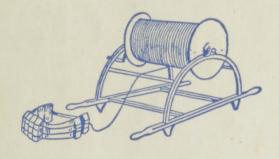
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| AVALON                    | 82   | _            |         | 32      |            |       | 9        | 3    | 7    | 180    | 29   | 35   | 600                   | 62     | 98     | 1930       |
| BILGOLA                   | 15   |              |         | 23      | 1          | 4     | 24       | 3    | _    | 90     | 13   | 29   | 222                   | 55     | 40     | 1949       |
| DINGIN                    | 3    |              |         | 3       | _          | 4     | _        | _    | _    | 16     | 3    | 2    | 62                    | 15     | 31     | 1953       |
| COLLAROY                  | 45   | 3            | 4       | 50      | _          | 100   | 13       | 4    | 13   | 479    | 66   | 50   | 150                   | 104    | 100    | 1911       |
| DEE WHY                   | 43   | 5            | 2       | 19      | 1          | 300   | 11       | 2    | 6    | 873    | 124  | 136  | 1000                  | 70     | 110    | 1912       |
| FRESHWATER                | 20   | _            | _       | 40      | _          | 190   | 16       | 3    | 3    | 967    | 149  | 73   | 2300                  | 148    | 157    | 1907       |
| LONG REEF                 | 4    | _            | 1       | 3       | 1          | 19    | 6        |      | _    | 46     | 7    | 4    | 400                   | 38     | 37     | 1950       |
| MANLY                     | 23   | 3            | _       | 36      | _          | _     | 36       | 13   | 9    | 1118   | 165  | 30   | 700                   | 129    | 133    | 1911       |
| MONA VALE                 | 21   | _            | _       | 9       |            | 34    | 4        | _    | 6    | 227    | 30   | 11   | 700                   | 35     | 16     | 1922       |
| NEWPORT                   | 20   | 1            | 8       | 30      | 4          | 97    | 22       | 1    | 1    | 300    | 33   | 27   | 680                   | 57     | 35     | 1911       |
| NORTH CURL CURL           | 8    | _            | _       | 14      | _          | _     | 9        | 2    | 10   | 403    | 59   | 57   | 900                   | 65     | 33     | 1922       |
| NORTH NARRABEEN           | 17   | _            | -       | 6       | 4          | 120   | _        | 2    | 5    | 706    | 83   | 22   | 1200                  | 115    | 87     | 1912       |
| NORTH PALM BEACH          | 40   | 4            | _       | 15      | _          | 9     | 11       | 2    | _    | 102    | 15   | 7    | 500                   | 31     | 70     | 1946       |
| NORTH STEYNE              | 9    | _            | _       | 25      |            | 6     | 24       | 5    | 4    | 859    | 134  | 70   | 900                   | 155    | 50     | 1907       |
| PALM BEACH                | 31   |              | 2       | 17      | _          | 112   | 21       | 1    | 3    | 425    | 61   | 5    | 650                   | 109    | 364    | 1921       |
| QUEENSCLIFFE              | 53   | _            |         | 30      |            | _     | 16       | _    | 3    | 660    | 145  | 55   | 200                   | 138    | 112    | 1924       |
| SOUTH CURL CURL           | 14   | _            | 1       | 45      | _          | 158   | 10       | 1    | 1    | 308    | 51   | 49   | 1200                  | 69     | 57     | 1918       |
| SOUTH NARRABEEN           | 24   |              | 1       | 5       | 4          | 82    | 4        | 4    | _    | 244    | 39   | 9    | 700                   | 39     | 20     | 1924       |
| WARRIEWOOD                | 8    | _            |         | 12      | _          | _     | 6        | 1    | _    | 67     | 14   | 5    | 750                   | 38     | 18     | 1950       |
| WHALE BEACH               | 12   | 1            | 3       | 15      | _          | 25    | 19       | _    | 3    | 151    | 26   | 16   | 1300                  | 51     | 140    | 1937       |
| SOUTHSIDE                 |      |              |         |         |            |       |          |      |      |        |      |      |                       |        |        |            |
| BONDI                     | 32   | 1            | _       | 15      | 2          | _     | 23       | 2    | _    | 1026   | 210  | 130  | 1000                  | 188    | 415    | 1906       |
| BRONTE                    | 36   | _            | 6       | 11      | _          | _     | 11       | 3    | 7    | 778    | 117  | 70   | 340                   | 197    | 102    | 1903       |
| BURNING PALMS             | 3    | _            |         | 3       | _          | 15    | _        | _    | _    | 71     | 8    | 4    | 185                   | 15     | 20     | 1939       |
| CLOVELLY                  | _    | _            | _       | 3       | _          | 194   | 5        | 1    | _    | 446    | 59   | 22   | 660                   | 92     | 153    | 1906       |
| COOGEE                    | 9    | _            | 1       | 2       | 2          | 2     | 23       | 5    | 3    | 1132   | 135  | 136  | 1449                  | 294    | 116    | 1907       |
| CRONULLA                  | 10   | 2            | 1       | 45      | _          | 1,542 | 33.      | 8    | 15   | 929    | 159  | 125  | 1200                  | 162    | -      | 1907       |
| ERA                       | 9    |              | 2       | 3       | _          | 80    | 5        | 1    | 1    | 120    | 20   | 4    | 360                   | 42     | 66     | 1937       |
| GARIE                     | 14   | 1            | 3       | 8       | 5          | 5     | 9        | 3    | 5    | 133    | 35   | 13   | 220                   | 57     | 28     | 1938       |
| MALABAR                   | _    | 1            | _       | 8       | _          | 86    | 13       | 2    | 1    | 155    | . 42 | 19   | 500                   | 68     | 21     | 1949       |
| MAROUBRA                  | 82   | 2            | 6       | 44      | 4          | 12    | 8        | 4    | 2    | 771    | 123  | 53   | 1840                  | 304    | 164.   | 1906       |
| NORTH BONDI               | 53   | 1            | 7       | 24      | _          |       | 19       | 6    | 6    | 983    | 159  | 69   | 1190                  | 239    | 332    | 1907       |
| NORTH CRONULLA            | 49   | 8            | 16      | 32      | 6          | 200   | 40       | 5    | 5    | 737    | 154  | 81   | 1200                  | 201    | 37     | 1925       |
| TAMARAMA                  | 67   | _            | _       | 7       | _          | 156   | 15       | 3    | 5    | 273    | 38   | 46   | 300                   | 116    | 61     | 1906       |
| WANDA                     | 53   | _            | _       | 23      | _          | 5     | 18       | 2    | 4    | 172    | 32   | 17   | 1000                  | 155    | 17     | 1946       |
| TOTALS:                   | 909  | 33           | 63      | 657     | 34         | 3,945 | 577      | 93   | 129  | 16047  | 2538 | 1483 | 28358                 | 3655   | 3240   |            |

