

THIRTEENTH

ANNUAL REPORT

as presented at the

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

held at

SOUTH PORT CLUB HOUSE

on

SUNDAY, 5th AUGUST, 1973.

at 11 a.m.

SOUTH PORT SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB INC.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

SEASON 1972-73

Notice is hereby given that the Thirteenth Annual General Meeting of the South Port Surf Life Saving Club Inc. will be held at the South Port Club House on Sunday 5th August, 1973 at 11.00 a.m.

AGENDA

1. Apologies.
2. Notice of Meeting.
3. Confirmation of Minutes of the Eleventh General Meeting.
4. Business arising out of Minutes.
5. Correspondence.
6. Presentation, consideration and adoption of Thirteenth Annual Report.
7. Presentation, consideration and adoption of Thirteenth Annual Financial Statement and Treasurer's Report.
8. Election of Officers for 1973-74 Season.
9. Consideration and adoption of Subscription and other amounts payable by members and officers for the 1973-74 Season.
10. General Business.
11. Consideration of Honoraria and reimbursements for Season 72-73.

J. L. HAYES.

HON. SECRETARY.

OFFICE BEARERS 1972-73

Patron	-	Mr. W. Vandeleur
V. Patron	-	Mr. C. L. Whitrow
President	-	Mr. L. M. J. Evans
Senior Vice President	-	Mr. G. C. Price
Vice President	-	Mr. M. Klemich Mr. V. B. Keelan Dr. J. Frayne Mr. K. Forrely Mr. R. Dixon Mr. Jervis
Captain	-	Mr. C. Gibbons
Vice Captain	-	Mr. B. Wilson
Chief Instructor	-	Mr. D. Richards
Hon. Secretary	-	Mr. J. L. Hayes
Hon. Treasurer	-	Mr. G. Baker
Publicity Officer	-	Mr. G. Lipman
Boat Captain	-	Mr. D. G. Gardener
Board Captain	-	Mr. S. Binks
Gear Steward	-	Mr. R. Foote
Member's Reps.	-	Messrs. D. Alexander, S. Jervis
Social Secretary	-	Mr. I. Richardson
Club House Director	-	Mr. G. Hann
Hon. Auditor's	-	Messrs. R. J. Mayo, F. Blatchford
Public Officer	-	Mr. R. J. Mayo
Medical Officer	-	Dr. A. G. McKinnon

PRESIDENT

Once again it is my privilege and pleasure to present my report for the past season.

Although not a spectacular year we have had a satisfying year. Our membership has remained static and our beach was patrolled with the usual efficiency resulting in gaining 4th place in the Wales Efficiency Competition.

The clubhouse is now ours as the last payment was made prior to this season and our grateful thanks must go to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Stevens for their work in the canteen which contributed in no small measure to the last payment.

Our Nipper Auxiliary has become a force to be reckoned with in this State and again it is the faithful few who spend their time and energy in making this possible.

I would like to offer my congratulations to the Nipper fathers who had the interest to do their Bronze and Advanced Rescues Awards in order that they could be more efficient in training our future lifesavers.

The large contingent of members of the Club who journeyed to Burleigh Heads for the National Titles were a credit to the Club and their 12th place in the March Past at the Titles is worthy of mention.

It is with a touch of sadness that I conclude my report for this season as it will be the last I will do as President of this Club.

I would like to say that the years I have been President have been some of the happiest of my life and if my successor is given the same friendship and help that I have had then he, too, will find it very rewarding.

Once again a big thank you to you all.

L. M. J. EVANS.
PRESIDENT.

CAPTAINS REPORT

The 1972/73 season realized only minor successes on the beach and in competition. Unfortunately it appears the club has split into two groups, one that looks after the beach and one that is mainly involved in carnival activities. The people involved are to be commended for their particular efforts but it is hoped that they can split their interests more evenly next season.

Our patrols for the season were of good quality which earned us a high placing in the "Wales" competition and subsequently a new rescue board. I would like to thank the donor and the members and hope the standard is carried on into next season when the trophy may be a new boat.

The results were not a true indication of the effort put in by the "A" boat crew. At the Australian Titles at Burleigh Heads our crew was eliminated on the first day, but as it turned out, drew a heat with three of the finalists. The march past team performed well over the season and culminated the year by drawing number one position on the Sunday at the Australians. The boys did well and we came twelfth against the best in Australia.

The nippers again had a good season with some consistent team and individual performances. Their hardworking parents must be thanked for their involvement in the junior and senior sections of the club.

President Laurie Evans has indicated that he will relinquish the position at the end of this term and we should all thank him for his efforts over the years and hope for his future guidance in the ensuing years. Being my last year in my position I would like to thank all the people who have assisted me over the past 3 years.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Graham Baker for winning the weekly seven trophy and becoming club champion. By also holding the office of treasurer Graham is one of our most valuable members. This season we gained a few senior experienced members from various sources and their guidance will be invaluable to the younger members.

In concluding I would once again like to thank the committee and in particular Vice Captain Brenton Wilson for the assistance given during the season.

C. GIBBONS
C/CAPT.

VICE CAPTAIN

It is my pleasure to again give you this report.

Perhaps this year is one of the slowest years since I've been in the club. We saw a bronze squad go through but to my disappointment there were no young members gaining this qualification. I feel a little more help to the chief instructor by senior members might have alleviated this position. Despite this I feel next season we have to strive for this younger membership drive because

this is where our future is. Also this year we will have cadets coming up to whom senior members will have to devote some spare time to keep them in the club.

