Albany Surf Life Saving Club

2019/2020 Annual Report

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Life Members

Surf Life Saving WA

2017	Celia Waugh

Albany Surf Life Saving Club

1959	Ian Lawrence
1959	Ralph Hutchinson*
1996	Doreen Kelly*
1996	Ray Kelly*
1999	Andrew Jay
2002	Celia Waugh
2003	Tom Marron
2003	Sandra Marron
2006	John Beaton
2006	Sheila Beaton
2009	Kerry Oakley
2013	Les Paxton
2013	Rob Lucas
2014	Guy Castieau*
2015	Ken Clark
2017	Joanne Lucas

*Deceased

Appreciation

Albany Surf Life Saving Club acknowledges and thanks our amazing sponsors & supporters for their community spirit throughout the 2019|2020 season.

PRINCIPAL SPONSORS

Smith Thornton Accountants

MAJOR DIVISION SPONSORS

Lifesaving | Patrol: Great Southern Specialist Centre
Nippers: Albany Community Pharmacy
Senior Competition: Ryde Building Company

CONTRIBUTING SPONSORS

Albany Signs | Amity Tavern
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COMMUNITY

John Banks | Janet and John Inglis

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2019 Annual General Meeting
Agenda

2019 Albany Surf Life Saving Club
Annual General Meeting
To be held at 6:30pm on Friday 23rd August 2019
Upstairs of the Albany Surf Life Saving Club

1.0 Open meeting and welcome

2.0 Attendance

3.0 Apologies

4.0 Minutes of Previous AGM
- 4.1 Business arising

5.0 Financial Statement
- 5.1 Appointment of auditors

6.0 Director's Reports

7.0 Election of Board of Management

8.0 Farewell outgoing Directors

9.0 Endorsement of Team Leaders

10.0 Special Resolution
Proposed amendment to the Albany Surf Life Saving Club Constitution as stated below:
The Club resolves to amend the Albany Surf Life Saving Club Constitution clause 7.9 by deleting the words "clause 29(a)" and replacing them with the words "clause 30.1(b)".

11.0 General Business

12.0 Close meeting

Notice of 2019 Albany SLSC Board of Management Nominations

The following nominations have been received by the Administration Director for the 2019 Albany Surf Life Saving Club Annual General Meeting Board of Management elections:

President:	Sarah Bowles
Vice President:	Adam Cousins
Administration Director:	Perdita Beebe
Finance Director:	Chris Swarts
Director:	Cameron Martin

No further nominations have been received.

Minutes

2019 Albany Surf Life Saving Club
Annual General Meeting
6:00pm on Friday 23rd August 2019
Upstairs, Albany Surf Life Saving Club

13.0 Open meeting and welcome

14.0 Attendance

Life Members

Les Paxton, Ken Clark

Financial Members

Perdita Beebe, Rob Mason, Adam Cousins, Chris Swarts, Matt Wells, Gemma Sandy, Judy Clark, Helen Marshall, Erin Miller, Heike Anfang, Dana Neumann, John Irwin, Richard Langston, Kelvin Ridgway, Bethwyn Hearle, William Hearle, Donna Cameron, Joy Abbott, Jason Abbott, Kristen Ellery, Noah Morcombe, Jann Hood, Jason Bresanello, Nick Walker, Jeff Medcalf, Greg Pepall, Richard Wrightson, Corinne Stoner, Sally Moir, Pat McSweeney, Byron Bird, Nisha Jeyaseelan, Ainslie Mason, Rob Slattery, Allan Beebe

Non Members

Mark Irwin (SLSWA), Elise Irwin, Ted Dowling (Trigg SLSC)

15.0 Apologies

Cameron Martin, Christine Ficko, Sarah Bowles, Dinah Roecker, Celia Waugh, Rob Lucas, Joanne Lucas, Kerry Oakley, Meghann Tysoe, Nadine Shepherd, Lisa Symmans, Dean Symmans, Dora Adeline, Noreen Les, Amanda

16.0 Minutes of Previous AGM

16.1 Business arising

Nil business arising.

Moved:	Matt Wells
Sec:	Rob Mason
	Carried

17.0 Financial Statement

Chris Swarts (Finance Director) addressed the AGM noting:

- A decline in club sponsors that will need attention in the next season
- Income from membership has increased – largely due to nipper parents being required to become a member.
- The club's first paid Club Administrator was been appointed in June, Tash Rolfe. Tash is working 15 hours a week which will impact on the season's finances.
- We have invested in a building audit to develop a structured building maintenance program moving forward over the next 10 years.

Moved:	Rob Mason
Sec:	Beth Hearle
	Carried

17.1 Appointment of auditors

Motion: Albany Surf Life Saving Club appoint McLeod as the financial auditor for 2020.
Moved: Chris Swarts
Seconded: Rob Mason
Carried

18.0 Director's Reports

Presentation of 2018/19 Annual Report.

19.0 Election of Board of Management

Rob acknowledged and thanked current and past Board/Committee members for their commitment to club operations in particular the Team Leaders who stepped down including Gemma Sandy, Ainslie Mason, Andrew Duffield, Pat McSweeney and Rebecca Stephens. Celia Waugh will be continuing as Education & Lifesaving Team Leader.

All nominations for Board of Management were received in writing as per the Constitution:

Position	Nominee	Proposed	Seconded	Accepted
President	Sarah Bowles	Rob Mason	Perdita Beebe	Yes
Vice President	Adam Cousins	Rob Mason	Perdita Beebe	Yes
Administration Director	Perdita Beebe	Rob Mason	Chris Swarts	Yes
Finance Director	Chris Swarts	Rob Mason	Perdita Beebe	Yes
Director	Cameron Martin	Rob Mason	Perdita Beebe	Yes

Adam Cousins stepped up to chair meeting in Sarah's absence. On behalf of the Club and incoming President Sarah Bowles, Adam thanked Rob for his strategic vision, leadership and commitment to all areas of the club over the past 4 years. Adam noted that the newly elected Board will continue to draw on Rob's knowledge and expertise should he accept a Board appointed Director position.

20.0 Farewell outgoing Directors

Rob Mason and Matt Wells are standing down from the Board. Thank you to Matt Wells for his fantastic work around the club and we look forward to having him in the Surf Sports Team Leader role.

21.0 Endorsement of Team Leaders

The following Team Leaders were endorsed by AGM attendees

Position	Nominee	Proposed	Seconded	Accepted
Operational Admin	Gemma Sandy	Chris Swarts	Perdita Beebe	Yes
Ed & Lifesaving	Celia Waugh	Les Paxton	Perdita Beebe	Yes
Surf Sports	Matt Wells	Richard	Perdita Beebe	Yes
House	Nadine Shepherd	Donna Cameron	Perdita Beebe	Yes
Events	Hieke Anfang	Helen Marshall	Perdita Beebe	Yes

22.0 Special Resolution

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Moved: Gemma Sandy
Seconded: Rob Mason
Carried

23.0 **General Business**

Mark Irwin – SLSWA Representative
On behalf of SLSWA, Mark congratulated and thanked Rob & Ainslie Mason for their huge involvement, leadership and commitment they have given not only Albany SLSC but surf lifesaving in Western Australia.

Mark acknowledged the outgoing Board and welcomed the newly appointed Board.

