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DON'T FORGET...

Dates to remember:

- Lake Tabourie 15 - 19 April 2009
- Sth Curly Ocean Swim 26th April
- Presentation Day – Saturday 9 May
- AGM – Sunday 2 August
- Curly Sound Waves – Sunday 18 October

A NOTE FROM THE COMMITTEE....

Preparations for the Australian Tittles are all but finalised with the boats now packed and ready for departure. It was good to see our competitors lined up in their uniforms on Sunday and we wish them all the best in Perth later this month.

We have decided to apply to upgrade our liquor license from current 'limited' to an 'on premises' license. This upgrade will allow us to offer a greater range of options to our hall rentals, with the potential for additional income as well. Under the current license we are only allowed to supply alcohol at club functions, and only to members and their guests. The 'on premise' license will also allow us to have more control over how alcohol is consumed in our premise.

Warringah council as part of the 'pope' upgrades will be making some changes to the upstairs toilets and northern deck area of our club, with works commencing on the 10th May and running through until the end of June. During this time the hall, upstairs toilets, and northern deck will be off-limits to everyone due to it being a construction zone. The northern deck will be getting all new balustrade, men's and women's toilets get a complete facelift. The southern deck will have the roof over the BBQ area replaced over the next week, so should there be a need for club functions between 10th May and end June, that will be the area.

The club will be replacing the Gemini IRB over the off season. If anyone knows of a potential buyer for the Gemini, please let us know.

In other news, keep your eyes open for our Corporate golf day planned for the end of May.

The Committee

Spot the Gorilla!
Now play nicely people
– there really is one
somewhere in the
photo. The burning
question is:
Who is the Gorilla!



PATROLS

Bronze Squads

Congratulations to our latest 10 bronze holders who passed their exam last week and thanks to Chris Smith for the dedication and hard work he has put in this season on all the bronze squads.

Patrol Gear

There have been occasions when patrol Gear has been left on the beach ALL patrol captains, please double check to make sure that all gear has been put away cleaned and tidy.

Patrol members to be seen between the flags

2 patrol members must be seen between the flags at all time.

LAKE TABOURIE CLUB TRIP AWAY... 15-19 APRIL

At the end of each year South Curly goes on holiday, en masse! Our destination is Lake Tabourie Tourist Park on the south coast, approximately 10 minutes south of Ulladulla. We take all the toys and relax and have fun. It's a time to make new friends and/or catching up with old friends we only see from time to time.

Those in the know have already booked their accommodation leaving only **4 cabins available** for the time we're all there together. Some enjoy it so much they're there for longer than the 3 or 4 days we normally stay! As at 1 March 2009, 3 of the 4 cabins available sleep 5 people and have their own bathroom and kitchen (one is a special access cabin that accommodates those requiring wheel-chair/pram access), with the last cabin available sleeping 2.

For those that wish to camp, there are multiple sites still available close to the "Camp Kitchen". If you wish to attend please contact the park directly and arrange accommodation and payment. Their contact number **1300 559966 or 4457 3011**. Make sure you mention you're with South Curly and ask for the Club's discount for this year - when you stay more than 2 nights you get one night free, and you don't pay for children!

Please email bjruss@bigpond.net.au if attending so I can send a group email with more information to those coming along later in the month. For catering purposes, please include the number of adults and children in your group and the dates of arrival and departure. Looking forward to another great escape with a load of great company ... Check out the website with links to the flyer, and Lake Tabourie's website for a sneak peek and contact details.

SUPPORT OUR SPONSORS...

HARBORD DIGGERS/MOUNTIES

The Harbord Diggers runs 15 raffles on our behalf every Wednesday Night. Show our support to the diggers and organise your Wednesday night there.

Whether its taking the family to dinner, organising a pool night or to watch some sport give it a go.



HARBORD BEACH HOTEL

Every Thursday night between 5:30 and 6:30. Come on up and give us a hand, have a couple of beers and enjoy. This raises **\$4,000** a year for the Club to spend on **YOU**.