Getting onto patrols this year I have a few 'beefs' to make. Although we gained a 3rd place in the state in the patrol efficiency the attendance of a lot of members in respect to their rostered patrols was pretty poor. I myself topped the hours and I feel that only half the rostered members did more than the average per member hours. So you others, take a page out of their books. This is a team effort and we in charge expect everyone to pull their weight.

As was with patrols carnival attendance left a little to be desired. The "A" boat crew was the only exception performing well throughout the year. We have the potential to get places in R & R and March Past. Congrats must go to the late arrivals, the B Boat crew for their performance in the states. Perhaps if we all tried as hard as the boat boys we would do well.

To the brighter side of things. This year we journeyed to Queensland for the Aust. Titles taking boat and march past teams. Although the boat did not go too well the march past team did quite well attaining 12th out of 72 march past teams as well as being the first team on the beach. The rest of the time was spent having a good time in the beautiful weather up there.

To all members who helped the club in one way or another many thanks. To Andy Higgs many thanks for all the work you've done. To all who are members we hope to see you here again next year with renewed enthusiasm to get a big lift within the club.

B. WILSON
VICE CAPTAIN.

CLUB HOUSE DIRECTOR

Gentlemen,

I hereby submit my report as Club House Director for season 72-73.

Owing to the appalling lack of interest shown by Senior Members the club house was not kept in the best of repair through the season.

If we hope to continue as an efficient surf club we must look to keeping our club house in a decent condition. This means members who use the facilities of the club should see that they clean up after use, i.e. kitchen, bunk room etc. Also it behoves senior members to set the example for the juniors, cadet and nipper members on tidiness and when asked to clean up the club house to do so.

Then I as Club House Director will not have to chase up members to do same and usually finish up using nipper members to clean up club house.

I hope that the coming season will see better co-operation between members in this respect.

G. HANN
CLUB HOUSE DIRECTOR

BOAT CAPTAIN

Members,

Well its another year over and not a great success with our boat crews at all last season. The Wednesday night Twilight carnivals helped our "A" crew a little for the state titles but after all the hard work put into the training of the "A" crew a fourth place was only achieved. Congratulations to the B crew for coming THIRD in the states as this must have meant a lot of hard work. Thanks must be given to Moana club for enabling our crews for competing in the State Titles and also at the Australian Titles at Burleigh Heads, Queensland. Unfortunately our crew happened to be FIRST out of the competition but it has proved to us what we will have to do and expect next Season.

BOARD CAPTAINS

This season has not been a relatively good one in regards to the usage of Boards. Most of those used received damage.

There have been no new boards purchased. The board racks have not yet been made and installed and this accounted for some damage to boards due to them falling or being knocked over.

In the earlier part of the season some interest was taken by one of the junior lads when he participated in several of the carnivals. But due to the unavailability of transport, several times the board did not appear on the score and so loss of interest occurred. So maybe next year I hope more enthusiasm will be taken by all members participating in carnivals to help keep the younger lads more interested in the fields associated with the lifesaving.

At the moment the club has several boards and anybody desiring use of them may do so at any time. So please lads they're there to be used not just left to hang from the roof, so how about getting up your courage and having a try.

S. BINKS
BOARD CAPTAIN

SOCIAL SECRETARY

The 1972-73 season although not an outstanding one for social events, was not without highlights. After a rather sluggish opening at Steve Binks home, a very successful evening was organised at Fred Blatchford's. This event was particularly well attended by the older (and past) club members. New Year's Eve was traditionally celebrated in the clubhouse and was once again very popular. Another evening was arranged at Graham Ellery's to farewell those members who went to the Australian Titles in Queensland, but perhaps the most outstanding event was the club dinner. Held at the Marion Hotel, it proved to be a great success and everyone who attended thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

I would like to thank those who helped, organised and got down and did the work and also those people who allowed their homes to be used for fund-raising activities.

IAN R. RICHARDSON
SOCIAL SECRETARY

NIPPER DELEGATE

Last season the Nipper Division of the Southern Surf Lifesaving Club emerged from the ranks of the "also rans" producing a consistently high standard of competition throughout. The senior one man rescue team secured the trophy for the lowest score in competition for the year, while the march past team scored one fourth, two thirds and two seconds.

Already five of last year's 12 yr. olds have attained their "Quau". This will enable them to compete as both 13 yr. old nippers and as cadets for the Senior Club and we wish them every success in the latter role.

Last year's excellent results were only achieved through hard work on the part of all sections of the Club and the Nipper Auxiliary take this opportunity to sincerely thank all senior members for their assistance in the past year.

We realise that the natural growth of our Nipper Division, the extra age group, our association with the cadets plus the formation of a second march past team means greater demands on the Club generally, but we anticipate that the Club spirit and enthusiasm shown by all will enable us to solve any problems that may arise without undue difficulty.

M. CHEAN

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Gentlemen,

In concluding this, our 13th Annual Report, let me say that it has been a slow season, though not one without a few achievements being made.

As we were unable to get a complete Bronze squad together during the season, it was good to see some of the Nippers' fathers getting together and gaining their Bronze Medallions and Advanced Resuscitation Awards. Congratulations to these gentlemen.

However, the enthusiasm shown by the senior active members could have been better. The Club seemed to be split into two groups, those that competed at carnivals and the remainder patrolling the beach. Next year fellows, let us combine to form ONE club that will be even more successful at both venues.

Looking back at the passed year, let us now forget that our few achievements were only made possible by you - the members - so keep the club progressing into the future by giving it your full support.

Special thanks must go to our President of many years, Laurie Evans, for a terrific job well done. Thanks also to Graham Baker for the assistance he has given me during the past season.

JOHN L. HAYES
HON. SECRETARY