Director: Jim Dougherty OAM

Clubhouse Director: Brian Badgery

JAC Director: Kerry Lee

Assistant Secretary: Nicole Don

Registrar: Cathy Dougherty

Club Vice-Captain: Matt Saunders

U/19 Captain: Will Brighton

Boat Captain: Rod McSkimming

Boat Vice-Captain: Ray Wiblen

IRB Captain: Matt Saunders

IRB Vice Captain: Roger Varcoe

Youth Development Officer: Kim McFarlane

Patrol Gear Steward: No nominations

Competition Gear Steward: Jim Dougherty

Radio Officer: P. Sweetman.

Work, Health and Safety Officer: Andrew Cumberland.

First Aid Officer: Kevin Hassey, Dr. Brian Jones

Publicity Officer: Kerry Lee.

Branch Delegate: Joe Dougherty and Jim Dougherty

House Committee: Andrew Cumberland, Greg Zeitsch, Cathy Dougherty, Alan Lawrence

Social Committee: Kerry Lee, Jo Lee, Kim McFarlane, Lyn Brighton, Andrew Cumberland, Nicole Don

Patron: W. (Bill) Dougherty, OAM

Vice Patrons: Kevin Hogan, Chris Gulaptis, Richie Williamson, Trevor Phillips, OAM, Cliff Lowien, Mike Dougherty, Ray Burrige



Thank you to our many members who run the weekly meat raffles at the Golf Club every Saturday night. These raffles run all year round, and have been a long term fundraiser for our club for many years

now.

GOLF CLUB RAFFLE ROSTER

- 1st August Group 9:** Greg Wylie, James Ryan, Mark Gillespie, Mitch Imeson
- 8th August Group 1:** John Barnier, Sachie Ardrey, Keith Bradley
- 15th August Group 2:** Jan and John Snelling, Alan Schofield, Warwick Mawhinney
- 22nd August Group 3:** Jane & Alan Lawrence, Ken Ryan, Jill Ennever
- 29th August Group 4:** Anne & Brian Jones, William Onslow.
- 5th September Group 5:** Nicole & Greg Don, Trish & Kerry Pidcock.
- 12th September Group 6:** Ray O’Brien, Pat Ridgway, Steve Pettet, Rob Foster
- 19th September Group 7:** Bob Darby, Greg Zietsch, Jo and Grant Bennett, Rick Harris
- 26th September Group 8:** Heather and Brian Badgery, Roger McLean, Scott Greensill
- 3rd October Group 9:** Greg Wylie, James Ryan, Mark Gillespie, Mitch Imeson

**2015
AUGUST**

- 8 Sat Spinal Management Course- Lennox
- 16 Sun IRB ALBERT Training Day – Fingal
- 18 Tue Branch Meeting- Ballina
- 22 Sat Branch Pre Season Education Meeting- Ballina

- 23 Sun Yamba SLSC Golf Day**
- 30 Sun ARTC Course- Yamba**

SEPTEMBER

- 6 Sun 1st Proficiency Test 8:30am Yamba**
- 13 Sun IRB ALBERT Training Day – Brunswick
- 15 Tue Branch Meeting- Ballina
- 19 Sat Patrols Start for 2015/16 season**
- 26 Sat Jacob Lollback Board Race Day**

OCTOBER

- 10/11 Sat-Sun Coolangatta Gold
- 17 Sat Lennox Head Enduro
- 18 Sun Surf Club Open Day**
- 31 Sat Cudgen Classic

NOVEMBER

- 15 Sun Evans Head Ocean Swim
- 28/29 Sat-Sun Coffs Harbour Craft Carnival

DECEMBER

- 28 Mon Yamba Ocean Swim**

**2016
JANUARY**

- 30-31 Sat/Sun JAC Branch Titles

FEBRUARY 2016

- 6/7 Sat-Sun NSW Country Titles
- 14 Sun Senior Branch Titles – Cabarita
- 27 Sat Yamba Triathlon (and Kerry’s Birthday)

MARCH 2016

- 4-6 Fri/Sun NSW Age Titles - Umina
- 9-10 Wed/Thu NSW Masters Titles - Umina
- 11-13 Fri/Sun NSW Open Titles - Umina
- 18-20 Fri/Sun Qld State Titles - North Kirra

APRIL 2016

- 3 Sun Coffs Harbour Ocean Swim
- 9 Sat Copeton Dam Swim
- 16-24 Australian Titles- Maroochydore
- 25 Mon Patrols Finish for 2015/16 Season**

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