



August 2017 edition

Woonona Surf Life Saving Club

Illawarra Club of the Year 2009, 2012, 2013, 2015, 2016 NSW Club of the Year 2013 Illawarra Patrolling Club of the Year 2009, 2013 & 2014 Illawarra Volunteer of the Year 2015

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Welcome back to Woonona SLSC for the season of 2017/2018

PRESIDENT

I would like to warmly welcome back all renewing members and a special welcome to all new members of Woonona SLSC to the Surf Lifesaving season 2017/18. We have a new committee who are enthusiastic and already working hard to ensure a great start to the season.

Membership fees for the upcoming season are now due, please see below details on how to register and pay on-line.

Woonona SLSC is holding its annual Open Day on the 15th October 17 10-12pm, this is the same day as our first nipper day. There will be lots happening at our Club that day with a jumping castle for the kids (and big kids) and a BBQ of course after nippers. If you have friends who would like to know what Surf Lifesaving or nippers is all about I encourage you to invite them down to our Club on this day and they can have a look around and see what we do.

The nippers dates and nippers rego dates are included in this newsletter, I would like to encourage all members to re-register and pay online, or come down to the Club on one of our rego days. But mostly I would like to <u>strongly</u> encourage nipper parents of children in the U8 age group and older to attend our pool proficiency swim day at Northern Stars Swim School on the Saturday the 16th September between 12-2pm. Nippers are not able to participate if they have not completed this pool swim requirement

I would also like to encourage any patrolling members to consider training for new awards this season, there are so many training opportunities within our Club and we are always looking to increase the experience levels of our lifesavers, or train nipper parents with SRC so they can help out with water safety, please contact Mitch Bell (Director of Education) for details.

I hope to see you all on the beach this season,

Stacey Paddon President Woonona SLSC





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Committee Members 2017-18

A Word (or 2) from the Director of Administration..

Hi All – and welcome to 2017-2018 Surf Season. In July of this year a new and revised committee was appointed to run the club. The Committee is made up of two parts:

- 1. The Executive which consists of the President and the Directors of the club
- 2. The general Committee which is the Executive plus all the elected office bearers of the club The Executive for this year is:

Role	Contact Number	Who	Key Responsibilities
President	0407 710 221	Stacey Paddon	Oversees the running of the club
Director of Life Saving	0466 694 366	Rach Dixon	Manages Life Saving on the Beach
Director of Finance	0402 153 646	Gab Bow	Manages the Clubs Cash Resources
Director of Administration	0414 781 757	Brad Ryan-Agnew	Manages the Paperwork
Director of Education	0415 553 313	Mitch Bell	Runs all education and assessment
Director of Surf Sports	0431 180 203	Nathan Bow	Surf Sports and Competitions
Director of Junior Activities	0401 392 126	Peter Hacket	Overseas the Nippers

They are supported by the Office Bearers:

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Vice President	0411 969 656	Troy Johnson	Assists Stacey with running the club
Vice Club Captain	0401 484 769	Morgan Clarke	Assists Rach running the beach
Treasurer	0468 749 082	Holly Heffernan	Assists Gab in managing the clubs money
Member Services Officer	0473 363 177	Jaime Carter	Membership recruitment and development
OH & S Officer	0400 003 285	Monica	The person to refer any safety issues or queries to
Registrar	0425 246 172	Vanessa McInally	Looks after registrations
Sports Team Manager	0424 577 875	Ben Clarke	Assists with Competition management
Youth Coordinator	0425 847 472	Mikayla Lilli	Looks after the Rookies/Youth
Facility Manager	0401 890 296	Peter Paddon	Anything to do with the buildings
General Committee Members	0467 224 122	Conor Johnson	Your representative on the committee
General Committee Members	0417 632 388	Gerard Dorge	Your representative on the committee

All the committee members look forward and welcome your comments and questions regarding the club, it operations and what our goals are for the upcoming season. We won't always have the answer to hand but we will know who to ask on your behalf.

At any time, you as a member, can ask a question of the committee – this can be done in writing, by email or in person. You should also note that the two General Committee members are your representatives on the committee and can (and will) raise issues of your concern if asked to do so.

It is the intent of the committee to run a very open and transparent process – so if you have a question query or suggestion please get in contact so we can get you a solution.

