



Stingray News

December 2015

FROM THE EXECUTIVE

We are almost half way through our season already and we hope it has been an enjoyable first half for all of our members.

Our U6 and U7 nippers have once again joined in the fun of the annual Deepwater Plaza Santa Parade (see photo on page 2)

Our Nippers, Seniors and Masters competitors have participated in many events over the past few months with excellent results. See our Surf Sports section for further information.

Two of our Senior members will be embarking on an adventurous journey as part of their Gold Award for Duke of Edinburgh (see full story on page 2)

Our Education Department have been training our new recruits for Bronze Medallion, SRC, IRB crew and IRB driver. Their dedication to this task and our members is much appreciated.

Our Club Christmas Party will be on Sunday 20th December commencing at 4pm, which is the last day for Nippers this year and starting back again on the 3rd January.

On behalf of the Executive Team we would like to wish all of our members and their families a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. We look forward to seeing you all on the beach over the holidays. Remember to stay safe and swim between the flags this holidays.

President – Paul Sharpe

Vice President – Jan Harding

Treasurer – Tim Leggett

Club Captain – Jess Thomas



Santa with our Junior Club Captains - Lachlan McLeod and Grace Talty

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Deepwater Plaza Tent

Thank you to our Sponsor Deepwater Plaza for their donation of a large club tent.

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Latest news

DEEPWATER PLAZA SANTA PARADE

A big thank you to Ashlee Dean who drove our tractor, towing the surf club boat to the annual Deepwater Plaza Santa Parade recently. A lot of the Under 6 and Under 7 nippers came along to enjoy the fun activities organised by Deepwater Plaza. Umina has been taking part in this parade for many years and in turn for supporting this event, Deepwater Plaza have this year donated a large tent to be used at our beach.



GOODBY AND GOODLUCK

We would like to wish all the best to one of our favourite families of, Paul Farmilo, Angie Radford, Alec Radford and little Willow. Due to work commitments they are moving down the south coast but have assured us that they will be joining Moruya SLSC to keep up their lifesaving skills. The family will be very much missed as they have been a great asset to Umina SLSC but knowing Alec he will be keeping in touch with his Umina club friends.



SLSNSW Race Day

Umina SLSC hired a bus to take approx. 30 members and friends to the SLSNSW Race Day on 5th December at Randwick. From what we have heard the ladies were all glammed up and the guys were not outclassed. Not sure if anyone had made their fortune but a good time had by all. Apparently some are still waiting for their horses to cross the line!



Using sea kayaks they will endeavour to achieve this over 4 days, at a total of 53kms. Along the way they plan to stay overnight at 3 different surf clubs. Both girls have been meticulously planning this trip for the past 6 months. Factors they had to consider were things like Training, Water Safety, Food and hydration provisions whilst at sea, weather and tides as well as alternative back up plans should the weather turn nasty. Back up crews and support vehicles are being organised but they are open to offers for support from other groups.

UMINA MEN'S SHED

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our Club member Billy Ide and his band of merry men who have graciously restored two of our surf club reels. These men give up their personal time to help the peninsular community in various capacities and are appreciated by us. During the State Titles over the past 3 years they have stood beside our work parties and offered help whenever they could.



The girl's safety has been the primary concern with Umina SLSC supplying Inflatable rubber boats, along with several senior experienced ski paddlers giving up their time. A roster has been organised for them to accompany the girls on various legs of the trip. Other clubs are encouraged to support them along the route if they so desire.

This has been a huge team effort from many of our Umina SLSC members. Both girls have given a lot of themselves to our club in the form of competition, assisting young nippers and voluntary patrol duties, so it is fitting that many of our club members come together to help them achieve their goals.

We wish for good tail winds and smooth seas.

THE DUKE REPORT

On Monday 11th January, 2016 two of our young Umina SLSC members, Savannah Paterson and Mollie Murphy will undertake an adventurous journey of a life time to complete their Gold Award for Duke of Edinburgh. The two girls will paddle from the The Lakes Surf Club our most northern surf club in the Central Coast Branch to Umina Surf Club the most southern.

SURF SPORTS COMPETITION

So far....

This season Umina Nippers, Seniors and Masters have been competing in the following carnivals;

- ➔ Avoca U12 to Opens
- ➔ Toowoong Bay Beach for Jnrs, Snrs & Masters
- ➔ Newcastle Permanent Iron Person Series
- ➔ Terrigal Junior Carnival
- ➔ Toowoong Bay Junior Carnival
- ➔ Kracka Iron Person Challenge
- ➔ Sydney Water Series
- ➔ Nutty Masters



Interbranch Team News

Congratulations to the list below of Umina Competitors who have been chosen to represent the Central Coast Branch at the upcoming NSW Interbranch Carnival. This is an annual event and this year will be held on the weekend of 12th and 13th December at Cape Hawke SLSC. Our Central Coast Team will wear traditional Yellow Skull Cap with Blue Swimwear.

