

# November 2006

## From the President

We are now fairly well established in the new building and are gradually overcoming many of the teething problems associated. We ask that members are patient with the issues, especially related to access of the facility. At this time we have sorted the majority of the issues but it will take time to address all.

With the competitive season up and running I remind all competitors that fees need to be paid otherwise they are not insured and will not be given access privileges. If any Members have concerns in this regard please speak to a member of the Club Executive.

We also need to confirm numbers and equipment for Perth. If members intending to travel please let their Sectional Captains know so that we can make adequate preparations.

Over the next weeks we will have a web camera operating from the Club that will allow access to viewing of surf conditions over the internet. This will be available through Coastal Watch.

I encourage all members to make use of the Club web page to stay informed of what is happening within the Club. We are trying to keep this updated and provide as much information as possible to Members.

We are now able to take any fees or purchases by Etfos and this can be done by contacting Anita at the Club. The best time

to contact her are Thursdays or Saturday mornings.

I would like to congratulate the variety of Committees that are now active within the club for their efforts in starting the year on a positive note. The House, Special Events Life Saving and Competition Committees have all be active in ensuring we develop these areas.

The addition of Anita as Admin Assistant has also been a great benefit to the Club and the work she is undertaking has help relieve the load on the volunteer arm. Please assist her where possible to make her job easier given the variety tasks she is involved in.

**Garry Clarke**

## SECURITY

After a few hiccups the Clubhouse security system is now up and running with access to the various areas via a thumbprint scan.

All financial Members are given the base access level, being access to the toilets and showers. Sectional members are also given access based on their sectional requirements.

Anyone wishing to increase their access levels, should contact their Sectional Head and then the Executive for approval. Anyone found abusing their privileges can have their access denied by the Executive, actions such as letting non members have regular use of the facilities, propping the door open with a brick, acts of vandalism could

result in the Member's access being withheld.

## Some Important Points to Note:

- Wet thumb prints do not work as the water smudges the print and leaves residue on the scanner making it think there is a print there;
- Pressing too hard on the scanner, smudges your print;
- It is vital that the flat part of your finger is on the scanner, not the tip.
- Wait for the buzzer to sound before activating the lock, as turning the handle will only relock the door;
- The Footwash Door is a pressure door, so often a slight push in maybe needed to release the door;
- If there have been several unsuccessful attempts to get in, the scanner needs a rest to readjust itself;
- Please be patient with the system.

## SURF CLUB OFFICE

The Administration Office at the Surf Club is now open on Monday 10am to 4pm, Thursdays 2pm to 5pm and Saturday mornings.

The Club phone number is 4382 1514, Fax No: 4382 8540

Email address is C/- Brett Hunter at: [administration@avocabeachslsc.asn.au](mailto:administration@avocabeachslsc.asn.au)

All registrations & thumb printing, hall hire, swimwear purchases, carnival entries can all be done through the office.

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## USE OF THE CLUBHOUSE.

Anyone planning to have a meeting, training or using any of the rooms in the Clubhouse will need to book through the Club Office, as over the past month we have had numerous occurrences of people wishing to use the same facilities. Any Club member or Section using a room, particularly in the Bar Area or Function area are asked to pack up any items, including chairs and tables that they have used, and to clean up their area, and if needed, vacuum the floor.

## WESTFIELD ROOKIE WALL OF FAME

Congratulations to Alex Tomlin who was inducted to the Westfield Rookie Wall of Fame following a rescue he participated in last season.

## INTERBRANCH TEAM

Congratulations to the Interbranch team recently announced:

Kate McNamara (Captain)

The Z Crew

Daniel Shade    Kimberly Mara

Liam Jackson    Jessica Davis

Jessica Redden    Tami Hunt

*Nippers:*

Jade Condon    Gareth Munton

Michael Bain    Jake O'Brien

Asst Manager:    Jeff Doyle

Asst Surf Coach:    Nigel Tebb

## SIPPERS

Sippers is on again! Commencing 5:30pm on Sunday evenings, entry is via the side entrance. Meals are also available on the night, thanks to the Ladies Aux who once again have rostered themselves on to prepare the meals. Our thanks also goes to Rob from Mr Catering, for all his help, patience and guidance

in helping us all to learn the wonders of our new kitchen!