Mark outlined that his role at SLSWA is developmental and working directly with clubs. Albany is a strong club and well known for the Surf Craft challenge which continues to grow each year. SLSWA is supporting regional clubs through decisions like holding the SLSWA Masters and Country State Championships in Denmark in March 2020.

Pat McSweeney
On behalf of the Club membership, Pat expressed thanks to Rob Mason for his incredible job and all the work that is done behind the scenes that many members are not aware of.

24.0 Close meeting
On behalf of Sarah, Adam stated that there's an exciting year ahead at the club with lots activities and events happening. There will be different challenges particularly with the redevelopment happening at Middleton Beach, but Adam urged everyone to get involved and participate as the success of the club depends on the strength of our membership.

Meeting closed

2019|2020 Board & Office Bearers

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

President	SARAH BOWLES
Vice President	ADAM COUSINS
Vice President	CAMERON MARTIN
Administration Director	PERDITA BEEBE
Finance Director	CHRIS SWARTS
Director	CAMERON MARTIN
Board Appointed Director	ROB MASON

ADMIN/MEMBERSHIP TEAM

Archives/History	AINSLIE MASON
Club Chaplain	JASON BRESANELLO
Grants	ANNE SPARROW
Life Members Chair	KERRY OAKLEY
Media & Communications	GEMMA SANDY
Member Screening	AINSLIE MASON
Membership Recognition	KERRY OAKLEY
Merchandise & Uniforms	NARELLE MCCLEAN
Registrar	AINSLIE MASON
Sponsorship	SARAH BOWLES

SURF SPORTS TEAM

Beach Captain	FRASER WOOD
Board Captain	GREG PEPALL
Boat Captain	JEFF MEDCALF
Club Recorder	DANA NEUMANN
Junior Board Captain	MOLLY BOWLES
Nipper Comp & Coaching	NADINE SHEPHERD
Nipper Coordinator	KRISTIN ELLERY
Seniors Competition	MATT WELLS
Ski Captain	JASON BRESANELLO
Swim Captain	RICHARD LANGSTON
Youth Camp Coordinator	CARL RICHARDSON
Youth Coordinator	COLLIN PASS
Youth Coordinator	DANI LYNCH

HOUSE TEAM

Bar Manager	ERIN MILLER
Environment Officer	CORINNE STONER
Maintenance	KELVIN RIDGWAY
Health and Safety Officer	

Canteen Committee

KERRY OAKLEY | ANNE SPARROW | KYRRA TURNER
STEVE COWLEY | MADELEINE BURGER

HONOURS & AWARDS COMMITTEE

CAMERON MARTIN | NADINE SHEPHERD
KERRY OAKLEY, MATT WELLS

TEAM LEADERS

Admin & Membership	GEMMA SANDY
Education	CELIA WAUGH
Lifesaving	CELIA WAUGH
Surf Sports	MATT WELLS
House	NADINE SHEPHERD
Events	HEIKE ANFANG

EDUCATION TEAM

Education Coordinator JEFF MEDCALF

Trainers

CHRISTINE FICKO | LIZ WOOD |DANI LYNCH
KEVIN PETTLEY | ALEX POULTON | ALEX WELLS
BETH HEARLE | MEGAN DOWNES
JACKIE RIDDELL

Trainers & Assessors

CELIA WAUGH | JEFF MEDCALF | ROB LUCAS
CAMERON MARTIN | HELENA STOAKLEY
JO LUCAS | LES PAXTON | IAN SPURGEON

LIFESAVING TEAM

Lifesaving Coordinator	DANI LYNCH
First Aid Officer	DORA ADELINE
IRB Captain	CAMERON MARTIN
IRB Captain	TOM BOWLES
IRB Captain	LES PAXTON
Motor Vehicle Officer	WILLIAM HEARLE
Radio Officer	RICHARD WRIGHTSON
Support Operations	PATRICK MCSWEENEY
Water Safety	CHRISTINE FICKO

Patrol Captains

ROB LUCAS | JO LUCAS | IAN SPURGEON
JIM MORCOM | JEFF MEDCALF | CHRIS FICKO
ALEX WELLS

EVENTS TEAM

2IC	HELEN MARSHALL
Christmas Pageant	REBECCA STEPHENS
Marketing & Design	DONNA CAMERON
Surf Sports Coordinator	ROB MASON

Team Members

JOY ABBOTT | KYRRA TURNER | ERIN MILLER
SUSAN BATTERSBY | SARAH BOWLES
KERRY OAKLEY

STAFF

Club Administrator TASH ROLFE

President's Report

Sarah Bowles | President

What a season it has been. It is safe to say this season has certainly been like no other!

The Albany SLSC reputation as a leader and inclusive club in all aspects of what we do resulted in record membership numbers again this year. Historically, our nipper program has been considered the strength of our membership but this season we have witnessed the continual growth of senior membership levels to levels now as high as our Woodside Nippers! There really is something for everyone to be a part of. Also worth highlighting is the continued growth of the Youth (13-18 year old) age groups. This retention and growth can be clearly attributed to the diverse opportunities across the club, leadership and mentoring programs we deliver. We are incredibly proud of our youth member retention rates, which have been recognised at a state level.

This season we have been working through the final steps of the club restructure and our strategic plan. Albany SLSC is a complex, multi-faceted organisation that requires the support of many to deliver each season. I would like to sincerely thank my fellow board members for their leadership, dedication and passion to support the development and growth of the organisation into the future.

2019/2020 ASLSC Board:

- Perdie Beebe – Administration Director
- Chris Swarts – Finance Director
- Cameron Martin – Director
- Rob Mason – Board Appointed Director (Redevelopment Project Lead)

It was with great sadness we received Adam Cousin's resignation from the Vice President position in December. Adam's enthusiasm and passion has been a great loss to not only the club but also to Albany, and I would once again like to thank Adam for his contribution to the club. I would also like to express my sincere thanks to Cameron Martin for seamlessly stepping into this role Vice President role from within the Board.

To support the many of the club's operational facets, teams were established last season to assist club operations. A team approach to operations was implemented to support the growth of the club, maintain a stronger volunteer base by broadening our engagement with members, and work towards a best practice model that aims to share increasing workloads on roles and responsibilities across the operations. I would like to express my enormous thanks to the Team Leaders and all members who supported key roles and responsibilities of the club operations throughout the season.

Operational Teams and Team Leaders:

- Education and Life Saving – Celia Waugh
- Surf Sports – Matthew Wells
- House – Nadine Shepherd
- Events – Heike Anfang
- Administration – Gemma Sandy

I really cannot express enough the importance of our volunteer support. Fundamentally, with the unprecedented growth of membership numbers, so too has the requirements of volunteers to support our operations. My wholehearted thanks and appreciation goes out to all members who have contributed week in and week out this season... and there are so many... directors, team leaders, coordinators (across nippers, youth, seniors and competition), educators (assessors, trainers and facilitators), patrol captains, emergency response team, water safety, coaches, age group managers,

points tally, officials, bar staff and managers, event organisers and support teams, equipment captains, grant writers, fundraising teams, communications and media, uniform and merchandise, registrations, first aid, radios, canteen, beach set up/pack down, transport, venue hire. I know I speak on behalf of the Board to express our sincere gratitude to you all.

This season has been all about the consolidation of changes, fine-tuning operations, improving our communication and ensuring appropriate documentation of roles, responsibilities and team activities. We continue to work through this process and aim for better outcomes for both the club and our members. Much of this work will be done in this off-season period. The Board has already begun work on the development of a new strategic plan to take us into 2021-2024. Member engagement is critical at this time and we hope that you continue to participate in this process.

