

# Point Break

MacMasters Beach SLSC

June  
2017



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## President's Report with Alan Blackman

### PRESENTATION NIGHT

The Club's Senior Presentation night was held on Saturday 6th May. We had a great roll-up of members to help recognise a fantastic season we have had on so many fronts. About 200 people attended the evening and everyone enjoyed the food, drinks, atmosphere and awards. Director of Membership *Alison McNeill* and her crew of helpers did a fantastic job in organising the evening and having all the trophies, awards, clothing and everything else ready. **Organising Presentation is a huge job, thank you Alison!!!!**

I want to congratulate every member who was recognised on the night, details of the awardees are included in this edition. The one award that we should all be proud of is the '100% Patrol Award'. **106 of our 156 Patrol Members gained 100% attendance this season.** I think that is a record for our Club and it is a huge effort by all those members. It shows the great commitment that our membership has to keeping our beach safe.

We were fortunate to have most of our Sponsors, Club Patrons and elected representatives from Federal and State Governments in attendance. They all commented on the wonderful spirit that exists in our Club and how pleased they are to support our activities. Thank you to each of them. [Check out the photos.](#)

### ELECTION MEETING

Our Election Meeting was held on the 21st May. Thank you to those members who attended. The meeting saw Steve Sillato (Finance) and Warren Watkins (Deputy President) retire from their Board roles and I want to thank both of them for their great service and for the support they have given to me and other Board members. They will both continue to be heavily involved in Club activities on Patrols, as Patrol Captain (Warren) and Club Book-keeper (Steve). **Thank you!**

Four positions were decided at the meeting and I want to congratulate:

**Jan Sillato**, our new **Deputy President**

**John Evans**, our new **Director of Finance**

**David White**, re-elected as **Director of Administration**, and

**Graham Johnston**, re-elected as **Director of Education**.

A new position has also been created, **Manager Assisting the Deputy President**, and **Nadine Norman** has taken up this role to work closely with Jan Sillato, congratulations Nadine. This is not a Board position, but it is a great way to bring one of our outstanding younger members into the running of our Club.



**Welcome to our new Board members!!**

**SLSCC Awards of Excellence - 10th June**

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## President's Report continued

### AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE Saturday 10th June 2017

The Branch 'Awards of Excellence' are being held on Saturday 10th June. We have nominated several of our Club members for awards and we will have a strong contingent at the event to cheer our Club.

### FIVE LANDS WALK Saturday 24th June 2017

The annual Five Lands Walk is on Saturday 24th June. Our Club host the opening ceremony and provides many helpers on the day. Starting from 8am it's a wonderful event, come along and enjoy.

### 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 [Steve O'Hara](#) to find out how you can help.

### 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 [alanrblackman@hotmail.com](mailto:alanrblackman@hotmail.com) or phone me on 0418 331 649.

Alan Blackman Macs President



**CONTACT THE PRESIDENT!**

### SAVE THE DATE ..!

Surf Life Saving Central Coast  
**2017 Awards of Excellence**

Saturday 10th June 2017  
Mingara Recreation Club



Check out the  
2017 SLSCC Awards of Excellence  
Nomination Circular [here](#)

# Dollar\$ and \$en\$e with \$teve \$illato

Time flies when you are having fun - or when you are extremely busy. Either way my two years as Director of Finance has now come to an end and *boy oh boy, what a ride it's been.*

I originally came on board thinking I would be a treasurer/bookkeeper, and help save the club around \$5,000pa in fees. Never in my wildest dreams did I realise how much work goes behind the scenes to keep our club up and running.

## **BIG LITTLE CLUB!**

We are no longer the little Surf Club at Macs of 10 years ago, we are a full blown commercial operation: looking after members, providing surf patrols, Nipper and Youth activities, dealing with sponsors and donors, bar operations, venue hire and tenants..... the list goes on and on.

We then have to work under various rules and guidelines affected by license conditions, insurance policies, work health and safety issues and many others. I soon discovered this was a full time job, but with lots of help, I just managed to keep my head above water and the club operational. It was very hard at times, but always rewarding, and it was great to be able to put so much back into our club and community.

## **THANK YOU!**

There are so many people to thank for personally helping me in this role.