## HANDICAPS

Club Handicaps starts this Sunday and every Sunday through to March. Start time 11am. Open to all members, new and old, experienced and unexperienced, a great way to get in shape, hone some skills and have some fun.

## REGISTRATIONS:

Just a reminder that Club memberships from last season, expire on 13 November, from that date on, members who have not renewed their membership will no longer be covered by insurance, nor can they be entered into Carnivals.

Only those members who are financial in 2006/07 have access to the Club showers and toilets.

## STATIC / LONG SERVICE

Members need to apply in writing for Long Service and Reserve Active Membership for approval by the Board.

All requests for static patrol status, must be received in writing and submitted to the Board for consideration, static members from previous years will need to reapply in writing if wishing to renew their static membership.

## LADIES AUXILIARY NEWS

The Ladies Auxiliary are to celebrate 60 years & are having a reunion luncheon 3rd December past and present members have received invitations and replies are coming in any past member we may have missed please ring Jan Hoban 43822037. Our next meeting is 19th November 10.a.m

## PATROLS

District Patrol Supervisors will visit each beach, a minimum of twice per month, to complete the patrol supervisor's checklist and to assist clubs and their patrols with their patrol operations and obligations.

The Patrol Assessment Competition will be conducted at each beach three times per year by a select group of assessors.

Examples of the things that they will be checking are on the notice board in the Captains Office, and all members are asked to cooperate with the Supervisors and assist as requested, remembering that they too, are volunteers.

## Patrol Reminders:

A reminder to all patrol members of the importance of filling out ALL patrol logs books, including Patrol, IRB and Radio Log Books neatly and correctly and a reminder that these can be called upon in a court of law and must be maintained for 7 years.

ARC patrol members please remember to check the oxyviva each patrol and chalk the time and date on the bottle for each inspection.

## ATV'S

In order to drive the ATV, all drivers must be:

- Members of the Club,
- 17 years of age and holders of a Provisional or Open Drivers License;
- have been inducted as a driver and be
- registered as a driver in Surfguard.

The induction is to be done annually and all inducted drivers names are forwarded to GCC.

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### REBEL SPORTS DISCOUNT NIGHT

The Rebel Sports Discount Night is on again on **29 November** at the Erina store 6-9pm 20% off the full price of everything in the shop. Remember to take your Discount Card (plenty available from the Office) or quote 869.

### HUNTERS OCEAN SWIM

Hunters Ocean Swim is on again – 17 December 2006. The annual 2.5 km swim is one of the Club's major fundraisers, and entry forms are available from the Club or Captains Office, Hunters or register online at [www.oceanswim.com](http://www.oceanswim.com). The Club is once again seeking assistance from its members with set up, registrations, water safety will be required on the day, more details to follow. The Nippers Ocean Swim has been postponed until later in the season.

### ABSLSC COMMERATIVE WINES

AB SLSC Wine and Port with labels showcasing the stages of the development of the new Surf Club are available from Slim Peebles. Ph: 0428 434 223 Email: [slimbo@bigpond.net.au](mailto:slimbo@bigpond.net.au) The Tyrrell's Wines are available at \$15 per bottle, or \$140 per case.  
-- Great Christmas gift idea!

### ROSS PARK

Here is a chance to have your say with regards to the development of playgrounds in the Gosford City Council, and in particular your views on Ross Park by filling in the Gosford Playground User Questionnaire: <http://www.gosford.nsw.gov.au/community/facilities>

### COMPETITION NEWS

It was great to see so many from the various sections of the Club getting together for a games night in late October. Thanks to the Sectional Heads for organising it and bringing down all the equipment from BBQs to table tennis tables. We hope to have another of these in December or January.

Last weekend Junior and Cadet Members went to Fingal Beach with some of our Life Members and Sectional Captains as a get together to learn more about the Club and the various activities within the Club.

The great weather contributed to a great weekend, which hopefully will become an annual event.

Our thanks go the Life Members who have supported this get together weekend. .

