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FORTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT



SYDNEY BRANCH
SURF LIFE SAVING BOARD OF CONTROL

1990-1991 SEASON

FOREWORD

It is pleasing to report that the aims of our Association have again been achieved within the Branch and this report details the many activities of our Board of Control over the past year and I commend it to your reading.

The past season saw changes to the conduct of many of these activities for the benefit of Clubs and their Members.

The total number of Awards gained within the Branch are an increase on last season and represent a big commitment by both instructors and examiners.

On his retirement, Trevor Elliott is to be congratulated for having guided the Board through its many changes and challenges for over a decade. A truly magnificent effort, Trevor.

Also on behalf of the Branch Officers and Member Clubs, congratulations to all Board Members for your efforts during the past season.

Geoff Forshaw

Sydney Branch President

SYDNEY BRANCH INC.

SURF LIFE SAVING BOARD OF CONTROL

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the 42nd Annual General Meeting of the Sydney Branch Surf Life Saving Board of Control will be held in the Functions Room, Prince Henry Hospital, on Friday, 31st May, 1991 commencing at 7.00 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of the 41st Annual General Meeting, held on 22nd June, 1990.
2. Apologies and Leave.
3. Welcome by the Branch Superintendent, Trevor Elliott.
4. Correspondence.
5. Presentation of the 42nd Annual Report for the 1990-91 Season.
6. Election of Officers and Sub-Committees for the 1991-92 Season.
7. Confirmation of Radio Supervisor, IRB Supervisor and JRB/ORB Supervisor.
8. Motions of which due notice has been given.
9. General Business, such as may arise.

Trevor Elliott
Superintendent

MEMBERSHIP - 1990/91

Life Members (18)

Harry Brown OAM	Trevor Elliott	Albert Moseley	John Vaughan OAM
Les Buck	Bill Gray	Frank Osborne	John Wardall
Bob Davison	Ron Howells	Eddie Sier	Jack Young
John Dewey	Keith Messenger	Ernie Stephens	
Nick Dixon	Lionel McDonald	Jim Switzer	

Long Service Members (23)

Robert Avery	Jon Donohue	Ken Manton	Ron Sandstrom
Robert Bridges	Ken English	Dave Medlin	Rex Sargeant
Ted Brooker	John Fraser	Keith Midson	Joe Seddon
Charles Christiansen	Robert Horton	Neil Miller	Richard Sheldon
Robert Craig	Norm Jamieson	Vince Mulcahy	Harold Spurway
Mick DeLuca	Len Johnson	Doug Murray	

Country Members (2)

Pearce Biram	Jim Connolly
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Active Examination Members (102)

Peter Agnew	Felicity Davis	Raymond Loveridge	Ursula Say
Jenny Anderson	Peter Davis	Brad McDonogh	Paul Scullion
Frank Bailey	Mick DeLuca	Carl Melvey	George Shales
Steve Barrett	Denis Dick	Peter Melvey	Bill Singleton
Troy Blackmore	Barry Dundas	Kenneth Metcalf	Michelle Smith
Robert Bransdon	Trevor Elliott	Neil Miller	Don Smith
Bruce Breadner	Ken English	Peter Moran	Craig Smith
Harry Brown OAM	Jason Ezzy	Michael Moran	Grahame Smith
Graham Bruce	David Falkiner	Jim Morrow	Alf Smith
Peter Burst	Paul Ferguson	Linda Mulhall	Doug Sorensen
Peter Calder	Geoff Gilvear	Peter Murphy	Ernie Stephens
Ron Camilleri	Bill Gray	Tim Murray	Stephen Strange
Robert Cane	Keith Grima	David Newhouse	Karen Strickland
Greg Causer	Roger Habib	Frank Osborne	Peter Sullivan
Joanne Chapman	Wallace Halpin	Darren Palmer	Brad Taylor
Anthony Chandler	Greg Hewett	John Park	Ian Toll
Mike Clancy	Robyn Hughes	Margaret Pearce	Jim Traves
Glen Clarke	Paul Johnson	Peter Pearce	Phil Vanny
Paul Cooper	Michael Kelly	Ron Pears	Hans Visch
Tom Cooper	Bernard Kelly	Trevor Perrin	Alyson Weber
Ross Cotter	Ellis Kirkman	Linda Perrin	Arthur White
John Cox	Gunther Kitzler	Ron Pomeroy	Ian White
David Cross	Dennis Licari	Peter Quartly	Kim Wilson
Glenn Cruise	Brett Lockhart	John Restuccia	Hank Wytenburg
Gary Daly	Wayne Loney	Yvette Roser	
Robyn Daley	Dianne Lovell	Bob Russell	

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SURF LIFE SAVING BOARD OF CONTROL

NEWSLETTER NO.1 - 1991/92 SEASON

1. 1991/92 Board of Control Officers and Committees

Superintendent	Peter Agnew
Secretary	Vacant
Life Saving Supervisor	George Shales
Emergency Services Co-ordinator	Brad Taylor
Examination & Instruction Supervisor	Ursula Say
Carnival & Competition Supervisor	Peter Steenson
Board Gear Steward	Denis Dick
New Members Co-ordinator	Bob Bransdon
Minute Secretary	Peter Davis

IRB Supervisor	Vacant
JRB/ORB Supervisor	John Cox
Radio Supervisor	Brad McDonogh

District Supervisors

Royal National Park Clubs	Peter Sullivan
Cronulla-Sutherland District	Linda Mulhall
Randwick District	Vacant
Waverley	Kim Wilson

Assistant District Supervisors

Royal National Park Clubs	Brad Taylor
Cronulla-Sutherland District	Glenn Cruise
Randwick District	Paul Scullion
Waverley District	Vacant

Gear Inspection Committee

Ken English (convenor), Ursula Say, George Shales, Kim Wilson, Denis Dick, Ken Metcalf, Peter Steenson, Ross Williams, Bill Gray, Peter Agnew, Frank Osborne, Trevor Elliott, Albert Moseley, Greg Hewett, Peter Davis, Alf Smith.

Meritorious Awards Committee

Bill Gray (convenor), Peter Davis, Bill Singleton, Neil Miller, Albert Moseley, Greg Hewett, Phil Vanny, Ron Camilleri, Trevor Elliott.

Manual Revision Committee

Peter Davis (convenor), John Restuccia, Ernie Stephens.

Resuscitation-Research-Development-Instruction-Medical Panel

Frank Osborne (convenor), Keith Grima, Peter Agnew, Ernie Stephens, Brad Taylor, Linda Mulhall.

2. Positions Vacant

Applications from Board Members are now invited for the positions of

- a) Board Secretary
- b) Randwick District Supervisor
- c) Waverley Assistant District Supervisor
- d) IRB Supervisor

Enquiries for these important positions can be directed through the Branch Office on 311-3298.

3. Board of Control Annual Report
Spare copies of our 42nd Annual Report are available from the Branch Office if required.
4. Information Directory
The 1991/92 Season Information Directory is now being compiled and an invitation is extended to all Board Members for items to be included in this very important document. Any variation, changes to telephone numbers etc., or addition to the samples of Examination Questions in the rear of the Directory are also welcome.
5. Examination Board Seminar
It is proposed to hold an Examination Seminar (date and venue still to be determined) with the main aim to update and standardise members techniques and practices with regard to Examination in Sydney Branch. A meeting of interested parties in being involved in organisation and discussion items for the Seminar will be held at the Branch Office on Tuesday, 9th July, 1991 at 7.00 p.m. or contact the Examination & Instruction Supervisor, Ursula Say.
6. Accreditation of Carnival Officials
Peter Steenson, our Carnival & Competition Supervisor is currently drawing up a timetable for the Accreditation of Carnival Officials to be held in October. Information pertaining to this will be given in the next newsletter.
7. Manual Review
National Council has called for a full Life Saving Manual Review. The Board Manual Review Committee has set a meeting for Wednesday, 17th July at 7.00 p.m. at the Branch Office. The Committee has asked if any material from Board Members in regard to amendments to the manual could be submitted to the Branch Office before this date.
8. Proficiency Tests
Ursula Say is currently compiling dates and reviewing last year's procedure and these items will be available in the next newsletter.
9. Club Captain's Meeting
This meeting has been scheduled for Saturday, 13th July, 1991 at 10.00 a.m. with agenda items closing on Monday, 1st July for Clubs and Board Officers.
10. Board Apparel
Suggestions are currently being looked at by the Apparel Committee to have available for sale Board apparel for the coming season. Do you have any suggestions on design or style? If so, why not contact one of the Committee Members with your ideas (Margaret Pearce, Bill Singleton, Bob Bransdon).
11. Winter Board Riding
Kim Wilson is currently running the Winter Board Riding Series with the next event scheduled at Wanda on the 10th and 11th of August. If you are interested in being an official at the Board Riding Events or keen to lend a hand, contact Kim for further information.

