

Surf Life Saving
Sydney Branch Inc.
51st Annual Report
1999-2000 Season



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SURF LIFE SAVING SYDNEY BRANCH INC

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the 51st Annual General Meeting of Surf life Saving Sydney Branch Inc will be held at the Maroubra Seals Sports and Community Club, Marine Parade, Maroubra Beach on Tuesday, August 1, 2000, commencing at 7:30 pm.

AGENDA

1. Confirmation of the minutes of the 50th Annual General Meeting of Surf Life Saving Sydney Branch Inc, held on August 3, 1999.
2. Affiliation of Clubs and Accreditation of Delegates.
3. Apologies and proxies.
4. Welcome.
5. Presentation of the 51st Annual Report for the Season 1999-2000.
6. Presentation of the Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended May 31, 2000 and Balance Sheet as at May 31, 2000.
7. (i) Election of Officers for the Season 2000-2001.
(ii) Election of Standing Committees for the Season 2000-2001.
8. Confirmation of Board of Control Officers and Committees for the Season 2000-2001.
9. Confirmation of Board of Junior Activities Officers for the Season 2000-2001
10. Motions of which due notice has been given.
(i) Life Membership nomination
11. General Business.
12. Refreshments.

Stephen Strange

Director of Administration

Branch President Overview

Again it gives me great pleasure on behalf of Surf Life Saving Sydney Branch to present the 1999-2000 Annual Report and Financial Statements. It is pleasing to report that no lives have been lost during the season whilst Water Safety, Rescue and Emergency Services performed by the fifteen clubs within Sydney Branch, were on duty.

My congratulations to all members within Sydney Branch, a most active year and one of improved results. Heavy seas, inclement weather kept beach attendances down therefore fewer rescues and preventative actions were performed, to our Lifesavers on the beach thank you for a job well done!

The Branch successes this year have been:

- Successful Lifesaving Taskforce Report
- Successful Sydney Branch Youth Forum 2000
- Renewal of the Energy Australia Sponsorship
- Strong sponsorship continued from Coca-Cola
- Wanda Champion Club of the Year, Winner Energy Australia IRB
- Strong Membership and Awards continue to increase both up 8%
- Branch Patrol Competition won by Bronte
- 1312 Awards
- 6432 Membership
- 1339 Rescues

We extend our appreciation to our major sponsors Energy Australia and Coca-Cola, without their continued financial support this branch would find it difficult to operate.

We also offer our thanks to the Managers, Office and Member of the Boards of Life Saving, Competition and Youth Development, your dedication and professionalism shows through our results in all divisions this season.

To our Radio Room and Emergency personnel, thank you for the many hours you dedicate to the assistance of our Clubs.

To our Councils, Waverley, Randwick, Botany, Cronulla, Sutherland and the National Parks & Wildlife, we thank you for the assistance given to our Clubs and to this Branch.

To Surf Life Saving Australia and New South Wales, your support and assistance is again appreciated. I also thank the Club Presidents, Branch Executive and Officers for their strong support. To our staff, Chief Executive Officer, Bob King, Liz Grady and Gail Bignold (who both left this year) and to Cheryl Thompson and Natalie Walker-Winmill, please accept my gratitude for the excellent work and long hours you have committed to the performance of this Branch.

To all who have contributed to Sydney Branch your support is truly appreciated.

Peter M Pearce
President

Surf Life Saving Sydney Branch Inc.

Officers and Committees

Season 1999-2000

Patron

John Vaughan OAM

Vice Patrons

Premier of New South Wales

M.H.R.A.E.S of Branch Seaside Areas

M.L.A.A.E.S. of Branch Seaside Areas

The Honourable Leader of the State Parliamentary Opposition

The Lord Mayor of Sydney

Director, National Parks & Wildlife Service

Mayor, Sutherland Shire Council

Mayor, Randwick City Council

Mayor, Botany Bay City Council

Mayor, Waverley Municipal Council

Mayor, Woollahra Municipal Council

President, Surf Life Saving New South Wales

President, Illawarra Branch

President, Sydney Northern Beaches

Paul Broad, M.D. Energy Australia

Adam Wrublewski, Coca-Cola

President, Maroubra Seals Club

President, Yarra Bay 16' Sailing Club

Administrator, Prince Henry Hospital

President

Peter Pearce

Deputy President

John deCean

Vice-President - Marketing

John deCean

Vice President - Development

Jeremy Raine

Director of Administration

Stephen Strange

Director of Finance

David Dillon

Director of Lifesaving

Stephen Leahy

Director of Competition

Dick Bignold

Media Director

Robert Barnes

Delegate To Surf Life Saving NSW

Peter Pearce

Points Recorder

Ann Ainsworth, Bill Marshall OAM, Albert Moseley OAM,

Stephen Strange

Branch Team Manager

Doug Bruce

Branch Team Coach

Richard Garnsney

IT Adviser

Gary Daly

Board of Junior Activities

Patricia Garlick (Chairman) John deCean (Secretary)

Barney Johansen (Superintendent) Graham Giles (Treasurer)

Cheryl Giles (Registrar)

Honorary Legal Officer

Peter Terrett - Terrett Lawyers

Board of Lifesaving Committee

Stephen Leahy (Director of Lifesaving & Rescue Services Manager),

Peter Quartly (Secretary) Kerry Briody (Educational Manager)

Life Saving Supervisors

Royal National Parks - Michael Hodsdon

Cronulla Sutherland District - James Sherratt

Randwick District - John Restuccia

Waverley District - Alex O'Hara

Education Supervisors

Royal National Park - Margaret Pearce

Cronulla Sutherland District - Tony Coffey

Randwick District - John Restuccia

Waverley District - Peter Agnew

ORB Adviser - Michael Hodsdon

Branch Gear Stewards

Bill Singleton Frank Ridley

Board of Competition Committee

IRB Officer

Luke Targett

Officials' Advisers

Geoff Martin (Beach), Ron Hammond (Boats),

John Restuccia (Craft), Pam Vallis (Water)

Discipline Advisers

Damien Vulian (Beach), Steve Swane (Boats)

Jim Walker (Craft) Nathan Steiner (Water)

Board of Competition Gear Steward

Marie Gray

Life Membership Committee

William Marshall OAM, Bill Singleton Albert Moseley OAM,

Ken English, Rex Sargeant

Constitution Committee

Stephen Strange, Bill Singleton, Peter Quartly,

William Marshall OAM

Finance Committee

David Dillon, Trevor Elliott, John Brown, Graham Giles

Judiciary Panel

Albert Moseley, Dick Bignold, Geoffrey Martin Geoffrey Phillips, Peter Quartly

Selection Committee

Dick Bignold, John deCean, John Restuccia Sean McKirdy,

George Robbins, Ken English

Competition Conditions Committee

Dick Bignold, Peter Davis, Trevor Elliott Ann Ainsworth, Michael Batty

Meritorious Awards Committee

Mike Batty, Neil Miller, Bill Singleton

Manual Revision Committee

Peter Quartly, Peter Murphy, Frank Osborne, Ernest Stephens

Resuscitation, Research, Development Instruction

And Medical Panel

Peter Quartly, Peter Murphy, Frank Osborne Keith Grima, Dianne Lovell

Gear Inspection Committee

Stephen Leahy, Frank Osborne, Alex O'Hara Margaret Pearce,

Mike Batty, Peter Davis, Ursula Cartner

Lifesaver & Volunteer of Year Committee

Stephen Leahy, Margaret Pearce, John Restuccia, Graham Bruce

Public Officer

Stephen Strange

Office Staff

Liz Grady (left 7/12/99), Gail Bignold (left 28/1/2000),

Cheryl Thompson, Natalie Walker-Winmill

Chief Executive Officer

Bob King

Membership 1999-2000

Club	Active Male	Active Female	Active Reserve Male	Active Reserve Female	Cadet Male	Cadet Female	Award Member Male	Award Member Female	Total Active	Other Male	Other Female	Total Senior Club
Bondi	79	38	25	4	16	11	1	1	175	278	36	489
Bronte	79	22	11	3	33	31	17	21	217	276	19	512
Burning Palms	25	3	-	-	-	-	1	1	30	143	31	204
Clovelly	30	22	5	-	7	5	-	-	69	187	27	283
Coogee	105	49	28	3	9	4	-	-	198	449	59	706
Cronulla	98	47	17	5	38	44	-	-	249	371	51	671
Elouera	74	39	3	-	6	7	-	1	130	69	17	216
Era	30	6	3	-	-	4	1	9	53	96	53	202
Garie	32	5	5	-	15	4	3	6	70	128	32	230
Maroubra	87	25	21	-	46	23	-	-	202	312	5	519
North Bondi	198	67	11	1	29	8	-	1	315	532	46	893
North Cronulla	86	32	24	3	30	9	-	-	184	271	28	483
South Maroubra	121	39	28	2	30	14	-	1	235	127	24	386
Tamarama	43	9	14	-	3	-	-	-	69	139	6	214
Wanda	87	36	3	1	18	25	12	5	187	186	25	398
ORB2	22	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	26	-	-	26
ORB3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL 99-00	1,196	443	198	22	280	189	35	46	2,409	3,564	459	6,432
TOTAL 98-99	1,197	337	187	15	278	178	78	42	2,312	3,242	399	5,953
TOTAL 97-98	1,281	427	186	14	230	161	32	31	2,362	3,570	338	6,270
TOTAL 96-97	1,367	379	205	18	239	184	212	81	2,685	3,382	389	6,456
TOTAL 95-96	1,322	415	207	15	292	134	26	31	2,442	3,329	372	6,176
TOTAL 94-95	1,293	374	181	10	265	136	419	102	2,780	2,991	343	6,114

Rescues 1999-2000

	Without Gear	Rescue Tube	Rescue Board	IRB	Other	ORB	Total Rescues	Prevent Actions	Resus Given	Marine Stings	First Aid Minor	First Aid Major	Total First Aid
Bondi	32	49	235	101	3	-	420	3,925	2	515	41	10	568
Bronte	17	23	40	9	-	-	89	1,855	-	104	22	1	127
Burning Palms	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	49	-	7	3	3	13
Clovelly	9	4	4	1	1	1	20	9	2	99	131	7	239
Coogee	4	6	5	13	-	-	28	101	-	121	31	14	166
Cronulla	56	-	42	29	-	-	127	15	-	62	73	9	144
Elouera	15	21	36	41	-	-	113	648	-	88	37	-	125
Era	3	-	-	1	2	-	6	104	-	28	12	-	40
Garie	6	4	1	4	2	-	17	658	-	45	13	33	91
Maroubra	22	3	35	20	-	-	80	1,797	-	377	14	1	392
North Bondi	12	8	46	71	-	-	137	3,035	2	205	63	7	277
North Cronulla	14	3	24	39	-	-	80	918	-	53	10	-	63
South Maroubra	6	1	13	55	4	-	79	1,223	-	315	53	6	374
Tamarama	14	-	8	-	-	-	22	441	-	84	41	-	125
Wanda	15	35	28	41	-	-	119	1,105	-	47	11	3	61
ORB2	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	33	-	-	2	5	7
ORB3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL 99-00	225	157	517	425	12	3	1,339	15,916	6	2,150	557	99	2,812
TOTAL 98-99	475	695	902	938	55	61	381	30,561	8	3,992	801	90	4,904
TOTAL 97-98	348	329	668	807	-	85	2,242	23,137	3	2,382	1,313	72	3,795
TOTAL 96-97	420	341	720	782	-	47	2,373	28,820	7	1,933	701	42	2,709
TOTAL 95-96	382	293	875	674	-	-	2,224	19,993	4	977	339	59	1,375
TOTAL 94-95	314	286	812	962	-	-	2,374	12,701	1	2,316	373	28	2,717

Awards 1999-2000

Club	SRC	TSR	BM	TBM	EBM	PC	BRC	RCPR	ARC	TRES	ERES	IRBC	IRBD	TIRB	EIRB	ROC	TRAD	ERAD	SEA	TLS	ELS	ALSC	ORBC	ORBD	ORBS	ORBS	FORB	Total
Bondi	13	-	45	4	-	18	-	2	17	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	102
Bronte	37	-	47	4	-	14	-	-	23	2	1	2	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	138
Burning Palms	-	-	3	2	-	4	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
Clovelly	7	-	13	1	-	1	-	-	11	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
Coogee	12	-	64	7	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	118
Cronulla	43	-	26	1	-	1	-	-	13	1	1	7	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	97
Elouera	11	-	23	2	-	9	-	-	8	1	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	62
Era	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Garie	8	-	6	-	-	6	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	26
Maroubra	40	-	52	-	-	8	-	127	17	-	-	10	7	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	263
North Bondi	12	-	92	5	-	4	-	-	22	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	138
North Cronulla	25	1	25	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	54
South Maroubra	28	-	44	4	-	15	-	-	16	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	110
Tamarama	-	-	15	-	-	10	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30
Wanda	32	-	52	7	-	1	-	-	17	3	-	10	6	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	130
TOTAL 99-00	268	1	507	37	-	114	-	129	155	9	3	35	36	6	2	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	4	3	1	-	-	1,312
TOTAL 98-99	240	1	457	22	3	15	22	136	161	18	1	36	32	4	-	35	-	-	15	3	-	-	2	2	-	2	-	1,207
TOTAL 97-98	188	9	421	13	12	-	-	49	43	7	-	-	28	5	3	135	4	1	16	-	-	3	7	3	-	1	1	949
TOTAL 96-97	217	7	448	41	6	-	-	48	115	16	2	-	41	9	1	55	4	-	47	1	1	1	6	2	-	1	-	1,072
TOTAL 95/96	220	6	448	39	4	-	-	8	64	8	17	-	40	9	1	98	1	-	2	2	-	2	6	4	-	2	1	990
TOTAL 94/95	245	5	390	46	12	-	-	67	157	20	2	-	19	1	2	126	10	3	29	1	1	4	12	5	-	3	2	1,163

Junior Members 1999-2000

Club	U/6	U/7	U/8	U/9	U/10	U/11	U/12	U/13	U/14	Total
Bondi	20	20	30	20	22	22	26	9	8	177
Bronte	78	79	71	61	37	35	30	22	22	435
Burning Palms	-	-	-	1	3	-	-	1	-	5
Clovelly	41	28	35	24	15	17	14	13	5	192
Coogee	68	65	67	40	39	43	22	24	16	384
Cronulla	60	67	79	74	73	60	56	44	50	563
Elouera	53	47	41	37	30	33	37	39	20	337
Era	-	-	2	5	2	3	3	1	3	19
Garie	13	23	23	15	20	28	13	6	-	141
Maroubra	21	35	34	28	36	29	18	20	28	249
North Bondi	104	71	56	73	52	44	32	22	12	466
North Cronulla	45	44	53	38	48	40	30	24	17	339
South Maroubra	-	-	53	41	37	28	25	15	12	211
Tamarama	-	-	11	3	8	9	2	4	6	43
Wanda	54	47	65	55	39	48	38	22	26	394
TOTAL 99-00	557	526	620	515	461	439	346	266	225	3,955
TOTAL 98-99	520	592	561	512	442	377	325	255	243	3,827
TOTAL 97-98	456	476	489	442	360	324	272	280	187	3,286
TOTAL 96-97	396	424	444	395	362	305	339	269	223	3,157

Junior Awards 1999-2000

Club	U/8	U/9	U/10	U/11	U/12	U/13	U/14	Total
Bondi	30	20	22	22	26	9	8	137
Bronte	71	61	37	35	30	22	22	278
Burning Palms	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Clovelly	34	23	15	17	14	13	5	121
Coogee	67	40	39	43	22	24	16	251
Cronulla	61	63	47	47	45	35	35	333
Elouera	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Era	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Garie	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maroubra	34	28	36	29	18	20	28	193
North Bondi	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
North Cronulla	38	28	35	35	23	23	17	199
South Maroubra	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tamarama	11	3	8	9	2	4	-	37
Wanda	65	54	39	48	38	22	26	292
TOTAL 99-00	411	320	278	285	218	172	157	1,841
TOTAL 98-99	453	433	386	341	278	213	190	2,294
TOTAL 97-98	366	326	274	242	206	220	141	1,775
TOTAL 96-97	343	306	291	254	273	211	138	1,816

Sydney Branch Life Members

P.V. Ainsworth (dec)	J.W. Dempster (dec)	W.J.R. McKenna (dec)	E.C. Sier (dec)
K.C. Andrews (dec)	G.S. Delitt (dec)	J.S. McRorie (dec)	H.A. Small (dec)
C.I. Badham OAM	J.C. Dewey	C. Mack (dec)	G.B. Staunton MBE
V.A. Besomo (dec)	J.B. Dillon (dec)	E.J. Marsden (dec)	E.B. Stephens
E.M. Brooker	N.A. Dixon (dec)	W.G. Marshall OAM	S.R. Strange
H.J. Brown OAM	T.D. Elliott	T.W. Meagher OBE (dec)	J.R. Switzer OAM
L.J. Buck	K.E. English	K.F. Messenger	B.J. Taylor
R.V. Buist (dec)	W. Foerster (dec)	R. Michaelis (dec)	L.D. Turner (dec)
M.J. Burke (dec)	W.T. Gray (dec)	G. Millar (dec)	J.K. Vaughan OAM
J.H. Cameron (dec)	K.M. Grima	T.F. Moran (dec)	J.B. Wardall
A.W. Castleman MBE (dec)	N. Hayton (dec)	D.R.B. Moroney (dec)	K.W. Watson MBE (dec)
G.R.M. Challis (dec)	J.N. Hodge (dec)	A. Moseley OAM	G.R. Webb (dec)
W.A.T. Crain MBE (dec)	R.M. Howells OAM	A.D. Olson (dec)	C.W. Whitehead (dec)
G.S. Cohen (dec)	G.H. Johnson (dec)	C.F. Osborne	S.J. Windon (dec)
Sir A. Curlewis CVO CBE (dec)	G.A. Lindsay (dec)	R.E. Pears	G. Williams (dec)
F.H. Dargan (dec)	A.R. Loton (dec)	A.J. Purcell (dec)	V.J. Williams MBE (dec)
R.P. Davison	D.C. Lucas OBE (dec)	R.J. Sargeant	G.J. Wilson (dec)
J.C. deCean	L.S. McDonald OAM (dec)	M.C. Singleton	W.J. Young (dec)

Sydney Branch Board of Junior Activities Life Members

B. Breadner	W. McNamara	E. Topper	K. Walker
B. Bulmer	A. Powell (dec)		

Sydney Branch Members who are Life Members of Surf Life Saving New South Wales

H.J. Brown OAM	J.S. Fraser	C.F. Osborne	E.B. Stephens
J.C. Dewey	R.M. Howells OAM	R.J. Sargeant	J.R. Switzer OAM
T.D. Elliott	W.G. Marshall OAM	M.C. Singleton	J.K. Vaughan OAM
K.E. English	A. Moseley OAM	G.B. Staunton MBE	

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H.J. Brown OAM	W.G. Marshall OAM	W.A. Rennie OAM	E.B. Stephens
J.C. Dewey	A. Moseley OAM	P.R. Stapleton AM	J.R. Switzer OAM
R.M. Howells OAM	R.E. Pears	G.B. Staunton MBE	J.K. Vaughan OAM

Sydney Branch Affiliated Clubs 1999-2000

Royal National Parks	Burning Palms	Era	Garie	
President	Margaret Pearce	Ian Brandt	Alf Taylor	
Secretary	Kerry Langham	Debbie Holloway	Rita Taylor	
Captain	Jodi Culbert	David Hicks	Brad Taylor	
Cronulla District	Cronulla	North Cronulla	Elouera	Wanda
President	John Bentley	Tom Payne	Michael Batty	Trevor Elliott
Secretary	Bill Eady	Brian Ferguson	Paul Cross	Sue Backhouse
Captain	Chris Giles	Kevin McNamara	Heath McPhellamy	Michael Brannock
Randwick District	South Marbours	Maroubra	Coogee	Clovelly
President	Paul Fownes	David Donohoe	Geoffrey Martin	Jan Featon
Secretary	Yvette Rutherford	Brian Purdon	James Turney	
Captain	Patrick O'Neill	Ben Troy	Ben Bayot	Mark Percy
Waverley District	Bronte	Tamarama	Bondi	North Bondi
President	Ross Miles	Richard Sheldon	Peter Murphy	Warwick Morieson
Secretary	Tony Coates	Phil Hogan	Adam McGrath	Helen Johnson
Captain	Graham Ford	Theo Venardos	Greg Byrnes	Peter Agnew

Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is with great pleasure I submit to you for your consideration and adoption, the 51st Annual Report covering our activities for the 1999-2000 season.

I am pleased to report to you that no drownings have occurred on Sydney Branch's Beaches this season. This is in contrast to the shocking four lives lost during patrol hours and five others, happening outside of patrol hours, which were recorded last season.