# ATTENDANCE RECORD OF ELECTED DELEGATES AT SYDNEY BRANCH COUNCIL MEETINGS

| CLUB          | DELEGATE  | Pres. | Apol. | Absent | CLUB                 | DELEGATE   | Pres. | Apol. | Absent |
|---------------|---|-------|-------|--------|----------------------|--|-------|-------|--------|
| AVALON        | G. Sheehan D. Imison  |       | 1 2   | 5 1    | MAROUBRA             | D. Renford   |       | _     | 3      |
|               | R. Wood (Res. 13.12.56)   | 1     | -     | 2      | MONA VALE            | L. Paton (Expelled Feb. 1957)                                  | 1     | -     | 4      |
| BILGOLA       | K. Perry  |       | 6 2   | _      | NEWPORT              | B. Parkes  |       | 3     | 1 4    |
| BONDI         | J. V. Bradshaw  | 3     | 1     | 7      | NEWPORT              | R. Wilson  |       | 3     | 6      |
| DDONED        | A. E. Cook (Elec. Dec. 1956)  |       | 1     | 1      | NORTH BONDI          | R. Young (Res. May 1957)                                       |       | -     | 4      |
| BRONTE        | P. Doolan J. A. Ferguson (Elec. Feb. 1957)                            | 11 6  | 1     | _      |                      | R. Stewart (Elec. May 1957)<br>C. Christensen                  |       | -     | 2 –    |
|               | R. Boswarva (Res. Feb. 1957)  |       | -     | 4      | NORTH CRONULLA       | L. Johnson   |       | 4     | 3      |
| BUNGAN BEACH  | P. Hyde F. McCredie   |       | _     | 5 4    | NORTH CURL CURL      | B. G. Crisp  |       | 1     | 1 7    |
| BURNING PALMS | J. K. Vaughan   | 10    | -     | 1      | NONTH CORL CORL      | N. Draper  |       | _     | 1      |
| CLOVELLY      | R. Pymble   |       | 1     | 8      | NORTH NARRABEEN      | N. Ambrose   |       | -     | 1      |
| CLOVELLY      | B. Heavener B. Mortensen  | 6     | 1     | 5      | NORTH PALM BEACH     | N. R. Tucker   |       | 1 2   | 4 2    |
| COLLAROY      | I. Rylands  | 10    | -     | 1      | TOTALL TALLY DEFICIA | G. Wilson  |       | 3     | 3      |
| COOGEE        | R. N. Twight B. Jones   | 10    | 1 2   | 4      | NORTH STEYNE         | W. Terry W. Sutherland   |       | -     | 7 5    |
| COOGLL        | J. Sorrell  | 7 .   | 3     | 1      | PALM BEACH           | N. McLeay  |       | -     | 4      |
| CRONULLA      | R. W. Grant   |       | 1     | 1      |                      | B. Longhurst   |       | 1     | 5      |
| DEE WHY       | C. Meldrum  |       | 3     | 3 2    | QUEENSCLIFFE         | E. Patterson (Elec. May 1957)                                  |       | 1_    | 1 5    |
| DDB WIII      | B. E. Pitt  |       | 0     | -      |                      | C. Collett (Res. May 1957)<br>R. Brand                         |       | 1     | 3      |
| ERA           | J. Holloway J. Evans  |       | -     | 8 6    | SOUTH CURL CURL      | G. Mulray  |       | -     | 4 2    |
| FRESHWATER    | D. Liddy (Elec. March, 1957)<br>E. Taaffe                             | 9     | -     | 2 2    | SOUTH NARRABEEN      | D. J. Grimes   | 3     | 1     | 7 3    |
| GARIE         | L. Simpson (Res. March, 1957)   |       | -     | 3 5    | TAMARAMA             | J. Mayes (Res. March 1957)                                     |       | 2     | 3      |
| GANIE         | W. Molloy (Expelled Feb., 1957)<br>E. McElroy (Res. April, 1957)      |       | 1     | 4      |                      | R. V. Buist (Elec. Jan. 1957)                                  | 2     | 5     | 1 5    |
|               | B. Paten (Elec. May, 1957)  |       | 1     | - 1    |                      | H. Hourihan (Elec. March 1957) J. Wardell (Res. Jan. 1957)     | ,     | _     | 3      |
| LONG REEF     | K. Midson (Elec. May, 1957)<br>W. P. Connolly                         |       | 1     | 2      | WANDA                | E. Stephens  |       | -     | -      |
|               | H. Kesterton  | 2     | -     | 2      |                      | K. Glover  |       | -     | -      |
|               | R. G. Urquhart (Expelled Feb. '57) I. Campbell-Wilson (Expelled Feb.) | _     | _     | 4 4    | WARRIEWOOD           | A. Collins (Res.)  |       | 3     | 2      |
| MANLY         | H. Windshuttle  |       | 1     | 1      |                      | N. Godden  | 4     | 1     | 6      |
| MATADAD       | J. Windshuttle  | 2     | 3     | 6 8    | WHALE BEACH          | J. L. Clark (Elec. March 1957)<br>W. Saunders (Res. March 1957 |       | -     | 1      |
| MALABAR       | D. R. Duncan  | 3     | 1     | 7      |                      | O. Ramsay  |       | -     | î      |

# ATTENDANCE RECORD OF ELECTED OFFICERS AT SYDNEY BRANCH COUNCIL MEETINGS

| Name          | Position                            | Present           | Apologies | Absent |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|--------|
| C. MACK       | President                           | 9                 | 2         | -      |
| A. LOTON      | Deputy President                    | 11                | _         | -      |
| G. STAUNTON   | Secretary                           | 10                | 1         | -      |
| E. LAWLER     | Assistant Secretary                 | 10                | 1         | -      |
| W. THRELFO    | Treasurer                           | 9                 | 2         | -      |
| G. LINDSAY    | Assistant Treasurer                 | 9                 | 2         | _      |
| D. LUCAS      | Registrar                           | 10                | 1         | -      |
| J. COMANS     | Vice-President/Legal Officer        | 9                 | -         | 2      |
| J. DEMPSTER   | Vice-President                      | 10                | 1         | -      |
| J. R. GEARY   | Vice-President                      | 2                 | -         | 9      |
| C. RUDD       | Vice-President                      | 9                 | 1         | 1      |
| A. PATERSON   | Vice-President                      | 8                 | 3         | -      |
| J. VAUGHAN    | Vice-President                      | 10                | 1         | -      |
| C. GRAY       | Vice-President                      | 6                 | 1         | 4      |
| W. CRAIN      | Vice-President/Legal Officer        | 9                 | -         | 2      |
| T. ORMSBY     | Vice-President/Legal Officer        | 3                 | 1 .       | 7      |
| R. BARKER     | Vice-President                      | 10                | 1         | _      |
| R. McKEON     | Vice-President                      |                   |           | 11     |
| D. RENFORD    | Vice-President                      | 8                 | -         | 3      |
| H. CRANFIELD  | Assistant Registrar (Res. Nov.      | '56) 1            | 1         | -      |
| M. GEORGE     | Publicity Officer                   | 3                 | 3         | 5      |
| E. J. MARSDEN | Superintendent                      | 9                 | 2         | -      |
| H. McDONALD   | Deputy Superintendent               | 10                | 1         | -      |
| B. BREWIN     | Secretary/Board of Examiners        | 11                | -         | -      |
| A. MAY        | North Side Supervisor               |                   | -         | 11     |
| M. BLACK      | South Side Supervisor (Res. July    | <sup>'57)</sup> – | -         | 11     |
| O. HAILEY     | District Supervisor                 |                   | -         | 11     |
| J. SWITZER    | District Supervisor                 |                   | 11        | -      |
| G. CAVANAGH   | District Supervisor                 | 1                 | -         | 10     |
| J. WARDALL    | District Supervisor                 | 4                 | -         | 7      |
| A. PARLETTE   | District Supervisor                 | 1                 | -         | 10     |
| N. MAY        | District Supervisor                 | 1                 | -         | 10     |
| G. WILLIAMS   | District Supervisor                 | 4                 | -         | 7      |
| J. CAMPBELL   | District Supervisor (Res. 27.3.57)  | 3                 | 1         | 1      |
| Mr. DAVIDSON  | District Supervisor (Elec. 27.3.57) |                   | -         | 4      |
| R. COSGROVE   | District Supervisor                 | 4                 | 2         | 5      |
| G. HATTON     | District Supervisor                 | 9                 | 2         | -      |

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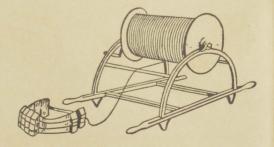
# **ADDENDUM**

I grasp this opportunity of paying tribute to our Honorary Secretary, Mr. G. ("Gus") B. Staunton, for the enthusiasm and efficiency displayed in the performance of his wide range of duties.

This being our Golden Jubilee year an added burden has been imposed upon this Officer and we all admire his ready response to the task.

Our Honorary Treasurer, Mr. W. (Bill) Trelfo, has also discharged his onerous duties to entire satisfaction.

C. MACK, President.



# ASSOCIATION HANDBOOKS

Ample stocks of the Association Handbooks—Blue (Instructional), Red (Competition), Green (Constitution), and Brown (Gear), have been available to Clubs, except for the latter part of the Season, when the Blue Handbook unfortunately was taken out of stock.

The 8th Instructional Conference considered amendments for the Blue Handbook, and it is understood that these amendments, as adopted, will be included in the new edition, which should be prepared before the commencement of the coming Season.

# OFFICE STAFF

Since the resignation of Miss E. Boseley, as mentioned in the previous report, the administrative needs of the Branch have been ably looked after by various Office Secretaries. Miss I. Scribbins unfortunately resigned in October, 1956, to take up domestic duties, and we were most fortunate in obtaining the services of Miss T. Swingler, but regrettably this young lady resigned in July, 1957, with the intention of making a world tour. To Miss J. Gairdner, our present Office Secretary, we extend our thanks and appreciation for her many courtesies and capable handling of office affairs.

# SYMPATHIES

Sincere condolences are extended to relatives and friends of deceased members of the Association. Those passed on will be long remembered by their comrades of yester-year.

"May they long rest on the green-backs of the Great Beyond, where the sands of time run on forever, and the sun never sets on men such as they."

# HON. PUBLICITY OFFICER'S REPORT

In this my first year as Publicity Officer, I wish to thank all those who have made it possible for me to publicise the activities of the Branch; which you know is a difficult task unless the necessary co-operation is received from all Clubs.

I desire to extend thanks and appreciation to Tony Withers, Radio 2SM; Cyril Angles, Radio 2UE; Alam Clarkson, "Herald"; Jim McAuley, "Sun"; Clive Hodgsons, "Daily Mirror"; and "The Sunday and Daily Telegraph", who were so willing to assist me at all times.

To all Clubs in the Branch, thanks again for your co-operation.

MONTY GEORGE,

Hon. Publicity Officer, Season 1956-1957.