The ongoing success of the club has brought the operations, capacity and asset management of the building into sharp focus, with reviews and member feedback identifying a number of critical safety risks and mounting challenges to meeting current demand for its services. Following the surge in planning, design and investment activity in the Middleton Beach foreshore precinct, and in response to the growing demands placed by the community and our growing member base, the club has identified a strategic vision to address its most pressing challenges and opportunities with the development of the Albany SLSC Building Redevelopment Project. This project is ongoing and at present in proposal stage. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Rob Lucas, Lawrence Cuthbert, Nick Walker and the project lead, Rob Mason, for their considerable work in this space.

Our sponsors remain critical. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our Sponsoring Partners. With less than 20% of our annual income derived from membership fees, our sponsorship programs are essential to support the operations of the club. Supporting local does matter. We encourage you to support the business that support our organisation. It is critical time for us all to support our local businesses.

Principal Sponsor
Smith Thornton Accountants

Major Division Sponsors
Woodside Nippers: **Albany Community Pharmacy**
Lifesaving|Patrol: **Great Southern Specialist Centre**
Competitions: **Ryde Building Company**

Contributing Sponsors
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As I have mentioned, this has certainly been a season like no other. We certainly had a great start to the season with new partnership to support the club, large numbers on the beach, the newly revamped Rainbow Coast Carnival proving to be a great success, another glorious day for the New Year's Eve swim and a very successful Country Carnival for competitors at Smiths Beach in January. But with the impact of the Middleton Beach Foreshore Enhancement Project on weekly activities, and uncharted challenges with severe weather for our Country Championships and the Covid-19 pandemic leading to the cancellation of State/National Carnivals, club windups and closure of club facilities, we certainly haven't had the opportunity to cap off our season as we would like and celebrate the great successes and contribution of the club and our members. With that said, I have to say how enormously proud I am of our members

in navigating through these challenges, working together and supporting both their fellow members and the operations of the club.

We are so privileged to have a number of exceptional members in the club whose dedication to the lifesaving cause and commitment and love for this club is exceptional. They are professional, they are dedicated, they deliver and stand up when it really counts, sometimes to their own detriment. I am truly honoured to be a member of this club and to have fellow members, like you, by my side.

As I write my report, we remain in extraordinary times. Let's take this opportunity to take the time to continue to work together through the changes we need to implement to assist our club as we grow and develop. Stay safe, stay connected and I really am looking forward to seeing you all on the beach!

Sarah Bowles
President
Albany Surf Life Saving Club

Director's Report

Rob Mason | Board Appointed Director

I have enjoyed working with the Board this year and express my thanks for their hard work and good judgement during what has proved to be a busy year with a very challenging finish to the season. My particular thanks and congratulations to our President, Mrs Sarah Bowles for taking over the reins with a great attitude and the Club's best interests at heart. ASLSC is lucky to have a great group of people guiding our strategic direction.

In the background, I have been working with a small sub-committee on plans, submissions and funding requests for much needed extensions to the current Surf Club building. A great deal of work has gone into this and much feedback has been received and considered from members, local government, funding bodies and local community groups.

I believe the plans and accompanying documents that were completed for submission to the City of Albany in March this year were of an extremely high standard and realistically addressed the issues and objectives identified through the planning process. My thanks to the sub-committee of Rob Lucas, Nick Walker, Chris Swarts and Lawrence Cuthbert along with our architect Tom Stevens from H&H and to all members who provided input.

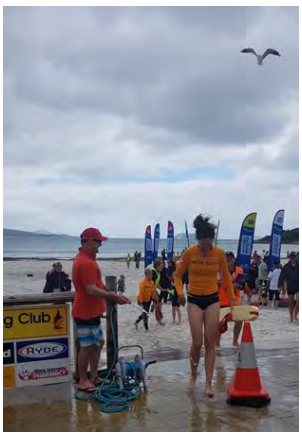
Unfortunately, due to the impacts of COVID-19, we have received notice from the City of Albany stating that funding will not be available for the project at this time. We understand that the opportunity for funding from other major bodies may also be impacted by the pandemic. The plans will not go to waste, and we will continue to pursue the project when the timing is better.

I have also continued to manage our major annual events with the support of others, but of course, two of these events – Albany Harbour Swim and the Surf Craft Challenge were cancelled due to COVID-19. The New Year's Eve Swim did go ahead and was an outstanding success with over 140 competitors – further establishing this event as an all-inclusive and fun swim to finish off the year.

My thanks to all involved in running that event and also a special mention to the Harbour Swim Team of Simon Smith, Kaye Bolger, Sally Malone and David Moss who put in a great deal of effort only to have the event cancelled a few weeks before it was set to run.

My thanks also to our administrator - Tash Rolfe who has taken on much of the application process for these events and has done a fine job. Let's hope for a smoother season in 2020/21 and get back to having fun together at the beach!

Rob Mason
Board Appointed Director
Albany Surf Life Saving Club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Finance Report

Chris Swarts | Finance Director

I am pleased to present the 2019-2020 Financial Statements for the Albany Surf Life Saving Club. The 2019-2020 season ended amidst the onset of the Corona Virus (COVID-19) Pandemic. Considering that the effects of the Pandemic really only started to hit us close to the end of the season, the financial impact of the Pandemic isn't reflected in this years' figures in any material respect.

The relative strong growth that the club experienced in recent years has continued during the 2020 financial Year. Total Income increased from $189,685 to $231,331, on the back of yet another season of strong support by our sponsors and regular patrons. In this regard I would like to thank Mr John Banks and Mr and Mrs Inglis for their ongoing financial support of our club. I also would like to thank our annual sponsors. Their support and commitment to our club is vital and much appreciated. Our sponsors during the season were:

- Smith Thornton Accountants
- Ryde Building Company
- Great Southern Specialist Centre
- Albany Community Pharmacy
- Mason Realty
- Amity Tavern

A review of the Financial Statements offers the following highlights:

- Income is up compared to the previous year by $41,646 whilst expenses are also up by $22,876 resulting in an increase in the profit $18,770
- The profit for the year was $40,418 which is almost double that of last year
- The Events Committee yet again excelled this year and their efforts being richly rewarded by an increase in income from fundraising of $11,349 and bar and canteen sales increasing by 18% and 23% respectively
- In this financial year the club has appointed its first part-time paid employee to assist the board in offering greater support and service to the members. The costs associated with this role is largely responsible for the increase in expenses compared to the previous year
- We have started with our pro-active maintenance program of the club rooms, resulting in an increased spend of $9,413 compared to $4,953 compared to last year
- The Financial Statements also include the costs associated with the future expansion of the club facilities, namely architects' fees of $2,957

As mentioned earlier, the Corona Virus Pandemic hit us at the end of the 2019-2020 season. As we move into the 2020-2021 season the impact of the pandemic has escalated and impacted us as a club in similar ways as it has the broader community. Venue hire, Special Events, Club Social events etc. have been cancelled with the commensurate impact on the income generated by the club. The club is however fortunate that we are in a strong financial position so we will be able to weather the storm.
I would like to thank Tash Ralph, as our employed Club Administrator, for her outstanding effort during the season to assist me and the board to fulfil our obligations to our members. I would also like to thank the team at Smith Thornton, with special mention to Barbara Biggs, for their support and assistance in finalising the financial statements and other accounting support during the year.