The Season under review has been more challenging than in previous years. The responsibility placed on our Active Lifesavers is greater with the considerable increase in the public now using our cleaner beaches. It is reassuring to see our Members tackling this added responsibility in their stride and, with no compromise to the Lifesaving services our Clubs provide.

The Branch patrols the coastline of Sydney from Burning Palms in the south to North Bondi with over 2400 volunteer Active Lifesavers. Patrols were maintained each weekend and public holiday from September 25, 1999, till April 30, 2000.

Every one of these Lifesavers has completed and passed a proficiency test, before being placed into a rostered patrol. In these tests, our Lifesavers have to demonstrate their fitness and abilities with resuscitation and rescue techniques, using rescue boards, rescue tubes and Inflatable Rescue Boats.

Surf Rescues undertaken by Members of our Clubs this year totaled 1,339, a decrease of some 66.37% on last year's total of 2,981. This decrease in some ways, no doubt, can be attributed largely to the public educational efforts from the Premier's Taskforce into Drownings and our own Clubs' patrols. However, the incidence of people swimming outside of the safe flagged bathing areas has also continued to increase.

Some interesting statistics indicate:

- 70.4% of rescues occur at low tide
- 89.3% happen with rips involved
- 49.1% of the time spilling (good bodysurfing) waves prevalent
- 78.4% of rescues occur in fine weather
- 82.3% occur outside flagged areas.

Total first aid cases treated decreased by 42.72% to 2,812, compared to last season's figure of 4,909. IRB Rescues account for nearly a third of all rescues performed - 31.74%, somewhat defying their costs of purchase and maintenance.

Reflecting our training methods, rescues with Rescue Boards (517) were 38.61% and Rescue Tubes (157) 11.73% of total rescues. Preventative Actions, where people are warned or guided to safety numbered 15,916.

Our Board of Lifesaving has worked extremely hard this Season, under the leadership of new Director of Lifesaving, Stephen Leahy. The Board has been responsible for maintaining, at a high level, our Lifesaving standards and with new Examination and Instruction Manager, Kerry Briody, has maintained our high examination standards. As well, the Competition Board under the control of Competition and Coaching Manager, Dick Bignold, is responsible for the conduct of open carnivals held by Clubs in the Branch.

Included in this year's activities of the Board was conducting the annual proficiency tests for 2,367 Active Lifesavers,

examinations on 18 separate weekends, start of season examination and instruction workshops, an Examiners' Accreditation Course and Train the Trainer Courses. Along with the regular hours of instruction for Club Members and officiating at carnivals, a massive task indeed for the Active Members of the Board and, a task that is greatly appreciated by all Members of the Branch.

Examinations conducted resulted in the grand total of 1,312 Lifesaving Awards being gained by Members of the fifteen Clubs in the Branch. This figure is an increase of 8.7% over the figure of 1,207 for the previous Season.

Bronze Medallion Awards gained, the basic Lifesaving standard of our patrolling Members, were 507, an increase of 10.94%, compared to last season's 457 and Surf Rescue Certificates, mostly achieved by Members under 15 years of age, increased by 11.673%, to 268 (240 last season). Advanced Resuscitation Certificates fell from 161 to 155, a decrease of some 3.73%, and Inshore Rescue Boat Drivers' Certificates rose from last season's figure of 32 to 36 this year, an increase of 12.5%.

The awards of Bronze Medallion and Surf Rescue Certificates, are those generally attained by new Active Lifesavers. With a turnover of some 28.14% of Active Membership this year, these two basic award figures, when compared in the Membership Tables, are generally good indications of the strength of our Clubs.

Total Membership figures for our Senior Clubs this season was 6,432, a 8.05% increase from 5,953 last season. It continues the trend of small fluctuations recorded in the five prior years.

Clubs in the Branch held four open carnivals during the season. The Maroubra Club hosted the Branch Championships. Winner of the Open Carnival pointscore was Cronulla and the winner of the handicapped pointscore was Maroubra. As well as open carnivals, a number of special events were also conducted by Clubs and the Branch, including the Yarra Bay Stillwater Championships and the Coca-Cola Challenge at Wanda, both events held in November 1999 and the Energy Australia Metropolitan IRB Championships in June this year.

The Branch IRB Championships were held at South Maroubra and the winner of the "David Chandler" pointscore conducted at the Championships, was South Maroubra. South Maroubra also hosted the Energy Australia 2000 Metropolitan IRB Championships. Winner of the pointscore was South Maroubra Club.

Carnivals this season consisted of a number of core events that were held at every carnival. Clubs then had the opportunity to add to these, those additional events they wanted to hold at their own carnival. There were some complaints forthcoming there weren't enough events for some competitors, but previous year's entry statistics did not justify them being held at all carnivals. The timetable used worked well, with earlier finishes of carnivals than in the previous season. Both officials and competitors alike welcomed this change.

Our 24-hour emergency response call-out operations led by Stephen Leahy and his band of dedicated Duty Officers, continues to provide essential support for our Clubs. On many occasions, this services, along with the Branch's two large rescue craft, ORB2 and ORB3 is being called upon to back-up the statutory authorities in search and rescue situations.

At the beginning of the season, the Branch tried to combine our radio operations "Sydney Surf" with "Warringah Surf" because of our staffing problems last year. Unfortunately, the level of service and support our Clubs required could not be provided and the Branch decided to re-open Sydney Surf. A small, dedicated band of operators has maintained a high level of service from late December to the end of the season, for which they are to be thanked

Consideration needs to be given by Clubs next season, to encourage additional operators, apart from asking for them voluntarily.

The following table indicates the contribution by Clubs' Members to the operation of Sydney Surf:-

Club	No. Operators	Members' Hours
Garie	4	138.0
Coogee	5	76.0
North Bondi	4	60.5
Clovelly	2	18.0
Maroubra	2	14.0
North Cronulla	1	14.0
South Maroubra	1	12.5

The Branch administration office continues to operate from the small cottage in the grounds of Prince Henry Hospital. Elizabeth Grady left to start a family in December 1999 and Gail Bignold also left in February, this year. Bob King, Chief Executive Officer, continued to manage the administrative functions with new part-time office assistant Natalie Walker-Winmill. In May this year, Cheryl Thompson commenced full-time employment with the Branch. I would like to express my thanks to all of our staff during the past season, for their untiring efforts on our behalf. Thank you all.

In October 1999 our Chief Executive Officer organised and ran a very successful Club President's meeting. The meeting also involved Junior Presidents for some of the topics. Topics of importance included the GST, changes to the liquor licencing laws, and risk management.

The Branch conducted a very successful Youth Forum in April this year. The forum was well attended by young representatives from our Clubs and the Branch will put many of the recommendations into operation this coming season. Included, will be having a youth member attached to the various management committees of the Branch

Over several months this season, a Lifesaving Taskforce conducted a survey and undertook studies of the lifesaving activities of the Branch and our Clubs. The Taskforce, along with constructive recommendations has reported criticisms of our operations. The report of the Taskforce is a starting place for self-analysis, and shows where worthwhile improvements to our service to the public can be made.

**Energy Australia
Sydney Branch Champion Club**

Wanda was the winner of this year's competition, gaining 58.5 points Burning Palms (55) were second and Bronte and Maroubra (52) were equal third. Wanda were awarded the Energy Australia IRB and Motor as their prize. The competition embraces administration, patrols, lifesaving, awards, Board of Control participation and open competition as part of the overall pointscore to determine the winner.



Wanda – Energy Australia Champion Club 2000

A comparison of the points from last year's competition with this year's points shows that some Clubs have made a very good improvement in their overall performance. Bronte made notable improvements, gaining third this year was placed eleventh last year. Wanda, had been placed third in the previous two years of the competition and Maroubra went from fifth place to equal third place this year.

Patrol Efficiency Competition

Now in its fourth year, the competition was well contested by Clubs, most showing an improvement in their performance this season. Bronte won the competition, with Wanda and North Bondi second and third respectively. Results were:

1st	Bronte	93.18
2nd	Wanda	93.00
3rd	North Bondi	91.75
4th	Maroubra	91.73
5th	Burning Palms	91.36
6th	Cronulla	91.00
7th	Bondi	90.58
8th	Tamarama	89.92
9th	South Maroubra	88.71
10th	Elouera	88.27
11th	Coogee	85.76
12th	North Cronulla	85.00
13th	Garie	80.36
14th	Era	74.82
15th	Clovelly	67.80

Sydney Branch Lifesaver of the Year

The Sydney Branch Lifesaver of the Year competition was instigated to give due recognition to one of our Clubs' own Members, who had made an outstanding contribution to Lifesaving during the season. Stephen Leahy and his Committee,



Lifesaver of the Year –
Jodi Culbert and Branch President Peter Pearce

Margaret Pearce John Restuccia and Graham Bruce had a difficult task in making a final selection from the finalists. Jodi Culbert from the Burning Palms Club was eventually named winner of the award. The other worthy finalists were Anthony Waller (Coogee), Paul Booth (Bronte) and Aran Maree (North Bondi). Our congratulations to Jodi on winning this prestigious award for the second year in a row.

Sydney Branch Volunteer of the Year



Training Officer of the Year – Ernie Stephens and Volunteer of the Year – Kerryn Briody

The Sydney Branch Volunteer of the Year competition gives due recognition to one of our Clubs’ own Members, who had made an outstanding contribution to Surf Lifesaving activities during the season. These activities are judged separately from the Lifesaver of the Year award. Again, the committee had a difficult task in selecting a winner. Kerryn Briody from Coogee won the awards this year, with Murray Hayes (North Bondi) runner-up. Congratulations to Kerryn, who incidentally is the Branch’s Educational Manager, for her work put in to win this award.

The Harry Brown IRB Trophy

The Harry Brown IRB Trophy recognises the Club with outstanding performances with their IRB Section including awards gained and with participation in patrols and competition. This season, the award is made to Coogee, commendations to South Maroubra and Wanda.

Branch Meetings

The Branch held monthly Executive Meetings and ten Council Meetings from September 1999 to July 2000. Attendance at both meetings by the various officers and delegates is indicated in the following table.

It was disappointing not to see all Clubs represented at all Branch Council Meetings by their President and Delegate. At some meetings, neither was in attendance. Two clubs had this situation arise on three occasions.

The Branch Executive Committee comprises the Branch President, Deputy President, Director of Marketing, Director of Development, Director of Administration, Director of Finance, Director of Lifesaving, Education Manager, Competition Manager, Board of Lifesaving Secretary and Board of Junior Activities Chairman.

All Branch Officers attend Branch Council Meetings. Clubs,

are represented by their President and one Delegate, or their proxies. The following table indicates their attendance:–

Club	Representative	Attendance
Bondi	President	0
	Delegate	9
Bronte	President	10
	Delegate	9
Burning Palms	President	10
	Delegate	10
Clovelly	President	6
	Delegate	5
Coogee	President	9
	Delegate	5
Cronulla	President	10
	Delegate	10
Elouera	President	10
	Delegate	10
Era	President	6
	Delegate	2
Garie	President	10
	Delegate	10
Maroubra	President	2
	Delegate	9
North Bondi	President	6
	Delegate	4
North Cronulla	President	10
	Delegate	10
South Maroubra	President	7
	Delegate	3
Tamarama	President	10
	Delegate	10
Wanda	President	9
	Delegate	10

Officer	Position	Attendance
Peter Pearce	President	8
John deCean	Deputy President	9
	Vice President Marketing	
Jeremy Raine	Vice President Development	5
Stephen Strange	Director of Administration	7
David Dillon	Director of Finance	2
Stephen Leahy	Director of Lifesaving	6
Particia Garlick	BJA Chairman	6
Kerryn Briody	Examination Manager	8
Dick Bignold	Competition Manager	9
Peter Quartly	Board of Lifesaving Secretary	9

Branch Presentation Night

Held at the Eastern Suburbs Leagues Club, Bondi Junction on June 3, nearly 200 persons attended. Apart from the important presentation of various awards to our Clubs, the opportunity was also taken to enjoy the social activities of the night. Highlight of the evening was the announcement that Wanda was the Energy Australia Branch Champion Club for the year. The prize, donated through Energy Australia’s sponsorship of the Branch was a fully equipped IRB and Motor.

Throughout the season, a number of competitions were held in various categories to reward Clubs’ commitment to

Lifesaving endeavours and patrols. Presentations were made to the following Clubs:-

Most number of Lifesaving Awards gained by Clubs in each District

Royal National Park Clubs	Garie
Cronulla Sutherland District	Wanda
Randwick District	Coogee
Waverley District	North Bondi and Bronte
Examiner of the Year	Ken Cafe (Bronte)
Training Officer of Year	Ernie Stephens (Wanda)
Competition Official of the Year	Phil Veitch (North Cronulla)
BJA Competition Official of the Year	Mark Fleming (North Cronulla)
Patrol Efficiency Competition District Winners	
Royal National Park Clubs	Burning Palms
Cronulla Sutherland District	Wanda
Randwick District	Maroubra
Waverley District	North Bondi
Patrol Efficiency Overall Branch Winner	Bronte
Branch Officer of the Year	Stephen Strange (Burning Palms)
BJA Officer of the Year	Graham Giles (Cronulla)
BJA Male Competitor of Year	Chris Allum (Wanda)
BJA Female Competitor of Year	Kirby Bosdon (Cronulla)
BJA Rookie of Year	Shayne Kenyon (Cronulla)
Under 16 Male Competitor Year	Chris Allum (Wanda)
Under 16 Female Competitor Year	Kate Kryulwicz (North Cronulla)
Under 18 Male Competitor Year	Ryan Hartup (Cronulla)
Under 18 Female Competitor Year	Krystal Smith (Cronulla)
Open Male Competitor Year	Kane Huessner (Maroubra)
Open Female Competitor Year	Leigh Habler (Coogee)
Rookie of Year	Jesica Hamilton (Cronulla)

NSW Masons' Surf Lifesaving Awards of Excellence

Held in conjunction with the SLSNSW State Election Meeting in May this year, the Branch and Clubs submitted a number of nominations for the various awards. Winners from our Branch were Leigh Habler (Coogee) was named Athlete of the Year, Doug Iredale (Wanda) Masters Athlete of the Year and Chris Gately (Coogee) Coach of the Year.

Sydney Branch Members holding SLSNSW Office

A number of our Club's Members have volunteered to take a part in the administration of Surf Life Saving New South Wales, in the capacity of officers of State Center, or on special committees.

Peter Pearce (Burning Palms), Vice-Patron and Life Membership Honours Committee

Stuart Dutton (Wanda), State Team Coach

Dick Bignold (Cronulla), Surf Sports Adviser, Selection and Competition Conditions Committee

Phil Vanny (South Maroubra), Chief Executive Officer

Association Honours and Congratulations

Sydney Branch is pleased to welcome John C deCean and Bradley J Taylor into the ranks of its Life Members, both having being elevated to that office at the 1999 Annual General Meeting.

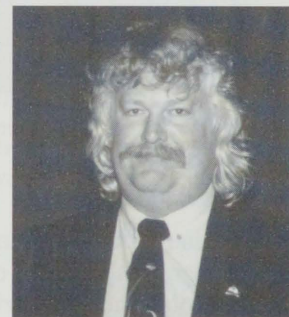
John deCean joined Bondi's Junior Activity Club as a ten-year-old nipper in 1968 and gained



his Surf Life Saving Certificate in 1971. Since that time, John's service to the Branch Junior Activities Committee has been remarkable and covers a continuous period from 1977 to the present. In this time John has held such positions as Deputy Superintendent, Treasurer, Vice President, Secretary, Selector and BJA Chairman. John has also

served as the senior Branch's Secretary and Deputy President.

Brad Taylor joined Garie SLSC in 1976 gaining his Surf Life Saving Certificate and in 1978 his Bronze Medallion. Brad has continuously served the Board of Lifesaving since gaining his Examiners Certificate in 1982. Brad has served on many active committees of the Board including the Gear Inspection Panel and Resuscitation Panel. Brad has served as the Branch's IRB Supervisor, Radio Supervisor and Emergency Services Manager.



Brad is still a very active member of the Emergency Services Duty Officer team.

Remembrance

It is with deep regret that that we record the passing of the Branch's oldest Life Member, Lionel Stanley McDonald OAM, who died on August 18, 1999, aged 87, after a long illness.

Lionel was born at Glenbrook on November 2, 1911 and educated at Balgowlah Primary then Manly High Schools. He later practised his trade as a Master Plumber and had a very successful business.

He joined Freshwater SLSC and gained the Bronze Medallion on November 5, 1928. He served the Club well in the years that followed and became renowned for his prowess in coaching Freshwater to four Australian R&R Premierships and South Narrabeen SLSC to one. His coaching career spanned a magnificent 28 years.

Lionel was Freshwater President on four occasions, 1953-57 and was elevated to Life Membership of that Club in 1955.

He was probably best known for his role as an Association Official, joining the Board of Examiners in the 1932-33 season, serving as NSW Superintendent for eight years and State Deputy President for three years.

Lionel was also 'famous' for his strict control as carnival referee and many an erring competitor felt the wrath of his authority for contravening the rules - hence his well known sobriquet of 'Fearless Mac'.

When Sydney Northern Beaches Branch was formed in 1959, after the splitting with Sydney Branch, Lionel became their first Deputy President and held that office for seven years.

While not holding a direct office on the National Council, after its formation in 1949, Lionel was elected by Tasmania to be their resident delegate, a position he occupied between 1950-1965. For his fifteen years representation in this field, he was made a Life Member of Tasmanian State Centre in 1969.

Lionel's contribution at various levels of Surf Lifesaving was rewarded with Life Membership honours, they being Sydney Branch 1951, Sydney Northern Beaches Branch 1959, NSW State Centre 1951 and SLS Association 1953.

Other accolades were to come his way from both the international and national spheres with a World Life Saving Citation of Merit 1979 and an Australian Award of the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in 1981, for his service to sport and Surf Lifesaving.

His life was spent dedicating service to others and for that he became one of the remarkable characters within Surf Lifesaving.

The funeral service was conducted at Northern Suburbs Crematorium on August 24, 1999.

Sydney Branch extends its sincere sympathy to his daughters and their families.

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Branch Sponsors

Sydney Branch is proud to acknowledge the following Sponsors' contribution, both financially and materially to our objects. Without sponsorship, corporate, governmental and individuals, our task of providing a viable Life Saving service to the community of Sydney would, indeed, be very difficult.

It is appropriate, that here in our Annual Report, the major public document of the Branch we recognise and thank our individual sponsors for their support. Support, which was given without restriction or interference to our objectives and achievements.

Energy Australia

As the major sponsor of the Branch, Energy Australia has financially contributed to the already mentioned Champion Club Award, the Metropolitan IRB Championships, area safety signage for patrol IRB's, the Branch Gear Trailer and both the Senior and Junior Sydney Branch Championships. Energy



Australia through their sponsorship has enabled the Branch to afford to outfit all Board Members with a uniform consisting of shirt and shorts.

Coca-Cola

We are appreciative of the strong support received from Coca-Cola. They again provided sponsorship funds to purchase Lifesaving equipment. Through their sponsorship of the Patrol Tents and Patrol Screens on the beach, all patrol Members benefit from this sun protection. As part of their sponsorship Coke have provided funds to supply eight of our Clubs with IRB motors.



The support of Coca-Cola is also recognised by the company's supply of Coca-Cola products, at considerable savings, to our Clubs. This allows Clubs to significantly increase their finances by the sale of Coca-Cola products through their beach kiosks.

Maroubra Seals Sports and Community Club

In addition to their tremendous support of both Maroubra and South Maroubra Clubs, the Maroubra Seals Sports and Community Club kindly host all of the Branch's meetings, including this Annual General Meetings. I would like to thank the Directors for this positive support.

Prince Henry Hospital

Our sincere thanks are extended to the Administrator and Staff at Prince Henry Hospital for allowing us to use a small cottage in their grounds as the Branch Office. In addition, the Branch Radio Room is also located within the cottage and the hospital has allowed us to install our radio aerials on top of their nurses' quarters building.

Local Government

Mention, in this report, must be made of the tremendous help and support our Clubs receive from their local councils. To the Waverley and Woollahra and Botany Bay Municipalities, Randwick City Councils and Sutherland Shire Council our special thanks for your support to the Clubs in your individual local government areas.

The Royal National Park

The Branch's thanks are also extended to the Superintendent of The Royal National Park, for the financial assistance given to the three Clubs situated within the Park.

New South Wales Government

Through the Department of Sport, Recreation and Racing, the NSW Government supports Surf Life Saving through our immediate governing body, Surf Life Saving New South

Wales. Funds are provided for capital works and for Branch administration. This season, the NSW Government provided \$14,192 to the Branch for administration and other purposes, for which we are very grateful.

The NSW Government also made available \$40,000 on a \$ for \$ basis for patrol equipment and \$24,000 direct assistance to needy Clubs throughout the State.

