



GREENMOUNT GRAPEVINE

Members Newsletter

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello Members

Well we are nearing the end of our countdown to the return of all of our members to Greenmount Beach and there are a couple of big announcements that will give us more reason to celebrate.

In just two short weeks we very much look forward to reuniting our Nippers with all of our kids hanging out together at Greenmount beach. It will be a big weekend so please get involved.

Saturday 18/12 is the Beach Series carnival at Kurrawa and we are keen to get a full range of teams to this carnival for the first time this year. It is beach events only and all in one day so please let your age managers know if you would like to be involved.

The club's Christmas party will be held on 18/12 as well. There will be some drinks provided and our Old Boys have been kind enough to cater for the event for us. We will get together down in the training room from 5:30pm onwards. Please RSVP to the club to assist with catering.

Sunday is then the Nipper Christmas break up with water slides and loads of fun to be had.

We have also had confirmation from SLSQ that we can run our Nipper program through till the end of April. The season proper is due to finish after the state titles in February but with all of the challenges that we have had we are wanting to extend the season until the weekend of 1/5/22.

This is by no means compulsory in any way but any Nipper members wanting to continue to train and attend Nipper Sundays are welcome to come along.

We have also appointed our new Beach Coach and welcome Jo Wellman aboard in this capacity.

Jo has been a member of our club for a few years and we are now going to tap into her coaching skills.

Jo has a gold medal in 2km beach run at the British Surf Lifesaving Championships and has also represented Great Britain in Cross Country.

Last year Jo represented our club and won the masters gold medal for 2km beach run at states and was second at Aussies. Jo is a fully qualified coach with Athletics Australia and also has a business in Tweed as a running coach and will now provide the following sessions for our club starting next week at Greenmount Beach:-

Tuesday & Thursday 4:15pm

Saturday 7am

Sunday Jo will attend Nippers and work with the age managers of all age groups.

We are also looking now for some athletes interested in middle distance races of 1 & 2km beach runs so we can prepare a team for states.

I also need to make note of the kids that represented our club as part of the Point Danger Branch team last weekend. Congratulations on your selection and also the great results.

Ok, one more date for your diary before Christmas. We have called a Special General Meeting for Saturday 11/12 at 10am to discuss the financing of the next stages of the renovations planned at the club. Last year the members approved the financing of 1 million dollars for these works but with increased building costs and more works added to the scope the costs are more like 1.5 to 2 million dollars and we are seeking approval from the members to secure this finance.

A special general meeting requires 50 voting members over the age of 15 to be in attendance to proceed so if you are in a position to attend it would be gratefully appreciated. It is our last proficiency day so I am hoping to catch everyone who has left it to the last one for a vote also. It will be quick as I will explain our intent and simply ask for a show of hands for approval.

I hope to see you all at some point over the welcome back to Greenmount weekend but if I don't enjoy your Christmas and stay safe and we look forward to what 2022 brings us.

David Fuller



FROM THE IRB AND TRAINING ROOMS

Hi Everyone and welcome to the last report for 2021.

It has been (and still is) a crazy time to be living in a border town with restrictions affecting nearly everyone. Hope you are all coping.

The Training Team have just completed an IRB Crew Training Course, with 5 candidates graduating last Sunday. Many thanks to Johnny Manning, Chris Van Dorn, Jy Taylor and Michaela Evans for running this course, I was simply an observer and the Assessor on the day. Good job by everyone.

We are about to conduct our final Skills Maintenance session on Saturday 11/12/21. There will not be any more days left for this so if not proficient please register. We also have an intense Bronze/SRC course commencing on Sunday 12/12/21 with assessment day on the 17/12/21.

This course will run every day from 8am until 1pm. Qld time. It is mandatory to attend each day as it is a shortened but intense course which does not allow for any lost days.

Should you not be able to fully attend please do not enroll in this course. Amanda Higgerson and myself will be the trainers. We will need help with water safety so if anyone is qualified and available we would appreciate your assistance.

Pre-requisites for the course will be advised by the office. All theory must be completed on line with a certificate of completion provided at the start of training.

When this course is completed the Training Team will be taking some time off, re-commencing in February with an IRB Driver/Crew course, subject to numbers.

IRB STUFF.

