



2019-2020 Annual Report



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Vision

To provide a high quality lifesaving service that protects, educates and develops our members and the wider community.

Mission

To operate in a safe, inclusive and social environment that encourages education, training, involvement and beach safety awareness for Club members and the wider community.



Management Committee

Management Committee	Person
President	Jane Kelsbie
Vice President	Tamara Cybula
Secretary	Tim Maisey
Treasurer	Vanessa Fyfe / Donna Williamson
Club Captain	Lee Brampton
Youth Officer	Debra Edmondson
Education Officer	Rae Powys
Junior Officer	Brad Woodruff
Coaching & Competition Officer	Julia Scriven

Officers

First Aid Officer	David Rae
Water Safety Officer	Bo Wong
IRB Officer	Martin Norwood
Publicity Officer	Serena Kirby
Club Vice Captain	Mark Williamson
Grounds and Maintenance	Colin Ross
Social Officer	Dea Collen
Radio Officer	Tim Sinclair
Merchandise Officer	Delwyn Napier
Kiosk Officer	Vacant
Safety Officer	Mark Williamson
Member Protection Officer	Jane Kelsbie

Honorary Positions

Medical Advisor	Dr Brett Lamb
Patron	Terry Redman
Vice Patron	Dr Ceinwen Gearon



Club Life Members

1981 Jack Marshall *	1991 George Mumford
1981 Brady Walters *	1997 Jock O'Donnell
1981 Dick Mumford *	1999 Wim Amesz
1981 Ray Grayson	1999 Murray Thornton
1982 Betty Walters *	2002 Roger Donnelly
1982 Iris Keley *	2002 Barbara Marshall
1987 Sid Marshall	2012 Martin Norwood
1991 Brian Boardley	2018 Sue Dybing

* Deceased

Surf Life Saving WA Life Members

1998 Sid Marshall
2000 Wim Amesz
2012 George Mumford
2016 Murray Thornton



President Report—Jane Kelsbie

Let me start by saying a heartfelt thanks to everyone involved in the Club this season – committee members, officers of the Club, volunteers, competitors, supporters, members. Combined, we all make the Club what it is today – fabulous.

Though it ended slightly earlier than anticipated - we had a ripper of a season and there's most definitely plenty to celebrate.

We thought numbers would start to slow after the previous years' bumper seasons... but once again we saw an increase to 424 (up 61 from previous) with increases again in juniors (up 37 to 188) & cadets (up 16 to 56). Seeing the awash with colours every Sunday in season is amazing and something for us all to feel proud of – being part of something that's fun, educational and encouraging for people of all ages and abilities to take participate in.

We hosted the first ever (and possibly only) Country States & Masters event held outside metro area - a huge contingent of our members competed. Masters Mayhem was born with over 27 competitors and swag of medals won. We won the flag for Country States Handicap for 2020 – most improved. An excellent testament to our nipper, cadet and open competitors.

SSOCM was cancelled for the second year running... this time due to COVID 19 not raging swell and rips.

Operationally our records show 3 rescues, 26 first aid, 4 major incidents (cpr, oxy or defib used), 367 preventions, 4 beach closures, 2 missing persons, 2203 patrol hours (including 293 water safety).

Members of our Emergency Response Team were kept busy participating in searches at Esperance and Albany – they were commended by all other agencies involved for their dedication, high level of skills and professionalism.

Sadly, there was also a fatality at Ocean Beach, with two of our most experienced members working tirelessly until paramedics arrived. The family were thankful for the Club's involvement - not only for being the first responders but also for the help and comfort offered.

A big thank you to all outgoing Committee members and officers and to George for always being my mentor.

For me personally, it's been an honour to be on the Committee for the past 7 years (4 as President) and to be the Club's first female president. Time for me to step aside to allow for new energy and a refreshed focus to come through.

Here's to next year, new leadership, pushing forward with the 'transformation project' and taking the Club into its next phase of fabulousness.