In these difficult and uncertain times, it is going to be vitally important that we as a club stand together and support each other. I look forward to seeing you on the beach in the coming season.

Chris Swarts
Director of Finance
Albany Surf Life Saving Club

Independent Auditor's Report

Education & Lifesaving

Celia Waugh | Team Leader

It has been an absolute pleasure to be Team Leader of the Education/Lifesaving team who have had an epic season. Although Education and Lifesaving are two different areas in the Club there are many areas that they cross over and complement each other.

It would not have been possible to deliver the programs of my team without the amazing work from Jeff Medcalf (Education Coordinator) and Dani Lynch (Lifesaving Coordinator). They have both dedicated many hours of their time to provide education programs and lifesaving services for the Club and Community this season.

I would also like to thank everyone involved in the following areas:

- Lifesaving – Patrol Captains & Patrol Members, Emergency Response Team, Water Safety Coordinator and team of volunteers, First Aid, IRB Coordinators, drivers and crew, Vehicle Officer
- Education – All Assessors and Trainers

You are amazing and have had to deal with a few obstacles this season including the City of Albany Middleton Beach redevelopment program, Australia Day trying weather conditions and COVID 19.

Look forward to seeing everyone next season. Stay Safe and enjoy the downtime.

Celia Waugh
Team Leader
Education & Lifesaving
Albany Surf Life Saving Club

Education & Training

Jeff Medcalf | Education Coordinator

The season started with the trainers and facilitators annual in service in September. On the same weekend 12 members attended the Silver Medallion Beach Management course and gained that qualification. The annual skills maintenance session in early October was the first time we had used the online booking system which, other than a few teething problems, proved to be very successful. On the main requal day more than 100 members requalified their Bronze Medallion, Surf Rescue Certificate, ART and both of the IRB awards.

When the main training season started Jo and Rob Lucas trained and qualified 15 of our youth members in the SRC award and two of our trainers, Chris and Dani, ran simultaneous Bronze Medallion courses. Assessed by Helena and Ian. Our IRB trainers and assessors Kevin, Les and Cameron between them ran 3 IRB crew courses for a total of 14 new crew awards. Cameron also managed to get a skipper's ticket course completed with a keen group of participants taking part. Apart from the mainstream qualifications we also had a number of parents who qualified for the Nippers Surf Safety award and one member who requalified that award. The big training job for the season was the induction and proficiency training for all patrolling members in the use of the SSV (the buggy). This task was smoothly managed by William who made sure all patrols had access to the required training.

The Community SRC was also run by our trainers and facilitators this season. This was the 20th consecutive year that the club has offered this qualification. This year we trained and requalified a record number of 63 participants raising in excess of $3000 for the club.

We were approached by Great Southern Grammar for a couple of courses this season. The first one was

a community awareness course which is a fee-for-service course presented by Helena on an afternoon, for their boarding students. Grammar also approached us to assist them with the delivery of an SRC course to their students. I negotiated some time and a program which would run in conjunction with their school timetable and presented this to the Board. The Board approved the program but the membership fees requested for the completion of the course by the Board were deemed too high by the school and the course didn't run.

As well as the training and skills maintenance of the awards mentioned here, Alex, Jackie and Liz completed their Trainer Award and Ian completed his Assessor Award for the Bronze Medallion. This will enhance our capacity to deliver in the coming years.

One of the points for consideration for the Board as we head into next season is the issue of paying trainers for their time when they are delivering fee-for-service courses. Trainers are happy to give up their time for the voluntary activities we complete but we need to have an agreed process for their compensation when courses are run on a for-profit basis.

Thank you to Celia for her guidance and mentorship throughout this season. I look forward to another successful season in the coming 12 months.

Jeff Medcalf
Education Officer
Albany Surf Life Saving Club

SILVER MEDALLION BEACH MANAGEMENT
Dora Adeline
Rachael Duffield
Chris Ficko
Beth Hearle
Richard Langston
Dani Lynch
Alex Poulton
Carl Richardson
Dinah Roecker
Helena Stoakley
Alex Wells
Matt Wells

ADVANCED RESUSCITATION
Scott Briscoe
Eliza Moir

ASSESSOR (BM)
Ian Spurgeon

NIPPER RESCUE CERTIFICATE
Hannah Craig
Amelia Jefferis
Justin Laing
Shannon Little
Paul Mackey
Chris Stan-Bishop

IRB CREW
Scott Briscoe
Christine Murray
Nikolas Roecker
Carl Ryan
Shannon Steer
Jacques Swarts
Zachary Wells
Oliver Dall
Connor Pettley-Gray

IRB DRIVER

BRONZE MEDALLION
Rachel Bresanello
Ryan Chivers
Oliver Dall
Lee Griffith
Yumi Kagi
David Loverock
Adrian Nicoll
Natasha Rolfe
Shannon Steer
Joshua Duffield
Emily Dyson
Jo Grace
Jordan Hayward
Megan Jensen
Rose Mackey
Emily Richards
Thomas Vereecke
Anna Wearing
Susan Wearing
Hannah Wells

SURF RESCUE CERTIFICATE
Chloe Battersby
Rebecca Beebe
Mia Benson
Lilly Briscoe
Romy Duffield
Lily Furphy
Pia Lee
Mitchell Manera
Mika Marshall
Stella Mellows
Gemma Moir
Erika Porritt
Luke Roecker
Toby Ryan
Lillian Shanks

TRAINER (BM)
Liz Kilkenny
Alex Poulton
Jackie Riddell

Lifesaving

Dani Lynch | Lifesaving Coordinator

Season 2019/20 proved again how dedicated the patrolling members of ASLSC are. Our lifesavers continued to provide a professional and comprehensive coverage of our local beach. Well done to all patrolling members for continuing to volunteer your time and energy over summer. This season we had 144 patrolling members covering 245 hours of rostered patrol. Water safety is a significant role within our club and our Nippers Tuesday training and Sunday events would not be able to happen without this, the total volunteer water safety hours exceeding 40. The Rainbow Coast Development Weekend in Bremer Bay and the New Year's Eve swim have not been included in this tally and unfortunately due to the current world pandemic, several more local community events that would have required water safety have been cancelled.

At the end of last season feedback from the Patrol Captains indicated that the majority were happy with the longer patrol days and the option to split the day among the team proved popular. This format was continued again this year. An agreement was signed with the City of Albany that meant patrols were rostered from 0800 to 1400 hours and Patrol Captains were encouraged to continue to patrol until 1700hrs if there were enough members of the public on the beach to warrant the continuation of a patrol. ASLSC also trialled continuation of patrols on Saturdays through February, our past practice has only patrolled Saturdays through December and January. The statics from the extra days of patrol indicated that the beach is as busy in February as it is in January and December. However, the statistics also indicate that a majority of the patrols finished at 1600hrs, with this in mind next season the option to change our patrol to finish at 1600 will be strongly considered.

There was continued frustration with the SurfGuard App that SLSWA has implemented across all clubs. Our club had purchased several iPads to assist our Patrol Captains with providing constantly updated information to SurfGuard. The irregularity of this working proved to be more time consuming and incredibly frustrating to all who used this. It seems our club wasn't the only club in WA experiencing this problem, a decision was made to abandon the App and continue with the paper version until SurfGuard can guarantee a much more efficient system. It also meant that the majority of our statistics for the first half of the season was not logged correctly or at all and therefore our data does not show an accurate picture of our patrols.