Australian Government

The Federal Government provides funds to operate Australian Council through the Australian Sports Commission. Projects undertaken by Australian Council have a direct benefit for the Branch's Clubs. Our thanks are extended to the Australian Government for their support.

Carnivals and Competition

During the season, Clubs at Cronulla, North Cronulla, Wanda, Coogee and Elouera conducted open carnivals this season. The Energy Australia Branch Championships were held at Maroubra, the Branch IRB Championships were held at South Maroubra, who also conducted the Energy Australia Metropolitan IRB Championships.

A schedule, such as this, together with appointments at State and Australian Championships, demanded a considerable commitment from our Carnival Officials and I would place on record the Branch's sincere thanks for their efforts.

All of our carnivals were well attended by competitors both from within and outside the Branch. To those who came from other Branches, I would thank you for your support and keen competition.

Energy Australia

Sydney Branch Championships

The Maroubra Club hosted this event on behalf of the Branch on February 19, 2000. The winner of the Open Pointscore on the day was Cronulla, 484 points, Maroubra, 345.5, second and Wanda, 300, third. Results of the Championships appear at the end of this Report.

Sydney Branch Carnival Pointscores

In conjunction with open carnivals held within the Branch, a pointscore for the competing Clubs is conducted. The winner of the Open Pointscore this season was Cronulla and North Bondi won the Handicapped Pointscore.

Results of the pointscores were:-

Club	Handicapped	Open
Bondi	52	32
Bronte	61	61
Burning Palms	57.5	32
Clovelly	12.5	6.5
Coogee	54.5	53
Cronulla	64	90
Elouera	45.5	56
Era	19	10.5
Garie	DNC	DNC
Maroubra	63	61
North Bondi	61	65
North Cronulla	62	81
South Maroubra	59	42
Tamarama	21	12
Wanda	46	76

Inflatable Rescue Boat Championships

The IRB Championships were held at South Maroubra on May 6, 2000. Good weather conditions prevailed on the day but only 6 Clubs entered teams. However, some fine driving skills by the competitor were displayed to the many spectators who attended. Winner of the Championships pointscore and the David Chandler Memorial Trophy was South Maroubra (82 points), with North Cronulla (73) and Bondi (56) gaining second and third places.

Energy Australia

Metropolitan IRB Championships

Hosted by the South Maroubra Club, the carnival was not well attended from Clubs throughout the State, however, the competition, held in some tricky sea conditions was fiercely contested. South Maroubra gained 71 points, winning the pointscore on the day, with Towradgi (45) and Caves Beach (43) second and third respectively.

NSW Inter-Branch Championships

The Championships are for competition between teams from each of the eleven Branches in New South Wales. They were conducted at Swansea Belmont SLSC in the Hunter Branch on December 11-12, 1999. Sydney Branch came second in the open pointscore, behind Central Coast first and Sydney Northern Beaches, third.

The Team performed creditably and Team Manager, Doug Bruce (Cronulla) and Coach, Richard Garnsey (Cronulla) and the whole team are to be congratulated on their fine efforts and sportsmanship.

Members of the team were: Steve Swane, Peter Armstrong, Mark Featherstone, Mick Crutcher, Danny Shriek (North Cronulla Boat Crew), Kane Huessner (Captain), Dean Gladstone, Candice Falzon, Glen Cowdrey (Maroubra), Kelly Jury, Brandi Elliott, Ryan Hartup, Kristyl Smith, Greg Attwells, Jessica Hamilton (Cronulla), Zane Campbell, Beau Eason, Kirsten Jenkins, Kate Allum, Krystal Perez (Wanda), Jade Sutcliffe, Tait Smith (North Bondi), Craig Madden (Elouera), Jacob Mathews (Coogee).

Team Manager's Report

A very good team, incorporating both senior and junior levels represented Sydney Branch at the 1999 Interbranch Championships. The team was very competitive in most areas. After lining up in the 46 events the team was second in the overall pointscore behind Central Coast Branch. Central Coast had a very strong balanced team, our team was not as competitive in the IRB events.

The carnival referee, Dick Bignold, did a great job running the carnival as a competitor's carnival. Officials were approachable and fair and it was a great experience for me as a first time manager to get the support from many of the Sydney Branch people on the beach over the weekend. It was assured that our competitors got a fair go.

Strong emphasis on team events locked the teams into desperate and thrilling competition. The Branch is very lucky to have senior competitors of the class of Kane Huessner, who was elected as the team captain, Glen Cowdrey and the champion boat crew from North Cronulla. Kane, Glen and the North Cronulla crew led by example and their efforts particularly on the Sunday in the relay events set up the very close finish in the overall event.

Senior and junior members were integrated in the relay events. I would like to thank the junior coaches Michael Moschogianis, Jeff Brown, Chris Giles and Kevin Nielsen for their support and co-operation. The teams worked like clockwork and Sydney Branch was always well placed. The junior team's overall effort at the carnival was particularly successful.

Richard "Bluey" Garnsey was the team coach and his competitor knowledge, coaching experience and competitive nature were very important to the team. The selectors did a very good job selecting in form athletes with a good mix of experience.

I would like to thank the Sydney Branch Officers and staff for their assistance with the team preparation. Dick and Gail Bignold for their assistance with accommodation and advice at the carnival. Peter Pearce for his organisational help. The Burning Palms' Club for the use of their brand new IRB, Cronulla for allowing us to use their club bus and IRB motor and Graham Giles for his manager guidance on my first time around.

Doug Bruce
Team Manager

Carlton & United Breweries NSW State Championships

The Championships were held at Colanarra in the Sydney Northern Beaches Branch on March 2-5, 2000. Colanarra consists of the Clubs along the Collaroy-Narrabeen group of beaches. The weather conditions were good and some keen competitive performances were exhibited. Wanda was placed first in the Open 6 Person R&R with Coogee fourth. Mark Spencer of Burning Palms won the Open Wave Ski event and Matthew Howard of Maroubra, the Open Surf Board Riding. Sydney Clubs performed well in the Metropolitan Pointscore, Cronulla second, Wanda fifth, and Maroubra sixth.

Carlton & United Breweries Australian Championships

The Australian Surf Life Saving Championships were held at Kurrawa Beach, Queensland on March 16-19. The weather was good and competitors displayed outstanding skills in their individual events. Congratulations are extended to the Wanda Club whose R&R Team came third in the Curlewis R&R Premiership, third in the Open 5 Person R&R first in the Under 18 5 Person R&R and third in the Under 16 5 Person R&R. In the outright carnival pointscore, Cronulla was seventh. The winner was Surfers Paradise, Queensland.

World Lifesaving Championships

The World Life Saving Championships, Rescue 2000, were held in Sydney, from March 23 to April 2, 2000. A number of Clubs from the Branch entered teams in the various events. In the overall pointscore for Club Teams, Cronulla were 6th with 84 points, Wanda 14th (39), Maroubra 18th (35), North Cronulla 30th (24) and Elouera and North Bondi 33rd place (22). The World Champion Club was Maroochydore (Qld.) gaining 172 points.

In the National Teams competition the Australian Representative team won the competition gaining 315 points, coming second was Royal Life Saving Australia (197) and DLRG Germany third (152.5). Sydney Branch Members selected in the team were Kate McLellan, Troy Eady (Cronulla), Leigh Habler, (Coogee), Belinda Gladstone, Malcolm Allen (Maroubra), Luke Turner (Wanda).

11th International German Cup – Warendorf, Germany

The Carlton & United Australian Surf Lifesaving Representative team to Contest the German Cup in November 1999 was captained by Leigh Habler (Coogee) - the first ever female captain of an Australian representative team. The team finished in the top three places in four events, finishing fifth overall in the national competition. Germany won the event overall. Members of Sydney Branch Clubs in the team were Cameron Gibbs, Kate McLellan (Cronulla), Luke Turner (Wanda), Shannon Habler (Coogee) and the team manager was Chris Gately (Coogee).

Carlton & United Senior Interstate & Kellogg's Junior Interstate Championships

Held at Mullaloo, Western Australia in January this year, NSW won the junior competition and finished second in the senior competition. The combined results of both events saw the NSW team become the inaugural winner of the Alan Whelpton AM Combined Interstate Trophy. Members from Branch Clubs selected in the team were Kristyl Smith, Kate McLellan Kevin Nielsen (Cronulla) and Chris Allum (Wanda).

Director of Lifesaving

There's no doubting that the Board has gone through some rough patches in recent years. The aim of the Board's Management Committee was to consolidate what we have already in place. We needed to strengthen the leadership and increase our ability to act coherently as a Board. We also had to reduce the number of drownings on our beaches. I think we're well on the way!

We are very proud of the fact that no person drowned on a Sydney beach this season - this is testament to efforts of our club patrols and support services. I believe that Sydney Branch boasts some of the best lifesaving services in this state, if not Australia. A combination of our Offshore Rescue Boats, IRB's, patrol members and Duty Officers were beamed into living rooms around the world in television reports of that tragic diving accident at North Bondi in early February - an excellent example of our total integrated service provision.

Our Offshore Rescue Boats continue to expand their capabilities. Offshore 2 regularly has an ambulance paramedic on board and has been tasked by the Ambulance Service of NSW to a number of patient retrievals. Offshore 3 has performed some amazing rescues in the middle of the night when all else failed. My thanks and congratulations to the crews of both these vessels.

I must pay homage to an amazing group of surf lifesavers and they are our Duty Officers. These men not only support our club services but also readily respond to call-outs from the Police Service, Ambulance Service, the Lifesaver Rescue Helicopter to any incident along the coastline, 24 hours a day, every day. Duty Officers have attended more than 350 missions over the last 12 months and these statistics are an accolade to their worth. Our Duty Officers are George Shales, Brad Taylor, Peter Cleary, Tony Graham, Ron Camilleri, Peter Fuller, Roy Gruenpeter, Greg Purvis, Matt Scott and Greg Morris.

Surf Life Saving Sydney thanks every active member who can be justly proud of the 1,339 rescues we performed this year. A further 15,916 people were offered help or advice preventing them from getting into trouble. A further 2,812 people received first aid treatment.

Liaison with the statutory emergency services improved immensely this year. Regular meetings are held with the police and ambulance service. We provided a patrol and response service along the eastern beaches during New Years Eve celebrations this year, with a number of taskings. My thanks to Peter Fuller, Brad Taylor and Matt Pacey who were on duty between 6.00pm and 7.00am that evening.

Plans are well developed as to how our support services will assist the police and ambulance services during the Olympics.

For a number of legitimate reasons, we transferred our radio room operations to Waringah Surf on the northern beaches. Unfortunately, it didn't work for us and we re-commissioned the Branch Radio Room at the Branch Office. The clubs were certainly happy with this but it fell to a small group of members to operate it each weekend. Some of them were supporting us for 10 hours a day. To our radio room operators, I say a very sincere thank you.

One of the first things the Board undertook was a review of our lifesaving services. A Task Force comprising Jodi Culbert (Chair), Mike Batty, Chris Giles and Cameron Miles spent the season watching patrols, speaking with members and reviewing documents, plans and data. This has been presented to the Board and its recommendation will receive serious consideration in the planning for the new season. My appreciation to Jodi, Mike, Chris and Cameron for their efforts in the development of this important document.

While the Board Management Committee meets regularly, it was felt that board members needed a forum on a regular basis so four meetings of the full Board were held during the season. The dates were confirmed early and members were invited to submit any relevant agenda items. Meetings were generally well attended and fruitful.

Communications were continued through the production of a newsletter every two months. This was a precis of appropriate items from the Committee minutes. This level of communications will continue to improve as we approach next year!

I strongly believe that our Club Captain and Chief Instructors are an important part of our leadership strategy - for this reason, we will continue to invite Captains to our management meetings and Duty Officers, Captains and Chief Instructors to our full meetings - we need to know how we can provide a better service and these are the people to tell us!

Our Education Manager will report on her activities further in the report but I must mention that the Board were very keen to offer advanced training and development programs for our active members. We saw excellent crowds for Patrol Captains Courses and a highlight of the year was the Resuscitation Update evening lead by Dr Ian Mackie. We will continue to offer such programs.

In closing, your Management Committee deserves a vote of thanks for their untiring efforts in ensuring that we provide "vigilance and service" to the standards that this organisation is world famous for. I must particularly thank Peter Quartly who has extremely broad shoulders and is always ready with a word of advice.

Next season is already on us and the wheels are already in motion so that we are prepared. A strategic planning will be held for the Management Committee and key lifesavers in July. We are appointing competitions and youth advisors to

the board so that we can better service these areas. Oh, then there's the Olympics! - Who says there's an off-season.

Stephen Leahy
Director of Lifesaving

Board of Lifesaving Secretary

Fortunately Stephen Leahy, who stood as Rescue Services Managers, took up the challenge and took over the leadership of our group. This led to us quickly picking up from where we left off last season and having one of our most successful seasons in recent memory. Steve's people and management skills resulted in us becoming more professional in all facets. Steve took over the newsletter and gave it a new life. Our numbers at full meetings were up, as was participation.

Our meetings became more productive, and in an endeavor to get a better working relationship with our member clubs, we invited the Captain of each club (over a period of meetings) to attend and fully participate. Those who attended provided some valuable insights and great feedback. It is envisaged due to its success that this innovation will be continued in the coming season.

Kerryn Briody took over the Education side and, after a year's apprenticeship, we can only look to better things as she beds down the new awards which are starting to come online.

We had a number of highlights to come out of the season. Firstly the results of the Task Force. An important outcome is the proposal adopted in full by the Branch for a Planning Seminar to be held on the weekend of the 14th July, by your Committee. They will review our role as a service provider to the fifteen clubs, our position within the Branch, where we are heading and how we will get there. This will not be a one off event, but a launching pad for our ongoing activities.

The Branch subsidised the purchase of heavy-duty raincoats. Duty Officers had new pagers provided, as well as vests and a number of new radios.

A number of officers are retiring and to them, I wish to record our appreciation of your efforts over this past season and the ones before. A special thank you to Peter Agnew, who was responsible for my returning to the fold and has held Executive and Management positions since season 1991/92, when he started a four year term as Superintendent. Your insightful participation will be missed at meetings as will your enormous contribution to the Waverley District specifically and the Branch generally.

Proficiency tests this season were delegated to the clubs to perform on specified dates and under the control of nominated members, who were sanctioned by the Management Committee. This went very well from our overview and it has been decided to do the same next season, however, we will allow the clubs to nominate as many dates in advance as they require.

The Gear Inspection format was changed with it being all done on the same day, on a District level, under the stewardship of the Lifesaving District Supervisors and nominated personnel. This was most successful and the format will be used again this coming season.

There were no drownings during patrol hours and the feedback provided by the Lifesaving District Supervisors indicated patrols in the main are what we expect and the public demand.

One aspect that needs to be improved is a laxity in signing on and off of occasion.

It was disappointing that the Branch Patrol Competition was not held this season. We believe the competition is vital as it replicates what we are all about and it behoves all clubs to participate in it fully. To this regard and with the support of the Branch, we will take over the control and running of the event and all other lifesaving competition next season. In addition we will trial the new position of Lifesaving Competition Advisor.

Another innovation next season will be the new position of Youth Advisor. The successful person will be responsible for building bridges with the youth of the Association and encouraging their greater participation in our activities and just as importantly, advising their views to us.

A lot of heat and energy was expended on what the Olympics impact will be on our beaches, especially prior to and during its running. It was surprising the views expressed by some clubs that the impact would be negligible. The Branch finally agreed that patrols would start on the 9th September and be of a surveillance nature.

IRB Waterways licenses have now been incorporated into proficiency tests and examinations, where the license was obtained gratis. There have been a few teething problems, which I am confident will be ironed out prior to the start of the coming season.

We ran three successful "full Board" meetings, a Club Captains meeting which was very well attended and what was probably our most successful meeting, a "Resuscitation Seminar" for the Branch. This was a practical evening at which Guedel airways were reintroduced, after an absence of some twenty years; we also had a briefing on semi-automatic external defibrillation. Kerryn is to be congratulated and it was good to see Dr Ian Mackie back in action.

I record my thanks to my fellow Management Committee members, for making my job so easy and rewarding. To the Branch office staff, Bob, Liz, Cheryl and Natalie, for your wonderful assistance in what at times can be trying and chaotic conditions. And to all members for putting in another great effort over the season. I look forward to the coming season with enthusiasm and confidence that our service to the clubs and their members will be second to none.

Peter Quartly

Honorary Secretary

Education Manager

The Sydney Branch Education programme for season 1999-2000 has produced a total of 507 new Bronze Medallion Members and 268 Surf Rescue Certificate Members; this represents a slight increase on last season's awards. The ARC Awards were down on last season's numbers, but overall Awards are up.

The stand out Club for improving their award numbers this season is South Maroubra who has increased their Awards by a massive 430%. Maroubra continued to hold their Community Resuscitation courses which they had 127 participants.

With the introduction of the Patrol Captains Award the Branch ran 2 courses, which there were 114 successful candidates.

The Branch has trailed an electronic Form 14 Examination Request, which has eliminated duplication of documents and

has assisted the office with management of Award processing. We will be encouraging all clubs to utilise this system next season.

The District Supervisors, Peter Agnew, John Restuccia, Tony Coffee & Margaret Pearce have managed their Districts well and I would like to thank them for their efforts.

The Examiners have done an exceptional job over the season, there were 2 examinations held earlier this season with over 100 candidates presenting themselves for Bronze Medallions and Surf Rescue Awards, both exams were completed within two and a half hours, a credit to all who attended.

A special thanks to our Specialist Examiners, Keith Grima, Dianne Lovell, Peter Jones, Peter Pearce, Craig Lovell, George Shales & Ron Camaleri for their assistance with ARC, IRB & Offshore Awards.

The Branch also was involved in the continuing Education Programme of Japanese Lifeguards which Wanda hosted and awarded 20 Japanese candidates with BM, TBM, & ARC Awards. We now have examination papers in Japanese for BM & ARC, which will assist the programme.

Kerryn Briody.

Education Manager.

Director of Competition

Another season has come and gone. This year proved to be extremely long and arduous with the added conduct of the World Championships at Manly.

As expected, our highly experienced officials continue to excel in all manner of competition. We are extremely fortunate to have such a high standard within our Branch.

Competition was strong, although numbers at times were down. No doubt due to many competitors being selected in events such as the Nutri Grain Series.

The success of the Board of Competition continues to grow. In the final year of the trial we have added a youth adviser and female adviser. While the Management Team was unable to meet as frequently as last year, they nevertheless were able to address the needs of officials and competitors in a professional manner. It is my strong belief that the structure and operation of the Board of Competition should now be fully adopted by the Branch.

The management team on reviewing last years new events has recommended they should be trialled for another season as a substantial number of competitors were involved with other commitments, this will also allow for the introduction in the change of age from U18's to U19's.

With regard to block racing of boats, a small group has been empowered to further investigate and recommend the conduct of boat events. The problems encountered in this trial can be attributed to insular people not prepared to consider the welfare of all competitors. Fortunately, the majority of these people were not from our Branch.

A Level 1 Officials course was scheduled for early in the year, however, lack of numbers resulted in this course being cancelled, but eleven people completed this course at Cronulla and Elouera carnivals. The full board has decided that Level 1 courses be held during the night time and that a register be introduced for interested persons wishing to obtain accreditation.

Bill Singleton ably assisted by Ted Cahill undertook this onerous task at every Carnival. Not content with measuring and weighing craft at Carnivals, Bill also found time to visit many Clubs in the Branch during afternoons and night. We are indeed grateful for Bill and Ted's time spent on scrutineering. Some 553 craft were inspected. Most frustrating was the number of stickers that did not adhere properly to the craft due to a manufacturing fault and the ensuing concern and consternation from parents, competitors and officials.

Some fifteen carnivals and special events were held during the season. The success of these events was achieved with the support of our very experienced officials. My sincere thanks are extended to all officials for their efforts during the year, in particular, to our "senior" members who never miss an event. We could not conduct events without your support. Well done!

Also to the members who attended State, National and World Championships, your efforts set the benchmark for other aspiring officials.

Carnivals were generally well attended by competitors, although at times, a number of high profile competitors were "missing" due to other surf commitments. Notwithstanding these "missing" competitors, competition was extremely keen with the Cronulla Club leading the way. Clubs hosting these events are thanked for their ongoing support.

Of some concern is the IRB competition. Declining numbers of teams competing need to be addressed. It is hoped that a committed IRB Supervisor will come onboard to arrest this decline or the "use-it or lose-it" principle will have to be invoked.

A strong Branch Team was selected for the Interbranch Championships at Swansea Belmont. Unfortunately, a number of competitors had to withdraw due to stillwater commitments. Their replacements certainly performed to our expectations. The Team ably led by Richard Garnsey (coach) and Doug Bruce (team manager) came up against a very strong Central Coast Team. Our never say die attitude pushed the Central Coast right down to the wire, only to see us just fall short at the finish. Congratulations are extended to our team on their sterling performance. Central Coast have now built up a formidable base of competitors. We now become the hunter rather than the hunted in the coming season.

