



Season Overview

The 53rd season is complete with some brilliant statistics. These highlights cannot be diminished, even though the impact of COVID-19 brought a disappointing end to an otherwise stellar season:

- The club had 349 nippers registered, and 18 of these were under 15's (up from 10 the prior season).
- Maintained the high nipper registrations from previous season. TH&C remained the largest in the Point Danger Branch (PDB). Over the past eight (8) seasons, nipper numbers were:
 - 2012/13 – 139
 - 2013/14 – 178
 - 2014/15 – 207
 - 2015/16 – 211
 - 2016/17 – 220
 - 2017/18 – 270
 - 2018/19 – 343
 - 2019/20 – 349
- 290 age awards allocated
- 32 (new) SRC awards allocated
- 79 of 220 Patrolling members are either u15 nippers or their parents and siblings
- \$80,000 nipper budget
- 4th overall in PDB for u11-15's, 3rd overall in PDB for u8-10's.
- 7th overall in GCCT for u11-15's, 3rd overall in PDB for u8-10's.
- 13th overall in State Titles overall (12th in 2017/18) and 8th on handicap.

Sponsorship

A massive thanks to our sponsors – EXEDY, The Sunland Group, The Mango Shed, Amplimesh, Hitec fluid (Kennedy family), Billy Preston Building, Jordanga constructions (Manahan family) and CONDEV Construction.

President's Report (outgoing) – Vaughn Thomas

As sad as the finish to our season was, it was still a great season for many reasons. I didn't have any plans on how I would retire as Nipper President, but this way was completely unexpected. There have been some really nice words from many people including our club President, Dave Fuller and Kate Rogers on behalf of the nippers, for which I am grateful and thankful of.

I did know that I wouldn't be disappearing because after 12 seasons I don't think my "TH&C Nipper Sundays" is going to be an easy habit to break. I always looked forward to them. Sure, I started with three kids coming with me, which became two, one and all the way down to none, but I still looked forward to it. I will be there again next season helping in some manner, excited about the new team coming together to take our Nipper club together into this decade. I have always been so busy on Nipper Sundays that I am looking forward to being more social and just doing the fun things I want to do.

TH&C Nippers are a bit of a beast now and you will all drift off and put this report down if I start to thank everyone. There is a list of key people later in this report and for each one I am truly grateful for your contribution. My family has allowed me to put a lot into this charity and I thank them for their love and support.



When Nell finished nippers in 2018/19, I was going to step down but there were some things I really wanted to tidy up. Briefly, these are some of the great things we got done.

- we doubled the size of the Nipper committee. We got new people focused in new roles which worked well, and we achieved some great things which will streamline nippers to the future.
- Every nipper family that wanted to train and compete, and many that didn't, all got roles within our nippers.
- Our coaches largely achieved their new KPI's and with the inclusion of Kane Haley, the sessions were a great success. Sadly, the cancellation of the last two carnivals leaves us without the great results as well.
- Team app became our only form of communication to all nipper families. I'm not sure if everyone got there but we had all the information in one spot.
- We got a permanent raffle spot upstairs that has been managed fantastically.
- We got great numbers of u14's and adults trained in water safety and officials.
- Our Christmas raffle and timezone fundraiser were first class.
- We unofficially supported the RUOK foundation with many of you donating to their great cause.
- We have no required purchases, other than essential uniforms for the 2020/21 season. We have unused fibreglass boards and foamies still in the boxes.
- We have a new board trailer that we are desperate to show off next season.
- We cut off membership in November to help the completion of all our awards and lessen stress on age managers and office admin.
- We got extra room from the club for the storage of our gear and up to the shut down we got our shed 90% in order.
- Morning swim and boards sessions kicked off and were well supported.

We still need your help. There are things we have left undone which needs to be improved. We are looking for talented people to run with these unfinished works next season:

- getting a website up and running.
- really managing the BBQ roster.
- Securing, promoting and recognising our great sponsors.
- Sign on organised to be all online or paperless.
- getting our carnival nominations all via team app.
- finally finishing our nipper storage.
- getting a team on our slushie machine each Sunday.

We didn't get our presentation day this season where we celebrate all our age champions and Nippers that have had really great seasons. Each age managers reports will detail the age group winners in full in our annual report.