# THANKS AND APPRECIATION

Are extended to:-

- Alderman H. F. Jensen, Lord Mayor of Sydney, our Patron, for his continued interest in our affairs.
- The Governments of the Commonwealth of Australia and the State of New South Wales for nancial grants.
- Local Government bodies for their support of our Clubs and the Branch.
- The Government Insurance Office for their efficient handling of our claims.
- The Hon. Insurance Officer of N.S.W. State Centre for his continued assistance.
- Our Auditors, Messrs. L. J. Richardson & Payne & Co., for their efficient audit of our books.
- Mr. W. Foerster, Hon. Superintendent to N.S.W., for unflagging interest in our activities.
- Miss M. Hopwood, Office Secretary to N.S.W. State Centre, for charming assistance on all occasions.
- Miss B. Finlayson, Office Secretary to National Council, who before her resignation was always most helpful.

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- Mr. F. Stapleton of Stack & Co. for his continued support.
- Mr. R. Bunt of Jantzen Aust. Pty. Ltd. for assistance on many occasions.
- Mr. D. C. Lucas, Branch Hon. Registrar, who met and coped with an enormous amount of awards, etc.
- All Companies and Citizens who donated towards the activities of the Association and our Clubs.
- All persons and bodies mentioned elsewhere in this report.
- In concluding, my personal thanks are deeply extended to our President, Mr. C. Mack. My Assistant Secretary Mr. E. Lawler and the Deputy President to the Branch, Mr. A. R. Loton. Also to all those Club Officers and persons who rendered my task so much lighter.

GUS B. STAUNTON,

Hon. Secretary S.L.S.A. of A., Sydney Branch. Junior Surf Race: 1st R. Cook, Bondi; 2nd G. Simpson, Freshwater; 3rd J. Donohoe, Bronte.

March Past Championship: 1st North Narrabeen, 2nd North Bondi, tieing with Merewether.

Senior Surf Boat Race: 2nd North Bondi, 3rd Coogee.

Junior Surf Boat Championship: 1st Warriewood, 2nd Cronulla, 3rd Bronte.

Surf Board Championship: 1st E. Cahill, Coogee; 2nd R. Firkin, Maroubra; 3rd G. Bevan, Coogee.

Single Ski Championship: 1st J. Watt, Avalon; 2nd D. Green, Maroubra; 3rd P. Coles, North Bondi.

Double Ski Championship: 1st Marrott and Smith, Tamarama.

Beach Relay Championship: 2nd Tamarama, 3rd Bronte.

Musical Flags: 1st C. Ford, North Curl Curl; 2nd F. Day, Wanda.

Pillow Fight: 2nd J. Glover, North Bondi.

Chariot Race: 1st Bondi.

Open Surf Race (Non-Championship): 1st J. Rodgers, Maroubra; 2nd G. Winram, North Bondi; 3rd W. Riley, Bronte.

# AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS AND INTERSTATE CARNIVAL — BONDI BEACH 20th/21st APRIL

This Season's Australian Championships were conducted in almost ideal conditions at Bondi Beach. The efficient running of the Carnival spoke volumes for the prior organisation of the Carnival Referee, Australian Superintendent, Mr. V. Besomo and the Carnival Organiser, Mr. J. Fisher of the Bondi Club. Congratulations are extended to these gentlemen, and members of the Board of Examiners on an enjoyable Carnival, well-run.

A National Council dinner was conducted after the Championships at the Hotel Rex, Bondi, and to the National Secretary, Mr. K. W. Watson, our congratulations on a most successful function.

# RADIO SESSION

The Association this Season has not been fortunate enough to have a session devoted solely to our activities, but we are most fortunate in having the unswerving support of Radio Station 2SM, where their Manager, Mr. W. (Bill) Stevens, has extended to us over the past Season every opportunity to have Club news and Association matters included in the Saturday and Sunday afternoon sessions, conducted by Mr. John Brennan, and Mr. Tony Withers, respectively.

Early in the Season, the Association officers, Club Presidents and Publicity Officers, were guests of Radio Station 2SM at a Cocktail Party held at the Wentworth Hotel, Sydney. The function was an outstanding success, and did much towards ensuring that Club Publicity Officers avail themselves of the 2SM Sessions.

To the abovementioned gentlemen, and all other Radio Stations who from time to time have given us their support, go our deep appreciation.

# TIERED SEATING

The Branch's tiered seating has again been capably maintained in working condition by Mr. J. Dempster, Branch Vice-President and Life Member. Under Mr. Dempster's direction, sections of the seating were reduced in size, and greatly facilitated handling. The seating was used at the Australian and International Championships at Torquay Beach, Victoria, and also at the International Tests at Maroubra and Collaroy Beaches.

The seating was available to Branch Clubs, and in that respect, was not used as fully as might be expected. Various private bodies have availed themselves of it from time to time, and a portion of it is at the moment being used by the Rugby Union Association for their Football Competitions. To Mr. Luke Muras goes our sincere thanks for his gesture in making storage space available for the seating, and to the Waverley Council for storing the Poles, purchased from the Department of Public Works. A number of these poles have been used for supporting hessian etc. at Carnivals.

# ----- Life Members

Throughout the years, certain members have distinguished themselves by their outstanding service to the Association and their devotion to its ideals. The Association honours such men by bestowing upon them the coveted office of Life Member.

BESOMO, V.

BURKE, M. J.

CASTLEMAN, A. W.

CAMERON, J.

COHEN, G.

Judge A. H. CURLEWIS

DARGAN, F.

WEBB, G.

DELLITT, G.

DILLON, J. B.

FOERSTER, W.

HAYTON, N.

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LINDSAY, G.

WHITEHEAD, C. W.

When the Sydney Branch was formed following upon the disbanding of the Head Centre in the Season 1949-50, the Branch was pleased to take unto its own all officers who had previously been elected Life Members of the Head Centre. S. R.

LOTON, A. R. MILLAR, G.
LUCAS, D. C. MORAN, T.
MACK, C. MORONEY, R.
McDONALD, L. OLSEN, A.
McRORIE, J. SMALL, H.
MEAGHER, T. W. TURNER, L.
MICHAELIS, R. WATSON, K. W.
WILLIAMS, V.

To the best of my knowledge, Branch members conducted themselves in the best possible fashion, and both the other Branch Managers and myself were able to answer most queries without delay.

We would like to offer our congratulations to all those Officers both in Branches, State Centre and National Council, who undoubtedly did so much towards the success of the Carnivals.

The Branch was outstandingly successful in the Australian Championships, and occupied places in most events.

# Australian Championships, 2nd December, 1956

R. & R. Championship: 2nd Freshwater; Junior R. & R. Championship: 2nd North Cronulla; Surf Belt Championship: 1st B. Smith, Bondi; Junior Surf Belt Championship: 1st C. McFarlane, Manly, 2nd J. Rodgers, Maroubra; Surf Teams Championship: 2nd Freshwater, 4th North Bondi; Junior Surf Teams Championship: 1st Manly, 2nd North Bondi; Surf Race Championship: 1st B. Hutchings, Bondi; Junior Surf Race Championship: lst J. Donohoe, Bronte, 2nd J. Rodgers, Maroubra, 3rd R. Cook, Bondi; March Past Championship: 1st North Bondi, 2nd Freshwater, 3rd North Narrabeen; Surf Boat Championship: 1st North Bondi; Junior Surf Boat Championship: 1st Bondi, 2nd North Cronulla; Surf Board Championship: 1st R. Hazelton, Maroubra, 2nd B. Keane, Cronulla, 3rd P. Wilson, Coogee; Single Surf Ski Championship: 1st P. Coles, North Bondi, 3rd B. Stuart, Maroubra; Beach Relay Championship: 1st Bondi, 2nd Bilgola; Beach Sprint Championship: 1st P. Manning, Maroubra; 3rd B. Kavanagh, Bondi.

# GOLDEN JUBILEE BRANCH CHAMPIONSHIPS — DEE WHY BEACH 2nd MARCH, 1957

The above Carnival was conducted in a faultless manner by the Dee Why S.L.S.C., and congratulations must be extended to the Carnival Organiser and Club Captain, Mr. B. Pitt, and also to the Precident, Officers and Members of that Club, for their co-operation in all matters, and hospitality extended. The Carnival was televised, and was immensely successful in that sphere. Weather conditions were most favourable, and results are as under:—

- Senior R. & R. Championship: 1st Manly, 2nd Bondi, 3rd North Bondi.
- Junior R. & R. Championship: 1st North Cronulla, 2nd North Bondi, 3rd Manly.
- Senior Belt Race: 1st B. Hutchings, Bondi; 2nd K. Hiscoe, North Bondi; 3rd J. Rodgers, Maroubra.
- Junior Belt Race: 1st J. Donohoe, Bronte; 2nd N. Bahr, Queenscliff; 3rd R. Coulhart, Cronulla.
- Senior Teams Race: 1st Freshwater, 2nd Bondi, 3rd Manly.
- Junior Teams Race: 1st Bondi, 2nd Manly, 3rd North Cronulla.
- Senior Surf Race: 1st J. Donohoe, Bronte; 2nd J. Rodgers, Maroubra; 3rd B. Hutchings, Bondi.

