MacMasters Beach SLSC



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President's Report with Alan Blackman

FINAL PATROL FOR THE SEASON

The 2016/17 season came to a close on ANZAC Day when we lowered the patrol flags at 5pm. The patrol season has been another busy one with plenty of big crowds, our fair share of rough conditions, lots of preventative actions and many people rescued.

I want to thank all our patrol members who have done an outstanding job and been selfless of their time and effort.

No lives lost! I think we all tend to take those three words for granted when we look

back on the season. I think we all understate the job we do every weekend on our beach. How many times have we heard a fellow member say, "Yeah, we did a couple of rescues today", it just rolls off the tongue as part of casual conversation!! But we should each reflect on what an amazing outcome that is.

Every rescue our members have performed has been a life saved, every preventative action is someone kept safe, every time we stand on the beach we are each making a statement that we are prepared to risk our own safety to help others!! *Every member is to be congratulated*.

While the flags have come down, the Club now enters into that part of the year when we get ready for next season. Patrols start again in September and there will be a lot of work behind the scenes to get everything ready.

BRANCH SPONSOR'S DINNER

On the 27th April I attended the annual dinner held by Surf Life Saving Central Coast to thank our Branch Sponsors. All Club Presidents were in attendance and each Sponsor was presented with a glass sculpture of a wave in appreciation of their support.

The thing that stood out right across the evening was the deep-felt thanks of every sponsor for the wonderful work that the members of Surf Life Saving Central Coast do for our community.

MACS MANIACS

Macs Maniacs, our winter swimming activity, has now started. Every Sunday at 9am come down and join the Maniacs for a walk, run, splash, swim, paddle and a COFFEE.

It's all about fun, enjoying the fellowship of our members and spending time at our beautiful beach. The water is still 22 degrees so don't be shy !!



Senior Club Presentation 6pm Sat 6th May

Macs Board Election Meeting 3pm Sun 21st May

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Over the years our club has had a strong association with surfboats so it was an obvious choice when it came time to come up with ideas for the new bar. The old bar had served us well for over 20 years but with the additional business we do these days and a need to be more compliant, it was time for an upgrade.

The project started nearly a year ago and with many hours of design and planning I'm sure you'll agree it was worth the wait. The bar is really well setup and much easier to work behind so if anyone wants to come along and help out please let us know, we're happy to teach anyone even with no previous experience.

A big thank you to our Patron Don Hamilton for your generous donation to fund our new bar.

President's Report continued

DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday 6th May 2017: Macs Senior Club Presentation 6pm @ Macs Clubhouse Sundays 9:00am: Macs Maniacs @ Macs Beach Sunday 21st May 2017: Macs Board Election Meeting 3pm @ Macs Clubhouse

ANZAC DAY

The Club's annual ANZAC Day sunset service (our 11th) was a great success and a fitting tribute to all who have served. Vince Roberts organised a wonderful service and around 270 people attended. The Club house and terrace looked amazing thanks to the efforts of the members who helped with the two 'working bees' to get everything ready.

Our ANZAC Day service has a special feel about it, with the sun setting and the waves rolling onto the shore. Everyone who is there takes away a special memory. If you have not experienced it make sure you come along next year.

BAR STAFF NEEDED

We need more volunteers to help with the bar on Friday and Sunday nights. The bar revenue is critical to the Club's finances, but we can only run it if we get more members to help behind the bar. The Club can arrange training and RSA courses. It's a great way to meet members and it is an ideal way for our Associates to become more active in supporting the Club. See <u>Steve O'Hara</u> to find out how you can help.

AROUND THE CLUB

The new bar is in place and looks fantastic!

Our **new audio system** is in, the sound quality is fantastic. ANZAC day was its first big test and everyone got to hear the guest speakers loud and clear.

The **new glass panels have been installed across the front of the terrace**, they look amazing. Thanks to those individuals who have made a donation to fund a panel. There are still three panels available if you would like to help out and have your special memory embossed on a panel. The cost is \$1,500 per panel.

