

**Surf Life Saving Sydney Northern Beaches**  
**Board of Management Tuesday 7th April 2009**  
 Warriewood SLSC

**ATTENDANCE**

Gordon Lang (President), David Murray (Deputy President), Michael Wasley (Director of Education and Assessment), Steve Faddy (Director Rescue Services), Michael Bat (Director Surf Sports), Alan Mason (Director Sponsorship & Marketing), Ross Tester (Director Youth & Membership Development, Steve McInnes (CEO), Jen Huston (Manager), Damian O'Shannassy (North Steyne), David Piper OAM (Queenscliff), Bryn Russell (South Curl Curl), Ian Thurgood (North Curl Curl), Adrienne Lowe (Dee Why), Doug Lucas (Long Reef), Greg MacMahon (Collaroy), Tracey Lake (Narrabeen Beach), Michael McDermott (North Narrabeen), John Woods (Mona Vale), Ted Smithies (Newport), Geoff Raper (Bilgola), Christine Hopton (Avalon Beach), Martin Armstrong (Whale Beach), Jason Millett (Palm Beach), Terry Kirkpatrick (North Palm Beach), Sally Mulligan – SNB Support Officer

Delegates and visitors as per attendance book.

**APOLOGIES**

Phil Cullis (Director of Administration & Finance), Robbie Williams (Manly), Peter Madden (South Narrabeen), Matt Sheridan (Warriewood), John Lewis (Whale Beach), John Swan (Freshwater), Phil Brown (Bungan Beach),

**PROXIES**

Allan Tier (Manly), Peter Byrne (Warriewood), Graham Cook (Narrabeen Beach), David Olsen (Freshwater).

**NEW DELEGATES**

Isabel Gavin (Whale Beach), Shane Stewart (Long Reef)

**PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**Branch Board of Management Minutes of 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2009.** - Carried

Outstanding actions and Business Arising from Minutes - as per Attached Board Management Report

**MINUTES**

Item	Area	Discussion	Action	Date
1589	General	One minutes silence was observed to commemorate the passing of Kevin Berry from Bilgola SLSC	Info	n/a
1590	General	Presentation was given by Paul Mulley from Sydney Water regarding free water audits available to Clubs and grants available to clubs when installing water saving devices. A copy of the presentation will be emailed to clubs. Clubs were concerned about Council Approval for devices such as water tanks as a number of clubs have had grants approved previously but were unable to use as council would not allow. It was suggested a joint pitch from Sydney Water and SLSA to the Councils should be made. Clubs were advised there were additional funds also available for water saving devices.. Auditing process takes only one month, clubs would have a full report back to them by August. Clubs cannot apply for work already done only for future works. Clubs should contact Paul Mulley on ( <a href="mailto:paul.mulley@sydneywater.com.au">paul.mulley@sydneywater.com.au</a> ) President requested clubs keep Branch informed of applications.	Club Presidents	n/a
1591	General	Sally Mulligan was introduced as the Sydney Northern Beaches Support Officer, Sally gave an overview of her role and advised clubs she was here to help them. President advised Sally would initially be focusing on youth and membership development with clubs.	Info	n/a
1592	General	President advised the upcoming Westpac meeting had been deferred to 14 <sup>th</sup> May , 4.30pm for a 5.00pm start at the Frenchs Forest office. Queenscliff noted they had paid over \$4000 in Eftpos fees. Palm Beach	Club Presidents	14 <sup>th</sup> May