- Junior Surf Race: 1st R. Cook, Bondi; 2nd J. Donohoe, Bronte; 3rd L. Hitchings, Bondi.
- March Past: 1st North Narrabeen, 2nd North Bondi, 3rd Bronte and Freshwater (tied).
- Cadet Surf Race: 1st T. Simpson, Bondi; 2nd B. Rodgers, Maroubra; 3rd R. Beechley, Manly.
- Senior Surf Boat Race: 1st Coogee, 2nd Manly, 3rd Cronulla.
- Junior Surf Boat Race: 1st Cronulla, 2nd Warriewood, 3rd Bronte.
- Surf Board Race: 1st E. Cahill, Coogee; 2nd K. Edwards, Bronte; 3rd R. Firkin, Maroubra.

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- Single Ski Race: 1st P. Coles, North Bondi; 2nd E. Dover, Coogee; 3rd D. Green, Maroubra.
- Double Ski Race: 1st Coles and Bruce, North Bondi; 2nd Stuart and Powell, Maroubra; 3rd Brown and Green, Maroubra.
- Beach Sprint: 1st P. Manning, Maroubra; 2nd J. Annand,
- Tamarama; 3rd W. Groves, Clovelly.
- Beach Relay: 1st Tamarama, 2nd Bondi, 3rd North Steyne.
- Musical Flags: 1st P. Boyd, Tamarama; 2nd M. Walker, North Curl Curl; 3rd R. Phillips, North Curl Curl.
- Pillow Fight: 1st A. Hyde, Avalon; 2nd J. Webber, Bronte; 3rd D. Duff, Warriewood.
- Non-Restricted Surf Race: 1st J. Rodgers, Maroubra; 2nd R. McKeon, Malabar; 3rd B. Mortenson, Clovelly.

# N.S.W. STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS COFFS HARBOUR, 23rd MARCH, 1957

The State Championships were this season conducted at Park Beach, Coffs Harbour, and in spite of long distances travelled by some competitors, the Carnival was highly successful. Congratulations are to be extended to Mr. R. P. Shanahan, the Carnival Organiser and the Coffs Harbour S.L.S.C. Secretary, and also Mr. A. W. Castleman, the State Centre Secretary, for their efforts in this direction.

A successful State Centre Jubilee Dinner was held at the Coffs Harbour Hotel on the Saturday evening of the Championships, and was presided over by his Honour, Judge Adrian Curlewis, President of N.S.W. State Centre. Congratulations once again to the Branch competitors who were successful, as under:—

Senior R. & R.: 1st Manly.

Junior R. & R.: 1st Bondi, 2nd Manly, 3rd North Bondi.

Senior Belt Championship: 4th K. Hiscoe, North Bondi.

Junior Belt Championship: 3rd J. Donohoe, Bronte.

Senior Surf Teams Championships: 1st Freshwater, 3rd Bondi.

Junior Surf Teams Championship: 2nd Bondi, 3rd Manly.

Senior Surf Race: 1st B. Lumsdaine, Freshwater; 3rd B. Mortenson, Clovelly.

#### March:

Saturday 2nd ....... Dee Why. (Branch Champs.)
Saturday 9th .......... Coogee. (Open.)

Saturday, 23rd ...... State Champs. (Coffs Harbour.)

#### April:

Saturday 20th ...... Bondi. (Australian Champs.) Sunday 21st ..... Bondi. (Interstate Carnival.)

# 1955/58 AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS AND INTERNATIONAL CARNIVALS— TORQUAY BEACH, VICTORIA NOVEMBER 25th and DECEMBER 2nd

The above carnivals were conducted at Torquay Beach, Victoria, by the Torquay S.L.S.C. during the period of the Olympic Games. Under will be found extracts from the Branch Manager's Report, which was adopted by the January Council Meeting. To all members of the Branch's teams who were successful at these carnivals, go our sincere congratulations.

"Mr. E. Lawler and myself, accompanied by Mr. J. Murray, Branch Vice-President and President of the Maroubra Club, travelled to Victoria in the car very generously made available by the Directors of Stack & Co. of York Street, Sydney.

We arrived at the Melbourne Showground Camp at approximately 2 p.m. on Wednesday, the 21st November, and the only person in a responsible position that could be located was the Commissionaire. He informed us that a plan of the Hall was to have been prepared, but in its absence and the absence of Victorian Officials, he was endeavouring to place the arriving members himself.

Upon arrival, Mr. Lawler and myself were immediately approached by various Branch Members who had already arrived at the Camp.

One camp facility that was absent and caused the members some concern were safe custody facilities as referred to in Bulletin No. 12. Each member arriving was issued with five blankets and bed linen also.

A substitute for wardrobes as earlier promised were lengths of pipe suspended about 7 feet from the floor, open to the dust, etc., and entirely lacking any method of safeguarding goods. Members were immediately faced with the unhappy situation of having to leave their clothes where they could become dirty, and also exposed to the risk of loss by stealing, etc.

The sleeping accommodation was not what had been expected, as the beds were placed side by side in unbroken lines from one end of the Hall to the other. Special mention must be made to the conduct of the vast majority of members in the Hall, and complaints

were, I felt, in a minimum re noisiness, etc.

Members of various Clubs, particularly Maroubra, felt strongly on the accommodation question, and left the Camp with the purposes of seeking alternate accommodation. In this matter they obtained Hotel lodgings at moderate cost with surprising ease, and it appeared that the accommodation shortage had been greatly overestimated.

Meals at the Camp were provided of a breakfast, and the cut lunches appeared to fall down after a short period. Complaints were directed to the Showground Camp Director, Mr. Naphene, on the matter of food, and both he and Mr. Patrick, as Carnival Organiser, agreed that it left much to be desired.

I travelled to Torquay Beach on Thursday, the 22nd November, and there consulted the team Co-Manager, Mr. J. Bradshaw, of the Bondi Club, and he, together with other Branch Members present, appeared upset at the lack of work being done at the Torquay Beach.

We understand that owing to storm damage from  $\alpha$  short period before, there were rocks visible down the centre of the Beach, but were informed it was intended to have a bulldozer cover same on the morning of the Carnival.

It was regrettable that both carnivals were conducted under trying weather conditions, because of the intermittent rain on both days, and moderately flat seas.

An estimated crowd of 50,000 attended the International Carnival and the general opinion of the press and persons present, was that the Carnival was not as good as would have been expected. The amplifying system did not reach all parts of the Beach, and competitors complained of the short time before calling of competitors to the commencement of events. Numerous complaints were directed at myself by members of the public re the handling of the traffic to and from the Beach, which is by a single road 15 miles from Geelong, and a suggestion that the traffic would be taken out through Anglesea one way only did not seem to eventuate.

The Australian Championships were conducted with a slightly improved sea in the morning, but moderately flat in the afternoon at low tide, and although being a far better Carnival than the preceding Sunday, the public did not as a whole attend again.

I believe the estimated crowd for the Australian Championships was only approximately seven or eight thousand. This Carnival obviously had improved in many aspects on the former, but it appeared that from the point of view of public interest, the damage had been done.

It was appreciated by all members that the intention of having the Carnivals in Victoria during the Olympic Games was to have a double purpose by allowing our members to view the Games, and also to capture the interest of overseas visitors, etc. However, serious doubt has been raised on this matter by virtue of the small amount of publicity, owing to the conducting of the Olympic Games, and both myself and other Association members were constantly accosted in the street by people seeking details of the Carnivals.

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While the Victorian State Centre Officials undoubtedly worked hard and diligently for the success of the Carnivals, I could not help but feel that a more sympathetic attitude to members who had travelled considerable distances to be present would have alleviated many difficulties arising, particularly with regards the Camp.

It should be noted that criticisms, or rather comments, made in this report are not offered in a purely destructive strain, but rather it is hoped that future Carnivals may benefit, and particularly the Australian Championships that will this Season be held at Bondi.

Results of the competition are as under: 1952/53, Nth. Narrabeen; 1953/54, Freshwater; 1954/ 55, Manly; 1955/56, Mona Vale; 1956/57, Nth. Narrabeen.

# CARNIVALS - 1957/58 SEASON

The venue for the Metropolitan Championships to be held on Saturday, 18th January, 1958, will not be decided until the Branch Annual General Meeting, but venues have been decided for the N.S.W. State Championships and the Australian Championships, and are as under:

N.S.W. State Championships at Helensburg-Stanwell Park, on Saturday, 1st February, 1958.

Australian Championships at Scarborough Beach, Western Australia, on Saturday, 1st March, 1958.

Interstate Championships at Scarborough Beach, Western Australia, on Monday, 3rd March, 1958.

The earliness of the Australian Championships has resulted in other Carnivals being brought forward, and it is possible that the Carnivals in this Branch will commence during the month of October.

Many Clubs have already commenced the difficult task of raising sufficient finance to send strong representative teams to the Australian Championships at Scarborough.

# ASTOR RADIO CORPORATION — BOAT AND REELS

The above Company has very kindly offered to this Branch for competition in the coming Season a fully equipped moulded plywood surf boat and also two chrome fitted surf reels, together with nylon lines, belts and covers. We cannot speak too highly of this Company's generosity, and enthusiasm for the competition has already been greatly raised among club members. To the General Manager, Mr. C. C. Zahara and his Board of Directors go our sincere thanks and appreciation.

