

SOUTH NARRABEEN SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

Affiliated with The Surf Life Saving Association of Australia.



31 st. ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT

To be presented to members at the
31 st. Annual General Meeting
to be held on Sunday,
13 th. Sept., 1954, at 10 a.m.

Office Bearers

Patron: F. Kilby
President: F.A. Bertram
Vice Presidents: A. Fidler R. Corish

Captain

J. Lansley (Resgnd. 14.5.54)
P. Clarke (Apptd. 14.5.54)

Vice Captain

A. Gill

Boat Captain

P. Doherty

Vice Boat Captain

R. Tyler

Chief Instructor

J. Clarke

Asst. Chief Instructor

V.J. Burnes

Hon. Handicappers

A. Lawrence A. Gill

Hon. Registrar

J. Garvin

Hon. Ambulance Officer

H. Bowles

Gear Stewards

N. Bernauer A. Allen
V. Bolton

Hon. Treasurer

T. Pailthorpe

Hon. Asst. Secretary

J. Beatty

Hon. Auditor

A.B. Fisk

Hon. Social Secretary

R. Beard

Publicity Officer

A.J. Daley

Hon. Medical Advisers

Drs. J.R. Black F. Rosati J.R. Waddell

Management Committee

R. Corish W. Edwards A. Fidler
N. Bernauer J. Walsh G. Marshall

Office Bearers continuedDelegates To S.L.S.A.

J. Lansley

H.G. Leslie

Honorary Secretary

H.G. Leslie Box 12 P.O. Narrabeen.

Life Members

F.A. Bertram

A.R. Brown

E. Cox

G. Davies

A. Fidler

J. Garvin

R. Le Clerc

T. Le Clerc

R. Miller

R. Minnett

E. Sawyer

F. Spiers

SOUTH NARRABEEN SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

ANNUAL REPORT 1953-54

Gentlemen;

It is again the privilege of your Management Committee to present for your consideration the Annual Report and Balance Sheet. . This time it represents our 31st such report.

Surf Life Saving

Perhaps the outstanding achievement of season 1953-54 was the maintenance of our unblemished record in the actual life-saving sphere, that is, we are happy to report that "NO LIVES WERE LOST" on our beach whilst patrols were on duty. Thus we have justified our existence as the undermentioned table shows:-

Rescues effected with line	..	20
Rescues effected with lifeboat	..	2
Rescues effected without line	..	7
Patients given resuscitation	..	1
Patients given first aid	..	2

Such a performance cannot be recorded without effort on the part of all members. Your Management Committee tried in its own way throughout the season to impress on all, the seriousness of patrol work. Unfortunately, it was found necessary to suspend several men at different times for unsatisfactory patrol attendance. Let there be no misunderstanding by any member whether he be senior, junior or cadet about patrol duties. This duty comes before everything else - carnivals, socials, competitions and the club must continue to strive for 100% patrol efficiency. The report on the club's activities in other directions is set out hereunder.

Awards

Following energetic work by the chief instructor John Clarke, a large number of candidates were submitted to S.L.S.A. examiners and the following awards were gained.

Instructors Certificates

B.T. Cusack D.J. Andrews A. Allen J. Jenkins

Bronze Medallions

R.E. Marlin E.A. Osborne A. Fraine
 A. McKenzie E. Weston A.W. Verity
 J. Hilton J. Phillips G. Cusack J. Jenkins

Qualifying Certificates

W. Daley A. Wright J. Craig N. Hynds
 R. Judd A. Marlin

Your committee extends its congratulations to all the abovenamed, and sincerely hopes that they will go on extending their life-saving knowledge by further study. The committee would like to see all members of the club holding the Instructors Certificate where possible and also men with Instructors Certificates applying for membership of the Associations Board of Examiners.

First Aid

This season the club was singularly fortunate in obtaining the services of a qualified Ambulance Officer in Harry Bowles.

Harry quickly proved his efficiency and the club has no more popular official. He endeavoured to train squads in first-aid, but the lack of enthusiasm by members was discouraging. It is to be hoped that all men interested in gaining knowledge in this direction come forward early in the next season so that a satisfactory class can be inaugurated.

The committee congratulates and sincerely thanks Harry for a job well done.

Membership

Life Members	....	13
Active RESERVE	....	5
Active	.....	47.

Membership continued

Honorary Members	.....	1
Associate Members	.....	8
Cadet Members	.....	9

Gear

The gear stewards Neil Bernauer, Alan Allen, Vic Bolton had the gear in excellent order for the annual gear inspection, and much maintenance in readiness for the coming season has already been carried out, mainly by Neil Bernauer and Peter Clarke. More care by members would of course save the gear stewards a lot of work and the club itself a lot of money

It is hoped to purchase a new set of march past costumes and a set of swimming buoys at an early date.

The surfboat "Fred Bertram" received the care due to it and credit for this again goes to industrious Boat Captain Peter Doherty.

