

SURF LIFE SAVING ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA

SYDNEY BRANCH

BOARD OF EXAMINERS

21st

Annual Report

Season 1969-70

"Vigilance and Service"

Hon. Superintendent
A. MOSELEY

Hon. Secretary
W. SWINGLER

Hon. Dep. Superintendent
J. DEWEY

SURF LIFE SAVING ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA

SYDNEY BRANCH BOARD OF EXAMINERS

Notice is hereby given that the 22nd Annual General Meeting of the Sydney Branch Board of Examiners is to be held in the Aquatic Club, 2 Riley Street, Sydney, on Wednesday, August 12, 1970, at 7.00 p.m.

A G E N D A

1. Minutes of July meeting.
2. Business arising from Minutes.
3. Apologies and Leave.
4. Correspondence.
5. Welcome to Visitors.
6. Presentation of 21st Annual Report.
7. Election of Officers.
8. Election of Committees.
9. General Business.

SURF LIFE SAVING ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA

SYDNEY BRANCH BOARD OF EXAMINERS

OFFICIALS AND COMMITTEES

1969-1970

Branch Superintendent:	A. Moseley
Deputy Branch Superintendent:	J. Dewey
Honorary Secretary:	W. Swingler

District Supervisors:

No. 1 District -	W. Winzer
No. 2 District -	W. Rennie
No. 3 District -	J. Casey
No. 4 District -	W. Young

Assistant District Supervisors:

No. 1 District -	F. Osborne
No. 2 District -	E. Stephens
No. 3 District -	J. Wardall
No. 4 District -	C. Owens

Boat Inspector:	G. Challis
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Gear Steward:	A. Moseley
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Committees

<u>Resuscitation:</u>	*T. Beckett, R. Howells, D. Murray, J. Oldham, F. Osborne, W. Swingler, J. Switzer.
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<u>Meritorious Awards:</u>	R. Howells, G. Johnson, R. McKenna, A. Moseley, *W. Swingler, J. Switzer, W. Young.
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<u>Gear Inspection:</u>	P. Ainsworth, H. Bretherton, N. Dixon, W. Hodges, K. Midson, A. Moseley, F. Osborne, C. Owens, J. Solomon, W. Swingler, W. Winzer, W. Young.
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<u>Patrol Efficiency</u> <u>Competition Committee:</u>	K. Andrews, T. Beckett, J. Dewey, A. Dickson, M. Locke, J. May, J. Oldham, W. Swingler.
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* Convenor.

SURF LIFE SAVING ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA
SYDNEY BRANCH BOARD OF EXAMINERS

21st ANNUAL REPORT

SEASON 1969-1970

Gentlemen,

It is my pleasure, on behalf of the Branch Superintendent and the Officers of the Board, to present this 21st Annual Report, covering the activities of our Board during the 1969-70 season.

This season, as past seasons, has been an active one for the members of the Board. There has been a sharp increase in the number of examinations during the year and the number of carnivals has remained fairly constant. As well as the Open, Championship and special carnivals listed later in this report, there were a large number of restricted carnivals to be attended.

During the season, there has again been a significant influx of new members. Although there has been a slight drop in active membership, the total membership has remained constant, proving that interest in the Board, and its activities, has been maintained.

The Board, this year, has been extremely well represented at State Centre level.

Last year's Board Deputy Superintendent Nick Dixon was re-elected for his second term as State Secretary, and we congratulate him on this honour. Nick is also a member of two State Centre sub-committees.

Congratulations are also extended to our Superintendent, Ike Moseley, on his election this year to the position of State Centre Deputy Superintendent. Ike is also State Centre Reel Inspector and is also on two sub-committees.

Board Life Member and State Centre Life Member John Vaughan is also active at State Centre level.

With all these members constantly associated with the higher body, we can be sure to receive all the latest information and to be well represented on any contentious issue at that level.

Further congratulations are extended to member Bill Eady, who this year achieved honour in coaching the very successful N.S.W. State Team.