Cheers

Jane x



Treasurer Report—Donna Williamson

This year's Treasurer's position was a joint effort between Vanessa Fyfe and I, with Ness in the position from May until August, but then unfortunately having to step back from the position due to health reasons. So, a massive thanks to Ness for the great work she did for the first part of the year as Treasurer, and her ongoing work within the club.

Like recent seasons, we continued to increase our membership base, with membership fees totalling \$27,118 (ex GST) in 2019/2020, up from \$25,102 in the previous year. Various club activities, events and programs provided income throughout the year, such as our kiosk (\$45,630 incl GST), merchandise sales (\$18,468 incl GST), hall hire (\$3600 incl GST), carnival food & sundowners (\$14,207 incl GST) and surf rescue and lifesaving skills training provided to schools in the Great Southern region (\$4568 ex GST), which we thank for their ongoing support of our external education program. Thanks to all the volunteers who give their time and expertise to these various fundraising measures.

We were also extremely fortunate to have received multiple grants from all levels of government, totalling \$12,500. We are sincerely grateful to the Shire of Denmark, the federal government (via the Beach Safety Equipment Fund) and the state government (via the Dept of Local Government, Sport & Cultural Industries) for their ongoing support of our club. Our nippers program also received a financial boost, with sponsorship from Woodside, through their support of the SLSWA nippers program, totalling \$9937.

These various forms of income, from club activities, fundraising events, grants, sponsorship and donations all go towards providing equipment and training to our members, enabling us to replace old equipment and build a club environment we are all proud to be a part of.

We were also able to donate \$1000 to the Mallacoota Surf Life Saving Club, who were devastated by last summer's horrific bush fires. Our Competition and Coaching Officer – Julia Scriven – was a former member of Mallacoota SLSC, and she reported her ex-clubbies being extremely grateful for our donation.

At the end of the financial year, we recorded a net profit of \$17,742, a good result considering our hosting of the WA State Country Championships was impacted due to terrible weather, and Covid-19 meant our season finished slightly earlier than scheduled, impacting kiosk, merchandise and hall hire sales. The Southern Ocean Classic Mile swim, normally held each Easter Sunday, was also cancelled due to Covid-19, disappointing for many locals and visitors who enjoy this annual event, and further impacting our year-end result, but will hopefully be back stronger than ever in 2021.

Thanks to all the volunteers, committee members, admin, cleaning and kiosk staff, who work tirelessly throughout the season to make our club financially viable, so we can all continue to be part of the Denmark Surf Life Saving family.

Donna Williamson
DSLSC Treasurer



28th May 2020

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Dear Committee

DENMARK SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB INC
AUDIT MANAGEMENT REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2020

We have now completed our audit, for the year ended 30 April 2020, and attached is the financial statements which includes our Audit Report and Independence Declaration.

As noted in our engagement letter, because of the inherent limitations of an audit, together with the inherent limitations of any system of internal control, there is an unavoidable risk that some material misstatements may not be detected, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards.

During the course of our audit we did note the following areas where improvement may be made which would enhance the level of internal control.

Depreciation Schedule

The Denmark Surf Life Saving Club Inc has maintained an asset register; however, it does not reconcile to the general ledger record and depreciation expense is not supported by a depreciation schedule. We recommend that the asset register be adapted to a depreciation schedule showing record asset cost (value), depreciation expense and written down value so that the reconciles to the general ledger.

Limitation of Internal Control

We make the observation that the internal controls in place at Denmark Surf Life Saving Club are appropriate and that my audit tests indicate they are well applied and require no improvement. There are, however, limitations inherent to any system of internal control and which are known as control risks. Due to the size and nature of operations there are inherent limitations to internal control procedures which can be applied. Those limitations, include (but are by no means limited to):

- ▶ Separation of Duties (particularly within the bank reconciliation / general journal / invoicing / receipting / payment and authorised signatory (electronic password) functions).
- ▶ Accounting Software (integration, password, and processing limitations).
- ▶ The possibility of collusion.
- ▶ Our external audit only sample tests transactions, and relies on results of systems testing for audit assurance.