Once again, there was a constant process to develop and educate our members. The Education Team have been outstanding in providing courses in: SRC, Bronze Medallion, ARTC, IRBC, IRB driver, Nipper Rescue Certificate, First Aid and the Silver Beach Medallion. The Silver Beach Medallion allowed the Patrol Captains to have a qualified substitute on patrol and relieve pressure on fellow Patrol Captains to cover shifts. This has again broadened the skill base of our patrol teams, which is invaluable.

ASLSC is often asked to provide water safety for community events and commitments have been fully covered, even on extremely short notice, by IRB drivers and crew, ERT jet skis, members on rescue boards and with rescue tubes. These are usually the same people who are covering our own weekly club training and events.

It would be remiss of me if I didn't personally thank the following people for their constant effort in

fulling roles that enable our portfolio to function efficiently:

- Patrol Captains: Rob Lucas, Jo Lucas, Ian Spurgeon, Jim Morcom, Jeff Medcalf, Chris Ficko and Alex Wells.
- Education Officer: Jeff Medcalf
- Water Safety Coordinator: Chris Ficko
- IRB Captain: Tom Bowles, Cam Martin and Les Paxton
- Radio Officer: Richard Wrightson
- First Aid Officer: Dora Adeline and Liz Woods
- Support Operations Coordinator: Patrick McSweeney
- Data Entry: Sally Moir
- and finally, Celia Waugh for her advice and support throughout the season.

Thank you,

Dani Lynch
Lifesaving Coordinator
Albany Surf Life Saving Club

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Surf Sports

Matt Wells | Team Leader

This season itself has been another very full and successful program, especially in regard to the club Seniors programme each Sunday, as well as sending strong representative contingents to the Country Carnival, Country Champs, and State Masters Champs. Obviously COVID did disrupt the back end of the season – impacting on State Opens, as well as other SLSWA events. At a club level the Senior and U17/Open community has shown a willingness and keen desire to compete in all surf sport events that continues with developing understanding and skills in all aspects of Surf Sports for the club.

From a competition/surf sports perspective the club itself continues to show amazing support to its members. In regards to equipment and repairs, for Surf Sports the club supported members in new equipment purchases and repairs all of which allowed members to access and compete with quality serviceable equipment for their respective surf sport. For many competing/training club members the club has actually paid more in these fees and resources to some members than their individual club fees. An astounding commitment and statement of support from the club to its members, and this doesn't even touch on individual's members time and effort that went into repairs and coaching for the club that is down in a volunteer capacity.

This season's Sunday Senior programme saw the continuation of previous year programme introduced last season. Firstly, the Sunday Handicap Swim has continued to be extremely popular and well attended throughout the season in at times some challenging conditions. The winners for this again showed the uniqueness of the event, as persistent attendance being as much the recipe for success as swimming prowess. Backing this onto the Smith Thornton Swim again proved a successful combination with record turnout for this event. Again each week a number of surf sport events were run continuing to combine both beach and water events, and provided an excellent opportunity for our more specialist Seniors opportunity to share with newer members, as well as train and compete at a club level as preparation for upcoming competition events. As always, the willingness and keen engagement of the ever-expanding Senior competitive club members made these events enjoyable within a relaxed skills development and competitive environment. The Ryde Marathon was well attended and stood as an indicator of our successful beach event skills programme. This season we had a substantial number of new as well as existing members keen to compete – clearly demonstrating our ethos of punching well above our weight at club level.

From a Cadet perspective, our U17/Open division remained small but very determined – and shows the obvious competing interests of upper High School studies, work and other sporting commitments. To the small group in this age group they should be commended for their attendance, successes and dedication shown with all these life pressures on them.

Again, none of this would have been possible without the hands-on support of a number of people who need to be thanked. The respective Surf Sports Captain's – Jeff Medcalf for Boats, Jason Bresanello for Skis and Greg Pepall and Molly Bowles for Boards. This group have been vital in not only managing the ongoing training, budgeting, equipment management, developing the club policies around respective equipment and support for their own sports, but also in help setting the senior programme as well as running/scoring each Sunday's events. Their knowledge on the club and events in general as well and willingness to share continues to help add to our programme.

As always for all the Sunday events, I need to thank all the club members that provided water safety, set-up/pack away and officiating. Again it never had to be asked, there were always plenty of members keen to help and want to be involved – it made organising the events that much easier and less stressful than it otherwise was going to be. As the outgoing Club Captain, most importantly I must thank all the members that were always there, competing in whatever we planned no matter what the weather – having so many of you wanting to get involved made the role heaps of fun. Thanks everyone for giving it a good hard go, no matter what the conditions.

Matt Wells
Surf Sports Team Leader
Albany Surf Life Saving Club

2019/2020 Surf Sports Champions

SEASON POINTS CHAMPIONS

U17/19 Female	Sophie Adeline
U17/19 Male	Noah Morcombe
Open Female	Erin Miller
Open Male	Colin Pass & Jason Bresanello

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP DAY

U17/19 Female	Sophie Adeline
U17/19 Male	Jake Shepherd
Open Female	Corinne Stoner
Open Male	Colin Pass

HANDICAP CLUB SWIM

Youth Female	Molly Bowles
Youth Male	Angus Bowles
Open Female	Erin Miller
Open Male	Blue Field

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Woodside Nippers

Kristin Ellery | Nipper Coordinator

The 19/20 season we faced many challenges on the beach with the sea wall being built at Middleton Beach. It had a big impact on setting up and planning events for the Woodside Nippers program. Our access to the beach was often hindered and events were moved to the north side of the Surf Club for space. BUT, we got there, it wasn't perfect, often not pretty, but each week we managed to set up safe arenas for the Woodside Nippers & Youth to participate in their Surf Club activities.

Woodside took on sponsorship of the Nippers this season and supplied a trailer and all equipment required for a full setup of each arena. The Woodside Nipper trailer was parked on the beach each Sunday with Woodside flags flying as well as flags for each age group to muster at. This was especially useful having the flags to help parents and Nippers find us on the beach with sea wall construction taking place.

With the construction of the sea wall and the disruption to the beach, it was initially anticipated that the Nipper numbers would be down. However, there was a new record of Woodside Nippers enrolled. With the high number of Nippers in each group, age groups were run individually for the first season. Each age group was coordinated by an Age Group Manager and supported with an Age Group Assistant or two.

The season started with a Proficiency swim on 27th October 2019, followed by ASLSC Orientation Day, providing all members with essential information about the club. The Nippers and Youth participated in 9 Points days with the points tallied for these days over the season to identify the Season Points Champion for each age group.

The Youth (U14 & U15s) had a separate program this season and commenced their activities at 8:30am.

The Rainbow Coast Carnival was held on 23rd & 24th November in Bremer Bay. This was an opportunity for Nippers from Denmark, Esperance and Albany to work on their skills and receive valuable coaching tips from WA's SLSC Champions, as well as having fun and making new friendships.
Albany SLSC Nippers also travelled to Nanarup beach to experience different surf conditions. The sand was softer, the waves were bigger and our Nippers managed themselves very well.