Peter Agnew
Superintendent

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Active Competition Members (87)

Peter Agnew	Trevor Elliott	Linda Mulhall	Peter Steenson
Ann Ainsworth	Ken English	Frank Osborne	Ernie Stephens
Greg Allum	Grahame Evans	Margaret Pearce	Stephen Strange
Mary Andrews	Warwick Everingham	Ron Pears	Karen Strickland
Jean Baker	Bob Gillroy	Trevor Perrin	Peter Sullivan
Steve Barrett	Ian Goode	Linda Perrin	Carolyn Swane
Robert Bransdon	Marie Gray	Ron Pomeroy	Brad Taylor
Bruce Breadner	Bill Gray	John Restuccia	Brian Thompson
Ted Brooker	Ron Hammond	Rosemary Ridley	Ian Toll
Harry Brown OAM	Gloria Howells	Raymond Robinson	Jim Traves
Graham Bruce	Ron Howells	Jack Ryan	John Vaughan OAM
Jeannette Cahill	Jason Hudson	Ron Sandstrom	Joan Vaughan
Edward Cahill	Michael Kelly	Rex Sargeant	Rob Watkins
Robert Cane	Bernard Kelly	Merle Sargeant	Gaelyn Watson
Joanne Chapman	Robert Lippmann	Ursula Say	Arthur White
Ross Cotter	Wayne Loney	Joe Seddon	Ross Williams
Robyn Daley	Bill Marshall	George Shales	Kim Wilson
Peter Davis	Geoff Martin	Richard Sheldon	Andy Winters
Carmel Dick	Kenneth Metcalf	Frances Shore	Bob Woodger
Denis Dick	Rod Miller	Bill Singleton	Don Workman
Peter Doolan	Neil Miller	Beverley Smith	Delysia Workman
Paul Edwards	Albert Moseley	Craig Smith	

Other Members (24)

Mark Amos	Doug Iredale	Brian Parsell
Stewart Bailey	Rachel Laurenson	David Popplewell
John Bodnar	John May	Peter Rennex
Paul Cox	Adam McGrath	Warren Rennie
David Cooper	Grant McMahon	John Roberts
Martin Dashwood	Patrick O'Neill	Anthony Yeo
Robert Edwards	Lynette O'Neill	
Bruce Gardiner	John Oldham	
Dennis Heussner	David Pacey	

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES - 1990/91 SEASON

Honorary Superintendent.....	Trevor Elliott
Honorary Secretary.....	Bruce Breadner
Life Saving Supervisor.....	George Shales
Emergency Services Co-ordinator.....	Peter Agnew
Examination and Instruction Supervisor.....	Ursula Say
Carnival and Competition Supervisor.....	Ken Metcalf
Board Gear Steward.....	Denis Dick
New Members Co-ordinator.....	Bob Bransdon
BJA Superintendent.....	Ian Goode

SECTIONAL SUPERVISORS

IRB Supervisor.....	Wayne Loney (resigned)
	M.(Bill) Singleton
JRB/ORB Supervisor.....	Ron Camilleri
Radio Supervisor.....	Ian White (resigned)

DISTRICT SUPERVISORS

Royal National Park Clubs.....	Peter Sullivan
Cronulla-Sutherland District.....	Steve Barrett
Randwick District.....	John Restuccia
Waverley District.....	Kim Wilson

ASSISTANT DISTRICT SUPERVISORS

Royal National Park Clubs.....	Ross Cotter
Cronulla-Sutherland District.....	Glenn Cruise
Randwick District.....	Paul Scullion
Waverley District.....	David Newhouse

PROFICIENCY TEST SUPERVISORS

Royal National Park Clubs.....	Ross Cotter
Cronulla-Sutherland District.....	Bill Gray
Randwick District.....	Linda Perrin
Waverley District.....	Carl Melvey

BOARD OF CONTROL COMMITTEES

Gear Inspection Committee

Ken English (convenor), Bill Gray, George Shales, Ted Cahill, Ursula Say, Denis Dick, Ross Williams, Greg Hewett, Peter Steenson, Kim Wilson, Peter Agnew, Ken Metcalf, Frank Osborne, Keith Midson, Albert Moseley.

IRB Inspection Committee

Wayne Loney, Bob Cane, Arthur White, M.(Bill) Singleton, Brad Taylor

Meritorious Awards Committee

Bill Gray (convenor), Neil Miller, M.(Bill) Singleton, George Shales, Greg Hewett, Phil Vanny, Ron Howells.

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Frank Osborne (convenor), Ernie Stephens, Brad Taylor, Keith Grima, Peter Murphy, Peter Agnew, Bruce Breadner, Mick DeLuca.

Apparel Committee

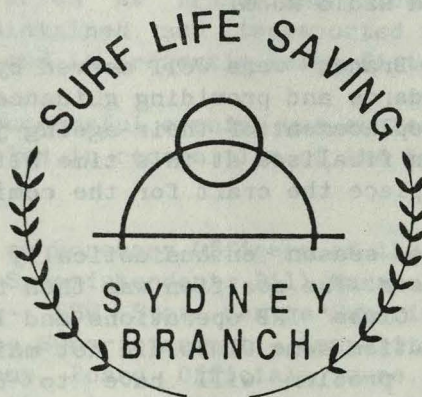
Margaret Pearce (convenor), M.(Bill) Singleton, Bob Bransdon.

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SURF LIFE SAVING BOARD OF CONTROL

FORTY SECOND ANNUAL REPORT

SEASON 1990/91



Fellow Board Members

It is with much pleasure that I present to you this 42nd Annual Report of the Sydney Branch Board of Examiners on behalf of the Board and its Officers.

This report details the lifesaving, examination and competitive activities conducted by the Board during the 1990/91 Season in fulfilling its obligations to the Sydney Branch and its Clubs.

The change in structure of the Board is recognised with the separation of the roles of the members in relation to life saving activities and competition, with separate active membership lists included in the report for the first time.

The 102 Active Examination members listed are qualified examiners who have participated in the examination of Club members this season. There have been 87 Officials active in the wide range of Competition conducted within the Branch and they have also been recorded in recognition of their service.

The first role of our organisation is life saving and the traditional strong emphasis required has been maintained by the Life Saving members of the Board. The policy on Patrol Obligations and Hours of Duty was mutually formulated at the Captains' Meeting conducted at the end of June and gave ample time for Clubs to organise for the Season. The Branch's Information Directory which contains this policy and voluminous information was put together during the winter months by the Board Executive. This involved extensive reviewing of the content and rewriting and expanding where necessary. This unique publication was available to all Club members and is vital to the planning and co-ordination of activities with specific information on emergencies, examinations, carnivals and calendars.

The Life Saving Panel met seven times during the Season under the Chairmanship of George Shales and while attendance at meetings led to some criticism the members were active in the field where the effort was required.

The District Supervisors, John Restuccia and three new faces, Peter Sullivan, Steve Barrett and Kim Wilson, with their Assistants, carried the workload in the Districts with hands on involvement with the Clubs. The Life Saving Panel was also responsible for the introduction of the Patrol Inspection Report which improved communications on patrol standards.

The commitment from Peter Agnew as Emergency Services Co-ordinator resulted in improved co-ordination of these sections of the Board. The contributions of Peter, George Shales and a dedicated group of operators maintained important communications in the Branch Radio Room.

