



26th Annual Report 2023-2024

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Council of Life Saving Clubs	Duncan Stirling
Life Saving Operations Council	Peter McDonell
Membership and Leadership Development	Duncan Stirling

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I am pleased to present the annual President's report for the Sorrento Surf Lifesaving Club. This year has been one of remarkable growth, achievement and community spirit, and I am proud to share the highlights of our club's activities and programs.

Nippers program

Our Nippers program has once again proved to be a cornerstone of our club, inspiring and promoting water safety among our juniors. Through a series of engaging and educational activities, our young members have gained invaluable skills and confidence in the water. The program not only teaches essential surf lifesaving techniques, but also instills a love for the ocean and a commitment to safety.

I extend my heartfelt thanks to all the dedicated Nippers Subcommittee members, coaches, parents and other volunteers who make this program possible.

Lifesaving Services

This season our lifesaving services have continued to uphold the highest standards of safety and professionalism. Our training programs have equipped our volunteers with the necessary skills to respond to emergencies and to keep our beaches safe.

The dedication and commitment of our lifesavers are truly commendable and their efforts ensure that our beaches remain safe for all visitors. I would like to acknowledge the hard work of our trainers and the invaluable contribution of our volunteers who patrol our beaches tirelessly.

Social Activities

Our social calendar has been vibrant, fostering a strong sense of community spirit and camaraderie among our members. One of the highlights has been the Thursday night paddle out, an event that brings together members of all ages for a fun and relaxing evening on the water. These social activities are crucial in building lasting friendships and a supportive network within our club. Thank you to everyone who helped with organising these events.

Development Programs

We are proud to be a part of the Lifesaving Victoria community which offers excellent leadership and development opportunities. Our members have benefited from various programs that enhance their skills and leadership abilities. These programs are instrumental in developing our next generation of leaders in the surf lifesaving and in ensuring the continued success of the club. I encouraged all members to take advantage of these opportunities and to continue their growth both personally and professionally.

Club Award Winners

Congratulations to our 2023-2024 award winners and thank you for your support and contributions to our club.

President's award:	Kelly Sharples
Daniel Bradshaw award:	Tex Harbour
Best patrol person:	Sebastian Hales
Best first year:	Elise Orme
Best Patrol:	Baywatch Patrol
Most Patrol Hours:	Sebastian Hales
Best club member:	Ro Moore

In conclusion, I wish to express my deepest gratitude to everyone who has contributed to the success of the Sorrento Surf Lifesaving Club over the season. Your passion, dedication and hard work are the backbone of our community. As we look forward to the season ahead, I am confident that we will continue to thrive, inspire and make a positive impact upon the lives of our members and the wider community.

See you in the surf.



Duncan Stirling
President, Sorrento SLSC



Treasurers Report 2023-2024

The 2023/24 financial year performance is comparable to the previous post-COVID year, with Memberships down approximately \$15k compared to the pre-COVID Seasons. Together with the loss of a similar amount from the absence of our major annual fundraiser last season: SLSC Bay Swim, the roughly \$30k shortfall over the past two years is reflected in our Profit & Loss Report. Note that \$45k of depreciation was reported in the P&L, which is a non-cash item.

We've adjusted the reporting this year to pick up the sales of Club Apparel. While the previous year's records are scant, we've attempted to extrapolate the sales data for comparison purposes. While our club member Susanne Hailes has done a terrific job this season of selling through the remaining stockpile of apparel from our supplier, the requirement to purchase all the end-of-contract remaining apparel from our supplier has impacted our cash flow. Additionally, selling old apparel at or below cost has produced a negative sales outcome for our club merchandise & clothing.

Additionally, we're reporting the funding for our new Clubhouse Project as a Committed Funds Liability on the Balance sheet, which is a variation from our previous years' reporting of funds received and expenses paid in the P&L report.

The reports presented are true & accurate, and all creditors, including GST liability, have been paid promptly.



Marc Clavin
Treasurer
Sorrento SLSC



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Independent Auditor's Report

For the Year Ended 30th April 2024

To The Members of the Sorrento Surf Life Saving Club

Report on the Financial Report

I have audited the accompanying Financial Report, being a special purpose Financial Report of the Sorrento Surf Life Saving Club, which comprises the Balance Sheet at 30th April 2024 and the Profit & Loss Statement for the year ended 30th April 2024.

Members' Responsibility for the Financial Report

The members are responsible for the preparation and presentation of the Financial Report that gives a true and fair view and have determined that the accounting policies used are appropriate to meet the financial reporting requirements of the constitution and meet the needs of the members. The member's responsibility also includes such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

My responsibility is to express an opinion on the Financial Report based on my audit. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used, are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. I have conducted my audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that I comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view, in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the members, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion.

Independence

In conducting my audit, I have complied with the independence requirements of the Australian professional accounting bodies.