President's Report (incoming) – Karl Muggeridge

I've been involved in the club for 8 years now with my eldest son moving into U15's this coming season (from taddies) and my youngest into the U12's.



Along the way I've learned a lot and attained various SLSQ awards – I have my Bronze Medallion and have taken on roles as an Accredited Official, Age manager, Water Safety coordinator, Team Manager and Gear Steward. I've pretty much given everything a crack. It's been a fun ride learning and watching my kids grow together with their friends.

Of course, taking on the role of JAC is a massive leap forwards particularly with the bar being so high set by Vaughn. I'm excited for the 2020-21 season and we have a great team to head up all the different areas involved in keeping our club thriving.

I'm really looking forward to working with you all and see you on the beach in a few months time.

Treasurer's Report – Tracey Norris

The 2019/20 season was one of considered investment in people, resources, equipment and our facilities. Consequently we had budgeted to commit considerable funding to purchase new boards, taddies gear, update our carnival equipment and invest in training courses for our coaches and officials. This plan was well executed and amongst other things we now have a small fleet of new boards, a new nipper trailer, communication radios, shade marquees and improved board storage facilities. This additional expenditure was funded from the opening cash surplus when we commenced season 2019/20 and the club providing some additional funding.

Unfortunately the current season closed prematurely which resulted in our final fundraising activities being postponed to a later date; but many of the deposits have been received and represent about two-thirds of the usual fundraising achieved by the 200 club. This income has been reported in the annual income but explains our decrease in fundraising revenue for this season. Our other expenditure other than uniform expenses were consistent with prior years. This year's uniform costs were higher due to the updating to our uniform colours and the investment in a minimum stock-holding. Some of these costs will continue to be recouped in season 2020/21.

Further investment was made in our nippers through the continued commitment to specialist coaches. These costs though are not recognised in our Nipper Profit and Loss as the Surf club subsidises the coaching fees as their investment in our nippers and future lifesavers. This subsidised cost is approximately \$16,000.

Overall the Nipper finances are well placed at the completion of the season. The opening cash position was \$36,044 and the operational loss for the year resulted in a closing cash balance of approximately \$25,000.

While we are confident that we can continue to go from strength to strength, we will be seeking your help as we anticipate that the next year will have its challenges to generate interest of sponsors and every fundraising dollar is hard earned. The next 12-18 months following the COVID-19 disruption will see new opportunities and we (and businesses) may think differently about how we operate and interact with others; yet we will be eager to return to our valued club and community and implement our focus on a positive nipper experience and continued improvement. We greatly appreciate your commitment to our club as a sponsor, volunteer or member. We look forward to seeing you in 2020/21.

Acknowledgements

Branch – Thanks to our PDB Manager, Kerrie Barnes and Chairman JAC Committee, Kevin Schofield.

Coaches – Thanks to our coaches, Callum Taylor (beach), Jason Barker (surf), Kane Haley (junior development surf), and Mariah Jones (swim team).



Administration – Thanks to our office administrators, Helen Carter and Helen Doyle.

Volunteers – A big thanks to the Club President Dave Fuller, Vice President Rod Jones, the Ol' Boys Chirpy and Spud Hillery, and all the volunteer parents for their commitment to positions who help make Nippers run successfully:

Role	Name	Role	Name
Vice-President	Glenn Turner	Secretary	Kate Rogers
Treasurer	Tracy Norris	Gear Steward	Karl Muggeridge
Sponsorship	Sharyn Haag	Raffle coordinator	Angela Morrison
Uniform Convenors	Alisha Kordis Jo Cronk	BBQ Convenor	Donna Crawford Julie Fogarty
200 Club	Lara Hickling	Recruitment	Kylie Kane
Water Safety Coord	Darren Free	Officials Coordinator	Isabelle Muggeridge
Attendance Sheets	Kristy Sherwood Isabelle Muggeridge	Carnival Registrar	Susie Keith
Sunday Coach and Carnival coach	Kane Haley, JP Smith Brad O'Rourke	Beach Set-Up	Steve O'Neill, John Manning, Shane Bisgrove, Cody Douglas
Team Manager u11-15	Doug Kordis /Kane Haley	Team Manager u8-10	Dan Wellman/ Kane Haley
R&R and March Past	Geoff Carlin James Callaghan	Trainers	Rob Walters, Debbie Scotsman, Darren Healey, Chris Van Doorn
Photographers		Presentation trophies	Jo Cronk
Social media	Angela Morrison Samantha O'Rourke	Team App	Isabelle Muggeridge, Kate Rogers, Vaughn Thomas
YIPS coordinator	Samantha O'Rourke	Water safety	All u15 - 17's who help

Volunteer Age Managers – Thanks to those parents who take on the role of teaching the kids vital surf skills through delivering the SLSC lesson plans every Sunday.