SOUTH CURLY OCEAN SWIM...26 APRIL

The South Curly Ocean swim will be held on **26th April** with the swim starting at South Curly and finishing at Freshwater Beach. Yep around the headland. This is a swim that has been of interest to the swimming fraternity for a long time with feedback suggesting that this swim could grow in to something bigger than Ben Hur.

Sponsorship wise - our friends at the Diggers have declined the opportunity to provide sponsorship this year so we are on the lookout for a major sponsor. If anyone has any suggestions please let me know (bryn_russell@hotmail.com) so we can get the ball rolling. What a great opportunity for a sponsor to "own" this event that will be a part of the ocean swim circuit—get in now and make this event yours. We are after help with running costs sponsorship, prize sponsorship and event day give aways.

Of course we are going to need many hands on deck to make this event a success and water safety will be paramount. If you have a Bronze or SRC can you please put aside 9am to 12 noon on the 26th April to help with the Ocean Swim.

The global economic turndown even effects surf clubs, raising money has never been harder so please can we get behind this swim.

Entries to this swim will be on line at Oceanswims.com in the very near future.

GENERAL STUFF...

Gym Keys

We are doing a round up of Gym Keys. Anyone who has got one they are not using, please bring it back so that it can be redistributed.

Beach Officials Needed

To keep the Sth Curly colours competing at carnivals we need to provide a certain number of officials. As with everything, the more of us qualified in effect means the less we have to do! It's a day course run on a weekend and you can nominate the area you wish to work in eg. where your kids are competing or perhaps where your interests lie eg. surf boats. Anyone interested in helping out in this way contact Darrin Stoker at dstoker@liquitek.com.au.

Photos

Nipper State Titles photo DVD's are now available @ \$30. Contact Viv & Mars at vdeeroy@bigpond.net.au for your copy of all the action.

Lost Keys

3 keys on a thin blue rope (size to go around neck whilst on patrol/surfing etc) lost at the Club about 4-5 weeks ago on a Sunday.

May have been dropped on the ground/sand in front of the club, at the South Curly pool or left on a rescue board in the racks in the club storage area. If anyone has seen or located these keys please contact Troy Cortis on 9905 8880 or 0414 444 200.

Presentation Night - for Cadets to Seniors

Saturday 9th May, 6pm onwards at the Club. Details closer to the date.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS...

What a great morning it was on Sunday and what a striking group of fighting fit competitors turned out to take part in the hotly contested Club Championship races. It was a lovely day and most enjoyable watching everyone have a go and take part. The surf conditions proved a little challenging for some but they would not be defeated and that's what it's all about! Great to see the masters and the apprentices going toe to toe on the beach and in the surf! Viv was there as always with the camera so look out for some great action shots!

2009 IS A CURLY SOUND WAVES YEAR...18 OCTOBER

For those new to the club or living under a rock! Curly Sound Waves is a Food, Wine & Music day organised by club members for the club. Every 2 years we gather great food, great wine and really great music and take control of the carpark for the day. The team have started meeting and now is your chance to participate in this great community event. **How can you help...**

- Sponsorship – from \$500 to \$5,000 with great advertising opportunities for your company – if you'd like the opportunity to help – **give us a call**
- VIP Deck tickets - \$125 ea. Huge seafood smorgasbord, beer, wine, music.
- Services – from security to rides to fencing, signage, sound & stage equipment - if you think you may have something we need – **give us a call**
- Products – from food stuffs to prizes for raffles – if you can help – **give us a call**

Call Anita on 0412 334 977

SOUTH CURLY EXCELS AT THE BRANCH CARNIVAL...

For the first time since the 40's or 50's, South Curl Curl sent a water team to a carnival, the Branch Championships on Sat 7 February

The Team was made up of Peter Allen, Steve Birch, Troy Cortis, Kevin Moffat, Kevin Mullen, Bryn Russell, Tim Seeney and a beach team of Dermot O'Brien and Jordi Skelton.

