



THE SUNKEN ANCHOR

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BERMAGUI SLSC COMMUNITY NEWS

Junior Carnival in Bermagui this weekend

Bermagui hosts first carnival of the season

The first carnival of the season is in Bermagui this Sunday, 3rd December starting at 8 am. Our Nippers have been training hard and we're expecting a great turnout.

Thanks to everyone who's put up their hand to help out, it's fantastic to see so many people willing to pitch in and lend a hand. It means we've been able to break shifts up into 2-hour sessions.

If you think you might have a couple of hours spare on either Saturday (for setup and prep) or Sunday for the carnival just drop us an email at bermisurfclub@gmail.com to let us know.



Beach Masterclass was a hit

The Beach Masterclass on 19th November was a huge hit with more than 20 Nippers attending. The session was completely full and we even managed to sneak a couple of extras in.

A huge thanks to Sean Hendry and Holly Abbey who spent an hour with the kids teaching them tips and tricks for competing in Flags and Beach Sprints.

Parents also got to join in and learn the ropes so they can continue the coaching during the year.

Stay tuned for some water sessions in the new year.



Nippers numbers still climbing

This year's Nippers program has taken off with well over 70 Nippers enrolled and the numbers continuing to climb each week.

We have a fantastic group of parents leading the program this year and they're doing a great job, particularly given the ever-growing numbers!

Every single person helping out with Nippers is a volunteer so please make sure you thank them each week for their time. We wouldn't be able to run Nippers without them!

New Bronzies & SRC's Graduate

Welcome to the team

Following 4 weeks of training every Thursday night and Sunday morning we're thrilled to welcome 9 new Bronze Medallion members and 2 new Surf Rescue Certificate holders to the team.

The new Bronzies are:

Donovan Adcock
Cherry Bailey
Nathan Hawker
Robert Johnson
Emma Leonard
Poppy Logue
Jorja Moore
Jen O'Connor
Liam Russell

They're joined by our two new SRC's, Tom Blackwood and Harmony Williams.

We have 3 more Bronzies and 2 more SRC's who couldn't make all the November sessions and will complete their training in December. It's a great new team and they've all worked hard. Welcome!



New Patrol Captains

Last weekend also saw Bermagui host a FSC Branch Silver Medallion Beach Management course. All Patrol Captains have to have this qualification and we're excited to welcome 7 new award holders to the team:

Ian Bailey
Ben Burgess
Sean Glasson
Mark Huxley
Euan McKenzie
Hannah Vaughan-Smith
Rachel Wallbank

Well done folks and congrats!

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1. What country would you be in if you were talking to Lulu in Honolulu?
2. What actor appears in the video of You could be mine?
3. Who was the brother of Louis Bonaparte, the king of Holland?
4. Which country is supposed to be the home of leprechauns – Lebanon, Ireland or Finland?
5. What element forms coal, coke and diamonds?
6. Which tennis court surface plays faster – grass or clay?
7. What continent's countries include Hong Kong and Singapore?
8. Who asked the question: "who's afraid of the big bad wolf?"
9. What was Adolf Hitler known as – the Fiery, the Führer or the Father?
10. What did the Earl of Greystoke call himself when he went swinging through the jungle?
11. What do geologists study?
12. What distinguishes one water polo team from the other?

Search & Rescue Exercise

Bermagui hosts SAREX

Five Bermagui SLSC patrollers participated in a Search and Rescue Exercise off Bermagui over the weekend.

The SAREX had a number of rescue agencies join forces including Surf Life Saving NSW, Marine Rescue NSW, NSW Police Marine Area Command, Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA) and the Westpac Lifesaver Helicopter.

The rescue scenario involved finding and rescuing 3 men who had come out of their tinnie somewhere between Bermagui and Montague Island.

The rescuers combined forces on the search and even had time for the Marine Rescue boat from Merimbula to duck off the exercise to perform a real rescue of a stricken boat.

Thanks to Andrew Curven, Warren Marshall, Euan McKenzie, Steve O'Sullivan and Cheryl McCarthy for giving up their Sunday.



It was a valuable opportunity to work with other rescue agencies and refine operations and communications in preparation for working smoothly together in real rescues.



AROUND THE CLUB

New Training Officer

William Vaughan-Smith did a great job of leading the Bronze/SRC course under the mentorship of Bruce McAslan. Will's now completed his courses under supervision and is a fully-fledged Training Officer.

Congrats Will - it's great to have you officially on the training team.

Thanks also to Vikki Marshall who was a co-trainer on the Bronze Medallion/SRC course and to Brian Logue who jumped in to help out. Your time and expertise are much appreciated.



IRB Crew Certificate

We're currently seeking interest for an IRB Crew course to be held in January. We'll confirm dates once we get an idea of who's interested.

The course is run over one full day on a Saturday plus Sunday morning. You need to be proficient in the Bronze Medallion to take part.

Email us at bermisurfclub@gmail.com if you're interested and we'll hold a spot until we get dates confirmed.

Proficiency

Almost all of our patrollers and water safety volunteers have been through their proficiency for this year.

The scheduled sessions are now done so if you still want to keep your awards proficient after 31/12/17 you need to contact us at bermisurfclub@gmail.com to make arrangements for a session.

Busy day at the beach

A big thanks to everyone who pitched in to lend a hand on Sunday, 19th November. It was a busy day at the beach with proficiency, the final assessment day for the Bronze/SRC course, Beach Masterclass, Nippers and the FSC Branch Interbranch team training all between 9:00 am and noon.

We appreciate the extra support, particularly all those who've put their hands up for Nippers water safety to help with our bigger Nippers numbers this season.



Thank you

Our thanks to Mark and Marian Manning at Bermagui Pharmacy for their generous donation of an Epi-pen for our First Aid Kit.

Having ready access to an Epi-pen is critical for us to be able to provide efficient care for visitors to our beach and the support of people like Mark and Marian goes a long way in a small club such as ours. Make sure you thank them next time you're in the Bermagui Pharmacy.

Sippers Starting

Friday Night Sippers is starting on 15th December to coincide with the Bermagui Christmas Carols.

The Christmas Carols are organised by Four Winds and the Bermagui and Area Chamber of Commerce and Tourism. This year they'll be located on the grassy area at the front of the Surf Club.

Carols start at 6:30 pm and there will be a BBQ. Sippers will run from 5:00 pm until the Carols start at 6:30 pm.

We'll then run our regular Sippers on every Friday from 22nd December to 26th January.

Look forward to seeing you there.

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and/or photos for an
upcoming newsletter
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1. The USA, 2. Arnold Schwarzenegger,
3. Napoleon Bonaparte, 4. Ireland,
5. Carbon, 6. Grass, 7. Asia's, 8. The three
little pigs, 9. The Führer, 10. Tarzan,
11. Rocks, 12. The colour of their caps

December 2017						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesd	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 FSC BRANCH CARNIVAL 8:00 –2:00pm BSLSC PATROL 12:00 to 4:00	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 NIPPERS 10:30 – 12:00 BSLSC PATROL 12:00 to 4:00	11	12	13	14	15 FRIDAY SIPPERS 5:00 pm Xmas Carols 6:30 pm	16 BSLSC PATROL 9:00 to 5:00
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