



**Surf Life Saving Sydney Branch
Pre Season
Lifesaving & Education Meeting
22nd August 2015**

Welcome

Agenda

- **Sign in and housekeeping**
- **Welcome by Branch President, George Shales**
- **Lifesaving and Education Committee**
- **Statistics / Definitions Rescue / Preventative / first Aid**
- **Gear Inspection**
- **SurfCom Patrol Ops**
- **Member Recognition Program**
- **Support Ops**
- **Shark Sightings / Protocol**
- **Media Contact**
- **Skills Maintenance Changes / Late Proficiencies**

Morning Tea & Split into 2 groups for next session

- **Lifesaving (move to Beach View Room)**
- **Education (remain in Sea View Room)**

- **Finish & Close of Meeting**
- **Light Lunch**

Lifesaving and Education Committee - Executive

Director of Lifesaving & Education

Simon Torsellini

Deputy Director of Lifesaving & Education

Joel Wiseman

Education Manager

Christopher Thompson

Support Operations Manager

Matthew Evans

Lifesaving & Education Secretary

Peter Quartly

Lifesaving and Education Committee

Lifesaving Area Supervisors

Royal National Park, Mark Wood,

Cronulla Sutherland, Michael Byrne, (Ass: Graham Hill)

Randwick, Matt Spooner (Ass. Tania Rouse)

Waverley, Peter Quartly (Rosie Taliano)

Education Area Supervisors

Royal National Park, Vacant

Cronulla Sutherland, Steve Urquhart (Ass. Scott Marshall)

Randwick, Bec Mister, (Ass. Cathie Hall)

Waverley, Paul Hotton (Ass. Rosie Taliano)

Lifesaving and Education Committee

RWC Officer

Joel Wiseman

IRB Officer

vacant

ORB Officer

Gary Pracy

Advanced Awards Coordinator

Michael Hodsdon

Clubs Patrol Advisor

Tania Rouse

Peer Support Coordinator

Matthew Evans

Clubs Education Advisor

Craig Howie

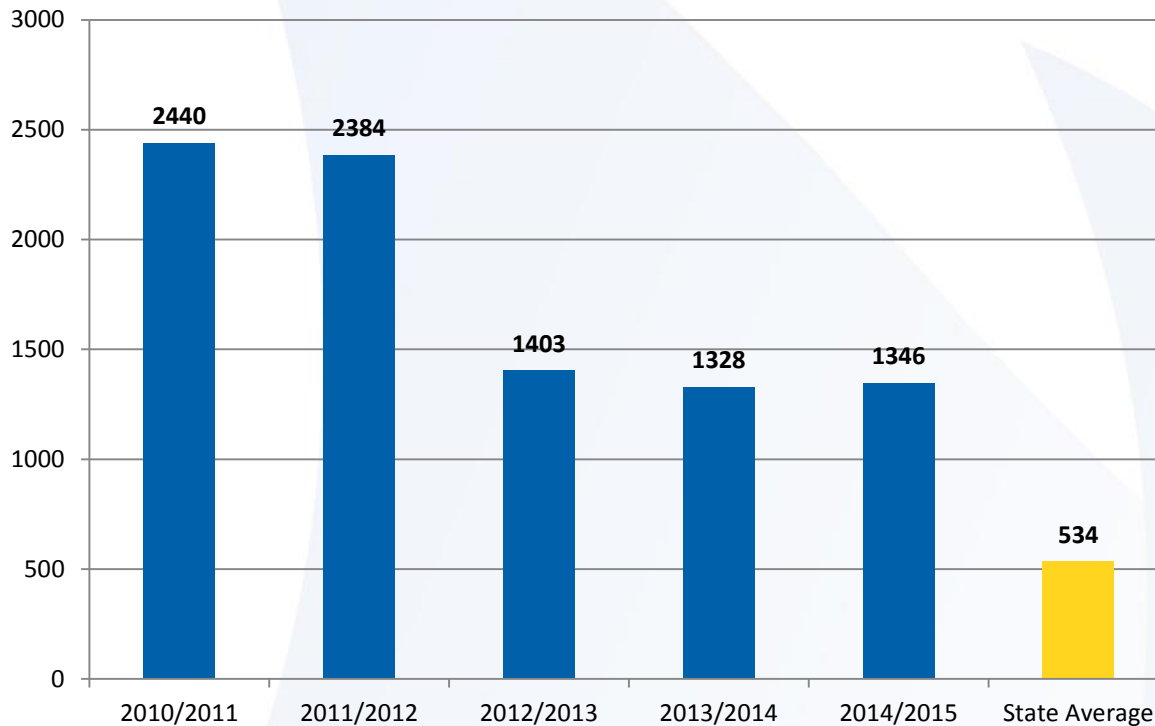
Lifesaving Competition Advisor

Doug Hawkins

Junior Activities Lifesaving Advisor

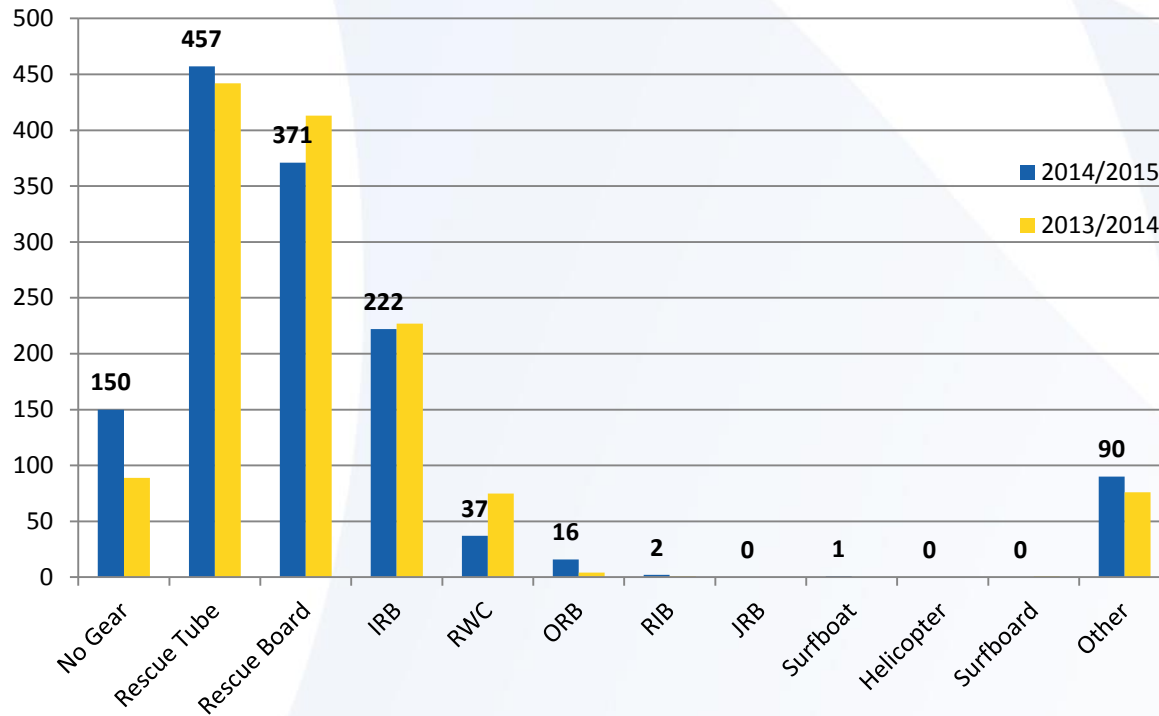
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Sydney Branch Statistics 2014/15 - Rescues