Age group	Name
U6 managers	Brendan Gibb
U7 managers	David Bryant, Leanne Kippax, Tony Watene
U8 managers	Paul Haslop, Lisa Baxter, Dane Peters
U9 managers	Sharyn Haag, Sam Alford, Sarah Barker
U10 managers	Kate Rogers, Mel Anthony
U11 managers	Kerri Turner, Isabelle Muggeridge, Ryan Haley
U12 managers	Carmen Sullivan, Doug Kordis, Bevan Herangi
U13 managers	Darren Boucher, Yancey Norris
U14 managers	Karl Muggeridge, Simone Jordan, JP Smith
U15 managers	Craig Hickling, James Sullivan

Presentation Day

Unfortunately due to COVID-19 the Nipper presentation (after the AGM) scheduled for 5th April 2020 at the training room was cancelled. The main awards each season are the Russ Freeman Award, Kieran Young Memorial trophy, Club Champion, Tadpole to patrol and age group awards.



Carnival results – overall

	Season 19/20 result	Season 18/19 result
2020 QLD Youth State Championship	Cancelled	13 th
2020 QLD Youth State Championship handicap	Cancelled	8 th
2020 Youth Branch (u11-15)	4 th	3 rd
2019 Youth Gold Coast City Titles (u11-15)	7 th	5 th
2020 Little Dudes Branch (u8-10)	Cancelled	2 nd
2019 Little Dudes Gold Coast City Titles (u8-10)	3 rd	3 rd
2019 Little Dudes teams (u8-10)	3 rd	3 rd

The Russ Freeman Award – Will Sullivan

The Russ Freeman award is presented to Will Sullivan. Normally it is presented by long-time club member and life-member Bill Catlin. Nominations for the award can come from any age group for worthy recipients who take on responsibilities go above and beyond what is usually expected. Will was chosen for these reasons:

- Supportive of his peers and respectful towards his parents and other adults;
- Respectful to equipment and adults within the club, and knowledgeable of club tradition;
- Assisted age managers for many seasons by signing his peers onto the attendance sheets (he loves a clipboard!);
- Has often helped set-up and pack up tents at carnivals, and carried tents up the beach after carnivals;
- Has performed the role of handler for his peers boards at numerous carnivals over the past few seasons; and
- Agreed to challenge himself, especially two seasons ago when asked to make up the 4th spot in a pool rescue team during the nipper off-season.

		
Will Sullivan – Russ Freeman award	Avalon Haley – Club Champion award	Kieran Young memorial – (L-R) Izzy Boucher, Ava Georgiou, Finn Manahan, Isaac Rogers

Club Champion – Avalon Haley

Every week our nippers accumulate points for attendance at nippers, at carnivals, racing in our two club champs and helping with surf safe appeal. Avalon Haley from under 11's is the club champion, and last won this award two seasons ago as an u9. She is a stand-out competitor on the sand and in the water and was fully committed to mid-week and weekend training sessions. Great job Avalon, very well deserved and thank you for being so encouraging to your peers.



The Keiran Young Memorial Trophy

Started in 1999, the annual Cameron relay is a celebration of the life of a great Club man – Keiran Young. Liam Young (former club President and Kieran's son) and Barry Young (Kieran's brother) were there to watch the race on Sunday 26th January (pictured above). This year, the title was claimed by Izzy Boucher – swim (u13), Isaac Rogers – board (u14), Ava Georgiou – run (u12) and Finn Manahan – run (u11). The race is held at the start of our final club champs and the teams are randomly selected with one kid from each age group from u11, 12, 13, 14's. The winners get their names on a perpetual trophy, which is a great honour.