Throughout the 19/20 season we had Senior and Youth club members officiating each arena every Sunday. Dana Neumann took on the role of coordinating the Officials. The Youth officials were mentored by Senior members of our club. This was a very successful initiative that saw the Youth officials sharing their experiences with the Nippers and managing their arenas with expertise.

The Ryde Run was held on Friday 29th November 2019 at 5pm. This was the first time that the Ryde Run had been moved to an evening event. Presentations of winners and runners up were presented in the Club Rooms that evening. It may have been bad timing to put the run on after the weekend away at Bremer, however it was still a successful event and allowed for more Points days for the Nipper season.

The 1km run event was added to the Nipper program this season. It is a completion event at carnivals, and the Nippers got more experience in running in soft sand.

Training

Training for the Nippers was held on Tuesday nights, where beach training took place from 3.45pm to 4.45pm followed by water training from 5.00pm to 6.00pm. We had good numbers attending, where numbers were usually between 30 to 40 kids. It was often a difficult task getting hold of the beach coaches, whereas we were never short of water coaches.

A lot of the kids attending Tuesday night training get a great deal of enjoyment. The training allowed smaller groups and the more intense techniques at the Nippers ability level. Nadine Shepherd did a great job at coordinating the training schedule for the Nippers as well as the registrations for the Nippers for carnivals. Thanks so much Nadine.

Competition

This year was disappointing for competitions due to unavoidable events. The Sun Smart SLSWA Country Carnival was held at Smith's Beach which was the only complete carnival the Nippers got to participate in. The Sun Smart SLSWA Country State Championship was held in Denmark but due to weather conditions, events were delayed and finally cancelled. We were not represented at the SLSWA Little Nipper State Championships and with the Covid-19 pandemic, the SLSWA Nipper State Championship was cancelled.

I would like to thank all the age group managers, age group assistants, set up guy Pete Grey and pack up guy Scottie Briscoe, parent helpers and water safety, especially Water Safety Coordinator Chris Ficko and the Youth and Senior officials, special mention to Dana for coordinating the group, for making our Woodside Nipper and youth programs run smoothly.

I would also like to thank our local Nipper sponsor Albany Community Pharmacy for their ongoing commitment to our amazing nippers.

See you on the beach.

Kristin Ellery
Nipper Coordinator
Albany Surf Life Saving Club

Albany Community Pharmacy Nippers Club Champions		
AGE GROUP	**RUNNER UP**	**CLUB CHAMPION**
U8 Boys		
U8 Girls		
U9 Boys		
U9 Girls		
U10 Boys		
U10 Girls		
U11 Boys		
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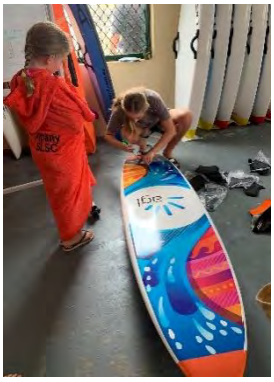

Albany SLSC Woodside Nippers
2019/2020 Season Points Champions

The Season Points Championship recognises and awards points to the nippers and youth members who have consistently attended Sunday Points Days, had a go and performed well. Formal presentations will take place with our local nipper sponsors Albany Community Pharmacy when the club reopens next season.

U/6 Age Group Manager Award – Juliet Jacobs

U/7 Age Group Manager Award – Molly Stan-Bishop

Under 8 Girls		
1st	**Vanessa Jamali-Blair**	**109**
2nd	Amaya Sepkus	105
3rd	Eloise Braidwood	72

Under 8 Boys		
1st	**Billy Bairstow**	**100**
2nd	Malachi Bresanello	93
3rd	Ethan Laing	85

Age Group Manager Award
Ethan Laing

Under 9 Girls		
1st	**Blythe Marmion**	**228**
2nd	Emelia Lloyd	214
3rd	Keira Marshall	129

Under 9 Boys		
1st	**Eden Gray**	**203**
2nd	Maxwell Thompson	146
3rd	Lachlan Wallace	112
	Marcus Winkler	112

Age Group Manager Award
Lachlan Wallace

Under 10 Girls		
1st	**Tessa Steer**	**238**
2nd	Millie Barker	229
3rd	Sophia Riddell	197

Under 10 Boys		
1st	**Mitchell Eley**	**224**
2nd	Jesiah Bresanello	218
3rd	Creed Shepherd	186

Age Group Manager Award
Nick Gray

Nd Under 11 Girls		
1st	**Chloe Harding**	**246**
2nd	Kara Ings	158
3rd	Lorna Ings	138

Under 11 Boys		
1st	**Reagan Gough**	**172**
2nd	John Wood	152
3rd	Tristan Anderson	142

Age Group Manager Award
Cobi Turner

Under 12 Girls		
1st	**Leisel Freebury**	**182**
2nd	Amelia Deutschmann	153
3rd	Ava Marmion	130

Under 12 Boys		
1st	**Tyler Anderson**	**154**
2nd	Oliver Les	140
3rd	Arch Welch	110

Age Group Manager Award
Dalphi Steer

Under 13 Girls		
1st	**Harriet Martin**	**226**
2nd	Kleo Proudfoot	188
3rd	Phoebe Thompson	163

Under 13 Boys		
1st	**Hamish Bowles**	**242**
2nd	Solomon Ellery	189
3rd	Ethan Wood	137

Age Group Manager Award
Isabella Anderson

Under 14 Girls		
1st	**Chloe Battersby**	**129**
2nd	Mia Benson	121
3rd	Gemma Moir	115

Under 14 Boys		
1st	**Mitchell Manera**	**162**
2nd	Toby Ryan	138
3rd	Jaap Smit	24

Age Group Manager Award
Lilly Briscoe

Under 15 Girls		
1st	**Bree Davy**	**167**
2nd	Devon Proudfoot	156
3rd	Pia Lee	73

Under 15 Boys		
1st	**Bastian Morcombe**	**162**
2nd	Angus Bowles	146
3rd	Patrick Ellery	136

Age Group Manager Award
Pia Lee

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SLSWA TOAD & Rise Up Camps

Devon Proudfoot | TOAD Camp Participant

I would like to thank Mr and Mrs Inglis for their support of me being able to experience such a wonderful opportunity with Albany Surf Life Saving Club and go away to the TOAD Camp to learn so much about surf lifesaving, gaining some life skills and make new friends. This experience also enabled me to meet so many great people in which I have made lifelong friendships.

Applying for TOAD Camp, I hoped to learn more about lifesaving and the ocean, develop my leadership skills, gain life skills, and gain new friendships, as well as being able to educate and influence young kids into participating in surf lifesaving which will provide them with knowledge of the ocean and life skills such as lifesaving and leadership as it has me. To bring this home with me and implement it at Albany Surf Life Saving Club, is a personal achievement.

We participated in many recreational and sporting activities such as swimming, running, bike riding and snorkelling, which were all great fun and great for our fitness. On this camp we were also given the opportunity to complete our Radio Operators course so that we can become better lifeguards in the future. We learnt a lot about radios over the week including how to communicate with other radio operators. This will benefit me not only in surf club with communicating with the Patrol Captain but also other patrolled areas. This will also help me in the future when I enter the Navy. On the final day we were tested on all our skills that we learnt over the week, which I passed comfortably along with the other participants.

The TOAD Camp was such an amazing experience for me. The knowledge and skills that I have learnt will be brought back to my peers in the Albany Surf Life Saving Club and are also transferable to other jobs I may hold including the Navy.