Along with the boat crews we produced our most numerous and comprehensive results to date:

Girls Gold boat crew – Bronze

160 years + boat crew- Bronze

180 years + boat crew - Gold

Jordi Skelton – Gold, 35+ sprint & Silver, 35+ flags

Troy Cortis and Tim Seeney- Bronze, 35+ board rescue

Tim Seeney - Silver, 30+ flags

Steve Birch - Silver, 50+ flags & Silver, 50+ Tube

Kevin Moffat - Gold, 60+ Iron man, Gold, 60+ Tube, Silver, 50+ Board Rescue, Silver, 60+ Surf Race

Bryn Russell won tragedy of the day when he tore his calf muscle running out of the water in his surf race. Blackjack says that Chika Longley went through 5 years as president without injuring himself and he, BJ is ready to step into the breach if need be.

WHAT'S ON BY MONTH...

March

Tuesday 17th Australian Masters Championships Scarborough

Tuesday 17th Branch Executive Meeting 6.30pm Branch office

Wednesday 18th Australian Masters Championships Scarborough

Thursday 19th Australian Surf Life Saving Championships Scarborough

Friday 20th – Sunday 22nd Australian Surf Life Saving Championships Scarborough

Thursday 26th BoSS & BoE&A Meetings Dee Why

Sunday 29th North Steyne Ocean Swim North Steyne

April

Sunday 26th South Curl Curl Ocean Swim South Curl Curl

FROM THE NIPPERS...

As the season has wrapped up, I thought I might list some of the major activities and achievements from the Nippers section in 08/09.

- Record registrations for SCC passing 400 for the first time forcing us to cap numbers in the younger age groups.
- Purchase of new soft nipper boards designed to SCC specifications to cater for little arms proved a big hit. Thanks to Peter Yeates
- New age signs on the beach, the old ones had been there so long no one could remember when they arrived or where they had come from. Thanks to Howard Bennett.
- First ever Junior Development Weekend for U12-U16 travelling to the central coast. Thanks to Bob Buckingham and all the parents that attended. This will become an annual event.
- Biggest group of U6, U7 and U8 ever. The age managers have done an excellent job with these children keeping them active and engaged.
- Big numbers at carnivals, highest ever for SCC and this translated into our best ever results.
- SRC sleepover – As part of the SRC training for the U14's, the kids had a sleepover at the surf club. This may become an annual event if there are sufficient numbers of brave parents!
- 19 SRC's (Surf Rescue Certificates) attained which is the largest group we have ever put through. All of these kids are now part of a Patrol so look out for them in their uniform. Thanks to Bryn Russell and Bob Buckingham.
- Two finalists in the Junior Surf Lifesaver of the Year for the first time ever for SCC. Congratulations to Liam Yeates and Daana Stoker.

As always the Sunday morning activities and the confidence that children gain out of being in the surf is our primary goal. This year we have had a lot more opportunity to get the children into the water as conditions were generally kind to us. Having sufficient water safety is always a problem and we encourage any parents who are considering training for their bronze medallion to join in when the next group starts at the beginning of season 09/10.

CARNIVALS

Since our last correspondence the club has competed in the Branch Championships at Palm Beach and State Titles at Swansea-Belmont. We had around 60 children competing at both events with the SCC colours on show in all parts of the Carnival. The effort put in by all the kids competing and the team spirit amongst all the SCC competitors is the most rewarding part for those involved in the planning and organizing of the SCC team.