Tadpole to Patrol

Every year we celebrate our under 14's group becoming patrolling members of the club. The progression of Luka Haley, Ryan Muggeridge, Isaac Rogers and Will Sullivan from tadpole to patrol is especially significant as they have returned every season from 2011/12 as TH&C taddies (under 6 or 7). The Club patron, Alan Hickling, would normally present this award to the kids.

Luka Haley	Ryan Muggeridge	Isaac Rogers	Will Sullivan
			
			

Trainer of the month award winners

A newly introduced award this season was nipper trainer of the month, based on qualitative indicators. Selected by the surf coaches, recognises consistency, effort, enthusiasm, respect for coaches and encouragement of peers, combined with an overall positive attitude towards training and around the club. These are important qualities all nippers can aspire to. The recipients for this season were:

October	Liam Morrison (u9)	Molly Rogers (u10)	Ebba Suess (u13)	Ryan Muggeridge (u14)
November	Kalan Noakes (u10)	Ruby Everingham (u10)	Amy Cronk (u13)	Izzy Boucher (u13)
December	Evie Barker (u9)	Riley Kippax (u10)	Ashie Kennedy (u12)	Shakyah Jordan (u14)
January	Hamish Nockolds (u9)	Brock Osborne (u12)	Lily Alford (u13)	Caillie Eriksen (u13)
February	Will Preston (u9)	Jesse Wellman (u10)	Avalon Haley (u11)	Cash Cratchley (u14)



Under 6's - Age Manager – Brendan Gibb

It was a great first year of Nippers for all the Under 6 Taddies. Many of them started off very shy and weary of the waves and surf. Over the weeks we saw their confidence levels grow; both in terms of being in the surf as well as interacting as a group.

Dodgeball and Beached Wales was consistently the favourite game for all these little taddies, but they were all very prepared to have a go and get involved with all of the activities.

A big thank you to those parents who consistently got involved and assisted with the activities week in week out, particularly those water safety parents!

Congratulations to the end of year awards recipients:

Awards	Encouragement – Ethan Morrison	Good sport – Allira Upton	Most Improved – Oscar Hanzic
			



Under 7's – Age Managers – David Bryant, Leanne Kippax and Tony Watene

At the beginning of 2019/20 season we had 42 Taddies and these numbers stayed relatively consistent each week, it was only in the back end of the season did we see numbers drop off. Given that current environment majority of parents and kids are going to be coupled up self-isolating in the house over the next 6 months it would be the perfect outlet for the kids to get back onto the beach and into Nippers again!!!




It was of great assistance having Leanne and Tony assisting and making my introduction to the age manager role a little easier. Thanks to the many parents happy to help with the activities on the sand and in the water. I can't forget all the parents that helped dig up a huge portion of the beach to try and find the letters that were buried during the 'survivor' style game we trialed. I am not sure whether the kids gave me the thumbs up for that game or not, the dodge ball was always popular though. It would seem often or not when it came to the kids getting in the surf and the ocean swim to the buoy later in the season, the 'wave sets' just came rolling in at the wrong time!! Nonetheless, the kids always showed resilience even when confidence was lacking.

- Sophie – an enthusiastic participant in all activities, great skill on the board
- Peyton – really improved on the sand springs and showed a competitive nature on the flags
- Kai – solid with all the activities on the sand and stood out in the surf
- Isaac – Consistent skill on the sand and but loved being in the surf more
- Taylor – at Nippers every week, competed well on the sand but loved the surf. Excelled on the board. Always got back on the board after getting dumped every time.
- Emmett – didn't really love the sand activities however excelled on the board every week. Loved catching the waves.
- Ruby-rose – improved and competed well on the sand and in the surf. Did well in the sprints
- Jakob – consistent with sand and surf activities and competed well with the surf activities
- Kalani – competed well in the sand and the surf. Loved the surf activities
- Aveline – a huge improvement on the sand from the start of the season and performed well in the surf run-swims.
- Hudson – very enthusiastic and competitive in all the activities, great skill on the board
- Emily – consistent every week in competing both on the sand and in the surf
- Annabelle – another who was consistent with all the activities. Competed well in the surf
- Jack (Kane) – super competitive in the sprints and with the flags every week and excelled in majority of activities
- Connor – consistent every week both in the and out of the surf. Really improved for in speed for the flags
- Liam – another who competed hard on the sand and the surf. Always a top competitor
- Kya – consistent on the sand and in the surf. Stood out in the surf activities
- Christian- very consistent in the sand and gained more confidence in the surf.
- Willow – excelled in the sand sprints and flags, needed a bit more encouragement with the surf. Very competitive all round
- Reef – consistent every week both on the sand and in the surf, always competed well in the surf
- Lola – another consistent each week on the sand and excelled in the surf
- Jax – loved the sand more than the surf. Always seemed to sneak under the radar and be the final one left in dodge ball.
- Jack (Sewell) – another who was competitive and consistent both on the sand and in the surf
- Eva – competed well in the surf and consistent on the sand with all the activities
- Knox – consistent with all the sand activities and confident in the surf



