

# Point Break

MacMasters Beach SLSC

updated  
February  
2020



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## President's Report with Alan Blackman

### A VERY BUSY JANUARY

January has been a very busy month for the Club with big crowds on the beach, loads of visitors, plenty of activity at the Clubhouse and a lot of competitors representing our Club! See the detailed reports in the following pages of Point Break.

Our Life Savers have had a very busy month with a lot of people using the beach. Everyone has been kept safe but we have had several rescues, lots of preventative actions, and plenty of first aids with blue bottle stings, cuts and scratches, fin chops and some nasty falls on the rocks near the pool. Its been a big effort by all our patrols!

The club house has been the focus of a lot of action. The bar has been very, very busy, a huge thankyou to all our volunteer bar staff.

The Prawn and Oyster Luncheon was sold out and thoroughly enjoyed by everyone who attended.

Our Annual Doorknock was another big success with around \$8,000 raised and the seafood and mal raffles have been very well supported. So many club members helped out in the running of all these activities - our members really do pitch in when needed, thank you!

February will see some big competitions coming up for our boat crews, Masters and Junior competitors. Good luck to everyone and we look forward to watching all the action!

### JANUARY BOARD MEETING

The Board held its first meeting for 2020 on January 22nd. Our monthly meeting cover all aspects of the Club's operation and each Directors does an amazing job keeping our Club running so well. Some of the things we covered at the meeting, include:

- **Reviewing the monthly financial statement:** The Club's finances are very sound with all our revenue comfortably covering our costs - the income we receive over the summer months is critical to our financial strength.
- **Supporting our competitors:** The Board approved a funding package to help support our competitors' attendance at State and National Title. We look like having between 50 and 60 competitors at the National Titles this year - I think that is a record for our club.
- **Club Shirts for our Nippers:** These will be procured during the off season and every Nipper who signs up for the 2020/21 season will receive a Club shirt.



Junior and Senior Club Championships

Sunday 23rd February @ MacMasters Beach

# President's Report continued *with Alan Blackman*

## JANUARY BOARD MEETING CONTINUED

- **Rescue, Competition and Club House Equipment:** Some of the things we acquired or have ordered include oars for the boats to replace a few broken ones, a new fridge for the bar (the old one expired), fridge and freezer for the first aid room, first aid table, sound system equipment to replace the amplifier and other equipment that shorted out during a storm and a new IRB hull.

- **Regulation Compliance:** Compliance reports have been submitted for a range of regulation requirements covering our charity status, liquor licence, Working With Children reporting, proficiency requalification for our Patrol members and membership renewals.

- **New membership applications.**

- **Club House repairs and maintenance.**

- **Insurance coverage** for members and matters of concern that have been raised by our Club to a State and National level.