Well, we finally have taken delivery of our new Thundercat Generation 3 IRB. It was a long wait.

The IRB fleet now consists of a Thundercat Gen3, a Thundercat Gen2, a Zodiac, an Achilles and an Aurora Class 3. We have 4 Outboard Motors and expect another through a Grant shortly.

We are still having trouble with the cheap Kill Switches fitted to the Mercury motors.

Have two more switches to replace and will be fitting stainless steel units in their place. The original switches severely rust internally and effect the running of the motors.

That's about it for the year. The training team would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone that has assisted us through the year, especially the BOM and office administration. Merry and safe Christmas and a happy new year to everyone.

Cheers

Rob Walters

CTO/IRB CAPTAIN.



SRC / BRONZE INTENSE TRAINING COURSE

Commencing on the 12th of December with attendance required each day 8am—1pm
with the assessment on the 17th of December

Please email—thcslsc@outlook.com to register or for further details



FINAL SKILLS MAINTENANCE FOR THE 2021-2022 SEASON

7.30am for an 8.00am start

Saturday 11th of December 2021

Please complete the requirements below before attending

Note—Members 18 years and over must hold a current blue card and have completed the SLSQ CYRMS & SLS Child Safe Awareness courses online or their skills maintenance will not be processed by Point Danger Branch

- Go into your members area
 - elearning
 - Training Event—click on the 11th of December and enroll
 - My Training—complete skills maintenance 2021/22 theory
- Forward your completion certificate to the office or bring it with you on the day
 - Members 18 years and above must have a valid blue card
- Members 18 years and above must complete the online SLSQ CYRMS Induction and SLS Child Safe Awareness Course before attending (unless already completed this season).
- Both can be found in the training library - SLSQ CYRMS and the Child Safe Awareness Course is in the SLS Safety & Wellbeing tile

Please contact the office if you have any questions.



Call for Patrol Members for Christmas Day,

Please contact the office
if you will be available to assist
and would like to be added to the roster.
All help will be greatly appreciated!

TIME SLOT

7AM – 10AM

10AM – 12.30PM

12.30 – 3PM

3PM – 6PM

ANY OTHER TIME FRAMES

EXTENDED PATROL HOURS

COMMENCE

11TH DECEMBER 2021

AND WILL CONTINUE

THROUGHOUT JANUARY 2022



MORNING PATROL
7.00AM TO 12.30PM



AFTERNOON PATROL
12.30PM TO 6.00PM



SURF SPORTS

Congratulations to Indiana Crawford, Caillie Eriksen, Lily Alford, Lily McClure, Noah McClure, Daniel Holdway & Connor Davidson on their efforts at the Queensland Interbranch Championships last weekend on the Sunshine Coast

We are still waiting for the full list of results to come through but I have heard our members did our Club and Point Danger Branch proud. Well done everyone!

I must make special mention of our younger competitors who took on the Iconic Coolangatta Gold. This is a challenging event and the conditions were not the best. Fantastic efforts and great comradery from each and every one involved.

Good luck to our boaties who will be competing in Round 1 of the QLD Navy Series this Saturday at Mermaid Beach. Great to see we have 4 crews representing TH&C.

The next carnival on the calendar is Round 2 of the Beach Series to be held at Kurrawa on the 18th of December.

This carnival consists of beach events only for U/11s to Opens. Please let Leah, myself or the office know if you wish to be entered into this carnival.

Unfortunately we have not been able to hold a competitors meeting so far this season due to border issues. With the Championship events in the not too distant future, I am calling for E.O.I to be forwarded to the office by the 18th of December from Under 17 to Open Competitors who will be attending the State Carnival at Alexandra Headland. This will allow us to organise and prepare for team events.

The State Board Riding Championships will be held on the 22nd and 23rd of January at Coolum Beach. More details around actual event days will be circulated as soon and the information has been received.

Please make sure that you will have completed your competition patrol hour requirements by the 31st of December to avoid disappointment. Contact the office if you are not sure how many hours you need.