- Jimmy – another consistent performer both on the sand and surf.
- Ruby – performed well on the sand and surf.
- Lochlan and Oliver- both were consistent with all the activities. Always reliable for several barrel rolls under the hoops with the obstacle course.
- Ethan – performed well on the sand and the surf. Did well in the surf activities especially on the run-swims.

It was extremely difficult to single out kids for the awards and I wish I could give each one recognition. Congratulations to the 3 awardees:

Awards	Encouragement – Kya Lansom	Good sport – Jax Reisenweber	Most Improved – Connor Keevers
			



Under 8's - Age Managers – Paul Haslop, Lisa Baxter

Though it was a disappointing end, most of the season was filled with highlights! We braved our first two carnivals and our under 8's did not disappoint! The kids showed great spirit and sportsmanship and really enjoyed being part of a team. Our age managers realised that being overly enthusiastic can get you into trouble with officials but we made it through without getting banned! Our parents were fantastic and stepped up to help – from water safety to running flags, organising poison ball, being a group leader, serving the BBQ, carrying drinks and equipment and signing people in and out! Help is always appreciated and makes nippers successful and enjoyable.

Our attendance was steady and there were great technique improvements in all areas. Confidence has grown with many nippers taking on some big waves on the boards and increasing their ocean swim competence. Swimming will be a major focus next season with each child needing to complete a can swim so any off-season ocean swimming would be fantastic.

Most improved: Amaya Keith – our quiet achiever. Fast, focused and consistent, has come on leaps and bounds especially in flags and sprinting. Good sport: Charlie Pitt – always has a smile on his face! He is a friend to everyone, encourages others and has a fantastic attitude. Encouragement award: Indigo Haley – an inspiration to us, returning to the beach after a long-term injury. The leg couldn't dampen her spirit, tried her hardest and had a positive attitude.

Congratulations to the end of year awards recipients:

Girls	1 st Molly Tom	2 nd Isabella Edwards	3 rd Evelyn Thompson
			
Boys	1 st Josh Wellman	2 nd Will Haslop	3 rd Charlie Rust
			
Awards	Encouragement – Indigo Haley	Good sport – Charlie Pitt	Most Improved – Amaya Keith
			



Under 9's - Age Managers – Sharyn Haag, Samantha Alford and Sarah Barker

This year has been one of the most challenging and yet rewarding for our little team, with the introduction of boards and the swim to the can but all of the kids, those that train every week and those that make it every Sunday, gave it everything. With the assistance of Sam Alford and Sarah Barker as the official Assistant Age Managers and the unofficial assistance by Ang Morrison, Scott Nockolds, David O'Donoghue and Michael Tudor it was a very successful year for the Under 9's. Having been together, mostly, since the Under 6's, the group has bonded beautifully and they are a truly great bunch of kids to work with and I take great pride in watching them every week. After all, they're "my kids" for 2 hours.

Some of the Under 9's have really stood out this year. Not only for their athletic abilities but also for the sportsmanship, team work and mateship. Lewis Telford and Evie Barker continue to be the stand out athletes on the sand, however Taj Moore's presence has added to this dynamic. Finn Robinson has found his own and made a name for himself in the flags as has Maji Bando. Maji may be small in stature but he makes up for that with his personality and heart of gold. Ivy McKinley has found her own on the boards and has proven she will be a force to be reckoned with when the Carnivals come around again, as will Peyton Cecil. Jeremy Fogarty is a competitive swimmer outside of Nippers so it is no surprise that he is frequently a front runner in the swimming events. He is also embracing the boards.