Opinion

Due to the fact that it is not possible to ensure that all monies received were banked intact, the audit was conducted from the point of banking of funds and their consequent entry into the books and records of the Sorrento Surf Life Saving Club.

Subject to the foregoing, in my opinion the Financial Report presents fairly the results of the Sorrento Surf Life Saving Club for the year ending 30th April 2024.

Date: 28th October 2025

Signed.....

Geoffrey William Ambler

Mornington

Profit and Loss

Sorrento Surf Life Saving Club For the year ended 30 April 2024

	2024	2023
Trading Income		
Allocations & Allowances	18,768.53	19,754.55
Bay Swim - Tee Shirt Sponsorship	-	2,800.00
Bay Swim Entries	-	21,374.10
Bay Swim Sponsorship	-	3,000.00
Donations	300.00	-
Grants	14,790.74	5,277.97
Lifeguard Service	7,694.30	7,570.19
Memberships	31,436.37	30,878.20
Nipper BBQ	3,334.29	402.65
Total Trading Income	76,324.23	91,057.66
Cost of Sales		
Apparel Purchases	19,723.36	-
Closing Stock	(13,359.05)	(4,097.63)
Opening Stock	4,097.63	8,530.87
Total Cost of Sales	10,461.94	4,433.24
Gross Profit	65,862.29	86,624.42
Other Income		
Apparel Sales	6,454.51	3,011.43
Interest Income	4,164.31	354.73
Total Other Income	10,618.82	3,366.16
Operating Expenses		
Awards & Trophies	80.91	202.73
Awards, Manuals & Uniforms	1,252.73	721.84
Bank & Govt Charges	1,549.09	1,725.27
Bank Fees - Merchant	196.34	-
Bay Swim Expenses	-	28,244.75
BBQ & Functions Expenses	3,940.27	302.11
Cleaner	7,915.00	8,130.00
Depreciation - Bay Swim Equip	231.00	231.00
Depreciation - Building	21,129.00	21,129.00
Depreciation - Club Equipment	427.00	427.00
Depreciation - Patrol Equipment	18,983.00	18,983.00
Depreciation - Nipper Equip	4,355.00	4,355.00
Equipment Purchases	1,069.62	(1,598.07)
First Aid & Sundry Expenses	628.79	1,783.06
Fuel & Parts	2,701.98	453.48
Functions	1,479.42	916.07
Insurance - Directors & Officers	-	550.00

	2024	2023
Insurance - Industrial Special Risks	11,733.22	11,116.60
Insurance - Juniors & Volunteers	-	515.40
Insurance - Marine Hull Commercial	(797.31)	2,220.00
Insurance - Motor Vehicle	596.00	1,272.00
Light, Power, Heating	1,846.97	1,580.24
Medical Oxygen	873.92	960.73
Nippers Apparel Purchases	6,576.54	3,953.54
Nippers Fees & Subs	1,477.27	-
Postage & Freight	1,962.73	158.36
Printing & Stationery	21.82	18.07
Professional Development PT	2,710.91	18.18
Professional Services	3,863.20	4,069.66
Rates & Taxes	10.20	378.49
Repairs and Maintenance	4,628.75	1,795.37
Rubbish Removal	710.29	1,008.41
Security	898.70	2,030.71
Subscriptions	1,077.87	1,545.78
Telephone & Internet	831.68	1,192.34
Vehicles Expenses	758.32	740.74
Total Operating Expenses	105,720.23	121,130.86
Net Profit	(29,239.12)	(31,140.28)

Balance Sheet

Sorrento Surf Life Saving Club

As at 30 April 2024

30 APR 2024

30 APR 2023

Assets

Bank

Building Acc 6466	227,624.30	10,500.13
Sorrento SLSC Paypal	330.97	330.97
Sorrento Surf Life Saving 0512	24,030.53	43,283.70
Term Deposit #1 6197	20,000.00	20,000.00
Term Deposit #2 6391	50,000.00	50,000.00
Term Deposit #3 6425	50,000.00	50,000.00
Total Bank	371,985.80	174,114.80

Current Assets

Accounts Receivable	-	280.00
Stock on Hand	4,828.18	(4,433.24)
Total Current Assets	4,828.18	(4,153.24)

Fixed Assets

Bay Swim Equipment	5,067.94	5,067.94
Bay Swim Equipment Accum depreciation	(3,988.00)	(3,757.00)
Club Equipment	31,077.37	31,077.37
Club Equipment accum depreciation	(17,325.00)	(16,898.00)
Clubhouse accum depreciation	(379,039.00)	(357,910.00)
Clubhouse additional works	169,314.88	169,314.88
Clubhouse Depot	35,931.73	35,931.73
Clubhouse Main	556,909.80	556,909.80
Nippers Equipment	126,672.41	119,172.41
Nippers Equipment accum depreciation	(112,987.90)	(108,632.90)
Patrol & Comp Equipment	305,386.67	272,172.10
Patrol & Comp Equipment accum depreciation	(218,083.46)	(199,100.46)
Total Fixed Assets	498,937.44	503,347.87