Thank you again to Mr and Mrs Inglis, and the club for the awesome support to improve my knowledge of Surf Life Saving, whilst visiting beautiful Rottnest Island in Western Australia.

Bree Davy | TOAD Camp Participant

Thank you to Mr and Mrs Inglis for funding the TOAD and Rise Up camps. I really enjoyed getting to meet new people and I got a lot out of TOAD Camp. On the camp we completed our Radio Operator's course. It made us become more confident on the radios and we learnt the proper dialogue to use whilst using it. We made a lot of new friends which will make going away to comps more enjoyable. During TOAD Camp we did a variety of team building activities which helped us work together as a team and learn how to contribute and put forward ideas in a group situation. I believe these skills will help me in the future. I greatly appreciate the help that Mr and Mrs Inglis have put forward towards our club and it has allowed more of the youth to experience the two camps. At the camps we had a blast and would definitely do it again. We cannot thank the Club and Mr and Mrs Inglis enough.

Bastian Morcombe | TOAD Camp Participant

TOAD camp was a wonderful opportunity for me and three other Albany SLSC members to go to Rottnest for four days, where we all had a great time meeting new, interesting people and participating in group activities. These activities included performances for the people on camp (and some even to the public), orienteering around the island, bike riding and snorkelling. We all improved our skills at using and handling a radio, and now I feel much more confident and competent when speaking into one.

Another added bonus of this camp is that now when I go to comps there will always be people there from other clubs who I know and can hang out with. To anyone who is yet to turn fourteen and is unsure about whether or not to go on this camp I would strongly recommend applying because everyone who went learned so much and had such a great time. Thank you to Albany SLSC, Surf Life Saving WA and the Inglis family for the opportunity to go on the TOAD camp.

Angus Bowles | TOAD Camp Participant

I would like to thank the club and Mr and Mrs Inglis for their support and allowing me to attend this year's TOAD (Teamwork, Opportunity and Development) Camp. The camp was very enjoyable and beneficial and I wouldn't have been a part of it if it weren't for your support.

There were 71 participants at this year's TOAD Camp from 28 different clubs all over Western Australia, from Broome all the way down to Esperance. We participated in a variety of different and ex citing activities that helped us develop valuable skills in areas such as, but not limited to leadership, teamwork and team building. Along with this, I, and many of the other participants have made many new friends from the different clubs across the state.

In particular, I found that the camp was especially beneficial in outlining and highlighting the many different future opportunities that Surf Life Saving WA had to offer. Not only were we informed on different camps that would happen during our time as youth members, but what we could progress to become. We were bale to meet with and talk to may different people that worked for SLSWA. There were people from Surfcom, rescue helicopter crews, drivers, lifeguards, members of the SLSWA Board and more.

Once again, this camp was very beneficial and many thanks to the club and Mr and Mrs Inglis for your support and allowing me to attend the camp.

Fergus Martin | Rise Up Participant

Forty-eight youth members from 24 surf lifesaving clubs ventured to Pemberton Camp School in January 2020 for the annual Rise Up Camp. The happy campers spent four days on the camp, where each day was filled with various challenging activities, such as constructing rafts which had to be paddled in the brook (floating of course!), canoeing in the 30°+ heat was a favourite and a morning yoga session which was led by camp-participant Michael.

A camp highlight was the mountain biking activity, where several of the campers experienced some truly rugged landscapes! As part of the camp, 38 participants also gained their Advanced Resuscitation Techniques Certificate, with those who already had their ARTC lending a helping hand to the rest of the group.
All in all, it was another successful year of Rise Up Camp! Fantastic friendships were formed with SLSWA youth members from all around the state. At a state level we thank the Scottish Masonic Charitable Foundation of WA for their continued support of SLSWA youth programs, which includes the Rise Up and TOAD Camps. Locally, we thank the Inglis family for their ongoing support of youth leadership and development.

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House

Nadine Shepherd | Team Leader

The House Team during the 2019-2020 season was managed by a small team of volunteers, as well as one paid part-time administrator. The Team Leader position was taken up by myself and the House Team was responsible for the management of the Venue Hire, the Canteen, the Bar, Sustainability within the Club, and the Club Building and Facilities.

The Venue Hire was ran very efficiently through the work of Tash Rolfe, our part-time club administrator. The introduction of a paid position for this role meant that the upstairs venue bookings increased through a more pro-active and accountable club person who was able to put the required time into the position to make it more profitable. Among other changes, Tash has introduced a strict cleaning policy for hirers, stronger guidelines around access for hirers, new and improved application forms and venue hire information, better management of the downstairs kitchen facilities, improved and increased pricing, and closer attention to the management of the venue equipment. These changes have attributed towards a busier year of bookings, other than those lost due to COVID-19.

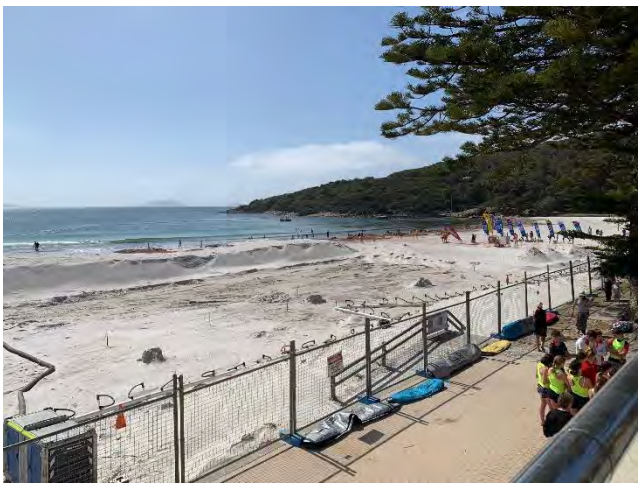
The Canteen was operated by a small and eager group of volunteers, led by Kerry Oakley and assisted by Madeline Burger, Anne Sparrow, Steve Cowley, and Kyrra. Pat McSweeney was able to offer the Canteen staff with assistance towards sponsorship supplies from the Naked Bean, and expertise around the coffee machine and past management. Sunday morning beach activities always provided for a better atmosphere with the addition of the canteen offering the very popular coffees and milkshakes, and the delicious menu of burgers, wraps, hotdogs, pizza subs and donated sweet treats. The coffee machine is in need of replacing due to it's age and unreliability and it is hoped that this will be upgraded in time for next season.

The Bar was managed by Erin Miller, who has done a wonderful job of cementing Friday evening sundowners during the season as the place to be for club members and their guests. Numbers on Fridays are still relatively small, and its hoped that with the continued work towards providing a great atmosphere for a quick drink the end of the working week will mean these sundowners will continue to grow next season. Erin was assisted with many club members who were able to put the time in to manage and run the bar during the sundowners and also at different club functions.

This season saw the introduction of new sustainability projects, which included new recycle bins added to the rubbish removal, and a number of recycling measures undertaken within the canteen. This has opened the way for a new Sustainability Team within the Club and is headed by Corinne Stoner. Next season, this new team already has new members which include Corinne, Anne Sparrow and Ben Gray. It is planned that there will be more new initiatives around sustainability to be introduced within the Club.

