

# THE SUNKEN ANCHOR

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BERMAGUI SLSC COMMUNITY NEWS

# Flags Come Down-then Presentation Night

## **Final Patrol on Sunday**

Sunday sees the flags come down on our last patrol of the 2018-19 season. It has been a great season of keeping people safe at our beach, fun, laughs, upskilling and welcoming new people to the team.

It has been a busy year and we want to thank everyone for your energy and commitment, it's great to see how willingly people jump in to lend a hand.

To celebrate the many achievements over the year we'll be holding our Annual Presentation Evening on Friday, 24th May. All members should have received their invitation already with rsvp details on it. We have a combined Presentation so that all members, senior and junior, can feel part of the same team.

We're currently seeking nominations for Club Person of the Year. If you have someone you'd like to nominate please send us their name and a couple of sentences about why you think they are deserving of the award. Email to bermisurfclub@gmail.com.

# Stop, Look, Plan

With flags coming down this weekend it's important for everyone to stay safe in the water over the winter.

If you're visiting the beach with no flags up, PLEASE:

\* STOP

Don't just rush in, check the area for rips \* LOOK

Are their other hazards, is it safe?

\* PLAN

Understand where you are going and the risks. Have a plan in case something goes wrong.





# Nippers Carnivals to end the season

# Thanks for a great year

The Nippers season has now officially finished for the year with the final carnival of the season being held in Broulee on 14th April.

It was a great year of fun and learning for our Nippers and we're grateful to everyone who lent a hand each week. It takes a big team to make sure everything runs smoothly and we couldn't run Nippers without our Age Managers and water safety volunteers who are there to keep the kids safe and show them the ropes. Thanks to Alison who ran the BBQ each week raising valuable money for the Nippers program. Ellie was always on hand to help as part of the leadership team and a special thanks to Shelley Davis who led the team this year!

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- 1. Why did the fish cross the road?
- 2. What do you call a fish without an eye?
- 3. Popular 1980's hairstyle, "Business at the front, party out the back".
- 4. What did one fish say to the other fish?
- 5. Why are fish so smart?
- 6. How do fish know their weight?
- 7. If a fish lived on land, what country would they live in?
- 8. During the construction of the Sydney Harbour Bridge, workers accidentally dropped over 10,000 items into the water below. What was the common fish caught in Sydney at that time?
- 9. What does the Pope eat during Lent?
- 10. What do fish need to stay healthy?
- 11. What kind of fish chases mice?
- 12. What do you call a crayfish with a messy room?

#### Tathra Carnival: 24 March

By Michelle Osgood, Age Manager

Lovely conditions presented on Sunday 24th March for the Nipper's Carnival held at Tathra. While Bermagui had a good drop of rain during the morning, Tathra provided an overcast day and calm ocean. As the day progressed the waves became larger and algae began to wash in. Wetsuits were banned for the carnival, but the water was very warm, warmer than the air temperature.

It was a very well run carnival and lots of fun for all competitors. Bermagui SLSC was represented by a super team of seven:

Asher Theodorakis – Under 9 Lincoln Alderman – Under 10 Ocean Fairbanks – Under 10 Geordie Osgood – Under 11 Tom Alderman – Under 11 Faith Matthews – Under 11 Jonahki Adcock – Under 13

#### Events:

Ironman- Jonahki, Tom
Board – Asher, Ocean, Geordie, Tom,
Jonahki
Sprints – Faith, Jonahki, Tom, Asher,
Ocean Swim – Faith, Ocean
Flags – Asher, Ocean, Lincoln,
Geordie, Tom, Jonahki
700m run - Asher
1km run - Faith

These kids displayed an excellent attitude and manner to all events and all competitors. They stayed together as a team, cheered on each other and celebrated everyone's success. It was a pleasure to spend the day with these wonderful children and their families. At the end of the day, our kids rinsed and loaded all our equipment without being asked, highlighting their wonderful team effort.







Thank you to Van Osgood, Donovan Adcock and Euan McKenzie for water safety and jet ski operation all day. Thank you to Van Osgood for collecting and transporting all the boards and coaching the kids ready for their events. Thank you to Heidi Osgood for helping to organise the competitors ready for their events and running up and down the beach photographing all the excitement.

### **AROUND THE CLUB**

#### **Our Future Leaders**

Three of Bermagui's young patrollers spent time in Sydney during the school holidays as part of a SLSNSW Youth Development Camp.

Tasman McKenzie attended as FSC Female Junior Lifesaver of the Year and Jai Curven and Liam Russell were part of the 15 - 17 year old Youth Opportunity Makers program.



They were part of a team of six from Far South Coast clubs and all three had a great time ... we're still hearing the stories! We're proud to be represented by these impressive young members and are excited to see them develop into future leaders at our club and in our community.

# **Lest We Forget**

Our sincere gratitude to all of those who have served our country and those who continue to serve.



# Sustainability

Bermagui SLSC has some new sustainability initiatives underway being led by SRC member, Tasman McKenzie.

Every time Tasman is down at the beach you'll see her walking the beach and picking up litter as part of the Take 3 for the Sea campaign. She's left a bucket branded with Take 3 for the Sea at the club for all patrollers to use when down at the beach.

Tas is also behind the new cardboard straws being used behind the bar for club functions and the purchase of new environmentally friendly cleaning products. Well done, Tas, on taking such a leadership role in an important area.

Tas is well supported in her sustainability drive by Robert Johnson. You'll all be aware of Robert's efforts to recycle cans and plastic bottles and donate the proceeds to the surf club. We're both excited and astounded to announce Robert has just passed the 150,000 container mark.

Yes, you heard right ... that's over \$15,000 to the club from Robert's efforts! Thank you, thank you.

### **FSC Paddlers**

The Winter Ski Series is back for 2019. The same format as last year with one new location. The first round will be at Tomakin on Saturday 4th May. It will be an 8am on the water start. Other dates for the series are:

2nd Round - Saturday 1st June - Moruya

3rd Round - Sat. 6th July - Burrill Lake

4th Round - Sat. 3rd August - Moruya

5th Round - Sat. 7th September - Tomakin

Looking forward to another great Winter of paddling!

## Paying our respects

Thank you to the 30 club members, patrollers, Nippers and our friends from Marine Rescue Bermagui who joined us on the beach at 12:30 pm on Monday for a minute of silence in honour of our fellow lifesavers from Port Campbell. Andrew and Ross Powell lost their lives last weekend while on a rescue call along the Great Ocean Road.

Their loss has been keenly felt by all in the Surf Lifesaving and extended emergency service community. Ross and Andy, we thank you for your service and your sacrifice.



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

1. For the halibut, 2. FSH, 3. Mullet. 4. "Keep your mouth shut and we'll never get caught", 5. Because they swim in schools, 6. They have scales, 7. Finland, 8. Flathead, 9. Holy mackerel, 10. Vitamin C, 11. Catfish, 12. A slobster.