Total Assets

875,751.42 **673,309.43**

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable	41,645.49	8,771.80
Committed Funds - Expenses Paid	(331,717.42)	(216,039.50)
Committed Funds - Income Received	542,810.00	217,810.00
Deposits Held - Keys	100.00	100.00
GST	(11,104.94)	(590.29)
Rounding	-	0.01
Total Current Liabilities	241,733.13	10,052.02

Total Liabilities

241,733.13 **10,052.02**

Net Assets

634,018.29 **663,257.41**

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Equity

Current Year Earnings	(29,239.12)	(31,140.28)
Opening Balance Equity	679,851.47	679,851.47
Retained Earnings	(16,594.06)	14,546.22
Total Equity	634,018.29	663,257.41



SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretarial duties have continued to be performed throughout the year including managing general correspondence and mail collection, convening regular committee meetings and maintaining meeting and other records.



Ro Moore
Secretary, Sorrento SLSC

CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT

A sincere congratulations and appreciation are extended to all the dedicated patrolling members who proudly wore their uniforms this summer, tirelessly working to ensure the safety of all beach visitors. Each of you played a crucial role in fulfilling our Club's core mission. Special recognition goes to our outstanding trainers and new SRCs/Bronzies, whose energy and enthusiasm have greatly enhanced each patrol.

One of the highlights of this season was the second iteration of the Sorrento **Pink Patrol!** The largest turnout of our season demonstrated the outstanding leadership and water skills from our female patrollers. A particular thanks must go to Erin Doupe, Rose Vaughn, and Ro Moore who helped facilitate such an amazing event. Many people labelled it the most fun patrol of the season, and I hope our continued participation in this event can enhance the number of female patrollers and leaders within in our club.

This season also saw the very first Rainbow and Blue patrols for Sorrento. A massive thanks to Bethany Orme who facilitated the Rainbow Patrol, allowing for the club to embrace and celebrate our differences, showing in words and actions that everyone is welcome in lifesaving. Pride patrol gave us an outstanding opportunity to celebrate and acknowledge our LGBTQIA+ communities, to engage, educate, and encourage action. Chloe Holland also provided us with the Blue Patrol, promoting wellbeing and mental health across all levels of lifesaving, starting healthy conversations and increasing the avenues for support within lifesaving.

This season we had such fantastic patrol captains who continue to set the example for members of the club and the community as a whole. I can't thank all the following enough:

Our returning leaders: Erin Doupe, Howard Draper, Gerry Lute, Harrison Fothergill, Seb Hales, Pete McDonnell, Bruce Grayling, Stefan Bagg, Tom Morrison, Will Richards, Chloe Holland, Bethany Orme, Isobel Whelan, Rose Vaughan, Matt Fothergill and Peter Holland.

Our new leaders: Tex Harbour & James Johnstone

A special mention needs to go to our Deputy Club Captain Erin Doupe who generated so much excitement through new initiatives and continues to be an amazing role model for aspirational lifesavers. The co-ordination of the Thursday night paddles with Seb Hales greatly enhanced the sense of community

between the patrolling and nipper groups. Additionally, the continuous dedication from Gerry Lute, Seb Hales and Ro Moore has provided us with top-notch equipment, knowledge and first aid facilities.

Enjoy a restful winter period, and please feel free to reach out for additional opportunities.



Sean Cummins
Club Captain, Sorrento SLSC









LIFE SAVING OPERATIONAL REPORT

Our Lifesaving Services statistics are summarised in the table below. These data are captured through daily beach reporting which is provided by all clubs at the time of patrols. Data is entered into the LIMSOC (Lifesaving Incident Management System and Operations Console). Due to reporting structure changes, the 22/23 First Aid statistics included in this report are reflective of the updated reporting methods.

With the increasing popularity of Sorrento Back Beach we have a growing need for more volunteers for patrols and new members are always welcome.

SSLSC LIFESAVING OPERATIONAL STATISTICS

Categories	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	12 Month Growth
 Beach Attendances	38892	43963	28942	-34.1%
 Preventive Actions	1287	3554	1331	-62.5%
 Minor First Aids	38	14	15	7.14%
 Major First Aids	1	2	0	-100.0%
 Rescues	0	8	3	-62.50%
 Patrol Hours (members)	727	1635	1157	-29.2%



Pete McDonnell
Life Saving Operations, Sorrento SLSC

CHIEF INSTRUCTOR'S REPORT

Over the past season our team provided significant training programs to Sorrento SLSC members and other LSV members from the region and State. Active Lifesavers completed their Skills Maintenance (Requal) on Saturday 2 December 2023. We were able to provide another one or two SM sessions for members who were unable to attend on that day. The awards for which members requalified were Bronze, SRC, IRB Driver and Crew, ART (Advanced Resuscitation) and SSV Driver (Side by Side Vehicle Operator Certificate). We also enabled member to renewal their CPR qualification on that day to maintain First Aid and ART currency.

