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SOUTH CURL
CURL SLSC
NEWSLETTER

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The South Curly tent - first day of State Championships at Umina

A note from the committee

Although summer is now officially over, (felt like it finished a month ago), the surf lifesaving season is in full swing both on the beach at Curly and at various carnivals up and down the coast. Patrols continue through to the end of April so there is another 9 weeks to go. If you are listed on a patrol, please check the roster and note the dates through to season's end. We need to ensure we meet our obligations for every patrol and that all rostered members that cannot attend make arrangements for a substitute.

Our Trainers

If anyone has been at the beach on Saturday morning over the last couple of weeks you will no doubt have noticed a large group of people swimming and paddling as part of the latest Bronze group. We are very lucky to have a dedicated team of trainers at South Curly who put in a large amount of time to train and assess our active members; this is not an easy task with the numbers we now enjoy and the committee very much appreciates your efforts.

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70 years and still going strong.....

Tony Cuneo joined South Curly surf club in about 1942 at the age of 14 and he has been a prominent member of the club since that time. There can't be too many others who can beat that - well done Tony!



Committee Update

Grants and Donations

This season has been quite extraordinary in terms of donations and grants received by the club from business, personal and government sources. Below is a quick snapshot of some of the wonderful contributions we have received.



This season Alistair Saunders, Sth Curly Nipper Age Manager and Director of NorthStar Financial Advisers offered to

sponsor some rash vests for our Nipper Age Managers so they were still identifiable in the water by their age groups. These have been much appreciated by our Age Managers and we thank NorthStar for picking up the tab for the club!

NorthStar Financial Advisers is a locally (Freshwater Village) based business offering clients integrated financial planning and investment management services who help their clients achieve their long-term goals so please give them a call on 9905 0395. Take a look at their website for more information www.northstarfinancialadvisers.com.au

During the season we have also received support from the estate of William Yeates Senior, Sydney Water, SLS NSW Guardians of the Surf and State Wide Raffle, Rotary Club of Brookvale and Rotary Club of Belrose. This week the club received a \$5000 grant from the First Foundation which is a fund run by Colonial First State. The club was put forward for the grant by Tony Gilchrist and we are very grateful for the donation which will go towards the purchase of new equipment.

Donations and grants such as these are an invaluable source of income for the club and allows us to maintain a standard of equipment that would otherwise be unattainable. Thank you once again to all of our friends and supporters.

Competition

Branch Championships have been run and won for 2013 and South Curly were amongst the medals in a number of areas including boats, surf and beach. As a club, we encourage

participation in any Surf lifesaving event and aim to provide facilities and equipment for training and competition. It's a terrific bonus when some of our Junior and Senior competitors are rewarded for their efforts with a Medal. Congratulations to all who competed for SCC and good luck in the upcoming State and Aussies.

Officials

The club would officially like to thank all Club officials who by volunteering their time, ensured our competitors (both Junior and Senior) could compete for the club at carnivals. A special thanks must go to Bryn Russell and Jeff & Jenny Drury who signed on for us at the Junior State Champs and will back up for the Seniors – THANK YOU BRYN, JEFF & JENNY!!!! We will be officially thanking all officials who have signed on for the club this season at our Senior Club Presentation on May 18th at Harbord Diggers Club.

Building Works

The building committee is continuing to plan for a start to the next round of building works and as dates and milestones are firmed up we will continue to update members. Our aim will be to minimise any disruption to normal club activities but some impact will be inevitable.

Safety Warning

Note there have been reports of canisters of aluminium phosphide being washed up on NSW beaches, please be advised that we have now had two cannisters washed up on the northern beaches, at Warriewood and Mona Vale. The cannisters are about 40cm in height and when the contents are mixed with water, aluminium phosphide creates a gas that can be lethal.

If you find any cannisters on beach, it is imperative that you do not go near them, but create an exclusion zone of at least 25 metres around the cannisters. Notify the life guards or patrol immediately.