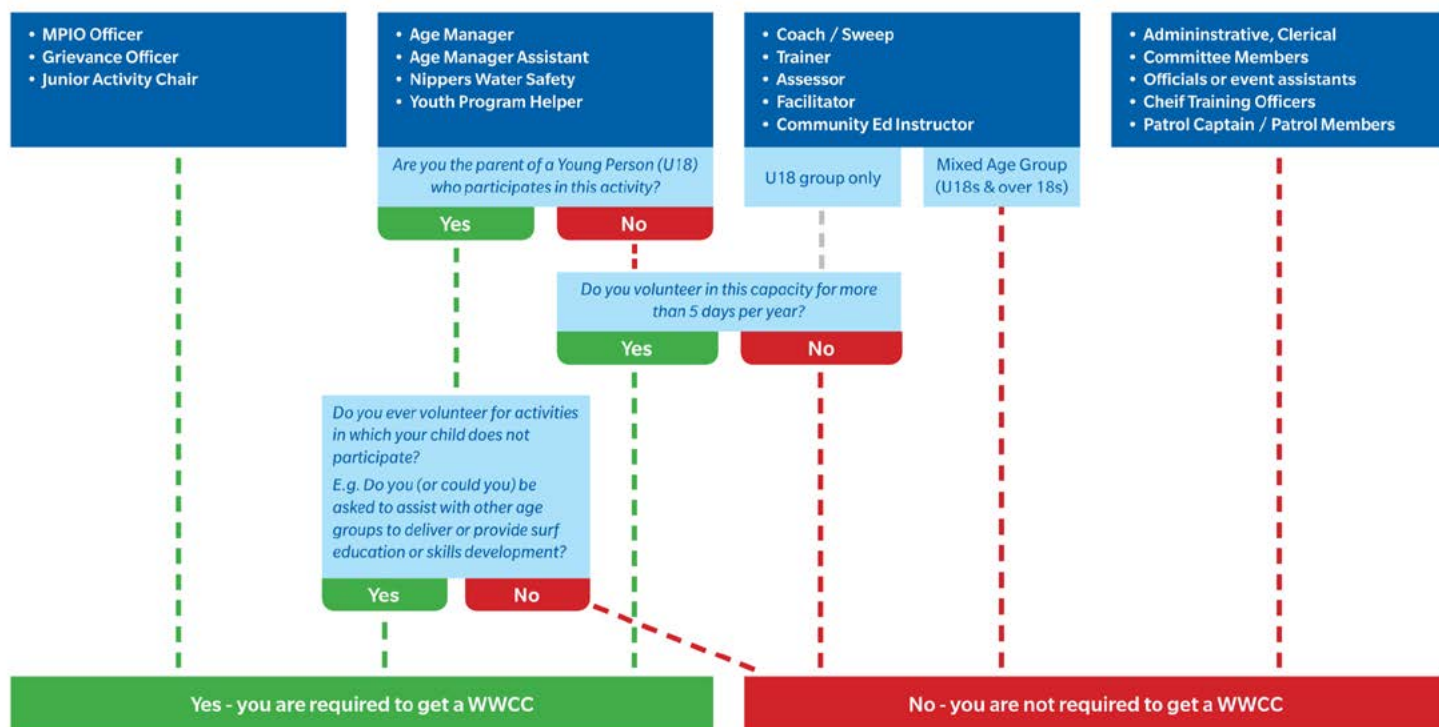
## MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS AND REQUALIFICATION

All Patrol Members must have completed requalification and renewed their financial membership by 31st December 2019. If you have not done both of these you are not covered by insurance and cannot do patrols or competition.

## WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK

Members who supervise, coach or directly manage children (ie anyone under 18) must have a current Working With Children Check and have submitted this to our Club Registrar for endorsement. [The detailed requirements are on the Club's website](#), and compliance with this State Government Law is absolutely essential for all relevant members. If in doubt please see me or any Board member.

# Do you require a WWCC?



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

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## *Membership Matters* with Alison McNeill

Firstly, an enormous thank you to all our PATROL members for keeping our beach safe over the busy summer period. It was extra busy here this year due to the fires in other parts of the State. **Thank you!**

What a busy summer holiday season we've had with all the Christmas and New Year activities. Our Christmas Celebration was a huge success. Not only did we have Santa arrive after our Twilight Nippers, but we had Christmas Carols, Volunteer Drinks, Ladies Social Clubs organising a BBQ dinner for the nippers, and a photo opportunity with Santa! What a night!

### FUNDRAISING

A huge thank you to the families who showed up to help with the Annual Door Knock for the club. Another thank you to all the nippers, rookies, cadets, masters and boaties who helped sell raffle tickets for the Mal Surfboard, the seafood trays and Ducks for Bucks. **What a fantastic effort!**

### NIPPER - JUNIOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS: 2:15PM 9TH FEBRUARY

Nippers is back in full swing with regular Sunday nippers, carnivals and our Club Championships is now on 23rd February - times will be released shortly. **We encourage everyone to compete in the Club Championships if they have 60% attendance at nippers** - check with your Age Manager.