Consequently, there is an inherent reliance on the honesty and integrity of volunteers. This matter is brought to your attention to highlight the importance of your role in financial review and oversight to be wary of the possibility that fraud and errors may exist.



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Financial Report

Leasehold Improvements

Leasehold improvements (Clubhouse) has not been brought to account as an asset of the Club although there is insurance cover in place for contents (not building). We recommend that the Clubhouse be brought to account at fair value as determined by the Committee. This value is distinct of the replacement (insurance) value and consider the condition, location, and restrictions (lease conditions).

MYOB General Ledger

Similar to last year the MYOB general ledger and trial balance is out of balance by \$ 400.00. We understand this relates to a prior period entry which was deleted. Despite consultation with professionals the systems error which caused of this anomaly has not been identified and so it remains. It is essential to the double entry system that the trial balance is in balance. We therefore recommend that a new data file (or even system) be created for the next financial year, with opening balances manually entered.

Insurance Cover

During the course of my audit I reviewed insurance coverage and noted the following for your consideration together with your Broker for the

- a) Cover for Goods in Care / Custody / Control (where others goods are stored at the Clubhouse)
- b) The Jetski is no longer listed under "Watercraft" (maybe owned and insured by SLSWA)

Associations Incorporations Act, 2015

We remind the Committee of the reporting requirements of the new (WA) Associations Incorporations Act, 2015, to submit an information statement to Consumer Protection every year. In addition, there is a requirement to review and update rules (governing document / constitution).

Details are available online at:

<https://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/consumer-protection/associations-information-statement>

Generally, we consider the Club as a not for profit, to be in a sound financial position. The key operating results are noted as follows:

	2020	2019	2018
Revenue	162,922	207,245	154,759
Operating result for the year	17,742	27,992	12,142
Net cash flow from / (used in) Operating Activities	22,600	41,045	14,528
Current position (Current Assets less Current Liabilities)	190,191	169,469	134,385
Current ratio	95.15	82.87	65.92

Note: A current ratio in excess of 1 is essential, as it indicates that the Club has sufficient current assets from which it is able to pay current liabilities. At 95.15 the Club has a healthy current ratio.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Donna for the assistance provided during the course of the audit. We also enclose an invoice for our fee.

Should you have any questions you are welcome to contact me.

Yours Sincerely



Paul Gilbert FCPA MBA
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Enclosures.



Financial Report

DENMARK SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB INC. STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2020

	Note	2020 \$	2019 \$
<u>INCOME</u>			
Membership		27,118	25,102
Interest		4,044	3,186
Club Activities		87,296	114,590
Lifesaving & Education		8,900	12,375
Competition		3,573	1,503
Funding		22,294	33,314
Annual Dinner		6,729	1,341
SOCM		2,968	15,834
		<u>162,922</u>	<u>207,245</u>
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>			
Cost of Sales		45,800	32,217
Membership		0	5,882
Audit Fees		1,500	800
Administration		21,717	24,695
Club Activities		7,353	28,832
Depreciation	4	5,000	10,000
Lifesaving & Education		15,449	16,529
Competition		5,757	20,303
Funding		6,874	7,599
Club Operations		23,578	9,435
Volunteer Honourariums		12,152	11,900
Award Night Perth		0	430
New Building Project		0	10,631
		<u>145,180</u>	<u>179,253</u>
Operating Result Surplus/(Loss)	7	<u>17,742</u>	<u>27,992</u>

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**DENMARK SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB INC.
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 30 APRIL 2020**

