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DEE WHY SURF LIFESAIVING CLUB – Keeping you in the loop December 2016 #3

JUNIOR CLUB

Message from Mark Mackenzie, Nipper Coordinator:

Season's Greetings to all!

It's almost hard to believe that we are halfway through the season. We've already had 10 weeks of nippers, 2 club championship rounds, and 5 local carnivals!

The new year will bring us to the major carnivals of the season with the All Australian Junior Surf Carnival (known as Nipper Nats) in January, the SNB Junior Branch Championships in February and finally the State Age Championships in March. I know the carnival competitors are all training hard during the week so a big thank you to all our coaches and parents for supporting them. Go Dee Why!

A big thank you also to Lisa Armitage, the Social Committee and our sponsors Mad Mex for another incredible Christmas Party. Along with Santa, local band Kotahi Groove and a performance by the pole dancers from Show Pony, you've certainly raised the bar again in terms of entertainment and event organisation!



For our last weekend of nippers for this year we had the traditional 'Over the Hill Nippers Challenge' hosted by North Curl Curl. This is always a fun Christmas event between the 2 clubs and the kids all love looking out for the arrival of Santa with some Christmas treats and despite a bit of rain, the man in red didn't disappoint!



Don't forget that on Christmas Day morning we will be having the annual 'Christmas Pudding Hunt' on the beach. If you saw what the kids were like digging in the sand at the Halloween party, you can just imagine what it looks like on Christmas morning...it's lots of fun and a great way to celebrate Christmas at the beach so make sure you all come down and enjoy.

Finally, on behalf of the Nipper committee and Age Managers – we wish you all peace and happiness for the New Year!

See you on the beach!

Mark. PS: Nippers resumes at Dee Why in the new year on Sunday 8th January 2017

Take 3 For the Sea

Thanks to all those that joined us on Sunday 4 Dec for our beach clean up for Ocean Care Day!

Dr Shelly, Junior Ambassador Taylah and about 20 volunteers spent the time cleaning up our beach throughout the afternoon, most of those were our DY nippers – thank you! We had 5 bags of litter cleared, including over 700 cigarette butts! Thanks everyone for helping!

We have another clean up on the afternoon of 26 Jan - Australia Day! We would love any help you can offer!

Under 6s learning and having fun at nippers!



Carnival Calendar:

Narrabeen Junior Carnival U8 to U14

Sunday 15th January 2017

Manly Nipper Nats U9 to U14 – attached is a flyer with more info

Friday 27th January 2017

Junior Branch Championships U8 to U14 is split over two weekends

Sunday 5th February 2017: Junior Beach Championships @ Queenscliff. Please note all U8 events will be on this weekend

Sunday 12th February 2017: Junior Water Championships @ Newport

FYI – if you'd like to take part in carnivals please speak to your Age Manager as a first point of contact. You can also speak to Jeremy our Carnival Coordinator if you have any questions - Jeremy.Ferguson@ioof.com.au.

Beach set up and pull down – NEW THIS YEAR!!

Please sign up for DY Nippers Set-up/BBQ/Pack-down! Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

- 1. **Click this link** to go to our invitation page on [SignUp.com](http://signup.com): <http://signup.com/go/iy2uN9>
- 2. **Enter your email address:** (You will NOT need to register an account on SignUp.com)
- 3. **Sign up!** Choose your spots - SignUp.com will send you an automated confirmation and reminders. Easy!

FYI

- Set up the beach flag areas and sprint track – arrive at the beach at 730am
- Set up the BBQ area to assist the BBQ coordinator from 7:30am until the end of Nippers (this includes washing up and putting the BBQ away).
- Assist with pack up at the end of nippers

BBQ Roster:

Day	Date	Time	Age Group	Notes
Sunday	08/01/2017	7:30am - 11:00am	U9	
Sunday	15/01/2017	7:30am - 11:00am	U8	Narrabeen Junior Carnival
Sunday	22/01/2017	7:30am - 11:00am	U10	Club Champs Rnd #3
Sunday	29/01/2017	7:30am - 11:00am	U13/14	
Sunday	05/02/2017	7:30am - 11:00am	N/A	U6 & U7 only / no BBQ
Sunday	12/02/2017	7:30am - 11:00am	U7	
Sunday	19/02/2017	7:30am - 11:00am	U12	
Sunday	26/02/2017	7:30am - 11:00am	U6	Club Champs Rnd #4

Parent Helpers

If you intend to be a Parent Helper or help at all with our Nippers this season you will need to apply for a Working With Children Check number. This can be obtained from the Kids Guardian website. This website will also allow you to update your details or retrieve your number should you have lost it. Once you have it if you could please email it through to admin@dyslsc.org.au and I will update your details into our system.