The Board members are very busy at the moment - **it's reporting season!** We are putting together a whole range of reports for the end of patrols, the end of our financial year (30th April), BAS statements, charity reports, Fair Trading reports, Annual Report, Branch Annual Report, plus getting everything organised for Presentation Night.

CONTACT THE PRESIDENT

With over 500 members it is a big task for me to get to know every member, and like most of us I have a busy schedule away from the Surf Club.

So if there is something you would like to talk to me about you can always drop me an email at <u>alanrblackman@hotmail.com</u> or phone me on 0418 331 649.



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Catch you around the Club! Alan Blackman - President



NOTICE of 'ELECTION MEETING' [R. 7] [FINAL]

Notice is given that the 'Election Meeting' of the Club will be held on:

Sunday 21st May 2017 at the Clubhouse at 3.00pm

Agenda

1. Officers of the Club [R. 5(b)]

The two year term of the Deputy President [Warren Watkins], Director of Finance [Steve Sillato], Director of Administration [David White] and Director of Education [Graham Johnston] expire at the meeting

The meeting is to fill those positions for a two year term until the Election Meeting in 2019. [R. 7 and R.13]

Nominations are called to fill the vacant positions of retiring directors.

- Steve Sillato the Director of Finance and Warren Watkins the Deputy President do not stand for re-election.
- David White the Director of Administration and Graham Johnston the Director of Education offer them selves for re-election
- John Evans has been nominated to the position of Director of Finance. [R 13(c)]

The meeting will be asked to confirm the election of Alison McNiell as Director of Membership following the resignation of Les Cousins who resigned his position during the year.

Nominations must be in writing and received by before 5.00pm on Saturday 22nd April 2017 [Rule 7]

NOTE: The nomination of Jan Sillato as Deputy President was received before the due date.

2. Honorary Officers [R. 5(a)]

The Club may elect the following Honorary Officers who need not be members of the Club. Nominations, which may be made at the meeting, are called to fill the positions identified below. Current holders of those positions are as indicated and who are eligible to continue in that role.

Patron: Alan Brooks Vice Patron: Don Hamilton and Lynne Forsythe. [The Club is saddened by the death of Jan Hamilton] Honorary Auditors: Fortunity Honorary Legal Officer: Alan Bingham

DATED; 24 March 2017

David White Director of Administration PO BOX 6040; Kincumber NSW 2251 By hand at the Club: 97 Marine Parade; Macmasters Beach By email: macmastersslsc@gmail.com (m) 0408 687 981]

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ANZAC Day with Vince Roberts

Our 11th ANZAC Day Service was held under overcast skies and drizzly weather, but this did not dampen the enthusiasm with over 275 in attendance.

Special thanks to;

Carol Heuchan for delivering her inspiring ANZAC address and poetry commemorating the 100th anniversary of the *Charge of Beersheeba*.

Band members; Brian Findlay, John Evans, Gavin Hope, Richard Collins, John Illiffe, Terry Loughhead, Dennis Loughhead, Allan Gill, Ken Townsend, Roley Conway, Brighton Haynes and Col Laybutt.

Janet Lee for her diligence with the attendance book.

To all our club members who assisted with; setting out and putting away of chairs and tents, working bees on Sunday and Monday to ensure the grounds looked at their best and working behind the bar.

Wreaths were laid by; Lucy Wicks MP Robertson Anne Charlton Labor candidate Robertson MacMasters Beach Ladies Club MacMasters Beach Progress Association MacMasters Beach Garden Club

Adam Crouch State Member Terrigal MacMasters Beach SLSC Kincumber Public School MacMasters Beach Rural Fire Brigade

Thank you to everyone who attended this special commemoration.



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Membership Matters with Alison McNeill

SENIOR CLUB PRESENTATION: Saturday 6th May 2017 @ Macs

Senior Presentation will be almost over by the time this is published so you'll have to wait until next month to find out the award winners!

