



Scarboro Surf Life Saving Club

“ECHO” CLUB NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT’S PEN – Jody Ballard

Our Annual General meeting took place on Friday night seeing Marissa, Angus and I re-elected unopposed to the Board for a further two-year term. With our first Board meeting next week it is straight back to business for us all in delivering on our strategic plan and a stronger Club for our members. We are still accepting nominations for our [appointed officers](#) up until our Board Meeting on Tuesday 16 July, nominations forms are still available on the [Club website](#).

Part of the AGM proceedings saw us make a number of revisions to our Club constitution, full details of these changes can be found on the [AGM Agenda](#). In summary, the key changes were:

- Clause 7 – Notice of application to join as a voting member no longer required due to changes in the Liquor Control Act;
- Clause 10 – Creation of a register of Working With Children (WWC) holders in line with the WWC Act;
- Clause 12 – Clarification on the discipline of members in relation to patrols and general rule breaches;
- Clauses 14 & 18 – Notice of meetings and election of Directors timelines aligned for clarification;
- Clause 18 – Nominations for **elected** Directors to be from within our membership, the option for the Board to **appoint** up to two external Directors remains;
- Clause 22 – Clarification on the minutes and records for Directors meetings and access to them e.g. for historical purposes;
- Clause 24 – Creation of a standing committee for “Constitution & Policy Review” matters, formalising the ongoing work in this area; and
- Clause 25 – Returning the requirement for the Board to notify the membership in advance of making policy changes to allow for feedback, as well as notifying them once adopted.

An updated copy of the Club Constitution will be available on the [Club website](#) early next week. Members should also take the time to familiarise themselves with the [updated policies](#) that were revised in April to align with the new format constitution and in particular the splitting of the Club Captain role into Beach Operations and Surf Sports.

All member access fob bands were auto-expired on 30 June cancelling access to our member areas to non-financial members. By far the easiest way to renew is online via [members.sls.com.au](#) with further details and fees for the upcoming season listed on the Club website [here](#).

ECHO : 609 Edition

11th July 2019

CLUB OFFICE HOURS:

Administration:

Mon-Thur: 9.15am to 2.15pm

Friday: Closed

E: adminofficer@scarboro.com.au

Functions:

Wed & Thur: 8.30am – 5:00pm

Friday: 1.30pm – 5:30pm

E: Functions@scarboro.com.au

BAR is OPEN AGAIN on FRIDAY nights

5:00pm to ±9:30pm

Office Telephone # : 9341 1011



IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS:

JULY 2019:

26/07/19: CHRISTMAS in July 5pm onwards
Bring a Curry or Casserole to share | Dress Frstive



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Reactivation isn't instant as it can take up to 3 days for payments to come through to match back to your renewal. Until we can validate both your renewal, online or via form and receipt of payment if due, then we will not reactivate access for the 2019/20 season.

Our first social event is just around the corner which will see the Club turned into an ugg boot filled winter onesie-land as we celebrate [Christmas in July](#) in support of a good cause.

Good luck to our IRB Racing team who have headed east to Kingscliff for the [Australian IRB Championships](#).

See you down the beach.

Jody

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BOAT ROWERS : Trent Woodyard boatcaptain@scarboro.com.au

CALLING ALL BOAT ROWERS!

If you would like to shake off some of those cobwebs, I can assist. Training will be recommencing Sunday, 14 July from 8am for anyone wanting to attend a group pre-season fitness (fun) session with Wayne Spear. Let me introduce Wayne for those who don't know him; he is an ex-rower with a wealth of fitness knowledge in our area as well as an impressive motivator.

The session may include anything from jogging, weights or perhaps a dip – so please be prepared and bring those togs!

Don't forget that the canteen is open, so we can have a coffee and chew the fat afterwards. I look forward to seeing you there!

Trent Woodyard

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POLAR BEARS : Kathy Brooks kathy_brooks@iprimus.com.au

Polar Bears – Sunday 7/7/2019

This week was all blue skies and sunshine at Polar Bears, although a decent southerly drift in the water meant that the swim seemed a little longer than usual.

The B- Grade swim was won by Tony Jackson, in 2nd place was Marissa Welch beating dad Bob, who came in third.



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A grade was hotly contested with Craig McClure in first place, Lyn Hewitt in second and 3rd Brendon O’Leary.

This week, Joe Desfosses has made the incredible milestone of 500 Polar Bears swims – well done Joe!

Thank you to water safety and canteen volunteers, and to Rosie & Scott for timekeeping and recording.

Surf Club from a Distance

After about five weeks away it is interesting to reflect on some of the parallels seen overseas.

Just today Jill and I travelled to the Isle de Groix (Island of Grwa), off the coast of Brittany in France. There we actually found a lifeguard at Locmaria beach who was one of three on duty and protecting a small and very calm bay. Swimmers were hard to find, perhaps better defined as floaters you might say, but they do float a fair way out, and with fairly big tides in this area, there is a risk they may not come back so lifeguards are indeed useful.



They have rescue boards and tubes and some of them have been to Australia to learn the ropes. Scenery at the beach is a bit more historical and attractive than at the home beach of Scarborough. Another nearby protected beach (Plage Les Grands Sables the big beach) was rather longer than at Locmaria, but equally calm.

With a water temperature of 20°C it was very pleasant while having a (Polar Bear) swim.

I know that my good mate Hally won’t give me any credit for the many winter swims I have completed in various European locations. Ah well, I’ll just have to continue to blame the handicapper for my

poor treatment.