The power craft of the Branch were well served by Ron Camilleri who was very active in overseeing standards and providing guidance to the JRB3 Group in their efforts for the timely replacement of their ageing jet boat. The future funding of the Group has not been finalised at this time although all avenues are being pursued in an attempt to replace the craft for the coming season.

Wayne Loney commenced the season enthusiastically as IRB Supervisor but was unable to continue mid season. The position was then filled by our stalwart, Bill Singleton, who oversaw the Clubs' IRB operations and IRB competitions. While IRBs carried out vital patrol duties some Clubs did not maintain the hours expected by these patrol craft. This problem will have to be addressed and a policy implemented to improve the number of qualified drivers available for patrol.

Our Gear Inspection Panel under the direction of Convenor, Ken English, checked all Club equipment prior to the start of the season. Congratulations to South Maroubra who were the recipients of the Gear Inspection Trophy.

The Chief Instructors' Meeting was held prior to the start of the season to format and schedule examinations. The position of Examination and Instruction Supervisor was not filled until September when Ursula Say was elected and was immediately faced with the start of season workload. Proficiency testing was conducted for all active Surf Club Members as well as the examination of some 1,100 candidates for Association Awards. With the support of the Examiners, all these obligations were carried out admirably. Unfortunately the role of the Supervisor is complicated by the number of one off exams requested by Clubs, often with very short notice.

Bob Bransdon filled the position of New Members Co-ordinator and conducted a successful indoctrination day at the Branch Office to welcome all the new members on the Board.

Junior Activities of the Clubs have been integrated within the Branch and a good liaison exists with Ian Goode the Superintendent. There is further opportunity for the amalgamation of the Junior Panel of Judges into our competition ranks.

Our Carnival Officials are now active for the twelve months of the year, with distinct categories of competition. As well as Surf Carnivals, Stillwater Rowing, IRB Competition, Board Riding and Endurance events were also conducted.

In an effort to re-organise carnivals two open meetings were held during the winter months which produced a new carnival programme. The meetings gave the Board insight into the needs of competitors and Clubs which were then integrated into our carnival structure. This process is continuing and will result in further tuning for the coming season. Ken Metcalf and his Officials have had a successful season and deserve the thanks of competitors.

The details of Officials Accreditation requirements are now spelt out and every official should aim to achieve the appropriate certification for next year's carnivals.

Denis Dick, as Board Gear Steward, ensured that Carnival Stationery and other Board Gear was maintained and made available whenever required.

There were difficulties experienced when a replacement gear trailer was not organised in time for the season, however, through the efforts of Arthur White and Bill Singleton who acted as Branch Gear Stewards for the majority of the season, the gear was maintained and transported to our carnivals. A new gear trailer has been purchased and is presently being fitted with suitable racks.

A well attended and most successful evening was hosted by the Branch and Board on the eve of the State Titles in recognition of the 50 years of dedicated service of Life Member, Ron Howells.

A number of members served as Honorary Officers of the Association:

Warren Rennie - National Superintendent; Bill Marshall - NSW State Centre Deputy President; Peter Calder - NSW State Centre Superintendent - Life Saving; John Dewey - NSW State Centre Superintendent - Competition; John Fraser - NSW State Centre Treasurer; and many Board Officials were appointed to Championship Carnivals and supported the Association by travelling at their own expense to Perth.

As Bruce Breadner was unable to complete this Report as Secretary due to work commitments, it is pleasing to be able to present this brief summary of the work and activities of the Board. Margaret Pearce at the Branch Office has been a most able administrative support for all Officers and activities during the year and her willing assistance has been most appreciated.

The Board, as the active arm of the Branch and with a membership larger than most Clubs, has been most successful in completing the tasks required.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank and congratulate the Officers and Members of this Board for their many and varied contributions to the success of the season.

In this my last season as Superintendent, I thank you all for your support and wish the same enjoyment and satisfaction that I have experienced over a number of years to the incoming Officers of the Board.

Trevor Elliott
Superintendent

LIFE SAVING SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

This year has been a learning experience for me, for the most part an enjoyable one. I feel that it would have been impossible but for the assistance of the Branch Executive and the Board Executive.

The standard of life saving within the Branch this year has been overall very good. The Clubs with patrol uniforms maintained their usual high standard of appearance. Unfortunately, I was disappointed that more of the Clubs did not take advantage of the unique offer of sponsored patrol uniforms by National Council. I would like to say how impressive Clubs with uniforms look and give the public a greater sense of safety by being able to identify the Lifesavers.

The standard of training has noticeably improved as is evident by the superior class of Lifesavers emerging from the trainee ranks. Whilst on the subject of training, I would be remiss if I did not mention Ursula Say, Examination and Instruction Supervisor, as she stepped into the position at a moment's notice. I found her performance nothing short of exceptional.

Proficiencies and examinations were of high standard, unfortunately all of the work and responsibility fell onto the same old shoulders, with little or no help from the remainder of the Board. This is an area of vital importance to the Association and it is essential that more members of the Board take an active role if we are to maintain our high standards. I also feel that the standard of proficiency and examination should be more uniform.

The District Supervisors, Peter Sullivan, Steve Barrett, John Restuccia and Kim Wilson and their Assistants performed commendably, but I would like to remind everyone concerned and also anyone who may be thinking of standing next year, of the importance of attending Lifesaving Executive Meetings. Without your input we are uninformed and as such find great difficulty in passing on much needed information. There were shortcomings in this years attendance.

Whilst attendance of patrols at the Patrol Championships increased marginally with seven teams competing, two clubs fielded two teams. Of the fifteen clubs concerned, this really does leave a lot to be desired. My congratulations to all competitors, unfortunately there can only be one winner, in this instance, Tamarama took the title with North Cronulla's two teams second and third. To all the officials who did attend, my sincere thanks and congratulations on a well run Patrol Championship, but again there was a shortfall of officials.

The newly negotiated patrol hours worked very well, although I had my doubts in the beginning. Whilst my fears have been allayed, I must state my opinion that the patrol hours have been cut to the bone with no more negotiation possible. To fulfil our obligation to the public and local Councils the current patrol hours must be maintained in the interest of public safety.

Congratulations to John Restuccia, Lifesaver of the Year, Sydney Branch. A very hard decision with six excellent nominees. There were only six nominees for this Award from the fifteen Clubs, with one club giving two nominations. Surely Clubs must have at least one member worthy of nomination.

George Shales

Life Saving Supervisor

EMERGENCY SERVICES CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT

The season started off with the Annual Emergency Services Field Day being held at Yarra Bay, with a good roll up of emergency services personnel and Club Officers. Apart from the normal itinerary of simulated rescues and patient transfers involving the Branch's power boats and helicopter, time was also taken to hear from kindred services such as the Royal Volunteer Coastal Patrol and the Australian Volunteer Coast Guard who made their time and craft available for the day's exercises.

For the Opening of the Season day at Bondi Beach, media personnel from three commercial television stations and print media witnessed a rescue display involving JRB3, ORB2, Rescue Helicopters and beach personnel. A prerecorded radio conversation of a typical mass rescue was piped over the public address system to allow the public to follow the situation displayed in front of them.

On Wednesday, 21st November, groups participated in the Airport Emergency Plan which saw a simulation of a plane landing where the left landing gear collapses on touchdown and the aircraft leaves the runway and comes to rest partly in Botany Bay severely damaged with the left wing sheared off. There are fires and many casualties scattered around the site. At 15 minutes past the crash time, ORB2, JRB3 and an inflatable rescue boat entered the area with a Sydney Branch Co-ordinator on the Police control boat directing them to the appropriate area of the crash site. Sydney Surf was manned recording relevant details of our involvement, then relaying the information to the forward command post on the crash site. Much was learnt by our rescue groups and the favourable comments at the debriefing by the States Rescue Chiefs complimented our personnel involved and Surf Life Saving as a whole.

The 24 Hour Call-Out System ran smoothly this season with a good utilisation from Police, Statutory Authorities and Clubs within Sydney. With a proposed replacement craft in the Randwick District in place the system will reach its full potential.