This season proved to be no less hectic than those of the past. In fact, as competitors become more professional in their disciplines we are required to become more professional as officials. To this end, the management team and all members have displayed a willingness to keep pace with an ever-changing environment. Change is not easy and our member's dedication cannot be faulted. Observations in other Branches throughout the State have shown that our people are second to none.

The past four years have been challenging and provided much enjoyment in working with like-minded people. We have set about to improve and raise the profile of competition, tend to the welfare of officials and above all, break down the perceived barriers between competitors and officials. It is therefore pleasing to see us achieving our goals.

Further pleasing is the fact that conducting these many varied events is they are cost neutral, ie entry fees pay for all of the costs and any profit is returned to the Branch. This coupled with our other achievements show that this Board is successful and puts to bed the myth that "everything is for competition".

As I am not seeking re-election for the coming season it would be remiss of me not to thank some special people who made life easier during my tenure.

To two former employees, Liz Grady and Gail Bignold, thank you for your assistance, perseverance, harassment and naturally your sense of humour. The only question you could not answer was "what time do the Boats start?" To Harry Brown, Bill Singleton and Steve Strange your infinite knowledge, guidance and friendship is genuinely appreciated.

Dick Bignold

Director of Competition

Director of Youth Development

It gives me a great deal of pleasure to look back and reflect on the 1999/2000 Junior Activities Season. A year with many high points and yes a few sad times as well.

At the last annual general meeting of Sydney Branch held in August 1999, after 23 years of dedication to Surf Life Saving, Junior Activities in particular, John deCean was finally made a Life Member of Sydney Branch. I'm sure everyone would join me in congratulating John on achieving this most deserved honour. It was wonderful to see him recognised for his contribution to Junior Activities and Surf Life Saving in general, by the whole branch, not just the Juniors.

Many thanks to the Development Camp committee, for their assistance in running another very successful camp, it seems to get better every year. Prior to the camp, an organising panel was set up comprising of our Education Officer David Mullinger and his committee Graham Giles, Ray Robinson, John Koppl and Peter Garlick, with new kids on the block Grant Brown and Debbie Street.

A lot of time and effort goes into running our camp and we are very grateful. Without the co-operation of Sydney Branch seniors, we would not be able to achieve what we set out to achieve and we thank the crews of Westpac helicopter and Off Shore Rescue Boat ORB2, Kerry Briody, Sydney Branch Education Manager and her instructors. We thank North Cronulla Surf Club for the accommodation and Cheryl and Michelle Giles for their help with all that shopping. Hosting a camp that accommodates close to 100 children is an awesome task and we can't do it without the co-operation of the clubs, we thank you for your assistance over the weekend.

After two selection trials, a team of 24 children travelled to Swansea Belmont, to contest the NSW Interbranch Championships. This carnival is now a fully integrated event. Although compromises have had to be made by both Junior Activity members and Seniors as well it now seems certain that there will be no more cuts to the teams size in the near future.

The whole team competed very well over the weekend, with Chris Allum, (Wanda) Sharn Kenyon and Kirby Bosden (Cronulla) all making the State Team. At the end of the weekend, after some very hotly contested events, the Sydney Branch team finished a very creditable 2nd place behind Central Coast Branch, with Sydney Northern Beaches Branch in 3rd place.

To the team management, I sincerely thank you for your efforts in insuring the success of our team, Graham Giles (Team Manager), Coaches Michael Moschogianis, Jeff (Charlie) Brown, Water and Chris Giles, Beach not forgetting our very

able Chaperones, Cheryl Giles and Robyn Allen and finally the competitors themselves their efforts were outstanding.

Final thanks to the selectors, John deCean, Peter Garlick, Kevin Neilsen, Roger Stewart, and Barney Johansen, your courageous decisions ensured the right team was selected, not an easy task.

To the Clubs that hosted our District Carnivals I thank you. Randwick Shield, South Maroubra, Waverley Shield, North Bondi, Four Way Carnival, Wanda, Cronulla Crays Open Carnival, at Cronulla.

To the committee and work party of the South Maroubra club, I congratulate you on your commitment to our Branch Carnival this season and I wish you all the best in your endeavour to run next seasons NSW Junior and Senior State Titles.

With over 3000 Junior Activity Members in Sydney Branch and the possible inclusion of more qualifying events for the younger age groups, it is time to re evaluate our approach to the running of our Branch Carnival. It is becoming harder each year to run this carnival over one day. Unfortunately surf conditions on the day last season, led to the cancellation of most of the individual water events. We will have to do some serious thinking on the approach we take next season, as individual events and qualifying events have equal status. To ensure the prestige of our Branch Titles if we have to consider running the carnival over two days then so be it.

I congratulate all the nominee's, from their respective clubs who had the honour of representing their clubs for the Sydney Branch Junior Male and Female Life Saver of the year. It is a pleasure to be a member of the panel that interviews these young people and parents and clubs should be proud of them, as they will all make fine Life Savers in the future.

Chris Allum, from the Wanda Club who was the male recipient of our award, I thank him for representing Sydney Branch at the State Championships and the manner in which he conducted himself, Chris is a fine young man.

Our female recipient was Jessie Miley-Dyer, from the Bronte Club. Jessie then went on to win the State Junior Female Life Saver of the year, the very first person from Sydney Branch Board of Junior Activities to gain this honour.

What can I say, I have known Jessie since she was an U/9 nipper at Bronte and watched her grow into an intelligent and articulate young lady, who has a great love for her beloved Bronte Club and Surf Life Saving in general. Her enthusiasm should be harnessed and put to good use as she moves on through the senior ranks, we can't afford to let this one slip through the net. With encouragement Jessie will go far in Surf Life Saving.

Once again we as a Branch have enjoyed a strong working relationship with Sydney Branch seniors, together we remain strongly committed to junior activities and developing youth and education policies within our branch. At times there are differences, but we are working together to overcome these differences. Particular thanks goes to Peter (President Surf Life Saving Sydney Branch), Stephen Strange, Dick Bignold, Bob King and the staff in the office at Little Bay for their advice and continued assistance throughout the season.

To the Clubs that make up this branch, remember you are the branch, be a part of the decision making by attending branch meetings and taking on roles to ensure our future. Debate is

always healthy, whether you agree or not. I thank those Clubs that consistently attend meetings and encourage those not so consistent to attend.

We are looking to change the structure of the branch next year to incorporate a youth adviser and an education adviser onto our executive, I look forward to your input for these most important roles.

To my fellow members of the executive, I thank you for your continued support and assistance over another very busy year I thank you all for your dedication to this branch, John deCean, Cheryl and Graham Giles, Barney Johansen and David Mullinger, without you all we couldn't function.

Finally to Peter Garlick my most understanding husband, who calls himself my chauffeur, I thank you for your patience, help and total support throughout another busy year.

I look forward to serving you all again next season

Patricia Garlick

Director of Youth Development

Sydney Branch Lifesaving Taskforce Report 2000

Sydney Branch Board of Lifesaving invited expressions of interest from members to form a committee to investigate lifesaving strategies for the 2000-2001 season. The committee selected was Jodi Culbert (Burning Palms) convenor, Mike Batty (Elouera), Chris Giles (Cronulla) and Cameron Miles (Bonte).

The terms of reference for the taskforce included: evaluation of the lifesaving service in Sydney Branch, to investigate ways to be more active in drowning prevention, assess our role in education of the bathing public and to present a set of recommendations relating to these issues to the Board of Lifesaving for consideration.

At the initial meeting it was determined that it would be valuable to utilise the expertise of current and former active patrolling members. A comprehensive questionnaire was developed and sent to each club captain for distribution to as many active members as possible. Overall response to the questionnaire was disappointing both in number of clubs responding (9/15) and the number of individual responses from each club. The quality of information from those who did respond was high.

Input was also sought by random visits to clubs to carry out observations of beach conditions and apparent patrol efficiency (unobserved) and interviews of patrol members in groups. Interactions with patrol members at clubs visited were positive with open exchange of information. Records of individual clubs were not kept or reported on for this section, as this was an information gathering exercise to reflect patterns across the branch not a patrol inspection.

Other information was accessed for reference including drowning statistics; initiatives in other branches and direct submissions were sought from members via board of lifesaving newsletters and meetings.

Observations of patrols revealed good numbers of advanced awards on patrols, but a lack of use of mobile individual equipment. Very minimal use of outpost, roving or other methods, most lifesavers tended to be in the patrol enclosure

rather than on waters edge therefore affecting the visibility and active presence of lifesavers especially related to those areas outside the flags.

Interview of lifesavers and questionnaire results naturally yielded a wide variety of responses however some common themes emerged. Many positive aspects of lifesaving were identified and especially included lifestyle, fun and social aspects of being a member. There were strong feelings expressed by members, particularly relating to patrols (uniforms, duration of each patrol, lack of empowerment of patrol captains,), competition and competitors (especially increased elitism), recognition of efforts and many others.

A set of recommendations has been outlined by the Lifesaving Taskforce, some of which include education and support to vary patrol methods used. Improved communication to members via newsletters and increasing participation in board of lifesaving. Increased flexibility and autonomy for patrol captains (for surveillance patrols). Conjoint training exercises with other rescue service organisations. Revitalise lifesaving competitions and development of an ongoing strategy for evaluation of our lifesaving service.

The scope of the taskforce was very broad and the method of data collection has seen a vast array of issues and topics raised. It is not possible to have addressed all of them in this report. Additionally the recommendations are not exhaustive and may provoke further questions, discussions or improvements. This is to be encouraged in order that appropriate measures are put into place to continually improve the quality of our lifesaving service and the appropriate support of our patrolling members. Thanks must be extended to all whose participation in some way added to the pool of ideas and information on which we were able to draw. It is now important that the recommendations provided be considered promptly in order to stimulate discussion and guide the development of lifesaving into the next season and beyond.

Jodi Culbert
Convenor

Sydney Branch Youth Forum 2000

Surf Life Saving Sydney like many other branches has become increasingly concerned with the apparent decline of participation of 13-18yr olds in surf lifesaving. There has been a general feeling that emphasis on development programmes and activities have concentrated on junior and also senior membership with the "youth" area largely neglected. There has also been recognition that there may be difficulties experienced by youth in the transition between junior to active patrolling ranks of surf lifesaving therefore affecting retention.

In an effort to address the issue of youth participation in surf lifesaving Youth Forums have been successfully conducted in several branches in NSW. In recognition of the success of these ventures in other branches and the similar nature of the problems faced, Surf lifesaving Sydney decided to conduct a Youth forum. The forum was designed to maximise participation and input by youth lifesavers from Sydney in order to gain information on their needs in surf lifesaving.

The forum borrowed heavily from the content and format of the highly successful Illawarra Branch Youth forum and the Sydney committee thank them for their support and advice. The Forum was conducted at Maroubra Seals Club on Sunday April 30 and was open to all 15 clubs in Sydney Branch. The

forum was facilitated by lifesavers from the Sydney area.

The aims of the programme are outlined below:

Aims

- Gain perspective on issues for youth lifesavers by youth lifesavers
- Promote youth activities
- To introduce and encourage career paths in lifesaving
- Encourage peer support and networking between youth lifesavers
- To allow youth to "have a say" on the future direction of lifesaving
- Develop a way which youth may have ongoing voice in Sydney Branch

Recommendations

Several strong themes emerged as a result of discussion generated at the inaugural youth forum. Of great concern to participants was their ability to be involved and/or consulted in decision making. They felt that they often had good ideas but were unable or unsure of how to have these ideas heard and acted upon. A related concern was that of communication. It was raised by participants and observed by facilitators that many of the participants did not know of current events/activities/resources/personnel in their own clubs let alone at other levels of lifesaving, even in areas of their expressed interest. Finally there was also considerable interest and importance placed on the development of social opportunities (not just related to standard competition) as an important part of the youth lifesaving experience.

Based on the above concerns and material raised elsewhere in this report a set of recommendations has been drafted below for consideration. These recommendations do not in any way themselves directly address all specific concerns raised. It is intended that they form a framework by which consideration of youth needs and development of youth initiatives can be systematically commenced in Sydney Branch.

That all surf clubs have youth representatives on management committees

That Surf Life Saving Sydney forms a youth advisory committee to direct and administer youth initiatives. Representation to be from all clubs in the branch.

That leadership and direction of the youth advisory committee be from within the group, with interested senior lifesavers involved as mentors.

That representatives of the youth advisory committee be selected to act as youth advisor to each relevant area of branch operations i.e. lifesaving, administration, competition.

That Sydney Branch consider holding sports clinic/skills days for novice and/or social competitors

That clubs conduct more social activities for youth lifesavers and consider more interclub social opportunities

That Sydney Branch conduct a youth development camp for 14-18yr old lifesavers

That individual surf clubs and Sydney Branch improve communication with youth members by means such as news sheets/newsletters, e-mail and internet etc.

That Surf Life Saving Sydney develop a traineeship/mentor system to foster youth involvement in becoming examiners and competition officials

That follow-up meeting of participants from the forum is conducted to determine direction of youth initiatives for the coming season

Jodi Culbert

for Youth Forum Committee

Burning Palms Surf Life Saving Club Inc

The 1999-2000 season has been rewarding both in lifesaving and competition. We can proudly report that no lives were lost whilst patrols were on duty. Patrol members are to be complimented for their dedication, ensuring visitors' safety while swimming at Burning Palms.

Club Captain, Jodi Culbert, for the second consecutive year won the Sydney Branch Lifesaver of the Year and went on to be a finalist in the NSW Lifesaver of the Year. Along with her duties at Club level, Jodi has been involved in other duties at Branch level that included Chairperson of the Sydney Branch Task Force and a member of the Youth Forum Panel.

The Club conducted the 11th annual Rooster's River Run surfboat marathon which again was sponsored by BOSCH, St. George Masonic Club and the Mortdale Hotel.

I am proud to say that our Marchpast team won a gold medal in the inaugural handicap marchpast event at the New South Wales State Titles and participated in an exhibition march at the World Titles. A gold medal also to our First Aid team of Jodi and Adrian Culbert at the Branch Championships.

The District carnival was held this season, the first for several seasons, for the senior active members. The spirit and sportsmanship proved victorious on the day and we look forward to this event next season.

The Club is now affiliated with Sydney Branch Board of Junior Activities and our junior members competed at the Royal National Park District Carnival held at Era, with some pleasing results.

Unfortunately this season our total number of awards was down and we welcome new members who gained their awards.

Burning Palms won the Patrol Efficiency competition in the District and is indicative of the dedication of our active members. Eleven members gained their 100% patrol efficiency. Some members of the management committee not only take on and perform their duties in the capacity as an officer of the Club but are also active members on the beach.



Burning Palms at the Presentation Night

After winning the Sydney Branch Champion Club last season, the club maintained the standard and came in second to Wanda in this season's event.

The Club could not survive without the financial support of major sponsors, Mortdale Hotel, St. George Masonic Club and BOSCH. Thanks also to the Commonwealth Government for the \$for\$ grant and of course to our own members.

To the two major Sydney Branch sponsors, Energy Australia and Coca-Cola, thank you for your support towards surf life saving.

The Club continues to support the Branch by having three of its members within the senior ranks being John Vaughan as Patron, Peter Pearce as President and Stephen Strange as Administration Director.

To the Branch officers and staff we extend our appreciation for your continued assistance throughout the season and look forward to the 2000/2001 season.

Margaret Pearce

President

Era Surf Life Saving Club Inc

The 1999-2000 Season continued the proud tradition of vigilance and service at Era beach for the community. The volunteer work meant that no lives were lost during the season.

The flourishing Nipper Group has done well at the club, branch and State level; they are showing keenness in learning about surf awareness, skills and safety. The branch nipper inter-club at our beach was our biggest carnival for many years. The Nipper Group has now been in place for three years and next year we have great potential to take a couple of squads through their bronze medallions from the nippers.

Two of our young members Lauren Woodward and David Staples attended a Sydney Branch youth forum that gathered the ideas from young people throughout the branch so that we can improve the way we keep and attract youth to surf life saving. This was an excellent initiative from the branch and I look forward to the implementation of the recommendations.

This year we secured a Dollar for Dollar sponsorship for a new IRB from BP and we used last year's support of ADM investments to secure a new IRB and motor. This new craft has proved a great success this year and we are grateful to those sponsors for their support.

During the year the NSW government adopted the long awaited Royal National Park (RNP) Plan of Management. This plan has allowed the park management to commence a dialogue with the clubs in the park so that we can adopt a long-term strategy for lifesaving. This is an extremely positive outcome and while I do not expect rapid and dramatic change I believe that it provides the critical forum for the continued viability of lifesaving on the RNP beaches.

Our committee continues to work hard on behalf of the members and I would especially like to congratulate Debbie and Lindy for the great effort in their first years as Secretary and Treasurer.

Finally thanks for the support of the Branch at all levels over the past year and best wishes for the coming season.

Ian Brandt

President

Garie Surf Life Saving Club Inc

This past season, Garie SLSC has maintained its record of no lives lost whilst the beach was patrolled, a remarkable record to be proud of given the size of the beach and surrounds.

For many years now, Garie SLSC has struggled to achieve this outcome despite the very small number of active patrolling members. Fortunately this year has seen an increase of almost double the active membership. This was brought about by a very dedicated group of newer members who put an enormous amount of energy into training and recruiting while under the watchful eyes of a few special senior members who devoted many hours teaching and supervising.

For their efforts they were rewarded with taking out the District Award for the most awards gained. We wish to thank Coca-Cola for the prize of a new rescue tube presented recently to Garie SLSC at the Branch Presentations.

The morale of the club has lifted considerably with the prospect of a new clubhouse, which should be starting construction in the near future. This has led to renewed interest in joining and the ranks have swollen especially among the junior activities members.

Juniors coming through from the nippers gained many of the newest awards and we are very glad that the long-term plan has finally paid off.

A couple of our keenest young cadets attended the Branch Youth Forum recently and found it very worthwhile. There was good feedback from what they learned and observed and as well they had some important input to the proceedings. With up and coming members of this calibre, we can only look forward to a very strong club in the coming years.

Rita Taylor

Honorary Secretary

Cronulla Surf Life Saving Club Inc

Cronulla Surf Life Saving Club has again achieved its goals for the season, these being:-

- satisfactorily patrolling Cronulla Beach to ensure the safety of the surfing public;

- proving that we are the strongest competitive club in Sydney Branch.

The enthusiasm shown by our patrolling members was most evident throughout the season with all members willingly wearing their full patrol uniform whenever on patrol duty and carrying out their responsibilities in a most vigilant manner.

Our rescues were down on the previous year with only 127 being effected and 15 preventative actions. This was largely due to improved beach conditions.

Congratulations to the 45 members who gained their 100% patrol attendance. This being a record for our Club in any one year.

The Club successfully conducted an open carnival as well as a master's twilight carnival. Our thanks are extended to the Director of Competition, Dick Bignold, and all his Officials for their support at both of these events.

In the competition arena, the Club proved its superiority in all disciplines winning the pointscore at every Sydney Branch carnival and then blitzing all other clubs by winning the Sydney Branch Championships by a margin of 130 points. With this

outstanding achievement it is still an amazing fact that the Club was not recognised in any way at the Sydney Branch Presentation night.

Thanks are extended to the Examination Officials who spend so much of their valuable time examining squads. We gained 84 awards this year, which is down considerably on the previous season. Unfortunately, this was brought about by a lack of Training Officers near the end of the season which has left us with an overlap of 50 members to do their awards before the commencement of the 2000-2001 season.

I would like to express out appreciation to the Branch's major sponsors, Energy Australia and Coca-Cola. Their continued support of Surf Life Saving in Sydney Branch is very much appreciated by all our members.

In conclusion, may I extend our congratulations to Branch President Peter Pearce for his excellent leadership of the Branch and to all Branch Officers and Board Members for their support.

W H Eady

Secretary

North Cronulla Surf Life Saving Club Inc

This season witnessed the introduction of major changes to the Club's Organisational Structure. Three principal changes were made:

- Reduction in numbers of the former management committee of twenty-eight to a Board of sixteen Directors.

- Expanding the former Junior Activities Group to include Nipper, Cadet and Junior members of the Club under the one umbrella of Youth Development.

- The appointment of a Chief Executive Officer

The reduction to sixteen in the management group of the Club worked well. Backed by an effective sub committee network which offered well thought out opinion and recommendations in their area of expertise certainly streamlined the decision making process and enhanced the communication lines throughout the Club. Still in its early stage the Youth Development Group seemed to work well.

The position of CEO was introduced this season, amongst many duties, to remove the administrative load from the office bearers and allow more time for them to concentrate on a more hands on approach to their chosen area. This necessitated the centralising of all records and administrative processes and the issuing of various reports and lists on request. This proved quite a task but one that was accomplished with the assistance of many of the Club Officers.