<http://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/working-with-children/working-with-children-check>

The official social media pages endorsed by our club are listed here:

<http://dyslsc.org.au/social-media/>

FACEBOOK: We ARE on Facebook so if you haven't already joined our closed group – JOIN by going to [this link and keep in the loop about everything:](https://www.facebook.com/groups/638546516213004) <https://www.facebook.com/groups/638546516213004>

General information

Head to the new DYSLSC website here - <http://dyslsc.org.au/nippers/nippers-info-and-sign-up/>

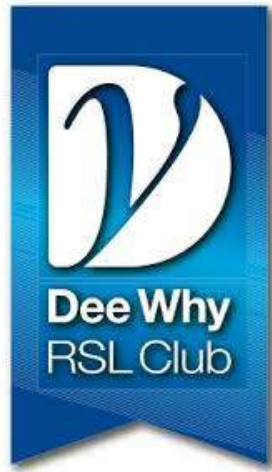
Nipper contacts go here - <http://dyslsc.org.au/nippers/nipper-contacts/>

Download the 2016-17 Nipper Handbook here -

<http://tinyurl.com/nipper-handbook-2016-B> (Check back regularly as there are updates).



SENIOR CLUB



Our Happy Halloween Party on Saturday 29 October 2016 and Christmas Party on Friday 9 December saw the first half of the season end on high notes.

Many thanks to Lisa Armitage and Jen Crichton-Browne and their willing helpers who made the Halloween and Xmas parties at the clubhouse a great success. Great buffet meals, good music and excellent company were enjoyed by all who attended.



Thank you also to our sponsors. Mad Mex provided the food, and Kerry Hearne and Dallas from ShowPony Pole and Burlesque gave a wonderful display of pole dancing. The band was excellent. Don't forget to help with our Christmas Day patrols and to participate in Plum Pudding Hunt on Sunday 25 December 2016 at 9.00 am.

Our last proficiencies were on Sunday 18 December 2016. Matt Molinia, Steve Haggett, Dave Spink, Adrienne Lowe, Row Clarke, Darren Armitage, Warren Hannam, Adam Hockley, Bruce Richardson and our other assessors have given up their time to ensure our patrols are proficient. Matt, Dave, Darren and Ron Tyson also assessed the IRB crews and drivers.

Row organised some of our members to patrol at Camden Haven SLSC on the Mid North Coast. This club is down to 20 patrolling members and our assistance was very much appreciated. Thank you to Row, Hugh Long, Adam Hockley and the others who attended. Row is intending to organise further patrols at Camden Haven and if you are interested please get in touch with Row.

The First Aid Room is left open during patrol hours and is vulnerable to misuse by strangers. First Aid supplies and equipment are missing and strangers have been seen igniting the alcohol wipes at the back of the board and ski area. If you see strangers in the First Aid room or others acting inappropriately in the clubhouse, please ask them to leave and report their behaviour to the patrol captain.

On Saturday 10 December six bronze candidates completed their assessments at Manly and we look forward to seeing them on the beach as patrolling members. Earlier in the year Matt, Dave, Adam and Ron put through 20 new SRCs, 15 new Bronzes candidates and 15 new IRB crew.



Wishing everyone a happy and safe Christmas, and looking forward to seeing you on the beach.
Allen Lakeman,
President

This monthly 'Keeping You in the Loop' Newsletter is for you and ALL Dee Why SLSC members so please feel free to send information - images, stories, etc [mailto: info@fridge-to-go.net.au](mailto:info@fridge-to-go.net.au)

The day in the life of a Dee Why Patrol...



Upcoming Events:

- Palm Beach Twilight Masters - Friday 6th January
- North Curl Curl Boat Carnival - Saturday 7th January
- Narrabeen Junior Carnival - Sunday 15th January
- Queenscliff Open Carnival - Saturday 21st Jan
- Freshwater Boat carnival - Thursday 26th January
- Freshwater R&R Carnival - Thursday 26th January
- Nipper Nats - Friday 27th January
- Manly Open Carnival - Saturday 28th January
- Freshwater Australia Day Weekend Carnival - Sunday 29th January