



BERMAGUI SLSC COMMUNITY NEWS

Joint Training with Marine Rescue

A collaborative approach

We recently held the first in a series of joint exercises planned between Bermagui SLSC call out team and Marine Rescue Bermagui to familiarise our respective teams with the capabilities of the other agency and to assess ways in which we can increase our joint capabilities over both white and blue water.

The first exercise involved a trial of loading an IRB on the stern of BG30 and then undertaking a sea leg to check the stability at sea. The teams also practised transferring people at sea. The exercise went very smoothly and we're planning another exercise heading down south in a couple of weeks.

Denise Page of Marine Rescue Bermagui says "both Units are excited about the possibilities this gives them to work cooperatively over white and blue water. The goal is to enhance the capability of the units to respond to a situation that may require both organisations to work together such as an evacuation of persons from a remote location due to flood or fire. It also enables the IRB to be transported to remote locations to undertake searches in white water and around rocks."

Thanks to Bermagui SLSC's Euan McKenzie and Denise Page from Marine Rescue Bermagui for taking the lead on the training operations.



Nippers Notes

Great start to the season

It was a fantastic day at the beach last Sunday for our first Nippers session of the season. It was great to see all the returning Nippers and so many new faces joining them.

Thanks to Shelley Davis, Ellie Theodorakis and Alison De Kleuver who worked so hard to make sure everything ran smoothly last weekend. Make sure you jump in a give them a hand this week.

Nippers starts at 10:30 am sharp so get there early. See you Sunday!



Age Manager Course

An Age Manager course will run on Sunday, 18th November, starting right after Nippers. We can't run Nippers without enough Age Managers and we're looking for as many parents as possible to take the course. It's a quick one - just 2 hours - and the more people who take the course the more we can share the workload around.

Every Nippers family needs to choose a helping role this season and if you're not already signed up for Water Safety, Carnival support or BBQs then this is the one for you.

The course will run right after Nippers on the 18th, from noon to 2 pm. Email us at bermisurfclub@gmail.com to confirm your spot.

THE SUNKEN ANCHOR QUIZ

1. What city's tall buildings include the Empire State Building?
2. What chocolate is described as "bubbles of milk chocolate"?
3. What were Spitfires and Lancasters?
4. What animal laughed when the cow jumped over the moon?
5. Which of these is a Rolls-Royce – the Silver Ghost, the Silver Flash or the Silver Streak?
6. What can be won either by falls, submissions or a knockout?
7. What is the second letter in the Italian spelling of Florence?
8. What actor went to Savile Row tailors in London and got the exact measurements for Captain Bligh's original uniform?
9. What two letters appeared on the first girl guide hats?
10. What was Bob Hope's book Confessions of a Hooker about?
11. What form of transport gave the Montgolfier brothers a lift?
12. Who, by 1992, had played in more limited over internationals than any other cricketer?

Training

Full Course - Bronze/SRC

We're excited to have a full house for our combined Bronze/SRC course with 13 Bronzies and 5 SRCs taking part. We're just over half way in the training and they're a great crew so far. Can't wait to have you all officially join the team!

Congrats Liam Russell

Congratulations to Liam Russell who recently completed the Silver Medallion Beach Management course. Liam's now a Patrol Captain in training and will be taking the reins of a patrol or two during the season. Great work Liam!



Upcoming Courses

The following courses are coming up across FSC Branch. Contact Sue Hunt for more details at fsceducation@gmail.com.

17/11/2018 – Advanced Resus
 24/11/2018 - IRB Driver starts at Moruya SLSC
 8 & 9/12/2018 – SM Aquatic Rescue at Bermagui
 02/02/2019 – 15-18 years Only – IRB Crew course

Proficiency

Don't forget to sign up for your proficiency session, it's compulsory for all Bronze Medallion and SRC holders prior to 31 December. This year it's over two sessions: 1 dry and 1 wet. Choices are:

Wet (R-S-R, rescues, signals)

Sunday, 11th Nov: 9:30 to 10:30 am
 Sunday, 18th Nov: 9:30 to 10:30 am

Dry (First aid, CPR, Radios)

Wed, 14th Nov: 6:45 pm to 8:45 pm
 Wed, 5th Dec: 6:45 pm to 8:45 pm

Email bermisurfclub@gmail.com to confirm your spot.

AROUND THE CLUB

Junior Carnival in Bermi

The first carnival of the season is in Bermagui on Sunday, 2nd December starting at 8 am. It's a great opportunity for our kids to get some confidence up at our own beach to kick off the carnival season and it would be great to have as many competitors as possible.

We're also looking for volunteers to help with setup, water safety, BBQ, selling raffle tickets and more. If you're around that weekend and able to lend a hand please email us at bermisurfclub@gmail.com to let us know.

Bushfire Preparedness

The past few months have shown us all the importance of having a plan in case of bushfire.

Our very own Club Person of the Year last year, Robert Johnson, is one of those extraordinary people who wear a number of volunteer hats in our community and tomorrow he's wearing his Bermagui Rural Fire Service hat as he makes a presentation we all should see.

We all need to be proactive in preparing and understanding our own responsibilities and Robert will talk about preparing our homes, making our own fire plans, evacuation options and how to stay informed about what's happening in our community in the case of a bushfire.

This is one you don't want to miss and looking forward to seeing you all there.

Saturday, 10th November
10:00 am to 11:30 am
Bermagui Community Centre, Bunga St

ALBERT a Great Success

Thanks to Tathra SLSC for hosting a great weekend of powercraft training and skill development for the 55 people who took part. The surf certainly threw up some challenges but all the participants learned a lot and gained a lot of confidence.



Bermagui members definitely put their best foot forward over the weekend. Sue Hunt did an amazing job organising the weekend and Andrew "Lobba" Curven, Liam Russell, Jai Curven and Eric Hills impressed so much that they were invited to take part in the next ALBERT at Garie SLSC as part of the coaching team. Amazing job you guys, we're proud of the way you stepped up and stood out!



Wettie Exchange

You don't need to use your wetties for long at the start of the season and the kids grow out of them so fast!

Did you know we have a wettie exchange at the club where you can bring down an old wettie (in great shape of course) and exchange it for a different size at no cost?

To help us to build up the options available we're also looking for donations of wet suits of all sizes that are no longer used. Email us at bermisurfclub@gmail.com if you have any and we'll arrange to pick them up.

Looking For Old Goggles

We're looking for some used goggles that anyone is willing to part with. We'll be able to use them for Nippers and have them available if needed on patrols. If you have any you'd like to pass on we'll be at the clubhouse on Sundays between 10 am and noon.

THE SUNKEN ANCHOR

To submit information
and/or photos for an
upcoming newsletter
email Cheryl at
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1. New York's, 2. Aero, 3. Aeroplanes,
4. The little dog, 5. The Silver Ghost,
6. A wrestling match, 7. 1. 8. Charles
Laughton, 9. G. G., 10. Golf,
11. A Hot-air balloon, 12. Allan Border.