Courses conducted by our team included:

- SRC Course for juniors in November 23 (Sebastian Hales)
- Bronze Course in December 22 (Bethany Orme)
- Boat course in December/January (Gerry Lute)
- A further SRC Course for Nipper Parents (Howard Draper and Matthew Fothergill)
- A number of SSV courses (Howard and Marc Clavin).
- A Silver Medallion Patrol Captain's Course in July 24 (run by Howard with the assistance of Henry Kiss from Portsea who is our regional Training and Assessment Officer, and with preparation assistance provided by Marc Clavin).

All these courses were supported by our t TAF's (Trainer, Assessor or Facilitators), Duncan Stirling, Erin Doupe, Peter McDonnell, Matt Fothergill and, in particular, Stefan Bagg who assisted with facilitating and assessing several of the courses. Howard & Stefan were able to requalify as TAFs for CPR, First Aid and ART. This takes considerable effort because it is a nationally recognised qualification and not easy to achieve.










In the 24/25 season we will continue to provide the same level of training which is required to further or maintain the currency of our training team's qualifications. In particular, IRB TAF's need to participate in some upgrading of our qualifications. Prior to the commencement of the summer season, we will be running an ART FA (Advanced Resuscitation and First Aid) Course on September 7, an SRC Course for 2 week-ends in November and Bronze Course in December. There will also be IRB, SSV and CPR training and we continue to strive to incorporate Nipper Parents into SRC/Bronze training courses.

I want to thank all our training team for their dedicated commitment and participation in the Sorrento SLSC Training Program. Without our TAFs, we would not have any qualified Lifesavers.

Howard Draper
Chief Instructor, Sorrento SLSC

SSLSC VOLUNTEER TRAINING STATISTICS

Candidate and course numbers are from LSV's Member Training system and were collated at the completion of May 2024.

CATEGORIES	NO. OF CANDIDATES	% COMPLETED	COURSES BOOKED
 Surf Rescue Certificate	14	100%	2
 Bronze Medallion	4	100%	1
 Silver Medallion Patrol Captain	3	100%	0
 Gold Medallion	1	100%	0
 Radio Operator Certificate	1	100%	0
 Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation	14	100%	2
 First Aid	2	100%	0
 Advanced Resuscitation Techniques	0	N/A	0
 All-Terrain Vehicle	4	100%	2
 Inflatable Rescue Boat Crew	5	100%	1
 Inflatable Rescue Boat Driver	4	100%	1
 Training Officer Certificate	0	N/A	N/A

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

SSLSC LIFESAVING MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

CATEGORIES	2021/22	2022/23	2023/2024	12 MONTH CHANGE (%)
Junior Activity Members	152	125	131	4.8%
Cadet Members	28	24	26	8.3%
Active (15-18)	35	20	14	-30.0%
Active	68	63	53	-15.9%
Life Member	8	8	6	-25.0%
Associate	100	85	94	10.6%
Other	43	104	110	5.7%
Total	474	429	434	1.1%

Total percentage growth from 2021/22 – 2023/24 :

The total membership number change from the 2021/22 to the 2023/24 season was: -8.4%

Duncan Stirling, Membership, Sorrento SLSC FIRST AID REPORT

NIPPER FIRST AID VOLUNTEERS

The 23/24 Nipper program was again well supported by a very highly qualified team of volunteers. We would like to acknowledge and extend our grateful thanks to all members the Nipper First Aid Team, who have given their time and expertise and without whom the program cannot to be conducted.

CLUB FIRST AID FACILITIES

Over the 23-24 season, we have continued to maintain our first aid facilities and equipment to be fit for purpose and to the standard required by LSV. We have also continued to extend our first aid training equipment, in particular to comply with the upgraded requirements for First Aid, Resuscitation and Advanced Resuscitation Techniques courses.

We have again passed our annual LSV Gear Inspection with “flying colours” and have been complimented on the organisation and presentation of our equipment, both first aid and training equipment.

Our club and its facilities have continued to be available to Victorian Emergency Rescue services both during and outside our patrolling season and hours. We have again been called upon to support major search and rescue incidents recently. We were proud to open our clubhouse and its facilities to all involved and were particularly grateful to those club members who made themselves available, at short notice, to assist.

We would like to acknowledge and thank Seb Hales who assisted with securing grant funding for some of our equipment, and Peter McDonnell for his support and guidance regarding our requirements.