Our first 3 overall girls this year, Dakotah Haag, Siara Noakes and Evie Barker were all round amazing. Super proud of each and every one of the kids, some just a little more than others. Our first 3 overall boys this year, Jeremy Fogarty, Luca Boughton and Taj Moore we superb stand outs in all that they did and to top it off reflected great team work. Awesome.

I absolutely love being in the beach with the kids and, with the next Season coming around, will be my 5th year with these kids and many of them have carried on with the team since Under 6's. Our group is tight knit and well bonded. The kids do their best for me and what's more important, they do it for themselves and each other.

TH&C is the Club of The Year for it's hardworking team first and foremost, but it's definitely Nippers like these that make it The Place To Be.



Congratulations to the end of year awards recipients:

Girls	1 st Dakotah Haag	2 nd Siara Noakes	3 rd Evie Barker
			
Boys	1 st Jeremy Fogarty	2 nd Luca Boughton	3 rd Taj Moore
			
Awards	Encouragement – Harry Woolven	Good sport – Liam Morrison	Most Improved – Jack Somerville
			
Awards	Most consistent – Ivy McKinley		
			











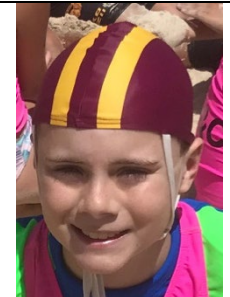
Under 10's - Age Managers - Kate Rogers and Melissa Anthony

Our tight-knit group welcomed seven new nippers this season – Ruby, Jasmine, Lyla, Lily-Anne, Ramsey, Blake and Dias (who joined us from The Netherlands!). These kids overcame some fears to regularly join in the ocean swim. The most played game this season was Shark Island, introduced to us by Aaron Zimmerle (thanks Zimmo!). Highlights and special mentions go to:

- Milla Thomson – a major swim breakthrough, thanks to the caring attitudes of Charisse Cormack and Leah Jones from Sunday morning patrol.
- Jay Saunders – stand out body surfer, riding every wave to the beach like a pro!
- Kalan Noakes, Riley Kippax and Ruby Everingham – who were awarded as Nipper trainers of the month by the surf coaches during the season.
- Lily-Anne Gould, Sooke Paley, Molly Rogers, Jesse Wellman and Nick Pearce – who competed with the u11 teams to help them qualify for State titles.

Thanks to Wallace's parents (Duncan and Melinda), Jay's parents (Katie and Stewart), Jesse's parents (Jo and Dan) and Mia's parents (Christina and Ryan) who regularly contributed to weekly water safety. Thanks to Leanne Kippax (Riley's mum) who helped out marshalling the boys at carnivals. Thanks to Sooke's parents (Sandra and Rae) who regularly committed to officialing duties.

Congratulations to the end of year awards recipients:

Girls	1 st Molly Rogers	2 nd Dana Stewart	3 rd Sooke Paley
			
Boys	1 st Jesse Wellman	2 nd Nicholas Pearce	3 rd Wallace Thompson
			
Awards	Encouragement – Chloe Blaser	Good sport – Dias Van Aggelen	Most Improved – Jobe Keith
			



Under 11's - Age Managers – Kerri Turner, Isabelle Muggeridge and Ryan Haley

We were lucky to have such a great Nipper season this year and completed all of our training, lessons and carnivals, except States at the end. The under 11's Age managers wish to congratulate the kids on such a fun season and have reflected on how far our nippers have come in 2020.

On the beach we have seen amazing improvement with our sprints, relays and accuracy of relay hand overs. The kid's competitiveness in flags has been impressive to watch and we know that next season will see a continuation of these skills. In the water, the kids are developing the knowledge and key aspects of rescue techniques. Our board riding confidence has been one of the most impressive things to watch over the season and we encourage all of our under 11's to build their swimming stamina and board skills over the break. Everyone loves it when they catch a party wave on the boards!

One of the hardest tasks the end of every season is to choose the awardees, as we would love to give every nipper a medal! Good sport: Sade Hughes - for always bringing her smile & encouraging her fellow Nippers; Most Improved: Jaspa Haley - for increasing his fitness and training throughout the season; and Encouragement Award: Evan Williams - for giving all events a go in his first year. A huge thank you to our parent group, who continue to fill the essential roles at our club.