Firstly, to my long suffering family who had to put up with me spending hour after hour on the computer; emailing, processing, reconciling and everything else in between. It was a real juggling act and I hope I did not neglect you too much along the way. This Club has been a huge part of our family life for the past 17 years, so this latest contribution is on behalf of all of us. Thanks for giving me the time I needed to do this role as best I could.

Next, my right hand girl Denise Sherring, who does so, so much for our club. Denise has helped me with banking, bookkeeping, filing, record keeping and so many other tasks, not to mention all her other Club work as Senior Registrar. Perhaps Denise felt guilty for talking me into the DoF role (over a few drinks at a party), but regardless she was a huge help for me and a great asset to our club – *thank you Denise!*

To Steve and Carole, our House, Bar and Function Managers, thank you. They work tirelessly around the club; week in/week out covering all these roles and doing so much more that people ever see. This is further evidenced by them receiving major club awards in the past few years - very well deserved and nice to see them acknowledged. It was a huge relief to me not to have to worry about their roles, as it all runs so smoothly, so *thank you both for all your help and hard work over the past two years.*

To Amanda Queripel, who came out of 'retirement' to run the Clothing Pool in my hour of need. Amanda is a former *Nipper Mum* from my Age Group, who also ran the School's clothing pool back in our P&C days. She has been doing it for 2 years now and still going strong. Amanda is also one of our 'resident officials' when we get stuck, so she is another great Club person that we rely on so much. *Thanks Amanda, very much appreciated.*

To all my fellow board members who do so much in planning and progressing our club in all areas of operation. You do an amazing job so on behalf of all club members, thanks for all your hard work.

I would especially like to thank Alan and David who were often able to help me in tasks that I could not handle on my own. Your help, knowledge and wisdom were invaluable to me over the past two years.

Last, but certainly not least, my successor John Evans. John has already been helping me for over 12 months with higher level accounting and financial direction, such as budgets, asset registers and insurance negotiations. John comes with vast accounting experience and has generously given of his time to take over the DoF role, as voted at the recent Election Meeting.

I find John very sincere, with strong morals and therefore I am pleased to remain working with John as the Club Bookkeeper, a much lesser role but something I am more able to do in my 'spare time'. Thank you John for all your help, past and future.



## Dollar\$ and \$en\$e continued

### LOOKING BACK

I would also like to say that, in my former life as an Age Manager of 9 years, I never appreciated how much work was done by those board members 2004-2013 to get me and my Nippers on the Beach every week.

I thought I was the one doing a great job, but how little did I know back then. To all our former Board Members, a belated but very sincere thank you for all the hard work you put into making our Club great. If anyone else has the courage to step up and take on a directors role, please look at giving it a go. It won't be easy but there will be lots of help and the personal satisfaction from helping our great club makes it all worth while.

This is probably my longest *Dollar\$ & \$en\$e* ever, ironic that it is also my last.

*Hope to still see you on the Beach, \$teve \$illato signing off!*

## Competition Corner *with Craig Lee*

### MACMASTERS SENIOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS @ Macs 23 April 2017

It was great to see so many of our senior club members on the beach to complete for the glory and Macs titles!

<b>U15 Male</b>	[not contested]	<b>U15 Female</b>	Cerys Cousins
<b>U17 Male</b>	Joel Vella	<b>U17 Female</b>	Sharni Waters
<b>U19 Male</b>	Corentin Correlis (Coco)	<b>U19 Female</b>	Georgia Lee
<b>Open Male</b>	[not contested]	<b>Open Female</b>	Nadine Norman
<b>31-40 Male</b>	[not contested]	<b>31-40 Female</b>	[not contested]
<b>41-50 Male</b>	1st Daniel Ho 2nd Frank Hodgkinson/Leigh Walters	<b>41-50 Female</b>	[not contested]
<b>51-60 Male</b>	1st Peter Roden 2nd Geoff Dominguez	<b>51-60 Female</b>	1st Jan Sillato 2nd Wendy Graham
<b>60+ Male</b>	1st Bill Queripel 2nd Ken Scriven	<b>60+ Female</b>	[not contested]



# Membership Matters *with Alison McNeill*

**SENIOR CLUB PRESENTATION: Saturday 6th May 2017 @ Macs**

I want to thank all the attendees of our Senior Presentation Night. We had such a great night showcasing our members and their achievements. Congratulations everyone on being members of the best little club on the coast!