Rosemary Moore
First Aid Officer, Sorrento SLSC

FACILITIES REPORT

No appointment was made for this position the 23/24 season. We have continued to update our equipment to ensure that it complies with LSV requirements, is fit for purpose. We thank those club members who have assisted with our maintaining our equipment and facilities throughout the year, with particular thanks to Gerry Lute.

NIPPERS SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT

NIPPER WORKING GROUP MEMBERS:

Liz Atkinson, Sebastian Hales, Kelly Sharples, Andrew Stephen, Andrew Atkinson, Nigel Smith, Craig Wallace

The 2023/24 Nippers season was again run over a nine-week program, with the traditional one week break over the Christmas period. As per previous years, the Nippers season commenced at the front beach, which provided the Nippers with an opportunity to build confidence and demonstrate their skills in a calmer environment and allowed the water safety team to assess the Nippers surf capabilities. After the first two weeks, the program shifted to the back beach without interruption for the rest of the Nippers season. Whilst the majority of the Nippers season was conducted in calm conditions, there were a few sessions which tested the Nippers skills and determination. As usual the water safety crew, led by Sebastian Hales, ensured that the Nippers were always learning in a safe environment.

This season the Nippers program had over 130 Nippers enrolled, with a mixture of locals and seasonals (holiday makers). Each session was well attended with an average of 70-90 Nippers taking part. Over the season there was a real focus on developing a sense of community and trying to bring the Nippers back into the broader Sorrento SLSC. The introduction of Age Group Coaches was a great initiative, with newly inducted SRC members taking on coaching and mentoring roles and leading activities for each of our Nippers Age Groups. This has provided a future pathway for our Nippers to transition out of the program and hopefully through to patrol one day. A huge thank-you to all our coaches who volunteered their Sunday mornings to support the Nippers program and a big thank you to Sebastian Hales for establishing the initiative.

The Intra-Club Nipper carnival on January 26th was again a success, with a large attendance and excellent atmosphere. Most of the nipper families stuck around to see how the club championships went, which helped create the club unity we are all striving for. There was also the added bonus of medals being presented for each age group and each surf discipline.

Special thanks to our senior water safety team again this year as without your volunteering, our program would not exist. As usual the program was always conducted in a safe learning environment. The feedback from families was again positive as we strive to strike the balance between fun and learning. Thanks to all the Age Managers who also volunteered to ensure our Nippers were present and accounted for, and more importantly provided the much needed words of encouragement when required. Thanks also to Liz and

Andrew Atkinson as they continued to house and transport the nipper trailer to all sessions, which is not an easy task but a much needed one. This work was done on top of their usual nipper committee/water safety roles.

Thanks to the Kelly Sharples and Thanasinh Boupha, we continued to develop the Sorrento Nipper Community with a number of social events including the annual wine tasting and without fail a 'well organised' BBQ after every Nippers session at the back beach. The social calendar concluded with a Nippers end of season BBQ at the club, where Nippers were presented with their awards. The night was well attended and received and was a great way to end our season. We plan to continue this into the new season, as social activities create the bonds we need as a community club. A big shout out to those who organised the weekly 'paddle out' event. These nights were well attended by our Nippers and were a great opportunity for our Nippers to practice their board skills with senior members. It also created a great sense of community and we look forward to more of these nights next season.

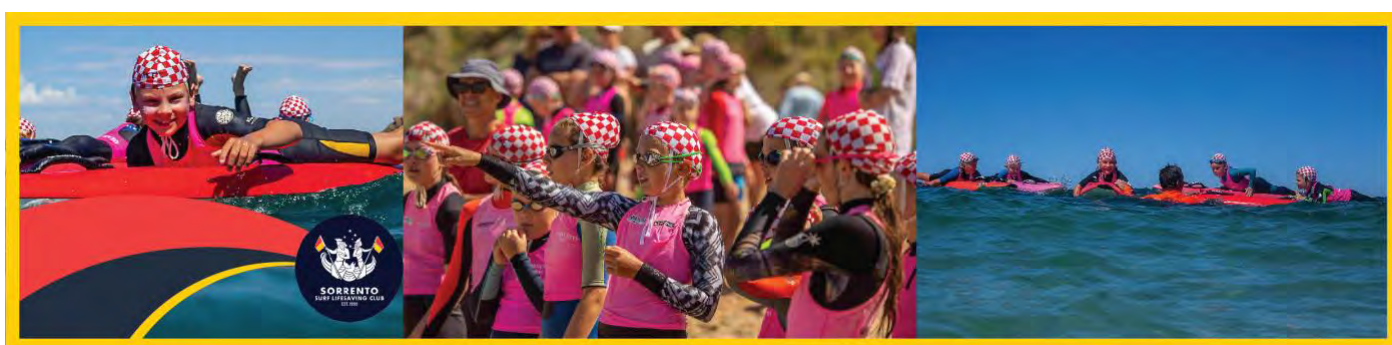
This upcoming season we expect to follow a similar program to the past season, with nine key sessions and the additional Intra-Club carnival day. Once again, we will combine the swim test with an action learning session, rather than making it a separate event. Next season we will also include the Sorrento SLSC Bay swim into the itinerary where we will encourage the kids to enter the shorter 600m swim. This event may also include a 'Nipper' swim of around 300m to focus the kids' on swimming fitness. Stay tuned for that.

