



# **VIGILANCE AND SERVICE**

Apollo Bay Surf life Saving  
Club

# 65th ANNUAL REPORT

## Season 2016/2017

Annual Report and Balance Sheet to be  
presented at the 65th Annual General Meeting  
and Election of Office Bearers

Presentation will occur at:  
The Apollo Bay SLSC Clubhouse  
50 Great Ocean Road  
Apollo Bay  
Victoria, 3233

Date: Sunday 25th June 2017

Meeting will commence at 12:00pm

To be preceded by a BBQ at 11:00am

1. Minutes of the 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual General Meeting to be read & confirmed.
2. Business arising out of the minutes from the 64<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting
3. Correspondence relating to the 65th Annual General Meeting
4. Consideration and election of Honorary Life Members
5. Presentation of any proposed addition or alteration to the Club Rules
6. Presentation, consideration and adoption of the 65th Annual Statement of Receipts and Expenditures
7. Presentation and consideration of the 65th Annual Report
8. Election of Office Bearers for Season 2016/2017
9. General Business in relation to the 65th Annual General Meeting.

## COMMITTEE POSITIONS VACANT AT 65th AGM

The Following Executive positions become vacant at the 65thAGM:

President (2 year Term)  
Treasurer (2 year Term)  
Social and Fundraising Director (2 year Term)  
Junior Association Director (2 year Term)

The automatic office of the ABSLSC Committee consists of: **President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Social and Fundraising Director, Junior Association Director, Club Captain, Building and Maintenance Director, & Competition Captain** (The President will hold the casting vote if required)

### SUB-COMMITTEES to:

Treasurer

- Membership Secretary
- Building & Maintenance
- Bunk House Steward
- Social & Fundraising
- Clothing Manager
  - Bar Manager
  - Club Newsletter (“Bombora”) Editor
  - Club House Function Manager
  - Special Events Manager
  - Door Knock Co-ordinator

Club Captain

- Emergency Services Director
- Chief Instructor
- First Aid Officer
- Gear Steward
- Radio Officer
- Junior Members’ Representative

Competition Captain

- Boat Captain
- Swim Captain
- Beach Captain
- Board & Ski Captain

Junior Association Director

- Membership Secretary
- Social & Fundraising

Other Positions

- Club Registrar/Historian
- Grievance Officers (2 positions – 1 female & 1 male)

*\*All members are requested to note that in accordance with the Club Constitution, no nomination for office will be considered unless it is submitted on a nomination form*

*prior to the Annual General Meeting. If any positions remain vacant, either within the Committee or any of the Sub-Committees, these positions will remain open until such time.*

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS: 2016-2017**

**Executive Committee members:**

President:	Frank O'Rourke
Vice-President:	Josh Cooper
Secretary:	Tanja Brunner
Treasurer:	Mark Kininmonth
Club Captain:	Ross Marriner
Social & Fundraising:	Darren Hill
Building & Maintenance:	Vacant
Junior Association Directors:	Thom Cookes
Competition Captain:	Vacant

**Club Captain's Sub-committee:**

Chief Instructor:	Elise Kavanagh
Co-chief Instructor:	Isabel Kavanagh
Emergency Services Officer:	Jake Cooper
First Aid Officer:	Vacant
Gear Steward:	Thom Cookes
Radio Officer:	Vacant
Junior Members' Representatives:	Vacant

**Social & Fundraising Sub-committee:**

Sponsorship Co-coordinator:	Vacant
Bar Manager(s):	Darren Hill
Clothing Manager:	Sally Cannon
Door Knock Co-ordinator	Andrea Kavanagh

**Building & Maintenance Sub-Committee:**

Bunk House Stewards:	Brian Humphries
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**Competition Captain's Sub-committee:**

Boat Captain:	Emily Mansfield
Beach Captain:	Vacant
Swim Captain:	Vacant
Board/Ski Captain:	Vacant

**Junior Association Sub-committee:**

Junior Association Membership:	Vacant
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**Other positions:**

State Centre Representative:	Vacant
Club Historian:	Allan Holmes
Membership Secretary:	Yvette Hill
Club Registrar:	Yvette Hill
Bombora (Club Newsletter) Editor:	Vacant
Grievance Officers:	Thom Cookes

