

# TIGER TALK

North Steyne Surf Life Saving Club  
SLSA Club of the Year - 2008  
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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT Damian O'Shannassy

As President of this historic Club it amazes me to see how many members volunteer their time. A huge amount of it is for the benefit of other members and the general public. Training for awards continues in the off season with a group of 16 in training for their Bronze medallion and just last week 20 + members undertook a senior first aid course at the Club.

Did you know that after you have completed your Bronze Medallion ALL other courses/awards are no charge to you the member – the Club pays for the award, so this is certainly a benefit of being a member of a Surf Lifesaving Club and one of the reasons why you pay for the privilege to volunteer!

Last Saturday, Branch ran a planning day for the benefit of the clubs. Thank you to Deputy President Geoff Cooper and Club Captain Shannon Job for representing the Club and a summary of the outcomes will be included in the next Tiger Talk.

The management responsibility of running the Club lies with the 11 Directors who are elected each year at the Annual General Meeting. Directors each have an area of the Club that they are responsible for and spend an enormous amount of their time in planning. On that note the Directors are having a strategic planning workshop on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May in the Clubroom to look at the future of the Club. I would welcome any input from members in regards to the future planning of the Club and I can be contacted on [doshannassy@optusnet.com.au](mailto:doshannassy@optusnet.com.au).



On Anzac day at 7am, Matt Cooper (yes Lee and Geoff got him out of bed) and I represented the Club in the Manly Rugby Club Anzac day march to The Corso We layed a wreath on behalf of the three Surf Lifesaving Clubs in Manly and then went back to the Rugby

Club for breakfast. It was a privilege and honour to be asked to participate by local veterans and remember those members of our Club who have been involved in all theatres of war. Immediate Past President Simon Fry layed a wreath at the Manly Council service at 11am and a group of Nippers marched on behalf of the Club with Chris Dooley and Tracey Hare-Boyd in support (see report later) Thank you to all who took part on Anzac day on behalf of the Club. "LEST WE FORGET".

Our 11<sup>th</sup> annual oceans swim sponsored by the Steyne Hotel were belatedly held on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May. I would like to thank all those members and friends who helped to make it a successful day for the Club. Traditionally we hold the swim on the last Sunday in March or first Sunday in April but due to dangerous swell we had to postpone. We have set the date next year for Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2010.

**Gymnasium** – the Club recently had donated two Concept 2 rowing machines to add to the two we already have. This is a great addition to the gym and I would like to thank Long Service member Peter Chapman for arranging the donation. On Saturday Life Member Bernie Burrows spent a couple of hours cleaning and vacuuming the gym on behalf of gym users, so please thank Bernie and keep the gym clean.

Manly Council last week painted the front of the Clubhouse and also our members change rooms. Thank you to Council and in particular Ray Cook for undertaking this work.

I look forward to seeing you at the Annual Presentation of awards night to be held on this Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May from 7pm in the Clubhouse and congratulate those in advance who receive an award.

The 102<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting is being held on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2009 at 11am. If you are interested in becoming more involved around the Club or you would like to find out what is involved with a position please do not hesitate to contact me to discuss.

**Trivia:** - North Steyne SLSC holds the most open men's Australian Surfboat Championships with eight titles.  
"Let there be waves"

### Club Presentation Night

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2009. Bar open at 6.30pm with presentations commencing at 7pm

### Club Annual General Meeting

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2009 commencing 11am. Nomination forms will be available from the website and Club from Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2009. Nominations close on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2009 at 11am

## ***NORTH STEYNE NIPPERS MARCH FOR THOSE PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE***

On Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2009 a uniformed group proudly sporting their North Steyne Surf Lifesaving Nipper Caps marched in formation down Darley Road and then to the Cenotaph in the Corso.

In front of hundreds of people, our Nippers proudly wore their uniforms and the North Steyne colours to honour the memories of ANZAC's, Soldiers gone, those presently protecting their countries in foreign lands and those who have taken a vow to protect their homelands in the future.



Next seasons Club Captain, Will Gulliford carried the North Steyne flag and led the procession of Nippers who unitedly marched as the crowds clapped and cheered the group which consisted of U7 to U13 nippers and backed up in the rear by oldies Chris Dooley, Tracey Hare-Boyd and Mark Hardy.

Through the hour long ceremony the whole group represented North Steyne immaculately and the three oldies were very proud to have this group of Nippers represent their Club. The ceremony was touching and a wreath was laid by Ex-President Simon Fry.