In the field of communications, the Branch Radio Room operated to its usual high standard and although the position of Radio Supervisor was not filled after the resignation of Ian White early in the season, George Shales and myself took over a caretaker role. The Sydney Branch IRB UHF Radio was finally approved by State Centre and two models are now available to Clubs. Policies were implemented during the year to combat excess traffic on the UHF network with most Clubs now using several radios. An upgrading of the Branch Radio Room is scheduled for next season which will see a trial separation of channels within the Branch, i.e. Channel One - emergencies, Channel Two - general.

The JRB/ORB section under the guidance of Ron Camilleri functioned to the high expectations placed on these craft. The only problems being the large amount of down time for JRB3 due to mechanical problems, despite the Captain and Crew working to keep the boat operational. I feel the Group is still very enthusiastic. Notwithstanding the down time, the boat managed to record a large number of rescues. The ORB2 Group once again excelled themselves with highly qualified crew and the latest equipment at their disposal. Both boats have proven to be a great asset to the Branch and aquatic users on one of the busiest stretches of coastline in Australia.

The IRB section saw Bill Singleton back in the chair after the resignation of Wayne Loney. A number of Clubs took full advantage of this most important piece of life saving equipment.

The Helicopter Rescue Service has now purchased a larger helicopter, a SA365 Twin Engine Dauphin which came on line a week after the patrol season concluded. The call sign for the new helicopter will be "Life Saver 1".

It would be remiss of me not to mention the Branch Duty Officers, Peter Sullivan, Ron Camilleri, John Restuccia and George Shales all of whom took an active role once again on the beaches with over 25 major incidents attended by these personnel. Thank you seems hardly adequate.

In closing, I would like to thank the Board and Branch Executive for the support given to me throughout the year and I look forward to another season as a Surf Lifesaver.

Peter Agnew
Emergency Services Co-ordinator

EXAMINATION AND INSTRUCTION SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

At the beginning of the season, proficiency dates were set each weekend for various beaches within each District. Many Club members left their proficiency until the after the proficiency deadline at which time requests for "specials" were being made.

Dates are set for these examinations so that we can keep control of what is going on as far as water safety and numbers are concerned.

Thanks go to the Proficiency Co-ordinators, Carl Melvey, Linda Perrin, Bill Gray and Ross Cotter, who not only helped with conducting these exams but also made sure that they were supervised accordingly.

With the proficiencies over, then came the task of allocating examiners for the Bronze Medallion and Surf Life Saving examinations. Once again, these too had set dates and venues so that full control could be maintained. However, there were Clubs that "just had to have" their candidates go through on a certain weekend (being the weekend not scheduled for examinations) and this required organising a venue and making sure that there was sufficient water safety (to meet the Board's requirements) and finally the examiners had to be contacted at last minute to see if they were available.

As far as examinations were concerned, it was very disappointing to see that we had a lack of examiners nominating for examinations in the Cronulla-Sutherland District.

The number of candidates that gained various awards is outlined at the end of this report. During the middle of the season shortly before the State and Australian Titles there was an enormous amount of candidates being pushed through for their Bronze Medallions.

Even though the examinations on the scheduled dates eventually had the required number of examiners, it was disappointing to find that they were the same names each week. Once again I stress the importance that eventually these "same people" will have other commitments.

The people I would like to thank most of all are: George Shales; Peter Agnew; Paul Cooper; Keith Grima; Bill Gray; Ken Metcalf; Robyn Hughes; and the others for the continued support when they were available at short notice to do a number of examinations.

This season saw a few new faces around the examinations, these people being:

Steve Barrett - Wanda	<u>ARC</u>
Paul Scullion - Maroubra	Paul Ferguson - Elouera
Barry Dundas - Bronte	Tim Murray - Maroubra
Hans Visch - Bronte	Paul Cooper - Tamarama
Alyson Weber - Coogee	<u>IRB</u>
Margaret Pearce - Burning Palms	Kim Wilson - Bondi
Robyn Hughes - North Cronulla	Peter Burst - Bondi
Michelle Smith - North Cronulla	John Restuccia - Maroubra
Jason Ezzy - Cronulla	Paul Cooper - Tamarama

These members are congratulated in gaining these Awards.

Thanks also to the District Supervisors who put through an enormous amount of candidates for their Stage 2 (preliminary) examinations.

Waverley - Kim Wilson
 Randwick - John Restuccia/Paul Scullion
 Cronulla-Sutherland - Steve Barrett/Glenn Cruise
 Royal National Park - Peter Sullivan

The Advanced Resuscitation Examinations went well and were arranged by Keith Grima in the Randwick/Waverley Districts and Frank Osborne in the Cronulla-Sutherland and Royal National Park Districts.

Bill Singleton took over from Wayne Loney as IRB Supervisor and with a small group of helpers conducted and arranged the IRB examinations. Radio Awards were organised by Peter Agnew and George Shales and there were a few of these obtained through the season. JRB and ORB awards were organised and conducted by the respective examiners in these areas.

Once again I would like to thank all those who supported and helped me through my first season in this position and I hope to see you again next season.

Ursula Say

Examination and Instruction Supervisor

The following table lists the Awards gained during the 1990/91 season, compared with the previous three seasons and the total Awards gained by each club in the Branch.

<u>Award</u>	<u>1987/88</u>	<u>1988/89</u>	<u>1989/90</u>	<u>1990/91</u>
Surf Life Saving Certificate	241	257	257	230
Bronze Medallion	516	391	431	464
SLSC Instructor	25	23	20	11
Training Officer's Certificate	53	51	37	27
Examiner's Certificate	5	11	6	8
SLSC Examiner	-	-	-	1
Resuscitation Certificate	143	81	17	40
Advanced Resuscitation Certificate	225	163	149	155
ARC - Instructor's Certificate	15	14	15	10
ARC - Examiners - Certificate	6	1	1	3
IRB - Crew Certificate	20	1	-	-
IRB - Driver's Certificate	28	45	44	42
IRB - Instructor's Certificate	7	8	15	13
IRB - Examiner's Certificate	4	-	6	4
JRB - Crew Certificate	1	5	-	4
JRB - Driver's Certificate	-	1	3	1
JRB - Instructor's Certificate	-	1	1	1
JRB - Examiner's Certificate	-	1	1	-
ORB - Crew Certificate	1	-	3	9
ORB - Driver's Certificate	1	-	7	1
ORB - Skipper's Certificate	1	-	1	3
Radio Operator's Certificate	41	28	17	39
Radio Instructor's Certificate	4	7	6	4
Radio Examiner's Certificate	-	7	3	-
Radio Controller's Certificate	-	1	-	2
First Aid Certificate	41	5	16	39
First Aid Instructor's Certificate	-	-	2	1
First Aid Examiner's Certificate	3	-	1	-
Advanced Life Saving Certificate	2	4	3	3
International Training Officer's	-	1	-	-
TOTAL	1383	1107	1062	1115

	<u>1987/88</u>	<u>1988/89</u>	<u>1989/90</u>	<u>1990/91</u>
Bondi	145	71	69	70
Bronte	65	29	58	70
Burning Palms	7	8	32	26
Clovelly	13	36	33	73
Coogee	55	62	126	46
Cronulla	195	116	81	84
Elouera	166	154	147	121
Era	18	29	21	15
Garie	11	32	43	38
Maroubra	64	69	52	80
North Bondi	194	81	86	125
North Cronulla	155	166	118	91
South Maroubra	82	48	39	120
Tamarama	51	80	31	63
Wanda	130	108	97	64
Community	53	23	29	29

NEW MEMBERS CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT

A total of 18 new members joined the Board of Control during the 1990/91 season. Of these eleven will be involved in Bronze Medallion and Surf Life Saving Certificate examinations, the most vital part of the Board activities. Five are most welcome to the Competition section of the Board and two will be concentrating on specialist awards.