Lastly, a special thank you to Sebastian Hales, who has been instrumental in running the water safety program again this year and a big thank-you to the Nippers Sub Committee for their ongoing support.

As always, a reminder that Nippers is entirely run by volunteers and each season, we lose people as their time comes up. Please reach out to volunteer to be on the Nipper Committee or provide other support, as without you we can't run the program. You can contact us at nippers@sorrentoslsc.com

We look forward to seeing you down the beach next season!!

Nigel Smith
Nipper Manager, Sorrento SLSC



YOUTH ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT

No appointments were made for the 23-24 season. It is planned that this committee will be reconvened for the forthcoming season.

Sean Cummins
Club Captain

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

The annual Club Championships, held on January 26th, were again extremely competitive, with smart tactics causing controversy in the beach flags. Thanks to all competitors and water safety. We congratulate the following winners:

- **Masters Champion:** Ash Sharples
- **Open Champions:** Matthew Fothergill, Rose Vaughn
- **Junior Champions:** Gemma Biermann, Keenan Lord

Sean Cummins
Club Captain



SOCIAL MEDIA/COMMUNICATIONS REPORT

Club activities and updates have been regularly posted and effectively communicated throughout the 23-24 season. Posting 1-6 times weekly, using the Stack Team App, Facebook and Instagram, we've seen a significant increase in club followers and post interactions, with some posts seeing an engagement boost of over 70%.

Our posts covered a variety of topics, including:

- Nippers Communications
- Summer Events
- Patrol Announcements
- Course Announcements
- Member and Volunteer Achievements
- LSV Announcements
- New Initiatives such as Paddle Outs

We would like to extend a big thanks to nipper parents Andrew and Liz Atkinson who have given their time to capture fantastic photos for our social media and communications. These photos beautifully showcased the meaningful moments and essence of being a nipper and volunteer surf lifesaver. They allowed our Social Media Team to engage with the community through compelling storytelling.

We hope to continue our social media success in the forthcoming season by updating the Sorrento SLSC website, including links to our Facebook and Instagram pages. By building excitement through our Instagram and Facebook pages and becoming more connected with our immediate and extended community, we aim to increase club membership and volunteer participation in both the lifesaving patrol and nipper programs and all aspects of our club's activities.



Kelly Sharples

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Rowena Sykes, Kelly Sharples, Chloe Holland, Ro Moore.

There were numerous notable social events this past season due to the collaborative efforts of the sub - committee.

To generate interest in the new season, flyers were distributed amongst the local school communities to continue to expand the membership post COVID, as the club stays on the growth trajectory laid out in the previous season.

The range of events offered during the season included a beginning of season Pizza Night, a Wine and Cheese Tasting evening with live music (wine from local cellar Rhino Tiger Bear & cheese from Boatshed Cheese), a mid-season social Burger & Booze night, Triple J Hottest 100 open clubhouse event and an end of season celebration.

Some of the events were well attended, and with the development of a new website and reinvestment in social media presence, the intention is to continue to encourage growth in membership and attendance at these social occasions. There has been some discussion about how to continue the interest in the club throughout the 'off-season' by potentially offering other events throughout the year.

We extend our thanks to all members of the subcommittee and the numerous other members of the club who assisted with putting on these events and made them enjoyable by attending.

Rowena Sykes

Chair Social Activities Subcommittee, Sorrento SLSC



BUSINESS PLANNING SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT

No appointment was made to this position for the 23-24 season.

