



## Scarboro Surf Life Saving Club

# "ECHO" CLUB NEWSLETTER

### PRESIDENT'S PEN – Jody Ballard

Despite the atrocious weather on the weekend our IRB Racing team headed north to Mullaloo for the IRB State Titles on Sunday competing for medals in the first State Title event of the 2021-22 season. Throughout the early part of the morning, we thought the event may be abandoned given the worsening conditions and reduced visibility, however, the rain stopped and the sun shone through eventually as we moved from heats into semis and finals.

Having retired from IRB racing 2-seasons ago I was rather surprised to see my name on the entries, not just as a patient, but also competing in two 35+ IRB masters events! Old habits die hard and I managed a third-place podium spot too thanks to my teammates Shane O'Driscoll-Black and Lucie Jones.

As ever they did Team Scarboro proud picking up half of the Gold medals on offer and we had at least one Scarboro team in every open final. Full results from the day can be found on the [SLSWA website](#).

This Friday sees the Board behind the bar as we thank Matt Ewart our Bar Manager and his team of volunteers for their service with a night off. In addition to the normal bar service, we will also be offering paella for \$10 per serving on a first-come basis from 6:30pm until sold out, a great winter warmer on these cold nights.

Next Friday sees our Annual General Meeting so the bar will be closed until after this finishes. The Agenda and Notices of Motion have been sent out and are also available online at [www.scarboro.com.au/AGM](http://www.scarboro.com.au/AGM), with the Annual Report and Accounts to follow shortly. Nominations are still open for several Committees and our Club Officers too, nomination forms can also be found on the Club website too.

See you down the Club on Friday night

Jody Ballard

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#### CLUB OFFICE HOURS

Monday 8.30am – 2.30pm  
Tuesday 9.00am – 1.00pm  
Wednesday 8.30am – 5.00pm  
Thursday 8.30am – 5.00pm  
Friday 9.00am – 5.00pm

#### CLUB BAR HOURS

Fridays – 5.00pm  
Closes ~9.30pm

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#### JUNE:

- Every Sunday Polar Bears Swim 10:00am
- Friday 25<sup>th</sup> – Board at the Bar
- Friday 25<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> – Pool Rescue STATES

#### JULY:

- Every Sunday Polar Bears Swim 10:00am
- Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Annual General Meeting

## IRB STATES NEWS – Reece Vogels



The 2020/2021 IRB State Championships was held at Mullaloo beach on Sunday 20 June 2021. To foreshadow the conclusion of the day, Scarboro achieved excellent results.

The Scarboro IRB Team has grown this past season with Scarboro entering 6 male teams and 3 female teams into the Championship event (equal with its previous largest team). Whilst fingers might have been crossed for a raincheck given the forecasted conditions in the week leading up to States, the carnival nevertheless went ahead.

As anticipated, the Racing Team arrived at 6.30am at Mullaloo beach and proceeded to set up our equipment in the dark in horizontal rain. Despite a strong North-Westerly wind and temperatures hovering around a brisk 8 degrees, the team's attitude was positive and everyone was anxious to start racing. By 7.00am, Scarboro's 5 racing IRBs were set up, the motors had been dry fired and the team were wetsuit clad: ready to hit the water.



Our warmup laps confirmed the obvious; the conditions were atrocious. The water between the shoreline line and the pickup cans resembled the great Australian landmark, the Bungle Bungles. To make matters worse, there was an unpredictable shore dump on an even more unpredictable sandbank. The team's hard-trained elegance and finesse in its starts, turns and pickups were no longer a reality – it was a drive to survive type of carnival.

At 8.00am the first gun went. The racing was cold, bumpy and demanding. Much of the day turned on the luck of the lane and whether the team was fortunate enough to get a clean start off the beach and escape the shallow sandbank. It quickly became apparent that the other clubs were not willing to go down without a fight. The competition was fast.