Rod Jones

QUEENSLAND BEACH SERIES

Rd 2 —18th December 2021
Kurrawa
Entries close 13th December

Rd 3—8th January 2022
Mooloolaba
Entries close 3rd January

OCEANS 38 WATER EVENTS

Rd 3—8th January 2022
Bilinga
Entries closing date TBA

POINT DANGER SURF RESCUE CHAMPIONSHIPS

14th & 15th January 2022
Bilinga
Entries closing date TBA

STATE BOARDRIDING

22nd & 23rd of January 2022
Coolum Beach
Entries closing date TBA



A REMINDER THAT UP TO DATE INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS

CAN BE FOUND ON THE MEMBERS FACEBOOK PAGE

Tweed Heads & Coolangatta Members <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2765859347012294>



BACK TO THE BEACH

Members Christmas get together,
Saturday December 18
from 5.30p.m.



BBQ & Drinks provided.
Please RSVP to the office
by Monday December 13
for catering purposes.

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REQUIRED PATROL HOURS TO COMPETE

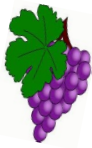
- **Active Senior Members** who have held a proficient Bronze Medallion and **Active Cadet & Junior Members**, who have held a proficient Surf Rescue Certificate prior to the 1st of January 2021 are required to have completed **25 hours of Patrol and/or Sunday Nippers Water Safety** from the 1st of January 2021 to the 31st of December 2021 to be eligible to compete in Championships events after the 31st of December.
- **Members** who have gained their award during 2021 are required to complete 4 hours plus proportionate hours per month depending on the date of the award.

Patrol hours exemption may be accepted by Point Danger Branch & SLSQ for the following reasons:

- Medical (with proof)
- Work away from home (with proof)
- Armed Services (with proof)

Exemption requests are required prior to the 31st of December 2021

Please contact the office for clarification on any of the above points.



NIPPERS

Another busy few weeks have flown by for the Nipper families. The NSW crew have been busy attending a mix of venues on Sundays, and the training sessions with Kane have been full of enthusiasm from kids and parents alike.

We continue to run Sundays with the other southern clubs, and our families are setting the standard with attendance and assistance numbers.

Our Queenslanders have also been putting in a big effort, and we've seen some great results in the Gold Coast City Titles and Little Dudes Carnivals recently held.

Our competitors more than made up for our restricted numbers with some outstanding performances that ensured we kept the larger clubs honest! Jason has clearly been working his magic mid-week.

We remain on track to have a unified Christmas break-up at Greenmount on December 19. We'll have some fun organised and a few surprises on the day, so make sure you keep this one in the diary.

We also have a lot of new club clothing, hats and swimwear in stock in now, so if you're after a few easy Christmas gifts come down and see Amanda who'd love to kit you out in some of the latest designs.

Finally, our thoughts are now turning to the Youth State Champs which are held early next year in February. We'd love to have a huge turn out for these.

Those that have attended in previous years will vouch for the fact that while the competition is great, our nippers really love the club gatherings and camaraderie the most. We'll be having a lot of fun each day, so if you're keen to attend please make sure that you've secured your accommodation either through the club or by your own means.

Keep an eye on the Nipper parents and guardians Facebook page - TH&C 2021/22 Nippers - for all the latest updates.

Looking forward to seeing everyone in the one place soon!

