

**SOUTH PORT
SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB INC.**



8th ANNUAL REPORT

AND

FINANCIAL STATEMENT



AS PRESENTED TO THE

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

ON

SUNDAY, JULY 14, 1968

AT

"SURF HOUSE", MILITARY ROAD, HENLEY BEACH



LIVES SAVED, 1967/68 SEASON — 16

TOTAL 105

SOUTH PORT SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB INC.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

SEASON 1967-68

Notice is hereby given that the Eighth Annual General Meeting of the South Port Surf Life Saving Club Inc. will be held at "Surf House", 206 Military Road, Henley Beach, on Sunday, 14th July, 1968, at 2.30 p.m.

A G E N D A

1. Apologies.
2. Notice of Meeting.
3. Confirmation of Minutes of Seventh Annual General Meeting held on Sunday, 6th August, 1967.
4. Business arising out of Minutes.
5. Correspondence.
6. Presentation, consideration and adoption of Eighth Annual Report.
7. Presentation, consideration and adoption of Eighth Annual Financial Statement and Treasurer's Report.
8. Consideration of Honoraria and reimbursements for Season 1967/68.
9. Consideration of re-draft of the Constitution and Bylaws.
10. Election of Officers for 1968/69 Season.
11. Consideration and adoption of Subscriptions and other amounts payable by members and officers for the 1968/69 season.
12. General Business.

Robert J. Mayo
HONORARY SECRETARY

27/5/68

OFFICE BEARERS 1967 - 68

PATRON :	MR. W. VANDELEUR
VICE PATRON :	MR. C.L. WHITROW
PRESIDENT :	MR. L.M.J. EVANS
SNR. VICE-PRESIDENT :	MR. G.M. ELLERY
VICE PRESIDENTS :	MR. J.J. ALLEN
	MR. M. KLEMICH
	DR. J. FRAYNE
	MR. V.B. KEELAN
	MR. K. FARRELLY
	MR. C.A. PRICE
	MR. J. MARTIN
CAPTAIN :	MR. R. ROE
VICE CAPTAIN :	MR. P. BARTLETT
CHIEF INSTRUCTOR :	MR. B. DIXON
HON. SECRETARY :	MR. R.J. MAYO
HON. TREASURER :	MR. R. J. MAYO
PUBLICITY OFFICER :	MR. W. D. ROBERTSON (Resigned)
BOAT CAPTAIN :	MR. R. J. MAYO
BOARD CAPTAIN :	MR. D. MOSES (Resigned)
GEAR STEWARD :	MR. P. BARTLETT
MEMBERS' REPRESENTATIVES :	MR. G.W. HANN
	MR. D. BAKER (Resigned)
	MR. S. EVANS
SOCIAL SECRETARY :	MR. D.B. McLEOD
HON. AUDITORS :	MR. G.C.R. PRICE
	MR. P.K. KEELAN
DELEGATES TO SOUTH COAST BRANCH - S.A. STATE CENTRE INC. :	
	MR. R. ROE
	MR. G.M. ELLERY
PUBLIC OFFICER :	MR. R. J. MAYO
MEDICAL OFFICER :	MR. P. MCKINNON

TROPHIES AND AWARDS

GOLDEN FLEECE AWARD - Donated by H.C. Sleigh Ltd. for annual competitions and presentation to the most outstanding member - awarded to R.J. MAYO.

CAPTAIN'S TROPHY - Donated by Club Captain and awarded to the most improved first year member - awarded to K. SMALL.

CLUB CHAMPION - Donated by Mr. Len Reimann - won by J. SYMS.

P.P. AWARD - K. SMALL.
GUNNER - J. SYMS.
GOLDEN SHOVEL - R.J. MAYO.

PATROL EFFICIENCY SHIELD - Donated by Hitchcox Bros. Pty. Ltd. O
Awarded to Patrol No. 2 - P. Bartlett (Capt.), I. Palmer,
M. Adcock, K. Small.

WEEKLY SWIM TROPHY - Donated by L.M.J. Evans - won by B. Dixon.