CLUB MEMBERSHIP

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME
Abbey	Lawrence	Clavin	Alice	Dusting	Mark
Abbey	William	Clavin	Angus	Dusting	William
Allan	Andrew	Clavin	Eleanor	Edwards	Atticus
Allan	Anita	Clavin	Marc	Edwards	Bridgette
Allan	Emily	Clavin	Susannah	Edwards	Matthew
Allan	James	Clavin	William	Evans	Ben
Allen-Wallace	Macy	Cleary	Alexandra	Evans	Joshua
Allen-Wallace	Rose	Cleary	Camilla	Evans	Ruby
Anderson	Meredith	Cleary	Harry	Evans	Sheree
Atkinson	Andrew	Cleary	Jannica	Fahey	Charlie
Atkinson	Harry	Cleary	John	Fahey	Rose
Atkinson	Liz	Cleary	Matilda	Fahey	Stuart
Atkinson	Oscar	Cleary	Max	Featherston	Zeke
Bagg	Stefan	Cleary	Paul	Feldman	Claire
Baker	Annie	Cleary	Tahlia	Feldman	Jeff
Baker	Chris	Conolly	Joshua	Feldman	Jeffrey
Baker	Jeanette	Conolly	Oliver	Feldman	Lindel
Baker	John	Cooney	Mick	Feldman	Scott
Baldwin	Abbey	Cooney	Paul	Finn	Jack
Barnard	Emma	Cooney	Roxanne	Firth	Anna
Barnard	Lachlan	Cooper	Drew	Firth	Jeremy
Barry	Finn	Cooper	Emily	Firth	Robin
Barry	Fiona	Cooper	Jess	Fitzgerald	Raine
Barry	Indigo	Cooper	Olive	Fitzgerald	Sarah
Barry	Jack	Croarken	Gaile	Flinn	Benjamin
Biermann	Christian	Cummins	Andrea	Flinn	Jack
Biermann	Dianne	Cummins	Darcy	Flinn	Paula
Biermann	Gemma	Cummins	Mick	Follett	Emma
Biermann	Ollie	Cummins	Sean	Follett	George
Biermann	Toby	Cunnington	Hannah	Follett	Martine
Black	Jillian	Curwood	Timothy	Follett	Matthew
Black	Matt	D'Amico	Almy	Fothergill	Gina
Boehm	Natascha	Daniel	Luke	Fothergill	Harrison
Boehm Wilson	Anoushka	Danielson	Arabelle	Fothergill	John
Boehm Wilson	Oskar	Danielson	Darren	Fothergill	Kayla
Boupha	Thanasinh	Danielson	Edward	Fothergill	Matthew
Brown	Cameron	Danielson	Mimi	Garby	Emma
Brown	Jarrold	Danielson	Sidney	Gastin	Bryce
Brown	Matthew	Danks	Olivia	Gastin	Cameron
Brown	Natalie	de Heer	Kim	Gastin	Helen
Brown	Ross	De Nicolo	Kiara	Gastin	Hugh
Burke	Emily	De Nicolo	Naomi	Gastin	Olivia
Byrns	Amy	De Nicolo	Robert	Gastin	Paul
Catalan	Aaron	Deffely	Aoife	Geer	James
Catalan	Dante	Deffely	Maebh	Geer	Rebecca
Catalan	Meagan	Dickenson	Jane	Geer	Rose
Chad	Flinn	Draper	Bridget	Grayling	Bruce
Clark	Oliver	Draper	Felicity	Grayling	Jennifer
Clark	Steven	Draper	Howard	Grayling	Samantha
		Dusting	Hanne	Grumeza	Lynna

Gunning	Amy	Irvine	Angus	Macdonald	William
Guthrie	Dominic	Irvine	Brett	Maher	Hannah
Guthrie	Gigi	Irvine	Catherine	Mason	Annie
Guthrie	Remy	Irvine	Madeline	Mason	Peter
Hafey	Joanne	Irvine	Zoe	McCann	Melanie
Hafey-Bagg	Jamie	James	Fiona	McCarthy	Annika
Hafey-Bagg	Samantha	James	Ivy	McCarthy	Joanna
Hagenmuller	Ross	James	Nick	McCarthy	Matthew
Hagenmuller	Sam	James	Willow	McColl	Archie
Hales	Lachlan	Jenkin	Carly	McColl	Josh
Hales	Sebastian	Jenkin	Elizabeth	McKenzie	Hudson
Hales	Susanne	Jenkin	Kane	McKenzie	Janelle
Hallett	Ben	Johnson	Frankie	McKenzie	Madison
Hallett	Charlie	Johnson	Grant	McKenzie	Ryan
Hallett	Daphne	Johnson	Lola	McKeown	Alastair
Hallett	Felix	Johnson	Shezzy	McKeown	Ryan
Harrison	Craig	Johnston	James	McKeown	Sophia
Harrison	Van	Johnston	Jemimah	McPhie	Elice
Harvey	Aaron	Johnston	Tim	McPhie	India-Lee
Harvey	Bridget	Johnston	William	McPhie	Stuart
Harvey	Bryn	Karasavidis	Simela	Michael	Rose
Harvey	Melissa	Kennedy	Amelia	Mitchell	Eva
Harvey	Natalie	Kennedy	Charlie	Mitchell	Jake
Harvey	Thea	Kennedy	Chilli	Mitchell	Jarrold
Hayes	Rebecca	Kennedy	Louie	Mitchell	Lana
Hegarty	Kai	Kennedy	Ted	Moller	Maaike
Hegarty	Sean	Khan	Arlo	Monaghan	Michelle
Hegarty	Summer	Kloszynski	Sonny	Monaghan-To	Clarke
Hibberd	Davis	Kloszynski	Tanya	Moore	Rosemary
Hibberd	Elizabeth	Kloszynski	Troy	Morris	Anna
Hibberd	Spencer	Laios	Lia	Morris	Cam
Hibberd	Steve	Lazzaro	Christian	Morris	Clover
Hillier	Archer	Lazzaro	Freddie	Morris	Raff
Hillier	Ben	Lazzaro	Peter	Morton	Billy
Hillier	Tess	Leonard	Georgia	Morton	Harry
Holland	Chloe	Lever	Chloe	Morton	Sophie
Holland	Jo	Lever	Jessica	Mudge	Banjo
Holland	Peter	Lever	Lachlan	Mudge	Cleo
Holmes	Brett	Lever	Leon	Mulvany	Oscar
Holmes	Ethan	Lever	Michelle	Murphy	Chris
Holmes	James	Lewis	William	Murphy	Hamish
Holmes	Lisa	Lombardi	Maurizio	Murphy	Jessica
Hulbert	Anderson	Lombardi	Sarah	Myerson	Flyn Ivy Rose
Hulbert	Isaac	Lombardi	Tommy	Nathan	Ed
Hulbert	Julian	Lute	Gerard	Nathan	Lorenzo
Hulbert	Sharon	Macdonald	Hamish	Nettlefold	Andrew
Hulbert	Toby	Macdonald	Megan	Nettlefold	Clay
Hyde	Linda	Macdonald	Skye	Nettlefold	Donna