Management Committee

The number of meetings held during the year totalled eleven and attendances were as follows:-

<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Apologies</u>
F. Bertram	President	10	1
A. Fidler	Vice President	3	5
R. Corish	Vice President	10	1
H. Leslie	Hon. Secretary	11	-
T. Pailthorpe	Hon Treasurer	10	1
J. Lansley	Capt.(till 14.5.54)	8	-
P. Clarke	Capt.(since 14.5.54)	2	-
A. Gill	Vice Captain	11	-
P. Doherty	Boat Captain	9	-
R. Tyler	Vice Boat Captain	6	1
J. Clarke	Chief Instructor	11	-
V.J. Burnes	Asst. Chief Instr.	9	-
J. Garvin	Registrar	6	5
A. Lawrence	Handicapper	11	-

<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Apologies</u>
J. Beatty	Asst. Hon. Sec.	10	1
A.J. Daley	Publicity Officer	7	2
R. Beard	Social Secretary	7	2
W. Edwards	Committeeman	9	-
J. Walsh	Committeeman	3	1
G. Marshall	Committeeman	7	1
N. Bernauer	Committeeman	11	-

The attention of your office bearers to their duties can be gauged from the above figures, and it is easily seen that committee members have given a great deal of their spare time and energy in the club's interest.

John Lansley resigned from the club on 14th May 1954 due to pressure of business which had restricted his activities with the club, and your committee elected Peter Clarke to the position. Peter has shown commendable keenness and already has done a lot of good work around the clubhouse.

Inter Club Carnivals

It is many seasons since the orange caps figured so poorly in open competition as in season 1953-54, and yet it must be admitted that we had more than our share of misfortune. As in the past the Rescue and Resuscitation and Belt events were our prime targets.

The senior team after giving outstanding displays in the qualifying rounds was unfortunate enough to suffer sectional disqualification in the swimming section through a technicality and thus were eliminated. This team - one of the strongest to have come from the club - will we hope to make amends in the season to come.

The junior team were able to qualify for the metropolitan championships, but could not sustain the effort to enable them to defend the Australian title won at Newport. The thanks of the team and the committee got to Dave Ferguson for his diligence in

coaching this team, most of whom we feel will be available to improve on their performances this year.

Ian Turner who had a great struggle with several others to gain the right to represent the club in the Belt Championships was not suited by the surf or draw and failed to qualify, but here again with so many good beltmen in the club we look forward to annexing a title or two in the forthcoming season.

To prove that we do have the talent, a number of members were selected to represent the Sydney Branch during the season. John Clarke was nominated by the Branch for selection in the Australian Test Team against New Zealand. John with John Forbes, Ian Turner and Ron Jackson competed successfully for the Sydney Branch in the International Carnival run by the Illawarra Association when they won a very fine trophy presented for the occasion.

The club is indebted to Ray Quill and Jack King of North Narrabeen for their keen interest and coaching of our R and R members and we extend to them both our sincere thanks for work well done.

Club Competitions

Hereunder are the winners in our own club championships. Again all events were keenly contested especially in the seniors. Our congratulations go to the winners who deserved their success.

Senior Surf:	I. Turner
Senior Belt:	I. Turner and B. Moloney
Junior Surf:	J. Forbes
Junior Belt:	J. Forbes
Beach Sprint:	R. Jackson
Surf Teams:	M. Whitehead C. Burnes
	R. Wright D. Douglass
	L. McGarritty
Cadet Surf:	N. Hynds
Cadet Beach	
Sprint:	N. Hynds

In the various handicap point score competitions conducted with great patience and skill by Arthur Lawrence and Bert Gill, close tussles were as usual provided. A number of members did not always compete in each week's events and this is to be deplored. Members should endeavour to swim competitively when ever possible to improve their own life-saving proficiency.

The committee congratulates Arthur and Bert on their good efforts and also all trophy winners throughout the season.

Following are the respective results:-

Combined Point Score	G. Marshall
A. Grade Surf Events	G. Marshall
B. Grade Surf Events	R. Wright
Beach Events	G. Marshall
Novelty Events	G. Marshall
Cadet Surf Events	A. Wright
Cadet Beach Events	N. Hynds
Cadet Novelty	N. Hynds
J.W. Garvin Trophy	J. Clarke
Leon Greer Memorial Trophy	G. Marshall

Monthly Pennant Events

Arthur Carrer Memorial Pennant	J. Clarke
Steve Duff Memorial Pennant	J. Clarke
Max Whitehead Memorial Pennant	P. Clarke
Ron Beer Memorial Pennant	G. Rees
Alan Fidler Memorial Pennant	J. Vlarke
Dick Miller Memorial Pennant	B. Moloney

Fourth Annual Carnival

Our Annual Carnival was an unqualified success. Good weather again prevailed and a large crowd was in attendance to witness some keen competition. Through the generosity of local business folk the advertising space in our programme was filled and Ray Beard was a tower of strength here. Our younger members and lady supporters performed a good selling effort to get rid of the programmes on the day.