MACS MANIACS: Every Sunday 9am @ Macs

Macs Maniacs has started – led by the wonderful Jim Myers. Every Sunday morning members get together to walk/run and swim throughout winter.....You have to get your head wet to have points count towards the end of season tally. Join in if you are brave enough.

FEEDBACK ON THE NIPPERS SEASON

We had a meeting recently to discuss thoughts and ideas to further improve on our nipper program. If you have any suggestions, please email through to me at macsmembership@gmail.com

TRAINING AND QUALIFICATIONS

We really need assistant age managers, water safety and officials, so please contact me if you are interested. All training provided and you get to have fun with your kids! First Aid, Bronze Medallion - many courses are available through our surf club. Please email or speak to Jono at the club.

BAR STAFF

The Club also needs bar staff to go on the roster. If you haven't seen our new 'surfboat bar' please come and have a drink on any Friday or Sunday night and check it out.

DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD

The Duke of Edinburgh Award is available at MacMasters Beach Surf Club. It is a program targeting 14 – 25 year olds to challenge them and keep them engaged during the teenage years. The kids will go on camps, learn new skills, volunteer in the community and do physical activity. They need to keep a log book of all of these activities. With their involvement in Surf Lifesaving, most of the sections are easily completed. Please contact us also if you would like your child to join or see Geoff Dominguez at the club.

Current Duke of Ed kids: keep logging your hours. We are working on finding a date to get together to work on log books together and to sort out dates for camps for the year. Geoff needs you all for the 5 Lands Walk on Saturday 24th June, to set up early at the surf club. He'll post in the Facebook group too.

See you at Presentation 6pm Sat 6th May! Alison McNeill - Dir. Membership



If you have photos from competitions, nippers, patrols, PHOTOS In you have photos from competitions, hippers, patrols, carnivals or on the beach that we can use on Facebook, in Point Break, in publications or on the website please send to Suzie at macsslscnews@gmail.com



Competition Corner with Craig Lee

MACMASTERS SENIOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS @ Macs 23 April 2017

Well Macs finally got their annual club champs underway on its 3rd attempt. Previous beach conditions saw postponements mid-season culminate in a last Patrol championships.

Around 20 brave members doing battle on a glorious sunny day with some age groups even managing to have some competition within! A tricky bank had members talking tactics as they battled for the advantage of first around the can.

First up was the sprints with some spectacular but unusual methods used to cross the line.

Onto the flag pit where sniper action was put into play to take the short priced favorites.

Time to cool down and hit the water for the swim followed by the board on the agenda. After the oxy bottle was depleted and spurred on the boisterous spectators, these magnificent beasts put in a great effort to complete the final event of iron person.

Thanks to Amanda, Lisa and Les for officiating and a huge congrats to our competitors for displaying the great Macs spirit.













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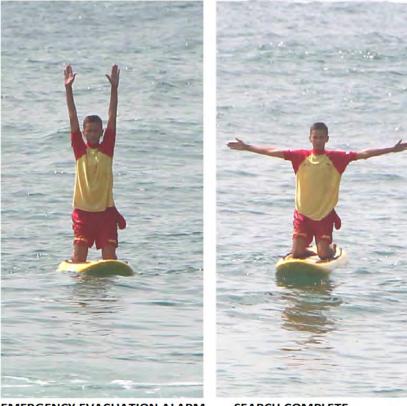


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7 Macs Maniacs social swim 9am @ Macs
14 Macs Maniacs social swim 9am @ Macs
21 Macs Maniacs social swim 9am @ Macs
21 Macs SLSC Board Elections 3pm @ Macs
28 Macs Maniacs social swim 9am @ Macs

JUNE 2017:

10 SLSCC Awards of Excellence @ Mingara Rec Club 24 5 Lands Walk - more information



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A Bird's Eye View: this photo of MacMasters rock pool was taken by **Christopher Drummond** on Boxing Day 2016. Christopher, a past Nipper, used a drone to capture this unique angle of his mother, Lyn swimming laps.