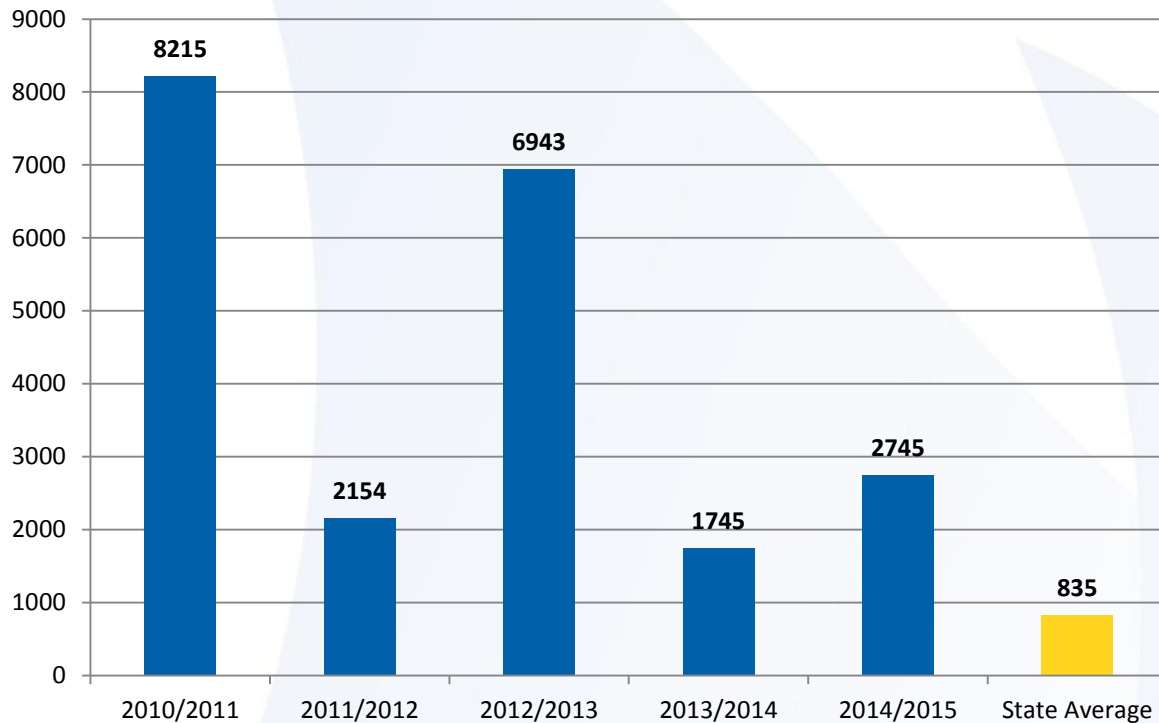
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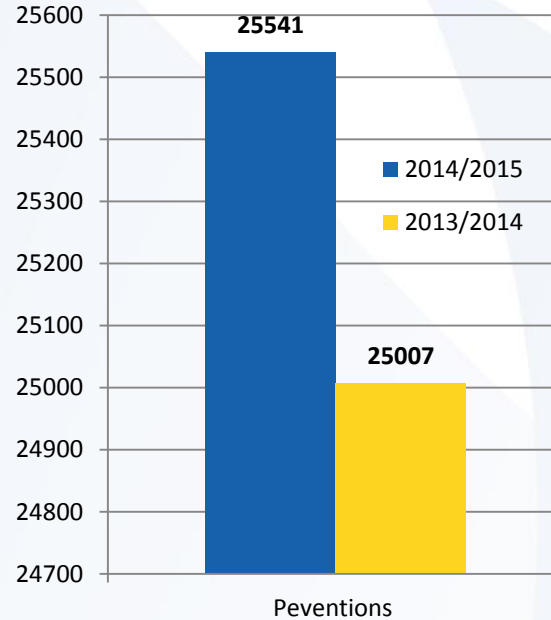
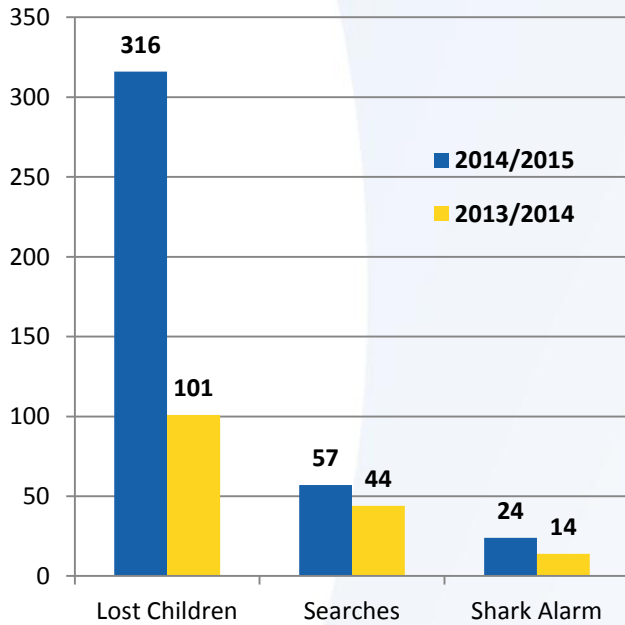
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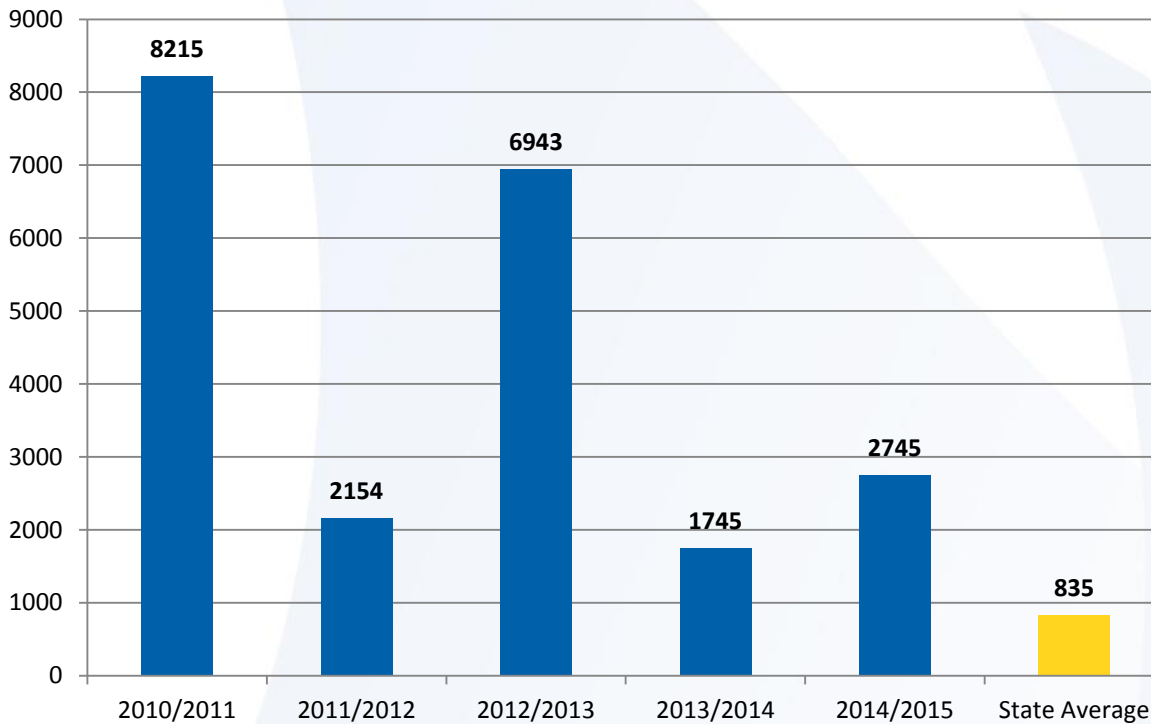
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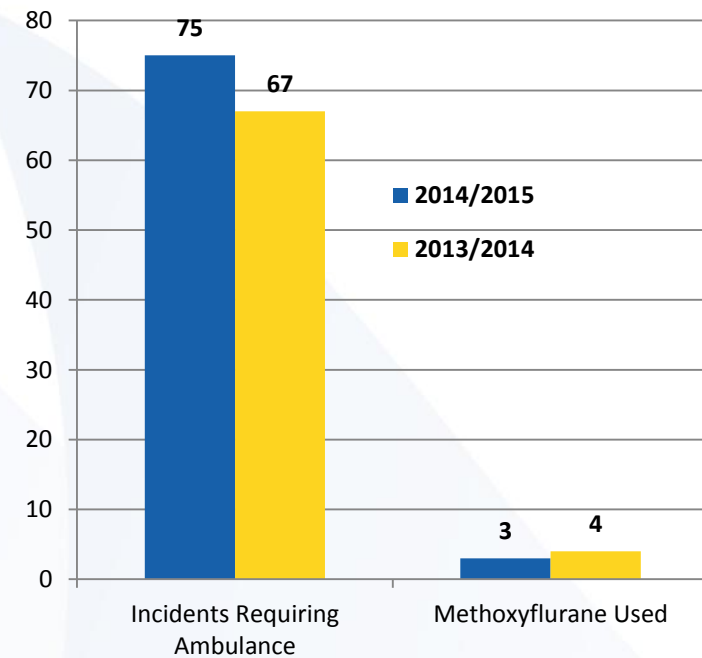
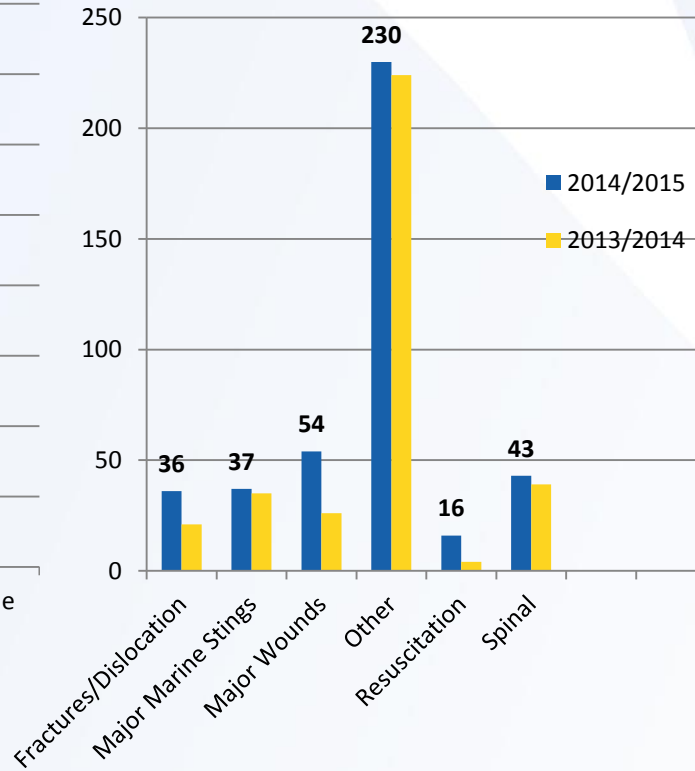
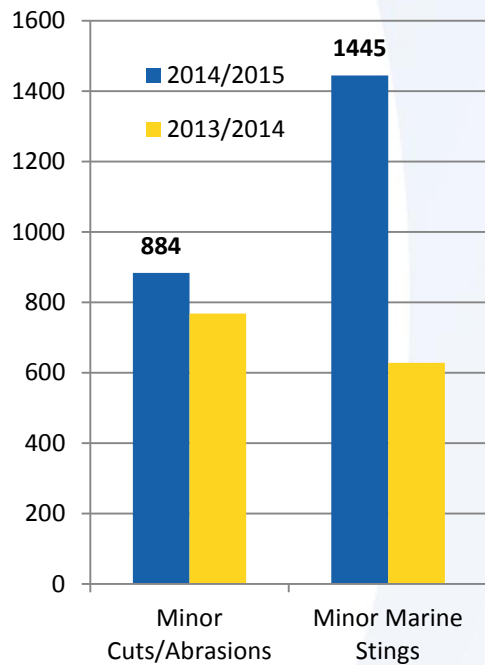
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Sydney Branch Statistics – First Aids