Details of the competition are now being prepared by the Competition Committee and will be circulated to the Clubs at the commencement of the Season.

# PYLON LOOKOUT BOAT

Through the efforts of His Honour, Judge A. H. Curlewis, State Centre and National Council President, this Branch has been fortunate in obtaining a surf boat for competition very kindly donated by Mrs. Y. E. Rentoul of the Pylon Lookout, Sydney Harbour Bridge.

The Branch's sincere appreciation has been conveyed to Mrs. Rentoul and we take this opportunity of publicly thanking her once again for her generosity.

Details of the Competition are in the hands of the Competition Committee and will be finalised before the commencement of next season.

# BEACH FOOTBALL COMPETITION FOR DICK'S SHOES TROPHY

The Beach Football Competition last season was con-

ducted on lines similar to a "knock-out" basis, and resulted in the final matches being played between Maroubra "A" and Maroubra "B". The "B" team was successful, and the Maroubra Club have now won the trophy for two of its five seasons. Conditions have been slightly altered for the current competition, and enthusiasm amongst Clubs is at its highest.

To Mr. R. "Dick" McPhillips, we again extend our thanks for his continued interest in our activities, and for his Trophy, which does so much to hold our members together during the winter months.

As this report goes to print, the semi-finals have now been decided and are:

North Bondi (13), Bronte (11); Maroubra "A" (11), Collaroy (8),

Other teams that took part in this year's competition were Avalon, Malabar and Maroubra "B".

Special thanks are to be extended to Mr. J. Mangioni, the Official Recorder, for his untiring efforts with this year's competition.

To our referees, Messrs. J. Mangioni, V. Marshall, T. O'Grady, G. Grant and B. Buckingham, go our thanks also for their interest in the Competition.

The Branch's appreciation is extended to the Committee Secretary, Mr. I. Rylands of the Collaroy Club, for his capable handling of Beach Football affairs.

# CARNIVALS — 1956-57 SEASON

Carnivals conducted within the Branch during the Golden Jubilee Season were as under:—

#### October:

Saturday 20th ...... Bondi. (South Side Only.)
Saturday 27th ...... Cronulla. (South Side Only.)

#### November:

Sunday 4th ..... Long Reef. (Display Only.)

## December:

## January:

South Curl Curl. (Open.) Tuesday 1st Saturday 5th North Steyne. (Open.) Sunday 6th North Palm Beach. (8, 9, 10.) Saturday 12th Sunday 13th North Curl Curl. (Open.) Palm Beach. (8, 9, 10.) Saturday 19th Sunday, 20th Queenscliff. (Open.) Bungan Beach. (Restricted.) Saturday 26th Manly. (Open.) Sunday 27th Avalon. (8, 9, 10.) Monday 28th ..... Freshwater. (Open.)

#### February:

# INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF SURF LIFE SAVING

This season saw the formation of the International Council of Surf Life Saving, with Delegates being present from the following countries: Australia, New Zealand, Ceylon, Great Britain, Hawaii, Union of South Africa, and the United States of America.

The Branch takes this opportunity of congratulating the officers concerned with the formation of the Council, and it is hoped that from its formation will stem a world-wide advisory body on Surf Life Saving and its methods.

# NATIONAL COUNCIL AND STATE CENTRE

This Branch being conscious of its large complement of Clubs and Members, has again followed with the closest interest, all activities in the abovenamed spheres.

We have maintained as close a relationship as possible with these bodies, and the Branch has been adequately represented at N.S.W. Council by Messrs. Comans and Staunton (Executive Delegates), A. Olson, G. Lindsay, M. Evans and H. McDonald.

To the Officers of these bodies go our sincere thanks for courtesies extended. To Mr. J. O'Reilly, Hon. Assistant Secretary/Registrar to both New South Wales State Centre and National Council, go our special thanks for his many kindnesses.

# CLUB SECRETARIES' CONFERENCE

A conference of Club Secretaries, Assistant Secretaries and Insurance Officers was convened early in the season, and arising from discussions and suggestions put forward, it is pleasing to report that I have received a higher degree of co-operation in Club matters. Various officers, including Mr. C. Rudd, N.S.W. State Centre Hon. Insurance Officer, were kind enough to be present, and outlined correct procedure in various spheres.

As this report goes to print arrangements are in hand for the conference for Season 1957/58 to be held in the Association Rooms commencing at 1.30 p.m. on Saturday, the 12th October. Arrangements are also in hand to have a dinner for Club Secretaries and a limited number of Branch officers at the conclusion of the conference.

# GEAR INSPECTION AWARD

The Annual Gear Inspection was conducted, and was again instrumental in bringing all equipment to a high standard early in the Season. To the gentlemen of the Inspection Committee go the Branch's thanks, and our congratulations are extended to the winners of this year's trophy, the Cronulla S.L.S.C.

Following upon this inspection, a recommendation was made that a tubular surf reel, kindly donated by Newlands Bros. Pty. Ltd., be awarded to the Garie S.L.S.C.

### LIFE MEMBERSHIP

At the last Annual General Meeting of this Branch, Life Membership was conferred upon Mr. T. W. Meagher, who was then President of the Bondi Surf Bathers Life Saving Club, Branch Vice-President and Deputy President to New South Wales State Centre. A recommendation was made to New South Wales State Centre and Mr. Meagher was subsequently elected to Life Membership of that Centre also. To Mr. Meagher go the sincere congratulations of all upon his elevation to these offices.

Recommendations have been made by the current Life Membership Committee and the names of Mr. D. C. Lucas, Branch Vice-President and Hon. Registrar and Branch Life Member, together with that of Mr. A. Olsen, Branch Vice-President and Life Member are being forwarded to N.S.W. State Centre with the intention of having them elevated to Life Membership of that Centre.

# PURCHASE OF GEAR

The Association is indeed most fortunate in having the services of the Branch Assistant Treasurer, Mr. G. Lindsay, to conduct the purchasing of gear on behalf of the Sydney Clubs, Mr. Lindsay has performed these duties for many seasons past, and to him go our thanks for a job well done.

To Mr. J. Dempster, Hon. Purchasing Officer for the N.S.W. State Centre, our appreciation also for his many courtesies.

# SIR EDWARD HALLSTROM BOAT

This year saw the final competition of the Sir Edward Hallstrom Boats, a competition that has been in progress for the past five seasons. Through the generosity of Sir Edward, five surf boats have been made available for competition between North Side Clubs. The copy of a letter of thanks forwarded by our President, Mr. C. Mack, is set out below:

"Dear Sir Edward,

Allow me on behalf of the Officers and Members of the Sydney Branch of this Association, to express our sincere thanks and appreciation for the wonderful generosity you have shown towards our movement over many years.

The annual donation for the past five years of a Surf Boat for competition amongst the Clubs is a gesture that will never be forgotten amongst surfers, and it may be a source of satisfaction for you to know that the keenness of competition to win the trophy was on the highest plane. This in turn contributed largely towards improving the standard of our voluntary work.

You will be interested to know the result of the competition this year was:

| lst — North Narrabeen | 235 | points |
|-----------------------|-----|--------|
| 2nd — Collaroy        | 207 | points |
| 3rd — Long Reef       | 201 | points |

Additionally, your ready response towards specific appeals launched by our Association for financial assistance has always evinced words of deep gratitude from members.

It is my happy duty to convey this message to the man whom we all so much admire, Sir Edward Hall-strom.

Yours faithfully, CEC. MACK, President." 5.4

# THE SURF LIFE SAVING ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA SYDNEY BRANCH

To be presented to the Annual General Meeting of the Sydney Branch to be held in Federation House, 166 Phillip Street, Sydney on Tuesday, 1st October, 1957 at 7 p.m.

### Gentlemen,

It is with the utmost pleasure that I present to you the Golden Jubilee Annual Report of this, the Surf Life Saving Association of Australia, Sydney Branch.

Our 50th year of operation has indeed been a memorable one, made possible only by the unstinted efforts and devotion of all members.

Executive and Council Meetings have been held regularly and have continued to meet and cope with an enormous amount of work. Attendance figures of delegates are set out elsewhere in this report and should be the object of careful scrutiny by clubs who do not receive a favourable mention.

It is always pleasing, especially in this our Golden Jubilee Year to report that no lives have been lost while affiliated clubs patrolled the surfing beaches.

Matters of interest that occurred within the Branch during the past Season are set out as follows for your information.

## RESCUES

The Association's primary purpose of existence has again been upheld and a summary of rescues carried out over the past three seasons is as under:

| 1                  | 954-55 | 1955-56 | 1956-57 |
|--------------------|--------|---------|---------|
| With Line and Belt | 1,327  | 1,455   | 909     |
| Without Line       | 1,050  | 662     | 657     |
| With Surf Boat     | 44     | 100     | 33      |
| With Other Gear    | 80     | 87      | 63      |
| TOTAL:             | 2,501  | 2,304   | 1,662   |

The drop in rescue figures compared to preceding seasons may be contributed to the over-all quietness of the seas over the last few years, but would also most certainly indicate that our patrols have been carrying out their duties and are perhaps more vigilant in preventing members of the surfing public from exposing themselves to hazardous conditions.

