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## A NOTE FROM THE COMMITTEE....

And so ends another successful season on the beach at South Curly.

The generosity of the South Curly membership never ceases to amaze. From a lifesaving perspective countless thousands of hours have gone in to patrolling our beach, training our membership, and looking after the admin side. For this, thank you to each and every one of you. It's a huge effort and one that goes unnoticed by most of the general public, though not unnoticed by the people that matter. 'No Lives Lost' is the unsaid thanks.

This year we have been fortunate to have continued support from our long term sponsors such as the Bendigo Bank, Roche, Harbord Hilton Hotel, Harbord Diggers, Manly Aluminium Windows, Wong and Mayes, Freshwater Financial Services. We have also secured some new sponsorship for 'Tooheys White Stag' and James Smyth Real Estate Agency in Harbord. James has included an introduction further in this edition

**Hall refurbishment** – The hall and northern deck will be closed off until the end of June whilst changes are made to bring the club up to meet 'POPE' requirements. A 'few' of the changes include

- Refurbishing the upstairs toilets
- Replacing the balustrade on northern deck
- Upgrading entry/exit points to meet disabled requirements

During these renovations the upstairs area of the club is closed and not accessible.

**Development Application** – is getting nearer to being submitted with plans to better meet the needs of our membership.

of Season

AGM - 2<sup>nd</sup> August

- World Masters
- October
- Curly Sound
- October 18<sup>th</sup>
- Hall Refurbishment
- Club Clothing
- On-line Registrations

## Curly Sound Waves 2009 .....

Mark the 18<sup>th</sup> October in your diary, Curly Sound Waves is on and we need your help to run this fantastic fund raiser for the club.

Volunteers are needed in all areas on the day, and in the planning. Watch this space as further information will be provided in the very near future.

## World Masters 2009 .....

This year the World Masters will take place in Australia between 10<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> October. Surf Lifesaving events will be held in Manly on 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. For those wishing to enter, closing date for entries is 31 July 2009 at 5pm. Entries are \$220 per competitor and are the responsibility of each individual, not the Club. The online registration link is [www.2009worldmasters.com](http://www.2009worldmasters.com).



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## Boat Report .....

The boaties had a very successful last 4 carnivals this year with the Branch Champs, ASRL Champs, State Champs and Aussie Titles with all the hard work put in by the crews paying off with most crews getting medals at most of these events.

It would have to be one of the most successful years for the South Curl Curl Boaties as a group! Results:

### Branch Championships

- **Gold Medal Club Boat Relay (1<sup>st</sup> ever held)**. Which Included: -

**A crew** – Mark Spiteri, James Davison, Arawa Driscoll, Andrew McGaw, Nathan Wilson

**Girl's crew** – Chris Flemming, Kate Mortimer, Elle Gillis, Amy Chaffey, Lara Raymond

**Junior crew** – Mark Spiteri, Ben Collins, Ben Spiteri, Mitch Buckingham, Daniel Kwon

- **Bronze Medal - Girl's crew** (as above)
- **Bronze Medal - Masters 160's** - Jason Farrell, Craig Bowra, Steve Evans, Graham Opie, Matthias Ungemach
- **Gold Medal - Masters 180's** - Chris Flemming, Bob Buckingham, Billy Good, Mark Campbell, Tony Mulvey

### ASRL Championships

- **Gold Medal - Girl's crew** – (as above)
- **Gold Medal - Masters 140's** - Mark Spiteri, Rob Lowery, Elton McKay, John Oxley, Jono Beavon

### State Championships

- **Gold Medal - Club Boat Relay (1<sup>st</sup> ever held)**. Which involved the same crews as at Branch ie. **A crew, Girl's crew & Junior crew** (as above)
- **Gold Medal - Girl's crew** – (as above)
- **Gold Medal - Interbranch Girl's crew (as above)**
- **Silver Medal - Masters 180's** - Chris Flemming, Bob Buckingham, Billy Good, Mark Campbell, Tony Mulvey

### Australian Titles

- **Gold Medal - Club Boat Relay (1<sup>st</sup> ever held)**. Which Included **A crew, Girl's crew, Junior crew** (as above)
- **Gold Medal - Interstate Girls crew** (as above)
- **Gold Medal - Masters 180's** - Chris Flemming, Bob Buckingham, BillyGood, Mark Campbell, Tony Mulvey
- **Silver Medal - Masters 140's** - Mark Spiteri, Rob Lowery, Elton McKay, John Oxley, Jono Beavon



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## Nipper News ..... April 2009

The Nippers season ended on March 8<sup>th</sup> with our presentation and BBQ to finish off the season. With so many Nippers now at South Curly, holding the presentation in our hall presents quite a logistical challenge. For the last couple of years we have split into two groups with the U6 & U7 kids getting in first. This then gives them first crack at sampling Zulu's gourmet sausage sandwiches out on the deck. This arrangement has worked reasonably well and I thank all the kids and parents for their patience as we move through each group.