	2013/14	2013/14
Far North Coast	343	798
North Coast	89	96
Mid North Coast	225	300
Lower North Coast	126	366
Hunter	641	606
Central Coast	1030	1205
Syd. Northern Beaches	1268	2282
Sydney	1741	2745
Illawarra	265	254
South Coast	124	422
Far South Coast	112	106

Sydney Branch Statistics – First Aids



Sydney Branch Statistics – Patrol Hours

Average Hours

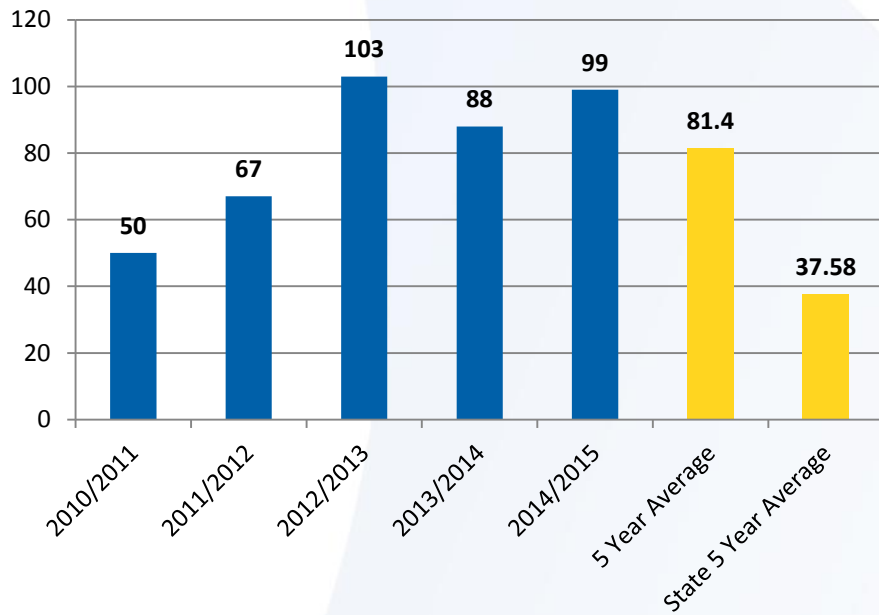
Club	Active Membership	Patrol Hours Completed	Average Hours Per Member (Actual)
North Bondi	659	19873.5	30.16 hours
Bondi	437	12474.5	28.55 hours
Tamarama	118	3900.5	33.06 hours
Bronte	444	11296	25.44 hours
Clovelly	278	8663.75	31.16 hours
Coogee	724	19900	27.49 hours
Maroubra	249	9675.25	38.86 hours
South Maroubra	220	5551.75	25.24 hours
Wanda	243	6689.75	27.53 hours
Elouera	373	9753.25	26.15 hours
North Cronulla	272	12036.5	44.25 hours
Cronulla	343	6676	19.46 hours
Garie	55	2238.5	40.70 hours
Era	82	2088	25.46 hours
Burning Palms	37	1046	28.27 hours
Branch Average	302.27	8834.92	29.22 hours
State Average	165.12	4505.87	27.29 hours