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Vice President 2 year Term

Treasurer 2 year Term

Club Captain 2 year Term

Building and maintenance director 2 year Term

Competition Director 2 year Term

#### **2016 – 2017 SEASON AWARD RECIPIENTS:**

Best Club Member: - Thom Cookes

Best Individual Effort: - Evelyn Lyons

Best New Member: - Harry Swingler

Encouragement Award: - Aidan O'rourke

President's Awards: - Darren Hill, Yvette Hill

Best Patrolling Member Award: - Aidan O'rourke, Calden Lyons, Corey McCabe, Dylan Murnane, Harry Swingler, Hudson Harrison

#### 2016/17 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This is my 7th Annual President's Report and, as I promised last year, this will be my last.

So now is an appropriate time to say thanks to the committee members who have assisted me over my time as President. Unfortunately, there have been too many for me to single out any particular ones without this becoming long winded. Suffice to say, despite the importance of our patrolling members, the club does not run without the committee members organising things in the background

Every year I point out that, although there are a number of important parts of our club operations, from LSV's point of view one of the most visible pointers to our performance as a club is our performance on patrols.

This year we had 117 members do 3319 hours of patrol compared to the previous year when 117 members did 2615 hours of patrol. The previous 2 years we had 95 members doing 2334 hours and 72 members doing 1628 hours the previous year.

Additionally we had 69 of our members contributing to 861 hours of water safety, primarily in support of our Nipper Program as compared to 71 of our members contributing to 960 hours of water safety the previous year.

A total of 127 members contributed to Patrols or Water Safety or both. For a club our size, I think we can be proud of this involvement by our members.

Thanks also go out to the 33 junior members, who were not on the patrol roster, who spent time participating in patrols. A lot of these were our members who had just completed their Bronze Medallion or their Surf Rescue Certificate and it's always great to see their enthusiasm to be on patrol after they have become qualified.

To the 127 members who did make the effort to Patrol or do Water Safety, you have my thanks and that of the Club.

## **ACHIEVEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS**

After a previous false start we managed to get our first (at least in my knowledge of the club) residential Bronze Camp run. Many thanks to Thom Cookes for being the main instigator of this. As a by product of this we finally got around to tidying up the bunk rooms with new carpet and new bunks and mattresses. So that was something I had been waiting to have happen for a few years.

Many of you will be aware that we now have a surfboat team after quite a few years of absence at the club. In this case the clubs' thanks go to Emily Mansfield for the efforts she has made in pushing this. Our "new" boat is now visible at the club and will gradually change its appearance as our local sponsors get on board and get their logos prominently displayed.

Congratulations go to the womens boat team for their Bronze at the Masters State Titles. Bear in mind that most of the crew have only just completed their Bronze Medallions to allow them to complete and have also contributed to the club and been highly visible on patrol.



This year we hosted our first surf boat carnival since I have been a member of the club and I'm happy to say that the competition and the organisation went very smoothly.

As I write this we are in the middle of preparation for the IRB State Titles which we are hosting and which promises to be an exciting day.

Our first set of new swim cans is due to arrive any day now so next year for nippers, and any other competition practice, we will be able to set up our courses as if we were holding a proper competition.

Frank O'Rourke

Apollo Bay SLSC President

**NIPPERS**

It's always good to see a successful Nippers Program which everyone seems to enjoy and this year was no exception.

I'll leave it to Thom and Karen to come up with the final figures, but last year I reported that we had over 170 nippers compared to 144 the previous year. This year Thom made the decision to cap numbers to a lower level to make it manageable within our resources. Unfortunately for Thom, but fortunately for our Nippers, the attempt to cap numbers didn't really come to fruition and we had similar numbers to last year.

After missing out on a Wye River Challenge last year due to the bushfires, it was back again this year and made for a very busy, exciting and colourful day on the beach.

Frank O'Rourke

Apollo Bay SLSC President

### **CLUB CAPTAIN**

With the finish of season 2016-2017 and my 1st year as Club Captain, I want to thank everyone who helped make it a success and a safe beach to enjoy.