It is pleasing to see these members expressing their interest in Board activities and they are gratefully accepted. The new members are listed below:

Robyn Hughes (Nth Cronulla)	Alyson Weber (Coogee)
Tim Murray (Maroubra)	Beverley Smith (Bondi)
Peter Moran (Era)	Rosemary Ridley (Nth Cronulla)
Margaret Pearce (Burning Palms)	Wayne Loney (Wanda)
Frances Shore (Burning Palms)	John Bodnar (Bondi)
Barry Dundas (Bronte)	Michelle Smith (Nth Cronulla)
Hans Visch (Bronte)	Karen Strickland (Cronulla)
Brad McDonogh (Maroubra)	Jean Baker (Nth Bondi)
Adam McGrath (Bondi)	

In addition, Ursula Say, a current examination member, was one of the new competition members on the books.

A new members introduction day was held at the Branch Office on Sunday, 7th April to welcome the new recruits to the Board. Ten of the new members were able to attend and the Board was represented by Ursula Say, George Shales, Peter Agnew and Bill Singleton. This was an informal welcome to the Board with a few brief words from the Board representatives followed by light refreshments. A special thanks to Margaret Pearce for the assistance with the catering.

The Board cannot function without the continued influx of new members so let's try and bolster our ranks next season.

Bob Bransdon

New Members Co-ordinator

RESUSCITATION-RESEARCH-DEVELOPMENT-INSTRUCTION-MEDICAL PANEL'S REPORT

The Panel had two meetings this season, the first dealt with general queries but mainly obtained Dr. Mackie's report on the World Life Saving Congress at Lubeck and we were encouraged by his statement that we are in the forefront with resuscitation and that only minor alterations will be left until the publication of the new manual.

In the second meeting, members were asked to bring forward any ideas for revision or improvement of A.R.C. Training.

Frank Osborne

Convenor

RANDWICK AND WAVERLEY DISTRICT A.R.C. EXAMINATION TEAM'S REPORT

The trial period for the Randwick/Waverley District, Advanced Resuscitation Examination Team, was extended into this season and has proven to be successful. Awards have increased significantly in the area and the standard has become higher and more uniform.

The concept of limiting the number of specialist examiners has been significant in achieving a high standard and consistently uniform A.R.C. examination. By necessity, the team members are all highly committed and active in instruction and examination of A.R.C. and other life saving awards. The team have undergone intensive training and guidance, under the close supervision of Dr. Ian Mackie.

The team currently consists of Peter Agnew, Paul Cooper, Keith Grima, Roger Habib and Tim Murray. They have conducted 32 separate examinations producing 94 A.R.C., 4 A.R.C.I. and 2 A.R.C.E. awards during the season. As well as examinations, team members attended a number of team meetings and training sessions. The team also evaluated new oxygen resuscitation equipment and trialled variations of the existing methods of E.A.R. and advised Dr. Mackie on various aspects of the Resuscitation Instruction and Examination.

The team can be congratulated on their efforts and as co-ordinator, I extend my thanks to the members of the team for their enthusiastic and excellent work.

The team extends their thanks to Dr. Ian Mackie, who has always been available to answer our queries and attend our meetings, and for his expert guidance.

Keith Grima

Co-ordinator

ROYAL NATIONAL PARK/CRONULLA-SUTHERLAND DISTRICT RESUSCITATION REPORT

Many thanks to the following A.R.C. Examiners for their help in conducting A.R.C. examinations and updates, often at very short notice. In the southern clubs, Bruce Breadner, Mick DeLuca, Ernie Stephens, Ross Cotter and Brad Taylor. I would also like to thank Dr. Ian Mackie for attending on two exams for Paul Ferguson of Elouera Club who gained his A.R.C. Examiner's Certificate.

Frank Osborne

Co-ordinator

JRB/ORB SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

The patrol season for 1990/91 is now over and it is time for us to reflect over the past season's positive achievements and also the downfalls of the season.

The season saw some progress in areas of our operation but unfortunately the move to replace the Randwick District Jet Boat is moving ahead at a very slow pace. In my report last season I noted the severe mechanical problems JRB3 was having and that a replacement craft was really required by the start of this season.

To date the group are still operating with the same craft. Down time is high, maintenance costs are high, but fortunately morale is still high. The type of replacement craft best suited for the job was recommended by the group a year ago and follows along the lines of the Cronulla-Sutherland operation.

With the support of the Randwick Municipal Council and NSW State Centre there is every possibility that a replacement craft within reach of the group. The dedication and determination of the JRB3 members will ultimately achieve for the Randwick District a fully operational and reliable rescue craft.

I congratulate JRB3 Captain Dave (Blackie) Wilson and Secretary Karl Solomonson on a job well done.

In the Cronulla Sutherland District, the Offshore Rescue Boat has again had a very successful season with what has proved to be a very reliable craft. There was no report of down time and maintenance cost was kept to a minimum. It has been proven that such a craft and the expenses incurred in its running are more cost effective than that of the current JRB operation.

The ORB Group were fortunate to be given a fully operational IRB from the Branch. The IRB can be carried in a piggy back fashion to a rescue situation anywhere in the Branch. The Group were also donated a mobile phone (018-299 999) which has improved communication in some difficult areas.

I extend my congratulations to the ORB Group Executive and in particular Chairman Doug Sorensen.

Both Groups have a close working relationship which has helped to create a bond between the two groups.

Sydney Branch can boost strength in the area of Power Surf Rescue capabilities, both groups play an important role in the Branch's 24 Hour Call-Out System. Both groups can be easily contacted via the Branch's pager system and boats put into action within minutes of a distress call being received.

At this point we should keep in mind the strong support offered by the Randwick Municipal Council and the Sutherland Shire Council and also the generous support the groups receive from their own individual sponsors.

Finally, I would like to congratulate both groups on the way they have operated their rescue services and wish them all the best for the season ahead.

Ron Camilleri
JRB/ORB Supervisor

IRB SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

IRB Awards for the season remained static, once again a number of Clubs did not gain any IRB Driver's Awards, one wonders how these Clubs can possibly carry out patrols in the coming season. Those Clubs who did gain awards can see the benefit of their efforts.

At the Annual Gear Inspection, the equipment in the majority of Clubs inspected was in first class order, to those Clubs who put the effort into their equipment, thanks for a job 'well done'.

However, it was disappointing to the Committee to visit Clubs who did not have their craft and motors prepared for the season's patrols in most cases it can be put down to bad organisation by the Club Management and IRB Section.

At the beginning of the season an M.S.B. Licence day was held and a large number of people gained their licence which at the time seemed to augur well for the season, this however was not the case as most of these people did not gain Awards as was hoped for on the day. Many thanks to Wayne Loney for organising the day and to the Clovelly Club for the use of their clubhouse and providing lunch.

The IRB again showed that it is the most effective life saving unit during the season.

At long last we have an IRB UHF Radio. It took many months to finally achieve this goal. On behalf of the Branch I would like to thank George Shales and Peter Agnew for their untiring efforts in this project.

The Branch IRB Championships have once again been sponsored by Buttercup Vogel through our good friend Bud Mestern and Kenwood Appliances with Burning Palms stalwart Peter Pearce. Many thanks to them for their continued support.

We have had two rounds of the Branch IRB Championships, first at Garie on 5th May and Branch Championships at Maroubra on 19th May. The overall pointscore for the David Chandler Trophy was won by North Cronulla. Thanks to the Garie and Maroubra Clubs for hosting these two days.

The Bondi Club hosted an IRB Carnival on the Anzac weekend. It was an ambitious effort and although it did not receive the support that was expected, it is the start of an annual event that will hopefully put Sydney Branch on the map as far as IRB competition is concerned.

The Board of Control with Trevor Elliott, has once again given great support to the Branch IRB section and they are to be commended for this.

We are also indebted to the South Maroubra and North Cronulla Clubs for their valued assistance during the season and a special thank you to Ken Hudson of the South Maroubra Club who serviced the Branch motor during the season.

The IRB Panel Annual General Meeting has been held and it was most disappointing to record that no member of the Panel came forward to accept the position of IRB Supervisor for the coming season. Maybe we will have a candidate at the Board Annual General Meeting for this interesting and challenging position.

Finally, to all IRB personnel who assisted during the season and all who participated in IRB activities, thank you and hope for your continued support in the coming season.