NIPPERS PRESENTATION AND FINAL NIPPERS

Our final nippers for this season will be Sunday 10th March. This "fun" session will be followed by our presentation up in the club. The U6 and U7 age groups will head up first and be presented with their participation certificate, we hope you have all had a great time with us this season. The U8's to U14's will then be presented their awards. The U14's will be presented their awards first, and the other age groups will follow dependent on availability of Age Managers. Rob and Lisa are stepping down from running the Sth Curly Nippers after 3 or 4 years of dedicated service and the new team will be announced at the AGM which is held as part of the Nippers Presentation.

AWARDS - U8 TO U14

The club issues 1st, 2nd, 3rd point score awards for girls and boys in each age group along with an Outstanding Effort girl and boy award. The point score awards are issued based on points received for events run during the year across both beach and water events. Attendance also is a contributing factor in these awards. The Outstanding Effort award is issued based on high attendance, great attitude, striving to achieve their best etc.

Please note that if your child is not participating in Nippers in the correct age group they are not

eligible for the above awards in that age group. They will however receive the club participation certificate along with the rest of the group.

Champion Lifesaver - Theory exam at State, the only action of the day which was declared a wash out



***** Last Day of Nippers ***
(& Photo & Presentation)
10th March not 17th as
previously advertised**

Boats

You may remember a few months ago it was reported that a group of South Curly mums had taken to the boats - last weekend they debut-ed in the first (& probably only) carnival. Our roving reporter and a member of the crew, Sarah Charlesworth, reports on the event.....



We were literally beside ourselves with excitement when we were told they were going to let us row, not just around the edges of the lake, but in a real race, with real teams, officials, whistles, horns, bells and everything! Even more exciting was that Ribs was actually prepared to sweep for us, and he didn't even wear a disguise or even change his name. He did get some heckling and jibes from fellow sweeps out there, but we all stuck out our chests and shouted to them that 'we would show them'! We were not sure what we would show them, but something entertaining it would surely be.

We did not excel in our first heat I must admit, but were so thrilled we actually completed the ridiculously long course, and negotiated our very first turn around the can, that we didn't care, we were high on adrenalin and giggling like school girls once we had finished with the oxy viva.

We then heard we were through to the second heat. Some say it was because some temperamental teams felt a race with no surf was beneath them, and went home. We like to think they saw what dangerous competition they had, and swiftly scarpered. What ever the reasons, we managed to drag that boat and Ribs around that course for a second time, and made it mysteriously through to the finals!

We were so thrilled to make the finals and didn't care what strange turn of fate got us there. When that start gun went bang we almost pulled that boat out of the water with our first stroke, we were flying, we were so focused, it was just fantastic.

We were actually keeping up with Freshwater.....,we were level with Freshwater all the way up to the can! Around the can we were level with Freshwater.....no we weren't we were beating Freshwater! Yes we were pulling away from them!

Ribs almost fell out of the boat with shock and started shouting, 'You're in

with a medal girls C'...mon!! Harder! Stroke! Long! Legs! Legs! Pull them together! (although possibly not in that order). We were giving it everything we had, we were holding Freshwater by half a boat all the way,but we were running out of steam 15yds to go Freshwater drew level, Ribs was shouting, 'You can do this!' We were grunting and grinding with every stroke, and at the line it was so close. We hoped we may have just held on to it, but it wasn't to be, no medals this time, but we can definitely say we gave it our all.....

Julie Piggott was there with us every stroke of the way, and although did not row this time, as our reserve she was an important member of our team, and she was just fantastic. she helped us prepare for every race, encouraged us, cheered us on, whilst standing literally ankle deep in thick mud, for probably 8hrs Sat and again on Sunday! She even helped me with stretching out my old shoulders. It meant a lot to us having a friendly smile there cheering us on through the rain, so thank you Julie.

Thanks also to Ribs and Bucko our sweeps and trainers extraordinaire - they certainly like to challenge themselves!



Congratulations to South Curly's latest boat crew, the Bahari Babes. They also had their first hit out at Pacific Palms last week. No medals yet, but we're sure it won't be long.