At the beginning of this season we were confronted with a completely revised handbook and this presented one of our major difficulties. However, the promulgation sessions held early in the season ensured that all active members, and Club Chief Instructors, were conversant with the new requirements, and our standard was never in jeopardy.

MEMBERSHIP

The tables below show the current state of our membership. During the year we welcomed thirteen new members to the Board, including Malcolm Gray (Nth Bondi S.L.S.C.) who transferred from the New Zealand Panel of Judges, and Peter Calder (North Cronulla S.L.S.C.) who transferred from the Tasmanian Board of Examiners. Other members joining the Board during the season were:

Mick Arnold (Cronulla)	Dennis Graham (Nth Cronulla)
Miko Berger (Elouera)	Barry King (Cronulla)
Mark Chapman (Cronulla)	Ian Ross (Nth Cronulla)
Don Denton (Clovelly)	Ken Russell (Nth Cronulla)
Geoff Donovan (Nth Cronulla)	Eric Walton (Coogee)
Ron Gabbe (Nth Cronulla)	

Of these, Geoff Donovan, Ron Gabbe, Dennis Graham, Ken Russell and Eric Walton were awarded their Examiners' Certificates in July and the remainder should be eligible for their Certificates during the 1970-71 season.

The number of Board members per Club is now as follows, with the three previous years given for comparison -

<u>Club</u>	<u>1966-67</u>	<u>1967-68</u>	<u>1968-69</u>	<u>1969-70</u>
Burning Palms.....	2	2	3	3
Era.....	4	4	4	4
Garie.....	3	3	4	3
Cronulla.....	24	26	30	29
North Cronulla.....	14	12	18	22
Elouera.....	-	-	1	1
Wanda.....	9	9	8	8
South Maroubra.....	2	2	2	1
Maroubra.....	6	6	5	4
Coogee.....	14	10	7	7
Clovelly.....	14	9	3	4
Bronte.....	9	9	9	8
Tamarama.....	7	5	5	5
Bondi.....	12	9	10	9
North Bondi.....	6	5	4	5
Life Members affiliated with Clubs in other Branches.....	<u>10</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>
Totals:	<u>136</u>	<u>119</u>	<u>121</u>	<u>121</u>

It is disappointing to note the wide variation of Board membership between the Clubs. Small or infant Clubs could be expected to have low Board representation, but there are big Clubs, and big areas which are poorly represented. This throws the burden of the work on a few members, making their job quite arduous.

Associated with this problem is the fall in Board membership in some of the Clubs. In the Board as a whole, the influx of thirteen new members was exactly matched by the loss of members. Messrs. J. Orrell and A. Ryan were reinstated as members in August with Mr. Orrell resigning in March. Other resignations during the season were Messrs. H. Bretherton, M. Burness, T. Carter, J. Hollingdale, A. Metti, F. Moss and P. Stapleton. A further seven members were deleted from the Board due to their failure to comply with various obligations.

Current Board membership under the various categories is as follows:-

<u>Category</u>	<u>1966-67</u>	<u>1967-68</u>	<u>1968-69</u>	<u>1969-70</u>
Life Members.....	21	22	21	21
Long Service Members.....	6	6	7	13
Active Members.....	102	81	84	71
Probationary Members.....	-	-	-	6
Country Members.....	<u>7</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>
TOTAL:	<u>136</u>	<u>119</u>	<u>121</u>	<u>121</u>

While the total number of members has remained constant, there has been a marked drop in Active members. As will be noticed, however, this is offset by the increase in Long Service members, and the new category of Probationary members which has previously been incorporated with the Active members. The reason for segregating Probationary members is that now their activities on the Board have to be monitored more closely than in the past for them to qualify for their Certificates.

THE YEAR'S WORK.

The Board's purpose, to further the aims of the Surf Life Saving Association is achieved by -

1. Appointing examiners to ensure that qualified life savers are on patrol duty.
2. Judging and conducting competitions to encourage a higher level of performance.
3. Convening instructional classes from time to time, and
4. Evaluating new gear, methods and ideas.