M.(Bill) Singleton

IRB Supervisor

RADIO SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

The 1990/91 Season saw another busy year in communications with the Branch Radio Room answering over 60 calls from Clubs for emergency services and assistance.

This season the IRB UHF Radio finally made an appearance on our beaches with two models now available to Clubs, the State Centre type and the recently approved Sydney Branch model which has been a project by the Branch for several years and has finally come to fruition with much hard work from Miles Communications, State Centre and the Branch Officers involved and will hopefully live up to expectations.

During the season a VHF Radio was installed into the console at Sydney Surf. The radio allows communications between other services such as Police boats and the Branch Radio Room. It also allows back up communication to and from JRB3 and ORB2 who also have the VHF system in use and is the main radio for distress craft to contact coastal bases. Operator must first gain a Department of Communications Licence before being able to use the Radio.

The Radio Room is now equipped with HF, UHF and VHF systems which has made running the Room much easier in being able to gain all information first hand from other services to enable a quick and reliable response to Clubs and emergency services within the Branch.

Several training seminars were held during the year for Sydney Surf operators ranging from basic signing on procedures to multiple rescue situations which did not prove unrealistic. Three weeks later the Radio Room received calls for three spinals all requiring Helicopter transport from separate beaches. Two rescues involving JRB3, a patient with a broken leg, and 18 year old with deep lacerations to the foot and a call for a board rider in trouble. In the space of two hours altogether nineteen services had to be arranged.

Radio Awards were steady this season with more emphasis decided to be placed on the Radio Operators Certificate as recommended by a Club Radio Officers meeting held in February. This has now been taken up with State Centre to try and incorporate an Advanced Certificate in this area.

A number of new procedures had to be implemented to allow for the expansion of the UHF network this season, the main one being channel clearance. This was used by Clubs and Services to talk to portables etc. in non urgent situations by asking Sydney Surf for channel clearance so as to check that no other conversation was being held at another beach preventing calls across that communication. Looking ahead the Branch will trial a separation of channels. This will mean, for example, Channel One for emergencies and Channel Two, general duties.

Overall the UHF network has greatly improved communication within the Branch and now sees a Patrol Captain being able to co-ordinate a rescue while standing in front of it and being able to talk direct to Jet and Offshore Boats, IRB's and Helicopters all at their disposal.

The Acting Radio Supervisors, George Shales and myself, congratulate Roger Habib for gaining this year's Communications Operator of the Year Award. Roger has been instrumental to the running of the Radio Room and his professional standard is a credit to other operators, well done.

In finishing, George and myself would like to thank the Club Radio Officers for their input this season, the Sydney Surf Operators for the time they put into their work and the Branch and Board for the assistance given to this important area.

Peter Agnew

Acting Radio Supervisor

ROYAL NATIONAL PARK DISTRICT SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

The three Clubs, Burning Palms, Era and Garie carried out their patrol obligations to a satisfactory standard over this season as shown by the patrol inspection sheets and there were no infringements incurred by the Clubs, well done.

The radio link between the three Clubs and Sydney Surf had some problems due to the breakdown of the repeater, this caused difficulties for the Clubs as this is the only direct link they have with Sydney Surf. To overcome this the Clubs operated through Illawarra and Kiama Surf, thanks to both of these bases.

Carnivals were held by the three Clubs, Burning Palms the River Run, Era the Botany Bay Bash Marathon, for surf boats, and Garie the Interdistrict Championships, all of which were very successful. Unfortunately, Garie cancelled their Open Carnival for the first time in 40 years, but this is the way of competition in the 90's. The District Carnival was hosted by Burning Palms but held at Garie because Burning Palms had lost most of their beach due to stormy weather and high surf.

Bronze Medallions were gained by all of the three Clubs also SLSC, ARC, IRB Drivers and Training Officers Certificates were gained this season, congratulations to the Chief Instructors of the three clubs.

In conclusion, I would like to thank first of all the Assistant District Supervisor, Ross Cotter, who has made my job so much easier, thanks mate, and to all Board members, Club Captains, Chief Instructors who help with exams, proficiencies and carnivals, because without you the District would not function. To all Clubs, the best for next season.

Peter Sullivan

Royal National Park District Supervisor

CRONULLA-SUTHERLAND DISTRICT SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

From the outset I would like to thank my Deputy and two Assistants, Glenn Cruise, Linda Mulhall and Joanne Chapman. Without the help of these people it would have been impossible to perform so many trial Examinations.

At the start of the season I was concerned with the standard of candidates being nominated for trial examinations. After conducting a Chief Instructors and Instructors meeting with the four Clubs, these problems were resolved and the standard improved and was maintained throughout the remainder of the season.

As in previous seasons, the number of Awards were down in the District, however, positive recruitment programmes instituted by Elouera and North Cronulla returned very favourable results yielding increases in Bronze Medallion candidates.

In regard to Patrols on the beach, I would like to congratulate North Cronulla who after a shaky early season start personified the true essence of Surf Life Saving. It was always a pleasure to inspect North's patrols which were well manned and attired in a professional manner. Furthermore they always extended help to other District Clubs in respect of IRB equipment and personnel whenever needed.

Congratulations must also be extended to Cronulla SLSC for their fine win in the Interclub - it was a long time coming but was well deserved.

It was good to see so many teams from the Cronulla-Sutherland District take part in the Sydney Branch Patrol Championships. The Patrol Championships are a worthy form of competition, unfortunately it is not well supported by the majority of Clubs in the Branch.

On a final note I would like to thank the members of the Board of Examiners who conducted proficiencies and final examinations in the Cronulla-Sutherland District. Thank you one and all.

Steve Barrett

Cronulla-Sutherland District Supervisor

RANDWICK DISTRICT SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Having completed this year as District Supervisor of Randwick District, I take this opportunity to thank my Assistant, Paul Scullion, who has been of the utmost help to me by doing patrol inspections and preliminary examinations.

The standard of squads, in my opinion, has improved compared to last year. The numbers have increased in both male and female lifesavers, which would mostly be attributed to the Chief Instructors.

I would like to congratulate all clubs on the improvement of award totals compared to last year's results, especially South Maroubra and Clovelly.

Since the awards were high for the District, I must also thank the examiners who put their time into doing the preliminary examinations for Paul and myself, it was a huge help and it was much appreciated.

I am pleased to report from the visits made to the Clubs that the majority of patrols were well manned and efficiently patrolled.

The Jet Rescue service which has been patrolling our District and Botany Bay, once again had a shaky start to the season with the boat in and out of commission due to minor problems. One thing I noticed was the increase in membership of young and keen people joining the group to patrol in rescue service. To the Captain and Secretary of the Group, well done and keep up the good work.

I see the District improving with patrols, awards and competition and hope the District Clubs keep striving forward in all aspects of Surf Life Saving. As this is my last year as District Supervisor, I would like to wish the Clubs all the very best for the coming season.

John Restuccia

Randwick District Supervisor

WAVERLEY DISTRICT SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Firstly, may I take this opportunity in thanking all the Waverley District Clubs as the 1990/91 season draws to a close.

I would like to thank the Chief Instructors for their valuable time and effort over the season, namely, Bob Peterson - North Bondi; Peter Murphy - Bondi; Paul Cooper - Tamarama; Paul Johnson - Bronte.

Overcoming numerous hurdles with the large numbers of preliminary candidates in the district it would be remiss of me not to mention my following examiners who helped out without a second thought - thank you.

Branch Executive - George Shales, Peter Agnew.

Examiners - Peter Melvey, Carl Melvey, Jenny Anderson, David Newhouse, Paul Cooper, Paul Johnson, Peter Murphy, Peter Quartly, Jim Morrow.

Congratulations to North Bondi for winning the Waverley Shield and to Tamarama for winning the Sydney Branch Patrol Championships, outstanding work by both Clubs.

The only area of concern to me is the lack of IRB patrols on the main beach. They can be available for carnivals but not for rescue resources. I do not believe that this is a reflection on the IRB division but the overall attitude of the Club management, this will have to change next season.

Bondi SBLSC hosted the NSW State Titles. The three day patrol strength was exemplary. A thank you to the Club, members and volunteer workers for a very well organised carnival.

