

Surf Life Saving Sydney Northern Beaches Inc

MINUTES

Annual General Meeting

Dee Why RSL Wednesday, August 5, 2009 Commencing at 7.30pm

1. Attendance

Executive & Staff: Gordon Lang (President), David Murray (Deputy President), Phil Cullis (Director of Finance & Administration), Steve Faddy (Director Rescue Services), Michael Bate (Director Surf Sports), Ross Tester (Director of Youth & Membership Development), Steve McInnes (Chief Executive Officer), Jen Huston, Sandy Menzies, Marcial Nunura, Sally Mulligan

Life Members: Barry Antella, Gary Cook, Peter Daley, Ernie Davis, Jenny Drury, Bill Goodman, Tony Haven, Jeffrey Hewitt, Bob Langbein, David Lawler OAM, Ken Leonard, Geoff Lyall, Andrew May, Simon Moriarty, Patricia Newton, David Piper OAM, Barrie Pitt, Neil Purcell OAM, Christopher Roberts, Richard (Mick) Griffin OAM.

Distinguished Service Members: Richard Anjelkovic, Gary Beauchamp, Robert Berry, Janine Black, Graham Cook, Steve Haggett, Thecla Haven, Robyn Holt, Raymond Isaacs, Tracey Lake, Kevin Martin, Michelle Rae, Bill Sheridan, Julie Sutton, David Torevell, Marianne Troop.

Outstanding Service Members: Sue Rossi (Collaroy)

Members of Parliament: Mike Baird (Member for Manly), Brad Hazzard (Member for Wakehurst), Rob Stokes (Member for Pittwater).

Surf Life Saving New South Wales: Tony Haven (President)

Councils: Adele Heaseman (Manly), Michael Regan (Warringah), Ian White (Pittwater)

Business Partners: Hartley Anderson (Coca-Cola), Graeme Liddell (Dee Why RSL), Jennifer Luff (Westpac), Andy Kidd (Westpac)

Club Presidents: Terry Kirkpatrick (North Palm Beach SLSC), Martin Armstrong (Whale Beach SLSC), Christine Hopton (Avalon Beach SLSC), Ted Smithies (Newport), John Woods (Mona Vale), Matt Sheridan (Warriewood), Michael McDermott (North Narrabeen), Tracey Lake (Narrabeen SLSC), Peter Madden (South Narrabeen SLSC), Greg MacMahon (Collaroy SLSC), Adrienne Lowe (Dee Why SLSC), Stephen Bennett (Freshwater SLSC), Damian O'Shannassy (North Steyne SLSC), David Piper OAM (Queenscliff SLSC), Robbie Williams (Manly LSC)

Guests: Carol Moss (Narrabeen Beach), Geoff Cooper (North Steyne), Patricia McDermott (North Narrabeen), Doug Menzies (Newport), Kevin Green (Warriewood), Jeanette Isaacs (Collaroy), Ken Passmore (South Narrabeen), John Lewis (Whale Beach), Joy Cullis (Whale Beach), Lloyd Lush (Bilgola), Peter Tompkins (Bilgola), John Fahey (Collaroy), Kay Lyall (Queenscliff), George Prescott (Queenscliff), Ian Jones (Bungan Beach), Neil Colman (North Curl Curl), Henry Scruton (Hunter Branch President), Rhonda Scruton (Hunter Branch CEO)

2. Apologies

Executive: Michael Wasley (Director of Education & Assessment), Alan Mason (Director of Sponsorship & Marketing)

Life Members: Michael Bartlett, Buster Brown, Ken Brown, Bert King, Jock Mackay, Gordon McNaughton, Keith Smith, Glenn Langley, George McRobert

Distinguished Service: Tony Abbott, Michael Byrnes, Keith Crampton, Doug Crane, Patricia Giles, Colin Gray, David Hay MBE, Jean Hay AM, Don Imison, June King, David Olsen, Barbara Smith, Craig Susans.

Councils: Jean Hay AM (Manly Mayor), David James (Mayor Pittwater Council), Henry Wong (Manly Council), Rik Hart (Warringah Council), Mark Ferguson (Pittwater Council)

Parliamentarians: Hon. Tony Abbott MP (Member for Warringah), Hon. Bronwyn Bishop (Member for Mackellar)

Surf Life Saving Australia: Ron Rankin (President), Brett Williamson (CEO)

Surf Life Saving New South Wales: Phil Vanny (CEO)

Club Presidents: Phil Brown (Bungan Beach), Bryn Russell (South Curl Curl), Geoff Raper (Bilgola)

Sponsors: Trevor Seymour (Manly Daily)

Guests: Greg Punch (Dee Why), John De Cean (Sydney Branch President)

3. Adoption of Minutes of 49th Annual General Meeting

3.1 Business Arising

Nil

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4. President Opening Address

4.1 The Branch President welcomed all guests and thanked special guests Mike Baird (Member for Manly), Brad Hazzard (Member for Wakehurst), Rob Stokes (Member for Pittwater), Adele Heaseman (Manly), Michael Regan (Warringah), Ian White (Pittwater). Life Members: Barry Antella, Gary Cook, Peter Daley, Ernie Davis, Jenny Drury, Bill Goodman, Tony Haven, Jeffrey Hewitt, Bob Langbein, David Lawler OAM, Ken Leonard, Geoff Lyall, Andrew May, Simon Moriarty, Patricia Newton, David Piper, Barrie Pitt, Neil Purcell, Christopher Roberts, Mick Griffin and Distinguished Service members - Richard Anjelkovic, Gary Beauchamp, Robert Berry, Janine Black, Graham Cook, Steve Haggett, Thecla Haven, Robyn Holt, Raymond Isaacs, Tracey Lake, Kevin Martin, Michelle Rae, Bill Sheridan, David Torevell, Marianne Troop for attending.