### ROOKIES AND CADETS

On the 11th January, 6 of our rookies attended the Rookie Challenge at Terrigal. Congratulations on your achievements. We then did a day out on the Hawkesbury River with Jono and Clean4Sure, cleaning up the beaches along the river. We finished with a swim and dip under a waterfall.



On Thursday 23rd January, we had a fun evening out with our Rookies and Cadets at Aqua Park Gosford, followed by hot chips in the park. The team bonding session worked really well and was greatly appreciated by all. **Thanks Macs Club!**

# Membership Matters continued *with Alison McNeill*

## MACS BOAT CREWS IN ACTION

Our boat crews have been busy over the summer with competitions at Ocean Beach, Collaroy and Queenscliff. We have a record 9 crews competing this season and 4 of those were chosen to represent our Branch at the carnival at Queenscliff.

The next few weeks include more competitions at Umina, Nobby's Beach, Stockton, Swansea/Belmont. We will also be attending the ASRL – Australian Surf Rowers League at Mollymook. This will be a great injection of money into the local economy after the devastating bush fires. There is usually about 3000 people attending over the weekend.

## NSW NIPPER CHAMPIONSHIPS

State Nippers are on the 28th February to 1st March at Swansea/Belmont. If you are going please see Suzanne for more information.

## MACS NIPPERS

The last day of nippers for the season is on Sunday 8th March. We will finish at 10.30am and then have our **Presentation Ceremony for the Under 6s and 7s** - and those 5s who have been coming along to nippers too! We are planning it for the grassed area near the BBQ. Families come along and see your little ones receive their awards. We also want ALL nippers and rookies to attend to cheer on the little ones - let's make them feel special! The 6s and 7s nippers will also receive a sausage sandwich and a drink. *So save the date!*

## JUNIOR PRESENTATION

Our Junior Presentation Ceremony will be on the afternoon of the **29th March from 2-4pm** followed by an early dinner for the nippers and rookies. Everyone is invited, bar will open at 4pm and the café will be open also. If any of our Under 6 or Under 7 families would like to attend, please come along - you are very welcome!

## SENIOR PRESENTATION

Senior Presentation is the 23rd May so lock the date on your calendars now.

## DUKE OF EDINBURGH

Duke of Edinburgh participants should be filling in your logbooks and getting ready for a fun-filled 2020! Duke kids have been busy on patrols, selling seafood raffle tickets and doing other fundraising as needed. These are all a necessary parts of doing the award through our surf club, especially being a patrol member.

If any members are around 14 years of age and would like to start their Duke of Edinburgh award – please find Geoff Dominguez, Jono or myself for more information.

## PRAWN & OYSTER LUNCHEON

The annual Prawn and Oyster Luncheon was a huge success!

We had over 80 attendees and raised a lot of money for the surf club on the day - but even more importantly - a great time was had by all!

An enormous thank you must go to Ken Scriven who took charge of organising all the delicious food.

Thanks to **Seacoast Fishing** our local seafood store on the road to MacMasters Beach for the scrumptious prawns. Peter at Seacoast donates all our seafood trays for our raffles over the summer holidays.

Thanks also to Jono - our powerhouse of all things Macs - and the other club members and members of our Boat Crews who helped on the day!



## *Membership Matters continued* with Alison McNeill

### **THANK YOU**

A huge thank you to everyone involved with the bar over the summer period. As well as all our patrol members, water safety and anyone & everyone who works so hard to keep our beach safe and our club running.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We are always on the lookout for more volunteers to help out with all sorts of things to do with our wonderful little club, so if you would like to do something to help, please see Elaine, Lorna, myself or any of the Directors. Bar Staff are always needed too.

**2020/21 Nipper Coordinators:** Lorna and Elaine as vacating this position at the end of the season. It has been coordinated as a split role over the past few seasons - administration and Sunday activities. A number of systems and set ups have been put in place so it will be relatively easy to coordinate and there is lots of support and encouragement from the Club and Directors. Please chat to Elaine, Lorna or Alison about how you can help out with this vital role.