Iain Rogers

POINT DANGER BRANCH LITTLE DUDES CARNIVAL Kirra SLSC 1st November 2021

U/8 Male Beach Sprint

3rd—Jack Preston

U/8 Male Beach Flags

4th—Ethan Morrison

U/10 Female Wade Race

4th—Kaya Baxter

U/10 Male Board Race

5th—William Preston

9th Overall

GOLD COAST CITY TITLES North Kirra SLSC 6th & 7th November 2021

U/11 Female Beach Sprint

5th—Evie Barker

U/11 Male Surf Race

4th—Luke Holdway

U/13 Female Beach Sprint

5th—Shelby Osborne

U/13 Male Beach Sprint

2nd—Noah McClure

U/13 Male Beach Flags

4th—Noah McClure

U/13 Male Beach Relay

5th—Jobe Keith, Riley Kippax, Noah McClure & Patrick Morrison

U/14 Female Beach Sprint

4th—Addison Free

U/14 Female Beach Flags

3rd—Addison Free

U/14 Female Beach Relay

5th—Addison Free, Ashlyn Kennedy, Shelby Osborne & Caitlin Wiggins

U/14 Male Beach Sprint

3rd—Brock Osborne

U/14 Male Surf Race

4th—Daniel Holdway

U/14 Male Beach Relay

3rd—Daniel Holdway, Matthew Holdway, Jai Kordis, Brock Osborne

U/14 Male Cameron Relay

5th—Daniel Holdway, Matthew Holdway, Jai Kordis, Brock Osborne

U/14 Male Surf Team

2nd—Daniel Holdway, Matthew Holdway, Jai Kordis & Brock Osborne

U/15 Female Beach Flags

3rd—Skyla Keith

U/15 Female Beach Sprint

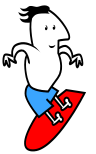
3rd—Skyla Keith

10th Overall





"OLD BOYS" UPDATE



G'day - Chirpy here with the TH&C/SLSC - Old Boys Update

Thanks - Huey - we had the southerly breeze back last weekend providing ideal Beach and Ocean conditions (especially for those of us who enjoy the morning swim to Kirra groyne)

Beaut to see these ideal conditions being enjoyed by our Nippers for both Training on Saturdays plus their Sunday regular sessions.

Let's also not forget the Boaties who have a number of crews out early enjoying the Surf and swells off Greenmount point.

Our Oct Grapevine overlapped with the - **Beach 5's Rugby Weekend** - last Grapevine had included some photos of the BBQ Crews plus the Beach set-up and the "pull-down Crew" on Sunday arvo.

The old Boys joined the Surf Club in setting up the BBQ for the Rugby Carnival for Sat and Sunday along with many of our Ladies also pitching in for the weekend.

Fri / Sat was bright sunshine but Rain arrived Sunday morning and put a bit of a dampener on proceedings - but fining up for the Junior Rugby Finals just after Lunch.



The next significant event was the - **Coolangatta Gold Race** - at Coolangatta Beach and what a weekend that was.

I took the opportunity to attend the Sat arvo session for the Younger set - Boys and Girls - U 11 to 15/17 age groups - stand up and be proud the TH&C Junior Competitors !

Wow - testing strong NW winds buffeting the Surf for the Swim and Board legs plus soft sand to test the legs in the beach run legs.

We had 4 Nippers in the U11 Boys age group - all finished the 1.75 klm event in what was probably the most difficult conditions of the weekend - well done All who competed !

November GOB-DOT luncheon - sadly our Monthly Luncheon was again cancelled due to the current circumstances - stay tuned as I am keen to kick off again - all be it with limited numbers - perhaps.

Coming events -

1. **Fri Dec 10** - our planned Sportsman's Luncheon at GBC now "Cancelled" sadly.
2. **Sat Dec 18** - TH&C - " Back to the Beach" Xmas Party for the Surf Club at 5.30 pm - O'Boys BBQ providing Hamburgers, Sausage Sangers and Drinks (Volunteers wanted please !)
3. **Sun Dec 19** - Nippers Xmas Break up - Water Slide (Supervision needed) and BBQ by O'Boys - Fun starts at 8.00 am and BBQ at 9.30 am.
4. **Fri/Sat/Sun Nov 5,6 & 7** - (**Deferred to new Year - dates TBA !**) - O'Boys "Lost weekend" - ie AGM / Reunion weekend !

Sunday Luncheon Raffle spot - "On the Deck" - we are enjoying reasonable patronage for our Sun Luncheon spot with the Band support - a special thanks to Tony M, Spud, Dave P and Pete H for keeping the O'Boys Raffle presence during this period.

Kingscliff Connection - thanks to Lynette N for grabbing a photo of some of our O'Boys crew (Muzza - Baz Y and co) who have been meeting regularly at Kingscliff for their morning swim and Coffee during this past period.



Greenmount Beach Club - Let's all remember (for those who are allowed) to Support our Greenmount Beach Club upstairs as this is the financial Engine room for our Surf Club. These folk are working hard in difficult conditions right now so please do call in for a Beer / chat and a Feed. (Keep smiling Marty D and Team GBC.)

GOB-DOT Newsletter - Well done again 'Scribe' - Bronte Bob - thanks for being the O'Boys News conduit plus in the Chairman Role for our Monthly GOB_DOT Luncheon gatherings (when resumed!) Remember to keep Chirp, Spud and Bronte Bob in the loop for all O'Boys & Club related matters and general 'scutter bug'.