Communication channels have been enhanced with the Club now having its own Web Site www.northcronullaslsc.com email address surfing@northcronullaslsc.com. This service has been provided by id Media, the operators of "WaveCam" who have cameras strategically placed at surfing locations around Australia and many overseas locations also. Our camera focuses on The Alley, The Point and Shark Island giving updated images on a thirty-second basis.

Another innovation this season was the installation of a second camera "BeachCam", as part of the Kellogg's Surf Safe Summer Programme. This service provides the public with up-to-date photos of beach conditions and supplies beach

safety reports via a Web Site and these reports form part of the Seven Network News Presentation.

"No Lives Lost" whilst patrols were on duty is again proudly acknowledge in our annual report. Many rescues and preventative actions were carried out under severe conditions, a legacy of sand bars and rips formed by the sand dumping in previous years plus prevailing conditions.

Competitively our members performed with great distinction in all major carnivals culminating in the Branch, State, Australian and World Titles. Once again our younger Under 16, 18 and 21 members showed great potential and augurs well for the future.

Our Club, along with the other Bate Bay Clubs has enjoyed an ongoing association with Council and its Councillors. We have signed a 21-year lease over the Clubhouse, the beachfront and park have been upgraded and the item of kiosks is on the agenda. I would like to thank Council and my counterparts in the other three Clubs for the manner in which we have gone about business via the Combined District meetings.

The "Immortals" Sports Luncheon with the three St. George Rugby League Immortals, John Raper, Graeme Langlands and Reg Gasnier as guests of honour was held at the Clubhouse with "standing room only". This was one of the most successful fund raising functions ever held at the Club and our congratulations are recorded to the organising committee and to John Peard for his support and guidance.

Finally, I would like to congratulate each and every Club in the Branch, particularly Wanda on being the winning Club and wish you all the success for the upcoming "Olympic" season.

Tom Payne
President

Elouera Surf Life Saving Club Inc

I am pleased to present this Report on behalf of Elouera SLSC for the 1999-2000 season.

Elouera achieved much during the period of review, despite the Management Committee having to confront some difficult decisions in administering an organisation relying on the commitment of members; the generous support of sponsors and on public donations.

Perhaps the greatest achievement is continuation of the proud boast 'no lives were lost at Elouera Beach during the season'. That this situation prevailed was only possible by the vigilance of the patrolling members, the co-operation of the surfing public and the ready assistance, when requested, of the adjoining Bate Bay Clubs: Wanda, North Cronulla and Cronulla. The statistics recorded elsewhere in this Sydney Branch Report are testimony to the dedication of all active lifesavers and their efforts are appreciated.

Elouera's major sponsor, the Sutherland District Trade Union Club Limited (the Tradies) continued with its unstinting financial and other support of all activities in which Elouera was involved during 1999-2000 and their continuing support is gratefully acknowledged.

In partnership with the Tradies, Elouera conducted the 18th Surf Awareness Clinic, which imparted essential surf skills and beach safety to over 400 children from as far afield as Balranald and Dubbo. The Clinic has the added advantage of

assisting cadet and junior members to become a more integral part of the Club, while developing important people-management skills

The Club is proud to be one of the few to participate in all activities supported by Sydney Branch, whether they were competition, administration or social and they did so with distinction.

Major activities successfully undertaken during 1999-2000 included the Annual Gear Inspection, development of members through training for awards and patrols, conduct of the Sutherland Shire Half-Marathon an eight kilometer fun run, the Annual Surf Carnival, the Annual Golf Day and the Celebrity Seafest.

During the season, the Club also commissioned a new computer system, allowing e-mail access and ultimate development of a web-site. Committee Members and others also attended seminars on the introduction of the GST and on Responsible Service of Alcohol.

Relations with the Mayor, Councillors and employees of The Council of Sutherland Shire and the local State and Federal Members were maintained at a very cordial level and their willingness to be involved with the Club was most beneficial and is appreciated.

Elouera's involvement with surf life saving was not only restricted to internal administration and members were prominent within the Branch as Competition Officials, as Examiners, on various Sydney Branch Committees and on the Task Force formed to develop strategies for the furtherance of life saving into 2001 and beyond. Members also were involved at Branch Meetings and within the District Council and in the development of juniors throughout the Branch.

Three members who are active within the Club also have been recognised for their contribution to the community by being selected as Olympic Torchbearers. They are Ted Brooker, Kristy Bagnall and Andrew Sugarman and we congratulate them on their recognition.

Activities are well advanced for the early commencement of Season 2000-2001 and Elouera will approach it with its usual professionalism, enthusiasm and commitment.

The capable assistance and tireless efforts of the Branch Officers and employees during 1999-2000 is gratefully acknowledged, as is the generous support of Energy Australia and Coca-Cola.

To all Clubs affiliated with Surf Life Saving Australia, Elouera extends good wishes for a safe and productive season 2000-2001 and beyond.

Mike Batty
President

Wanda Surf Life Saving Club Inc

This year the younger members have come to the fore and there is a team of new patrol captains and vice captains who responded to the challenge of the responsibility of patrol leadership and have justified their appointment. The emphasis on patrols can be seen by the number of 100% Patrol Attendance Awards and the many people who achieved the Patrol Efficiency Award.

This priority to the future also saw the success of the youth development camp at Narrabeen, bringing JAG members and

under 16's together. We must encourage and retain these new members to ensure the future of the Club.

In the same vane, we have achieved competitive success and it is pleasing to see the teamwork involved. Our strength is as a team and the basis is there for a resurgence and revival in all sections, The boards, skis and boats are ready to achieve.

Socially the club is still a great place and if you have missed Sunday afternoons at the club you are missing out on the mateship of Wanda. There is a solid core of people who train in the gym and then enjoy the camaraderie of the Founders Room, it is hard to know which is the motivation. The gym is a success story, being well used and keeping the lights on during the winter months. We haven't had many socials this year, although we did welcome in the millennium with a sunrise breakfast at Wanda. Sadly, without a sunrise, but still a great morning.

Our equipment is in good shape due to the purchasing and replacement. The strong support of sponsors sees us without any shortcomings in lifesaving or competition equipment. We have been fortunate to retain sponsorship from the licensed clubs and with other donors we have been able to add another fully equipped IRB and motor from Sutherland United Services Club, IRB motor, reel and radios from Kareela Golf Club, IRB motor from NSW Masons and another fully equipped IRB and motor from Energy Australia as well as a ski from Claremont Tyres. Other donations from the Cronulla & Woolooware Golf Club's Tournament Day and Caringbah and Cronulla RSL Clubs have been most appreciated.

I should report on the building and our lease. The lease was advertised and as there was one objection, the Council has directed it to the State Government. We have now finalised the design of the clubhouse redevelopment, however, the Council has decided that they need to draw up a plan of management which approves our activities. A consultant has been engaged to prepare the plan, with our input for agreement with Council and again public display and comment. The Club has retained a strong relationship with developers, Ryan and Waldock to help us through the project. Stage one will involve the southern part of the club, and will improve our lifesaving and storage areas and, when approved, give us the area over the boatshed for commercial lease to provide a long-term income for the club. Thanks to the long-term commitment to this project we will have the cash resources to complete the first stage of the building.

The committee members have done their best to keep the club up to the mark with many of them wearing two hats and still completing their tasks with enthusiasm. On behalf of the members thank you for your contribution during the past season. Graeme Hill with his experience re-invigorated the patrols and, of course, Mick Brannock led the club from the front, steered the boats from the back and drove the Sutherland to Surf. With Brian Newell, Sue Brannock and the many helpers this was another success. Sean McKirdy had a finger in everything and with the Finance Committee and Gaye Curtis chased every opportunity for sponsorship. Sean has been recognised by being elected as the winner of this year's C V Forshaw Trophy.

The Ladies Auxiliary has been behind every function and carnival and has enhanced Wanda's reputation for hospitality. They have also supported the club by replacing the stove and other equipment in the kitchen as well as donating costumes

for the club's teams. Judy Hunter, as Chairman, has also kept the clothing shop open most weekends and kept our members looking smart.

The Junior Activities Group have opened the door for new members to start a career in lifesaving. The group has assisted the club in many areas, Brad Harris, congratulations on your season.

Wanda has had strong support from the Surf Life Saving Association, particularly Sydney Branch and has worked well with the other Clubs in the District. The strong support of Sutherland Shire Council and its officers has again been there on all occasions.



Champion Club President – Trevor Elliott

In looking back over the last five years I can only say how quickly it has gone and how lucky I have been. To have been part of our great fiftieth year and all the celebration that went with it, the recounting of our history in "A Club Called Wanda" and the lifesaving and competitive success that was achieved that year was a privilege. To see in the new century, with the success of being Branch Champion Club again, gives me great pride.

In closing, I would like to especially thank Sue Backhouse, for her long time support. Without surf club experience, she has put up her hand to take on the secretary's job and with her conscientiousness and thoroughness gained everyone's respect. Thanks again Sue, you and Linda Adams have set an example for future secretaries.

In this Olympic year, it is now time to look to the future, if everyone does their share, the club will grow and prosper.

Trevor Elliott
President

South Maroubra Surf Life Saving Club Inc

On behalf of our club Chairman Paul Fownes it is very pleasing to be able to report to the Branch that South Maroubra Surf Life Saving Club has had another successful year achieving high results in lifesaving and competition. Forty years of no lives lost at South Maroubra Beach whilst a lifesaving patrol was on duty is a wonderful record and to this year's active men and women a tribute to their dedication. Our patrols this year were ably led by Patrick O'Neill, the club's Director of Lifesaving and congratulations to the 102 club members who gained their 100% Patrol Attendance this year.

Lifesaving award numbers have definitely improved from last year with 73 Association awards being obtained this season. Patrol rescue statistics are lower than last season reflecting

the inclement weather we experienced and hopefully the success of the Association's advertising campaign to swim between the Red and Yellow Flags. Our club also had a 100% increase in the number of marine stinger first aid treatments for the season.

In the competition arena the 1999-2000 season has been a rewarding year with many outstanding performances from our members. Special congratulations to our clubs Masters Surf Boat Crew consisting of Mick O'Brien, John Stone, Keith Disbery, Gary Gavegan and Alan Johnston. They gained 1st place in the 180 years surf boat race at the East Coast Masters Carnival, NSW State Masters Championships, Australian Masters Championships and World Championships. Also congratulations to our Nipper girls, Tara Holt and Kailah Elliott on securing medals at the 1999 Junior State Championships.

Our club hosted the Sydney Branch Junior Championships in February and the Kellogg's Nutri-Grain Surf League Final in January, both carnivals being successful and well received by all that attended. South Maroubra also hosted the Sydney Branch IRB Championships and the IRB Metropolitan Carnival, however, due to extremely poor participation from the Sydney Clubs, we would have to seriously consider taking on these carnivals in the near future.

South Maroubra Surf Club once again enjoyed growth in membership numbers with over 300 nippers and 340 senior members. Mark Frost, Director of Youth Development, together with his band of water safety and Age Managers had a tremendous, fun year and offer our thanks to them all. Well done to Brett Hooper on his nomination for the Sydney Branch Junior Lifesaver of the Year. Although not successful, Brett had a great year. Congratulations

The club's financial position is strong with sincere thanks to all our club sponsors. Special mention to the club's major sponsors, Maroubra Seals Club, Randwick City Council, Collex Waste Management, Botany Bay City Council, NSW Leagues Club, Maroubra RSL, Konami Australia and Carlton United Brewery. We can not thank you enough for your support.

Finally the South Maroubra Surf Club looks forward to staging the 2001 NSW Junior, Masters and Open State Championships in March 2001. Preparations are well under way and we invite all lifesavers and supporters down to South Maroubra in March to witness the wide-ranging and rigorous competition of our State's best.

Yvette Rutherford
Honorary Secretary

Maroubra Surf Life Saving Club Inc

In our 95th season it is with great pleasure that I can state the Maroubra SLSC has now signed a twenty year lease with Randwick City Council, thus enabling us to commence the re-development of the Club building. The Development Application has been approved by Council and we will now proceed with a \$2.1 million refurbishment.

The past season has seen some outstanding achievements in the Life Saving arena, with no loss on the beach, record number of rescues and record number of members obtaining awards, which is a true sign of the strength and ability of members of Maroubra.

Our competitors have returned to the top ranks at the Branch,

State and Australian Championships, which it is considered, will continue for the future.

Our Nipper strength has considerably increased in numbers with a new membership high of 267 members, the majority of whom are continuing on into the senior ranks.

The Community Resuscitation Programme, sponsored by Maroubra Seals Sports & Community Club, and conducted by Keith Grima and his dedicated band of workers, was a continuing resounding success with 240 persons completing the Resuscitation (CPR) Certificate.

Our deep appreciation is again expressed to Maroubra Seals Sports & Community Club, our major sponsor, for without their continued and valued support we could not possibly do the task of looking after Maroubra Beach, at least without a great degree of difficulty.

Some change has occurred on our Board of Directors and my thanks must go to those not performing office this season for their dedicated contribution. I welcome those new members and know our Board will continue to operate at the highest level of efficiency for the benefit of the Club and lifesaving in general.

David Donohue
President

Coogee Surf Life Saving Club Inc

Coogee Surf Life Saving Club has a very successful season with patrols, awards and competition and it is pleasing to report that we achieved our primary object that being no lives lost during patrol hours on Coogee Beach.

The Patrol Captains and Vice Captains have once again performed their roles professionally with a level of enthusiasm and they deserve our gratitude for the efforts during the season.

Chief Instructor, Kerryn Briody and her assistants have had another busy season training new members with a structured programme of courses, which have produced 62 Bronze Medallions and 12 Surf Rescue Certificates. Our total number of awards for the season was 199 awards.

The Club once again hosted an extremely successful open carnival in early February, together with the Mason's Surf Rescue Challenge Final.

We would like to acknowledge and thank our major sponsor Holiday Inn Coogee Beach. We also thank Randwick City Council for their continued support.

We acknowledge the support of Sydney Branch and also the valuable support Energy Australia and Coca-Cola gives to Sydney Branch.

Geoffrey Martin
President

Bronte Surf Life Saving Club Inc

Bronte SLSC has this season achieved its objective of ensuring that no lives were lost whilst patrols were on duty. Every surf life saving club strives to achieve this major objective and Bronte along with every other Club within Sydney Branch should be proud that this season no lives were lost.

During the past season Bronte SLSC achieved a number of distinctions, not the least being the winner of the coveted Branch Patrol Competition and figuring strongly in the Branch

Champion Club competition. Our congratulations to the winning Club Wanda. The 1999/2000 season saw our competitive achievements expand and the Club managed to field competitors in most events across all surf life saving disciplines at carnivals. It is to be hoped that in the coming seasons Bronte will be able to assist more in the provision of carnival personnel.

Much of Bronte's success this past season is a direct result of our patrol strength and the Club's lifesaving committee has put in a huge effort to ensure that patrol strength is high and that all members are achieving their surf life saving awards not only as quickly as possible but with a level of understanding that will make them more effective surf life savers. In this regard the Club is very fortunate to have members of the calibre of Kerrie Visch, Graham Ford, Ken Cafe, Paul Booth and Cameron Miles. Paul and Cameron have both been finalists in Branch and State Lifesaver of the Year awards over successive years.

Bronte SLSC is also fortunate to have a successful nipper retention program in place and this has certainly assisted the Club swell its membership. This strategy is no secret and Bronte has only copied the strategies so successfully implemented by other Branch Club's. However we would certainly recommend it to other Clubs who may be struggling for membership.

Finally Bronte SLSC would like to extend its appreciation to all the Branch's sponsors and supporters, particularly Energy Australia and Coca-Cola, without whom surf life saving would struggle. In addition our thanks to President Peter Pearce and his team for their dedication and input.

Tamarama Surf Life Saving Club Inc

Tamarama Surf Life Saving Club Inc has again completed another season of successfully maintaining the record of "No Lives Lost". During our 94th year of patrols on Tamarama Beach, a total of 22 rescues were recorded during patrol hours, together with 125 first aid cases being treated. There were 5 shark alarms recorded, three of which occurred on one day.

Eight members obtained their Bronze Medallions during the season, together with 5 Advanced Resuscitation Certificates. A special thanks to Chief Instructor, Dave Radford for the effort he puts into the training of new recruits. During the season, 7 members achieved 100% patrol attendance plus another 7 members who achieved the coveted 100 Club Award for 100 patrol hours or more. Out thanks go to all these members.

Our Junior Activities Branch was again active on Sunday mornings, with a big rise in numbers. A special thanks to all the parents involved in making this part of Tamarama so enjoyable.

Tamarama SLSC Inc sincerely appreciated the continued financial support and assistance from Waverley Council, McGrath Partners, Bondi-Junction RSL Sub-Branch Club Ltd and Eastern Suburbs Leagues Club. Without the support of our sponsors Tamarama SLSC would not be able to offer facilities to our Members and the community.

At the AGM in July 1999, Mr John Wardall was elected as Club Patron to replace the late Mr Les Lawrence. John now completes the trifecta of founding families who have acted as Patron of our Club, the Weirs, Philips and Wardalls. Congratulations John and thank you for your enthusiasm and help over many years.

In early May 2000, our new surfboat was launched - the "Les 'Bootlace' Lawrence" christened by Mrs Cath Lawrence. Our sincere thanks go to Mr Stan Zemanek for his generous gift of this boat in memory of Les.

In conclusion, I would like to express the Club's thanks to Sydney Branch for their continued support and assistance over the past season and wish all Club's a successful season in 2000-2001.

Phil Hogan
Secretary

Bondi Surf Bathers Life Saving Club Inc

The club successfully achieved a number of key goals in the 1999-2000 season, these being negotiating with the Olympic Co-Ordination Authority regarding the use of the clubhouse during the Sydney Olympic Games beach volleyball event, the appointment of a Director of Coaching, and continuing to provide a quality lifesaving service to the community.

The Executive Committee entered into a formal agreement with the Olympic Co-Ordination Authority after successfully concluding a lengthy and complex period of negotiation. The negotiated agreement provided the club with financial compensation, temporary accommodation and secure storage of non-essential club equipment. As the clubhouse will be used to provide facilities for the athletes competing in beach volleyball at Bondi. We will be located to temporary accommodation at both the northern and southern ends of the beach and are programmed to return to the clubhouse in early October 2000.

This season saw Grant Baldock appointed to the position of Director of Coaching. As the first Director of Coaching in the history of the club, Grant established a solid foundation on which to develop our future competitors. This has only been able to be achieved due to Grant's professionalism and leadership on which he should be congratulated.

Due to the leadership attributes of our Vice Captain Lifesaving, Sean Tagg, the skill of our patrol captains and commitment by our patrol members, the quality of this season's lifesaving services was excellent with no lives lost during patrols. Our ten patrol completed 420 rescues, 568 first aid treatments and 3,925 preventative actions. Due to our efforts this season we are all prepared for the forthcoming 'Olympic' season at Bondi.

This season is the final one for Peter Murphy as President of Bondi Surf Bather's Life Saving Club. Peter became our President at a time when the club was experiencing mountainous challenges to simply exist. Due to Peter's diligence, commitment and love for the club, we are now in a very strong position both financially and in terms of equipment. On behalf of the members of the club I would like to extend to Peter our thanks.

The first season of the new millennium is now upon us and due to the efforts of our membership we are in an excellent position to meet the challenges that await us.

Adam McGrath
Honorary Secretary

North Bondi Surf Life Saving Club Inc

The customary beginning of the yearly report informing that "No Live Were Lost" is not only a statement of fact but is also a message to those who swim a North Bondi that it is safe to do so while our patrols are on duty.

That this is so is due to the knowledge and experience of the Patrol Captains and the dedication and commitment of the patrol members.

This season there was a tragedy in our vicinity. It was well publicised at the time, but what was not so well known was that this incident was outside Bondi Bay, off Ben Buckler. Our patrol and IRB crew responded when advised and were praised and thanked for rescuing and attending to those involved. Any issue that occurs in our Club, across the areas of competition, patrols, water safety and social all stem from the voluntary devotion of time, knowledge and energy by one or more of our members. I would like to put on record that the Club is indebted to all these members.

The Captain and Vice Captain of a Surf Club are the two most important people, to Peter Agnew and Murray Hayes, both in their positions for the first time, I convey, on behalf of all members, sincere congratulations for jobs very well done. In order for a Captain and Vice Captain to have members to organise we must have a steady influx of new members so to Jenny Bond, our Chief Instructor, and her dedicated group of instructors, I say an inadequate thank you from all members for their results this season.

The Patrols are the nucleus of the Club and the Patrol Captains this year have done an excellent job. Present on each patrol is an IRB driver as the "rubber duck" is the most important part of current day patrol equipment. To Raille Galgut, our IRB Captain, and his assistant Jack Leigh, in their first year in control of this section, goes a special note of appreciation. They have the task of not only tuning the motors but also tuning the drivers and crew.