	Note	2020 \$	2019 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at Bank	2	189,684	189,104
Accounts Receivable	3	2,527	2,435
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		<u>192,211</u>	<u>171,539</u>
NON CURRENT ASSETS			
Administration Equipment	4	2,020	0
Competition Equipment	4	16,182	16,182
Lifesaving Equipment	4	20,036	20,036
Provision for Depreciation	4	(25,000)	(20,000)
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		<u>13,238</u>	<u>16,218</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>205,449</u>	<u>187,757</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable	5	2,020	2,070
Other Provisions		0	0
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>2,020</u>	<u>2,070</u>
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Other Amounts Payable		0	0
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>2,020</u>	<u>2,070</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>203,429</u>	<u>185,687</u>
Represented by:			
EQUITY			
Accumulated Surplus		203,429	185,687
Asset Revaluation Reserve		0	0
TOTAL EQUITY		<u>203,429</u>	<u>185,687</u>

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DENMARK SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB INC. STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2020

	Note	2020 \$	2019 \$
EQUITY			
<u>Accumulated Surplus</u>			
Balance as at the beginning of period		185,687	157,167
Net result for the period		17,742	27,992
Prior period adjustment			528
Balance as at the end of period		203,429	185,687
<u>Asset Revaluation Reserve</u>			
Balance as at the beginning of the period		0	0
Revaluations of Non- Current Assets		0	0
Revaluation Movement			
Balance as at the end of the period		0	0
TOTAL EQUITY		203,429	185,687



Financial Report

DENMARK SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB INC. STATEMENT OF CASHFLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2020

	Note	2020 \$	2019 \$
CASHFLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipts – Sales Income		93,869	140,543
- Grants		12,500	19,500
- Sponsorship		9,937	10,200
- Hall Hire		3,273	3,747
- Interest		2,408	2,995
- Memberships & Other		40,793	34,561
Payments – Purchases		(45,800)	(32,317)
- Honourariums & Contractors		(12,152)	(11,900)
- Services and charges		(82,228)	(126,284)
Net Cash flows from / (used in) Operating Activities	7	22,600	41,045
CASHFLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds from sale of property, plant & equipment		0	0
Purchase of Property, Plant & Equipment		(2,020)	(3,036)
Net Cash flows used in Investing Activities		(2,020)	(3,036)
CASHFLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Capital Grants- Shire of Denmark		0	0
Capital Grants- Other		0	0
Net Cash flows used in Financing Activities		0	0
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH HELD			
		20,580	38,009
Add: Opening Cash Balance Forward	2	169,104	131,095
CLOSING CASH CARRIED FORWARD	2	189,684	169,104

Trophies and Awards

Surf Sports

Ben Napier Challenge – Laura McEwan

Matt Pearse Run Swim Run – Charlie Thornton

Dean Morrison 1km Handicap – Not held

Bill Greenwood Iron Man – Not held

Female Iron Man – Not held

Male Club Champion – Sam Williams

Female Club Champion – Laura McEwan and Ella Neunuebel Tied

Under 15 Club Champion – Henry Edmondson

Life Saving Awards

Young Lifesaver of the Year - Jimmy-Roy Sinclair

Senior Lifesaver of the Year – Tim Maisey

Club Achievement

Under 15 Club Achiever – Lilla Brampton

Young Achiever of the Year – Ebony Thompson

Club Person of the Year – Brad Woodruff

Presidents Award- still to be nominated.



Education Officer Report—Rae Powys

The 2019/20 season was one of the busiest seen, for the DSLSC Education team.

With the ever-growing number of nippers, comes parents and senior members eager to be involved and support all areas of water safety. This saw many parents and carers achieve their Nipper Rescue Certificate or to Bronze Medallion this season.

We saw a record number of awards achieved by members this season in what turned out to be an unexpectedly shorter season than usual.

In total, the club trained and awarded 14 Nipper Rescue Certificates, 15 Surf Rescue Certificates, 24 Bronze Medallions, 12 Silver Medallions , 1 Rescue Water Craft Operator Certificate and 7 First Aid Certificates.

Ten Silver Medallions were awards in Beach Management. This award provides invaluable training for patrol captains and those aspiring to take on leadership roles on patrol. Trainers from SLSWA travelled to Denmark and Albany to train candidates in this award over two weekends.