		President advised Westpac were very keen to work with their local community but clubs should be pragmatic in what is asked for.		
1593	General	President advised the next Presidents Dinner was scheduled for Tuesday April 28, if Presidents can advise Branch if this date is suitable.	Club Presidents	21st April
1594	General	Deadline for nominations for the SLSNSW Awards of Excellence is Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> April, club nominations must be endorsed by Branch before being submitted	Club Presidents	9th April
1595	General	2020 Workshop is scheduled for 16 <sup>th</sup> May, only 3 clubs have advised they will be attending, President requested all clubs RSVP, it is anticipated 2 members of each club attend.	Club Presidents	21st April
1596	General	Pittwater Council Volunteer of the Year Award nominations close of Thursday April 9 <sup>th</sup> , only two nominations from Pittwater clubs have been received to date.	Club Presidents	9th April
1597	General	President congratulated Michael Bate on being named the Australian Team Manager, President also noted Sydney Northern Beaches have five members of the Team	Info	n/a
1598	Surf Sports	Director brought clubs attention to Item 1576. It is a general SLSA policy that clubs conducting events with non-member must fill out a Special Event form to ensure competitors are covered by their insurance. SLSNSW will send out memo regarding clubs conducting events without proper insurance. Clubs holding an event with another organisation should ensure they sight the policy. A waterways or aquatic license is also required for any event sanctioned by SNB. Director will circulate check list for events. President congratulated the Director and the BoSS committee on their organisation.	Director Surf Sports	5th May
1599	Rescue Services	Director noted there had been no patrol breaches since the last BoM meeting.	Info	n/a
1600	Rescue Services	Director advised he had attended the Local Emergency Management meeting where it was discussed NSW Ambulance will be extending services to include area paramedics with the aim to keep people out of hospital emergency departments. It is envisioned the ambulance will attend initially and then the patient will be handed over to a paramedic for observation, it is thought this will be in place next season. Question was raised on where the paramedics will tend to the patient, Director advised this was to be clarified but hoped clubs would enable the use of First Aid rooms.	Info	n/a
1601	Sponsorship & Marketing	Motor Accidents Authority has agreed to one year's sponsorship for the Surf School. This will enable the school to extend their programs by giving free Surf Safety talks in schools. The MAA funds will be used to pay staff to do these programs and at the same time promote the school's other programs. The sponsorship will be evaluated after one year.	Info	n/a
1602	Sponsorship & Marketing	A briefing paper for the Branch's new online business directory the "Red & Yellow Pages" was attached. This is an online service directory which will enable club members to list their business on the website for \$100 per annum. Once Branch has recovered set-up costs the subscription fee will be shared with clubs. To be launched early May.	Info	n/a
1603	Sponsorship & Marketing	Director advised sponsors must be looked after if we are to retain sponsorship funding, the Director proposed employing a part-time Marketing & Sponsorship person, a job description was attached and it was hoped the position could be recruited from within the clubs.	Info	n/a
1604	General	President advised SLSNSW President was recuperating and passed on the Branch's best wishes.	Info	n/a
1605	General	President advised that he had held discussions with State Members Mike Baird and Rob Stokes regarding the Corporations Act as it applies to Clubs. President raised concerns about the impacts of the legislation on Clubs and has gained their support to lobby for an exemption for Surf Clubs. Currently	Info	n/a

		being debated in the Upper House. Once further information has been received a copy will be sent to all clubs.		
1606	General	President advised every club will be receiving a letter from the Finance Taskforce regarding their annual reporting. The letter will be a guide as to the requirements from Department of Gaming & Racing and the Department of Fair Trading. Branch will also receive a copy of these letters. President requested clubs who are complying to allow their reports to be used as a template for other clubs. Manly LSC and North Steyne will provide their template whenever needed.	Info	n/a
1607	Education	Queenscliff President raised the question of centralised exams. Director of Education advised he was waiting on feedback from all clubs before bringing to the BoM. To date he only has comments from 13 clubs - once he has all the feedback a recommendation will be brought before the BoM for consideration. Queenscliff President noted the centralised exams may suit smaller clubs but would not suit larger ones, and as such would strongly oppose having centralised exams. Director advised he had noted this and it should be raised at the Education & Assessment meeting which will be held 16 <sup>th</sup> April	Info	n/a
1608	General	Narrabeen Beach President requested if clubs could come back at the next meeting regarding Warringah issues. Narrabeen President noted clubs would be better off asking for a 99 year lease from Crown Lands Department rather than dealing with the Local Government. Narrabeen Beach President asked for clubs to consider their position and come back with a decision to support or oppose. Clubs asked for information to be circulated beforehand so they had a better understanding of the issues.	Club President	5 <sup>th</sup> May
1609	General	It was noted the enormous amount of work honorary photographer Bill Sheridan does for us and it was generally felt something should be done to show the club's and Branch appreciation of this.	CEO	5 <sup>th</sup> May

Meeting closed at 8.50pm