To this end, a summary of the members' activities for the season is as follows -

- * 49 Examinations
- * 5 Open Sydney Branch Carnivals, Interdistrict Championships and Branch Championships
- * Metropolitan Championships
- * Interbranch Championships
- * N.S.W. Championships
- * Australian and Interstate Championships
- * Restricted Carnivals
- * Board and Branch meetings
- * Board and Branch sub-committee meetings
- * Gear Stewards' Conference
- * Gear Inspection
- * Demonstrations and lectures to outside organisations on lifesaving techniques.

The activities of the Board members throughout the season have been a credit to them and the Association, and the enthusiasm displayed has been pleasing to the Officers.

AWARDS.

As usual, the Board has been active on the examination side, which could be considered the main purpose of our existence. The figures cover from May 1, 1969 to May 3, 1970, which is the cut-off point for the record purposes of the Branch.

The number of awards gained this year is shown below with the previous three years' records given for comparison -

<u>Awards</u>	<u>1966-67</u>	<u>1967-68</u>	<u>1968-69</u>	<u>1969-70</u>
Examiners' Certificates.....	20	16	2	15
Instructors' Certificates.....	59	63	50	57
Bronze Medallions.....	242	355	241	272
Qualifying Certificates.....	140	113	103	158
Resuscitation Certificates.....	<u>27</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>52</u>
Totals:	<u>488</u>	<u>548</u>	<u>406</u>	<u>554</u>

This is an increase of 148 Awards or 36% on last season and the second highest number of awards since Manly-Warringah separated from the Sydney Branch, the highest occurring in 1965-66 with 674 Awards.

Again, advantage was taken of the off season to train members for awards to enable them to enter into patrol and competition work at the commencement of the season.

In charge of examination appointments this year was John Dewey, Deputy Superintendent, in his first term of office. We must all agree that John handles the task in a creditable manner, particularly considering the number of examinations.

John reported that 49 examinations were held, for which 178 appointments were made. Examinations resulted in 164 attendances by Board members, which is a lot of work when it is considered that each attendance would be of approximately three hours duration. While 178 members were appointed, only 143, or 80%, attended as appointed. Members are reminded of their responsibility to gain a substitute if they are unable to conduct the examination themselves.

This year 15 members qualified for their Examiners Certificates, compared with only 2 during 1968-69. Those qualifying were:

Trevor Beckett (Burning Palms)	Ken Gavin (Elouera)
Hartley Bretherton (Garie)	Kerry Williams (Cronulla)
Malcolm Burness (Cronulla)	Ross Williams (Cronulla)
John Maguire (Cronulla)	George Challis (Cronulla)
Paul Race (North Cronulla)	John Dewey (North Cronulla)
Arthur Waters (Bondi)	John Fleming (North Cronulla)
Robert West (North Cronulla)	Bruce Gardiner (North Cronulla)
Ian Brown (Cronulla)	

Our congratulations are extended to these members on their achievement, but it is disappointing to observe that four of the above are no longer members.

With the large number of examinations, the District Supervisors had a busy year and our thanks go to them and their Assistants for their work in conducting the preliminary examinations.

CARNIVALS.

Carnival appointments were again handled splendidly by Branch Superintendent, Ike Moseley.

There were five Open carnivals held in the Sydney Branch, compared with seven last season. In addition, however, the Interdistrict carnival was held at Tamarama, the Branch Championships at North Bondi, the Metropolitan Championships at South Maroubra and the State Championships at Wanda. As well as these carnivals, Sydney Branch Board Officials were present at the Inter-Branch Championships at Dee Why, the Australian Championships at Ocean Grove Victoria, and a number of Manly-Warringah Branch carnivals.

Open carnivals conducted in the Branch were held at Garie, North Cronulla, Elouera, Bronte and Bondi. Although entries were light at the Garie carnival generally, events were keenly contested by Sydney competitors at carnivals both in this Branch and in Manly-Warringah. This is assumed to be a combined effect of increased entry fees and the valuable prize for competition in the Metropolitan area. All Clubs are thanked for undertaking to run carnivals and providing competitors with the experience necessary to achieve the high level of performance required by the Association.

