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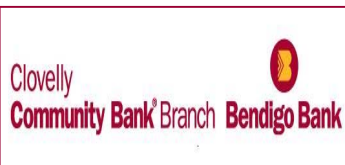


2010 NSW SURF  
CLUB OF THE YEAR

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## OCTOBER 2011 ( 108th ed.)

OTS written by Geoff James



**McGrath**  
Clovelly



The JourneyMasters

### Official Opening of 2011 Club Renovation & Maintenance Works - Friday 9th September

As part of the RCC capital works program to renovate major council community assets, the club has had extensive concrete cancer treatment, repainting & roofing and general maintenance. Club President **Jim King** was able to thank RCC and unveil the Official Plaque with outgoing Mayor **Murray Matson**. **Jim** also thanked the club building committee of **Mark Percy, Paul Smith, Ken Ryan, & Paul Zaja**. **Jim** acknowledged the work of J+CG Constructions represented by **Theo Penglis**, on the previously opened new boatshed, ladies facilities & gym expansion.



Clovelly President **Jim King** with Member for Coogee **Bruce Notley-Smith** & RCC Mayor **Murray Matson**



**Craig Mullins** (RCC), **Mark Percy, Hayley Segadim** (RCC), **Paul Smith, Theo Penglis** (J+CG Constructions)



Life Member **Syd D'Ornay** used the lift after his foot op.

### 2011-12 Patrol Season Opening



It was a grey day as **Gerry McGillion's** Patrol 6 opened the season on Saturday 24th September. **Gerry & Andrew Radford** were also fine tuning protocols for the use of the higher trailer for the new cat-hull IRB. The rain came pouring

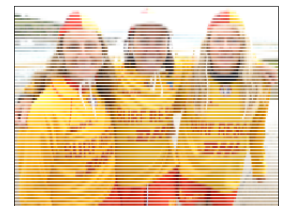


down on the Sunday for **Wendy Pepper & Team 6**, and also for a rather damp Patrol Opening BBQ that afternoon. Pictured on duty that 1st day (l-r) : **Derek Wong** (Club Captain), **Topper Thompson, Paul Zaja, Lyndall Sank, Paul Simmons, Bianca Manuel, Al Pausey, Gerry McGillion, Alex Rennie, Jo Cooper, Susie Petersen, Jessica Cremen, Lara Laing** (1st patrol as a bronze holder). **Alex Rennie** is one of 4 new patrol captains this year, joining **Wendy Pepper, Caroline Smith & Helen Callaghan**. The club will field 13 patrol teams this season, with duties concluding on Anzac Day, which falls on a Wed. in 2012.

### PROFICIENCY DATES

Bronze/SRC	Spinal/ARTC	ATV
Sun 16/10/11 8am	Wed 14/9/11 7pm	Sun 20/11/11 9am
Sun 13/11/11 8am	Sun 18/9/11 9am	Sat 26/11/11 9am
Tues 22/11/11 6.30pm	Tues 27/9/11 7pm	Sun 27/11/11 9am



IRB Driver Proficiency dates, probably at Coogee, yet to be finalised.



**Deb Taylor, Wendy Pepper, Jo Emery**

### CLUB FEES ARE NOW OVERDUE !

Closing date was 1st October. Unfinancial Active members are now liable for a \$50 late fee and unfinancial Associates will have to reapply for membership. If you have not paid your fees, don't complain when your fob access is removed, just do what is now required.

- **Clovelly Nippers** registrations closed on Sun 18 Sept with over 360 registered members. There are the usual large numbers in the younger age groups, but particularly pleasing was the retention of members in the older groups. **First day of Nippers** is Sun 16 Oct 9am.
- New club Recruitment Officer **Heather Mitchell** is well advanced in her preparations for the club **Open Day** also on Sunday 16th. The aim is allow the community to learn about Surf Life Saving & Clovelly Surf Club membership opportunities. All help welcome on the day from 10am. There will be information desks, equipment displays, club events, a BBQ and at 11am the **Tom Caddy Cup Relay** where the Surf Club takes on the best the Eskimos have to offer.
- Well done to all involved in preparing our equipment for the pre-season **Annual Gear Inspection** on 10/9/11. Clovelly gear was well above required standards, thanks to the efforts of Gear Steward **Phil Sweeney**, Asst Gear Steward **Alex Finch**, IRB Captain **Andrew Radford**, First Aid Officer **Lyndall Sank**, Club Captain **Derek Wong**, Radio Officer **Tony Beger** & Asst Chief Training Officer **Rebecca Cocks**. **Phil & Andrew** are pictured.
 