In each age group from U8 – U14 Medals are given out for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> based on performance, attendance & attitude for boys and girls. All of these awards were presented on the day with the exception of the U14's who were fighting out positions as part of the Club Championships that were also held on March 8<sup>th</sup>. As a result these Medals were presented at the Club Presentation night on May 9<sup>th</sup> along with the Nippers Champion award which is a perpetual trophy given to the most outstanding Nipper for the season from the U14 group. Congratulations to this years winner, Liam Yeates. \*\*

For the U14's they will now move into the senior club and are already active on Patrols. Many of them will be old enough to train for their Bronze medallion by the end of next season or the beginning of season 10/11 and most will continue to compete at Carnivals for SCC in the U15 events.

All the kids have now been into their winter sports for some weeks and we wish them all the best and hope to see them all back again next season.

### SCC Nippers at Australian Titles

Since our last news letter we have had a couple of Nippers compete at the Australian Titles in Perth. Liam and Joshua Yeates both travelled to Perth with Josh's Dad, Peter, and the rest of the South Curly senior team to compete at the Aussies. They competed in the U15's which is one year up for Liam and two years up for Josh. They both competed in the Ironman, Surf Swim, Board, Tube Swim and Board Rescue. Liam also competed in the 2km soft sand race - his first attempt at this event. From all reports both boys did very well and were unlucky not to move through to the finals. I am sure the experience gained will be invaluable when they compete at the 2010 Aussies in Kurrawa next year.

**Finally**, we have a very hard working, dedicated group at South Curly who work both with the kids and behind the scenes to make the operation of Nippers possible. I would like to thank everyone who has helped this season and ask any parents out there with the slightest interest, to come forward and ask where you can help out. You will find it is a very rewarding experience and any amount of help is greatly appreciated by all.

**Note: Look out for registration day on the 20<sup>th</sup> of September 2009.**



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## AGM Notification .....

Notice is hereby given that South Curl Curl SLSC will be holding its Annual General Meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2009 at the Surf Club. At this meeting, all positions will be declared vacant. Those interested in nominating for a position should contact the Executive to register their interest.

The agenda for the AGM is currently being finalised and will be communicated as per the Club's guidelines.

**NB.** A season's financial membership is from AGM to AGM. Financial members are encouraged to attend the AGM to take part in any decisions and/or changes proposed.

## Club Clothing .....

During the 'off-season' the club will be putting orders in for a variety of Club gear. Anyone interested in purchasing any of the following will need to give us the size they require and the number of each items to be ordered.

- Club Towel - \$40
- South Curly Polar Fleece – \$50 kids/adults (sizes 8/10/12 and S/M/L/XL/XXL)
- Kids Hoodies – \$25 unisex/girls - sizes 6/8/10/12/14
- Adult Hoodies – \$35 Mens/Ladies - sizes XS/S/M/L/XL/XXL
- Winter Bomber Jacket - \$185 (like Peter Yeates at Preso night, sizes M/L/XXL/XXXL)
- Caps - \$20
- Peak/Visor - \$15

You will be advised via email when your order has arrived, and payment can be made via the internet into the Club's bank account, by cash or by cheque. As we have had some issues with internet payments for Club gear in the past, goods cannot be collected until payment is made in full. Any Winter gear will be ordered by the end of May, so get your orders in asap.

T-Shirts will also be available at Curly Sound Waves.

If you would like to order something not on this list, please contact us at [lisa.settree@bigpond.com](mailto:lisa.settree@bigpond.com).



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## Next Season's Training .....

Next seasons patrols will require the following resources:

- HBI
- 3 x Bronze Holders
- IRB Driver
- IRB Crewman
- ARC Operator
- Defib Operator
- Spinal Care

Rather than have one person holding all the qualifications we would hope to put through a large number of ARC, defib, and spinal care people over the winter months. As the hall will be out of action from 11<sup>th</sup> May through until the end of June it is now anticipated that we will commence training in the early part of July.