Closer to where we are staying in Port Louis for the next few days until we move to Spain there was an opportunity to say where’s Roger (Federer)? Maybe our own Scarboro Polar Bear could be the saviour for the woes of Western Australia’s economy. If everyone



who visited Western Australia looked for the opportunity of a selfie with the “Polar Bear”, rather than the common



quokka you can just imagine the activity at Scarboro. In this case I think the bear looks rather better than the beached whale accompanying him.

While away we have seen some interesting ideas to help Scarboro. I understand that after the AGM where all key office bearers have been returned (congratulations all) there is some discussion about what to do



with the Life Member photos and other historical items, with the new clubrooms being rather different and more spectacular from what we had before.

At one French beach (Suscinio) we visited recently the crowd was a bit down on what we would normally expect at Scarborough in summer, but the clubrooms and recognition of past important members was rather more impressive that we have ever managed at Scarboro.

These are the clubrooms at Suscinio in France and it looks like they have been there for a while and will survive a little longer yet



Rather than just common old photos they preserve their past contributors rather more permanently. Perhaps the Board could have a look at this approach and consider commissioning a few rather more permanent portraits of the Life Members and past Presidents to ensure they cannot be forgotten.

The European approach to portraits of important people has much to say for it.

The gear they wore in those early days of lifesaving in Brittany may have presented some challenges in the surf but suggests they were ready for the marauding sharks, with sword drawn. The early attempts at the 4WD or rubber ducky was of course a well-presented horse.

The challenge for the Board is to fund a well credentialed sculptor so we can all be appropriately immortalised.

Meanwhile back in Italy they have taken subterfuge to a new level where a packed beach in Cecina is unpatrolled, but the rather holy patrol tower is occupied by a very attentive statue.



With Italy being what it is there did not seem to be anyone worried about the lack of care being taken for the swimmers.

It seems that nobody ventures too far out to sea so maybe the statue is just a long term and effective cost saving measure.

Given the size of the grains of sand (pebbles) on many European beaches it could simply be that there are very few with sufficiently tough feet to be able to walk into the water, so very few swim because the others are preserving their feet.

Only two more polar bear swims away now and I look forward to seeing the regular crowd on the beach on July 27th.

Bonsoir - Doug McGhie

Doug & Kathy

KATHY BROOKS & DOUG MCGHIE | Polar Bear Editor

BOARD & SWIM : Warren Jones watercaptian@scarboro.com.au

Well it's been officially announced now so congratulations again to Alice Harwood U14 and Morgan Knox U15 on making the Western Suns State Team to compete for WA and Scarboro at the Australian Championships on the Gold Coast in August. The girls have been training hard and we wish them all the best.

We had a great turn out to board training at the river last Saturday and great to see the entire Kuster and Aggiss families paddling. we even scored an hour of sunshine and no wind!

No board training for the next 2 Saturdays but it will resume Saturday the 27th July, 3-4pm, Peppermint Grove beach, The Esplanade, Peppermint Grove, near the corner of Irvine St. Bring a wetsuit as the water temperature has dropped. Everyone is welcome especially U13's transitioning to the big boards. Please rsvp on Teamapp.

Warren Jones

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Our wonderful "Old-Salts" - Life Members and Long standing members enjoyed a morning coffee and catch up on our balcony this morning.

From L to R: Brian Hall; Stan Besson; Mick Morrissey; Chris Dickson; TC; Roy Thompson; Pies; Bob Welch (front) Gary Hotchkin; Dave Taggart



SUNSET TERRACE BAR ROSTER : Sharon Walshaw functions@scarboro.com.au

Bar Assistance	Fri 05/07/2019	Fri 12/07/2019	Fri 19/07/2019	Fri 26/07/2019	Fri 02/08/2019
1 J. Young	X				
2 J. Neal	X				
3 M. Lim		X			
4 D. Thommo			X		
5 D. Thommo			X		
6 G. Stephenson		X			
7 B. Welch			X		
8 B. Morrissey				X	
9 N. Darch					X
10 S. Walshaw					
11 A. McMillan					
12 M. Burgess	X				
13 C. Dickson					
14 E. Goddard					
15 C. Paradis					X
16 A. Boots					
17 R. Thompson					
18 C. Harry					
19 G. Stewart					
20 A. Boots					
21 M. Gribbon					
22 G. Smith				X	
23 J. Hogan					
24 C. Darmody					

This is the current Bar Roster for July & August.

Please find a cover if you're unable to complete your shift. Thank you for volunteering your time, it is much appreciated. Please feel free to email me on: functions@scarboro.com.au should you have any queries.

Kind regards.

Sharon

Sharon Walshaw | Functions Co-ordinator | Scarborough SLSC

Surf Life Saving WA News and Input

CIRCULAR | Recruitment of Lifeguards for the 2019/20 season:

SLSWA is seeking to recruit lifeguards and asks Directors of Lifesaving to encourage suitable members to apply. The role can also be promoted using the [attached A4 poster](#).

Applicants must complete and email their [application form](#), to [Mick Owens](#) by **16 August**, to be eligible for first round intakes.

Please review [Circular 13](#) for further information.

Lifeguard Grade 1: [Job description](#)

Lifeguard Grade 2: [Job description](#)

If you have any further questions please email [Mick Owens](#)

LIVE STREAM | 2019 Australian & Interstate IRB Championships:

Good luck to our [Western Suns IRB Team](#), and those clubs competing in the Australian Championships, from tomorrow through Sunday at Kingscliff Beach, NSW.

SLSA will be live-streaming the finals of the Australian Champs this Sunday 14 July, so head to their [Facebook page](#) to catch all of the live action!



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