The Sydney Interdistrict carnival, this year, was conducted at Tamarama. The carnival was contested enthusiastically with No. 2 District running out victors with 6 points.

The Branch Championships were held at North Bondi. Nothing was found wanting during the day due to the conscientious efforts of the Carnival Organiser and his committee. Congratulations are extended to the Club on the carnival success and especially to Championship winners on the day.

At the conclusion of every carnival held in the Sydney Branch, Clubs provided refreshments for the Officials and, in each case, the Officials were adamant in their praise of the ensuing function.

After conducting their first Open carnival last year, the South Maroubra Club this year undertook to stage the Metropolitan Championships. Competition was keen, with Sydney Branch competitors and officials well represented. The Producers and Citizens Life Assurance Company, this season, made available a fully equipped Surf Boat to be contested on a handicap point score basis over each Clubs five best carnival point scores, one being the Metropolitan Championships. The leading point scorers for this valuable trophy were:-

1st	Cronulla.....	688 points
2nd	Coogee.....	558 points
3rd	Collaroy.....	504½ points
4th	Nth Bondi.....	494 points

Our congratulations go to the Cronulla Club for their fine performance in this competition.

Congratulations are also extended to all Championship winners at the Metropolitan Carnival and appreciation offered to the host Club, South Maroubra, for making the carnival and the following social function so successful.

Wanda S.L.S.C. was the host for this season's N.S.W. Championships, held in conjunction with numerous Bi-Centenary Celebrations being held in the area. Unfortunately the carnival was hampered by adverse weather conditions but the Wanda Club did everything in its power to ensure the success of the carnival. Congratulations are extended to all Championship winners and to the Wanda ladies for their luncheon and refreshment arrangements.

The Interbranch Championships were held this year at Dee Why. The carnival went smoothly, due, in no small way, to the efforts of the host Club, however, it became dead at times whilst waiting for competitors. It was hoped to overcome these dead times by staging Open events, but this failed due to lack of entries. The ensuing function was appreciated by Officials and competitors and our thanks are extended to the ladies who made them available.

Sydney Branch Officials and competitors were also well represented at the Royal Tour Surf Carnival at Coffs Harbour. This special carnival was staged after the Australian Championships and seemed to be enjoyed by their Royal Highnesses, who remained considerably beyond their scheduled attendance. The social aspects were particularly enjoyed by Branch Officials.

Ocean Grove Beach in Victoria hosted the three day Interstate and Australian Championships. The carnival proved difficult to conduct smoothly due to "King" tides together with boisterous and cold weather. On the Sunday it was necessary to transfer all water events to Fisherman's Beach, some 15 miles away. Except for this, and excellent co-operation between the Organising Committee, Officials and competitors, the programme would never have been finalised. Again, congratulations are offered to all placegetters.

In addition to officiating in the busy programme this year, several of our Board members are keen competitors and competed in various Championship Carnivals. Our congratulations to those who were successful, and to placegetters at these carnivals.

MEETINGS.

During the season, meetings have been held as follows:-

General	10
Executive	9
Gear Inspection Committee	1
Meritorious Awards Committee	Nil
Resuscitation Committee	2
Patrol Efficiency Comp. Cttee	1

Once again, the Aquatic Club was the venue of Board meetings, on the second Wednesday of each month, and we would like to thank the Club for making their facilities available to us.

General Meetings.

As last year, only approximately 55% of the Board's Active Members are present at each General Meeting. Meetings earlier in the season were much better attended than those held in the concluding months. Presumably, this was because members were interested in the new Handbook and its provisions, but it is at these meetings where the policy and activity of the Board is determined and they are vitally important in keeping abreast of the latest developments. Average total attendance increased from 46 last year to 51 this year, while total membership remained fairly constant.

Executive Meetings.

In accordance with a recommendation last year, the Executive met prior to each General Meeting to deal with matters of a routine nature in order to streamline the General Meetings. This practice proved fairly satisfactory during the season and the meetings were extremely well attended by Board Officers.