This year we have endeavoured to establish an even greater line of communication with the Junior (Nippers) section of the Club. Tim Daley and Rob Brain who have regularly attended Management Committee meetings and reported on the junior activities have facilitated this. They have arranged for the 13year old nippers to receive demonstrations of, and instruction in the use of, surf craft used in the senior club. I am sure that it is no coincidence that there are eleven junior members ready to commence training for the Surf Life Saving award at the beginning of the next season.

In competition North Bondi is always well represented and this season achieved praiseworthy results in the Branch, State and Australian Championships. With more and more full-time professionals, gold medals are harder and harder to win but the dedication of all our competitors, both at training and in competition, is awesome and coupled with a little luck we can look forward to even more success next season. To not mention some of the competitors would be remiss as our Junior Ski Paddlers, Tate Smith and Shaun Johnson. The Ski Relay team of Jim Walker, Paul Tatham and Brett Johnson were successful in winning a Bronze Medal at the Australian Championships.

It is easy to overlook the obvious and, with respect to our competitors, those who gave time to coaching them should not be forgotten. Jim Walker and Scott Thomson in the crafts, Paul Cunningham in boats, Glen Holland who coached the men's boat crew and Mick Clancy and Warren Burton in beach events. When on tour the hard work done by Tony Hamilton, Competition Manager, in getting competitors to the correct part of the beach at the correct time should be acknowledged. This year saw the return of the Club March Past Team at carnivals and Championships.

The early morning swimmers and the Associate Members are a valuable section of the Club and help in many appropriate ways. Their interests on the Management Committee are well looked after by Rob Mallick and the needs of the Club were communicated to them by Rob. It is with regret that external commitments prevented Rob from continuing his role and I thank him for his efforts.

The social side of the Club is where the camaraderie within North Bondi really shows through. The highlight of the year was the 2000 Ball, held at the Swiss Grand Hotel and organised by our Vice President, Mark Cotter, Social Organiser, Jason Richardson and his hardworking wife Renee. To them I say congratulations and thank you as 180 people had an excellent night as a result of your efforts. There were many Sunday night gatherings during the year which were popular and well attended enabling new members and older ones to meet and enjoy the fellowship.

Due to changes in the State Liquor Laws the arduous task of obtaining a licence for the Club had to be carried out. Public Officer, Gary Shiels was required to complete a breathtaking array of forms, which he did with customary diligence. Further in excess of 25 members successfully completed a course in the "Responsible Service of Alcohol" and are rostered for duty behind the Bar at social functions and Sunday nights.

The Christmas Roof Show was, as always, a most enjoyable day with Kevin Joyce, the organiser and compere, doing an outstanding job. Greg Bodkin ably assisted Kevin and to them and their cast we are indebted for a most entertaining time.

While the Club needs lifesavers to fulfil its duty on the beach it also needs funds to operate. To our sponsors we say thank you for your assistance during the season. In particular, we say a special thank you to Cathay Pacific Airlines for the donation of a surfboat, which became necessary due to the resurgence of boat crews. To Brian Powell and his Rival Company we again express a debt of gratitude for the vast donations of swimwear, team uniforms for tours and march past costumes. To Paddington-Woollahra RSL and Community Club a sincere thank you for the donation of a public address system and alarm equipment. At risk of embarrassing two of our Life Members who have made significant donations I express the Club's appreciation to Gary Shiels and Associates and Jim Poulos QC.

To the Committee, whose function it is to ensure that the Club is administered properly, thank you for your efforts. In particular, Mark Cotter, our Vice President who demonstrated on many occasions and in many ways his dedication to the ideals and success of our Club. As President I am indebted for the work done and help and assistance given to me by Treasurer, Tony Hamilton and Secretary, Helen Johnson, so to them I say thank you for making my tasks so much easier.

As our Club is a member of Sydney Branch we have close and regular contact with the President, Peter Pearce and Chief Executive, Bob King, and to them, on behalf of our Club, I say well done for the season and we look forward to working with you next season.

To Waverley Council Mayor Paul Pearce, Councillors and staff we are always ready to listen to and co-operate with, for the good of the public who surf at North Bondi and I look forward to our warm relationship being made even stronger.

Warwick Morieson
President

Chief Executive Officer

The position of Chief Executive Officer was created to provide a general management function for the administration of the Branch activities. The initial aims of the role are to secure and expand the Branch sponsorship base, to develop a 3 Year Development Plan and Budget; and to review and enhance the Branch Office processes to provide maximum support to our affiliated Clubs.

The role was created in recognition of the changing regulatory environment that both the Branch and Clubs are now experiencing. The most significant impact was the introduction of the GST and the Branch conducted a series of forums to provide guidance and advice to Clubs as the new tax regime was introduced.

Additional regulatory impact was caused by the introduction of new Licencing Laws that required our members to gain a Responsible Service of Alcohol Certificate. Following a series of training days more than 150 of our members are now qualified in this area.

Sponsorship support from Energy Australia and Coca-Cola again was a great benefit to the Branch and negotiations to extend Energy Australia relationship are under way.

During the season there were changes in the Branch Office staff. Branch Office Manager, Elizabeth Grady left us in December to start a family. Elizabeth and husband, Ian, are now the proud parents of a baby girl - Ashley Shannon and we wish them well and thank Elizabeth for her 4 years working with us.

Gail Bignold left in January to focus on her voluntary community activity and we thank her for her work on our behalf.

Our new Office Senior, Cheryl Thompson and Assistant, Natalie Walker-Winmill have already become well known to many Clubs and are providing good support to the Branch administration.

Branch administration planning is now well advanced and we look forward to working with Branch Clubs to introduce processes that will lessen the load on all involved in taking Sydney Branch in to the future.

Bob King

Chief Executive Officer



Coca-Cola and Club Representatives at the Coca-Cola Gear Grant Presentation – Bronte SLSC

Board of Lifesaving Planning Weekend

On Friday evening, July 14, the Board of Lifesaving Management Committee, travelled to the Wollongong Surf Leisure Resort for an intense weekend of activities, which had nothing whatsoever to do with leisure.

Under the leadership of Director of Lifesaving, Steve Leahy, the Board took the first positive steps in producing a business plan. The weekend's outcome saw the development of a "mission statement" for the Branch and a review of the following Association reports: -

SLSA SLS2020

SLSA Business Plan

AWSC National Water Safety Plan

Repositioning Strategy (Rankin R)

Branch Lifesaving Taskforce Report.

From this base we completed a SWOT analysis and proceeded to develop a business plan. In addition we revisited Board job descriptions, which will receive further work in the near future.

Chief Executive Officer, Bob King spent Sunday morning with us, discussing "Key Result Areas" of the Branch. We wish to record our thanks for his attendance and also the attendance of Jodi Culbert, Convenor of the Lifesaving Taskforce and Director of Administration, Steve Strange.

All in all a great working weekend that augurs well for the season.

Peter Quartly

Secretary Board of Lifesaving

Director of Administration – Conclusion

To our fifteen Clubs, I would like to pay tribute to your Lifesaving endeavours and to your co-operation with Branch activities during the season. To those Clubs who were host to Branch Meetings and supported Branch functions and events, thank you.

To our sponsors and donors, without whose tangible contributions our Lifesaving efforts would suffer, I thank you sincerely. No doubt the whole community who benefits from the voluntary efforts provided by our Lifesavers share these thanks.

The past year, serving as the Branch's Administration Director, has been extremely rewarding. With the appointment of Bob King, as the Branch's Chief Executive Officer last year, much of the day to day workload has now been removed. I would like to take this opportunity of thanking our past and present office staff. I have greatly appreciated your work on the Branch's behalf and it has made my job a lot easier.

Our Board of Lifesaving held a very success full planning weekend July 15-16. Director Stephen Leahy and his enthusiastic team put together a realistic management plan to guide the Board and Branch over the next few years. The plan will be completed over the next few months and I would commend it to our Clubs and ask for their support in fulfilling the outcomes listed.

In support of the Board, I would ask that clubs encourage their young members to join the ranks of both the Board of Lifesaving and the Board of Competition. Both Boards are in need of the vigour and enthusiasm that you will introduce.

This is in view of the recommendation of our recently held Youth Forum and Lifesaving Taskforce.

I would like to thank Peter Pearce, for leading the Branch with his enthusiasm and dedication during his fifth year as our President. The Executive and Officers of the Branch have worked extremely hard, contributing many long hours to the Branch. They can take great satisfaction in the achievements they have helped to make.

To my fellow Executive Officers I sincerely thank you for your efforts and your support. Your nomination of me as the Branch's "Branch Officer of the Year", was to me a personal highlight in the year. Thank you.

As you already know, I will not be standing for office this coming season. A number of people have been approached to take over as your Administration Director and I hope that one, at least, will nominate. I pledge my support and help to my successor.

At the finish of this 1999-2000 season, the Branch's 51st year of operation, I wish all Clubs and Members best wishes for successes and achievements next season.

Stephen Strange,
Director of Administration



Stephen Strange – Branch Officer of the Year, Peter Pearce and Director of Lifesaving Stephen Leahy

Energy Australia Surf Life Saving Sydney Branch Champion Club 2000

Club	Section 1 Admin	Section 2 Patrols	Section 3 LOY	Section 4 Awards	Section 5 BOC	Section 6 Carnivals	Total Points	Final Placing
Wanda	9.50	14.00		13.50	10.00	11.50	58.50	1
Burning Palms	14.00	11.00	1.00	9.00	15.00	5.00	55.00	2
Bronte	9.50	15.00	1.00	13.50	7.00	6.00	52.00	3
Maroubra	11.00	12.00		15.00	4.00	10.00	52.00	3
North Cronulla	12.00	4.00		3.50	14.00	15.00	48.50	5
Cronulla	14.00	10.00		2.00	12.00	9.00	47.00	6
North Bondi	6.00	13.00	1.00	10.00	8.00	8.00	46.00	7
Coogee	4.00	5.00	1.00	11.00	9.00	13.00	43.00	8
Garie	14.00	3.00		12.00	13.00	0.00	42.00	9
South Maroubra	5.00	7.00		6.00	6.00	14.00	38.00	10
Elouera	7.50	6.00		3.50	11.00	7.00	35.00	11
Bondi	1.00	9.00		8.00	2.00	11.50	31.50	12
Tamarama	7.50	8.00		5.00	3.00	4.00	27.50	13
Clovelly	3.00	1.00		7.00	1.00	2.50	14.50	14
Era	2.00	2.00		0.00	5.00	2.50	11.50	15

Results - 2000 Sydney Branch Championships - February 14, 2000

Open 5 Person R & R

- 1 Coogee (2.00)
- 2 Wanda (2.64)

Open Womens 5 Person R & R

- 1 Coogee (2.56)
- 2 Wanda (5.10)
- 3 Coogee (9.10)

Under 18 5 Person R & R

- 1 Wanda (9.50)
- 2 Bronte (12.86)

Under 18 Womens 5 Person R & R

- 1 Bronte "A" (7.40)
- 2 Bronte "B" (12.70)
- 3 Bondi (20.00)

Under 16 5 Person Female R & R

- 1 North Cronulla (13.78)
- 2 Wanda (18)
- 3 Coogee (20.66)

Under 16 5 Person R & R

- 1 Bronte Gold (11.26)
- 2 Bronte Blue (12.70)
- 3 Bondi (20)

Open Belt Race

- 1 T Goode (Cronulla)
- 2 C Gibbs (Cronulla)
- 3 P MacLachlan (Cronulla)

Under 18 Belt Race

- 1 P English (Cronulla)
- 2 R Hartup (Cronulla)
- 3 B Orford (Wanda)

Under 16 Womens Surf Race

- 1 K Kryulwicz (Nth Cronulla)
- 2 C Falson (Maroubra)
- 3 C Butcher (Wanda)

Under 16 Mens Surf Race

- 1 C Pyett (Nth Cronulla)
- 2 G Atwells (Cronulla)
- 3 C Allum (Wanda)

Under 18 Womens Surf Race

- 1 L Cahill (Wanda)
- 2 K Jenkins (Wanda)
- 3 K Smith (Cronulla)

Under 18 Mens Surf Race

- 1 B Orford (Cronulla)
- 2 C Koppl (Nth Bondi)
- 3 T Steward (Bronte)

Open Womens Surf Race

- 1 B Gladstone (Maroubra)
- 2 S Habler (Coogee)
- 3 K Jenkins (Wanda)

Open Mens Surf Race

- 1 M Allen (Maroubra)
- 2 D Gladstone (Maroubra)
- 3 T Goode (Cronulla)

Over 24 Surf Race

- 1 A Hoskins (Cronulla)
- 2 C Baldock (Bondi)
- 3 S Dutton (Wanda)

Under 16 Womens Surf Teams Race

- 1 Nth Cronulla (15)
- 2 Bronte (29)
- 3 Coogee (34)

Under 16 Surf Teams Race

- 1 Cronulla (22)
- 2 Bronte (31)
- 3 Wanda (39)

Under 18 Womens Surf Teams Race

- 1 Wanda
- 2 Cronulla

Open Womens Surf Teams Race

- 1 Wanda (14)
- 2 Elouera "A" (22)

Open Surf Teams Race

- 1 Maroubra (22)
- 2 Cronulla "A" (25)
- 3 Cronulla "B" (37)

Under 16 Womens Board Rescue

- 1 A Armstrong/C Falzon (Maroubra)
- 2 K Nielsen/T Neal (Cronulla)
- 3 K Russell/J Dyer (Bronte)

Under 16 Mens Board Rescue

- 1 M Brow/C Allum (Wanda)
- 2 G Atwell/M Simpson (Cronulla)
- 3 D Nielsen/S Schmaldfeldt (Cronulla)

Under 18 Womens Board Rescue

- 1 Jury/Smith (Cronulla)
- 2 Sutcliffe/Gross (Nth Bondi)
- 3 Hume/Middleton (Coogee)

Under 18 Mens Board Rescue

- 1 D Skene/P Falzon (Maroubra)
- 2 K Baker/L Johnson (Maroubra)
- 3 J Matthews/S Milton (Coogee)

Open Womens Board Rescue

- 1 K Smith/E Hayes (Cronulla)
- 2 K Hardy/Breakspear (Elouera)
- 3 Sutcliffe/Gross (Nth Bondi)

Open Mens Board Rescue

- 1 Darragh/Schott (Maroubra)
- 2 Gladstone/Huessner (Maroubra)
- 3 Ingram/Elmoos (Elouera)

Under 16 Iron Woman

- 1 C Falzon (Maroubra)
- 2 J Miley-Dyer (Bronte)
- 3 A Scotti (Nth Cronulla)

Under 18 Iron Woman

- 1 K Jenkins (Wanda)
- 2 K Smith (Cronulla)
- 3 K Jury (Cronulla)

Under 18 Iron Man

- 1 R Hartup (Cronulla)
- 2 T Stewart (Bronte)
- 3 B Orford (Cronulla)

Open Iron Woman

- 1 K Hardy (Elouera)
- 2 J Sutcliffe (Nth Bondi)
- 3 K Smith (Cronulla)

Open Iron Man

- 1 N Smith (Cronulla)
- 2 G Cowdrey (Maroubra)
- 3 K Huessner (Maroubra)

Taplin Relay

- 1 Nth Bondi "A"
- 2 Maroubra "A"
- 3 Maroubra

Open Iron Woman Relay

- 1 Nth Bondi
- 2 Cronulla "A"
- 3 Cronulla "B"

Under 18 Surf Boat Race

- 1 Sth Maroubra
- 2 Wanda

Under 21 Surf Boat Race

- 1 Nth Cronulla Gold
- 2 Nth Cronulla Blue
- 3 Bronte

Reserve Grade Boat Race

- 1 Cronulla "B"
- 2 Nth Cronulla Blue
- 3 North Cronulla Black

Womens Surf Boat Race

- 1 Nth Cronulla Gold
- 2 Nth Bondi
- 3 Coogee "A"

Open Surf Boat Race

- 1 Nth Cronulla Gold
- 2 North Cronulla Blue
- 3 North Cronulla Red

Under 16 Surf Board Riding

- 1 E Faulks (Maroubra)
- 2 J Adams (Maroubra)
- 3 T McDonald (Maroubra)

Under 18 Surf Board Riding

- 1 L Davies (Bronte)
- 2 R Bristow (Maroubra)
- 3 M Adams (Maroubra)

Open Womens Surf Board Riding

- 1 T Smith (Cronulla)
- 2 R Breakspear (Elouera)
- 3 N Veitch (Nth Cronulla)

Open Mens Surf Board Riding

- 1 A Carroll (Bronte)
- 2 M Jenkinson (Bronte)
- 3 T Bristow (Maroubra)

Open Long Board Display

- 1 C Cordwer (Nth Cronulla)
- 2 P Veitch (Nth Cronulla)
- 3 G Dyer (Bronte)

Under 18 Single Ski Race

- 1 T Smith (Nth Bondi)
- 2 K Day (Cronulla)
- 3 S Johnson (Nth Bondi)

Open Womens Single Ski Race

- 1 H Huessner (Maroubra)
- 2 T Crisford (Nth Bondi)
- 3 A Cowdrey (Maroubra)

Open Mens Single Ski Race

- 1 J LeMarsney (Maroubra)
- 2 A Armstrong (Maroubra)
- 3 J Walker (Nth Bondi)

Under 18 Double Ski Race

- 1 T Smith/S Johnson (Nth Bondi)
- 2 M Leondis/M Veragath (Sth Maroubra)
- 3 B Francis/B Kirchner (Nth Cronulla)

Open Mixed Double Ski

- 1 H Huessner/K Huessner (Maroubra)
- 2 M Davis/A Cowdrey (Maroubra)
- 3 Meyer/T Crisford (Nth Bondi)

Open Double Ski Race

- 1 J LeMarsney/A Armstrong (Maroubra)
- 2 B Francis/M Davies (Maroubra)
- 3 D Iredale/B Rose (Wanda)

Open Ski Relay

- 1 Nth Bondi "A"
- 2 Elouera "A"
- 3 Maroubra "A"

Under 18 Ski Relay

- 1 Nth Bondi
- 2 Cronulla
- 3 Sth Maroubra

Under 16 Womens Board Race

- 1 C Falzon (Maroubra)
- 2 E Sutcliffe (Nth Bondi)
- 3 J Miley-Dyer (Bronte)

Under 16 Mens Board Race

- 1 H Copas (Nth Cronulla)
- 2 R Kirchner (Nth Cronulla)
- 3 B Bolewski (Nth Cronulla)

Under 18 Womens Board Race

- 1 K Smith (Cronulla)
- 2 E Hayes (Cronulla)
- 3 K Jenkins (Wanda)

Under 18 Mens Board Race

- 1 K Baker (Maroubra)
- 2 K Melville (Wanda)
- 3 L Johnson (Maroubra)

Open Womens Board Race

- 1 J Sutcliffe (Nth Bondi)
- 2 K Hardy (Elouera)
- 3 K Smith (Cronulla)

Open Mens Board Race

- 1 N Smith (Cronulla)
- 2 T Wright (Maroubra)
- 3 K Huessner (Maroubra)

Under 16 Womens Board Relay

- 1 Nth Cronulla
- 2 Coogee
- 3 Nth Bondi

Under 16 Mens Board Relay

- 1 Nth Cronulla "A"
- 2 Cronulla "B"
- 3 Cronulla "A"

Open Womens Board Relay

- 1 Cronulla
- 2 Nth Bondi
- 3 Elouera

Open Board Relay

- 1 Maroubra "B"
- 2 Maroubra "A"
- 3 Nth Bondi "A"

Open Marchpast

- 1 Nth Cronulla (1)
- 2 Elouera (2.5)
- 3 Burning Palms (4)

Under 16 Marchpast

- 1 Wanda (11)
- 2 Bronte (12)
- 3 Maroubra (12.5)

Under 16 Womens Beach Sprint

- 1 J Hamilton (Cronulla)
- 2 J Sutton (Maroubra)
- 3 K Perez (Wanda)

Under 16 Mens Beach Sprint

- 1 K Woodall (Nth Cronulla)
- 2 M Buzzo (Wanda)
- 3 S Micheli (Bondi)

Under 18 Womens Beach Sprint

- 1 B Elliott (Cronulla)
- 2 G Mallett (Cronulla)
- 3 C Miles (Cronulla)

Under 18 Mens Beach Sprint

- 1 B Janssen (Cronulla)
- 2 S Reilly (Wanda)
- 3 B Easson (Cronulla)

Open Womens Beach Sprint

- 1 K Smith (Nth Cronulla)
- 2 K Donohoe (Nth Cronulla)
- 3 B Elliott (Cronulla)