MOST DEDICATED PATROL MEMBER - Donated by Mr. M. Klemich -
Awarded to P. Dixon.

In presenting this Eighth Annual Report of the South Port Surf Life Saving Club Inc., I have to review a year which has produced some different approaches in the constituents of the Club, and its operation.

Although this season probably will not be remembered as one of marked importance for the Club, many aspects of our development must be reviewed, and a policy determined for future years. The management, in the main, of the Club, has been vested in comparatively inexperienced officers, and although early performances may have dismayed some of the older members, it is to the credit of these young officers, that they were able to realise their function, and retain South Port's high standards on the beach.

The 26th April was the only day in this year's calendar on which the Club called upon dignitaries from many walks of life, to witness the launching of our new boat.

Much money has been spent in trying to provide functions for the members' benefit, suffice to say that this approach has probably failed, due to the fact that most members are not capable of drawing the line at the "fair-go" point. Much will be said on this aspect, and reflections made in later reports.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Gentlemen,

Once again we come to the close of another successful year.

The season 1967-68 was not the hectic rush of last year, and although the season seemed quiet, a consistent carrying out of patrols and club duties, was undertaken by members.

This year we had time to put all our energies into purely club business, and this paid handsome dividends by our winning the Bank of New South Wales trophy for the most efficient patrols in South Australia. Also once again our "A" boat crew came to the fore in carnival competition, and won the "A" Boat State Title.

Our new Boat 'Arkaba', is now a reality, and it is to be hoped the crews can again show their ability and carry off more titles.

The only official function, apart from our Annual Dinner, was the official launching of our new boat, and this, despite the inclement weather, was an outstanding success.

In conclusion, I would like to thank the Committee and all club members, for their help and friendship during the past season.

L. M. J. EVANS
President.

As mentioned earlier, the high standard of patrol work for which South Port has been noted, again prevailed. This culminated in the Club finally being successful, after many close placings in previous years, in the winning of the "Wales" Patrol Efficiency Competition.

CAPTAIN'S REPORT

It is with much pleasure I present my report for the season 1967-68, a season in which the Club achieved its share of success.

During the season we lost a few more members than we gained, although the ones we lost were not all great losses. Due to the fact of our limited social life during the season, members did not mix very much away from South Port. However, I feel during the next season, this social mixing of club members will again prevail to the same extent as it has in previous seasons. This should account for a rise in membership next year.

The Committee had quite a few newcomers this year, and although inexperienced, ran the Club creditably most of the time. Attendance at meetings was quite good, although for some of the year we only had one members' representative, and no Board Captain. Also, two of the Committee members had more than one position, which cuts down the number at meetings. It would be ideal to have one member for every committee position.

Only one Bronze squad went through their exams during the season, but they, and their two instructors, passed. The quality of these new members is good, and they will be good assets for the Club.

The clubhouse improved in facilities as the season progressed, due to the extra finance we had to spend. A new stove, second-hand fridge, and a kitchen partition, in the early part, and a large lawn surrounded with trees was planted during the latter half. Providing our lawn stands up to the winter winds and frequent coverings of sand, it will make our clubhouse a very attractive affair.

Although we had only four rostered patrols, and consequently members had a patrol once a fortnight, our beach was well patrolled.

Rescues were few, but well performed, and first aid cases were well cared for, especially when Peter McKinnon was around. The greatest pleasure I got out of the season, was at the State Titles, when we were awarded the Bank of New South Wales Reel, for having been judged to have the best patrols in the State. This award is the most rewarding a club can receive, and is a tribute to its members.

Congratulations to the "A" Boat crew. A win in the State Titles, in a strange boat, is a good reward for a season of hard, dedicated training. With a new boat for the coming season, we should have another successful season in this part of competition.

In concluding, I would like to thank all members for their help during the season, and in particular, to those who did the bit extra.

RICHARD ROE

Club Captain.

The individual efforts of our three principal new office bearers, Captain, Vice-Captain and Chief Instructor, reflect in the amount of actual time they spent on the beach. The Club's success in this field is in no small way due to their dedication, and preparedness to sacrifice many hours in doing patrols for which they were not rostered.

