



SHARK ATTACK

December 2023

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

With the Summer Holidays already upon us I would like to start off by wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a great New Year. Our Surf Club is the focal point of the local community especially over the Christmas Holidays, and with the large influx of holiday makers and day visitors it is a very busy place. I hope everyone gets time to relax and enjoy the beach over the holidays.

I wish our Lifesaving Teams all the best over this busy time and I'm sure our Patrol Captains are all very confident in their lifesaving teams they lead. Our Patrol hours are extended for this time of the year and we are patrolling from 8am to 6pm. Each patrol team is doing 5 hours each shift.

The Club would like to pass on our thanks in advance for the members who have put their hand up for patrolling on Christmas Day. We hope you have a great day with very little to report on.

Our membership stats are looking great for the season once again. We have the following membership numbers so far:

271 Active Members | 386 Junior Members | 403 Other memberships

Will still have a number of people who have not renewed their membership for the current season. I encourage you to jump online and complete the membership renewal process. You are then able to use the full extent of the Club's facilities.

Over the last month we have seen many of our competitors step up to the start line and show off their talents. From the Juniors, Boats and Craft competitors - well done on your efforts, keep training hard as the big carnivals are just around the corner.

Remember to ensure you get your Members Keyring to access the 10% discount upstairs in "The Surf Club Avoca Beach." This can be done at the office or at the bar in quiet service periods. If you intend on dining upstairs over the busy period, be sure to book online through our website to get a table.

All the best for Christmas and I hope to see you on the beach over the coming few weeks.

Stuart Harvey

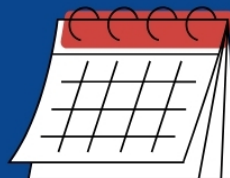


LIFESAVING UPDATE



PATROLS

Thanks to everyone that has volunteered for Christmas day patrol, we have had a great response. If you are still available in the afternoon anytime in the 1:00-3:30pm or 3:30-6:00pm shifts please let Trent McRae know by emailing office@avocabeachslsc.asn.au.



SAVE THE DATE

**SUNDAY 28TH APRIL PM
PATROL CHALLENGE**

ABSLSC is having its maiden Patrol challenge event to finish off the 2023/24 patrol season. Followed by a casual function upstairs. More details to come.

NEW BOAT SPONSORSHIP



To start the 2023/24 season Avoca Beach Boaties have secured new sponsorship. Four of the clubs surf boats have been re-wrapped with the new sponsors as seen in the photos below.

Thanks to McGrath, Combined Demolition Services, The Surf Club Restaurant & Bar Avoca Beach, Revl Training Kincumber & Greg Mitchell Building for your support.

The boat section would also like to acknowledge Reilly Food Services & Steve "Beaver" Reilly for their support over many years.

I am sure you will see the boats on the beach over summer.





ASRL SHORT COURSE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS SWANSEA BELMONT 9 & 10 DECEMBER 2023

Last weekend the Avoca Beach Boaties competed at the ASRL Short Course National champs.

Competition was fierce & conditions were hot but Avoca came away with some great results.

Yowies & Zenith both made the quarter finals with the MacDogs & Zephyrs both coming in 5th place in the final. The Big Horses & Blue Pills rowed well just missing out on the quarters.

Big shout out to our sweeps Dicky, Cocko, Matty & Mitch for the work you continually do with the crews.





SLSCC INFRONT SURF SLAM AT AVOCA BEACH

The SLSCC Infront Surf Slam was held at our home beach on Saturday 9 December. A huge congratulations to all our athletes who turned up prepared and ready to race in the sweltering heat. And a massive thank you to all members that assisted in the preparation and running of the day, including Felicity J who came down early to help with getting the ice ready for the recovery zone.

It was a huge carnival with lots of competitors from some big clubs that ensured there was great competition all day.

Our Avoca team (U14-opens) had a great day of racing, with some incredible results! Several of our athletes (and teams) were successful in receiving podium placings, along with prize money, just in time for Christmas. It was great to see Avoca being able to enter multiple teams across most events.

A massive shout out to our IRB drivers and crew for their entire day spent on the water. Our officials, catering crew, Stu H, our carnival lead & co-ordinator, Emma B, our branch DoSS and Event coordinator. Lastly, a huge thank you to our coaching crew that were on-hand for the duration of the carnival to ensure our athletes were well supported. Gordo, Mia, Jacko & Pete.

Here's to next year - may it be bigger & better again!





WHAT'S ON AT THE SURF CLUB CLUB AVOCA BEACH

BROUGHT TO YOU BY

Summer SUNDAYS

LIVE MUSIC | EVERY SUNDAY

FROM 4 PM | DRINK SPECIALS

A DIFFERENT ARTIST EACH WEEK
CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE OR SOCAILS TO
SEE WHO IS PLAYING THIS WEEK

WWW.AVOCABEACHSLSC.ASN.AU

Christmas New Years

TRADING HOURS

Sun 24 Dec	12:00pm - 8:00pm
Mon 25 Dec	Closed
Tues 26 Dec	12:00pm - Late

Sun 31 Dec	12:00pm - 8:00pm
Mon 1 Jan	12:00pm - Late

10% OFF FOR MEMBERS

Don't forget to pick up your 2023/24 membership keyring from the bar to receive 10% of all food and drinks. Please try to come in a quiet time for collection.





Help keep them alive,
while paramedics arrive.

Every minute counts. Sign up to GoodSAM.

[SIGN UP](#)



GOODSAM PROGRAM

Surf Life Saving NSW has partnered with GoodSAM, a program that helps save lives by empowering members of the community to respond quickly when someone nearby goes into cardiac arrest. The GoodSAM program is not an agency response – members who sign up to the program must only accept a GoodSAM alert if they are off duty and no surf lifesaving resources or equipment are to be used when responding to GoodSAM alerts.

GoodSAM is integrated with the NSW Ambulance Triple Zero (000) dispatch system and connects volunteers to patients in the critical first minutes of a cardiac arrest. At the same time, ambulances are dispatched. Volunteers can choose to accept or decline an alert and can decline at any time and for any reason – paramedics are always on the way.

To sign up click on the link above.

NEW OFFICE HOURS

The office is now open 2-5pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays every week.

Come and see Kristy for any membership enquiries or fob access issues. Outside of these times please email office@avocabeachslsc.asn.au



GOT A STORY TO SHARE?

We are always keen to share surf club stories from our members, so if you have photos and a little write up of an event, results or just something really cool, we can share via our newsletter and social media. Please email anything to office@avocabeachslsc.asn.au

THANK YOU TO OUR GENEROUS SPONSORS