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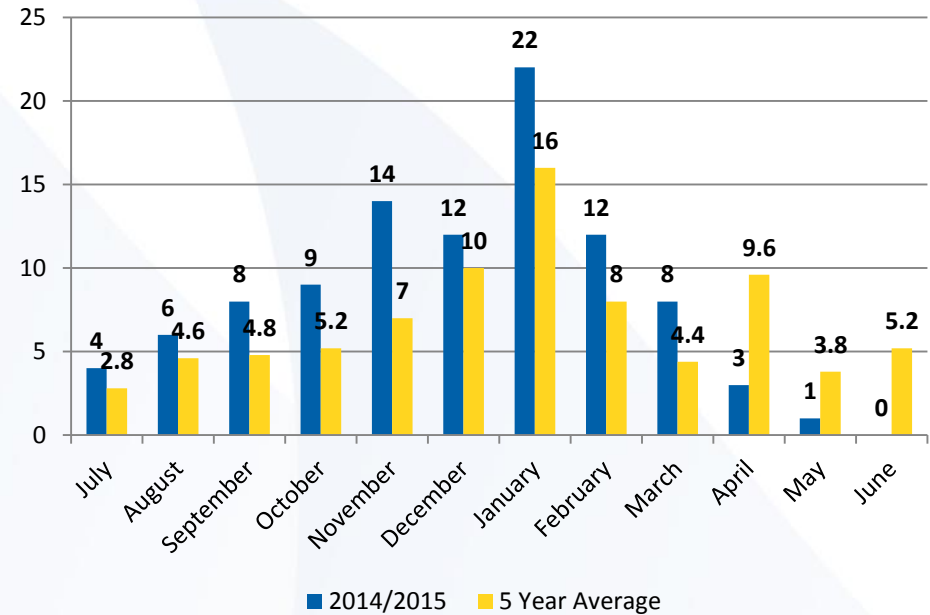
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Sydney Branch Statistics – 13SURF

13SURF Incidents - 5 Year Comparison

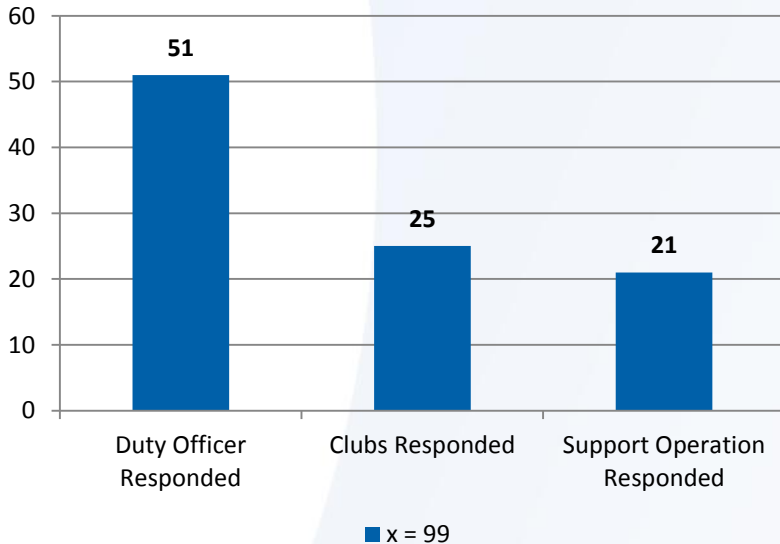


13SURF Incidents - Monthly Breakdown

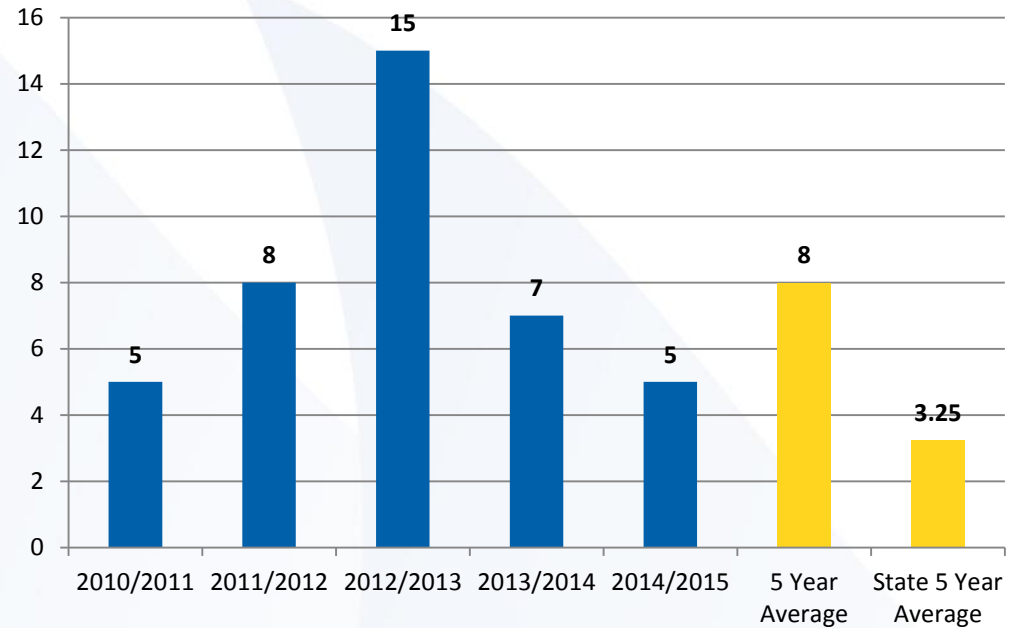


Sydney Branch Statistics – Coastal Drowning's

13SURF Incidents - Response



Coastal Drowning Incidents - 5 Year Comparison



Rescue Definition



A “rescue” is an instance where a person requires assistance to return to shore (or a place of safety) and whom without assistance would have suffered distress or injury, or drowned.

- Rescues can be performed by using No Gear, Rescue Tubes, Rescue Boards, IRB, RWC, ORB, RIB, JRB, Surfboat, Helicopter, Surfboard ,Other

Preventative Action Definition

A 'preventative action' is where a lifesaver or lifeguard identifies a potentially dangerous situation and takes precautionary action to prevent the situation from developing into or contributing to a real emergency. Below are some examples of Preventative actions, but should not be limited to the below list:

- Blow whistles or using a Mega Phones to move swimmers back into the Flags area.
- Shifting boards and ski riders out of the flagged area
- Shifting the flagged area during the day due to a change in surf conditions
- Preventing swimmers from entering a rip or hole
- Removing broken glass from the beach
- Checking on a swimmer who may appear to be in difficulty
- Clearing the beach of swimmers because of a suspected shark sighting



First Aid Definition

A 'first aid' is any incident where a victim is administered some form of first aid treatment. This can be Immediate or emergency assistance given on the spot to people suffering from illness or injury.