Open Mens Beach Sprint

- 1 Z Campbell (Wanda)
- 2 A Davis (Nth Bondi)
- 3 B Kennedy (Nth Bondi)

Under 16 Womens Beach Relay

- 1 Wanda "A"
- 2 Coogee "A"
- 3 Coogee "B"

Under 16 Beach Relay

- 1 Bronte
- 2 Cronulla
- 3 Wanda

Under 18 Womens Beach Relay

- 1 Cronulla

Under 18 Beach Relay

- 1 Cronulla
- 2 Cronulla
- 3 Coogee

Open Beach Relay

- 1 Wanda "A"
- 2 Nth Bondi

Under 16 Womens Beach Flags

- 1 J Hamilton (Cronulla)
- 2 K Perez (Wanda)
- 3 L Herber (Wanda)

Under 16 Mens Beach Flags

- 1 T Bergman (Nth Bondi)
- 2 M Buzzo (Wanda)
- 3 K Woodall (Nth Cronulla)

Under 18 Womens Beach Flags

- 1 A Hansen (Bondi)
- 2 J Carper (Elouera)
- 3 C Miles (Cronulla)

Under 18 Mens Beach Flags

- 1 B Easson (Wanda)
- 2 B Janssen (Cronulla)
- 3 L Cummins (Cronulla)

Open Womens Beach Flags

- 1 K Smith (Cronulla)
- 2 K Donohoe (Nth Cronulla)
- 3 C Miles (Cronulla)

Open Mens Beach Flags

- 1 D Bullion (Nth Cronulla)
- 2 E Morgan (Nth Bondi)
- 3 M Cornet (Nth Bondi)

Open First Aid

- 1 A Culbert/J Culbert (B Palms)
- 2 C Chicco/B Jones (Wanda "N")
- 3 B Douglas/K Jones (Wanda "B")

Under 18 First Aid

- 1 Wanda "A"
- 2 Wanda "C"
- 3 Cronulla

Sydney Branch Placegetters NSW IRB Rescue Championship

"B" Tube Rescue

- 1 South Maroubra
- 3 North Cronulla

Womens Tube Rescue

5. South Maroubra

"B" Mass Rescue

4. North Cronulla

"A" Mass Rescue

6. South Maroubra

"B" Assembly

6. North Cronulla

Womens Team Rescue

4. South Maroubra

"A" Team Rescue

4. North Cronulla

"B" Rescue

6. North Cronulla

"A" Rescue

6. South Maroubra

Sydney Branch Placegetters Australian Championships

The Curlewis R & R Premiership

- Wanda (1.04)
- Coogee (2.10)

Open Mens 5 Man R & R

- Wanda (2.00)
- Coogee (3.48)

Open Womens 5 Man R & R

- North Cronulla (3.96)
- Coogee (4.52)
- Coogee (8.16) B Team
- Cronulla (10.56)

Under 18 5 Man R & R

- Wanda

Under 16 5 Man R & R

- Wanda (10.00)
- North Cronulla (11.24)

Open Surf Belt Race

- Tanian Goode, Cronulla
- Luke Turner, Wanda
- Paul McLaughlin, Cronulla
- Cameron Gibbs, Cronulla

Under 18 Surf Belt Race

- Phillip English, Cronulla
- Ryan Hartup, Cronulla

Open Men's Surf Race

- Dean Gladstone, Maroubra

Open Women's Surf Race

- Belinda Gladstone, Maroubra

Under 18 Men's Surf Race

- Chris Koppl, North Bondi

Under 18 Women's Surf Race

- Emma Hayes, Cronulla

Under 16 Men's Surf Race

- Chris Allum, Wanda

Over 24 Restricted Surf Race

- Mal Allen, Maroubra

Open Men's Teams Race

- D.Gladstone, M.Allen, K.Heussner
Q. Darragh, Maroubra
- T. Goode, C.Gibbs, P.Wigg,
A. Hoskins, Cronulla

Open Women's Teams Race

- L.Habler, S.Habler, A.Taylor
S.Hoiles, Coogee
- K.Jury, K.Smith, E.Hayes
K.McClellan, Cronulla

Under 18 Surf Teams Race

- B. Orford, L.Schmoldt, P.English
R. Hartup, Cronulla

Under 16 Mens Surf Teams Race

- L.Ashford, C.Allum, M.Hood
M.Lawless, Wanda

Open Iron Women

- Kristy Smith, Cronulla
- Under 18 Iron Women
- Kirsten Jenkins, Wanda

Under 16 Iron Women Race

- Candice Falzon, Maroubra

Opens Mens Surf Board Rescue Race

- D.Schott, Q.Darragh, Maroubra
- M.Allen, C.Noble, Maroubra

Opens Womens Surf Board Rescue Race

- B.Gladstone, F.Thompson, Maroubra

Under 18 Mens Surf Board Rescue Race

- P.English, R.Hartup, Cronulla

Under 18 Womens Surf Board Rescue Race

- K.Jury, K.Smith, Cronulla

Taplin Relay Race

- Gladstone, Cowdrey, Francis
Armstrong, Wright, Allen,
-Maroubra

Reserve Grade Surf Boat Race

- North Cronulla Gold

Open Womens Single Ski Race

- Alison Cowdrey, Maroubra

Open Single Ski Relay Race

- T.Schumacher, G.Wilkinson,
N.Steiner, Elouera

Open Double Ski Race (same gender)

- J.LeMareny, A.Armstrong, Maroubra

Open Mixed Double Ski Race

- A.Cowdrey, M.Davies, Maroubra

Under 18 Double Ski Race

- Tate Smith, Shaun Jonson, North Bondi

Under 18 Women's Surf Board Race

- Kirten Jenkins, Wanda

Under 16 Women's Surf Board Race

- Candice Falzon, Maroubra

Under 18 Women's Surf Board Relay Race

- K.Smith, K.Jury, E.Hayes, Cronulla

Open Surf Board Riding

- Sean Carroll, Bronte (eq5th)

Under 18 Surf Board Riding

- Travis Bristow, Maroubra
- Ryan Clark, Bronte

Under 16 Surf Board Riding

- Joel Etherington, North Cronulla
- 5dh Dean Jamieson, North Cronulla
- 5dh Mitch Warren, North Cronulla

Open March Past

- North Cronulla (2.01)

Under 21 March Past

- Bronte (10)
- Wanda (11)

Open Women's Beach Sprint Race

- Kristy Smith, North Cronulla

Under 18 Men's Beach Sprint Race

- Brent Janssen, Cronulla

Under 18 Women's Beach Sprint Race

- Rebecca Irwin, Bronte

Under 16 Women's Beach Sprint Race

- Jessica Hamilton, Cronulla

Under 18 Men's Beach Relay Race

- Cronulla

Under 18 Women's Beach Relay Race

- Cronulla

Under 16 Women's Beach Relay Race

- Cronulla

Open Men's Beach Flags

- Michael Schnabel, Elouera
- Damien Bullian, North Cronulla

Under 18 Men's Beach Flags

- Brent Janssen, Cronulla
- Ben Farrow, Bondi

Open First Aid Competition

- B.Douglas/K.Jones, Wanda

Under 18 First Aid Competition

- L.Buzo/S.Fox, Wanda

Open Patrol Competition

- Wanda (45.79)

Sydney Branch Placegetters Australian Masters Championships

40-44 yrs Mens Surf Race

- Colin Robson, Wanda
- Peter Tibbitts, Cronulla

130 yrs Surf Teams Race

- Cronulla

30-34 yrs Womens Surf Race

- Elin Hedstrom, Elouera

35-39 yrs Womens Surf Race

- Melissa Halpin, Cronulla

35-39 yrs Mens Rescue Tube Race

- Terry Anderson, Bondi

40-44 yrs Iron Man Race

- Douglas Iredale, Wanda
- Greg Clifford, Bronte
- Anthony Lemarseny, Coogee

45-49 yrs Iron Man Race

- Steve Warren, North Cronulla

110 yrs Taplin Relay Race

- Cronulla
- South Maroubra

130 yrs Taplin Relay Race

- Cameron/Robson/Finn, Elouera

30-34 yrs Surf Board Rescue Race

- Payne/Schott, Maroubra

180 yrs minimum Surf Boat Race

- South Maroubra

35-39 yrs Mens Single Ski Race

- Michael Mead, Wanda
- Wayne Clare, Maroubra
- John LeMarsney, Maroubra

40-44 yrs Mens Single Ski Race

- Doug Iredale, Wanda
- Warren Buchan, Cronulla

45-49 yrs Mens Single Ski Race

- Ian Cameron, Elouera

50-59 yrs Mens Single Ski Race

- Brian O'Sullivan, Elouera

60-64 yrs Mens Single Ski Race

- Alan Metti., Cronulla

110 yrs min Single Ski Relay Race

- Clare/Clare/LeMarsney, Maroubra
- Mead/Iredale/Pepper, Wanda
- Hamolton/Buchan/Spicer, Cronulla