3 Carnivals, a new surfboat team, a club residential camp, multi agency rescues, and most importantly, no drownings or fatalities with such a busy and challenging season. All this could not have been possible without the hard working members that make this club great. The trainers and developing trainers taking time off work. Parents travelling on several weekends of the season to get members to courses and patrols. The guys that helped fix up the bunkrooms to make the resident camp possible. The active members who contributed significant time to patrol on weekends. The patrol captains and mentors who pulled their teams together to fulfil protocol requirements. All this requires people to make this a successful club.

The stats of active members this season are similar to last season in figures, they are still an improving increase which is a goal we want to keep achieving each season. Last season 39 members fulfilled our 20hr minimum requirement of patrol hours, this season we had 44 members do 20+ hours. We have lost some potential lifesaving leaders and contributing members, but have gained some really keen contributors and potential leaders as well. This year a small increase of 19 members patrolling 40+ hours from last year's 16. A number of these members did extra courses to improve their skills. These members will become club leaders if they want the opportunity, some have already found pool lifeguarding positions for employment. We had 16 members total more than 10 water safety hours during nippers. In total, we had 60 members contribute significant hours of active duty this season. This is important as it shows we have less than 100 active members contributing less than the 20 hours of service which we aim for everyone to achieve. With a current increase to our associate members, we hope to recruit some parents to assist in helping with nippers and on patrols as adult leaders.

Beach activities, our log books show we had 5,445 swimmers, 887 craft and 13,085 beach goers, a total of 19,417 visitors in Apollo Bay over the season, these are not exact figures. We kept these visitors safe, we prevented any incidents turning into rescues during patrol hours. We had 17 1st aids and 2 incidents, all handled professionally. We had 2 out of hours callouts this season which included the involvement of other emergency services. In each situation, our surf rescue

responders acted professionally and to LSV protocols, we co-ordinated with other services to achieve a no casualty result. Due to the challenging conditions and difficulty of 1 rescue, 2 members are being nominated for bravery awards, Billey Bernet and Kath Speirs. This is significant achievement for our club as these awards are not given out to anyone, it is nationally recognised.

Emily Stephens teamed up with some mentors and coaches from St Kilda to form a surfboat team. All Apollo Bay members involved in this team had little or no experience. Most members gained their bronze medallion this year. They challenged themselves at carnivals and gave their all. They may not have won any races, but they gained strong friendships and earned their surfboat through the VRSL mentoring program for new and developing teams. We hope that the surfboat stays for many years to come, as it is a great focus group to stay connected at the club and with our surf lifesaving history.

Improvements I would like to see moving into next season is more adults being involved on the beach. Adults have plenty of life experience to make appropriate decisions on patrol. We also want appropriate role models leading our developing members. Our developing members are lacking a bit in communication skills and this can be a serious issue if we are involved in serious incidents or rescue situations, this has also been reflected in log books I have reviewed throughout the season, these are minor mistakes that anyone can make. Having more mature members on patrols can help improve these skills as some will bring these skills from their work responsibilities. LSV are constantly updating policies/SOP's and upgrading their IT systems for better and more flexible member access to courses. I endeavour to keep members informed when changes occur.

We keep improving as a club which is great, I can't wait for next seasons challenges.

Ross Marriner  
Apollo Bay SLSC Club Captain

#### PATROL SERVICE AWARDS

20+ HOURS	40+ HOURS	60+ HOURS	WATER SAFETY
Molly Barrymore-Owens	Billey Bernet	Hudson Harrison	Stephanie Alexades
Calum Bew-Goodlet	Sam Cookes	Ross Marriner	Will Bolton
Jake Cooper	Sophie Cookes	Corey McCabe	Nick Booth
Josh Cooper	Tom McBride	Dylan Murnane	BellaDavidson
Rhiannon Cox	Sue O'Rourke	Aidan O'Rourke	Francesca DePalma
Amy Cussen	Emily O'Rourke	Frank O'Rourke	Lily Dolan
Melia Frangos	Simon Swingler	Tom Salomon	Jack Hanger
Mackenzie Gardner	Tyler Thompson	Harry Swingler	Jonathon Hanson
Darren Gill	Darcy Walters		Darren Minns
Kai Hill	Ruby Waters		Anna Morton
Magnolia Jelonak			Luca Morton
Isabel Kavanagh			Jane Nichols
Pat Lugg			Hannah Rogers
Caldon Lyons			Julia Tobin
Evelyn Lyons			Mathilde Tobin-