- Minor Cuts / Abrasions
- Minor Marine Stings
- Fractures / Dislocations
- Major Marine Stings
- Major Wounds
- Resuscitation Spinal
- Incidents Requiring Ambulance
- Pain relief



Gear Inspection

- **Gear inspection Dates**
 - North Bondi to South Maroubra , 29th August 2015
 - Wanda to Burning Palms , 30th August 2015
- **Gear Stewards meeting**
- **Gear Inspection Guidelines Document** (available on web site)
- **Equipment Evaluation**
 - Pass - Meets all the requirements set out on the equipment list
 - Re-inspect - Minor fault or omission of equipment on list
 - Fail – Major fault or omission of equipment on list
 - Discard – Dangerous or equipment failure evident



Gear Inspection

- **Shark / Emergency Evacuation Alarms will be tested**
- **Re-Inspections**
 - To be completed within 14 days of Inspection
- **Challenge of Assessed equipment by Inspection Panel members and Club**
 - Decision will be final by Director of Lifesaving and /or their appointed representative on the day.



Important Notes for Clubs:
All equipment that is inspected MUST be entered in to Surfguard, this includes all Junior activities rescue equipment (Tubes, Boards and other) as well.



SIGNING ON/OFF WITH SURFCOM

SIGN-ON

SurfCom Contacts Clubs, Services (North to South)

- Beach Status (closed + reason for beach closure)
- Number of Bronze members
- IRB Status (Operational/Non Operational)

SIGN-OFF

SurfCom Contacts Clubs, Services (North to South)

- Extension of Patrol Hours: Notify SurfCom 15 minutes prior to scheduled finish time and advised finish time
- Number of Rescues (total for whole day)

Always contact SurfCom if your patrol status changes (IRB, ATV, Bronze Numbers below 3)



RADIO CHANNELS

Channel 1

- Emergency Working Channel (line of sight only)
Used during major incidents where Duty Officers, RWCs, Helicopters are involved.

Channel 2

- Patrol Channel (line of sight only)
Used for everyday internal patrol communications (e.g. IRB, roving patrol, ATV)

Channel 3

- Primary Repeater Channel
Used for all communications with SurfCom & other SLS assets/
clubs



CONTACT

State Operations Centre: 9471 8092

Covers – FNC, NC, MNC, LNC, HUN, CC, SYD, ILL

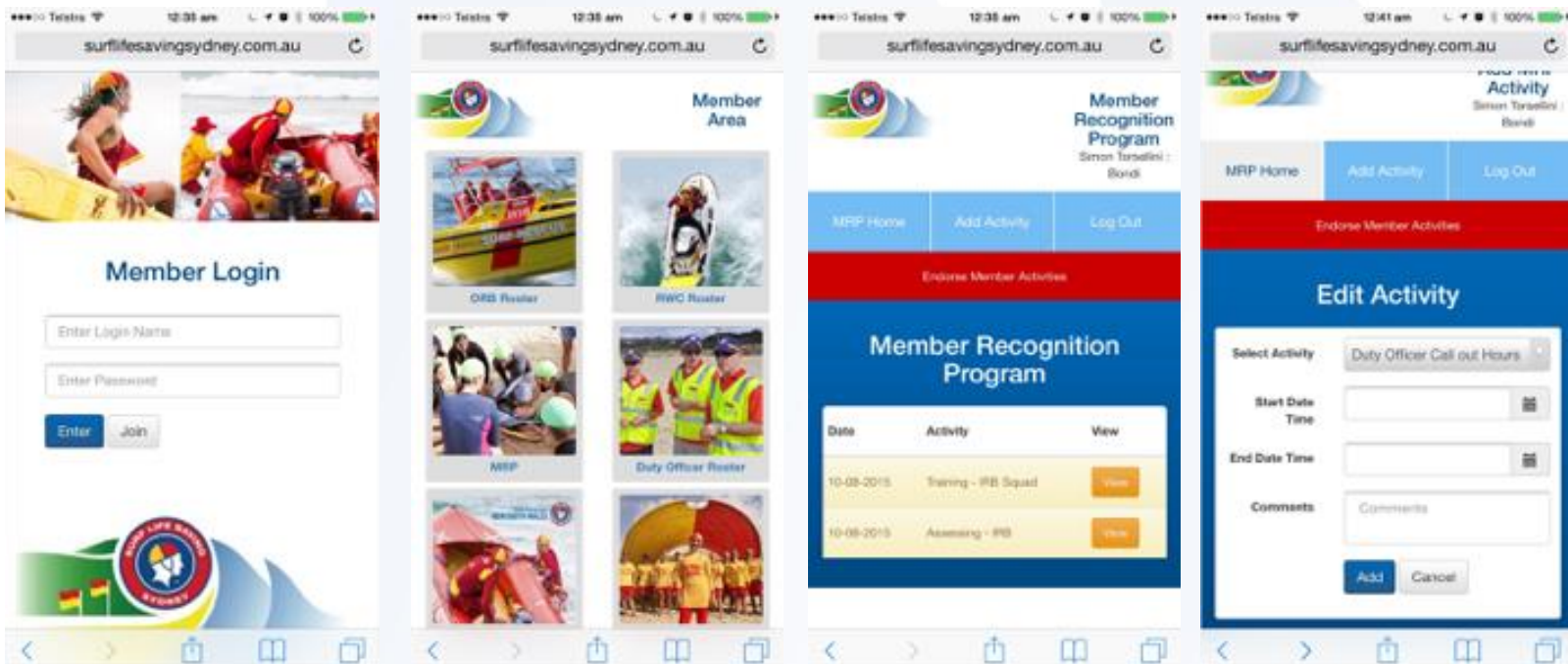
SurfCom / Patrol Ops

- Sydney Branch introducing SLSA Patrol Ops to Sign On / Off / Update
- Radio Sign on's will start at 15 mins after patrol start
- Gary Daly (SLSA IT) will be demonstrating the App (after the break).



Member Recognition Program (MRP)

- Recognition for members out side of patrols
- Clubs will receive a Report at the end of the Season
- Hours need to be endorsed.
- System Setup for Trainers, Facilitors, Carnival officials, Admin, Duty Officer call out hours.



Support Operations

- **Rescue Water Craft (Support Skis)**
- **Offshore Rescue Boat**
- **Duty Officers**
- **Member Injuries**
- **Critical Incident Debrief**
- **Peer Support**



Shark Sightings / Protocol

- **Determine if the Area is to be closed.**
 - Consider validity of the sighting.
 - Size / Type / proximity to Swimmers
- **Activate the Emergency Evacuation Alarm**
- **Inform the Public**
 - Patrolled Area Being Closed.
 - Reason for Closure.
 - Flags being Lowered.
 - Erect Signage- Swimming not advised
- **Monitor all Area's from an elevated position / Contact surf com**
- **Launch IRB and maintain Water Surveillance.**
- **Reopen patrolled area 30 mins after shark last sighted.**

Shark Sightings / Protocol

- **Further information see**
 - **Lifesaving Operations Procedures Guide.**
 - **LS9.6 Shark Incidents**

All media queries, releases and statements relating to shark attacks must be referred to the Media Manager or the delegated spokesperson (i.e SLNSW Lifesaving Manager).

Media Contacts

Only Support Operations Manager, Duty Officer attending, and SLSS President can make statements regarding a lifesaving Incident on the Beach.

- **SLNSW Media Manager**
 - Deaths / Drowning's , member Injuries / accidents issues / state / national safety and funding issues
- **Branch President or DOLE**
 - Branch issues / Stats / programs / Initiatives
 - Major Rescues / Incidents
 - Local Council Issues / SLS Issues
- **Club Captains**
 - Club Stats / Safety Issues / events / programs
- **Patrol Captains**
 - Beach Conditions / Activity / General Information



I am not the appropriate person to comment, please contact

SLSA Skills Maintenance Review – Key changes

1. Authorised delegates
2. Online activities
3. Suggested scenarios for use on patrol
4. Surfguard enhancements
5. Interstate deployment



SLSA Skills Maintenance Review – Delegation

- Clubs may nominate suitably qualified members to act as delegates (except Powercraft)
- Clubs responsible for ensuring members maintain skills
- Clubs must be able to meet LSA with confidence in the skills of members
- Delegates must:
 - be proficient in award
 - be familiar with reasonable adjustment
 - adhere to skills maintenance program
 - complete any paperwork required
- Examples...
 - Patrol Captains = RSR, Radio, Rescue
 - IRB Drivers = IRB Crew
 - Medical / ambulance officers = CPR
- Delegates to be recorded at Club Executive meeting



SLSA Skills Maintenance Review – Online Activities & Scenarios

Multiple choice questions have been included in the CTO's meeting packs.