Congratulations to the end of year awards recipients:

Girls	1 st Avalon Haley	2 nd Rebekah Rylko	3 rd Ava Larard
			
Boys	1 st Noah McClure	2 nd Oliver Muggeridge	3 rd Patrick Morrison
			
Awards	Encouragement – Evan Williams	Good sport – Sade Hughes	Most Improved – Jaspa Haley
			





Under 12's – Age Manager – Carmen Sullivan

What a great time we have had this season with a terrific group of kids. I think we can officially say all the under 12's are now water loving creatures. Even our beachies were happy to spend time in the water and on occasion when asked did they want to do flags or stay in the water they answered with a very loud **"STAY IN THE WATER"**. It has been great to see them all develop this love!

We had a few kids from Brisbane and they made the effort to get to training when they could and join in with our local kids to make the most of wonderful coaching opportunity provided by the club - we are very lucky here at TH&C.

We had some new nippers join our group this season. There were new friendships made and existing friendships strengthened. The support and encouragement that these kids give to each other is something that all of their parents should be proud of. I know that I am!

Congratulations to the end of year awards recipients:

Girls	1 st Indiana Crawford	2 nd Leah Herangi	3 rd Addison Free	3 rd Ashlyn Kennedy
				
Boys	1 st Jai Kordis	2 nd Brock Osborne	3 rd Daniel Holdway	
				
Awards	Encouragement – Matthew Holdway	Good attitude – Wil Anderson	Good sport – Blaise Telford	Good sport – Amber Sullivan
				



Under 13's - Age Managers – Darren Boucher and Yancey Norris










It's been a fantastic year for the u13s and I would like to congratulate them all for their efforts not only on Sundays but throughout training and the carnivals attended.

We had some fantastic results at carnivals and it was great to see improvements from within the group.

Can't wait to see this group back together next year ready to be our next group of SRC's.

Also a big thanks to everyone that helped out during the year, whether that be on the BBQ, water safety, officiating or assisting the age managers.

Congratulations to our deserving award recipients this year.

Girls	1 st Izzy Boucher	2 nd Lily Alford	3 rd Amie Cronk
			
Boys	1 st Charlie Norris	2 nd Jasco White	3 rd Taylor Pinkerton
			
Awards	Encouragement – Jada Barker	Good sport – Connor Davidson	Most Improved – Skyla Keith
			



Under 14's - Age Managers – Karl Muggeridge, JP Smith and Simone Jordan

We had a solid little group with quite a few new faces added to the mix, allowing us to create great teams and solid friendships. All of our 14's also completed their SRC and it has injected many new keen faces to our patrol groups and given our patrol captains more support on the beach.

We've enjoyed working and hanging out with this group, watching them grow and achieve new heights in their skills on the beach and in the water. They are a great bunch and we look forward to seeing them around again next season, continuing to contribute to our community beyond Nipper Sundays.

JP and Simone have been a massive help this year, JP with his skills in and out of the water and Simone keeping track of heads so we didn't lose any of them. A big thank you to all our parents who helped us at carnivals with officiating, water safety, beach set-up and first aid.

Congratulations to the end of season award recipients:

Girls	1 st Lily McClure	2 nd Shakyah Jordan	3 rd Luka Haley
			
Boys	1 st Ryan Muggeridge	2 nd Cimarron Crawford	3 rd Jordan Free
			
Awards	Encouragement – Sabina Dempsey	Good sport – Sam Gould	Most Improved – Cash Cratchley
			



Under 15's Age Managers – Craig Hickling and James Sullivan

Well it certainly wasn't the way we all thought the season would finish with no State Titles, break up or presentation day. I know James and I have really enjoyed our time with our Under 15's this season, as we have for the past seasons as their Age Managers.

To see our Under 15's come through Nippers, progress to the Senior club completing their patrols is very rewarding – utilising their knowledge of the surf to now save lives on our beautiful Greenmount Beach.

Thank you to the families who have been with our age group over the years, who have always helped out with water safety, setting up the beach, BBQ's, fundraising and at carnivals. We both say thank you for your support, help and friendship.

We look forward to seeing our current Under 15's as continuing members of our Australian / Queensland award winning TH&C club in future seasons and wish them all the best.