VICE-CAPTAIN 'S . REPORT

At the beginning of the season it was impossible to set out rostered patrols, as there was only a few members applying for active membership. This is shown by some exceptionally high patrol hours by these members, and I would like to thank these members for their dedicated attitude for the safety of the public, as this is a very trying time when you have to go on patrol every weekend for the first thirteen official patrols.

During the season 16 people were rescued, four of these with line, one with board, and two with the surf boat, and the remaining nine, without line. There were 18 first aid cases treated, with 4 lost children. The total number of hours that the beach was patrolled, was 207, for a total of 49 patrols for the season, with the total number of hours recorded by members being 925½ hours.

The following is a list of Patrol Hours completed by Members :

	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Mins</u>		<u>Hrs.</u>	<u>Mins.</u>
1. P. DIXON	100		5. S. EVANS	53	30
2. B. DIXON	90	45	6. P. McKINNON	50	30
3. R. ROE	73		7. I. PALMER	40	15
4. P. BARTLETT	68		8. G. STAGG	34	15

	<u>Hrs.</u>	<u>Mins</u>		<u>Hrs.</u>	<u>Mins</u>
9. P. ADCOCK	30	15	22. G. GIBBONS	16	15
10. M. BISHOP	28	45	23. P. HORNSEY	12	30
11. D. MOSES	28		24. K. SMALL	11	30
12. M. SCOLYER	27	30	25. P. KEELAN	10	30
13. G. FERRETT	27		26. D. BAKER	10	
14. J. SYMS	25	45	27. G. ANDERSON	9	45
15. G. SANDERSON	25	30	28. R. MAYO	8	15
16. C. LUSCOMBE	24	30	29. D. FERRETT	6	
17. M. ADCOCK	21	30	30. D. McLEOD	5	15
18. B. SIMPSON	20		31. D. HATWELL	5	
19. B. BROWN	19	15	32. G.A. ELLERY	5	
20. P. BURNETT	17	15	33. G.M. ELLERY	3	30
21. G. PRICE	16	30			

TOTAL - 925½ Hours.

I think the most rewarding attribute for the Club was the winning of the "Wales" Patrol Award, with a reel, line and belt being awarded to the Club. I would like to thank all members for doing their best, and am sure they feel rewarded.

Although at times there were moments of laxness by some members, I feel sure that it was due to the younger members being a bit "green"; I myself am still green, but I've gained a lot of experience through the old members, and am sure next year these younger members will attribute themselves, as it will be up to them to keep the beach as well patrolled as in previous years.

PETER BARTLETT

Vice-Captain

Again the Club put forward a Bronze squad of high calibre, all candidates being successful. The following is a list of all Association Awards gained by the Club in season 1967-68.

BRONZE MEDALLION :

C. GIBBONS
M. SCOLYER
M. ADCOCK
P. BURNETT
P. ADCOCK
K. SMALL

INSTRUCTORS' CERTIFICATE :

P. BARTLETT
I. PALMER

CHIEF INSTRUCTOR'S REPORT

Unfortunately, South Port suffered a lapse in competition spirit at carnivals this season. Lacking keen members, and a young inexperienced committee, may have contributed to the laxness in most aspects of training, although the "A" boat crew should be admired. Their undying efforts in training, won them another STATE TITLE, and they certainly deserved to do better at Cronulla.

However, competition within the Club still thrived. I was pleased with the attitude of most members towards swims, especially the older members, who co-operated to their fullest extent. South Port should feel proud that this season every active member was given the chance to pull an oar in our boat, and I feel that it is in this field that South Port will continue to show their strength at Carnivals.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate our fittest member, John Syms, in winning the Club Championship, and add that the weekly swims were not "fixed", although the Official Handicapper didn't deserve the title.

This season we fronted probably our best Bronze Squad; the six members who gained their Bronze Medallions, and their two hard-working instructors, were truly worthy of the awards they attained.

In conclusion, I would like to thank all members and committee for their much needed support this season, making my job a pleasure.

BRIAN DIXON
Chief Instructor.