This season, SLSWA put a temporary hold on training Pain Management certificates so, despite plenty of interest we were unable to train this award this season.

Prior to a sudden halt on all training at the club (covid-19 induced!) we were in the process of training up a number of candidates in Advanced Resuscitation, IRB Crew and IRB Driver (silver medallion) awards. Fortunately, two members achieved their Silver Medallion (IRB Driver) before restrictions were in place.

Of course, these awards were made possible by the countless hours that the trainers and assessors gave to the club this season. The upskilling of so many club members provides invaluable support to the growing numbers of nippers, needing a safe water environment on Sundays. As always, the club continues to provide a service to the community with the growing number of Bronze medallion holders, patrolling the beaches and providing water safety to all those who frequent Ocean Beach.



Junior Officer Report — Bradley Woodruff

Our year began with whopping Nipper numbers, with some concerns on what this meant for the club – AGM's with big groups, recruiting Water Safety personal, equipment, beach space. On the flip side, for those members who volunteer their time, it must have felt good knowing the club must be doing a lot of things right to attract those numbers. Attendance did settle down to manageable numbers, with less pre-Christmas withdrawals than in previous years. This could be attributed to the introduction of the Induction Day, that made the transition into the surf less daunting for our new, younger members.

The introduction of new events - Nipper activities at Greens Pool and Parry's, Paddling Pandemonium and camping at Parry's were a hit with the kids and well attended. With the continued support of parents, these events will remain on the calendar the following year.

A record number of members volunteered for the Nipper Rescue Certificate, enabling them to act as water safety during Nipper activities. Hopefully this is a trend that continues, as each group of new parents embraces the culture of volunteering, spreading the workload and responsibility amongst everyone, not just a few.

Annual competitions at Bremer Bay, Yallingup, Perth and Ocean Beach were popular. Many children competing for the first time.

COVID 19 pandemic resulted in the cancellation of our end of season games day and awards/certificate presentation.

Other notable changes:

- Introduction of a parent volunteer roster
- End of year course for prospective AGMs and assistants.

Sponsorship of the Nipper program by Woodside and Healthway provided a range of equipment and apparel.

Registration and attendance

Nipper registration was its highest in the club's history:

193 Nippers were registered on the 5th June 2020

Attendance

- 168 Nippers attended the Preliminary Evaluations at Greens Pool on the 3rd November.
- Average total attendance at Nipper Activities:
 - Pre-Christmas – 136
 - Post-Christmas - 97

Season – 115.

State Championship qualifiers and competitors

Nipper State Championship pre-qualifiers – Ginger Gleeson, Madison Tonkin, Roy McEwan, Willoughby Sharp, Errol Edmondson, Joe Lamb, Kira Clarke, Elliot Williams, Liam Cybulla and Eliza Barrow.



WA Little Nipper competitors - Oscar Tonkin, Matias Ezquerra, Riley Bishop-Wood and Sadie Barker

Key Statistics

- 66% of Nippers who were registered at the end of the 2018 season returned for the 2019 season.
- 35 Nippers (19%) dropped out of the program at some stage during the season. Nipper Awards 2019/2020

Age Group Award		
U8 Pablo Sleeman Leila Sims	U9 Tate Krolkowski Sadie Barker	U10 Molly Brown Joel Lund-Brunton
U11 Alex Strang Thomas Phillips	U12 Riverleigh STRANG Indiana EDMUNDS	U13 Luiza Fagundes Jed Loton
Club Achiever Award		
U8-U10 Sadie Barker	U11-U14 Roy McEwan	