Despite this, the Racing Team performed well in the heats with most teams making it through to the semi-finals. After semi-finals, a great number of our teams had secured a position in the finals.

After quick check of fuel levels and boat pressure, we lined up our boats for the finals. The Racing Team, friends and family, and spectators amplified their encouragement adding to an already palpable electric atmosphere: medals were, after all, awaiting us on the finish line. At the conclusion of the finals, Scarboro had raced hard and had a mixture of good and back luck due to the conditions. Nevertheless, Scarboro was able to secure 50% of the available gold medals for the open class.



The final tally for the Scarborough Racing Team was:

Event	Position
Female Tube Rescue	Silver
Male Tube Rescue	Gold
Female Mass Rescue	Bronze
Male Mass Rescue	Gold and Bronze
Female Teams Rescue	Silver
Male Teams Rescue	4 <sup>th</sup>
Female Single Rescue	Gold
Male Single Rescue	Gold and Bronze
Masters Single Rescue	Bronze



This is a 400% increase in first place finishes for the team on last season’s State Championships. An achievement that is due wholly to the hard work and dedication of the Racing Team, and something they should be incredibly proud of.

On behalf of the Racing Team, thank you to Scarborough SLSC, our officials, our officers and board members, our friends and family, and our supporters generally. Without your generosity and willingness to support us, the Racing Team would not be as fun, great or successful as we are today.

If you hear a racket out the back, it’s probably us. See you on the sand.

*Reece Vogels*

**REECE VOGELS | Member Services Officer**

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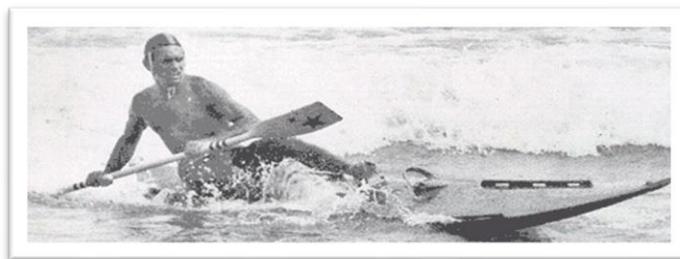
## SKI SCRIBBLES – Grant Stephenson

Last Sunday was a great day on the water again and it is never too late to join us this Sunday and ongoing, 3.00pm on the water at Peppermint Grove with Gambo.

A few things to remember:

- Your ski needs to be on the trailer by 2.00pm Sunday
- Club skis will be taken for those who do not have one and plastics for new starters.
- We will be catering for both experienced and beginner paddlers
- **Hi Vis is required.**
- Bring a thermos and a snack to share
- Warm clothes, jacket

Please let me know if you require more information.



*Grant Stephenson*

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# FINANCE DIRECTOR – Matt Watson

**Don't Forget tomorrow night the Board is behind the bar**

To recognise and say thank you to our fantastic volunteer bar staff, the Board will take over bar duties on Friday 25 June.

In keeping with the theme, there will also be a presentation to acknowledge the support of our Sponsors for which we are so fortunate to have.

**Paella will be to be available from 6.30pm for \$10 - first in best dressed**

Finally, our new club Hoodies and Pullovers have arrived and will be available to purchase, there is limited stock at present so get in quick!

## Pricing

### Hoodie

- Adult - \$65
- Kids - \$50

### Pullover

- Adult - \$60
- Kids - \$45



For those who can make it, we look forward to seeing you!

Matt Watson

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# BAR ROSTER 2021 – Matt Ewart



Hi All,

Everyone is welcome at the Bar on Friday evenings for a relaxing drink as the sun goes down. Remember you are also welcome to **sign in up to five guests** with your membership. Bring a platter to share amongst yourselves or order food from the many local restaurants at Scarborough.

We would love to see you here 😊

Date	Volunteer	Volunteer
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	The Board	The Board
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July AGM	Peter Watson	Phil Bartlett

Matt Ewart

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