Could anyone interested in undertaking this training please contact Spook or Bryn?

## On-line Registrations .....

South Curlly is hoping to introduce on-line membership renewals for the start of the 09/10 Season. This will allow members to complete and update details and make payments over the internet. You will just need to print and sign your declaration (and Prohibited Employment Declaration for adults), as every other year. Watch this space for more details.

## Introducing our new sponsor .....

"We are extremely proud to announce that we have become a contributor and Corporate sponsor of this fabulous club. Our history with the South Curl Curl club goes back to 1942 with my father's family. My grandmother, Marjorie Smyth, established the milk bar across the road on the ground level of the house at 41 Carrington Pde Curl Curl. This was back in 1949 to 1954. My daughter, Lara, has recently completed her first year as an under 5's Nipper and assisting the Age Coach throughout summer was fantastic. Therefore, we have found it to be a wonderful club filled with great people from great families supporting the local community of which we are heavily involved. Our sponsorship will be over the next three years and hopefully beyond. Any SCC SLSC Member is entitled to free property advice and a discount on their sale fee if they select to sell with SEA. To view all our current homes go to [www.smythstateagents.com.au](http://www.smythstateagents.com.au) or phone us on 9905 4100.

Kind Regards

James Smyth  
Director  
James Smyth Estate Agents



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## Inaugural South Curl Curl to Freshwater Ocean Swim .....

Congratulations must go to everyone involved for the outstanding success of the day. Given the surf conditions of the day before, we were fortunate that the seas dropped to allow the more than 170 competitors to compete in perfect conditions. The competitor feedback was great and really says it all. Here's what some of them wrote.....

### **Andy M said...**

*How GOOD was the South Curly to Freshie swim!!!! Given the pumping conditions on Saturday I thought it would be a wash out for sure, then turn up Sunday and its great conditions! Great course (and bouys!), bit of bump out to sea for some larks, water temp was still good and walking back from freshie in my speedos was refreshing and a nice treat for the morning walkers no doubt.*

*Who were the guys swimming back from Freshie though! That looked epic. Made me think how cool an out and back course would be. I.e. swim to freshie, get out, run round some flags and then back to south Curly!*

*Anyway, great race. I am going back to the UK next week so this is was my last Ocean race for the foreseeable future and what a CRACKER! Cheers to the organisers!*

### **Paul Anderssen said .....**

*Many thanks to all at scsc, a great swim with great organisation and heaps of fun!*

### **Graeme said...**

*South Curly was a great swim. I made sure I stopped a few times to take in the view. I've always wanted to swim around that headland and yesterday was great day for it. The course was well marked out which made for easy navigation.*

*The only bummer was getting stung half way round - in April! Just over 2k?*

### **Anonymous said...**

*I did the South Curl Curl swim and a little note to all those people out there who didn't do a swim this past weekend because of the weather, well you missed a great swim!*

*The water was absolutely the perfect temp, clear and inviting! The course was very well laid - great buoy placement and a cracking BBQ at the end up on the balcony surveying the beach.*

*I agree with Mr OS.C that these late seasons swims are great. South Curl Curl was definitely a winner in my book and a must for my 2010 swims calendar.*



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## **Richard Murray said...**

*Well done CurlyFresh for a big effort first-up. This swim had a really good feel to it. Good course, well laid out & patrolled. Kept us well out to sea to avoid the backwash from the swell, still managed to swallow a few gobfuls in the chop around the last headland. Navigation was easy, some useful headlands & tall buildings to aim for in line with the buoys. Still managed to put in the usual few dozen extra strokes by heading for the middle of the beach instead of finish line tucked into the northern corner, the blokes in the surf boat put me back on course.*

*Prescription goggles, maybe next year. Well done to the young volunteers who helped out with registrations and serving refreshments on the deck.*

## **Andy Myers said...**

*To the organisers of Sunday's swim You rock! That was such a GREAT swim. What a classic in the making. Point to points are always special but that was extra-special.*

*I am going back to the UK after living here for some time and was some grateful to finish it off with such brilliant ocean swim! Looks like I should have swum 7secs faster then I would have got third in the open ha-ha! Next time (though that may be some years:~)!*

*Thanks again to the organisers and SLSC safety crew - it really was great, I reckon this could really build into a very popular swim.*