Meritorious Awards Committee.

There was no business referred to this Committee during the year.

Resuscitation Committee.

The Resuscitation Committee again provided useful service to the Board. The Committee endeavoured to test and evaluate as many mechanical resuscitators as possible during the season. Demonstrations were given by experienced operators and expert opinion obtained. The advantages and disadvantages of each resuscitator were noted and recommendations made.

Various methods of training resuscitators in the use of mechanical apparatus was also discussed and available training aids evaluated.

The idea of an Advanced Resuscitation Award, proposed by last year's Committee, has been placed on the agenda for the next National Board of Reference Meeting.

Gear Stewards' Conference.

The Annual Gear Stewards' Conference was held on 1st October, 1969 at North Bondi. The Conference was well attended and the requirements in regard to various items of gear were promulgated. This Conference is important in allowing Clubs the opportunity of establishing gear requirements and explains the very high standard of life saving gear in the Branch.

New Handbook Promulgation.

A number of instructional sessions were held early in the season to educate Board members and Club Chief Instructors in the provisions and requirements of the No. 2 Manual. Attendance was a pre-requisite of maintaining Active membership on the Board and each Club was represented by the Chief Instructor or his Delegate. In this way, the Handbook Promulgation Sessions replaced the Chief Instructors' Conference which is normally held each season.

SUMMARY OF MEMBERS' PARTICIPATION.

The following list shows all Active and Probationary members of the Board as at the Annual meeting. Against each name is the number of meetings attended with the number possible whilst on the Active list. Also shown is the number of examinations attended and the number of carnivals in which he officiated.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>MEETINGS</u>		<u>NUMBER OF EXAMINATIONS</u>	<u>NUMBER OF CARNIVALS</u>
	<u>ATTENDED</u>	<u>POSSIBLE</u>		
K. Andrews	7	10	1	6
R. Avery	2	10	0	0
C. Bazeley	5	10	2	5
R. Bear	4	6	0	0
T. Beckett	9	10	4	6
R. Bignold	6	8	2	7
C. Brady	5	10	1	0
B. Brewin	2	10	3	0
R. Bridges	9	10	2	4
I. Brown	3	10	2	0

Name	Meetings		Number of Examinations	Number of Carnivals
	Attended	Possible		
P. Calder	2	5	1	0
J. Casey	8	10	0	4
G. Challis	7	10	1	5
M. Chapman	3	3	0	0
C. Christianson	7	10	1	2
G. Clark	6	10	3	2
D. Cleary	3	10	2	0
J. Cooksley	5	10	2	0
R. Davison	5	10	0	5
D. Denton	1	5	3	8
J. Dewey	10	10	3	8
A. Dickson	6	10	2	0
P. Dickson	5	10	2	0
N. Dixon	9	10	3	0
J. Donohoe	6	10	1	5
G. Donovan	5	6	3	3
W. Eady	5	10	2	0
J. Fleming	3	10	1	0
R. Gabbe	4	5	2	2
M. Gray	2	5	0	0
D. Graham	2	6	2	2
W. Hodges	4	10	2	5
A. Kelly	7	10	4	0
B. King	3	3	0	0
R. Leix	3	6	0	0
M. Locke	5	10	5	0
K. Lonsdale	4	10	1	0
J. Maguire	3	10	2	0
L. McNamara	5	10	2	6
J. May	7	10	3	7
D. Medlin	5	10	2	0
K. Messenger	6	10	2	0
K. Midson	8	10	1	4
M. Moroney	1	6	0	0
D. Murray	8	10	3	0
J. Northmore	0	10	2	0
J. Oldham	6	10	1	0
F. Osborne	9	10	0	1
C. Owens	9	10	3	5
G. Reeves	3	10	3	0
W. Rennie	10	10	0	6
I. Ross	3	5	3	1
K. Russell	1	6	1	0
A. Ryan	3	10	4	0
R. Sandstrom	6	10	1	5
M. Santos	9	10	3	7
R. Sargeant	8	10	1	6