**'QUIET' SEASON: Come on down!**

While it is quiet on the beach, there is still a lot of work going on to prepare for next season and to keep our club running. The café is still open and the bar is open every Friday and Sunday night. Come down and have a well-earned drink or two.

**MACS MANIACS: Every Sunday morning**

Macs Maniacs is also on every Sunday morning so if you are missing the water....join in!

**VOLUNTEERS: How will you be involved**

We still need volunteers to put their hand up for nipper age managers, water safety, officials and IRB drivers. Please send an email to [macsmembership@gmail.com](mailto:macsmembership@gmail.com) if you are interested.

*That's all for now! Alison McNeill - Director of Membership*

## 2017 Senior Club Presentation Night *Award Recipients*



**Club Worker of the Year:**  
Steve O'Hara + Jason Vella



**Club Persons of the Year:**  
Tim and Suzie Morris



**Patrol Person of the Year:**  
Brad Norman



**New Life Member:**  
Graham Johnston



← **Patrol of the Year:**

**Patrol 4:** Michael Bambridge, Simon Cusack, Hannah Cusack, Michael Hull, Emma Jackson, Amy Lawrence, Susan Westgarth and Carla Ellis.

### 2017 Patrols @ Macs

7,226 Patrol Hours  
68,452 Total Attendance  
87 Rescues  
850 Preventative Actions  
86 First Aid Actions  
3 Ambulance Call Outs  
12 Beach Closures

# Senior Club Presentation Night continued



**2017 Surf Rescue Certificate recipients**



**2017 Bronze Medallion awardees**



**2017 Silver Medallion:**  
Ken Scriven with  
Anne Charlton



**2017 Remote First Aid:**  
Graham Johnston and Jim  
Myers with Adam Crouch (c)



**2017 Radio Operators: with Adam Crouch (left)**



**2017 IRB Crew:**  
Casey, Jayden, Alex + Angus

**100% Patrol Award:** →  
106 of 156 members completed  
100% of their rostered patrol hours!



# Senior Club Presentation Night continued



**2017 Duke of Edinburgh Program recipients**



**2017 Duke of Ed Gold: Clancy Beckers (c) & Jobe Graham (r) with Lucy Wicks (left), Geoff Dominguez & Graeme Jones**



**2017 Boat Crews: with Adam Crouch (left) and Lou Lou (centre)**



**Board & Swim Pointscore Award: Geoff Dominguez & Lyn Drummond**



**Most Improved Lifesaver Award: Amy Lawrence with David White**



**Outstanding New Member Award: Alex McMartin with Alison McNeill**



**Youth of the Year: Malcolm MacPherson + Hannah Cusack**



**Encouragement Awards: Ellie, Bridget, Jade, Taylor, Wade + Karl**



**Bar Fly Award: James Crowther**



**Beach Recognition Awards: Phil Boxsell, Peter McNeill + Anthony Woods**

# Mac's Maniacs

Every Sunday morning from 9am

Come and join Mac's Maniacs, our winter swimming activity. Every Sunday at 9am come and join us for a walk, run, splash, swim, paddle and a COFFEE.

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# Competitions & Events:

## JUNE 2017:

- 4 Macs Maniacs social swim 9am @ Macs
- 10 SLSCC Awards of Excellence @ Mingara Rec Club
- 11 Macs Maniacs social swim 9am @ Macs
- 18 Macs Maniacs social swim 9am @ Macs
- 24 5 Lands Walk - [more information](#)
- 25 Macs Maniacs social swim 9am @ Macs

## JULY 2017:

- 2 Macs Maniacs social swim 9am @ Macs
- 9 Macs Maniacs social swim 9am @ Macs
- 16 Macs Maniacs social swim 9am @ Macs
- 23 Macs Maniacs social swim 9am @ Macs
- 30 Macs Maniacs social swim 9am @ Macs




## Check out Macs online:

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 Cafe: Tue-Sun 8:30am - 4.30pm  
Barefoot Cafe - Coffee and Meals

 Sun: 9am - 11am  
Macs Maniacs

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