Our Nipper group included: Liam and Caitlan Hardy, Oliver and William Franklin, Trae Hare- Boyd, Jessica and Jade Williamson, Jo and Nancy Notting, Tashi and Gemma Struk and Will Gulliford.

Well done again North Steyne Nippers.

## **NOTICEBOARD**

### ***WORLD MASTERS SURF LIFESAVING COMPETITION COMES TO MANLY***

Sydney 2009 World Masters Surf Lifesaving competition will be held on Manly beach from Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October to Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2009. Everyone from 30 years of age can enter. Events include individual and team boats, surf and beach all in age categories. For further information see Andrew Toll.

The 2009 World Masters Games are being held all around Sydney from Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October till Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2009. Nine days, 28 sports, 72 venues! The Games social program is jam packed with activities, including what promises to be an unforgettable Opening Ceremony at Sydney Olympic Park in which competitors will take centre stage, a Closing Ceremony in the heart of the city and daily events in the Sydney Olympic Park precinct and many other great social hubs around Sydney. For more information, please contact the Competition Director.

## **MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS as at Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2009**

Junior Activity (nippers)	428
Cadet (13-15 years)	69
Active (15-18 years)	72
Active (18 years and over)	187
Reserve Active	11
Long Service	42
Associate	150
Life Members	14
Honorary	6
Total	979

Total male members 566

Total female members 413

***FOR ALL YOUR FUNCTIONS OR EVEN GETTING A QUICK BITE TO EAT, PLEASE SUPPORT ONE OF OUR MAJOR SPONSORS - THE STEYNE HOTEL AT MANLY***

## **LIFESAVING LIAISONS**

The patrol season has finally come to a close. North Steyne members have provided effective water safety and first aid services all season from the Clubhouse to the Corso. Every active member should be proud of their service and contributions for the season!

As a quick review, the season has gone off largely without a hitch. All our dedicated Patrol Captains--Franco, Maxine, David, Ross, Peter, Jo, Deb, Dan, Paul, Tim, Ben, Gordon, Aaron, Stan, Ali, and Malcolm--deserve special recognition for organising each of their patrols every month and ensuring North Steyne continues to lead



the way in lifesaving services. Our Branch Patrol Inspection results were outstanding once again, while our members have completed nearly 150 'higher' awards with the assistance of our education team led by Keith and Tracey.

Even though the season is over, there have been, and will continue to be, many opportunities for patrolling members to attend Club events and training over the off-season. The Ocean Swim held on 3<sup>rd</sup> May ran smoothly - special thanks to the IRB team of Stan, Joe, Paul F, Pete, Malcolm, Paul H, Aaron, Tom, James, Ben, and Richard (and Zaida and Rosie!) who arrived at 5.45am for set-up and were still packing up at 2pm!!!

Remember that Club Presentation Night is this Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May! We'd love to see as many people as possible there, and you never know when you might be nominated for an award. Also, training courses will be run over winter, so remember to contact Keith Abraham ([cayeeaye@tip.com.au](mailto:cayeeaye@tip.com.au)), your Patrol Captain, or myself ([shannon\\_job@hotmail.com](mailto:shannon_job@hotmail.com)) if you want to keep gaining qualifications.

Thanks to everyone for your efforts this season! See you on the beach,  
**Shannon Job, Club Captain**

### Thank you Simply Chickens



Over 80 patrol members attended the end of season Thank you lunch hosted by North Steyne's Lifesaving Panel. The lunch for the last day of patrol for the season comprised roast chickens, salads and a huge cake. North

Steyne thanks Simply Chickens (Seaforth) for their generous discount to feed our patrolling members.

### Cultural Diversity

North Steyne hosted over 20 students from ACL Blacktown. North Steyne members, Rui Nakatani, Stephen Leong, Tracey Hare Boyd, Lee Cooper and Joe Mastrangelo educated the students from ACL with SLSA's "On the Same Wave" information, as well as resuscitation demos and tube and board rescues. Help us educate visitors to our beaches by taking part in these lifesaving briefings. Anyone is welcome to help us. Contact [stephen@freestylemax.com](mailto:stephen@freestylemax.com)

### And one time at band camp

North Steyne members, Frankie, Sam and Isabelle are all members of the Chatswood High School Concert and Stage Bands.



These bands will be touring Europe as Australian Representatives in July and playing at Euro Disney in Paris, Summa Cum Lauda in Vienna and The Montreaux Jazz Festival amongst other performance throughout Europe.

Frankie plays the trumpet, Sam plays the trombone and euphonium (mini-tuba) and Isabelle plays the clarinet.