Competitively, the club did very little this season. Probably the fall in membership had some influence on this aspect. A couple of exceptions could be noted here, in that Geoff Sanderson and Ken Small were the only individuals to make some positive attempt in individual events. The Club has fortunately gained new members of the calibre of Trevor Ewens and Gerry Cornelius, and with any luck, the ability of these individuals may be the fillip needed by our Club to spark the imagination of other individuals.

As a team, the "A" Boat crew again asserted its dedication, which culminated in a victory at the State Championships.

BOAT CAPTAIN'S REPORT

Again facing the loss of our stroke at the beginning of the season, set the problem which we have often had to overcome in the past. Added to this was the fact that for some time, we were unable to acquire the services of a sweep. This left three rowers anxious to pursue the season's competition, but facing this immense frustration. We were fortunate in that David Ferrett was able to find the time to so capably take over the sweep oar again, and Grantley Anderson offered his services as an oarsman, and at the end of December we were "ready to go". We realised from the outset

due to the late start and the condition of our boat, that we would have to work hard to reach peak condition during March. This was set about, and the crew devoted many hours to intense training, in an endeavour to catch up the leeway to other crews. Improvement was most noticeable on every occasion that we competed. Further frustration still faced the crew in that Grantley, although willing to continue, felt that he could not do the crew justice with his increased study and work commitments. At this stage, Geoff Sanderson joined the crew, as a replacement.

It was my consideration that the crew was not getting the best result for the effort being put in. In an endeavour to evaluate my theory, experimentation was made with the West Beach boat. Immediately advantages were noticed, and we competed in this boat at the Inter-Branch Titles. Due to the draw in the State Titles, and although West Beach were prepared to use another boat, Jeff Cook, from Christies Beach, was kind enough to let us use their second boat, the 'A.G. Fletcher'. The crew rowing in the following positions -

No. 1	R.J. Mayo	(Bow)
No. 2	G. Sanderson	
No. 3	J. Syms	
No. 4	J. Huddy	
No. 5	G.D. Ferrett	(sweep)

excelled themselves at the State Titles, and clearly outrowed the competition. Having led around the cans, we were overtaken by Port Elliot as they caught a wave, but the crew settled down to the task of pegging them back, to take the narrow decision.

Fortune was not kind to us at Cronulla, where rowing in our new boat, like so many other crews on the day, we did not proceed beyond the heavy break.

The Club, with its new boat, is in a position, if the rowers can be found, to continue as a strong contender in boat competition. The new boat ("Arkaba"), is without doubt, the best boat ever to enter South Australia, and the builder, Boyd Humphries, is to be complimented on his fine workmanship. The "H.K. Jones", which has served us so well in these past seasons, must be kept in good condition, for though her competitive days are over, she is a fine boat, and will serve the club well in producing competent rowers.

R. J. MAYO

Boat Captain

Membership showed a decline this season, and the need for new blood is most imminent. I feel personally, a decision must be made on what type of membership to place the emphasis. There is a strong feeling that we should retain a strong 'social' set. Whilst agreeing with this point of view, to a degree, I don't feel it should surpass our ambition to introduce youth into our Club.

MEMBERSHIP

Foundation	9
Honorary	2
Reserve Active	9
Senior Active	22
Junior Active	2
Absentee	5
Probationary	2
Associate	2

During the season we had a change in Members' Representatives to the Committee, but George Hann, throughout the year, has always put forward the members' feelings on subjects raised, but perhaps members don't use their Representatives either correctly, or constantly enough.

Gear has been well maintained by our Vice-Captain/Gear Steward, Peter Bartlett, and again this person has displayed his devotion to the Club in the time spent in preparing gear for this season.

Unfortunately, our Publicity Officer resigned early in the season. However, we were fortunate to enjoy fairly wide cover, due to the numerous rescues performed, the State Boat Title, and the launching of our new boat.

Our appreciation to the various media is expressed, and we trust that Surf Lifesaving will receive the publicity deserving of it.

A special commendation to Bill John, State Centre Publicity Officer, for the fine work in promoting all clubs and the Association.