The Club Building and Facilities have been managed with the assistance of the House Team Leader and the new Part-Time Club Administrator. New contracts have been refined and put in place for the cleaning, the lift and the fire services. There has been a new BBQ purchased and an upstairs alcohol storage cupboard through a grant. Other than the upgrading of the lift communications, the replacement of new roller door tracks and an overhaul of the roller door motor to the boat area, there hasn't been any major maintenance work completed this season. In any event, all improvements and maintenance were put on hold, pending the proposed building upgrades.

Nadine Shepherd
Team Leader
House
Albany Surf Life Saving Club



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Events

Heike Anfang | Team Leader

The season 2019/2020 was, as we all know, cut short due to Covid 19. This means that we missed out on the Harbour Swim (once again), the Surf Craft Challenge and the Seniors Wind Up. At the start of the season it became clear that grouping the House and Events Team into one team would make our job harder, instead of easier, so Nadine, as the Team Leader of House and I decided to divide the teams and stay in close communication with each other instead. It turned out to be a great decision. It also came to our attention very quickly, that running a sport event was very different from running a social event. Rob Mason thankfully stepped up to take charge of the sports events and organised these independently with Tash's help. The rest of the Events Team were left to organise a few social events that by now have become a fixture in our annual calendar. These include:

- Season opening
- Xmas Pageant
- Family Movie Night
- Quiz Night
- Friday Sundowners incl. food once a month
- Senior Wind Up (cancelled due to Covid 19)

The Events Team worked very closely with the Team Leader of the Bar, Canteen and House to ensure that all events ran smoothly and didn't interfere with club venue bookings and minimised the waste of food, to give only a few examples.

Next year the Events Team will focus on getting the framework for all events documented at the beginning of the season. This way we can ensure that we book caterers and the like early to allow us to support the businesses that support us. Our experience this year showed us that transparency of targets, previous years' numbers and the seasons' budget will increase efficiency of the team. Good communication is the key.

I would like to thank the team members of the Events Team for your amazing work and support, as well as Tash for great background support. Team members:

- Helen Marshall (2IC)
- Rob Mason (Sport events)
- Donna Cameron (Graphic design angel)
- Joy Abbott
- Kyrra Turner
- Rebecca Stevens
- Susan Battersby
- Erin Miller (Bar rep)
- Sarah Bowles (Board rep)
- Kerry Oakley (Background fairy)

Heike Anfang
Events Team Leader
Albany Surf Life Saving Club

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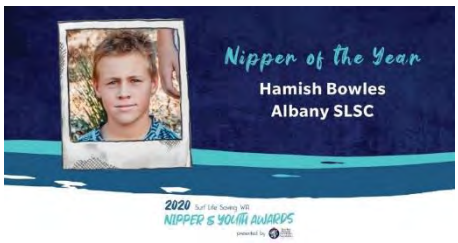
SLSWA Awards & Recognition

2020 SLSWA Nipper & Youth Awards	
SLSWA Nipper of the Year – Winner	**HAMISH BOWLES**
SLSWA U15 Lifesaver of the Year – Finalist	**ANGUS BOWLES**
Youth Club Achiever Award	**MOLLY BOWLES**
Nipper Club Achiever Award	**HAMISH BOWLES**

2020 SLSWA Awards of Excellence	
Woodside Nipper Program Volunteer of the Year – Winner	**PETER GRAY**
AGL Volunteer of the Year - Finalist	**PERDITA BEEBE**
Youth Volunteer of the Year – Finalist	**MOLLY BOWLES**
Trainer of the Year – Finalist	**JEFF MEDCALF**

HAMISH BOWLES – 2020 NIPPER OF THE YEAR



The Nipper of the Year is awarded to the most outstanding Nipper Club Achiever. The Nipper Club Achiever award is presented to an outstanding nipper member (U10-U13), as nominated by their club, in recognition of their achievement in the areas of individual safety, surf awareness, lifesaving, and surf sports skills, within the Woodside Nipper Program. Hamish (13) is an exceptional role model for the other Woodside Nippers at Albany SLSC. He always displays a positive "can-do" attitude and relates well with all members both young and old. Each week Hamish volunteers to prepare equipment for others to use within the Woodside Nipper Program. When given the opportunity he represents his club with pride.

PETER GRAY – 2020 WOODSIDE NIPPER PROGRAM VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Pete's volunteer contribution to the smooth and efficient delivery of our Woodside Nipper Program logistics in 2019/2020 was exceptional volunteering to set up and pack away every week. Pete was also our amazing U7 White Caps Age Group Manager. His creative thinking and dynamic 'outside of the square' approach to delivering the busy weekly Woodside Nipper Program sparked great enthusiasm, skill development, confidence and beach safety awareness among our little nippers and their families, many of whom are new to the surf lifesaving movement. Peter has given our U7 Woodside Nippers an awesome zest for all things surf lifesaving and we hope he's working on a bigger and better plan for next season...if that's possible! Photo credit: Laurie Benson

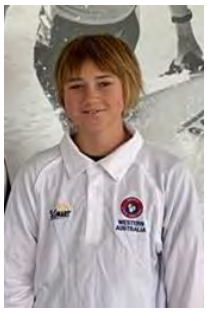
2019|2020 Community Honours

PERDITA BEEBE – 2019 MIKE STIDWELL MEDAL

The Mike Stidwell Medal is awarded annually by the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries for outstanding volunteer contribution to sport administration in the Great Southern region. As our Director of Administration, Perdie works tirelessly juggling 4 children, a family business and a part time job to support the Board, Team Leaders and key club roles both at a strategic and operational levels. Her role continues all year round and includes coordination of all club communications from a member level to state and national communications, as well as the massive task of the administration and governance requirements of our club. Photo credit: Laurie Benson

2019|2020 Club Honours & Awards

David Smith Memorial Trophy Club Person of the Year	**PERDITA BEEBE**
Terry Engledow Endeavour Award	**PETER GRAY**
Albany SLSC Most Improved Award – Surf Sports	**SOPHIE ADELINE**
Albany SLSC Education & Training Award	**JEFF MEDCALF**
Tony Bush Perpetual Trophy	**MATT WELLS**
Ray & Doreen Kelly Lifesaver of the Year	**RICHARD LANGSTON**
Hadn & Jann Hood Youth Lifesaver of the Year	**LUKE ROECKER**



David Smith Memorial Trophy Club Person of the Year – Perdita Beebe

The David Smith Memorial Club Person of the Year is defined as a senior member who has shown exceptional commitment to upholding the values of Albany Surf Life Saving Club and works tirelessly for the benefit of the Club and its members. As a most deserving recipient of this award for the 2019-2020 season, Perdie plays an integral role within our club, most often behind the scenes. Having held membership at Albany SLSC since 1992, her commitment and love for our club is evident in the countless hours she contributes to every team, stepping far beyond what is required or expected.

As Director of Administration, Perdie works tirelessly to lead and support the Board, Team Leaders and all members both at a strategic and operational level. Her role continues year-round and includes co-ordination of all club communications from a member level to state and national, as well as the massive task of the administration and governance requirements for our club.

While her commitment to the Administration within our club is outstanding, Perdie also goes above and beyond to contribute to our club in a number of other roles upholding her belief in Surf Life Saving. Her numerous roles have included being a Nipper parent, engaging in the role of Age Group Manager and always donning the bright orange as water safety whenever required. Perdie is always watching for where she can lend a helping hand and steps up and into any role or position as required.

It is impossible to name every way in which Perdie is deserving of this award but it is certain that Albany Surf Life Saving Club would not be the same without her. Congratulations Perdie.

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