JUNIOR BRANCH

At the Branch Carnival, which was very nearly postponed due to extreme hot weather, SCC finished 10th overall which was a wonderful achievement. We had our first ever dual Gold Medallist in Liam House from the U8's who won both the Flags and Beach Sprint on what was a very hot day. Some standouts were:

- 4th in the All Age Relay
- 4th Senior Cameron Relay
- 5th in March Past
- U8 – Gold to Liam House in Sprint
- U8 – Gold to Liam House in Flags
- U9 - 6th in Boys Sprint relay
- U9 - 5th in Girls Sprint relay
- U9 - 5th in Surf Swim Kane Roberge
- U9 - 5th in sprint Zoe Carley
- U10 - 5th in Flags to Tasha Allen
- U11 - Gold to Annie O'Brien in Flags
- U11 - Silver to Margo O'Brien in Flags
- U11 - Bronze to Margo O'Brien in Sprint
- U11 - 4th to Jessie Jongsma in Sprint
- U12 – Silver to Dominic Duran in Sprint
- U12 - Bronze to Dominic Duran in Flags
- U12 - 5th to Zac Dragan in Surf Swim
- U12 - Bronze in Girls Sprint relay
- U13 - Silver to Josh Yeates in Surf Swim
- U13 - 5th Josh Yeates Iron man
- U14 - Silver to Andrew Roche in Sprint
- U14 - 4th in Sprint to Jake Vale
- U14 - 4th in Sprint to Caz Russell
- U14 - Bronze Medal in Girls Relay
- U14 - 4th in Boys Beach Relay

FROM THE NIPPERS...

There were also a couple of very unlucky relay teams in U11 Girls and U14 Boys that finished first but were knocked out on batten changes, and a good number of kids making it through to semi finals.

JUNIOR STATE

Each year the SCC crew grows larger and this season we camped as a group of 140! The logistics of organising this is quite a challenge and congratulations must go to Kylie Skelton, Lisa Settree and Zulu for putting their organisation and execution of the accommodation, communal tent, food, tables, chairs etc. etc.

At State we are obligated to provide officials, water safety, and even IRB with crew for the amount of kids we now have entered. In the officials department, Jeff Hewitt and Jenny Drury were there to help us out as usual and remain the backbone of SCC's ability to attend both Senior and Junior Carnivals. This year they were joined by Lisa and Olivia Settree, Dermot O'Brien and myself.

In water safety we had Kieran O'Brien, Anika Stoker & Isabella Dobrijevic proudly wearing the fluoro green rashies and working the waves in the U12 area. Look out for them out the back at Curly in their fluoro!

Bryn Russell looked after the IRB duties for us and is still tending to bumps and bruises as a result of many hours in the boat.

All the kids and parents had a great time camping together and in what is becoming a tradition were entertained on Friday and Saturday evening by the exceptional slide show created by Viv and Mars De Rooy. They spent all day every day walking the beach and capturing fantastic shots of anyone moving in the South Curly colours.

There was also some competition up there and some great results for the South Curly Kids. We finished 25th overall up from 41st last season and 5th out of the Northern Beaches clubs! Some of the individual and team results were

- 4th in the All Age Relay – so close to a Medal, a fantastic effort
- 12th in March Past – No Points but still worthy of a mention, only their 2nd outing
- U8 – Bronze to Liam House in Sprint
- U8 – 4th to Liam House in Flags
- U11 – 7th for Margo O'Brien Sprint
- U11 – Silver Girls Sprint Relay
- U13 – Silver to Josh Yeates in Ironman – for me the standout performance of the weekend
- U13 – 7th to Josh Yeates in Surf Swim
- U14 – Bronze to Jake Vale in Sprint
- U14 – 7th to Andrew Roche in Sprint
- U14 – 7th to Charlie Taylor in Flags
- U14 – Silver in Boys Sprint relay
- U14 – 6th in Girls Sprint Relay

While this list is just the kids who made finals and scored medals, there were a lot of individuals and teams that progressed through many heats, quarter finals and semi finals. Overall the weekend was a great success from both a social and competition point of view.

Darrin Stoker



POOH'S PAGE

Please email contributions to: poohbear@southcurlcurlslsc.org

Surf Swim

The brave men of South Curly did do the Sunday swim on Sunday the 1 March despite the blue bottles. The swimmers were warned that they entered the swim at their own risk and suggested that if they swim faster there was less chance of getting stung.

State Boat Championships

There is nothing that PB can report on the Boaties state titles due to all the teams making the finals and not able to play up. Obviously they have remembered Termites correlation between sex and winning and they have all been good boys and girls.