Nipper Attendance 2019/20

Date	Lesson	U6	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	Total
27-Oct	Orientation Day	16	19	27	19	13	18	21	23	156
3-Nov	Prelim. Eval	21	23	27	20	15	21	27	14	168
10-Nov	1	14	19	21	18	12	20	21	17	142
17-Nov	2	16	21	20	19	11	17	21	15	140
24-Nov	Bremer Bay	1	3	7	4	2	3	7	1	28
1-Dec	3	21	16	19	16	7	19	15	14	127
8-Dec	4 - Greens	12	15	18	11	6	13	13	11	99
15-Dec	Wind-up	20	20	21	14	15	13	20	7	130
12-Jan	5	10	11	14	10	7	8	11	6	77
19-Jan	6	8	11	13	12	7	12	13	7	83
26-Jan	Country Carn.				1					1
2-Feb	7	15	13	20	12	11	19	15	14	119
9-Feb	8	13	15	14	15	10	17	19	7	110
16-Feb	9 - Parrys	12	9	19	8	7	10	12	11	88
23-Feb	10	12	14	18	10	12	10	16	9	101
1-Mar	Country Champs					6	6	10		22
8-Mar	11	13	12	17	12	9	11	15	9	98
15-Mar	12	6	9	15	10	7	12	10	9	78
22-Mar	Fun-day	14	15	19	14	10	15	17	12	116
Total		223	242	302	220	159	235	266	185	1832
Min		6	9	13	8	6	8	10	6	77
Max (incl PE)		21	23	27	20	15	21	27	17	168
Max (not PE)		21	21	21	19	15	20	21	17	156
Average Group Size										
Pre-Xmas		17	19	22	17	11	17	20	14	137
Post-Xmas		11	12	16	11	9	12	14	9	97
Season		14	15	19	14	10	15	17	12	115



Thank you to all members for your support in adopting several changes this year.

Thanks for your diligence and commitment to your role within the Nippers Activities Program.

The popularity of Nippers is testament to members time and effort put towards developing our children’s skills and confidence in the water.

It is satisfying to see confidence grow, not only in our children, but in many adults and cadets who have taken on unfamiliar and challenging roles.

The program is looking fantastic!!

Bradley Woodruff
Junior Officer

Youth Officer Report — Debra Edmondson

Overview

The 2019/20 season saw our Youth Membership continue to grow with 28 cadet members a 23% increase from the previous year. Some of our cadet members opted to assist with the Nippers program as age group managers, assistant age group managers and water safety. Many cadets choose to participate in weekly training activities each to further develop their skills.

The focus for weekly Sunday training was engagement and retention through fun training activities. The progress of many members in both skill and confidence was evident at the end of the season.

The SRC course was run with 13 completing this qualification, a partnership was developed with Denmark Senior High School to enable SRC Cadets to be released from school for a day of training and assessment. 13 Cadet also completed their Bronze Medallion. Those in Year 10,11,& 12 at Denmark SHS with sufficient patrol and training hours received endorsement from WACE toward secondary graduation.

Competition

Our Cadets performed well at Bremer Bay and Denmark Carnivals. Unfortunately, due to dangerous conditions the water events were cancelled for the country states carnival at Denmark.

Youth members have expressed a desire to foster IRB Racing as a club sport for 2019/20

Achievements

Youth members where represented in all the major awards and initiatives offered by SLSWA including:

Rise Up Camp

TOAD Camp

Youth Achiever awards

Youth Volunteer of the Year Awards

Brodie Green was the Youth Club Achiever for the season.

Plans for season 2020/21

Cadets will continue to be encouraged to assist with Nippers Water Safety and skills training, however this should not be at the expense of their own skill development and will be part of the youth program.

Due to the large group of females in the youth group; female mentor trainers will be featured in some of the weekly training sessions.

Further partnerships with the local high schools will be explored in order to value add to our cadet's surf club experience.



Water Safety Officer Report — Bo Wong

Water Safety was a team effort again this year, with many stepping in to cover the Water Safety Co-ordination role in my absence, including Brad Woodruff, Lee Brampton and Bec Gleeson. My thanks to the adults who put themselves forward each week to volunteer so that we can keep a safe ratio of water safety adults to nippers - this is an invaluable service that doesn't go unnoticed.