Scenarios

- Ensuring competence should be an ongoing process
- For use during quieter times
- Are they already doing this?

SLSA Skills Maintenance Review – Surfguard Enhancements

- Bulk processing
- No Trainer / Assessor needed
- Entered once and appears on record straight away
- Turned off after 31st January (late proficiencies)
- More information to follow



SLSA Skills Maintenance Review – Interstate Deployment

- Minimum requirements must be accepted by all Clubs
- A short induction may be given at a new Club
- SLSA sets minimum requirements
- Clubs are not encouraged to go above these



Late Proficiencies

- Late proficiencies may be authorised by Branch DOL&E in writing to Branch office, for Lifesaving only.
- Competitor late proficiencies will need State DOL approval.
- Once approved, clubs can perform proficiencies internally.





SLSS Branch Pre Season Meeting **22nd August 2015**

Morning Tea & Split into 2 groups for next session

Patrol Ops / Beach Safe / Swaps

Gary Daly
National IT Manager
Surf Life Saving Australia





Support Operations

Matthew Evans
Support Operations Manager

Support Operations - Agenda

1. Support Operations Overview
2. Duty Officers
3. RWCs
4. Offshore Rescue Boat
5. Lifesaver Helicopter
6. Club Callout Teams
7. SurfCom / Radio Channels



1. Support Operations Overview

- Lifesaving 24/7
- What do we do?
- Key contacts:
 - Support Operations Manager: Matthew Evans
 - RWC Officer: Joel Wiseman
 - ORB Officer: Gary Pracy



2. Duty Officers

- Duty Officers available:
 - Support Operations Manager (SYDNEY 10)
 - 2 x Rescue Coordinators (North – SYDNEY 12, South – SYDNEY 11)
 - 3 x Duty Officers per operational area
 - Waverley (South Head – Waverley Cemetery)
 - Randwick (Waverley Cemetery – Botany Bay)
 - Sutherland (Botany Bay – Burning Palms)



2. Duty Officers cont.

- Role
 - To support patrols at major incidents by providing guidance
 - Command & control of incidents outside of patrol locations
 - Command & control of incidents outside of patrol hours
 - Respond to member injuries
 - Respond to incidents involving SLS craft
 - Critical Incident Debriefs



3. RWCs



- Support Ski 2
 - Located at Gunnamatta Bay
 - Cape Solander to Port Hacking
- Support Ski 3
 - Located at Maroubra
 - North Bondi to Cape Banks

4. Offshore Rescue Boat

- Callsign: Surf Rescue 30
- Based at Malabar
- Response area:
 - Botany Bay to Diamond Bay
 - Can be responded to major incidents outside of primary area by Support Operations Manager/Rescue Coordinator



5. Lifesaver Helicopter



- Change of call-sign: LIFESAVER 21
- Tasked via NSW State Duty Officer
- Main working channel this season: CH3

6. Club Callout Teams

- Activated by SLSS Support Operations Manager / Rescue Coordinator
- Taskings include:
 - Land searches
 - In water searches
 - Relief teams for patrols after a major incident
- Teams to be updated in Surfguard
- Rescue equipment should be “Rescue Ready” and accessible (Boards, Tube, IRB, First Aid etc.)
- Minimum 6 Members entered into Surf Guard (Most Clubs have approx.20)



7. SurfCom / Radio Channels



- SurfCom located at Belrose (SLSNSW)
- Channels
 - CH1: Emergency Channel for incidents
 - CH2: General channel for patrol use
 - CH3: SurfCom & Lifesaver Helicopter
- Sydney Branch Repeaters
 - BONDI (North Bondi to Coogee)
 - CAPE BANKS (Maroubra to Cronulla)
 - MADDENS PLAINS (RNP)





Lifesaving

Simon Torsellini
Director of Lifesaving & Education

Patrol Expectations

• Life Saving Agreements (LSA)

❖ **Third Year of Agreement 2013 – 2016:**

❖ **Patrol Operational Times:** Sat 19th Sept 2015 – Mon 26th April 2016

❖ **School Holidays:**

- 2015 Sat 19nd Sept – Mon 5th Oct Spring Holidays
- 2015/16 Sat 19th Dec – Wed 27th Jan Summer Holiday
- 2016 Mon 09th April – Mon 25th April Autumn Holidays

❖ **Public Holidays:**

- 2015 Mon 5th Oct Fri 25th Dec Sat 26th Dec Mon 28th Dec
- 2016 Thurs 1st Jan Mon 26th Jan Fri 25th Mar Sat 26th Mar
- 2016 Sun 27th Mar Mon 28th Mar Mon 25th April

❖ **Day Light Saving Times: Changes at 0200hrs**

- Start – Sun 4th Oct 2015 (Forward 1Hr)
- Finish – Sun 3rd April 2016 (Back 1Hr)



Patrolling



❖ Patrol Operations Manual

- ❖ New POM format will be printed for season 2015/2016 by SLNSW
- ❖ Clubs use POM's in conjunction with SOP's
- ❖ Who uses these?
 - SurfCom
 - Area Supervisors
 - Patrol Captains
 - Contents
 - ✓ Rips, Breaks, Danger, Patrol areas & Beach Management
 - ✓ LSA, Patrol Equipment, Patrol Teams and Operating Times
 - ✓ Emergency Procedures, Contact Details, Support Groups

Patrolling Procedures Guide (Flip Book)

- Pocket size for quick reference guide designed for Patrol Captains.
- Outline Procedures for a variety of patrolling scenarios.
 - Patrol preparation.
 - General operations.
 - Emergency Operations.
 - Recovery Operations.
 - Communication.



Lifesaving Operations Procedures Guide

Patrolling

❖ Patrol Teams

➤ Patrol Members

- Full uniforms
- SurfCom Sign On & Off (Patrol Ops)
- Patrol logs sign on at start and finish
- Patrol strength on the beach and proactive
- Advise any variation to operations needs to notify either DoI&E or DDOL&E
- Request to move off the beach does not require Area Supervisor approval,
- Patrollers on beach when swimmers in water
- There are 3 type of patrol, “Base”, “Foul Weather” and “Beach Closed”.



Patrolling

❖ Patrol Strength

- A volunteer surf club patrol shall consist of the following minimum personnel:
 - 1x Silver Medallion Basic Beach Management *
 - 3x Bronze Medallion (Cert II) qualified members
 - 1x Advanced Resuscitation Techniques (proficient) *
 - 1x Silver Medallion IRB Driver (proficient) *
 - 1x IRB Crew (proficient) *
- *The above qualifications may be held by the 3 x Bronze Medallion members..