The **Board and Ski Series** got under away on Friday at Blacksmiths Beach and finishes at Avoca on 9 February.

There have been good attendances at the **Premiership Series** with some great results in both rounds.

#### Forthcoming Carnivals:

- North Avoca U11 to Opens Carnival – 18 November
- Freshwater Beach Ironman for U11 to U15 26 November
- Coffs Harbour Craft Carnival 25, 26 November (entries now closed)
- Saturday 2 December Pacific Palms Masters Carnival & Umina Masters Carnival.

### NOTICE BOARDS

All details regarding forthcoming competitions etc can be found on the two Competition Notice Boards inside the footwash corridor.

Information regarding patrols, club events, patrol hours can be found in the Captains Office.

There are also two manuals in the Captains Office for Members to look through and to keep updated:

AB SLSC Member Manual that contains information on the Club, Codes of Conduct, OH&S Policies and awards.

SOPS Manual (Standard Operations Manual), which contains all the policies and statements from SLS NSW regarding patrols, SLS structures, grievance procedures etc.

*Whoever has the purple SOPS manual from the Captains Office could they please return it to the Captains Office asap.*

### WEBSITE

Is there anyone in the Club with website or graphic experience that could assist with the set up of the Functions Centres Page with booking forms, layouts etc. If so, please contact the office on 4382 1514 or [administration@avocabeachslsc.asn.au](mailto:administration@avocabeachslsc.asn.au)

### BOATIE NEWS

Boaties are planning a major Trivia Night/Fundraiser on Friday, 19 January at the surfclub. Tickets are \$10 each and tables of ten.

Please contact Todd Petrie or Tony Ide if you are interested in attending or can donate a prize.

**Ocean Thunder** Professional Boat Series Update:

Z Crew are currently leading the series with 1 round to go and the Zenith girls crew is coming 4<sup>th</sup>. - Good luck to both crews for the remaining round.

The **Peters Boat** series has just started and after 3 rounds many of Avoca crews are already well placed in the points tally

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### **Avoca Beach SLSC Member Safety and Wellbeing: Code of Conduct**

A Member of Avoca Beach SLSC will:-

1. Agree to abide by the Code of Conduct
2. Be Responsible for the Use of Club Facilities in such a manner as:-
  - a. All financial members of the Club will have access to the shower and toilets via the Footwash Access Point. Members from the various sections within the Club will have access made available to them for their sectional requirements;
  - b. All requests for increase in access areas are to be submitted in writing to the Board of Directors for approval;
  - c. Non Members are not permitted access to the Club facilities;
  - d. Non Members are not permitted access to any Club equipment unless as part of a Club event or authorised by the Board of ABSLC;
  - e. Members who engage in anti-social behaviour, wilful damage to Club property or bring the Club into disrepute, or assists a non-member to breach the Code of Conduct or Access policy may, at the discretion of the Club Board, have their access to the Club denied, either temporarily or permanently;
  - f. Access to the Training Room, will be at the discretion of the Director of Lifesaving and/or Patrol Captains for Members to carry out lifesaving patrol duties or training sessions in such a way so as not to cause disruption or interference with the activities in the Function Centre.
  - g. Minors are not permitted in the Function Centre unless under the direct supervision of a responsible adult.
3. Abide by the Dress Code for the Function Centre areas consisting of:
  - a. Footwear is to be worn at all times;
  - b. Clothing to include top and bottom for both sexes (note beach towel does not constitute clothing)
  - c. No wet clothing is allowed at any time.
4. Abide by the SLSA Code of Conduct & Member Protection Policy:
  - a. To respect the rights, dignity and worth of others;
  - b. To be fair, considerate and honest in all dealing with others;
  - c. To assist in providing a safe and supporting environment for all our members and guests.
5. Behaviour in Function Area:
  - a. No vigorous games are permitted in the Function Centre, including all ball games;
  - b. Hirers of Function Centre are responsible for their guests;

All areas of the Club are Smoke Free, including balconies, stairwells, or entrance areas.

### **OUR CLUB SPONSORS**

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SHANE FREEMAN

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