**2020/21 Water Safety Supervisor:** we can't keep our kids safe in the water without our team in the orange! This supervisor's role is to coordinate water safety volunteers for Nippers, carnivals and training sessions. Please chat to Elaine, Lorna or Alison about how you can help out.

### **KEY CONTACTS @ MACS**

As you would have noticed over recent months we have been migrating to a new digital platform and now all of our key contacts are now working on this system. You can now access a comprehensive list of all Board and Coordinator names, positions and email addresses via our website in the [Meet the Board page](#).

If there's anything else, feel free to email me at [memberservices@macmastersbeachslsc.com](mailto:memberservices@macmastersbeachslsc.com)

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as we call our club home!*

# Competition Corner *with Mick Norman*

## **STREETS BOAT SERIES ROUND 4 | 5th January 2020 @ Ocean Beach**

Boaties results from Round4 in the *Streets Boat Series* at Ocean Beach:

Photos: Richard Black 2020

**OPEN MEN:** *UFCs* - 3rd place

**OPEN WOMEN:** *Cazadores* - 1st place

**RESERVE MEN:**

*Fat Dads* - 1st place (equal)

*Baby Cows* - 1st place (equal)

**RESERVE WOMEN:** *Bouyances* - 1st place

**U23 MEN:** *UFCs* - 3rd place

**U23 WOMEN:** *Martinies* - 1st place

**U19 MEN:** *Whippets* - 2nd place

**U19 WOMEN:** *Karlies Angels* - 1st place



## **INTERNATIONAL YOUNG GUNS | 12th January 2020 @ Collaroy**

Macs Boaties competed in the 12th Annual International Young Guns competition held at Collaroy with great results:

**U23 MEN:**

*UFCs* - 6th place

**U19 MEN:**

*Whippets* - 6th place

## **MACS BOAT CREW SELECTION IN THE 2020 NSW SURF BOAT INTERBRANCH CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Congratulations to our four Macs Boat Crews who have been selected in the Central Coast Branch Team for the 2020 NSW Surf Boat Interbranch Championships: Of the eight boat crews in the Interbranch team, the Macs teams are:

**OPEN FEMALE - MacMasters 'Cazadores'**

Sweep: Peter Norman

Stroke: Nadine Norman

2nd Stroke: Bridgid Ryan

2nd Bow: Lucey Owens

Bow: Teagan Powell

**RESERVE MALE - MacMasters 'Fat Dads'**

Sweep: Brad Norman

Stroke: Mark White

2nd Stroke: James Latham

2nd Bow: Craig White

Bow: Wally Brooks

**UNDER 23 FEMALE - MacMasters 'Martinis'**

Sweep: Mick Norman

Stroke: Ella Buteux

2nd Stroke: Phoebe Harries

2nd Bow: Ella Henderson

**UNDER 19 MALE - MacMasters 'Whippets'**

Sweep: Brad Norman

Stroke: Campbell Gillies

2nd Stroke: Brayden I'Anson

2nd Bow: Kieren Vella

Bow: Finn MacDonald

Results available next edition!

# Competition Corner *with Jan Sillato*

## MASTERS CARNIVAL | 11th January 2020 @ Terrigal Beach

Our first carnival for 2020 was held at Terrigal Beach and a very brave group of Masters survived the freezing weather conditions on the day. Leigh, Frank, Angus, Tony, Kevin, Ange, Val, Amanda, Sammy, Kylie and Jan competed.

As seen in the photos, our Macs competitors are pretty tough sometimes - not necessarily pretty in their execution, but definitely tough :)

We came away with many great results and once again, had a fun morning competing for our great little club.