For most of the year our social activities were directed to running a Discotheque, in conjunction with Arkaba Hotel. This proved to be a very satisfactory arrangement financially on our part. However, some of our usual Saturday cabarets were run, but principally due to the lack of planning and advertising, we did not enjoy the success we have been accustomed to. Because of the club's financial position, this year we were able to allocate funds to running functions for the members' benefit. It astounds me that such action is often taken for granted by members, which they display by their complete lack of appreciation. Other aspects regarding facilities provided for members, will be covered more fully in the Treasurer's Report.

SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Social activities have probably not been as frequent this season as in previous seasons. Early functions met with very little support from Club members, although until October, our usual Cabaret functions were well patronised by all.

The most important single aspect of the year's activities, was the commencement of the "Tijuana & Tequilla" Disco. at the Castle Hotel. The first night was an outstanding success, and all subsequent weekly nights were well attended. With the advent of 10.00 o'clock closing, and consequent change in licensing laws, the Hotel continued the Disco and retained the connection with the Club, under a most satisfactory agreement. To the Directors of the Arkaba group, we extend our thanks, and appreciation of their interest in our Club.

The forthcoming season will see some change in the club's social life, if not for the benefit of the members, at least fund raising. It is to be hoped that fund raising and social activities can be successfully combined and conducted along similar patterns to preceding years.

To all Club members, I would like to say that no aspect of your Club can run successfully without your support, so remember, what is being done is being done for your benefit, and nobody else's, so get behind all aspects of Club activities.

DON McLEOD

Social Secretary

In concluding, I must thank the members of the Committee, who have tried so hard in an earnest endeavour to serve their Club. The leadership of Lawrie Evans continues with unselfish devotion to the Club.

In this, my last report as a Senior Executive, I ask all members to review the progress of their Club in our short existence, and to make sure in their own minds that they will not let go of what they have achieved.

We must express our appreciation to the District Council of Noarlunga, and although we have not had to call on their assistance. this season, we know that our friends there will always stand by us.

To Arkaba Holdings, for the part they played in raising funds this season ; to Miss South Australia, Ebba Elmering, for her launching of "Arkaba"; to Don Dunstan, our past Premier, who has again displayed his interest in our movement, by being the only member of Parliament to accept our invitation to the launching, we thank you. Of course there are many others who have helped us throughout the season, none the least of whom the girls I have thanked so often, for the assistance they have given me as Secretary of the Club.

A special 'thank you' must be said to Mrs. Mary Maitland, for her most generous donation, and also to Des. Collins and Alwyn Fisher for their continued support.

R.J. MAYO

Honorary Secretary.

TEAM MANAGER'S REPORT

This season the Club ventured interstate for the Australian Titles again, and also competed at the Inter-club carnival at Port MacDonnell. At the Pt. MacDonnell carnival all members acquitted themselves under the extreme difficulties of the day. Entertainment was restricted to a minimum, due to the ever-present arm of the law.

The trip to Sydney proved moderately successful for the Club, for I feel we gained much in prestige, as we have now become fairly well known at National Carnivals, and many interstate acquaintances are renewed.

The contingent travelled in basically three different groups, a party leaving on the preceding weekend to the Titles in order to pick up our new boat from Newcastle, a later party leaving on the Tuesday, and the remainder on the Thursday evening - all were present at our accommodation site by Friday, 12th April. We were accommodated at Hart's Caravan Park at Miranda, which proved to be quite satisfactory, and very convenient to all facilities.

The Club sponsored the accommodation of the "A" Boat crew, and an allowance was made for bringing the boat back. It is to be hoped that this will continue to be the Club's policy to subsequent competitors whom they consider have earned the right to represent the Club at these all-important Championships.

Competitively, we were restricted to two events, the 'A' Boat Championship and the March Past. The 'A' Boat crew experienced difficulty in negotiating the surf, but I would not suggest that they were alone in this, or that it reflected at all on the capabilities of the crew. Our sweep then took the gamble of trying to beat the break, and was, like many other crews, unlucky. The March Past team had the honour of drawing No. 1 position, and presented themselves well, being most conscious of the responsibility they bore in leading the parade.