Name	Meetings		Number of Examinations	Number of Carnivals
	Attended	Possible		
R. Sheldon	2	10	2	0
V. Sinclair	8	10	1	0
J. Solomon	5	10	4	8
E. Stephens	9	10	0	6
W. Swingler	9	10	3	5
B. Vaughan	2	8	1	0
J. Wardall	8	10	2	0
B. Walker	3	7	3	0
E. Walton	3	5	4	2
J. Weber	0	10	3	0
R. West	6	10	3	0
K. Wiles	1	10	0	0
K. Williams	5	10	1	0
R. Williams	4	10	4	0
W. Winzer	8	10	0	7
B. York	5	10	2	3
W. Young	9	10	2	3

While it is realised that some Active and Probationary Members are unable to officiate at carnivals because they themselves compete, manage teams, have Club responsibilities or are required to work, and so on, and find it difficult to conduct examinations for similar reasons, it is pointed out that "An Active Member shall vacate his seat on the Board if he fails to attend at least five appointments each season as directed."

Similarly, some members are prevented from attending meetings due to study commitments, working shift or out of Sydney, and many other reasons. If you are unable to attend, written excuse is required, and if not forthcoming for three consecutive meetings or 50% in all in one season, the Active Member shall vacate his seat on the Board.

GEAR INSPECTION.

The Annual Gear Inspection was held on the week-end of the 18th and 19th October, 1969. The Gear Inspection Committee met on 25th September, 1969 at Cronulla to discuss the various points which should be covered by the inspection and to ensure that the D.C. Lucas Trophy Competition was conducted efficiently.

All Clubs scored very well in this competition, making results very close. Twelve Clubs scored in excess of 96 points. The Cronulla Club is to be congratulated for the faultless condition of their gear and in retaining the D.C. Lucas Trophy for another year.

Leading pointscorers in the competition were:

1st Cronulla.....	100 points	3rd Coogee.....	99.31 points
2nd Nth Cronulla...	99.38 points	4th Nth Bondi...	99.29 points

PATROL EFFICIENCY COMPETITION.

A Patrol Efficiency Competition was conducted within the Branch this year after a lapse of several seasons. Each Club was inspected on five occasions during the season by panels who found that patrols in all Clubs were being conducted efficiently. Points were allocated out of a possible 730 and prizes were made available to the leading four Clubs.

Prize winners in the competition were as follows:-

1st	Burning Palms	697 points	-	Mobil Surf Reel
2nd	Era.....	667 points	-	B.P. Patrol Ski
3rd	Cronulla.....	654 points	-	B.P. Patrol Board
4th	Tamarama.....	651 points	-	B.P. Patrol Board

Our congratulations are extended to these successful Clubs and our thanks voted to the sponsors who made the competition possible.

BI-CENTENARY MARATHON BOAT RACE.

This event was conducted on Sunday 19th April, 1970, in three legs, from Yarra Bay to Watsons Bay. A surf boat was presented to the winners, the prize being donated by the combined Councils of Botany, Randwick, Woollahra and Waverley. The placegetters were:-

1st	Swansea Caves..	24 points
2nd	Ballina.....	22 points
3rd	(Wanda.....	20 points
	(Torquay.....	20 points

Again, our congratulations are extended to the winners and our thanks to the sponsors.

B.P. - WARATAH SPRING FESTIVAL MARATHON BOAT RACE.

This event was conducted on 12th October 1969, from Watsons Bay to Lady Macquarie's Chair. 20 crews were started by the Waratah Princess and prizes to 10th place, donated by B.P. (Australia) Ltd., and W.D. & H.O. Wills, were presented by Miss San Francisco assisted by representatives from the donor companies. Major placegetters were:-

1st	Bulli	3rd	Wanda A
2nd	Era	4th	Wollongong

Our congratulations to all prize winners and thanks to the sponsors.

GEAR AND EQUIPMENT.

A number of suggestions have come forward during the season concerning gear, its improvement and use.

A terylene material belt with new type release mechanism was submitted for test by Mr. R. Siddens. Improvements were suggested and the equipment is currently undergoing test.