Should Sydney Branch Raise the Min number of Patrol members, ie Bronzes on Patrol to 5 proficient BM Holders ??? Discussion



Patrolling

❖ Patrol Teams

➤ Equipment on Beach

- Patrols are fully operational from the commencement to closure of rostered patrol hours
- IRB's sign on ready to go when patrols sign on, not 15mins later
- IRB's are on the beach at all times, including Foul Weather Patrols
- Rescue boards, Rescue tubes, patrol screens, first aid kit, oxyviva and defib with other resources. Copies of the State Audit will assess equipment.
- Procedures advise operational needs.
<http://www.surflifesaving.com.au/members/resources/lifesaving>



Patrolling

❖ Patrol Teams

➤ Chain of Command

- POM – contact numbers of Club Officials
- Contact Captain or President of all patrol issues to assist in rectifying
- Contact Area Supervisor to advise of patrolling issues that need to be resolved
- Escalate to DDoL&E or DoL&E should no assist be forth coming, report to SurfCom
- Patrol members are to be accounted for whilst on patrol and report to Patrol Captain for directions
- Patrol Captains are in charge of the beach, must ensure all safety policies are in place and complied with. Area supervisors can assist with support if need be.



Patrolling

❖ Patrol Teams

- Member Proficiencies & Up Skilling
 - Proficiencies are to be completed by 31st Dec
 - Late proficiencies may be authorised by DOL&E in writing to Branch office, for Lifesaving only, competitors will need State DOL approval. Once approved, clubs can perform proficiencies internally.
 - KPI's for Club Awards
- Public Perception
 - Ensure polite communications are maintained with members of the public
 - Life savers are to patrol beaches not play cricket in the park



Patrol Operations

- **IRB's**

- ❖ **No Solo Driving**

- ❖ **Unless crew person falls from boat**

- ❖ **Rescue to be performed by crewperson**

- ❖ **Life jackets have been compulsory since 1st October 2014**

- <http://www.surflifesaving.com.au/members/circulars-and-memos>

- ❖ **Life jackets must be worn at all times, including outside of the patrol area / break zone**



Patrol Operations



❖ Beach Closures

- ❖ In Season 2014 / 2015 there were 110 Closures.
- ❖ Patrol Captains should consider “closure” at any time that there is an unacceptable/ unmanageable risk to the public or the lifesaving service is unable to effectively safely perform water safety tasks.
- ❖ Patrols need to Inform SurfCom that you are about to close the patrolled area.
- ❖ Patrol Should remain on the Beach, unless a Foul Weather Patrol as defined in the SOP’s
- ❖ SOP LS9.1 EMERGENCY BEACH CLOSURE
 - Emergency Beach Closure - Procedure
 - Closure Periods
 - Reopening Procedure



Patrol Audits

- All Clubs will be inspected every month by the branch from Oct 15 to Apr 16
- Patrol Audits aim to identify any opportunities for improvement within a patrol/ Club
- Patrol Audit forms can be used by a patrol on a daily basis to self-assess their patrol.
- Patrol Audit is broken into 4 sections:
 - Personnel
 - Beach Management
 - Gear and Equipment
- Total Points 300

PATROL AUDIT FORM		 		
Club:	Patrol Name/ID:	Date:	Time:	
Patrolled area open/closed:	Head count in water:			
1. PERSONNEL				
LIFESAVERS ON-DUTY (Bronze/cert II & proficient) 50 points (0 points if below minimum number – per lifesaving agreement)			/50	
QUALIFICATIONS/AWARDS HELD (BBM, ARTC, IRBD, IRBC, Spinal) 50 points (10 points deducted for each shortfall)			/50	
PATROL UNIFORM (SLSA shorts/shorts/hat/quartered cap) 50 points (10 points deducted for each member in non-regulation uniform)			/50	
SECTION SUB-TOTAL			/150	
2. BEACH MANAGEMENT (✓/✗) Full marks if compliant, 0 marks if not				
Water under consistent surveillance	/10	Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) available	/2	
Flags erected & positioned close to water's edge	/5	Patrol Operations Manual (Club) available	/2	
IRB positioned close to water's edge (response-ready)	/5	Procedures Guidebook immediately available	/1	
Powercraft access signs erected	/2	Incident Logbook & Patrol Handover Forms available	/2	
Lifesavers at water's edge 'flag duty' if persons in water	/5	Patrol Log Completed	/5	
Waters edge/roving lifesavers with 1 x tube ea + 1 x radio	/5	IRB Log Completed	/2	
Patrol Tower/First Aid Room clean/no obvious risks	/2	Powercraft Code of Conduct displayed in patrol room/gear shed	/2	
SECTION SUB-TOTAL			/50	
3. GEAR AND EQUIPMENT (✓/✗) Full marks if compliant, 0 marks if not				
IRB operational	/10	ATV (flashing light, reverse beeper, board, tube)	/10	
3 x Rescue Tubes immediately available	/10	Spare fuel available in gear shed for IRB and ATV	/5	
2 x Rescue Boards available and positioned at waters edge	/10	Defibrillator operational and immediately available	/10	
Binoculars immediately available	/5	Oxygen resuscitation kit stocked, available (O2 > 50% + full spare)	/10	
Patrol Tent/Arena erected	/5	Mobile first aid kit stocked and immediately available	/5	
3 x handheld radios/monitored (SurfCom radio test)	/10	Spinal board and stiff-neck collars and immediately available	/5	
2 x whistles	/2	Loud Hailer/PA (incl siren)	/2	
2 x signal flags	/1			
SECTION SUB-TOTAL			/100	
4. PRACTICAL ASSESSMENT – Scaled against criteria in 'guide'				
Resuscitation		Minimum Qualifications – for post-audit review by branch		
Danger – checked/WPE used	/4	Award	Name	
Response – talk/touch	/3	1xBronze/Cert II		
Send – for help (incl SurfCom)	/3	1xBronze/Cert II		
Airway – clear + open (head tilt)	/5	1xBronze/Cert II		
Breathing – check + 2 breaths (mask)	/5	1xBBM		
CPR 30/2 (effective)	/10	1xIRBD		
Introduction of AED	/5	1xIRBC		
Introduction & use of O2 Resuscitation	/10	1xSpinal		
Overall incident management/teamwork	/5			
SECTION SUB-TOTAL			/50	
AUDIT SUMMARY (Points Tally)				
SECTIONS			TOTAL	
1. PERSONNEL	2. BEACH MANAGEMENT	3. GEAR & EQUIPMENT	4. PRACTICAL ASSESSMENT	/150

Communications

- **2013 / 2014 Achievements**
 - ❖ Upgraded the Bondi Repeater
 - ❖ Portable repeater installed at Sydney Helicopter Base for coverage
- **2014 / 2015 Developments**
 - ❖ Install new Repeater in South Sydney
 - ❖ Install New Site @ Garawarra Farm national
- **Radio's**
 - ❖ Recommended to Purchase DMR Tier 2 capable Radios
 - Hytera is the recommended Brand



Lifesaving and Education Committee

❖ Gear Inspection

- Any equipment with a reinspect sticker must be reinspected prior to use on the beach.

❖ Member & Public Injuries

❖ Life Saving Competition

- To be held at the Coogee Carnival to be held in February,
- This will be held over two days

❖ Awards of Excellence

- Judging period 1st January to 31st December
- Categories:
 - ✓ Life Saving
 - ✓ Education
 - ✓ Surf Sports



Patrolling - Discussion

❖ Haemorrhage Kit:

- Clean Towels
- Combine trauma Pads 20 x 20 cm
- Pair Universal Shears
- Sterile Lint Pads (large)
- Crepe Bandages 15cm
- Tourniquet
- Gloves (S,M,L)

These articles should be stored in a sealed plastic bag and the lot kept in a sturdy bag/box. The Shark Bag requirements are as per your states Standard Operating procedures.