The return trip was again made to suit individuals time, with the first batch departing in the early hours of Monday 15th April, and the balance of the contingent reaching Adelaide by Sunday, 21st.

The trip was without incident, and all members upheld the name of the Club in the best manner.

R.J. MAYO
Team Manager

TREASURER'S REPORT

In presenting this, the 8th Annual Report, I feel I must review the Club's financial progress over the past four years in which I have been Treasurer. The Club in this period, has built up from a rather drastic financial position to a very sound position. I trust that the Club will pursue a policy whereby sufficient funds will always be available for projects which the Committee may envisage. The contrary has been too often experienced in the Club.

Our activities for this season have been covered fairly fully in previous reports, and it is not my wish to discuss these at length at this stage. Some difficulty was encountered in formulating a procedure for the sale of refreshments at the Clubhouse, the result, as shown in the Income and Expenditure statement, must be viewed with some reservation due to confusion over the amounts spent on other functions, and the authority for people charging purchases to our account, which must also be taken into consideration. I have endeavoured to adjust transactions to give some fair indication, and where possible review a true transaction.

The outgoing Committee has made suggestions to be implemented in the 1968-69 season, and it is my recommendation that the new Committee adhere to these.

As this will be my final report as Hon. Treasurer, I wish to thank those members who have assisted me during the period, and hope they will continue to show an interest in the financial status of their Club.

R. J. MAYO, A.A.S.A.

Hon. Treasurer

LIFE SAVING CLUB INC.

for year ended 30th June, 1968

ACCOUNT

	<u>Income</u>	
Balance at National Bank 1/7/67		69.87
<u>Donations</u> - General	222.65	
Arkaba Holdings Ltd.	2523.33	
	<u>2745.98</u>	
Interest		22.00
Proposition and Subscription Fees		168.00
<u>Profit from Carnivals</u>		
South Side Carnival 1968	25.00	
Aust. Champs. 1967	366.91	
	<u>391.91</u>	
<u>Socials</u>	1438.48	
Less expenses	390.06	
	<u>1048.42</u>	
Sale of T. shirts & shorts	155.50	
less cost	154.35	
	<u>1.15</u>	
<u>Profit from conducting sale of</u>		
<u>Refreshments</u>		
Receipts	343.71	
Cost	322.11	
	<u>21.60</u>	
<u>Value of Trophies won & equipment</u>		
<u>Donations</u>		
"Wales" reel	180.00	
Board rack	44.56	
	<u>224.56</u>	

SOUTH PORT SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB INC.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30/6/68

<u>Liabilities</u>		<u>Assets</u>	
Accumulated Funds 1/7/67	11094.87	<u>Current Assets</u>	
		Balance at Bank	229.09
<u>Plus</u>		<u>Fixed Assets</u>	
Nett additions		(Deemed value 30/6/66)	
Sundry equipment	1752.00	Additions at cost or	
Clubhouse	<u>595.00</u> 2347.00	valuation)	
		Clubhouse	12230.00
<u>Reduction in</u>		Furnishing	850.00
indebtedness to		Lifesaving	
D.C. Noarlunga	600.00	equipment	<u>3508.00</u>
Increase in bank	<u>152.22</u>		16588.00
	752.22		
	<u>3099.22</u>		
<u>Less depreciation</u>		<u>Less provision</u>	
for 1967-68	<u>363.00</u>	for	
	2736.22	Depreciation	<u>579.00</u> 16,009.00
<u>Current liabilities</u>			
Loan from D.C. of			
Noarlunga, repayable			
over 4 years.	<u>2400.00</u>		
	<u>\$16,231.09</u>		<u>\$16,231.09</u>

R.J. Mayo, A.A.S.A.,
Hon. Treasurer.

We have examined the books and vouchers presented to us and in our opinion the Balance Sheet as presented is a true and correct record of the financial position of the South Port Surf Life Saving Club Inc. as at 30th June, 1968.

(Signed) G.C.R. PRICE, A.A.S.A.(SLR)
P.K. KEELAN
Hon. Auditors

30/6/68