

'Pacific Times - Rescue Rescue Rescue'



Pacific S.L.S.C—Established 1947
Pacific Beach, Gold Coast



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From the President

Welcome to season 2015/2016 which promises to be yet another huge year for Pacific both on and off the beach.

Firstly I'm honour to be in the role of President and hope to continue on the solid foundations that have been laid over the last few years. Our club is not only in a very good financial position but is moving forward in all facets of Surf Life Saving.

Our management team have committed to developing a five year strategic plan to ensure our club is in the fore front of Surf Life Saving and recognised as one of the leading clubs in Queensland.

As mentioned a big year that includes Pacific hosting another surf carnival, social events already mapped out for the season, as well as the upcoming state wide surf appeal in which Pacific has been allocated the Bowen



Hills area, after some fantastic lobbying by former President Tony Emerton.

It's vital that every member gets on board with the appeal to ensure that we get our ambitious target of \$10,000.00.

A big thank you to all that have been working tirelessly over the last month on the Sarcoma event, the curry night, as well as the various weddings/functions that have delivered vital funds during the off season.

I look forward to catching up with you all over the season, and encourage everyone to get involved in some way remembering every little bit makes a difference.

Kevin Schofield, President

Date Claimer
Members Welcome Back Night
Saturday 3 October 2015

Nipper Sign On Day

16 August 2015

Did you know Surf Life Saving Queensland has over 5,420 members between the ages of 13 and 25, representing 18% of its total membership (as at 30 December 2014). Even more importantly, 4,197 members aged between 13 and 25 years of age make up 50% of the total active patrolling membership. Pacific has a very strong foundation for the our future with dedicated Nippers and Youth membership. **Pacific has well over 100 Nipper members!**



Patrols Start 19 September 2015



The 2015 — 16 Patrol season commences on Saturday 19 September 2015. Its time to renew your membership.

Thanks to those of you who have already done this. You can renew and pay through Lifesaving online www.lifesavingonline.com.au





Date Claimer

Surf Appeal

31 August

to

13 September

Get involved and help raise vital funds for your club



Pacific Blah was our first newsletter

Keith 'Nappy' Arnold

was a Foundation and Life Member of the club. His wife Betty was a Life Governor. 'Nappys Bar' in the old



function room displayed a sign for many years and this is now preserved in the training room where it is proudly on display with other club memorabilia. A plaque remembering Nappy and Betty was placed at the club on Sunday 19 July 2015.

titled 'Pacific Blah' was published by foundation and life member Kevin Weldon. It was hand written and put up in the club for the information of members. Photos were sticky taped on.

In the 1990's our news letter was named 'Rescue Rescue Rescue' was done on an old desktop computer with a 286 processor (for those of you who remember them). After printing, any photos had to be turned into bromides, glued onto the newsletter itself and then taken to our Life Member Brian Wilkinson who worked at the Gold Coast Bulletin at the time and he would print off a few copies for us to mail out. This is a long way from today's digital age when it is all done in one program and emailed out. Zoom in and have a look at the original one. Future news letters will have all the latest information on club activities, patrols, training with sections from the President, Secretary, Captain and Chief Training Officer.

Old Boys Function

On Saturday 2 May 2015 Pacific SLSC hosted an Old Boys function attended by many of our foundation and life members.

An original reel and belt was presented to the club for display in our function room. Once the primary piece of rescue equipment, it has been restored by Kevin Weldon AM. The reel was hand made by Life member and former club captain in the 1940's by Tom Murphy. Tom was the Grandfather of present member Troy Fenech. We were privileged to share some of the stories of Pacific's early years and the challenges of the Gold Coast back then.



Pacific Supports Project Booyah



Club members Nicole and Hayley Bowers with Senior Constable Kurt Foessel

At our recent AGM, Pacific members voted unanimously to support Project Booyah. Coordinated by local Queensland Police Service Officers, the project works with at risk and disadvantaged teenage girls to showcase what is in the community and that people really do care for them. Senior Constables Meredith Spencer and Kurt Foessel said that engagement with the local community was vital for the success of these projects. The project girls will participate in an 18 week Certificate II in Hospitality course and following a change meeting with Nicole Bowers a part of this will be held at our clubhouse.

Supervised by the Police Officers, whilst at the club the project girls will receive mentoring in numeracy and literacy, health and fitness and deportment. The goal is to get the project girls re-engaged in school, part or full time work and even apprenticeships. The success rate has been very high and project members have said they are so grateful to Pacific SLSC for the use of the clubhouse and above all the we are showing to the wider community. Once again Pacific shows that it does much more to support the community than our patrols on the beach and that we are a vital member of the Palm Beach and Gold Coast community.

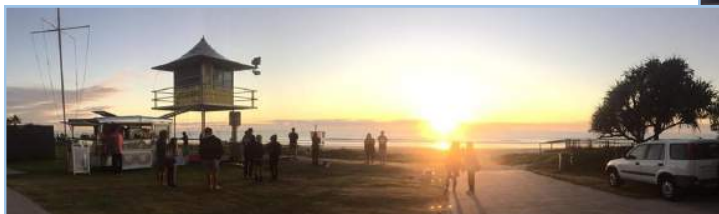


Pacific Supports Hannah's Chance

Sunday 5 July saw an early start before sunrise from Pacific members to support the Sarcoma Surfing Day and Hannah's Chance Foundation. Attended by local board riding clubs the day was a great success and raised funds for both the foundation and our club. Head Burger Chef GB said *'We fried a lot of bacon, flipped a lot of eggs and made a lot of burgers. But boy it's great to see the event at Pacific again.'* Arrangements are already being made for next years event at Pacific.