The event is based on competitors ranging from the Under 12 to Opens and the overall results from the two days are tallied for a final point score championship.

This season Umina has eight competitors representing the Central Coast and from memory this is the largest number ever from this club. Credit must be given to the competitors, their coaches and families and we wish them every success and enjoyment.

U12 Kiara Jack, U14 Kirsten Miller and Lachlan Braddish, U15 Bradman Best, U17 Mimi Henderson, Gemma Smith, Harry Braddish and competing up in the Opens is Rachel Wood.

BOATIES NEWS

Thank you to Grant Stringer who has taken on the role of Surf Sweep for our Ladies Crew consisting of; Ashlee Dean, Megan Langford, Lauren Swain and Lara Reineker.

The crew are racing competitively in the Streets Series and came second overall at the Ocean Beach Carnival. They next head off to Hawks Nest to compete on 13th December 2015.

If anyone would like to have a go at rowing either competitively or socially and is proficient in their Bronze Medallion award please contact Grant on his mobile 0457 697 807.



NIPPER NEWS

Newcastle Perm

Well done to all those that have participated in the Newcastle Permanent Iron Person Challenge.

Results from Round 3 are in and the top 12 from each age group are eligible for the Exhibition event on 20th December. Umina will have 12 competitors compete! (top 6 competitors receive cash prize).

Round 3 results;

U11 – Finlay Healey 6th, Mackenzie Perry 7th

U12 – Kiara Jack 2nd, Erin Scahill 10th, Maia Darwin 12th

U14 – Kirsten Miller 4th, Leilani Healey 8th, Lachlan Braddish 1st, Kai Darwin 12th

U17 – Jasmine Darwin 2nd, Mimi Henderson 3rd, Jazmyn Rodwell 7th

We wish them all goodluck at the final round at Newcastle. The final results of the overall winners will be announced on the day

Gardner Iron Person

Just to remind nippers that just after the Christmas break there is the Gardner Ironperson event to be held on 3rd January at Wamberal Beach. This is for all Nippers in the Under 9's and up and does include board relay teams. The entry flyer is on our website with all the details.

SENIORS

Training is coming along well and attendance numbers are up! The Club Training calendar is on our website in the Surf Sports Section.

Please be reminded that Brett Harrod is our Club Coaching Officer and any coaching issues should be discussed with him.

Just a reminder to competitors that if you are planning to compete in any competition as from 31st December you should have your proficiency done and also your competition hours as required. Competition hours are from 1st January 2015 till 31st December 2015.

Also all members are to be current members – registration as per our current constitution is by end of October annually.

Central Coast Board & Ski Series

- ➔ Round 1 19th December gam @ Terrigal Beach
- ➔ Round 2 10th January 1pm @ Avoca Beach
- ➔ Round 3 6th February gam @ Umina Beach (helper's may be required)
- ➔ U14/15's Board only other Board & Ski U17, U19, Opens and Masters

Sydney Water Series

- ➔ Lachlan Braddish 1st overall U14
- ➔ Mimi Henderson 1st overall U17
- ➔ Harry Braddish 2nd overall U17 in beach events
- ➔ Gemma Smith 2nd overall U17

Congratulations to the above competitors and well done to all of our competitors that travelled the many kilometres down south to compete. Thanks to the parents too!

Major out of Branch Carnivals in January 2016

- ➔ Saturday 23rd Manly – Opens
- ➔ Sunday 24th Freshwater – U15 & Opens
- ➔ Monday 25th Manly Nipper Nats
- ➔ Tuesday 26th Cronulla Ironperson

Flyers on our website calendar.

MASTERS

Congratulations to all the Masters who have been 'Having a Go!' lately, especially those who gained their Bronze last season.

Thanks to Julie Jowett for all her help with our Beach Competitors! We are on track again for good results leading up to State.

Our next local carnival is on 9th January at Killcare. Please let Rick or Christine know asap if you are planning to compete so that we can organise teams and equipment. Entry fee can be paid via your Members Portal account or Payment Gateway alternatively to Jan or Phil Harding at the surf club.

A reminder that the first round of the Board & Ski Series is on in 10 days time at Terrigal.