Lifesaving and Education Committee

❖ Rescue of the Month

- To be submitted to Sydney Branch for selection
- Identifies and rewards excellence in lifesaving operations
- 10 nomination periods each year
- 1 NSW winner from 11 Branch submissions
- Rescue of the Year selected from Monthly winners
- Monthly winner nominated for SLSA Rescue of the Month
- Contact Bernard Utteridge SLSNSW for more information



Lifesaving and Education Committee

❖ Rescue of the Month

- July-Aug : South Maroubra SLSC
State and National Winner
- September : No nomination
- October : North Bondi SLSC / Bondi SBLSC
- November: Maroubra SLSC
- December: Cronulla SLSC
State Rescue of the Month winner
- January : Clovelly SLSC
- February : Bronte SLSC
- March : North Bondi SLSC –
State and National Winner
- April : South Maroubra SLSC



Questions

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Thank You



Pre Season Meeting Lifesaving & Education 22nd August 2015

Education

Chris Thompson
Education Manager

Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Area Contacts
3. TAF Re-Endorsement Review
4. Education SOPs review
5. Balance Score Card Review (EDU-Check)
6. Skills Maintenance Review
7. Powercraft Review
8. Mentoring Probationary Trainers & Assessors
9. HLTAID Upgrades
10. Bronze Medallion/SRC Training & Assessment
11. Higher Awards
12. Goals for the Season
13. General Business

Welcome & Introductions

- Chris Thompson – Education Manager SLS Sydney
- Louise Cooke – Academy Education Manager SLSNSW
- Steve Allan – Academy Support Officer SLSNSW
- Caitlin Millauro – Academy Education Officer SLSNSW

Lifesaving and Education Committee Area Contacts

Waverley

Bronze/SRC – Paul Hotton
Assistant – Rosie Taliano
IRB – Bob Leys
ARTC/Spinal – Jim Kornmehl

Randwick

Bronze/SRC – Beck Mister
Assistant – Cathie Hall
IRB – Simon Torsellini
ARTC – Cathie Hall & Jerry Vochteloo
Spinal – Craig Howie

Lifesaving & Education Committee Area Contacts

Cronulla/Sutherland

Bronze/SRC – Steve Urquhart
Assistant – Scott Marshall
IRB/ARTC/Spinal – Glenn
Cairncross & Jason Gollan

RNP

Bronze/SRC – Chris Thompson
Assistant – *Vacant*
IRB – Peter Pearce
ARTC/Spinal – Chris Thompson

Re-Endorsement Review

- Member Survey (March 2014)
- Think Tank (April 2014)
- TAF Baseline Survey (April 2015)

1. Paperwork
2. Format

Re-Endorsement – RTO Standards

1.13 Training and assessment delivered only by those with:

- vocational competencies at least to level being delivered;
- current industry skills; and
- current knowledge and skills in vocational training that informs their delivery.

1.16 All TAFs to undertake professional development in knowledge and practice of vocational training, learning and assessment.

Education SOPs Review

- Send paperwork to Branch in 14 days
- Forward Education Meeting Notes
- Complete Joining Instructions and send out prior to course starting
- Inform Academy Education Manager of formal complaints made
- Quick – Reference guides have been created

Balance Score Card Review

- Small working group (DOEs)
- Pilot with 7 Clubs across 4 Branches

Educheck

1. Compliance
2. Club health
3. Goal setting

SLSA Skills Maintenance Review – Key changes

1. Authorised delegates
2. Online activities
3. Suggested scenarios for use on patrol
4. Surfguard enhancements
5. Interstate deployment

SLSA Skills Maintenance Review – Delegation

- Clubs may nominate suitably qualified members to act as delegates (except Powercraft)
- Clubs responsible for ensuring members maintain skills
- Clubs must be able to meet LSA with confidence in the skills of members
- Delegates must:
 - be proficient in award
 - be familiar with reasonable adjustment
 - adhere to skills maintenance program
 - complete any paperwork required
- Examples...
 - Patrol Captains = RSR, Radio, Rescue
 - IRB Drivers = IRB Crew
 - Medical / ambulance officers = CPR
- Delegates to be recorded at Club Executive meeting

SLSA Skills Maintenance Review – Online Activities & Scenarios

Handouts of multiple choice questions are in the Education Meeting packs for CTO's.

Scenarios

- Ensuring competence should be an ongoing process
- For use during quieter times
- Are they already doing this?

SLSA Skills Maintenance Review – Surfguard Enhancements

- Bulk processing
- No Trainer / Assessor needed
- Entered once and appears on record straight away
- Turned off after 31st January (late proficiencies)
- More information to follow

SLSA Skills Maintenance Review – Interstate Deployment

- Minimum requirements must be accepted by all Clubs
- A short induction may be given at a new Club
- SLSA sets minimum requirements
- Clubs are not encouraged to go above these

Powercraft Review – IRB Crew

- New online component (extra learning tools and assessment)
- Online assessment matches revised, much shorter theory paper
- Sessions in D&A Guide largely the same, bar some timings
- One additional search pattern
- Knots and lashings covered and assessed
- Emphasis on immediate return to shore rather than rescue breaths / compressions in the IRB
- Buoy laying removed – content moved to Surf Sports

Powercraft Review – IRB Crew (Assessment)

- Shorter theory paper
- Training Log updated (can now record skills practiced)
- Observation checklists altered
 - Observation 1 includes pre & post operational checks
 - Observation 2 includes two rescues only

Powercraft Review – IRB Driver

- Buoy laying removed
- Topic on assembly, storage and maintenance removed
- Training Log more detailed
- Theory paper removed
- Observation checklists refined

Mentoring Probationary Trainers & Assessors

- In you packs are your club's Mentor's (those who have attended a mentor induction) as well as your Probationary Trainers and Assessors
- Need to endorse some or all of those mentors at State level
- Education Supervisors and I endorse the assessor mentors
- At the end of Trainers Course I will contact CTOs to appoint mentor
- At the end of Assessors Course I will contact Ed SPVS to appoint mentor
- Probationary Trainers and Assessors must Train/Assess at least 2 Courses
- Reasonable adjustment can be made for those who may have Training/Assessing experience prior
- If I think someone is being signed off too early I will call CTO or Ed SPV

HLTAID Upgrades

- Also in your packs is an up to date list of those who have and have not completed their required HLTAID upgrade
- One of my goals for this season is to get this 100% completed
- Bronze Trainers must complete Workbook 1
- Bronze Assessors Workbook 2
- ARTC Trainers and Assessors Workbook 3

Bronze Medallion/SRC Training & Assessment

- Stick to the Learner and Training/Assessment guides
- Risk assessments sent to ra@surflifesavingsydney.com.au
- SRC->Bronze RPL can be asked questions on what they are RPLing
- Consistency in Assessment
- Scenario based but questions can and should still be asked to candidates

Working With Children Checks

- Needed if training ALL under 18s for more than 5 days in a calendar year
- Those who train mixed age groups **or** who train for 5 or fewer days each year are exempt
- Applies to volunteer TAFs/water safety
- Checks are free for volunteers
- Further guidance on SLSNSW website

Higher Awards

- Education Sub committee would like to know which awards need to be delivered
- Previous years have had a “saturation” of certain awards and not others
- ARTC – Use assessment guide, parts of the assessment are peer reviewed
- Powercraft/Spinal – Use assessment guide

Goals for the season

1. Consistency in assessing awards throughout the Branch
2. Having more facilitators to deliver Higher Awards
3. Better communication to Trainers, Assessors, Facilitators, CTOs and Education Supervisors
4. Complete all HLTAID upgrades
5. Run workshops in each area group

GENERAL BUSINESS