Looking forward to an exciting 2017-2018 on the sand

Brad Ryan-Agnew





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DIRECTOR OF LIFESAVING

Back to the Beach!

Season 2017-18 kicks off with patrols starting Sunday 24th September. Welcome back to all patrolling members, looking forward to seeing you back in the red and yellows!

Patrol teams have been published and the Patrol roster won't be far behind, keep an eye on the website and your email for details. There is also a member's welcome pack which details all the important info you will need this season, check it out. If you have any dramas or questions let myself or Vice Club Captain Morgan Clarke know. See you on the sand!

Rach

DIRECTOR OF JUNIOR ACTIVITIES

Nippers Info Season 17-18

Registration

Registration days will be held <u>THURSDAY 14th SEP 6 – 8pm</u> and <u>SATURDAY 16th SEP 10am - 12noon</u> at Woonona SLSC. New and returning members will be able to come down and register via the online portal. Committee members will be onsite to walk you through the registration process. Remember – all new nippers will be required to show proof of age via birth certificate at the time of registration. For those that ether can't make it down or wish to register via the portal, please access via https://sls.com.au/join

Nippers Calendar – starts 15th October 17 marshalling at 9am

The nipper calendar starts Sunday 15th October and runs every 2 weeks, with a break for Christmas and New Year holidays. The list of dates is below. Morning sessions marshal at the clubhouse at 9am and afternoon sessions at 2:30pm.

15 OCT 2017 [am]

29 OCT 2017 [am]

12 NOV 2017 [am]

26 NOV 2017 [am]

10 DEC 2017 [pm]

BREAK

21 JAN 2018 [pm]

4 FEB 2018 [am]

18 FEB 2018 [am]

4 MAR 2018 [am]

18 MAR 2018 [pm] (Presentation)



Age Managers – without them we can't operate

We need more age managers – We have had a number of retirements from last year's crew so are looking for extra age managers this year to join the team for the season. Becoming an age manager is a really fun and simple way to get involved with the nippers and surf club. All that is required is completion of an online tutorial via SLSA. We will then provide support and mentoring as part of the team throughout the season. Anyone interested – contact Peter via email pehacket@cisco.com





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Swim Proficiency – Northern Stars Saturday 16th Sept

All nippers are required to complete a preliminary swim proficiency. For U8 and above the swim proficiency needs to be completed before any water events. For U6 and U7 we will again incorporate this into the first few pool sessions for those age groups.

Our swim proficiency is booked for Northern Starts Pool 12n – 2pm SAT 16th SEPT – immediately following the registration morning.

I would encourage all parents to try and get the assessment done before the first nipper day – otherwise the kids will have to endure the assessment in the cold ocean pool. You can also download the assessment form from our website and have it completed by a qualified swim instructor if your child attends swim lessons / swim school.

I look forward to seeing you all at the season opener. Peter

Director of Finance

Membershi	p Fees 2017-2018 Season		
Junior (nippers and rookies – u18)	\$55		
Senior	\$65		
Associate	\$65		
General	\$65		
Family	\$150		
With an Early bird discount for senior or family members of \$10 for all membership applications completed on line and paid by 31 October 2017.			
Surf sports levies			
Surf Boat	\$50		
IRB	\$30		
Watercraft	\$20		

Registrar – Vanessa McInally

For any registration queries please come to one of our rego days or contact Vanessa on;

Ph: 0425 246 172

Renew Membership Online:

Existing members can register online at https://portal.sls.com.au

Instructions for existing and new members can be found on our website under Memberships 2017/18. A birth certificate is required for all NEW members joining under 18.

If you have any enquiries about membership renewals please contact Vanessa on Vanessamc1964@yahoo.com.au





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Uniforms

Denise Salm of South Coast uniforms will once again be selling uniforms at our nippers days and rego days. Denise has a great range of products not only for nippers but also adults and parents so we can proudly wear our club uniform to help promote the club.

SURF SPORTS

If you would like to compete for Woonona this year or are even thinking about competing please contact me. I am keen to get some competitors in the Sydney Water Carnivals this year and continue to build this great club.

Dates for Sydney Water carnivals are:

Saturday 28 October 2017 Saturday 4 November 2017 Saturday 25 November 2017 Saturday 2 December 2017

If you have any other surf sports related questions don't hesitate to contact me. I will continue to post on our Facebook page and email members about other upcoming events.

Nathan





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