Finally on record to all my colleagues - SEE YOU ON THE BEACH.

Kim Wilson

Waverley District Supervisor

SYDNEY BRANCH B.J.A. REPORT

Panel of Judge

A successful Panel of Judge Course was held over three nights. It was attended by 27 people with a total of twenty sitting for and passing the final examination.

Awards

Most Clubs in the Sydney Branch encourage their members to go for their National Junior Awards. Many of the 13 year olds did their Lifesaving Certificates and most of these joined their respective Senior Clubs. There were also many parents who gained awards, e.g. Lifesaving Certificate, Bronze, ARC. Quite a few of these have gone on to help with Water Safety or look after an Age Group.

Representative Teams

There were two Selection Trials held at the beginning of the Season at North Bondi and Cronulla, after which the Branch Team was selected. The Team competed at the Inter-Branch Championships at North Cronulla on 9th December. The Team won the Inter-Branch Competition and twelve of its members were selected in the State Team, which competed in the Inter-State Championships at Glenelg in South Australia on 13th January.

Carnivals

Apart from the two Selection Trials and the Inter-Branch, we held the Waverley Shield, 4-Way (Cronulla/Sutherland District), Elouera Girls Carnival and the Branch Championships, which were held at Elouera. All the Carnivals ran smoothly with only a few problems with the weather at the Branch Championships.

Conclusion

Next Season we are hoping that more people sit for the Panel of Judge Course so as to boost membership. We are also hoping to get parents, group leaders and coaches to do an Accreditation Course so that the people who are looking after our children are more qualified and have a better understanding of how the Junior Movement is run.

Ian Goode

Sydney Branch B.J.A. Superintendent

CARNIVAL AND COMPETITION SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Well once again 1990/91 season got off to a very good start. With the new Carnival programme in place and the Clubs and Officials working closer together, they achieved most of the goals that were discussed at open forums during the winter.

The coming season will see more ideas and alterations to the programme and eventually we will achieve our goals. I would like to thank the Officials for the work and time they have put in this season and thank the Clubs for their assistance in working with their competitors in making the programme a success.

Unfortunately the Garie Carnival was not held and the Era Craft Carnival also, but Era accepted the Botany Bay Bash as their carnival and was a great success.

Carnivals held during 1990/91 were as listed:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Carnival</u>
3rd November	Burning Palms River Run Surf Boat Marathon
11th November	Bate Bay Marathon
18th November	Pier One Boat and Ski Marathon
24th November	Era's Botany Bay Bash
8th December	Cronulla Open Carnival
15th December	North Cronulla Open Carnival
5th January	North Bondi Open Carnival
12th January	Elouera Open Carnival
13th January	Interdistrict Championships - Garie
19th January	Wanda Open Carnival
20th January	Cronulla Sutherland District Carnival
2nd February	Coogee Open Carnival
3rd February	Rossfield Carnival - Bondi Baths
16th February	South Maroubra Open Carnival
17th February	Branch Patrol Championships - Wanda
17th February	AMP Surf Rescue Challenge - Wanda
23rd February	Branch Championships - Maroubra
9th March	Yarra Bay Stillwater Championships
17th March	Shark Island Marathon Swim
14th April	Peter Doolan Tag Team Board Riding - Wanda
27th/28th April	Bondi IRB Carnival
5th May	IRB Carnival - Garie
19th May	Branch IRB Championships - Maroubra

Ken Metcalf

Carnival and Competition Supervisor

BOARD RIDING REPORT

Excellence is the key to success with Surf Board Riding which is becoming more popular with Sydney Branch Clubs.

We achieved a very high level of competition at the Australian Championships at Scarborough in Western Australia. A notable performance by Tony Seddon from the Coogee club taking gold in both Open and retaining Under 18 years seeding in Australia. Aaron Graham of Bronte also won Gold in the Under 15 years Championships and club mate Luke Hitchings won a silver medal. Congratulations to all Sydney Branch Surf Club competitors who made finals and also those who competed.

The Branch conducted the Peter Doolan Tag Team Event which was held at Wanda with competitors from the Lower North Coast and Illawarra Branches. Sydney Branch entered an 'A' and 'B' team. Sydney 'A' team retained the Shield, Illawarra second and Sydney 'B' team third. The Managers of the teams, Gary Yealland 'A' team and Bluey Graham 'B' team.

The Sydney Branch competitors were:

'A' Team - Mark Reicheldt, Maroubra; Matthew Howard, Maroubra; Luke Hitchings, Bronte; Aaron Graham, Bronte; Tony Seddon, Coogee; Scott Yealland, Cronulla.

'B' Team - Steven Drysdale, Era; Martin Drysdale, Era; Steven Dewey, Wanda; Jamie Reid, Coogee; Ryan Chandler, Bronte; Chris Whittaker, Bronte.

The event was sponsored by Senor Nila Mexican Foods Pty. Ltd.

This event is very popular with other Branches and is conducted under the Sydney Branch rules. Surf Tag Team is teamwork and is a very successful event and I would like to see it included in the Interdistrict Championships next season.

The Sydney Branch Championships held at Garie where Tony Seddon won both Open and Under 18 years championships. Under 15 years was won by Luke Hitchings. I would thank the Garie Surf Club members for their hospitality.

The 1991 Winter Championships were scheduled to be held at Tamarama, however due to inclement surf conditions, the competition was moved to Bronte where the heats were completed. Sunday, saw yet again adverse seas, so the quarter finals and finals were moved to Coogee. The presentations were held at Tamarama with the Mayor of Waverley, Barbara Armitage, in attendance and also Senor Nila Jnr. from Mexican Foods.

I would like to express my personal thanks to all the officials who made Sydney Branch Board Riding number one in Australia, namely Steve Barrett, Peter Sullivan, Gaelyn Watson, Bluey Graham, Gary Yealland, Joe Seddon, George Shales and the members of the Cronulla Board Riders.

Finally to my Sydney Branch Board of Control, one word, EXCELLENCE.

Kim Wilson

Sydney Branch Board Riding Referee

MEETINGS

This year the Life Saving Executive of the Board met on seven occasions and the record of attendance by Officers is as follows:-

George Shales	7
Bruce Breadner	3
Peter Agnew	7
Ursula Say	4
Wayne Loney (resigned)	4
Bill Singleton (elected)	3
Ron Camilleri	5
Ian White (resigned)	1
Peter Sullivan	3
Steve Barrett	-
John Restuccia	4
Kim Wilson	2

Visitors:

Trevor Elliott	5
Glenn Cruise	1
Joanne Chapman	1
Linda Mulhall	1
David Newhouse	2
Paul Scullion	1

Three Full Board Meeting were held during the season at Maroubra SLSC who were most generous allowing the use of their clubhouse and facilities.

15 YEARS AGO....LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

SYDNEY BRANCH BOARD OF EXAMINERS

SEASON 1975-76

Life Members (17)

K.Andrews	L.McDonald	A.Olson	J.Vaughan
V.Besomo	R.McKenna	A.Purcell	K.Watson
L.Buck	R.Michaelis	E.Sier	G.Williams
R.Howells	A.Moseley	J.Switzer	G.Wilson
D.Lucas			

Long Service Members (18)

P.Ainsworth	B.Crisp	A.Jordan	R.Sargeant
R.Avery	J.Donohoe	K.Manton	H.Spurway
B.Brewin	H.Hodge	K.Messenger	T.Wheeler
E.Brooker	R.Horton	J.Minahan	
R.Craig	L.Johnson	V.Mulcahy	

Active Members (47)

M.Berger	T.Elliott	J.May	R.Sandstrom
R.Bridges	K.English	D.Medlin	J.Seddon
H.Brown	M.Gladstone	K.Midson	R.Sheldon
P.Calder	J.Hall	D.Murray	E.Stephens
J.Casey	G.Harper	R.Norman	B.Thompson
C.Christiansen	L.Harris	J.Oldham	I.Toll
P.Cooper	N.Jamieson	F.Osborne	E.Wallbank
R.Davison	R.Leix	R.Pears	J.Wardall
W.Dean	E.Larsen	R.Pepper	R.Williams
M.DeLuca	L.Love	D.Popplewell	J.Wilson
J.Dewey	K.McNamara	P.Quartly	J.Young
N.Dixon	L.McNamara	W.Rennie	

Probationary Members (15)

J.Baker	P.Glennon	R.Miller	K.Rowswell
B.Breadner	W.Gray	C.Mulhall	P.Sargeant
B.Bulmer	K.Grima	S.Naylor	G.Thomson
W.Everingham	N.Miller	R.O'Malley	

Country Members (3)

G.McCormick	J.Solomon	K.Williams
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Thanks are extended to my fellow Board members and all Club members who have assisted over the year at carnivals, examinations and the various other functions that were held.

