



# THE SUNKEN ANCHOR

9 February 2017

BERMAGUI SLSC COMMUNITY NEWS

## Narooma Carnival

Congratulations to the Nippers and their families who took part in the Narooma Junior Carnival on 29<sup>th</sup> January. It was a perfect day for a carnival and we had 5 participants:

- Drew Marshall
- Ella Marshall
- Sophie Potts
- Thomas Hills
- Zane Curven

Sophie Potts won first place in the Sprints and several of the kids had "firsts" in terms of participating in events they had never tried before.

With some more participants at the next carnival in Pambula on 19<sup>th</sup> February we'll be able to enter a team in the all-age relays and some of the other events that require more team members.

Thanks to all of volunteers from Narooma and from across FSC Branch who helped out to make the day a great success.



# Nippers Notes

## Nippers is back after the Christmas break

Nippers is back after the holiday break and we had a great turnout last Sunday. A regular Nippers will also run this coming Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> February starting at 10:30 am.

The following Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> February, is the Pambula Carnival and you need to be there by 8:00 am if you're competing.

We also need to know who's planning to compete so we can make sure our Nippers volunteers get the right equipment there. Can you please either talk to Christina at Nippers this Sunday or email [christinapotts2@gmail.com](mailto:christinapotts2@gmail.com) by Monday afternoon at 5:00 pm to confirm if you're planning to be there.

## Nippers Carnival Feedback

Clubs have been asked to provide some feedback regarding the changes to the carnival format and March past marker briefing that took place at the Narooma Carnival.

If anyone has any feedback regarding the changes, either positive or negative, can you please email your comments to [bermisurfclub@gmail.com](mailto:bermisurfclub@gmail.com).

We also need to get entries in for any Nippers planning on entering the ironperson or board rescue events at State. Email [bermisurfclub@gmail.com](mailto:bermisurfclub@gmail.com) to let us know and we'll put you in touch with our FSC Branch reps.



## THE SUNKEN ANCHOR QUIZ

1. What isn't standing straight in the Italian city of Pisa?
2. What is the name of Sylvester the cat's son?
3. What did Marie Antoinette suggest people eat when they ran out of bread?
4. Who is the main character in Henry Longfellow's famous poem about an American Indian?
5. What word is used to describe an African hunting expedition?
6. What is the main purpose of a wetsuit – to keep you dry, warm or afloat?
7. What would Mont Blanc be called if it had an English name?
8. Who says: "I tawt I taw a puddy tat"?
9. Who did the Americans fight to gain their independence?
10. What name is given to a royal poet?
11. What side of a ship is the starboard side – left or right?
12. What is a barani – a kind of racing car, a trampoline trick or a winning poker hand?

# Same Wave Program

## Beach activities for people with a disability

The Same Wave program has been running at Pambula SLSC for 16 years now and it's also running at Moruya SLSC.

Same Wave is an opportunity for people of all ages with a disability to participate in fun beach activities and learn about the surf and water safety.

The activities are based on ones that are part of regular Nippers programs and are modified to fit the abilities of the participants.

Bermagui SLSC is looking for interest in running a couple of pilot sessions in March. If the program is popular we can look at introducing it fully in February and March next season. Dates for the pilot sessions are:

Saturday - 4<sup>th</sup> March 2017 @9.30-11am

Saturday - 18<sup>th</sup> March 2017 @9.30-11am

To book a spot in the pilot, please email Cheryl McCarthy at [bermisurfclub@gmail.com](mailto:bermisurfclub@gmail.com) or phone at 0459-238-442 by Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2017.

We're also looking for volunteers willing to come down and lend a hand. While every participant will have a qualified lifesaver with them, you don't have to have your Bronze Medallion to help out, just a smile and willingness to have some fun!

Pambula SLSC has created a youtube video to show how the program runs. Check it out at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iQvHTJKx-C8>

This program will help the kids to have fun, learn and participate in activities such as flags, sprints, beach relays, as well as a number of other recreational activities. Depending on confidence and water ability participants can also learn to balance and paddle surfboards and to experience the excitement of catching what for some may be their first wave to the shore.



## AROUND THE CLUB

## Training Officers Course

SLSNSW is holding a Trainer Officers course in Pambula this weekend. The 2-day course is the first step towards becoming trainers at your club. Participants receive 2 nationally recognised units of competency and head back to their club ready to join the training team and be mentored through a couple of courses.

Bermagui members taking part are William Vaughan-Smith who is taking the course and Bruce McAslan and Cheryl McCarthy who will be helping as facilitators.

## Wambiri Youth Camp

Wambiri is a youth development and leadership camp aimed at 13 and 14 year old surf club members in FSC Branch. The 2017 camp will be held in Tathra from 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> March. The cost is \$100 per person and Bermagui applications need to be endorsed by the Club. Applications need to be received by Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February and you can email [bermisurfclub@gmail.com](mailto:bermisurfclub@gmail.com) for more information or to request an application form.

## Bermagui SLSC Bags

We have Bermagui SLSC bags available for purchase. They're black with the club logo and have a separate compartment for wet gear. The cost is \$30 each. Email [bermisurfclub@gmail.com](mailto:bermisurfclub@gmail.com) if you're interested and we'll get one over to you.



## George Bass Marathon

The 2018 George Bass Marathon will be held next Christmas holidays, running from 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017 to 6<sup>th</sup> January 2018.

*7 days, 7 legs and 190kms of the best coastline in Australia.*

The George Bass is the longest and toughest surfboat marathon in the world. Bermagui has put a team in many of the past races and are hoping to do so again this year. If you're interested in knowing more about it or would like to put your hand up to join the team email [bermisurfclub@gmail.com](mailto:bermisurfclub@gmail.com) and we'll get you some info.

## The Massive Murray Paddle

This event (formally known as the Murray Canoe Marathon) is in its 49<sup>th</sup> year and is still very much a strong event on the Australian paddle-sports calendar.



Surf clubs have had a strong presence in past years with many club members from across NSW and Victoria entered on single skis, double skis and even a couple of surf boats. Ideal for a relay team and maybe a few full distance paddlers can come out of your club.

The 49<sup>th</sup> Massive Murray Paddle, goes from Yarrowonga to Swan Hill – 404km over 5 days along the Murray River – November 20 to 24, 2017.

Organisers are hoping they may even be able to get enough clubs to enter to launch a specific Surf Club Trophy. For those training for the George Bass Marathon it may even be a good chance to get some long-distance training in.

## Working with Children Check

Just a reminder for patrollers and Nippers volunteers to get their Working With Children Check. The online application is a quick process - it takes only a couple of minutes. Once you complete the application and obtain your number you just need to take your application number and proof of identity to a NSW Motor Registry, Government Access Centre or Service NSW Office. The application can be found at: <https://www.ccheck.ccyp.nsw.gov.au/Applicants/Application#>

The more people with a WWCC the more options we have for introducing new programs. Once you have your paperwork from the registry just email it through to [bermisurfclub@gmail.com](mailto:bermisurfclub@gmail.com) or give it to Cheryl McCarthy.

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To submit information and/or photos for an upcoming newsletter email Cheryl at [bermisurfclub@gmail.com](mailto:bermisurfclub@gmail.com)

Quiz Answers (This Week)

1. The Leaning Tower of Pisa. 2. Junior. 3. Cake. 4. Hiawatha. 5. Safari. 6. Warm. 7. Mount White or the White Mountain. 8. Tweety Pie. 9. The British. 10. Poet laureate. 11. The right. 12. A trampoline trick.