## MASTERS CARNIVAL | 19th January 2020 @ Fingal Bay

We backed that up the following weekend when a crew of seven went touring up to Fingal Bay again, for our 3rd year running. Tony, Bill, Steve, Frank, Amanda, Sammy and Jan had a fun time competing and it was great to have Summer, Carole, Ben and Steve supporting us. Many Central Coast clubs attend this fun carnival each year, and our Macs Masters didn't disappoint.

There were many highlights and great results on the day. One was the All Age Beach Relay, where Macs were the only club to field a complete team without borrowing other competitors from different clubs. *Go Macs!!*

Well done to Frank and Sammy for their awesome ski paddles. Congrats to Jan and Sammy who came 1st and 2nd in the female swim (thanks Sammy!). Also, we had Steve O'Hara, Sammy Boesen and Jan Sillato all do the "Fingal Ironman" (Swim/Run/Board/Run) - they all won their individual age group and lined up one after the other on the finish line. Blue and yellow looks great standing beside each other!

With our seven competitors, we came away with a very credible 5th out of 12 clubs. Fingal Beach SLSC finally won their own carnival, as Terrigal got the 2nd, and Toowoong Bay the 3rd.

Thanks to Tony for organising the house again for us all to stay for the weekend. Thanks also to Carole for all the awesome photos and videos (hey Bill!!). Many fun stories and memories were made again, including Frank's new nick name "Tissie"!!



## *Education and Training* with Graham 'Jono' Johnston

Central Coast JetSki spent time at MacMasters over the long weekend teaching rescue skills to our Rookies. Great fun for all! Many thanks to Central Coast Branch for providing this service.



# WINNER!

Congratulations to Julie who won the second board in our MacMasters Beach SLSC annual Mal Board Raffle!

# MACS BEACH BOOTCAMP

FREE for Members @ Macs SLSC  
6pm Tuesday & Thursday | 8:15am Sunday

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## *In the Macs IRB with: Denise Sherring*

Each month we will catch up with different Macs SLSC identities to find out why they are involved in our great Club and what makes them tick.

Let's chat with our Accounts Manager and Co-Registrar, Denise Sherring.

### **How long have you been a member at Macs SLSC?**

**DS:** Since 1996 when my family transferred from Lennox Head SLSC.

### **What first attracted you to Macs Beach SLSC?**

**DS:** Small, inclusive club with wonderful big hearted members.

### **What volunteer role/s have you been involved in at Macs?**

**DS:** Over the years I have been a patrol member, as an award member for ARTC, first aid, radio, recorded of Nipper attendance, coordinated Nipper carnival entries, Director of Administration, coordinated the bar rosters and I was an official at surfboat carnival.

Currently I am the Seniors Registrar, assist to Director of Finance with accounts and I am a bartender.

### **Strangest place you have swum?**

**DS:** No strange places, too much of a scardy cat!

### **Favourite footy team?**

**DS:** North Sydney Bears.

### **Favourite SLSC competition event?**

**DS:** Surfboats.

### **Favourite menu item on the Barefoot Cafe menu?**

**DS:** Pork wrap.

### **Preferred beverage from the Macs Beach Bar?**

**DS:** Depends on my mood.

### **What do you enjoy most about Macs?**

**DS:** The people!

*Now you know a little bit more about Denise - have a chat next time you see her around!*



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# Events & Competitions:

## FEBRUARY 2020:

- 8 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 7 | 12:45pm Patrol 6
- 8 Central Coast Branch Opens/Boats @ Umina
- 9 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 8 | 12:45pm Patrol 9
- 9 [No Nippers]
- 9 Junior Club Champs 2:15pm @ Macs | BBQ Gp 13
- 9 Central Coast Branch Masters Carnival @ Umina
- 15 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 10 | 12:45pm Patrol 3
- 15 Central Coast Branch Opens Carnival @ Umina
- 16 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 12 | 12:45pm Patrol 1
- 16 Nippers 9:20am @ Macs | BBQ Gp 14
- 16 Central Coast Branch Masters Carnival @ Umina
- TBA Central Coast Branch Boats Carnival @ TBA
- 22 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 2 | 12:45pm Patrol 11
- 23 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 4 | 12:45pm Patrol 5
- 23 Junior Club Champs TBA @ Macs | BBQ Gp 15
- 23 Senior Club Champs 2:00pm @ Macs
- 28-1 State Nipper U9-U14 Champs @ Swansea/Belmt
- 29 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 1 | 12:45pm Patrol 12