Champion rows with Champions

At 5am on Thursday 5th February at Manly Beach, South Curly had four boat crews training. Ribs had his Aust Champs woman's crew, Termite had his men's open crew, Gus had his Jnr crew and Casso had the Aust Champs 180 crew. Life member Tony "AJ" Cuneo came down to Manly for his early morning walk and to watch the crews train.

Towards the end of training Ribs offered Tony a row with the girls crew. Tony readily accepted and in the half light before dawn they set out to sea. They hit a few waves but Tony never missed a stroke. Ribs got a wave into the corner and Tony helped the girls put the boat on the trailer.

It is worth noting that: Tony has recently turned 80, Tony was part of South Curly's 1952 Australian Championship winning mens open boat crew (The only time South Curly has ever won this title). Tony's wife Anne said Tony had a grin on his face as big as the harbour bridge for days after and told everyone he met how he had a row with South Curly's Australian Womans Championship winning crew.

A special moment for a great South Curly member to remember.

Carnival Attractions

Have a look at this attractive looking bunch of Nipper Dads in action. And check out the special rashies. These guys are not ashamed of who they are.



JOKES....

Paddy was a youthful and hard working Irishman at a Coastal village in Ireland. Daily he would pole a heavy old punt out to sea then work a heavy iron grapple to bring up the sand oysters which he sold to the local ice works.

He was a man of regular habits and always arrived home each day at a certain time. Sadly, Paddy did not realise the heavy grappling was taking a toll on a faulty heart. One day he failed to come home so his wife contacted the Police to investigate him being missing. They rowed out and found Paddy dead in the punt, beside him a huge grapple full of oysters he'd tried to hoist aboard. Headlines next day in the 'Irish Times Newspaper' said.....OYSTERS KILLPATRICK !!!! *

An Italian, a Scotsman and a Chinese man, are hired at a Construction site.

The foreman points out a huge pile of sand.

He says to the Italian guy, "You're in charge of sweeping."

To the Scotsman he says, "You're in charge of shovelling."

And to the Chinese guy, "You're in charge of supplies."

He then says, "Now, I have to leave for a little while. "I expect you men to make a dent in that pile of sand." So when the foreman returns after being away for a couple of hours the pile of sand is untouched.

He asks the Italian, "Why didn't you sweep any of it?"

The Italian replies, "I no hava no broom. You saida to the Chinesea fella that he a wasa ina charge of supplies, but he hasa disappeared and I no coulda finda him nowhere."

Then the foreman turns to the Scotsman and says "And you, I thought I told you to shovel this pile." The Scotsman replies, "Aye, that ye did laddie, boot ah could nae get meself a shoovel. Ye left th' Chinese gadgie in chairge of supplies, boot ah couldna fin' him neither."

The foreman is really angry now. He storms off toward the pile of sand to look for the Chinese gent.

Just then, the Chinese man leaps out from behind the pile of sand and yells, "SUPPLIES!!!!!"

GOOD LUCK TO THE SOUTH CURLY AUSSIE TEAM..

Boat Crews:

- Masters (180's)– Ribs, Bucko, Billy, Champ, Marko
- Masters (140's) – Gus, Termite, Elts , Jono Ox & Jono B
- A's – Gus, Choc's, James, Andrew, Arrow
- A's – Termite, Bill, Moony, Kingo, Benny
- B's – Gus, Termite, Elts , Jono Ox & Jono B
- Girls – Ribs, Elly, Lara, Kate, Amy
- Juniors – Gus, Ben S, Ben C, Dan, Mitch B
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And Josh & Liam Yeates our cadet super cousins!

**YOUR COMMITMENT AND DEDICATION
TO YOUR SPORT IS COMMENDABLE AND INSPIRING.**

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING A DRINK AND CELEBRATING YOUR
ACHIEVEMENTS ON YOUR RETURN.**

PS. PLEASE REMEMBER THOUGH.... IF OFFERED, DON'T TAKE OPTION 2!