End of Season Trip - Lake Tabourie 17 - 21 April



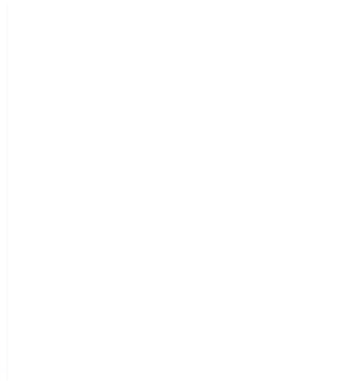
Final bookings are now being finalised, and once we all return from State carnivals (good luck everyone!!) there will only be a few weeks to go. Anyone booking a camping site should contact the Lake Tabourie Tourist Park on 1300 55 99 66 to make their booking and pay their deposits now, if you haven't already. Those with late cabin bookings, if you haven't paid your deposit by now you may well have lost your booking! The Park have advised there are currently no ensuite cabins left, only bunkhouse cabins. If anyone wants to come along and are still trying to make up their minds, now is the time to let me know.... janice.russell01@gmail.com

This will be the final entry in the newsletter for the 2013 trip. All communications from here on will be to those attending only. Please make sure if you're doing the Tabourie Surfari that you have provided the correct/best contact details (email and mobile). I'll be in touch soon!

Coming soon Tabourie Hoodies!!!!!!

Grey marl, warm and cosy - great for those cool nights. \$40 for kids, \$50 adults.

Pre-orders taken now, email Viv at vderooy@bigpond.net.au before 15th March to secure delivery pre Tabourie



Make a date	march	april	may
<p>Check the website for full details of all events</p>	<p>1 - 3 State NIPPERS Carnival - Ocean Beach, Umina</p>	<p>15 - 21 Australian Championships - North Kirra, Queensland</p>	<p>18 Senior Presentation Night, Harbord Diggers</p>
	<p>7 State MASTERS *** Carnival - Ocean Beach, Umina</p>		
	<p>8 - 10 State OPEN & BOATS Carnival - Ocean Beach, Umina (Normal nippers continue at South Curly)</p>		
	<p>17 Club Photo Club Championships</p>	<p>17 - 21 Lake Tabourie End of Season Trip</p>	
<p>29 - 1 Easter Weekend Patrols - make sure you arrange a swap if you're going to be away.</p>	<p>28 South Curly Ocean Swim and last day of patrols</p>		

SENIOR CLUB PRESENTATION NIGHT

SATURDAY MAY 18TH @ HARBORD DIGGERS CLUB

Ticket price \$20/person and includes a full buffet sit down dinner, drinks available at club prices.

Doors open 6.30 pm for a 7 pm start

All SRCs and Bronze Medallion recipients welcome

This is a fully licensed club all under 18s attending must be accompanied by a parent at all times

Payments will shortly be accepted via the club website, special events tab. Please include names of those attending with your payment. Your name will be at the door on arrival.

SCCSLSC 95th ANNIVERSARY BALL SATURDAY

Currently 15th June @ The International College of Management, Manly, but stay tuned there may be a change of venue/date due to unforeseen circumstances

Tickets will be all inclusive of beer, wine, champagne, soft drinks, canapes, a 3 course sit down dinner, live band and dancing from 8.30 pm, plus "limited edition" anniversary gift

Tables of 10, so organize your table now to avoid disappointment.

South Curly Ocean Swim 2013



The South Curly Ocean Swim is our biggest fund raiser of the year and we need your help!

Save the date-Sunday, April 28-and let Catherine Proctor proctorallen@optusnet.com.au (0433 140 645) know if you can help out in any of the following areas:

- Registrations on the day
- Finish Line time keeping, recording etc
- Start First Aid
- Finish Line First Aid
- IRB Drivers
- IRB Crew
- Water Safety, rescue boards and skis
- Water Safety start line rescue tube
- Water safety finish line rescue tube
- Surf Boat
- BBQ Set up, cook and serve
- Financials at Rego
- Competitor Gear Transport