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2010 NSW SURF
CLUB OF THE YEAR

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New IRB

Drivers

On a wild and windswept Maroubra Beach on 17th March, **Molly Cocks, Tom Casey & Jethro James** were successful in passing their IRB driver assessment.



Congratulations to these 3 and their Trainer **Tania Rouse** – it had not been easy, with numerous dates for assessment cancelled due to conditions. The squad are pictured with **Gary Cheer** who was the assessor on the day. **Tom Coyne** had school commitments on that day and will be successful in gaining his license in the very near future. Congratulations also to **Tom** on receiving an ARU referee scholarship - one of only 13 recipients in NSW.

Buddhist Lifesavers

Confirmed reports in March of a group of Buddhist monks releasing live lobsters in Gordon's Bay. Apparently they buy them from restaurants to save them from hungry diners.

Successful Bronze Squad

Congratulations to our latest fully fledged volunteer surf lifesavers. Under the guidance of **Molly & Rebecca Cocks and Chris “Topper” Thompson**, the 13 successful candidates on 24th March at Maroubra were **Adam Baghdadi, Arjen van den Bosch, Bryce Wilde, Claire Gorham, James Heathwood, Kevin Davis, Kristina Ranson, Matt Grosse, Rebecca Ius, Sarah Dunkerley, Tim Carey and Vaite Perrin**.



AROUND YOUR CLUB

- Presentation Night date is Saturday 1st June. Patrol members should purchase tickets through their Patrol Captains. Other members will be able to purchase tickets through the office at the club. We will be holding this celebration of the season past in the downstairs hall just like in the olden days!
- Nippers have a new President for season 2013-14. Congratulations to **Lee Killigrew** and thank you to outgoing boss **Hugh McKid** for all your progressive work this season past. Nippers AGM is Sunday 7th April 11am upstairs at the club.
- Winter is fast approaching - those igloo dwelling **Eskimos** hold their AGM and opening swim on Sunday 5th May from 9.30am.
- A swimmer in the bay was barbed in the arm by a stingray in late March. He was in shock but well managed by members of **Phil Sweeney's** Patrol Team 9. They secured the patient upon the rocks between the breakwater and the prom on the north side. An ambulance was called, and in quick succession ORB3, jetskis and then the Westpac Helicopter appeared on the scene. Nobody is sure who called the chopper. The patient was winched up from the rocks and delivered to the ambulance up at Burrows Park.
- Patrols now winding down in non-daylight saving hours. Patrol hours are now 10am-1pm and 1pm to 4pm.



CALENDAR

15-21st April	Australian Surf Lifesaving Championships - at Kirra & Tugan on the Gold Coast
Sun 28th April	Last day of patrols/end season BBQ
Sun 5th May	Eskies AGM & first swim
Fri 10th May	Clovelly SLSC Sports Lunch - Midday Clovelly Hotel - Tickets - Russ Byrne & Paul “Boof” Smith
Sat 1st June	Presentation Night at the club
Sun 14th July	AGM - 1pm





These photos are of a patrol at Old Bar Beach, up Taree way , in March. At the back left you may notice 2 familiar faces. **Molly Cocks** and **“Topper” Thompson** ventured up the highway for a weekend to broaden & share their experience & assist the club. **“Topper”** had a few problems planting the flags in the sand though - maybe some practise on the prom will help there.



Historical Fix
Clovelly in 1923 after construction of the new club house : Back – **John Rubie**: Middle - **W.Miller, E. Payne, C.Harvus** Front - **A.Boyd, J.Radford, A.Hellings**. Thanks to **John “Scats” Stewart** for discovering this shot.



In this 1906 Clovelly photo our first club house was the little shed at top left behind the crowd on the beach.

AUSTRALIAN MASTERS SURF LIFE SAVING CHAMPIONSHIPS

These were held on the Gold Coast in mid-April. Clovelly were represented by a small (9 competitors) but quality team who were able to finish 59th out of 173 clubs in the pointscore - congratulations to all. As well as the competitors, Clovelly were also represented in the official ranks by **Jenny McNamee** - thankyou **Jenny**. Congratulations to our medallists **Jo Emery, John McNamee & Wendy Pepper** and to all of the team for their outstanding performances and support for each other. Results (in their age categories) included :

- Wendy Pepper** - 3rd Beach Flags : 5th Beach Sprint
- Jo Emery** - 2nd Beach Sprint : 6th Beach Flags
- John McNamee** - 2nd Beach Sprint : Strong 1km beach run. (all while carrying an injury)
- Rennie Finch, Michelle Devine, Lydia Smirniotis, Carolyn Stubbs** - Finalists 140 Years Beach Relay. The girls were leading but unfortunately copped a DQ.
- Jo Emery, Karon Lekeu, Wendy Pepper, Caroline Smith** - 4th 200 Years Beach Relay



GYM USAGE

The gym is for members only. No guests permitted. Weights or other items are not to be used to jam the doors open as this only encourages non-member usage.