



Bermagui Surf Club Member News

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PROTECTING BEACH-GOERS AND SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY

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Welcome to a new season

The start of our new season is only 3 weeks away and we have lots of news to share as we get ready to hit the beach again.

Annual General Meeting

Our AGM was held on 31st July and saw the election of a new team for the 2016/17 season. Two key roles that were unfilled last year were President and Club Captain. We're happy to welcome Bruce McAslan as the new President and back on the committee after a break is Andrew "Lobba" Curven as Club Captain. Also joining the committee are: Neil Rutherford, Rachel Wallbank, Warren Marshall, Julie Rutherford, William Vaughan-Smith, Cheryl McCarthy, Peter Mercieca and Brian Logue. We have a great team and we're excited about the season ahead. A full list of committee members is on our website: <http://www.bermaguists.org.au/committee>.

Newsletter

One new initiative is this newsletter. Our goal is to send a newsletter every two weeks during the year and possibly even weekly during busy times. It's a great opportunity to share news, upcoming events and club activities without having to use email!

If you have anything you'd like to include, please email content and/or photos to Cheryl at bermisurfclub@gmail.com.

Membership Renewals

Memberships are now available for online signup and we'd love to have you all join again for the 2016/17 season.

Surf Life Saving Australia has updated their member portal this year to make the online signup and renewal process much easier. There is a detailed step-by-step guide attached to this email available on our website: <http://www.bermaguists.org.au/members> or you can just click on the following link to take you directly to the renewal website: <https://sls.com.au/join/>

Rego Day & Welcome BBQ

The REGO Day and Welcome BBQ will be held on Sunday, 16th October from Noon to 2:00 pm.

We'll have uniform pickup and a Welcome BBQ but we'd love to have as many people as possible sign up online in the meantime. Then you just come along to the BBQ and not have to worry about lineups to join or renew your membership.



Bronze Medallion Course

The spring 2016 Bronze Medallion course is now open for registration. It will be held on Thursday evenings and Sunday mornings over 4 weeks starting on 27th October 2016 – see over for more details.

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RSA Accreditation

We've received funding to cover 5 members up to \$100 towards the cost of Responsible Service of Alcohol accreditation – see over for more details.

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Bronze Medallion

New Course Starting in October

Sign up now to take your Bronze Medallion. If you're interested in volunteering for beach patrols or even helping out our Nippers Program as a Water Safety volunteer, this is the course for you.

Not only will you be a qualified Surf Rescue member but you'll also receive a nationally recognised qualification - PUA21010 Certificate II in Public Safety (Aquatic Rescue).

To join the course you need to:

- Complete a pool swim and have it signed off by a Pool Lifeguard – 400 metres in less than 9 minutes (pool must be at least 25 metres long)
- Be a minimum of 15 years of age on the date of the final assessment (20th November 2016)
- Be an Active Member of the Bermagui SLSC as at the start date of the course
- Complete a training enrolment form – when you email bermisurfclub@gmail.com to register your interest we'll send you a copy of the

enrolment form (Note: if you are under 18, your parent or guardian will need to sign this form on your behalf).

- Pay the course fee of \$40

IRB Crew Certificate Option

Those doing the Bronze Medallion in October/November will also get the opportunity to start their IRB Crew Certificate at no cost right after the Bronze is complete.



BRONZE MEDALLION DATES

Thursday, 27 October: 6:30 to 8:30 pm
 Sunday, 30 October: 9:30 am to Noon
 Thursday, 3 November: 6:30 to 8:30 pm
 Sunday, 6 November: 9:30 am to Noon
 Thursday, 10 November: 6:30 to 8:30 pm
 Sunday, 13 November: 9:30 am to Noon
 Thursday, 17 November: 6:30 to 8:30 pm
 Sunday, 20 November: 9:30 am to Noon

RED25 WELCOMES BERMAGUI SLSC

Red25 is a program by the Australian Red Cross Blood Service working towards ensuring that 25% of Australia's blood donations are secured.

Bermagui SLSC is now registered as a Red25 group and any donors can join our group.

You can join the Red25 group online using your Donor ID number or click on the following link to go directly to the Red25 Group page:

https://www.donateblood.com.au/red25/join-group?group_id=13059

Every time someone gives blood it counts towards our group tally.

RSA Accreditation

Funding opportunity

Functions are an important part of generating revenue to operate the Bermagui SLSC. We welcome weddings, birthdays and other events and our bar staff are all volunteers.

Thanks to funding from the NSW Government, we are able to subsidise up to \$100 for any member gaining their RSA Accreditation to help out with functions.

For more information, contact bermisurfclubfunctions@gmail.com.



AROUND THE CLUB



Surfboat Training

Warren Marshall is starting Surfboat training sessions for anyone who's interested. It doesn't matter whether you're experienced or wanting to try for the first time. Drop us an email at bermisurfclub@gmail.com to let us know if you're interested and Warren will be in touch with some training times.

Ordering Swimmers

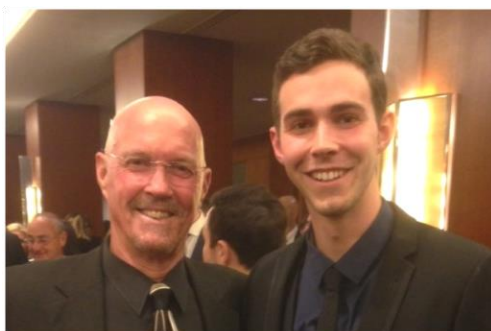
Bermagui SLSC swim wear is available again this year for juniors and seniors. We have lots of options available at the Club for boys.

For Girls and Ladies we have some 2-pieces available but we need to order new stock for 1-piece. The cost is \$48.50 for Girls and \$53.50 for Ladies. Boys Jammers are \$38 and Men's Jammers are \$47.

Swim wear can only be ordered with pre-payment and please contact Rachel at bermisurfclub@gmail.com if you'd like to place an order.

Nippers Starting Soon

The 2016/17 Nippers will be starting soon and we'll be having a meeting at the Surf Club on Sunday afternoon, 11th September, at 3:00 pm for anyone interested in helping out this year. Everyone is welcome to come along and share ideas and chat about plans for the season and we look forward to seeing you there.



Congratulations to William Vaughan-Smith

Bermagui Patroller William Vaughan-Smith was a finalist in the Surf Life Saving NSW Awards of Excellence held in Sydney in August.

Will contributed 87 patrol hours last season and took on several training courses earning his Silver Medallion Basic Beach Management, Advanced Resuscitation Certificate and Spinal Management.

He also joined the Committee as Youth Coordinator and this year has also taken on the roles of Assistant Training Officer and Club Vice-Captain.

Being recognised at a State level for his dedication and hard work is well deserved and we thank Will for being such a great part of the team at Bermagui SLSC.

ReBoot in Bermagui

ReBoot is coming up again and Bermagui is the place to be on the last week-end in September. The dates are Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th September and there are 3 fantastic programs:

ReActivate
ReJuvenate
ReEnergise

There's definitely something in there for everyone in the family. You can find out more details and how to register for events at: <http://www.rebootinbermagui.com.au/>

Those who register for any of the runs on Saturday or the Ocean Swim on Sunday also get a free breakfast at the Surf Club on Sunday.



Patrol Roster

The Patrol Roster for 2016-17 is almost finalised. Most patrollers have responded and sent in preferred patrol dates. For those of you who are happy for us to schedule for you Lobba will be allocating shifts over the next week.

We'll be in touch with everyone to confirm final dates in the next week or so.

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To submit information and or photos for an upcoming newsletter email Cheryl at bermisurfclub@gmail.com