## MARCH 2020:

- 1 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 9 | 12:45pm Patrol 8
- 1 State Nipper U9-U14 Champs @ Swansea/Belmt
- 1 Combined Nippers 9:20am @ Macs | BBQ Gp 16
- 4-5 State Masters Champs @ Swansea/Belmt
- 6-8 State U14-Opens Champs @ Swansea/Belmt
- 7 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 3 | 12:45pm Patrol 10
- 8 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 6 | 12:45pm Patrol 7
- 8 Last Nippers/Fun Day 9:20am @ Macs | BBQ Gp 17

- 8 U6-U7 Nipper Presentation 10:30am @ Macs
- 14 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 11 | 12:45pm Patrol 2
- 15 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 5 | 12:45pm Patrol 4
- 21 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 7 | 12:45pm Patrol 6
- 22 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 8 | 12:45pm Patrol 9
- 22 Streets Boat Series R6 @ Caves Beach
- 28 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 10 | 12:45pm Patrol 3
- 28 Streets Boat Series R7 + Pres @ Soldiers Beach
- 29 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 2 | 12:45pm Patrol 11
- 29 Junior Nipper Presentation 2:00pm @ Macs

## APRIL 2020:

- 4 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 1 | 12:45pm Patrol 12
- 5 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 6 | 12:45pm Patrol 7
- 10 Good Friday
- 10 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 4 | 12:45pm Patrol 5
- 11 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 9 | 12:45pm Patrol 8
- 12 Easter Sunday
- 12 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 11 | 12:45pm Patrol 2
- 13 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 1 | 12:45pm Patrol 12
- 18-19 Aussies - Youth @ Gold Coast
- 18 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 7 | 12:45pm Patrol 6
- 19 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 5 | 12:45pm Patrol 4
- 20-21 Aussies - Masters @ Gold Coast
- 22-26 Aussies - Opens @ Gold Coast
- 25 ANZAC Day 5:00pm @ Macs
- 25 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 3 | 12:45pm Patrol 10
- 26 On Patrol: 8:45am Patrol 8 | 12:45pm Patrol 9

## MAY 2020:

- 23 Senior Presentation @ Macs



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## *In the Macs Clubhouse with: Freewater Plumbing*

Each month we will catch up with one of our valued Macs Sponsors to find out why they are involved in our great Club and what makes them tick.

This month we chat to Darren at Free Water Plumbing.

**How long have you been a sponsor of Macs SLSC?**

**FW:** 5-6 years.

**What first attracted you to Macs Beach SLSC?**

**FW:** The friendly community

**What does sponsoring Macs Beach SLSC mean for your business?**

**FW:** This gives us an opportunity to meet many locals in a social environment. A sense of pride supporting our community and those that keep them safe on the beach.

**Strangest place you have swum?**

**FW:** Nothing 'strange' comes to mind, but there's plenty of places where I have swam over the years where I wouldn't brave enough to now!

**Favourite footy team?**

**FW:** Parramatta Eels

**Favourite SLSC competition event?**

**FW:** Fridays at the bar :)

**Preferred beverage from the Macs Beach Bar?**

**FW:** A nice cold beer!

**What do you enjoy most about Macs?**

**FW:** We feel very privileged to be a part of the MacMasters Beach community and thankful for our own piece of paradise here. Our children have always enjoyed their time with the surf club/nippers and we have met great friends from our time here.

*Now you know a little bit more about Darren - have a chat next time you see him or contact Freewater Plumbing! Supporting the people who support Macs!*



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