



CAVES SURF CLUB NEWS



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Whats On

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Club Meetings are held the 3rd **Monday** of each month at 7pm
Xmas Party Sunday 23rd of December 2007
Jazz Under the Pines Sunday 20th January 2008

Leading News & Announcements

Club President Update

G'day to all members of Caves Beach SLSC and your families. Our season is well under way and all is progressing well, the club repairs from June storm are nearing completion and some improvements are also due for completion.

We will be opening the club at the completion of the repairs and upgrade so all members, their families and their friends can walk through the new facilities. These improvements are just the start of several stages of upgrades which will equip us for the future. Plans for the future and master plan for the club can be seen on our website, www.cavesslsc.com.au

However one cause for concern which has been brought to my attention is beach patrols. Beach patrols are the lynch pin for the Surf

Life Saving organisation of which we are all members. Beach Patrol obligations are very important and an area that we need to be vigilant and consistent.

There has been many instances where patrolling members have been absent without due cause and/or without a substitute. While I understand there will be occasions when you cannot attend your rostered patrols for various reasons, I must stress that it is very important that you arrange a substitute with similar qualifications. This substitute will fill your position in the patrol and therefore Caves Beach SLSC will not be compromised in any way by not fulfilling our patrol obligations to Surf Life Saving Australia.

I will take a few lines to explain why your attendance at patrols is very important:

1. **Caves Beach SLSC can be held accountable as**

we have an agreement and obligation with Surf Life Saving Australia to provide a set criteria of patrol people on the beach during designated hours and days.

2. **Our club can be suspended from competition by Hunter Surf Life Saving. This suspension can affect both Junior Activities (nippers) and senior competitors.**
3. **The beach will be SHUT, if we do not have the required amount of patrol members. This**

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can affect our public image and not to mention the Junior Activates can also be SHUT and cancelled for the day as the beach would be deemed to be “not adequately patrolled”

4. **Further patrol roster absenteeism can lead to penalties, suspension from competition and ultimately suspension from the Caves Beach SLSC for the offending member.**
5. **If you fail to attend your rostered patrol and do not "make-up" your hours and engage a substitute to fill your absenteeism you will not be eligible for a patrol award at our annual presentation night.**

While the comments above paint a dim picture they are factual and are real life scenarios that other clubs have had to deal with in the past. I would not like to see our club fall to these lows.

I therefore ask that you be disciplined in your attendance at your rostered patrols for the rest of the season and make every possible effort to attend your rostered patrol. I would also ask that you make good your absenteeism from your rostered patrols by way of a “make-up” patrol at your nearest convenience.

Our Club Captain, Kathy Fitzpatrick and Life Saving Coordinator, Warren Thomson have worked very hard to coordinate the patrol rosters for this season so please support them and the rest of your fellow club members to make Caves Beach the safest beach possible for your family. Caves Beach SLSC has one of the finest records in Surf Life Saving and I

would hate to see this reputation slip away.

If you have any questions about patrols please do not hesitate to contact, myself, Kathy or Warren.

Thank you
Brett Main
President
Caves Beach SLSC

Telstra Local Hero

See attached flyer and see how we can nominate someone to be our local hero and get \$1000 from Telstra.

Merewether Centenary Celebrations

See attached flyer for details.

“What’s On” Full Details

Proficiency Dates

Sunday 16th December 2007

The days will follow the format below:

ARC 8.30 am
Spinal/Defib 9am
Bronze & SRC 9.30am
IRB Driver & Crew 10.30am

Jazz Under the Pines

Members and friends will be treated to the sounds of live Jazz when Caves Beach Surf Lifesaving Club holds our annual fundraiser “Jazz Under the Pines” on Sunday

afternoon the 20th of January from 2.30 p.m.

Now in it's fourth year the afternoon will again be headlined by popular local Jazz musician Bob Henderson and his band.

The Jazz will offer something for all ages with the children being able to swim while parents and grandparents relax in our stunning beachfront location of the surf lifesaving club.” Bring along a blanket and your chair and make yourself comfortable under the Norfolk Pines in front of the surf club for a great afternoon of entertainment. A B.B.Q, bar service, great music and the usual Caves Beach hospitality will be on offer.

The club will also be opened for those who prefer to observe the afternoon from indoors.

Entry is \$5 per person or \$10 per family

Special thanks to our Jazz Under the Pines sponsor.



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We're on the lookout for the Heroes of your Club



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Not just the guys and girls who wear the red and yellow but the unsung heroes behind the scenes too. From the people who patrol our beaches, to the Mums and Dads who run the Nippers, to the tireless souls who clean up every day when everyone else has gone safely home.

Is there one person who really deserves a bit of extra recognition?

When all the votes are in for finalists, the judges will decide on the local hero for each region. The surf life saving club that nominated the eventual winner will receive \$1000 from Telstra.

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CENTENARY CELEBRATION EVENT

SATURDAY 15TH DECEMBER 2007

8.30am SIGN ON

9.00am MARCH PAST (juniors & seniors)
and Period Costume Display Procession

9.30am Start

SWIM RELAY Teams

SPONSOR'S TUG-O-WAR (2 heats & final -teams of 8)

BOARD RELAY Teams

3 LEGGED RACE Teams

SKI RELAY Teams

OBSTACLE RACE Teams

LIFESAVER DEMONSTRATION-Demonstration of a rescue

using the Reel Line & Belt - good practice for

any R & R team

PILLOW FIGHT (OVER 18)

RINGING THE BELL TEAM (Run Swim Run)

SPRINT RACE Team

BOAT DISPLAY - Demonstration race around the cans

TUG-O-WAR Juniors/Seniors/Vets-teams of 8

SACK RACE Teams

FLAGS Teams

CHARIOT RACE (over 18)

TUG-O-WAR FINALS CHALLENGE (sponsor vs club winner)

Events may be changed at the discretion of the carnival referee.

Race distances and course will be set to suit conditions.

Alternate venue TBA



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