The Burger Boys getting ready to BBQ



Rotary
Club of Southport



Southport Rotary Club have donated \$6,000 to the club towards a new IRB. A vital piece of patrol and rescue equipment, this donation has assisted us significantly to maintain our first class volunteer services. A new Thundercat IRB has been ordered. Due to their popularity it will be several months before we receive the new boat but it is on the way. Club President Kevin Schofield acknowledged the support from Southport Rotary Club saying that its was a tremendous boost. He thanked Rotary club members for raising the funds and assured them that the boat would be put to good use in protecting lives at Pacific Beach. A formal function to acknowledge the donation and launch the boat will be arranged after it is delivered. The club will trade 2 of the current boats to fund the balance of the purchase price.

Our Honorary Vice Presidents



Councillor Daphne McDonald

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29 June 2015

Eddie Bennet, Secretary
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Dear Eddie

RE: Honorary Vice President Position Pacific SLSC

Thank you for your letter dated 23 June 2015 regarding the Honorary Vice President position offered.

It was indeed a pleasant surprise and I would be most honoured and humbled to accept. I look forward to continuing to support the club and members in any way possible and look forward to providing any assistance you may require.

I fully appreciate the high quality service provided by the club and contribution to our wonderful city.

My door is always open and please do not hesitate to contact me regarding any matter, I would be most pleased to help.

Once again, I thank you for this recognition.

Yours sincerely

Daphne McDonald

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Working for Division 13
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Karen Andrews MP, Federal Member for McPherson, Michael Hart MP, State Member for Burleigh and Councilor Daphne McDonald, Division 13 city of Gold Coast have all accepted the Clubs invitation to be Honorary Vice Presidents for the 2015—16 Season. We thank each of them for their continued support.



The Hon **Karen Andrews MP**

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3 July 2015

Mr Edward Bennet
Secretary
Pacific Surf Life Saving Club
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Dear Mr Bennet,

Thank you for your letter of 23 June on behalf of the Pacific Surf Life Saving Club Executive Committee and Members, inviting me to take on the position of Vice President.

I feel privileged and honoured to accept the position of Vice President.

Yours sincerely,

Karen Andrews

The Hon Karen Andrews MP
Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry and Science
Federal Member for McPherson

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Michael Hart MP State Member for Burleigh

Eddie Bennet
Secretary
Pacific SLSC
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1 July 2015

Dear Eddie

Thank you for the kind letter inviting me to become a Vice President of the Pacific Surf Life Saving Club for the 2015/2016 season.

I would be honoured to accept the offer to become a Vice President and continue to show my support and appreciation for the Club and its members. I look forward to providing any assistance that may be required and am appreciative of the members' service to our community.

Please feel free to contact me directly, anytime at my office on 5526 6024.

Yours sincerely

Michael Hart
Michael Hart MP
State Member for Burleigh

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**KEEP
CALM
AND
CURRY
ON**



Our first social function for the season was held on Saturday 18th July. Over 80 people were at the club for a great night. Thanks Chef Tonya and the crew!



Introducing the 2015-16 Committees

At the club AGM on Sunday 31 May your 2015—16 Executive and Management Committees were endorsed. Welcome both new and returning members.

Executive

President	Kevin Schofield
Deputy President	Travis Buchanan
Secretary	Eddie Bennet
Treasurer	Rebeca Farley
Captain	Clayton Webster
Chief Training Officer	Rachael Clark

Management Committee

Cadet/Youth Officer	Nicole Bowers
IRB Officer	Shaun Slattery
Board and Ski Officer	Gavin Jordan
Gear and Equipment Officer	Sean Harvie
First Aid Officer	Ken Clark
Marine Stinger Officer	Sam Bennet
Clubhouse Director	Greg Bowers
Registrar	Tonya Pade
Communications Officer	Andrew McNeilly
Team Manager	Kevin Schofield
Vice Captain	Jared Clark
Supporters Club	Gordon Grant
Publicity Officer	Eddie Bennet
Fundraising Officer	Dani Buchanan
Grievance Officer	Anthony Folliott

Junior Activities Committee

Chairperson	Kevin Schofield
Deputy Chairperson	Adam Buckby
Treasurer	Nicole Bowers
Secretary/Registrar	Tonya Pade

A special thanks to the guidance and leadership of those who have served the club in previous years.



Plenty of stories at the old boys Function in May

Important Dates

Surf Appeal 31 August to 13 September

Junior Activities Information Night

13 August 2015 (6.00pm @ Pacific)

Nipper Sign On Day 16 August 2015

Patrols Commence 19 September 2015

Nippers Commence 20 September 2015

Welcome Back Members Social Night

3 October 2015

General Meeting 5 December 2015

TAF Proficiency

22 August 2015

12 September 2015 @ 8am (Pacific SLSC)

17 October 2015 @ 8am (Pacific SLSC)

12 November 2015 @ 6pm (Pacific SLSC)

Skills Maintenance (dates to be confirmed)

30 August 2015

27 September 2015

10 October 2015

22 November 2015

Nippers CYRM nights (@ Pacific)

30 September 2015

7 October 2015

Club Championships 24 January 2016

2016 Annual Dinner 18 June 2016

Annual General Meeting 26 June 2016

70th Anniversary Function 2017