# SYDNEY BRANCH — BOARD OF EXAMINERS

The Board of Examiners under the careful guidance of Branch Superintendent, Mr. J. Marsden, and the Board's new Secretary, Mr. B. Brewin, has continued to meet and cope with an enormous amount of work.

The figures of Association Awards and Branch Carnivals mentioned elsewhere in this report, give ample testimony to such effort. The conducting of two Australian Championships and the International Test Matches, together with Branch and State Championships, have placed a great burden on sections of the Board, and it is my pleasant duty to report that all such tasks have been carried out in a most efficient manner.

# ATTENDANCE OF CLUB DELEGATES

The attendance figures of Club Delegates as set out elsewhere in this report has again been of a very high standard, but it is regretted that there remains that minority who do not, in the true sense of the word, represent their Clubs on the Branch Council. Numerous matters as discussed at Association meetings are not conveyed to the Clubs by their Delegates, thereby virtually excluding those Clubs on vital issues.

Items of general importance are included in the Branch monthly circular, but as this circular also serves as a notice of meetings, it is not forwarded until seven days prior to same, and therefore does not reach many Clubs in time for their monthly meetings.

Clubs should elect to the position of Delegates to the Association, men of responsibility, who are prepared to fully and actively represent the Clubs in Association affairs.

# GOLDEN JUBILEE APPEAL FOR FUNDS

Following upon the recommendations of a Golden Jubilee Celebrations Committee, the Branch decided to conduct a public appeal for funds in this our Jubilee year. A suitably worded letter personally signed by our President was forwarded to prominent business houses and citizens of the City of Sydney.

Our thanks and appreciation go to those persons who contributed so freely but on the whole the Appeal was not the success that one would expect. The appeal is due to close shortly after the opening of the Season and it is to be hoped that the final stages are more successful than the opening.

Monies received from the Appeal will be used for Branch administration, and to endeavour to arrange premises more suitable to our standing in the community.

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# THE COOGEE SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

By V. C. LLOYD, Esq.

President, 1956/1957

On the 25th March, 1907, Arthur B. Parker wrote to the Mayor of Randwick Borough Council, requesting on behalf of a number of young men who had been surfing at Coogee since 1897, to call a public meeting with the view of estalishing a Life Saving Club to safe-guard the increasing number of people who were taking to that exhilarating sport of surf swimming.

At a meeting, held on the 7th May, 1907, at the old Aquarium Baths, the Coogee Life Saving Brigade was formed with 30 members and held its meetings at the Aquarium under the Presidency of the Mayor of Randwick with Arthur B. Parker as its Honorary Instructor.

During the season 1908/9, the Coogee Life Saving Brigade affiliated with the Surf Bathing Association of New South Wales, and had as the delegates Messrs. C. L. Daly, H. Browne and E. G. Hamilton.

On the 9th May, 1910, the Club finally acquired, at

a cost of £400 its own Club House, at the southern end of the beach, and it was not until the 16th November, 1929, that the present building at a cost of £4,000, was officially opened by the Mayor of Randwick.

The title of the Club was changed during 1909 to Coogee Surf Club and in 1914 to its present title of Coogee Surf Life Saving Club.

It is of interest to note, that since the Club's inauguration, although for the first six years, record of rescues were not kept, over 2,230 rescues have been performed by Club members, and its membership has grown to over four hundred.

Since the formation of the Club, its members have distinguished themselves in open competition, and since 1914 the Championships which have been won are too numerous to mention.

# THE BRONTE SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

by A. B. PATTERSON, ESQ. Honorary Secretary

The present Bronte Surf Life Saving Club owes its origin to a drowning fatality which occurred at Bronte Beach on Boxing Day of 1902. Following this incident, and with a view to preventing a recurrence, Warrant Officer (later Major) John Bond organised a squad of local surf swimmers, whom he undertook to drill and coach in life saving methods. That original group of enthusiasts, which included Alic Frazer, E. Bailey, Sam Boyd, and W. H. Bond, increased in numbers and after learning the art of resuscitation of the apparently drowned, progressively carried out much valuable experimental work, in the course of which they developed the strong organisation which today is a considerable and well known unit of the Australian Surf Life Saving Movement.

It is worthy to note that Major Bond was still the Club's Chief Instructor until the conclusion of the 1911-12 season, and, that of the original squad, Alic Frazer was vice-captain of the Club from 1910 to 1912.

It was only to be expected that in the early developmental days, much difference of opinion would arise creating marked divisions within the Club, and it is known that at one period, feeling was so strong that temporarily, two Clubs were in operation on Bronte Beach. In the early days members of the Bronte Club were strongly opposed to the use of the cork-filled life belt and their adherence to their own leather belt precludes them from engaging in inter-club competition.

During the period 1906-1908, Walter V. H. Biddell, a

man of very strong ideas on life saving matters, recruited a number of young swimmers to practice his methods, in the course of which much valuable work was done. He strenuously opposed any departure from the non-cork belt and carried out experiments with a torpedo-type buoy similar to that at present being used in America. He was also responsible for Bronte being the first Club to have a surf life saving boat "The Albatross", and it has been said that he only maintained a crew for it by ensuring them weekly pocket money. Walter Biddell's reign ended when his swimmers insisted on using the cork-filled belt so that they could compete against others, following which the abandoned Bronte and his followers became incorporated in the old Club, then known as the Bronte Life Saving Brigade.

It is generally acknowledged that Bronte is a difficult beach to patrol, even if only for the reason that it has always been regarded as an ideal family picnic ground. It certainly is not a true surfer's beach, so that the Club members who control it must necessarily be well imbued with the idea of "vigilance and service" — notwithstanding the fact that Bronte is not a "Glamour" beach which will attract the top swimmers, it has produced some champions and we can point with pride to the achievements of Jim Reilly, Rod Chapman, John Donohoe, and Roger Boswarva, amongst our best swimmers. To the boat crews which earned success under the leadership of Harry Woodhill and Bill Wallace, and not forgetting the records of surf board riders, Serge Denman and Keith Edwards. Briefly, we claim that the present Club, since its inauguration in 1903. has done an excellent job in safe-guarding those who use Bronte Beach and that such care and attention will never cease to be available.

Members Jack Miller, Don Lucas and Brian Keene have represented the Surf Life Saving Association in Competition and tours of overseas countries and a great number of others have represented Australia in a multitude of sports.

Senior Boat Crews have won five Australian Titles, several New South Wales and Branch Titles together with numerous places. The Junior Boat Crews have won six Australian Titles and scored also in New South Wales Branch events.

Surf Board rider Brian Keene has won the Australian Event once and notched two seconds as well as performing very well in the International events in 1956.

Four Club Houses have been built since 1907, the first in 1908-1909 costing £108/15/- and the present in 1940 costing £7,500.

In addition the members have lately constructed  $\alpha$  very fine Boat shed from materials donated by well-wishing supporters.

A squad from the Club was used to produce the film

"Surf Life Saving Drill" which has been used in many overseas countries to further the work of the Surf Life Saving Association.

The Club is at present well endowed with gear and boats, the Club House is in very good condition and an excellent band of Executives hold office. Fifty years of service was suitably marked by another Season when no lives were lost and by winning the Australian Senior Surf Boat Championship and tieing in the Junior Event; Club representatives performed very well in Branch events during the Jubilee Season and also in the Olympic events in 1956.

Cronulla members have done well in Industrial and Civic Life. The Patron, Mr. C. O. J. Monro being a member of the New South Wales Parliament for many years, a President of the Shire of Sutherland on 12 occasions; Sir Frank Beaurepaire and Lady Langer (the "famous American Swimmer") both gained their Bronze Medallion with Cronulla; also Mr. Justice Herron and Mr. Justice Manning were prominent members in the 1920's. Mr. Justice Manning was a capable R. & R. performer and was a Junior Captain of the Club.

The best is yet before us and we look forward to a further wonderful record in the next fifty years.

# NORTH BONDI SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

By S. PRICE, Esq. President

The first move towards the formation of this Club was made in 1906 by a group of swimmers who regularly attended Bondi Baths, together with another band of athletes who congregated on Sunday mornings at the northern end of the beach to indulge themselves in the pastimes of boxing and wrestling.

The spark of inspiration towards the formations of the Club was fired by these men who witnessed an heroic rescue performed from the rocks at the northern end of the beach by Eden "Paddy" Lane. The necessity of proficient swimmers learning something of the skill required to rescue drowning persons in the surf, also the desirability of establishing a Life Saving Club at the northern end of the beach was discussed. As a result the inaugural meeting of the Club was held at the Light Brigade Hotel, Oxford Street, Paddington, when it was resolved that the North Bondi Surf and Social Club be formed. The first Executive Officers elected for the season 1906-07 were: President, Mr. Ralph Hart; Captain, Mr. Wally Weekes; Honorary Secretary, Mr. Tibby Carrol.