Entry is free and online at:

<http://www.slscc.com.au/surf/contentMod.php?id=98>

TRAINING & EDUCATION

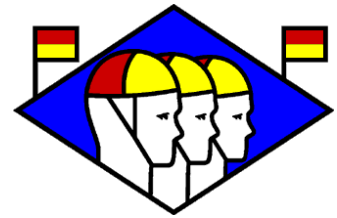
So far this season we have 25 members completing the Bronze Medallion Course with a couple doing in depth components. Thank you to our trainers, Vicki and Natasha Swain, Lyndi Leggett and Steve Dixon for their input and of course our CTO – Bob Powell.

We also have 7 Rookies completing their Surf Rescue Certificate with Pam Edmonds, a big thankyou to Pam.

Currently we have 13 IRB Crew and 5 Driver Award trainee members, once they have completed this course they will boost up our patrol skills. Thanks to our trainers Peter Saxby, Stephen Reid and Jarryd Edmonds.

Bronze Medallion 2016 Course

The next Bronze Medallion Information and Induction Session will be held on Sunday 31st January 2016. If you have any questions prior to this date about the Bronze course or any other life saving education opportunities please contact Bob Powell – bob.surf@bigpond.net.au.



LIFE SAVING & PATROL INFO

As you may be aware by now all requals are being conducted whilst members are on patrols. If you have not done this as yet please contact your Patrol Captain or our Club Captain Jess Thomas asap.

For those members who are NOT on an allocated patrol but are doing Water Safety please contact Warren Whitney as you need to requal by 31st December 2015 also. It is MOST important to requal your Bronze Medallion as we have a duty of care to our members and the public.

Patrol Subs - If you are not able to find a substitute for your patrol please contact Jess Thomas to arrange for a message to be sent out via Surfguard.

If anyone has any concerns please do not hesitate to contact the Club Captain Jess Thomas – jessthomas257@gmail.com or Vice Club Captain Steve Thomas – thomoshere@gmail.com.

MEMBER NEWS

Don't be afraid to go online!!

Yes, you can look up your rostered patrol hours, your award information, lifesaving history and much more! This is helpful for those that need to check their proficiencies or need copies of their awards.

Members can now renew their membership online at the [Members Portal](#) by creating an account then clicking on the Lifesaving Online tab. You can also create a Family Group by adding your family members to one account.

All payments to the Surf Club can be made via the [Payment Gateway](#) with their credit card. This will automatically email you a receipt. You can also make payments through your Members Portal account and clicking on the Make a Payment tab which takes you to the Payment Gateway.

SOCIAL NEWS

To all Nipper Parents,

Sunday 20 Dec is our annual #uminaslsc Nipper Christmas Party. Bring a chair and picnic rug and find a space on the grass area for a fun filled afternoon.

Kick off – 4pm till late

Spit Roast dinner will be served. \$25 family meal (2 adults/2kids) \$10 adults, \$5 kids. Bar open downstairs.

Remember to bring a small present for each of your children for Santa to deliver.

There will be a bag for each age group upstairs in the surf club on Sunday morning so please put in the age appropriate bag with your child's name along with any presents for your other children

Enquiries Harold – 0409073297 or nippers@uminaslsc.org.au



Message from our JAC...

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!!!!

Every year we start our Christmas message by thanking you all for bringing your children along each week to Nippers and allowing us to share our knowledge and love of the beach. And this year is no different, so a big THANKYOU.

We have almost 400 registered Nippers (plus another 600 adult members) and it takes a huge effort from everyone in this great club to keep it running as "smoothly" as it does. Should you want to get involved in any of our activities be it Nippers on Sunday, social, fundraising etc please see me, as many hands make light work.

What a busy and fun first half of the season. As we are coming up to the festive season and school holidays I'd like to advise of our Nipper / Social schedule.

20th December - Nippers 8.45 as per normal.

Annual Surf Club Christmas Party on the green @ Umina SLSC 4pm till late.

27th December – NO Nippers (enjoy the weekend off)

3rd January – Nippers commences

******There will NO board/swim training sessions for Nippers 22nd Dec till 8th Jan******

Our Surf Club is run by a large number of volunteers. At this point I would like to thank all the Coaches, Age Managers, Age Secretaries, Registrars, Water Safety, IRB Drivers and Parents for their tireless efforts in making Umina SLSC the best Surf Club on the Coast.

"The heart of a volunteer is not measured in size, but by the depth of the commitment to make a difference in the lives of others"

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays from the Umina Surf Club Age Managers and Secretaries

Should you ever have any questions please don't hesitate to contact Harold on 0409073297 or nippers@uminaslsc.org.au

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