The President gave a presentation as an overview to the past season and thanked the Branch Executive and Branch Staff for an outstanding effort.

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5. Presentation of 49th Annual Report and Audited Financial Statement

- 5.1 Branch President, Gordon Lang presented the 2008/2009 Annual Report.
**Motion put forward to adopt the 2008/2009 Annual Report by Gordon Lang; Seconded by Ken Passmore (South Narrabeen)
2008/2009 ANNUAL REPORT ADOPTED**
- 5.2 Director of Administration and Finance, Phil Cullis spoke on the Financial Statements, and invited any questions from the floor.
**Motion put forward to adopt the 2008/2009 Audited Financial Report by Phil Cullis;
Seconded by Tracey Lake (President Narrabeen Beach SLSC)
2008/2009 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT ADOPTED**

6. Affiliation

- 6.1 The Branch seeks to formally affiliate with Surf Life Saving New South Wales and Surf Live Saving Australia Ltd and further that the Branch agrees to abide by the Constitutions, Rules and Regulations and Policies, and resolutions together with the awards and equipment of Surf Life Saving New South Wales and Surf Life Saving Australia.

**Proposed by Gordon Lang (President), seconded by Greg MacMahon (President, Collaroy SLSC)
MOTION CARRIED**

7. Guest Speakers

- 7.1 Rob Stokes, Member for Pittwater; spoke on behalf of Surf Life Saving within the Pittwater area, and noted it was an honour to be involved with the surf life saving community.
- 7.2 Brad Hazzard, Member for Wakehurst thanked all 21 surf clubs for their effort and noted it was a pleasure to support them
- 7.3 Adele Heaseman, Deputy Mayor for Manly Council; thanked all surf life savers and noted their efforts were greatly appreciated.
- 7.4 Michael Regan, Mayor for Warringah; thanked the Branch President and Chief Executive officer for their time and support during the new administration and was looking forward to working together in the future.
- 7.5 Councillor Ian White for Pittwater; spoke on the enormous saving to Pittwater Councils for weekend patrols and noted surf life saving connects the community with training, education and youth development
- 7.6 Mike Baird, Member for Manly; spoke on the achievements of surf life saving and noted it was the heart and soul of the community.
- 7.7 Tony Haven, President Surf Life Saving New South Wales spoke on behalf of Surf Life Saving and congratulated the 21 clubs of their efforts, he noted the Sydney Northern Beaches was celebrating it's 50th Year this season and passed on his congratulations on behalf of SLSNSW..
- 7.8 The Branch President acknowledged the support from all politicians and councils and presented each with a book of appreciation.
- Rob Stokes (Member for Pittwater)
 - Brad Hazzard, Member for Wakehurst
 - Adele Heaseman, Deputy Mayor for Manly Council
 - Michael Regan, Mayor for Warringah
 - Councillor Ian White for Pittwater
 - Mike Baird, Member for Manly
 - Tony Haven (SLSNSW)
- The President also thanked The Hon. Bronwyn Bishop (Member for Mackellar) who was unable to attend.
- 7.9 Henry Scruton (Hunter Branch President) spoke on behalf of other Branches and noted it was incredible to see the support shown to Surf Life Saving Sydney Northern Beaches, he further noted other Branches in New South Wales were often in awe of the effort the Northern Beaches Branch put in.
- 7.10 Tracey Lake (President, Narrabeen Beach SLSC), spoke on behalf of the other Northern Beaches Presidents and thanked the Branch and Executive and staff for a wonderful job done, Tracey thanked all members and clubs for their wonderful effort throughout the season.
- 7.11 Graeme Liddell, Director Dee Why RSL; congratulated the Branch on the presentation of the report and noted Dee Why RSL would continue to support Surf Life Saving Sydney Northern Beaches.
- 7.12 The President spoke of the achievements within the Branch for the past season and spoke of the collectiveness and strengths of all

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clubs and members which makes the Branch what it is. The President spoke of how proud he was of the achievements of the Branch and noted surf clubs started for the community and now form an important part of the community, he further noted how surf life saving was extending the range of awards to cater to all members.

The President and thanked all the current Branch partners who were acknowledged earlier in the year at the May Presentation Evening; Streets, Coca Cola, EnergyAustralia, DHL, Warringah Mall, Unomedical, Manly Daily, Bennett Boards, North Sydney TAFE, Thredbo, Dee Why RSL; and welcomed new sponsors The Motor Accidents Authority and Westpac. The new sponsorship for MAA will enable the Surf Life Saving School to train 10,000 school children in getting to the beach safely, staying safe in the water and getting home safely. Ongoing discussions with Westpac should see new initiatives which will benefit all clubs and members.

7.13 The Branch President thanked the Branch facilitators with a small gift of appreciation for their work;

- Louise Lindop
- Gary Beauchamp
- Marianne Troop
- David Torevell
- Terence Boardman
- Michael Wasley
- Clare Hagon
- Barry Antella
- Sandy Menzies
- Jonathon Farrell
- Shannon Job

7.14 The Branch President thanked Clubs for use of their facilities for regular Branch Courses/Meetings

- North Curl Curl SLSC (Monthly ARC exams)
- Dee Why SLSC (Monthly Board of Surf Sports and Board of Education & Assessment meetings)
- Warriewood SLSC (Monthly Board of Management meetings and various training courses)
- North Palm Beach (Rescue Water Craft training)
- Mona Vale SLSC (Various training courses)
- Newport SLSC (Various training course)
- Queenscliff SLSC (Various training course)

8. General Business

8.1 Nil

Meeting closed – 8.25pm