

'Rescue Rescue Rescue'

Pacific S.L.S.C Newsletter

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Presidents Words

Dear Members and Friends of Pacific,

Congratulations to our junior team who competed at the State Titles on the weekend. Your fantastic effort and subsequent results reflect the time you have put in throughout the season. More importantly you were prepared to put yourselves out there and 'have a go', regardless of the result.

Thank you to our Junior Activities Committee, age managers, water safety, canteen, BBQers, officials and parents for their commitment to all of our Nippers whether it be Sunday mornings, early week day training sessions or carnivals.

Best wishes to our senior team who compete this weekend.

On Saturday 23rd May we will be holding our annual dinner. We have engaged new caterers and will indulge in a three course meal, BenJam will be performing and we will relive some of the season's memories. Everyone is invited to attend the evening and tickets will be sold in advance to ensure we cater correctly and minimise tasks on the night.

There will be no tickets available at the 'door'.

Should members wish to participate in the management of the club, our Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday 31 May. I encourage members to fill vacant positions and have their say in the future direction of our club. We have a fantastic Management Committee in place however some may appreciate a break.

The Management Committee has decided not to carry out any major building works during the 'off' season, rather we are hoping people can have a break and return fresh for the 2015/16 season. That being said we will be considering a number of projects over the next few months that will be scheduled for March/April 2016. The projects are subject to debate, funding and needs, projects we are considering are; a complete renovation of the upstairs bathrooms, extending the boat sheds, updating the bar and renovating the kiosk.

In light of these potential projects as well as the everyday running costs of the club (our insurance alone costs \$18k per annum) it is a timely reminder that every dollar Pacific receives is invested back into the club. In a world of rules, regulations and compliance, this is very rare, our members volunteering their time is essential for making this happen.

See you on the beach.

Tony Emerton
President

Check out Friends of Pacific on Facebook for all the latest pictures and comment about what's been happening in and around the club. Pacific's great results at carnivals is always quick to be posted here.



Save the Dates

Annual Dinner Saturday 23 May 2015

Invitations will be sent out soon.

AGM Sunday 31 May 2015

Captains Corner

Thanks for your efforts so far in patrolling Pacific Beach for the 2014/15 season. The season is coming to a close soon and we have had a great result on the beach to date. Please keep up the good work. Attached to the newsletter is the latest patrol hours so you can see where you are at. If you need a few more hours to get to the 50, 100 or more you are always welcome on the beach.

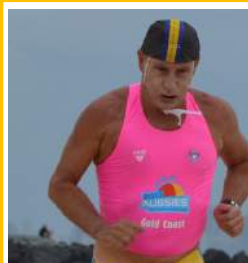
Have a safe and happy Easter.

See you on the beach,

Clayton Webster
Club Captain



Masters of the Surf 2015



Deegs Top Tip!

When your swimming out in the surf, always allow more than you need for the sweep. Its always easier to swim down with the sweep than try to swim up.

Look for the second wave as your going out. The best time to look is when you're on the top of the wave, not when your in the trough.

It works for me!

Jeff



From the Chief Training Officer

"NEW AWARD HOLDERS

Congratulations to Pacific's newest eight Bronze Medallion holders who gained their award either just prior to or just after Christmas. We look forward to your continued presence on our beach as patrolling members or water safety personnel. Thanks to Folz on a job well done as always.



Pacific also held a First Aid course on the 14th February whereby members learnt the kiss of life and then were able to practice again at home that night (haha). We had 15 members either gain their award or renew their skills and it was great to see such a positive turnout for the course. A big thanks to Ken for an enjoyable day.

Congratulations also to the members who gained their IRB Crew Certificate at the beginning of the month in some trying conditions. To Terry, Jeff and all of your helpers, thanks for your efforts.

Finally, a congratulations to the members who attended the Branch run Spinal course.

PROFICIENCY

As the season is drawing to a close, the time for proficiencies has all but finished. If there are any members who missed proficiency last season and require to complete their proficiency for this season, could you please contact me ASAP so a date can be organised for you. Please note, that if you intend to complete your proficiency, you will be required to complete a timed pool swim prior to the proficiency date. Otherwise dates for next season's proficiencies will be released shortly.

ATV/TRACTOR COURSE

There is plenty of interest for another ATV/Tractor course to be held. A date will be organised once the carnival season has died down to ensure that all members wanting to attend will be able to. Keep an eye on your emails/Facebook for more details.

FIRST AID COURSE

There is a First Aid course being held at Miami SLSC on Sunday 19th April. Please contact me for more details.

OTHER COURSES

If you are interested in attending any other courses, please let me know. There are emergency care courses (first aid, advanced resuscitation techniques, spinal) running most weekends at different clubs across the Gold Coast. Many still have vacant spots that can be filled by members.

Thanks

Rachael Clark



Pacific now has a brand new trophy cabinet filled with old trophies and memorabilia. Courtesy of the Supporters Club, stop by and have a look in the Training Room to see some of our clubs history. There are still some more of our trophies from years gone by to go in it yet and there are plenty of new ones that club members have won at recent carnivals. Keep up the tradition!

A Bit of Club History

The 1940's 'The foundation members of the Pacific SLSC, who were mostly servicemen and members of Palm Beach Surf Club, came back after the war.



The Palm Beach SLSC treated these returned men with kid gloves, letting them off some duties and leaving them to their own devices. As they were not very busy, they had too much time on their hands. So, at the end of the 1946-47 season, they decided it was time they did something constructive. This was the beginning of the move to start the Pacific SLSC. In 1946 the Tallebudgera SLSC started up in an area which had been a convalescent camp for servicemen during the latter part of the war, and which later became a fitness camp. At the end of the 1946—47 season twenty members of the Palm Beach SLSC left to start a new surf club between the Palm Beach Club and the Tally SLSC. For some time the Progress Association of that area had been asking for a club to be started. When we decided to break away, fifteen of the members put in 5 pound each to start off the club.

From Pacific SLSC 'The First Forty Years 1947—1987'

By Foundation Captain and Life Member Tom Tabulo