A tent was erected on a block of land, more correctly described as an arid sandy waste owned by the caretaker of the North Bondi Military Fort, Mr. Howard, and this became the Club's first residence.

In 1907 the tent was moved to a beach frontage block of land owned by Wally Weekes, and occupied at the nominal rental of 1/- per week. The members set about

erecting a wooden structure and in 1911 the building was completed, and as well as being the Club House, became the meeting place of many famous sportsmen, both Australian and overseas.

Wally Weekes retired from the position of Captain in 1907 and was followed by Charlie Martin who held office for seven consecutive years, 1907-1914.

It is of interest to relate that Jimmy Robinson, a member of the Club, performed a surf rescue in 1908 off the rocks at North Bondi, and was presented with a gold medal to commemorate his bravery, by Mr. Hugh D. McIntosh in the ring at Rushcutter's Bayl Stadium, prior to the fight for the World Heavyweight Boxing Championship between Jack Johnston and Tommy Burns.

In 1920 a new building was erected on the site of the present structure on the beach front. The new Club House, at that time, marked a progressive step from the old style one-room shed to a modern and well equipped structure of many rooms including an ambulance dressing station. In 1932 a fire destroyed the Club building and a brick structure was erected on the site.

One of the constituent Clubs in the formation of the Surf Life Saving Association in Sydney in 1907 was the North Bondi Surf and Social Club, and amongst the first squad to secure the Bronze Medallion of the Association on the 2nd January, 1910, was Captain Leslie Abel, a member of North Bondi Club.

# THE CLOVELLY SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

By G. C. JAMES, Esq. President, 1955/1957

Clovelly Surf Life Saving Club first came into being as Little Coogee Swimming and Life Saving Club back in the days when Local Government Ordinances provided that costumes must be of the neck to knee variety and that persons of the opposite sex must not bathe together and in any circumstances not during day-light hours after 8.00 a.m.

The first election of Club Officials was conducted in February, 1907 by a group of citizens who had banded together in protest against what they considered archaic Ordinances. They could see no reason for the restrictions especially if the public were under the watchful eyes of a band of healthy young men who had received instruction in the art of Life Saving. The Annual General Meeting of 1907 was held at the side of this long rocky inlet, boasting a fiery surf at its entrance and closer in-shore providing ideal swimming conditions for all.

The early rescues were carried out by the life line and buoy method—club members swimming to the rescue towing a lifebuoy which was attached to a stake on shore by a length of rope. The first resuscitation of an apparently drowned man was carried out in January, 1909 following a rescue by this method.

The first Club House was a wooden shed approximately  $14' \times 12'$  erected at the latter end of 1908, and the foundation of the present structure was laid on 22/9/22 by Lieut. Marks, R.N.V.R., M.P., as a tribute to club members who fell during the Great War. Alterations were made to the face of the building in 1938 when the original verandah was reconstructed in the more modern style which exists today.

The name of the area and of the Club was changed from Little Coogee to Clovelly in January, 1914. Clovelly, Devon, England, being the birth-place of the then Club President, F. H. Howe who noticed a marked similarity in the rocky fore-shores.

Clovelly Club had the honour of winning the first Surf Boat race contested in Australia — held at Manly

Club's inaugural Carnival in 1908. Boats used by the competitors were borrowed from ships in port at the time and even the long-boat from the "Captain Cook" was pressed into service for the occasion.

Many meritorious rescues have taken place inside and outside the Bay but a particularly gallant mass rescue off the point on the 4th December, 1927, resulted in the Silver Medal, the highest award of the S.L.S.A., being presented to Club members, Ron Slater, George Pike, Charlie Brooks and Bill Miller.

The famous Goldstein Cup, 20 men- $\alpha$ -side, relay races, contested by all surf clubs in the Eastern Suburbs over 1,000 yards, concluded in the year 1933 when Clovelly won the Goldstein Memorial Cup from Bondi and North Bondi in the World record time for a race of this nature. The time recorded was 8 mins. 42 secs. or an average of 26.1 secs. per man —  $\alpha$  fine club effort.

During the early 1930's a rocky break-water was thrown across the entrance and concrete promenades were constructed along both sides of the Bay. However, continual pounding by the seas has reduced the break-water and today six feet of water covers the wall at high tide, providing excellent surfing conditions. Skis and boards are now very popular with members and the Clovelly Surfboard crossing the break is a familiar sight.

Night Surf Carnivals are now a feature of the Club's activities and over the past years have been outstanding successes.

The Junior Surf Champion of Australia for 1951/53: and of N.S.W. 1952/54, Mr. Bryan Mortensen, joined as a Cadet and today is an Executive Officer of the Club.

Clovelly Club is justly proud of its progress from the handful of members and the small wooden shed on the rocks of the 1900's to the strong virile club of today with its 250 members.

# THE CRONULLA SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

By D. C. LUCAS, Esq. President, 1954/1957

Cronulla Surf Life Saving Club was officially formed early in the year 1907 and affiliated to the New South Wales Surf Bathers Association in the season 1907-08.

Nineteen Presidents have held office since formation of the Club, the longest term being that of popular local Dentist Mr. W. Mr. Pickering, who occupied the chair for ten Seasons.

Neville Cayley the well known Orthinologist may well be called the father of the Club, because it was he who was the driving force, guiding it through the early days and through the dark days of the 1914-18 War. From an inaugural membership of 60, the strength

of the Club has grown to over 490 and during the fifty years of operation, 1,256 Awards have been gained.

Over 2,500 rescues have been recorded since 1907, many of them indeed meritorious and several awards have been bestowed upon members for bravery in the Surf. Cronulla has always given well to the Surf Life Saving Association, the first Delegates in 1907-8 being Messrs. Dignam and Von der Hedye. Since then Geo. Durrell served as a Delegate and Board of Examiners member for 12 years and Rupert Michaelis, Reg Field, Eddie Sier, Don Lucas, Jim Switzer, Jim Borserini, Gus Staunton, Jack Robinson and many others served with distinctions, holding high offices in Branch, State Centre and National Council.

The Club celebrated its 50th Anniversary in 1956, with a dinner at the Sheridan, and a presentation of a gold statuette was made to our Patron and sole surviying Foundation Member, Mr. E. E. ("Pop") Weir.

During fifty years of faithful service to the public, no lives have been lost at Tamarama during rostered patrol hours.

The Club has gained five Meritorious Awards, numerous Metropolitan and State Titles, and this year gained its first National Ttitle when Mr. J. Annand won the Beach Sprint.

# THE NORTH STEYNE SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

By A. FITZGERALD, Esq. President, 1955/1957

The North Steyne Surf Life Saving Club can justifiably be called the Surf Life Saving Association's childhood companion, teenage confidant and adult friend, for both the Association and the North Steyne Club were born in 1907 — within one month of each other. Our first Secretary, Mr. Bill Commins, became the first Association Treasurer, while Mr. E. H. Reeve held the Instructor in Chief post for the 1907/08 Season.

Since this early link was established, it has been greatly strengthened through the number of outstanding officials supplied by the North Steyne Club to the parent body, including Messrs. C. D. Paterson, O. G. H. Merrett, C. W. Whitehead, F. Dargan, G. Webb and George Millar. Much of the competitive and instructional drill taken for granted today was evolved, tested and standardised by North Steyne Club members, who were at all times vitally interested in the progress and improvements of Surf Life Saving in Australia.

Competitively, the North Steyne Club has a magnificent record. Our Senior Rescue and Resuscitation teams have won the coveted "Premiers of Australia" Title on seven occasions, while in the 1920/30 period, our senior boat crew won seven Australian Titles. Our total of Australian, State and Metropolitan Title wins is 41. These have been achieved in Senior and Junior R. & R.,

Senior and Junior Boat, Senior and Junior Belt, Junior Teams, Surf, Beach Sprint and Beach Relay events.

The North Steyne Club has the distinction of submitting the first three squads—21 men—for the Bronze Medallion examination held on April 3rd, 1910. Since then, 859 North Steyne members have secured their Awards. Membership too, has been strong ever since 1907, when we boasted 180 members. The two World War periods—1914/18 and 1939/45—were our leanest in regards to membership, but on each occasion we were able to produce a great batch of juniors who kept the Club well on its feet until the return of the seniors. In the season just concluded, we had 74 active seniors, 20 active juniors and 108 active reserve, life and honorary members.

The value of our equipment has grown from nil in 1907 to £900 in 1957, and the fact that this gear has been put to good use is emphasised by the number of bravery awards of the S.L.S.A., Royal Humane and Shipwreck and Royal Life Saving Societies held by North Steyne Club members. They include awards for individual efforts, belt swims and boat rescues in treacherous conditions, and the vigilance and service of our members over the years has always enabled us to return the annual report "No lives lost while patrols on duty".