What of the future? At a weekend Seminar held recently by our Board of Examiners, many new ideas were brought forward to revolutionise or restructure the Board. These ideas will be promulgated in the very near future.

The ideas are sound and have had a lot of thought put into them, so it behoves all interested parties to give this innovation their fullest co-operation.

Gentlemen, thank you for a very good year, and I eagerly look forward to the coming season.

John Dewey,
Branch Superintendent.

BOARD OF CONTROL OFFICERS 1949-50 to 1990-91

Season	Superintendent	Deputy Superintendent	Board Secretary	Examination Supervisor	Carnival and Competition Supervisor	Registrar	No.1 District Supervisor	No.2 District Supervisor	No.3 District Supervisor	No.4 District Supervisor
1949-50	D. Lucas	W. Foerster	A. Castleman			T. Moran	G. Johnson	H. Small	V. Williams	G. Wild
1950-51	D. Lucas	W. Foerster	A. Castleman			G. Davies	G. Johnson	J. Switzer	B. Cribb	P. Hickman
1951-52	D. Lucas W. Foerster	W. Foerster L. McDonald	A. Castleman			G. Davies	J. Vaughan	J. Switzer	B. Cribb	M. Black
1952-53	W. Foerster	L. McDonald	V. Williams			G. Davies	J. Vaughan	J. Switzer	K. Flannery	M. Black
1953-54	W. Foerster	L. McDonald	V. Williams			G. Davies	J. Vaughan	J. Switzer	K. Flannery	M. Black
1954-55	W. Foerster	J. Marsden	V. Williams			G. Davies R. Simmons	L. Johnson	J. Switzer	K. Flannery	M. Black
1955-56	J. Marsden	A. May	V. Williams			R. Bridges	O. Hailey	J. Switzer	B. Brewin	M. Black
1956-57	J. Marsden	H. McDonald	B. Brewin			D. Lucas	O. Hailey	J. Switzer	G. Cavanagh	J. Wardall
1957-58	J. Marsden	H. McDonalds	B. Brewin			D. Lucas	O. Hailey	J. Switzer	R. Davey	R. Young
1958-59	J. Marsden	H. McDonald	A. Moseley			H. Brown	R. Liddle	J. Switzer	R. Davey	B. Brewin
1959-60	H. McDonald	J. Marsden	J. Vaughan			H. Brown	R. Liddle	J. Switzer	R. Davey	B. Elliott
1960-61	J. Switzer	A. Moseley	J. Vaughan			H. Brown	R. Liddle	P. Ainsworth	J. Wardall	B. Elliott
1961-62	J. Switzer	A. Moseley	J. Vaughan			H. Brown	R. Liddle	P. Ainsworth	J. Wardall	B. Walker
1962-63	J. Switzer	A. Moseley	J. Vaughan			H. Brown	R. Liddle J. Casey	P. Ainsworth	J. Wardall	B. Walker
1963-64	J. Switzer	A. Moseley	J. Vaughan			H. Brown	J. Casey	P. Ainsworth	A. Kelly	B. Walker
1964-65	J. Switzer	A. Moseley	J. Vaughan			H. Brown	R. Davison	P. Ainsworth	B. Brewin	J. Young
1965-66	J. Switzer	A. Moseley	J. Vaughan			H. Brown	C. Osborne	P. Ainsworth	K. Messenger	J. Young
1966-67	J. Switzer	A. Moseley	J. Vaughan			H. Brown	R. Davison	P. Ainsworth	K. Messenger	J. Young
1967-68	J. Switzer	A. Moseley	J. Vaughan			H. Brown	W. Winzer	W. Rennie	K. Messenger	J. Young
1968-69	A. Moseley	N. Dixon	W. Swingler			H. Brown	W. Winzer	W. Rennie	K. Messenger	J. Young
1969-70	A. Moseley	J. Dewey	W. Swingler			H. Brown	W. Winzer	W. Rennie	J. Casey	J. Young
1970-71	A. Moseley	J. Dewey	T. Beckett			S. Gibson	W. Winzer	W. Rennie	J. Casey	J. Young
1971-72	A. Moseley	J. Dewey	T. Beckett			S. Gibson	W. Winzer	W. Rennie R. Leix	W. Walton J. Wardall	J. Young
1972-73	A. Moseley	J. Dewey	T. Beckett J. Switzer J. Vaughan			S. Newman	W. Winzer	R. Leix	J. Wardall	J. Young
1973-74	R. Howells J. Dewey	J. Dewey L. McNamara	J. Switzer			S. Newman	W. Winzer C. Osborne	N. Jamieson	J. Wardall	J. Young
1974-75	J. Dewey	J. May	J. Switzer			K. English	C. Osborne	N. Jamieson	J. Wardall	J. Young
1975-76	J. Dewey	J. May K. Messenger	J. Switzer	P. Ainsworth		K. English	C. Osborne	N. Jamieson T. Elliott	J. Wardall	J. Young
1976-77	J. Dewey	K. Messenger J. May	J. Switzer	P. Ainsworth		J. Connolly	C. Osborne	T. Elliott	J. Wardall	P. Quartly
1977-78	J. Dewey	J. May	P. Sargeant	E. Stephens	J. May	J. Connolly	C. Osborne	T. Elliott	D. Popplewell	K. Andrews
1978-79	J. Dewey	J. May	P. Parsons	E. Stephens	J. May	J. Connolly	C. Osborne	T. Elliott	D. Popplewell	K. Andrews
1979-80	J. May	T. Elliott	S. Strange	E. Stephens	J. Dewey	J. Connolly	C. Osborne	J. Fraser	D. Popplewell	K. Andrews
1980-81	T. Elliott	R. Howells	S. Strange	E. Stephens	J. Dewey	P. Steenson	C. Osborne	M. Berger	D. Popplewell	M. Clancy
1981-82	T. Elliott	R. Howells	S. Strange	B. Kelly	R. Day	P. Steenson	C. Osborne	M. Berger	D. Popplewell	J. May
1982-83	T. Elliott	R. Howells	S. Strange	B. Kelly	R. Day	P. Steenson	C. Osborne	B. Breadner	B. King	C. Matthews
1983-84	T. Elliott	R. Howells	G. Thomson	B. Kelly	K. English	P. Steenson	C. Osborne	B. Breadner	B. King	S. Bailey
1984-85	T. Elliott	R. Howells	G. Thomson	B. Kelly	K. English		C. Osborne	B. Breadner	K. Rowsell	S. Bailey
1985-86	T. Elliott	K. English	G. Thomson	P. Davis	J. Vaughan		C. Osborne	B. Breadner	B. Kelly	S. Bailey
1986-87	T. Elliott	K. English	K. Schenk S. Rudd	P. Davis	J. Vaughan		C. Osborne	B. Breadner	B. Kelly	S. Bailey
1987-88	T. Elliott	K. English	S. Rudd	P. Davis	J. Vaughan		C. Osborne	B. Breadner	B. Kelly	G. Shales

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1988-89	T. Elliott	B. Breadner	K. English	R. Bransdon	K. Metcalf	S. Strange	P. Calder	M. McFarlane	G. Shales
1989-90	T. Elliott	B. Breadner	K. English	R. Bransdon	K. Metcalf	S. Strange	P. Calder	J. Restuccia	G. Shales
1990-91	T. Elliott	G. Shales	B. Breadner	U. Say	K. Metcalf	P. Sullivan	S. Barrett	J. Restuccia	K. Wilson