## **Anonymous said .....**

*RE: The Sth Curly Ocean Swim. The Organisers of this swim sure know how to run a great Ocean Swim. These guys were so switched on even the race started on time, just like they said it would. I am sure many of us hate standing at the start line waiting and waiting for the organisers to get organised. Well Sth Curly, they did what they said they would and while most other Ocean Swim organisers are still working out what to do to get a race underway, we where well and truly in the water and on our way to the finish line with the Sth Curly Swim.*

*I wish the others could be this organised! Fantastic Course, Fantastic Organisation, Fantastic Pre-Race Briefing and what a Fantastic View once you finished and enjoyed the scenic walk back along the coastal walkway to Sth Curly at the end for the event BBQ and presentation. Well done Sth Curly for a fantastic ocean swim event and I am a definite for starting in their 2010 Ocean Swim. What Date? so I can put it in my diary! David*

And we couldn't have done it without our sponsors. Thanks again to Bendigo Bank, Roche and James Smyth Estate Agents for their generous support.





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## And then there was Lake Tabourie .....

During school holidays the South Curly 'family' – 156 of us anyway - went on a trip. Some of the other holiday makers in the Park wondered what was arriving as the surf craft seemed to keep coming and our numbers swelled. Lake Tabourie was the place for some well-earned fun, sun and relaxation after a hectic season for not only the members, but their families too.

And Lake Tabourie didn't let us down. It produced the magic that it seems to hold for South Curly once again, putting on perfect weather, varied surf conditions and even a few dolphins and penguins to boot! And with lots of down-time to relax and soak up the atmosphere, it was just what we all needed.

As the years have gone by more and more come along to enjoy, and everyone has a story to tell about our time away. Whether it be competing in the Reggie Stevens, soaking up the sun, reading a good book, comparing 'war wounds' – there seem to be a few injuries happening amongst those 'not 21 anymore' – jumping on the giant pillow, eating the copious amounts of bacon and eggs each morning, or watching a Marz and Viv - and Toby - evening slide-show special, we all seemed to get something out of our time away.

A couple of our seasoned Lake Tabourie crew put down in words pretty well what, I think, we all feel and get out of it. And if you need to ask when the next one is, check with Graham Opie and ask how many sleeps are left between now and then.

They said.....

*After the event you would have been Lake Tabourie'd*

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B BQ  
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A true South Curly holiday!





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But wait .... there's more .....

## INTERVIEW WITH RICARDO MOLINA

BP Ricardo Molina, welcome to the Green Room

R Oh, Brigado amigo, and how are you?

PB Very well, Ricardo. So – how was Indonesia?

R Oh man, it was fantastic – so much good surf, everywhere, man.

PB No troubles with the constabulary, the bandits or the Bali Belly?

R Not at all. The biggest problem is the sheer size of the crowd in the water – everywhere you go Half of Australia is over there at any given time; but to be fair, most of them never go for anything, so they're not a problem – except as stationary objects you have to paddle around to get on anything.

BP Nathan Knox says that them being on the wave already isn't a problem – for you, anyway.

R Hey, I'm a social guy, man. I like to drop in for a chin-wag. You have to keep your score up or they think we're getting soft. But truthfully, I never did before, but now, when I see Nathan, I feel I have to - as a matter of principle – try to keep him company on the wave, just so he'll have someone to talk to.

BP I hear he had a few words to say on your October patrol.

R Yeah man, to everybody. The staff in the Kiosk were in tears by the time he left – I guess he needed to straighten them out on a few things.

BP As you do... Black Jack says you never make it to Sunday morning events 'cause you know he'll give you a flogging in the board race.

R Mate, I'm a lover, not a fighter. But last time I went out with my friends, we went to the Hellfire Club and it was Black Jack up on the stocks getting the flogging, man. So when he talks about floggings... you better take him seriously!

BP My God, I never knew he was that sort of guy.

R Man, you should get out more often. They say BJ is a part owner of that club.

BP Dick says you're making a fortune cutting down the rain forest.



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R Mate, I need a fortune to pay for the Chinese and Vietnamese fish you have to buy here, because it is a total wilderness out in the water, everywhere – from Newcastle to Wollongong – since Dick got a tinny, a net, fishing line and a spear gun. Man, he's more devastating than the Japanese, Taiwanese and Indonesians all put together.

BP Tahiti and Brazil for Xmas?

R Man, it was fantastic! Waves and girls, man.

BP So, did you bring a little girly back to Oz this time?

R Oh man, I try not to mix my work and pleasure; but I promise you, if I do, you'll be the first to know.

BP Ricardo Molina, great talking to you.

R Obrigard... see you in the Green Room.

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