Travelling – Big D – off to Woody Head for Xmas - Col S still getting in a game of Golf at the Tweed – as is Tony M on the Qld side, B'Bob out walking – plus many others (Tweed side) - have fun!

Good to catch up with Norm M recently plus chat with Errol W, Max Thornton and big Deale – not forgetting the email update from Butts and Lorrie from Bateau Bay – keep smiling all and hope to see you again next year Butts !

That's all for now – keep safe – “Enjoy” the Beach / Surf when you can – along with a nice cool bevvy/meal upstairs after at the GBC.

Happy days

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IMPORTANT

WORKING WITH CHILDREN REQUIREMENTS

POINT DANGER BRANCH HAVE ADVISED THAT TH&C STILL HAVE MEMBERS WHO HAVE NOT COMPLETED THESE REQUIREMENTS

Surf Life Saving Queensland is committed to the safety of children and young people in our association.

To this end, there are some changes to the required training for members who hold Blue Cards and participate in any of the following activities.

Committee Members
Junior Activities Chairperson and Committee Members
Junior Activities Team Managers
Junior Activities Assistant Team Managers
Junior Activities Chaperones
Age Managers and Assistant Age Managers
Junior Activities Coaches
Junior Activities Assistant Coaches
Cadet / Youth Officers
Chief Training Officer and Training Officers
Assessors
Patrol Captains
Patrol Members
Coaches
Assistant Coaches
Chaperones
Senior Team Managers
Officials
Water Safety Personnel (including IRB Crew)
Photographers
Peer Support Officers
All leaders, instructors and chaperones involved in a “live□in” situation
Administrators
Caretakers (including Live□in)
Grievance Officers/Complaint Officers/MPIO's
Nipper Adult Assistants

Please see the following “Working with Children – Training requirements for Members” instructions to complete the online training.

Please note the required date for completion is OVERDUE.

We have been advised by SLISA that they have changed the name of the Child Safeguarding Course and it is now called Child Safe Awareness.

Those who completed the Surfguarding Award this season have had their award name changed to Child Safe Awareness (as such they don't have to redo the award).

Please let Helen in the office know if you have any questions.



QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

WORKING WITH CHILDREN TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERS

SURF LIFE SAVING
QUEENSLAND



ONE

MEMBERSHIP

Join/renew your membership through the [SLSA Member Area](#) or your club.
Make sure you have an on line account for the members Area

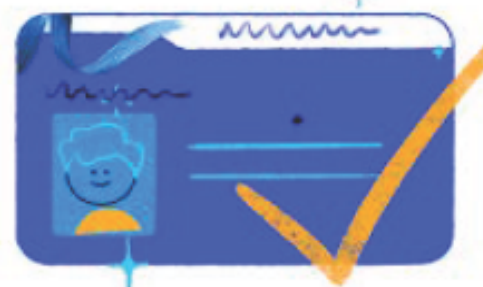


TWO

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK (BLUE CARD)

If you are over 18 and in any of the listed positions within your club - you **MUST** hold a current Working With Children Check (Blue Card) -

Refer to SLSQ Policy MSO6 [CLICK HERE](#)



THREE

SLSQ CYRMS INDUCTION

Go to the Members Area

1. Select E-Learning
2. Select Training Library
3. Select 'SLSQ CYRMs',

Upon completion - this will be recorded on your members details

**CYRMS INDUCTION
DUE DATE
31 OCTOBER 2021**

FOUR

SLS CHILDREN SAFE AWARENESS COURSE

Go to the Members Area

1. Select E-Learning
2. Select Training Library
3. Select 'SLS Safety & Wellbeing'
4. Select 'SLS Child Safe Awareness' course

Upon completion this will be recorded on your members details

**SLSA CHILD SAFE
DUE DATE
31 OCTOBER 2021**

FIVE

FREQUENCY

All members with blue cards **MUST** complete both courses in the 21/22 season.

Training to be redone for both courses when you apply for a Blue Card renewal

WHY

WHY ARE WE DOING TWO COURSES ? .

SLSQ prioritises the safety of children and young people. Both courses are required to meet state legislation under the Working With Children Risk Management and Screening Act 2000



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