Last December Chatswood High students joined the Redlands school bronze program. Students from both schools have played ongoing roles in the club in addition to patrols. Sam and Isabelle have taken part in the Pool Rescue Championships and Rui Nakatani has helped out with Cultural Diversity. These club members have done well to juggle patrols with representing the club and band practice. All the best in Europe.

## COMPETITION CAPERS

**JUST WHEN YOU THOUGHT THE SEASON WAS OVER!!**

### Australian Pool Championships 2009



Just when you thought that all competition had finished, along comes the Winter comp. Starting with the Australian Pool Championships held at Sydney Olympic Pool, Homebush, North Steyne had a team of 15 competitors.

Captained by Michael Bernerius the team consisted of Alicia Caldwell, Joseph Mastrangelo, Sam Cutcher, James Ellis, Aron

Hagberg, Thomas Hawthorne-Said, Lachlan Humphrey, Andrew List, Isabelle Meulenbroeks, Scott Moltner, Aden Petersen, Chris Reid, Adam Sheepway and George Van Dyke. Sammy Wood was also

scheduled to be part of the team but had her unfortunate IRB accident. Despite having surgery a week before, Sammy, accompanied by her faithful crutches, came along to cheer the rest of her team mates during their events on Saturday.

The North Steyne team finished 10<sup>th</sup> overall with Michael B and Chris R picking up a bronze medal in the U17 Line Throw event.

All members of the Team had a great weekend and enjoyed training in some new events. It was also very interesting for the trainers to watch and they all picked up some useful tips for the next lot of training which will be starting soon.

### **IRB Racing**

IRB Racing also started and North Steyne sent a small team to their 1<sup>st</sup> race.

The Team consisted of Ben Neighbour, Franco Millazo and Sam McKnight.

The race was a very good learning experience for North Steyne and the IRB racing teams. The Teams have picked up a lot of tips from the previous season and are using these in their training techniques this season.

For any IRB Driver or Crew interested in joining the IRB Racing squad, there is training every Sunday commencing at 3.00pm at North Steyne.

This month North Steyne also held their annual Club Championships. This was a fantastic and very successful day and all competitors and officials had fun. Competitors, thank you for taking the time to join in the events of the day and Officials, thank you for giving up your time, yet again, to officiate at the North Steyne Club Championships 2008/09 Season.

### **Ocean Swim – Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2009**

The season was well and truly over for some, except for a few hardy members who competed in the North Steyne Ocean swim. Eleanor Owens won the 9 – 13 years girls 1km swim, Brooke Keogh came second in the 13-19 years girls 2.8km swim and Matt Cooper was the overall winner of the 1km swim.



These members backed up to contest the “Dash for Cash” which is a 200m swim from buoys to beach. Brooke (after being cajoled with promises), came 2<sup>nd</sup> in the women’s, winning \$50 and Eleanor

came 5<sup>th</sup>. Matt won the mens event picking up \$100 for his troubles (will only pay for half a week’s food!).

Other members who represented North Steyne were Pete Landsey and his sister (first-timer) Robyn and Pete’s daughter, Amy. A great competition year so far and it is still going on so watch your emails for training and event news and don’t be shy or afraid to come along and join in – there are many many first timers.  
**Andrew (Tolly) Toll, Competition Director**

### ***DID YOU KNOW?***

Club Presentation Night is on this Friday – 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2009 commencing at 7pm.

Boat rowers (male or female) are needed to row with Lawrence – no experience necessary. Please contact the Competition Director if you are interested.

Lachlan Humphrey will have surgery on his arm on Tuesday. We wish him all the best and a speedy recovery.

Training commences this Sunday for all Masters who will be competing in the World Masters Championships.

Fitness training is being held at North Steyne through Winter on Monday and Friday’s at 6.30pm. All members are welcome to participate and have fun while running / walking.

### **LEADING PATROL MEMBERS FOR THE SEASON 2008/09**

	Female		Male	
1	Ali Turtle	80.0	Adam Traugott	136.8
2	Tracey H-Boyd	51.8	Michael Bernerius	116.8
3	Rebecca Chapman Melissa Clark	50.3	Shannon Job	83.3
4	Alexandra Salier	49.0	Franco Milazzo	74.5
5	Lee Cooper	47.0	Stephen Leong	66.0
6	Mhyrrhine Fabricius Amy Rath	46.0	Lochie Humphrey	64.5
7	Jo Cooper	45.5	Matt Cooper	54.8
8	Lucy Neighbour	45.0	Joe Mastrangelo Lawson Job	53.8
9			Mark Neighbour	50.3