# THE MAROUBRA SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

By J. MURRAY, Esq. President, 1947/1957

The Maroubra S.L.S.C. was officially formed on the 7th November, 1906. Since the confirmation of this club from its inaugural meeting when approximately 20 active members banded together and formed what was then known as the Maroubra Life Line Club and held their meetings on the sand hills adjacent to the beach, the movement has grown and expanded throughout the years that have followed. Our first Club House was a tin structure placed on the sand, which had to be moved to a new location every week-end owing to the action of the wind blowing the sand away from one site. The cry would be "all hands to the Club House for another location".

After many years of hard work raising finance, we were able to erect a three room, flat top structure in the 1921-22 Season. This I might say, was a palace to us for a number of years until in 1933 we were able to erect the present Club House, which I think would be one of the largest in the Association, taking into account

the Club House itself, the boathouse, the board house to hold 120 boards and skis, the gear room, first-aid room and a large club room for our Ladies' Social Committee. Since their formation in 1929 the Ladies' Social Club has been a tower of strength throughout the years and their unstinting efforts and devotion are now legendary. The membership of the Surf Club has grown from those 20 members mentioned in 1906 to 459, including 205 active, 110 reserve active in the Season 1956/57.

The Maroubra S.L.S.C. has been outstanding in their championship accomplishments throughout the years and their almost unchallengable record commenced at the first Surf Carnival conducted under Championship conditions, at Tamarama Beach on the 29th February, 1908. Since that time the Club has claimed no fewer than 28 Australian Championship honours and the State and Metropolitan honours are too numerous to mention.

# A BRIEF HISTORY OF OUR GOLDEN JUBILEE CLUBS

# THE BONDI SURF BATHERS LIFE SAVING CLUB

By T. W. MEAGHER, Esq. President 1951/1957

When bathers at Bondi began getting into difficulties just after the turn of the century, some of the stronger swimmers realised that some form or organised method of rescue was necessary, so a public meeting was called at the Council Chambers in February, and Bondi Surf Bathers Life Saving Club came into existence.

At a General Meeting held in the Council Chambers on Thursday, 15th August, 1907, Captain Lyster Ormsby suggested that a meeting of all Surf Bathing Clubs be called. This meeting was duly held at the Sydney Sports Club on 18th October, 1907, when the Surf Bathing Association of N.S.W. was formed.

The only life saving gear was a full-sized lifebuoy, and heavy ropes. One of the first committees appointed was the "Lines and Tackle Committee, to ascertain the best ropes, jackets, etc., for use". After making a model from a cotton reel and some bent hairpins, they arranged with the firm of Olding and Parker to make the first reel. This was used in a display given on Bondi Beach on 23rd December, 1906, and the first rescue recorded in Sydney press appeared in the Daily Telegraph on 3rd January, 1907. One of the two lads rescued was later to be known as Sir Charles Kingsford Smith.

The first Surf Bronze Medallion examination was held on Bondi Beach on 2nd January, 1910, when Messrs. S. Fullwood (1), L. Abel (2), C. Daley (3), W. Thomas (4), and T. Walker (5) gained their medallions. Fullwood, Thomas and Walker were from Bondi Club, Abel was from Bondi Baths Life Saving Club, and Daley from Coogee Life Saving Brigade. The first three successful

candidates were appointed Examiners by the Association. Sid Fullwood was therefore the holder of No. 1 Bronze Medallion, as well as No. 1 Instructor's Certificate.

The Club has won the Association R. & R. premiership on 11 occasions, including the first in season 1914/15, while many individual Championships have been won by members. In the 1914/18 war, 108 members saw service, and 10 gave their lives. In the 1939/45 war, 210 members served, and 14 lost their lives.

The most tragic day in the history of the Club was Sunday, 6th February, 1938, when about 300 bathers were suddenly swept into a bad channel. About 40 patients received artificial respiration, but despite the sustained efforts of Club members, 5 patients failed to respond to treatment.

The Royal Surf Carnival was successfully staged at Bondi Beach on Saturday, 6th February, 1954, when Her Majesty and His Royal Highness remained present for 71 minutes to witness the various events conducted in their honour.

The 50th Anniversary Jubilee Championship Carnival of the S.L.S.A. of Australia was held this past season on Bondi Beach, and it proved to be a huge success.

During its first 50 years of operation on Bondi Beach, Bondi Surf Bathers Life Saving Club has recorded about 10,000 rescues from the surf, and has given treatment to 16,000 patients in the Club Casualty Room. This is without doubt carrying out the motto of the Association—"Vigilance and Service".

# THE TAMARAMA SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

By E. G. PHILIP, Esq. President, 1946/1957

The Club was founded in 1906, with a limited membership of fifty. The Foundation President was the late G. B. Philip, Esq.

In 1908, with funds raised by subscriptions from Members, the Club's first rooms were built. At about this time, Tamarama Beach was condemned as unsafe for bathing by the Surf Bathing Commission. Outcast from the S.L.S.A., and the Surfing fraternity, the Club carried on with Members who held Royal Life Saving Certificates. This state of affairs existed until 1927, when an S.L.S.A. Delegate visited the Club with a request that the Club affiliate with the S.L.S.A. This the Club did, and thus paved the way for a new era in the Club's history. In 1928, with an active Membership of twenty-five,, thirteen Members gained their Bronze Medallions. In 1929/30, three Members, Messrs. W. Weir, B. Weir

and R. Shapcott, were awarded Meritorious Awards in Bronze for their part in a very daring rescue. The Club competed for the first time in an inter-Club Carnival in 1930-31.

Mr. G. B. Philip retired in 1938 as President, after 32 years in office. His successor was another foundation Member, Mr. E. E. ("Pop") Weir.

During the 1939/45 World War, the Club carried on under great difficulties, with fifty out of sixty active Members serving in the armed forces. The Club was presented in 1947/48 with its first standard size surf boat, by Sir E. Hallstrom. From this season on, Membership increased steadily, and at this date stands at about 170, 111 of these being active members.

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# 50 YEARS



Sends congratulations to the Surf Life Saving Association of Australia, Sydney Branch, on the occasion of the celebration of your Golden Jubilee Year.

# CONGRATULATIONS TO THE S.L.S.A. — SYDNEY BRANCH

We in Australia know well that the humanitarian efforts of the S.L.S.A. are unique throughout the world. Best wishes for your continued success.



# Foreword

Surf life saving in Australia, now in its fiftieth year, possesses a history of heroic accomplishment and remarkable development bearing comparison with any other voluntary, humanitarian organisation in the world.

Until 1902, sea bathing, which was becoming popular on the beaches north and south of Sydney, was strictly controlled by regulations framed by the authorities to confine this healthy pastime to the early hours of the morning, or late in the day, and then only permitted with segregation of the sexes.

A small band of enthusiasts defied the regulations, which were ultimately waived, and, true to the open air tradition of the nation, people began flocking to the beaches to enjoy Nature's great gift.

Attendant with the freedom of bathing, however, came its lurking dangers. Numerous bathers got into difficulties, and not infrequent drownings actuated groups of swimmers to form Clubs to protect fellow bathers in distress.

Amongst the pioneer Clubs were Bronte, Bondi, North Steyne, Manly, Maroubra, Coogee and North Bondi (then styled Bondi Surf and Social Club). The movement quickly spread to the Newcastle and Wollongong areas, and it soon became evident to these early stalwarts that better results in their life saving work would be obtained by uniting themselves under a central administration which, in addition to the mission of management, could devote its attention to standardising methods and equipment.

The outcome was that on 18th October, 1907, a meeting of the Clubs in the Sydney, Newcastle and Wollongong areas was held, at which it was decided to form the N.S.W. Surf Bathing Association, with headquarters in Sydney. Shortly after, Queensland became interested and this led to the constitution of the Surf Life Saving Association of Australia, with Head Centre still located in Sydney.

The prowess of our lifesavers and championship performers has reflected fame and glory on the Association's name, but let us not over-look that the administrative officials also contributed wonderfully towards raising the movement to the honoured pedestal it enjoys today.

Drawn from all walks of life these stalwarts have brought credit to themselves and to the cause, guided as they have been by that common bond of service so aptly expressed in the Association's motto — "Vigilance and Service".

Surf bathing has become an integral part of the Australian way of life and those of us carrying the "torch" today are proud to be associated with Sydney Branch in the celebration of this, its Golden Jubilee Year.

C. MACK, Esq.,
President,
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Notice is hereby given that 8th Annual General Meeting of the Surf Life Saving Association of Australia, Sydney Branch, will be held in the Federation House, 166 Phillip Street, Sydney, on Tuesday, 1st October, 1957, commencing at 7.00 p.m.

# **AGENDA**

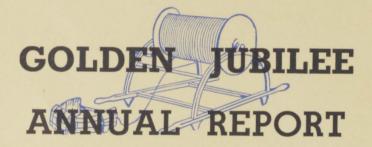
- 1. Club Affiliations and accreditation of Delegates.
- 2. Apologies.
- 3. Presentation of Eighth Annual Report for Season 1956-57 and Audited Financial Statement.
- 4. Election of Officers.
- 5. Motions of which due notice has been given.
- 6. General Business.

G. B. STAUNTON, Hon. Secretary.

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