Nettlefold	Jasper	Ring	Emma	Sykes	Logan
Nettlefold	Kesha	Ring	Mason	Sykes	Rowena
Nettlefold	Peppa-Rose	Rodway	Meghan	Sykes	Sherlock
Nickson	Annabel	Ross-Phelan	Tessa	Sykes	Timothy
Nickson	Chris	Russell-Mud	Ashley	Tancredi	Jacinta
Nickson	Oscar	Russell-Mud	Bree	Tancredi	Jake
O'Brien	Eddie	Russell-Mud	Ella	Tancredi	Kristen
O'Brien	Hugh	Russell-Mud	Jamie	Tancredi	Mark
O'Brien	Kate	Sahely	Kael	Terry	Charlie
O'Brien	Louisa	Sahely	Oliver	Terry	Scott
O'Connor	Tracey	Sahely	Rebecca	Terry	Sunny
Orme	Bethany	Sahely	Roy	Tolliday	Kathryn
Orme	Elise	Sharples	Ashley	Valibhoy	Jibrail
Orme	Ruari	Sharples	Gavan	Valibhoy	Madeleine
Owens	Hayden	Sharples	Kelly	Valibhoy	Vali
Owens	Lachlan	Sharples	Rowan	Valibhoy	Zameer
Owens	Meredith	Shaw	Rafferty	Van Camp	Isadora
Owens	Raymond	Shaw	Samantha	Van Camp	Leilani
Phillips	Dion	Sheard	Madison	Wallace	Craig
Phillips	Hunter	Smart	Marley	Wallace	Erynne
Phillips	Poppy	Smart	Paul	Wallace	Leah
Pinkerton	Kristy	Smith	Charlotte	Walsh	Charlie
Pizzini	Marisa	Smith	Cohen	Walsh	Isobel
Ponton-Tolliday	Amber	Smith	Natalie	Walsh	Joshua
Ponton-Tolliday	Oscar	Smith	Nigel	Walsh	Sophie
Porter	Tracey	Smith	Sally	Watt	Andrew
Powell	Daryl	Smith	Stewart	Watt	Max
Powell	Louis	Smith	Zoe	Watt	Phoebe
Powell	Sophie	Stephen	Alana	Wettenhall	Angus
Rand	Archer	Stephen	Andrew	Wettenhall	Katie
Rand	Martha	Stephen	Callum	Wettenhall	Misha
Rand	Ruby	Stephen	Nicole	Wettenhall	Willow
Rand	Tim	Stephens	Felix	Wettenhall	Zahli
Rawiller	Essie	Stephens	Geordie	White	Cameron
Richardson	Ace	Stephens	Grace	White	Charlotte
Richardson	Dash	Stephens	Heidi	White	Charlotte
Richardson	Nikki	Stevenson	Coco	White	Jacqui
Richardson	Reef	Stevenson	Rob	Willis	Lucy
Richardson	Tim	Stevenson	Simone	Wilson	Nicolas
Riddiford	Abby Lee	Stirling	Abby	Wouters	Bowie
Riddiford	Cooper	Stirling	Catherine	Wouters	Christine
Riddiford	Niki	Stirling	Duncan	Wouters	Edie
Riddiford	Summer	Stirling	Sam	Wouters	Jarrold
Ring	Addison	Stirling	Vicki	Wouters	Sunny
Ring	Anthony	Switkowski	Elizabeth	Wright	Elissa
		Switkowski	Georgina	Wright	Jane
		Switkowski	Henrietta	Yong	Laura
		Switkowski	Mark		