- Clovelly continued our ongoing contribution to District & Branch SLS operations with half of the official gear inspection team being Clovelly members. They inspected all 15 SLS Sydney clubs. Well done and thank you to **Mark Percy, Glen Clarke, Tania Rouse, Topper Thompson & John & Jenny McNamee**.
- with the opening of the patrol season all members are on notice that during patrol hours on weekends & public holidays, the reserved **Clovelly SLSC parking spaces** are for rostered patrol duty members only.
 
- **Bill & Barry Phillips** will be on duty at the car park again this season. **Barry** is pictured on the 1st day of patrols.
- **Rob Rathbone & Cath Barry** are resettling in Scotts Head from late Sept. They are joining Macksville - Scotts Head SLSC where **Rob** already has a spot reserved in a boat crew. Best wishes guys and thanks for all your efforts for Clovelly SLSC. See you at the craft carnival up there later this year.
- Sunday 6th November from 9-12 will see a **toy swap morning** in the club hall. This brainchild of active member **Dave Cunningham** aims to raise funds for the Nippers & the Coogee Lions Club. You pay an entrance fee (\$10), and then for each toy you bring, you get a ticket, which is redeemable for any other toy of your choice. Your chance to assist fund raising for 2 good causes and to do something with all those toys your kids have now grown out of.
- Our first Bronze Squad for the season commenced in September with **Topper** in charge. They aim for a December exam. There will be 2 more squad starting on 2/11/11 & 15/01/12.
- **Clovelly Surf Club Swimming Club** recommences 9am Sat 22nd Oct, at the **Geoff James Pool** - as always, under the helmsmanship of **Ken Ryan**.

### ESKIMOS- Clovelly SLSC Winter Swimming Club

The final Sunday morning for the season on 11th September was the traditional Eskies Fancy Dress Day. Pictured in gear that would probably be better suited for any nearby igloo are the swimmers, discussing the drag factor for some of their outfits.

Club Captain **Ian "Spekky" Eccles** wasn't going to let a clipboard get in the way of his "zebra" tights or those playgirl ears! The following Sunday 18th September the Eskies team ventured south to Wagga Wagga for the Australian Winter Swimming Association Championships. Unhindered by fancy dress the Eskies team were outstanding, bringing back 5 medals - Congratulations to **John Keever**s 1st Over 55s, **Lennie Harris** 2nd Over 65s, **Caroline Smith** 2nd Over 50s, Female Open Relay 3rd, Female Over 50s Relay 3rd.



At the Eskies' Presentation Night at the Surf Club on 24th September, **Karon Lekeu** was awarded the **Bob Burns Memorial Trophy** as Eskimo of the Year. The **Dave Murray Trophy** for the overall point score winner went to Eskies stalwart **Michael O'Connor**. **Michael** also won the 33 yards point score with **Sebastian Pearce** taking out the 66 yards point score. Congratulations to all. See you again 1st Sunday in May 2012.

- The **Rugby League Grand Final** on the giant screen down at the club on Sun 2nd October was a great way to welcome Daylight Saving. **Top Cat** put on a free sausage BBQ during the early game followed by a Main Game Sunday Roast Dinner costing members just \$5. Drinks of course at club prices. Doesn't get any better than that!
- Call for expressions of interest from active members to do a weekend of patrols at **Garie Beach**. Stay overnight in the club house in the Royal National Park & help out a fellow club. See **Derek Wong** or **Tania Rouse**.

### CALENDAR

Sun 16th Oct	Nippers 1st Day/ Club Open Day/ Tom Caddy Cup Relay
Sun 6th Nov	Toy Swap Day 9am- 12pm.
Sun 20th Nov	Annual Veterans Day at the club / Randwick Shield Nippers Carnival
Sun 25th Dec	Christmas Cheer & Pudding Races at the club from 10am.
9-10th March	NSW State Masters Open Champos at Kingscliff
26-31st March	Aust Masters & Open Champos at Kurrawa.