A plastic material blanket and a portable 2 man rescue kit were inspected and found to have some merit.

Modifications to torpedo buoys were also suggested and a buoy inflated on reaching the patient proposed along with an inflatable belt to allow the patient to be carried higher in the water during the return to the beach.

EXHIBITS AND DEMONSTRATIONS.

At the Annual Boat Show at the Sydney Show Ground during August, 1969, the Association was allocated space to stage an exhibit. A Boat, Reels, and other items of gear were on display, demonstrations of Expired Air Resuscitation were given on the Ambu Manikin, and the Audio Visual Training Aid was operated. Board members attended the exhibit each day and night of the show and distributed literature concerning resuscitation and the Association.

On two occasions Board members gave instruction to the Australian Divers Club on resuscitation and this body seemed appreciative of our efforts.

The Superintendent also provided an outline of the S.L.S.A. to Northmead High School during the season.

THE JUVENILE ASSOCIATION.

The Juvenile Association are paving the way towards forming their own "Panel of Judges" to officiate at Juvenile Carnivals. The Sydney Branch Board of Examiners has conducted instructional classes to assist the Juvenile Association towards its goal. Also, representatives from that Association were invited to attend a Board instructional night on beach events and March Past Judging which took the place of the regular May Board meeting.

SOCIAL.

In June, the regular meeting of the Board of Examiners took the form of a Cocktail Party in the Aquatic Club. Approximately 50 people were present, including members and their partners. Our thanks go to the Organiser, Don Lucas, and the Aquatic Club for making this night such a success, and ensuring the continuation of this function.

CONCLUSION.

This year has been a difficult one for both Superintendent, Ike Moseley, and Deputy Superintendent, John Dewey. Ike's work load has increased substantially this year with his State Centre obligations and the arduous task he had in ensuring that all members understood the requirements of the completely revised handbook. John, in his first year as Deputy Superintendent, also had a heavy load with the sharp increase in examinations this year. However, both performed their jobs in an admirable fashion, and would be a credit to their predecessors. On behalf of the members of the Board, I would like to thank both Ike and John for their fine efforts.

The Branch has continued to encourage the Board to improve our methods and procedures and I would, on behalf of the members thank the Branch for their support, particularly the President Alf Loton, and the Secretary, Gus Staunton.

As I have advised, I am no longer able to continue as Secretary of the Board. It has been a pleasure to be able to record the activities of the Board during the last two years, and to have been a part of these activities. I know that the Board will continue to flourish and that the new Secretary will have no difficulty in reporting on our activities.

To Joan Vaughan, Ellen Staunton, Gus' office Secretaries Carol French and Rita Sarno, I offer my sincere gratitude for their splendid efforts throughout the year in the arduous task of typing, duplicating and distributing Minutes and Circulars.

To Trevor Beckett, I offer my appreciation for your efforts in minute taking, and other duties at the meeting I was unable to attend.

To all members, past and present, I would like to offer my thanks for their efforts in the time that I have been Secretary, as it made my task very pleasant.

For and on behalf of the
Sydney Branch Board of Examiners

W.A. SWINGLER
Honorary Secretary.

SUPERINTENDENT'S ADDENDUM

The record contained in this report leaves little on which I may comment, so I shall content myself with thanking all members of the Board for their co-operation throughout the past season and trust that their continued support will be forthcoming for the officers of the Board in the coming season.

I must particularly thank Board Secretary Bill Swingler for the work he has carried out over the past two seasons in that capacity and regret that due to pressure of technical studies he is unable to continue. However, no individual in any organisation is irreplaceable and I can only trust that who ever takes over from Bill will carry out his duties in the same manner.

Also I must extend my special thanks to Deputy Superintendent John Dewey who in his first season in this position as well as a comparatively new member of the Board has left nothing wanting in his duties which have been carried out in a very efficient manner.

A. MOSELEY

Hon. Branch Superintendent.

SYDNEY BRANCH BOARD OF EXAMINERS

SEASON 1969-70

MEMBERSHIP LIST.

Life Members (21).

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