There is also a contingent of consistently helpful teenage volunteers with their Surf Rescue Certificates and Bronze Medallions who encourage and support younger nippers to build confidence in the water in a variety of conditions each Sunday. My heartfelt thanks to these role models, who brighten the morning for everyone.

The heart of the water safety team are the dedicated AGMs and AGM Assistants. Many are Bronze Medallion holders and are constantly re-assessing safety conditions in response to the skills and confidence of their cohort, along with the changeable surf conditions on the beach. Their knowledge of the capabilities of individual nippers in their groups is the key element in balancing safety with challenges that extend comfort zones in the water.

It's becoming more common for parents to know about and want to do their NRC and SRC so that they can join in on water activities in a safety capacity. This has been mostly due to the efforts of George Mumford, to accommodate training and timing to help facilitate having more parents out in the water with a certificate. It's been fantastic to see how proudly the new shipment of water safety rashies have been worn by newly minted certificate holders and I look forward to seeing some new faces with the new rashies next season.

Bo Wong

Water Safety
Co-ordinator.



Publicity Officer Report — Serena Kirby

Due to the overwhelming, and record number, of new members in our Nipper and Youth groups, our media publicity efforts were scaled back from previous years to allow our group co-ordinators time to adjust to the bigger groups.

The popularity of the Club still saw us gain several double page spreads in two local newspapers for this year's Country Champs, plus two radio interviews on ABC Great Southern. Several other articles featured updates on our plans for a new clubroom.

Social Media was still one of our key communication tools. Our facebook page now has more than 1200 followers and we posted information and photographs several times a week during the season.

Our new Instagram page has also been tracking extremely well and we had a 100percent increase in followers with current numbers sitting at more than 450. Again we have shared dozens of photos of our members in action with a focus on fun and folly.

Our Club Newsletters continued to be a favourite amongst our members and gave us the chance to update members in a more in-depth manner and these were sent out to our ever-growing number of subscribers - some of who are past members wanting to still stay informed.

The Club's website was also updated with more recent photos and large numbers of pictures added to our photo gallery.

As a picture can say so much - photography again played an important part in keeping our members connected. On a weekly basis our shots covered the full range of member ages and activities and great care was taken to congratulate and thank members and volunteers for their efforts.



Social Report

Massive events again this year: we hosted the Masters and Country champs. It was great to be asked by SLSWA to host the event at our beautiful beach.

The weather dampened the second day completely and the boat races were moved to Albany surf club. However, the first day was a huge hit and we managed to do most of the beach and water events on that day.

Dea Collins managed this event with the help of her many volunteer committee members and it was a huge success despite of the weather.

Big thank you to Dea and all her burger flippers, bar wenches, food runners and clean up helpers.

We also held many beer and burger nights always a huge success for the many people that come and stay in our town over the Christmas/ New Year break.

Unfortunately because of Covid -19 a lot of our end of year social commitments had to be cancelled and of course SOCM again for this year.

So a funny old year this year but nothing we as a club created and nothing our club can't handle. Bring on 20/21!



Kiosk Report

We advertised a paid position this year as the kiosk has always been a massive job and hard to manage with just volunteers. Atilla from Stomp'd and Ness Macintyre shared the job this year with Ness doing Monday to Wednesday and Atilla doing Thursday thru Sunday.

We discussed a smaller menu and therefore needed less help from volunteers and it was easier to handle.

Always very busy in the kiosk and the new changes were well received.



Merchandise Report

Again a huge year in the Merch office. Delwyn our merch queen was swamped with jumper sales on the first day of the Masters and Country Champs as the weather was not being nice. Good for us as every second person was sporting one of our awesome hoodies. We built Del some wonderful new cupboards this year to store all her merch in and they are working well.

Big thanks for Del for being there every Sunday and every event to promote our club.





THANK YOU

to everyone who volunteered their time and to all our sponsors

See you at the beach!