30-34 yrs Double Ski Race

- Gilroy/Donohue, Maroubra

35-39 yrs Double Ski Race

- Mead/Pepper, Wanda

45-49 yrs Double Ski Race

- Cameron/Finn, Elouera

55-59 yrs Double Ski Race

- Cronulla

30-34 yrs Mens Surf Board Race

- Darren Schott, Maroubra
- Adam Payne, Maroubra

35-39 yrs Mens Surf Board Race

- Michael Renford, Sth Maroubra

45-49 yrs Mens Surf Board Race

- Steve Warren, Nth Cronulla

50-54 yrs Mens Surf Board Race

- Peter Kirkwood, Maroubra
- Warren Graham, Bronte

110 yrs min Surf Board Relay Race

- Maroubra

35-39 yrs Mens Beach Sprint

- Paul Robertson, Nth Cronulla

40-44 yrs Mens Beach Sprint

- Warren Burton, North Bondi

45-49 yrs Mens Beach Sprint

- Ray Mallett, Cronulla

60-64 yrs Mens Beach Sprint

- Ken Derwent, Maroubra

65 yrs & over Mens Beach Sprint

- Les Hardy, Elouera

30-34 yrs Mens Beach Flags

- Sunia Collins, Coogee

45-49 yrs Mens Beach Flags

- Ray Mallett, Cronulla
- Col Elliott, Cronulla

65 yrs & over Mens Beach Flags

- Les Hardy, Elouera

170 yrs min Beach Relay

- Cronulla

200 yrs min Beach Relay

- Cronulla

30-34 yrs Womens Beach Sprint

- Debbie Noninan, Elouera

40-44 yrs Womens Beach Sprint

- Christine Irwin, Cronulla

30-34 yrs Womens Beach Flags

- Debbie Noninan, Elouera

45-45 yrs Womens Beach Flags

- Chris Mallett, Cronulla

Results Sydney Branch IRB Championship

"A" Grade Rescue Tube

- Bondi Blue
- South Maroubra White
- South Maroubra Blue

"B" Grade Rescue Tube

- South Maroubra White
- North Cronulla Gold
- South Maroubra Blue

Female Tube Rescue

- South Maroubra Blue
- Bondi Blue
- North Cronulla Gold

"B" Grade Mass Rescue

- North Cronulla Blue
- Bondi Blue
- South White

Female Mass Rescue

- South Maroubra Blue

"A" Grade Mass Rescue

- Bondi Blue
- North Cronulla Gold
- South Maroubra White

"B" Grade Assembly

- South Maroubra Blue
- Bondi White
- North Cronulla Gold

"A" Grade Assembly

- South Maroubra Blue
- Bondi Blue
- South Maroubra White

"B" Grade Team

- North Cronulla Gold
- South Maroubra Blue
- Bondi Blue

"A" Grade Team

- North Cronulla Gold
- Wanda
- South Maroubra Blue

"B" Grade Rescue

- North Cronulla Gold
- Bondi White
- South Maroubra Black

Female Rescue

- Bondi Blue
- North Cronulla Gold
- South Maroubra Blue

"A" Grade Rescue

- Bondi Blue
- North Cronulla Gold
- South Maroubra White

Sydney Branch Placegetters at NSW Championship

Open 6 Person R & R

1 Wanda

Open Mens 5 Person R & R

1 Wanda

Open Womens 5 Person R & R

1 Coogee
2 Coogee
3 Nth Cronulla

Under 18 5 Person R & R

1 Wanda

Under 18 Womens 5 Person R & R

2 Bronte

Under 16 5 Person R & R

3 Bronte

Under 16 Womens 5 Person R & R

1 North Cronulla
2 Wanda
3 Bronte

Opens Men's Surf Race

1 Tanian Goode, Cronulla
2 Dean Gladstone, Maroubra
3 Greg Bishop, Nth Bondi

Opens Women's Surf Race

2 Belinda Gladstone, Maroubra

Under 18 Women's Surf Race

3 Emma Hayes, Cronulla

Under 16 Women's Surf Race

1 Kate Krywylcz, North Cronulla

Over 24 Restricted Surf Race

1 Malcolm Allen, Maroubra

Open Men's Surf Team Race

1 Maroubra
2 North Bondi
3 Cronulla "A"

Open Womens Surf Team Race

2 Wanda

Under 18 Mens Surf Team Race

1 Cronulla

Under 18 Womens Surf Teams Race

1 Cronulla
2 Wanda

Under 16 Mens Surf Teams Race

3 Wanda

Under 18 Surf Belt Race

2 Ryan Hartup, Cronulla
3 Phillip English, Cronulla

Open Iron Man

3 Kane Heussner, Maroubra

Under 18 Iron Women

2 Kristen Jenkins, Wanda
3 Krityl Smith, Cronulla

Under 16 Iron Women Race

1 Kate Krywylcz, North Cronulla

Open Mens Surf Board Rescue Race

1 Ingram/Ellmoos, Elouera
2 Telfer/Goode, Cronulla
3 Lawrence/Miller, Maroubra

U/18 Mens Surf Board Rescue Race

1 English/Hartup, Cronulla

U/18 Womens Surf Board Rescue Race

1 Smith/Jury, Cronulla

U/16 Mens Surf Board Rescue Race

3 Simpson/Atwells, Cronulla

Open Womens Taplin Relay Race

1 Cronulla
2 Cronulla
3 Maroubra

Open Taplin Relay Race

2 Maroubra A

Reserve Grade Surf Boat Race

2 Cronulla
3 South Maroubra A

Opens Womens Single Ski Race

1 Holly Heussner, Maroubra

Under 18 Single Ski Race

1 Tate Smith, North Bondi

Open Single Ski Race

3 Elouera

Open Mixed Double Ski Race

2 Heussner/Huessner, Maroubra

Under 18 Mens Double Ski Race

1 Smith/Johnson, North Bondi

Under 18 Women's Surf Board Race

3 Kristyl Smith, Cronulla

Under 18 Women's Surf Board Relay Race

2 Cronulla

Under 16 Men's Surf Board Relay Race

3 North Cronulla

Open Mens Surf Board Riding

1 Mathew Howard, Maroubra

Open Womens Surf Board Riding

2 Tiarne Smith, Cronulla

Under 18 Surf Board Riding

3 Ryan Clark, Bronte

Under 16 Surf Board Riding

1 James Adams, Maroubra
2 Jack Cain, Bronte
3 Dean Jamieson, Nth Cronulla

Open March Past

3 North Cronulla

Under 21 March Past

3 Coogee

Under 16 March Past

2 Wanda

Open Womens Beach Sprint Race

1 Kristy Smith, North Cronulla

Under 18 Beach Relay Race

2 Cronulla
3 Wanda

Under 16 Womens Beach Relay Race

2 Cronulla

Under 18 Womens Beach Flags

3 Christine Miles, Cronulla

Under 16 Mens Beach Flags

2 Tal Bergman, North Bondi

Open First Aid Competition

1 Wanda - Red

Under 18 First Aid Competition

1 Wanda
3 Wanda

Open Patrol Competition

2 Wanda

Mens Champion Life Saver

2 Andrew Dawes, Wanda

Open Wave Ski

1 Mark Spencer, Burning Palms
2 Doug Iredale, Wanda

Open Longboard

2 Anthony Carroll, Bronte

Pointscore

2 Cronulla	151
5 Wanda	106.5
6 Maroubra	74

Sydney Branch Placegetters NSW Masters Championships

35-39 yrs Mens Surf Race

2 Michael Renford, South Maroubra

45-49 yrs Mens Surf Race

2 Greg Stewart, Cronulla

50-54 yrs Mens Surf Race

3 Bob Goodsell, South Maroubra

55-59 yrs Mens Surf Race

2 Bill Harris, Bondi

110 yrs min Surf Teams Race

2 Coogee
3 Wanda

130 yrs min Surf Teams Race

1 Cronulla
2 North Cronulla
3 Wanda

30-34yrs Womens Surf Race

1 Elin Hestrom, Elouers

35-39yrs Womens Surf Race

3 Marianne Tibbits, Cronulla

45-49yrs Womens Surf Race

3 Carolyn McAuley, Wanda

35-39 yrs Mens Rescue Tube Race

3 Craig Bennett, Coogee

40-44 yrs Mens Rescue Tube Race

1 P. Tibbits, Cronulla

45-49 yrs Mens Rescue Tube Race

2 G. Stewart, Cronulla

55-59 yrs Mens Rescue Tube Race

1 Bill Harris, Bondi

45-49 yrs Womens Rescue Tube Race

1 C McAuley, Wanda

40-44 yrs Iron Man Race

1 A. LeMarsney, Coogee
2 G. Gifford, Bronte

45-49 yrs Iron Man Race

1 S. Warren, North Cronulla

55-59 yrs Iron Man Race

2 A. Metti
3 P. Day

110 yrs min Taplin Relay Race

3 Wanda A

130 yrs min Taplin Relay Race

3 Cronulla

30-34 yrs Board Rescue Race

3 Schott/Payne, Maroubra

35-39 yrs Board Rescue Race

2 Bennett/LeMarsney, Coogee

45-49 yrs Board Rescue Race

1 Stewart/Lobb, Cronulla

50-54 yrs Board Rescue Race

3 Stewart/Graham, Bronte

120 yrs min Surf Boat Race

2 North Cronulla

140 yrs min Surf Boat Race

3 Coogee

30-34 yrs Mens Single Ski Race

3 Bruce Hopkins, North Bondi

35-39 yrs Mens Single Ski Race

1 Geoff LeMarsney, Maroubra
2 Wayne Clark, Maroubra

40-44 yrs Mens Single Ski Race

1 Doug Iredale, Wanda
3 C.Clifford, Bronte

45-49 yrs Mens Single Ski Race

3 Ian Cameron, Elouera

55-59 yrs Mens Single Ski Race

2 M.Lewis, North Cronulla
3 Brian O'Sullivan, Elouera

60-64 yrs Mens Single Ski Race

1 Alan Metti, Cronulla

130 yrs min Single Ski Relay Race

3 Cronulla- Red

150 yrs min Single Ski Relay Race

3 Elouera

50-54 yrs Double Ski Race

1 Shield/Cahill, North Bondi

55-59 yrs Double Ski Race

3 Metti/Day, Cronulla

45-49 yrs Mens Surf Board Race

1 S. Warren, North Cronulla
2 W. Lobb, Cronulla

50-54 yrs Mens Surf Board Race

2 Paul Day, Cronulla

64 yrs Mens Surf Board Race

3 Alan Metti, Cronulla

30-34 yrs Womens Surf Board Race

2 Elin Hedstrom, Elouera

45-49 yrs Womens Surf Board Race

2 G. Macauley, Wanda

130 yrs min Surf Board Relay Race

2 North Cronulla

30-34 yrs Mens Beach Sprint

3 Michael Schnabel, Elouera

35-39 yrs Mens Beach Sprint

1 Paul Robertson, North Cronulla

45-49 yrs Mens Beach Sprint

1 Ray Mallett, Cronulla

65-yrs & over Mens Beach Sprint

1 Les Hardy, Elouera

30-34 yrs Mens Beach Flags

1 Michael Schnabel, Elouera

45 49-yrs Mens Beach Flags

1 Ray Mallett, Cronulla
3 Col Elliott, Cronulla

50 55-yrs Mens Beach Flags

3 Max Murphy, South Maroubra

65-yrs & over Mens Beach Flags

1 Les Hardy, Elouera

170-yrs min Beach Relay

3 Cronulla

200-yrs min Beach Relay

3 Cronulla

30-34 yrs Womens Beach Sprint

1 Debbie Goninon, Elouera

40-44 yrs Womens Beach Sprint

2 Chris Irwin, Cronulla

30-34 yrs Womens Beach Flag

3 Debbie Goninon, Elouera

40-44 yrs Womens Beach Flag

1 Chris Irwin, Cronulla

30-34 yrs Mens Wave Ski

2 David Donohoe, Maroubra

35-39 yrs Mens Wave Ski

1 Wayne Clare, Maroubra

Sydney Branch Placegetters Metropolitan IRB Championship

Female Mass

2 South Maroubra Blue

"B" Mass

1 South Maroubra Blue
3 South Maroubra White

"B" Grade Assembly

2 South Maroubra White
3 South Maroubra Blue

"A" Grade Assembly

1 South Maroubra Blue

"A" Grade Teams

1 South Maroubra
3 Wanda

"B" Grade Rescue

1 South Maroubra White
2 South Maroubra Blue

"B" Grade Teams

3 South Maroubra White

Female Rescue

3 South Maroubra

"A" Mass Rescue

2 South Maroubra Blue
3 South Maroubra White

"A" Grade Rescue

1 South Maroubra Blue
2 Wanda

Branch Officers 1949-1950 to 1999-2000

Season	President	Deputy President	Secretary	Treasurer	Elected Vice Presidents			
1949-50	A Curlewis	C. Mack	G. Millar A. Loton	J. Robinson	V. Besomo W. Crain R. Michaelis	J. Borserini C. Rudd T. Meagher	G. McRoberts W. Whitehead G. Souter	R. Geary W. Calnan J. Dempster
1950-51	C. Mack	W. Crain	A. Loton	J. Robinson	V. Besomo J. Marsden	J. Borserini C. Rudd	G. McRoberts W. Whitehead	R. Geary W. Calnan
1951-52	C. Mack	W. Crain	A. Loton	G. Souter	V. Besomo D. Lucas	J. Borserini R. Geary	D. Noon W. Whitehead	V. Williams W. Calnan
1952-53	C. Mack	W. Crain	A. Loton	G. Souter	V. Besomo D. Lucas	J. Comans R. Round	A. Castleman C. Rudd	N. May D. Noon
1953-54	C. Mack	W. Crain	A. Loton	G. Souter	H. Spurway A. Paterson A. Castleman	W. Lucas R. Jones J. Comans	J. Dempster F. De Fries F. Lawler	D. Lucas C. Rudd
1954-55	C. Mack	A. Loton	G. Staunton	G. Souter	D. Lucas J. Vaughan E. Lawler	J. Dempster W. Crain J. Geary	A. Paterson C. Rudd S. Perryman	R. Jones J. Comans
1955-56	C. Mack	A. Loton	G. Staunton	G. Souter	J. Comans C. Gray A. Paterson	J. Geary T. Ormsby H. Spurway	R. Arkins J. Dempster R. Maccord	J. Vaughan C. Rudd W. Crain
1956-57	C. Mack	A. Loton	G. Staunton	W. Threflo	R. McKeon W. Crain C. Gray	J. Geary A. Peterson R. Barker	C. Rudd J. Vaughan H. Spurway	J. Dempster D. Renford J. Comans
1957-58	C. Mack	A. Loton	G. Staunton	W. Threflo	E. Lawler C. Rudd C. Gray	G. Hatten W. Crain J. Clarke	R. Baker J. Dempster D. Renford	A. Sargeant A. Paterson J. Comans
1958-59	A. Loton	D. Lucas	G. Staunton	B. Pitt	R. Grant C. Rudd A. Paterson	G. Hatton B. Heavener E. Lawler	H. Spurway W. Crain J. Clarke	J. Dempster C. Gray R. Wood
1959-60	A. Loton	D. Lucas	G. Staunton	B. Pitt	R. Grant B. Brewin C. Rudd	C. Gray G. Challis J. Comans	E. Lawler W. Crain A. Purcell	R. Wood A. Paterson A. Purcell
1960-61	A. Loton	D. Lucas	G. Staunton	B. Pitt	W. Crain	G. Challis	E. Lawler	A. Purcell
1961-62	A. Loton	D. Lucas	G. Staunton	J. Needham	W. Crain	R. Grant	J. Pearson	E. Sier
1962-63	A. Loton	D. Lucas	G. Staunton	K. Lonsdale	W. Crain	J. Marsden	J. Pearson	J. Perryman
1963-64	A. Loton	D. Lucas	G. Staunton	K. Lonsdale	W. Crain	E. Sier	J. Marsden	E. Stephens
1964-65	A. Loton	D. Lucas	G. Staunton	K. Lonsdale	W. Crain	E. Sier	A. Staunton	E. Stephens
1965-66	A. Loton	D. Lucas	G. Staunton	K. Lonsdale	W. Crain	W. Marshall	E. Sier	E. Stephens
1966-67	A. Loton	D. Lucas	G. Staunton	K. Lonsdale	W. Crain	W. Marshall	R. Howells	E. Stephens
1967-68	A. Loton	D. Lucas	G. Staunton	J. Vaughan	E. Sier P. Ainsworth	W. Marshall	R. Howells	E. Stephens
1968-69	A. Loton	R. Buist	G. Staunton	J. Vaughan	R. Hoffman	W. Marshall	R. Howells	E. Stephens
1969-70	A. Loton	R. Buist	G. Staunton	J. Vaughan	W. Hodges	W. Marshall	R. Howells	E. Stephens
1970-71	A. Loton	R. Buist	G. Staunton	J. Vaughan	H. Brown	W. Marshall	R. Howells	E. Stephens
1971-72	A. Loton	R. Buist	G. Staunton	J. Vaughan	H. Brown	W. Marshall	R. Howells	P. Stapleton
1972-73	A. Loton	R. Buist	G. Staunton	C. Smith	H. Brown	W. Marshall	R. Howells	P. Stapleton
1973-74	R. Buist	P. Stapleton	G. Staunton	C. Smith	N. Dixon	W. Marshall	C. Osborne	I. Toll
1974-75	R. Buist	I. Toll	B. Parker	R. Pears	N. Dixon	W. Marshall	C. Osborne	G. Staunton
1975-76	R. Buist	W. Marshall	I. Toll	R. Pears	W. Gray	J. Seddon	C. Osborne	G. Staunton
1976-77	R. Buist	W. Marshall	I. Toll	W. Kingston	W. Gray	J. Seddon	C. Osborne	G. Staunton
1977-78	W. Marshall	J. Switzer	J. Vaughan	W. Kingston	W. Gray	R. Buist	C. Osborne	M. Fischer
1978-79	W. Marshall	J. Switzer	J. Vaughan	W. Kingston	W. Gray	R. Buist	C. Osborne	J. Vesper
1979-80	W. Marshall	J. Switzer	J. Vaughan	W. Kingston	J. Dewey	R. Buist	C. Osborne	J. Vesper
1980-81	W. Marshall	J. Vesper	P. Pearce	W. Kingston	J. Dewey	R. Buist	N. Rees	G. Reeves
1981-82	W. Marshall	J. Vesper	P. Pearce	R. Sargeant	J. Dewey	W. Kingston	N. Rees	M. Singleton
1982-83	R. Sargeant	N. Rees	P. Pearce	C. Owens	W. Gray	R. Howells	W. Marshall	M. Singleton
1983-84	R. Sargeant	N. Rees	P. Pearce	C. Owens	W. Gray	J. Connolly	W. Marshall	M. Singleton
1984-85	R. Sargeant	N. Rees	S. Strange	C. Owens	W. Gray	J. Connolly	W. Marshall	M. Singleton
1985-86	R. Sargeant	N. Rees G. Forshaw	S. Strange	C. Owens	W. Gray	R. Howells	W. Marshall	M. Singleton
1986-87	G. Forshaw	P. Stapleton	S. Strange	C. Owens	W. Gray	R. Sergeant	W. Marshall	M. Singleton
1987-88	G. Forshaw	W. Gray	S. Strange	C. Owens	P. Stapleton	J. Connolly	W. Marshall	M. Singleton
1988-89	G. Forshaw	W. Gray	S. Strange	C. Owens	J. Connolly	R. Howells	W. Marshall	M. Singleton
1989-90	G. Forshaw	W. Gray	S. Strange	C. Owens	J. Walker	R. Howells	W. Marshall	M. Singleton
1990-91	G. Forshaw	W. Gray	S. Strange	C. Owens	J. Walker	R. Howells	J. Connolly	M. Singleton
1991-92	M. Singleton	W. Gray	S. Strange	C. Owens	J. Walker	G. Forshaw	T. Elliott	C. Ryan
1992-93	M. Singleton	W. Gray	J. deCean	—	J. Walker	G. Forshaw	T. Elliott	C. Owens
1993-94	M. Singleton	W. Gray	J. deCean	A. Berger D. Bergin	T. Elliott	J. Walker	S. Strange	F. Bailey
1994-95	M. Singleton	W. Gray	J. deCean	D. Bergin	T. Elliott	W. Bos	M. Dillon	K. English
1995-96	P. Pearce	K. English	J. deCean	B. Jackson				
1996-97	P. Pearce	K. English	J. deCean	S. Morris				
1997-98	P. Pearce	K. English	S. Strange	S. Morris D. Dillon	J. deCean	Vacant		
1998-99	P. Pearce	K. English	S. Strange	D. Dillon	J. deCean	J. Raine		
1999-00	P. Pearce	J deCean	S Strange	D Dillon	J deCean	J Raine		

Board of Control Officers 1949-1950 to 1999-2000

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. Davis	G. Johnson	J. Switzer	B. Cribb	P. Hickman
1951-52	D. Lucas	W. Foerster	A. Castleman			G. Davis	J. Vaughan	J. Switzer	B. Cribb	M. Black
		W. Foerster	L. McDonald							
1952-53	W. Foerster	L. McDonald	V. Williams			G. Davis	J. Vaughan	J. Switzer	K. Flannery	M. Black
1953-54	W. Foerster	L. McDonald	V. Williams			G. Davis	J. Vaughan	J. Switzer	K. Flannery	M. Black
1954-55	W. Foerster	J. Marsden	V. Williams			G. Davies	L. Johnson	J. Switzer	K. Flannery	M. Black
						R. Simmons				
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. McDonald	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	P. Ainsworth	J. Wardall	B. Walker
						J. Casey				
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. Swingle			H. Brown	W. Winzer	W. Rennie	K. Messenger	J. Young
1969-70	A. Moseley	J. Dewey	W. Swingle			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	W. Walton	J. Young
								R. Leix	J. Wardall	
1972-73	A. Moseley	J. Dewey	T. Beckett			S. Newman	W. Winzer	R. Leix	J. Wardall	J. Young
			J. Switzer							
			J. Vaughan							
1973-74	R. Howells	J. Dewey	J. Switzer			S. Newman	W. Winzer	N. Jamieson	J. Wardall	J. Young
	J. Dewey	L. McNamara					C. Osborne			
1974-75	J. Dewey	J. May	J. Switzer			K. English	C. Osborne	N. Jamieson	J. Wardall	J. Young
1975-76	J. Dewey	J. May	J. Switzer	P. Ainsworth		K. English	C. Osborne	N. Jamieson	J. Wardall	J. Young
		K. Messenger						T. Elliott		
1976-77	J. Dewey	K. Messenger	J. Switzer	P. Ainsworth		J. Connolly	C. Osborne	T. Elliott	J. Wardall	P. Quartly
		J. May								
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	P. Davis	J. Vaughan		C. Osborne	B. Breadner	B. Kelly	S. Bailey
			S. Rudd							
1987-88	T. Elliott	K. English	S. Rudd	P. Davis	J. Vaughan		C. Osborne	B. Breadner	B. Kelly	G. Shales

Season	Superintendent	Director of Lifesaving	Secretary	Director of Examination & Instruction	Director of Competition	No. 1 District Supervisor	No. 2 District Supervisor	No. 3 District Supervisor	No. 4 District Supervisor
1988-89	T. Elliott	B. Breadner	K. English	R. Branson	K. Metcalf	S. Strange	P. Calder	M. McFarlane	G. Shales
1989-90	T. Elliott	B. Breadner	K. English	R. Branson	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
1991-92	P. Agnew	G. Shales	P. Davis (rsg)	U. Say	P. Steenson	P. Sullivan	L. Mulhall	G. Clarke	K. Wilson
1992-93	P. Agnew	P. Sullivan	-	L. Mulhall	K. Wilson	C. Osborne	J. Sherratt	C. Fitzgerald	P. Cooper
1993-94	P. Agnew	P. Sullivan	T. Berger	L. Mulhall	K. Wilson	-	J. Sherratt	C. Fitzgerald	B. Dundas
1994-95	P. Agnew	J. Restuccia	P. Quartly	K. Wilson (rsg)	C. Fitzgerald	P. Sullivan	L. McDougall	P. Scullion	B. Dundas
							D. Leckie		
1995-96	N/A	J. Restuccia	P. Quartly	P. Agnew	C. Fitzgerald	M. Pearce	L. Macdougall	E. Goldberg	-

Season	Director of Lifesaving	Rescue Services Manager	Secretary	Examination and Instruction Manager	Coaching and Competition Manager	No. 1 District Supervisor	No. 2 District Supervisor	No. 3 District Supervisor	No. 4 District Supervisor
1996-97	P. Davis	B. Taylor	P. Quartly	D. Lovell	R. Bignold	M. Pearce	R. Harris	E. Goldberg	P. Agnew
1997-98	P. Seeto	B. Taylor	P. Quartly	D. Lovell	R. Bignold	M. Pearce	J. Sherratt	P. O'Neill	P. Agnew

Season	Director of Lifesaving	Rescue Services Manager	Secretary	Educational Manager	Coaching and Competition Manager	No. 1 District Supervisors Life Saving/Education	No. 2 District Supervisors Life Saving/Education	No. 3 District Supervisors Life Saving/Education	No. 4 District Supervisors Life Saving/Education
1998-99	P. Seeto (rsg)	B. Taylor (rsg)	P. Quartly	D. Lovell	R. Bignold	M. Hodsdon (LS)	J. Sherratt (LS)	S. Cheshier (LS)	A. O'Hare (LS)
	J. Restuccia/G. Smart					M. Pearce (E)	A. Coffey (E)	G. Smart (E)	P. Agnew (E)
1999-00	S. Leahy	S. Leahy	P. Quartly	K. Briody	R. Bignold	M. Hodsdon (LS)	J. Sherratt (LS)	J. Restuccia (LS)	A. O'Hare (LS)
						M. Pearce (E)	A. Coffey (E)	J. Restuccia (E)	P. Agnew (E)

BRANCH STATISTICS 1949-50 TO 1999-2000

Season	Rescues	Awards	First Aid	Membership		Championships			Life Membership
				Active	Total	Branch	State	Australian	
1949-50	1,697	599	4,561	3,026	5,939	—	North Wollongong	Coolangatta Qld	D.R.B. Moroney G.H. Johnson
1950-51	2,770	562	4,070	3,310	5,758	North Bondi	Freshwater	Scarborough WA	—
1951-52	2,248	657	5,297	3,262	6,381	Coogee	Byron Bay	North Wollongong NSW	W. Foerster L.S. McDonald R. Michaelis
1952-53	1,900	845	6,023	3,915	6,457	Bondi	Swamsea-Caves	Newport NSW	V.A. Besomo A.R. Loton
1953-54	3,226	835	4,341	3,731	6,813	Coogee	Terrigal	Southport Qld	A.W. Castleman
1954-55	2,501	795	5,470	3,674	6,666	Dee Why	North Wllongong	North Steyne NSW	G.A. Lindsay A. Olsen V.J. Williams
1955-56	2,304	771	3,681	3,789	6,615	Collaroy	Freshwater	Torquay Vic	D.C. Lucas
1956-57	1,662	799	3,945	3,655	6,895	Dee Why	Coffs Harbour	Bondi NSW	T.W. Meagher
1957-58	2,502	682	5,732	3,835	7,451	Maroubra	Stanwell Park	Scarborough WA	—
1958-59	2,756	906	5,021	4,371	6,722	Dee Why	Wanda	Mooloolaba Qld	G.J. Wilson
1959-60	1,741	1,032	3,423	4,689	7,250	Bondi	Crescent Head	Merewether NSW	J.W. Dempster G. Williams
1960-61	1,372	431	3,129	2,481	3,357	Coogee	Tathra	Moana SA	A.J. Purcell W.A.T. Crain
1961-62	2,024	375	2,658	2,334	3,800	Wanda	Manly	Burnie Tas	R.J. McKenna
1962-63	1,414	456	291	2,441	3,573	North Cronulla	Port Kembla	Warrnambool Vic	R.M. Howells E.J. Marsden
1963-64	1,508	436	1,047	2,323	4,207	Coogee	Swansea-Belmont	Collaroy NSW	E.C. Sier J.R. Switzer
1964-65	1,492	488	734	2,510	4,501	Cronulla	Coogee	Scarborough WA	J.K. Vaughan
1965-66	1,179	616	453	2,278	4,625	Bondi	North Wollongong	Coolangatta Qld	—
1966-67	1,081	441	544	2,267	4,692	Bronte	Newport	South Port SA	—
1967-68	1,138	531	—	2,501	4,897	Coogee	Kingscliff	North Cronulla NSW	L.J. Buck A. Moseley
1968-69	1,141	388	—	2,468	5,028	Wanda	Corimal	Clifton Tas	—
1969-70	1,740	554	—	2,736	5,245	North Bondi	Wanda	Ocean Grove Vic	—
1970-71	3,000	656	992	2,754	5,256	Elouera	Swansea-Caves	City of Perth WA	—
1971-72	1,496	790	768	2,927	5,498	Coogee	South Curl Curl	Swansea-Belmont NSW	H.J. Brown G.B. Staunton
1972-73	1,226	610	—	2,838	5,215	Elouera	Maroubra	Burleigh Heads Qld	—
1973-74	1,630	500	920	2,754	5,401	South Maroubra	Tathra	Gleneig SA	G.R.M. Challis
1974-75	1,051	716	1,498	2,704	6,547	Wanda	Red Head Swansea-Belmont	Dee Why NSW	—
1975-76	1,403	1,370	1,406	1,834	5,534	South Maroubra	Crescent Head South West Rocks	Clifton Tas	K.C. Andrews
1976-77	1,929	1,135	901	1,996	5,844	Wanda	Corrimal	Bancoora Vic	N.A. Dixon
1977-78	1,382	1,044	1,042	2,072	4,578	Coogee	Bondi	Kingscliff NSW	P.V. Ainsworth K.F. Messenger E.B. Stephens W.J. Young
1978-79	1,407	1,079	3,704	2,017	5,544	Cronulla	North Narrabeen Collaroy	Trigg Island WA	—
1979-80	1,999	888	4,923	1,904	5,001	Bondi	Swansea-Belmont	Maroochydoore Qld	W.G. Marshall C.F. Osborne J.B. Wardall
1980-81	2,225	1,199	4,403	1,972	5,501	Elouera	Evans Head	Wanda NSW	R.V. Buist
1981-82	2,439	1,076	2,333	1,979	5,772	Cronulla	North Curl Curl	Moana SA	J.C. Dewey
1982-83	2,156	1,262	3,245	2,121	5,393	Elouera	Mollymook	Clifton Tas	—
1983-84	1,705	1,246	2,116	2,207	5,650	Cronulla	Wollongong	Kurrawa Qld	—
1984-85	2,188	1,378	1,771	2,330	5,710	Bondi	Byron Bay	Point Leo Vic	—
1985-86	2,305	1,479	2,105	2,372	5,981	Bondi	South Maroubra	Moana SA	C.I. Badham
1986-87	1,735	1,448	1,371	2,408	6,146	Maroubra	Collaroy	Scarborough WA	R.P. Davison
1987-88	1,923	1,404	3,036	2,339	6,316	Elouera	North Curl Curl	Wanda NSW	T.D. Elliott
1988-89	1,200	1,111	3,470	2,157	6,135	Wanda	Cape Hawke	Burleigh Heads Qld	—
1989-90	1,487	1,062	1,239	2,043	5,719	Maroubra	Swansea-Belmont	North Wollongong NSW	W.T. Gray
1990-91	1,230	1,115	793	2,181	6,176	Maroubra	Bondi	Scarborough WA	—
1991-92	2,215	1,186	1,195	2,146	6,200	Maroubra	Thirroul	Collaroy NSW	—
1992-93	1,405	1,062	855	2,615	6,385	Maroubra	Mollymook	Kurrawa Qld	R.J. Sargeant
1993-94	1,896	1,096	4,932	2,485	6,291	Bondi	Kingscliff	Swansea-Belmont NSW	K.E. English M. Singleton
1994-95	2,384	1,163	2,717	2,780	6,114	South Maroubra	Kingscliff	Kurrawa Qld	—
1995-96	2,234	990	1,375	2,442	6,176	Bondi	South Maroubra	Kurrawa Qld	—
1996-97	2,373	1,072	2,709	2,685	6,456	South Maroubra	Mollymook	Kurrawa Qld	K.M. Grima R.E. Pears S.R. Strange
1997-98	2,242	949	3,795	2,362	6,270	South Maroubra	Mollymook	Kurrawa Qld	E.M. Brooker
1998-99	3,981	1,207	4,904	1,990	5,953	Elouera	Collnarra	Kurrawa QLD	J C deCean B J Taylor
1999-2000	1,339	1,312	2,812	2,108	6,432	Maroubra	Collnarra	Kurrawa QLD	—

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