			Couzens
Tielle Lyons			Seb Tobin-Couzens
Hunter McKay			
Emily Stephens			
Tayla Marriner			
Cameron Potter			
Toni Rooke			
Kath Speirs			
Brook Thompson			
Elenor Tunley			
Tom Wooding			
25	10	8	16
Total=59			

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### MEMBERSHIP REPORT- 2016 / 2017 SEASON

	2016/17	2015/16	2014/15	2013/ 14	2012/13	2011/12
<b>Nippers</b>	193	167	157	146	137	116
<b>Cadets (13-15)</b>	38	45	42	48	45	37
<b>Active (15-18)</b>	45	39	46	32	30	44
<b>Active (18+)</b>	43	40	42	31	33	44
<b>Reserve Active</b>	11	13	15	17	14	13
<b>Associate</b>	234	171	157	175	163	135
<b>Life</b>	15	15	14	15	14	14
<b>Total</b>	<b>579</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>473</b>	<b>464</b>	<b>436</b>	<b>404</b>

The 2016 season has been extremely successful in terms of new members increasing overall by almost 17% - the most significant increase in over ten years.

The Members Portal is being used more effectively by the membership base, most being able to update their details, renew and pay for memberships directly. The system always provides challenges to a percentage of the membership but with assistance, most problems are easily rectified.

As mentioned last year, there is no alternative to the Membership Portal and it has been adopted by SLSA and therefore the club as the preferred method of membership. The Portal streamlines all surf clubs, and offers a very broad reaching communication tool as well as eliminating the requirement for a paper membership application.

A steady increase in membership numbers for the nipper program and an increase in Associate Memberships which would correspond to the growing number of junior members. Please see details below of age group breakup.

**U7 & U8 - 32**

**U9 - 26**

**U10 - 32**

**U11 - 28**

**U12 - 30**

**U13 - 30**

Please remember that annual memberships expire each year on June 30, so please jump on line now and renew early!

**Yvette Hill**  
**Membership Officer**

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

As Treasurer I am reporting on reconciled accounts to the 30 April 2017, for the 2016-17 year. The accounts have not been over scene by an accountant and I will endeavour to do this within the next 2 weeks. Apologies for the delay and as such the Balance sheet will not be a true reflection of current situation, with adjustments to stock levels and depreciation to come. However, the cash at hand as per balance sheet is correct for the 30th April 2017 \$ 123,781.41. The profit currently stands at \$10328 for the reporting period 01/5/2016 to 30/4/2017.

On behalf the club once again a big thanks to the Pickett Family for their generosity in allowing the club to raise money via their generosity the club raised over \$5000. A big well done to all those that organised and participated in the door knock again the club collected just over \$7000.

Notable expenditures in maintenance, \$7550 painting, electrics \$3476 and a one off building invoice \$2240. Apologies again for the lack of accountant scrutinised P&L and Balance Sheet they will be done shortly.

\*Updated Aug 2017. The hold up in checked financials was due to our last accountant leaving and in the meantime Martin Tunley from Longboard Accountants has come on board as our accountant and revised the figures for our reporting period. Our profit and loss statement now records a loss of \$9418. There was an overpayment to Surf lifesaving Victoria on the 25/4/2017 of \$5539.95 that was reimbursed on the 05/6/2017 this is in Expenses under Carnival, Camps, Awards. Bronze Camp is a new expense of \$2000 but would reflect also in increased membership. The depreciation schedule of \$18,714 has also been added to the P&L statement and would attribute to the change from profit to loss for the clubs' accounts. Should you have any further questions please do not hesitate in contacting me and again I would like to thank Martin for his time and assistance overlooking Apollo Bay SLSC accounts.

Regards,

Mark Kininmonth

*Profit and Loss statement attached*