Wally Proudfoot Memorial Carnival

Again the North and South Narrabeen Clubs decided to hold this competition early in the season and as always exciting racing resulted. We were successful on this occasion from Norths but we know that they'll be back stronger than ever next time. Congratulations to all competitors.

Royal Carnival

Your Committee is able to pass on the thanks and congratulations of the Executive of the Sydney Branch to all members who took part in the carnival on this memorable occasion.

The President of the branch has paid tribute to the exemplary conduct and discipline of all SLSA members on that day and these factors made a significant contribution to the success of the function.

N.Z. Team Visit

During the visit of the New Zealand Surf Team to Australia in February, our club was privileged to entertain the tourists for a day which included a bus tour of the Manly-Warringah districts, a magnificent luncheon at the home of our President, and a carnival in the afternoon with refreshments later. Mr. Allan Gardner, Team Manager, in thanking Mr. Bertram, officials and members alike, stressed the fact that it was the informality of the day which had appealed so much. He also joined with us all in thanking Mesdames Bertram, Swaine and Cameron for their wonderful catering effort.

Once again our worthy President and his good lady have been perfect hosts on behalf of the club, and all members must be proud of the way in which the good name of South Narrabeen has been advertised by them.

Annual Dinner

This year the first club dinner was held at

Hotel Mosman and its success augurs well for such future occasions. Next year your committee hopes that it will be able to get more old and younger members to this convivial and entertaining function.

Queensland Visit

The President and Arthur Lawrence with their wives led a small band of members in Burleigh Heads at the time of Australian Championships and it was a pity more of the members who earlier had stated their intention of going north did not do so.

Our thanks go to the officers and members of the Burleigh Heads Club for their generous hospitality which we hope to reciprocate next Easter when the championships will be held at North Steyne.

Donors

The club extends its sincere thanks to the following kind people whose financial support greatly assisted the club during the season.

L. Kerr	£ 12.12. 0
Mrs. C.M. Stevenson	10. 0. 0
M.P. Dombroski	10. 0. 0
Childs & Woodward	5. 5. 0
Mrs. Marshall	5. 5. 0
F. Kilby	5. 5. 0
T.G. Cusack	5. 5. 0
Port Jackson & Manly	
S.S. Co.	5. 5. 0
L. Williams	5. 5. 0
Mrs. Gimbert	5. 5. 0
Mrs. Bean	5. 5. 0
N. Carter	5. 0. 0
D. Maxwell	4.10. 0
K. Wormald	3.10. 0
Anonymous	3. 3. 0
Mrs. Greer	3. 0. 0
A.R. Clarke	2. 2. 0
R.B. Miller	2. 2. 0

Donors continued

F. A. Bertram	£ 2. 2. 0
G.F. Alexander & Co.	2. 2. 0
Dr. J.R. Waddell	2. 2. 0
Jack Barry	2. 2. 0
D. Fraser	2. 2. 0
N. Carter	2. 2. 0
H. Bowles	2. 2. 0
J. A. King	1.10. 0
H. Walkden	1. 1. 0
Mrs. A. McLean	1. 1. 0
Narrabeen Infants School	1. 1. 0
Mr. & Mrs. Marlin	1. 1. 0
Miss Doubleday	10. 6

Social

As in past years the regular social evenings conducted by Arthur and Enid Lawrence, Terry and Edna Pailthorpe have provided the backbone to club finance. Great work in addition to these stalwarts and their wives has been done by Mr. and Mrs. Bert Gill, and the club is more than grateful to them all for their unstinting efforts.

The Sports Ball held at Warringah Hall was an outstanding success and the Annual Ball held for the first time at North Sydney Anzac Memorial Hall was easily the best ball for years. A really good night was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.

The Annual Golf Day was held again this year at Park Inn. The weather tried everything it knew to stop a large crowd of enthusiasts, but to no avail. Bill Biggs won the championship with solid golf in the wet conditions. Once again this event brought old and new members together in a happy atmosphere.

The club Social Secretary, Ray Beard has done a brilliant job throughout the year and the committee awarded him an Honour Blazer in recognition of his consistent and successful efforts to raise the club's finances.

Don't forget that the success of all functions depends on the support given them by you, that is the members. The more people, the bigger success socially and financially.

Ray and Fred Bertram organised a social evening for Dick Twilight, Captain of the Australian Surf Team on the eve of his departure for South Africa. This was just another instance of the real worth of our Social Secretary.

Thanks

We desire to thank:-

Officials of the Sydney Branch of the S.L.S.A. of Australia, particularly Alan May (Northern District Superintendent), George Williams (No.7 District Supervisor).

Local residents and others, who supported the Club.

Our Secretary who met practically the whole of the Club's postal expenses from his own pocket.

Neil Bernauer for excellent work to the club's property.

The Pittwater Pioneer, Warringah News, Metropolitan Newspapers and all broadcasting stations, in particular Cecil Scott (2UW) and Leon Becker (2GB) for publicity given.

Fred Eggleston for continued support and donation of Shield for Inter-club competition.

Warringah Shire Council for assistance and co-operation.

Any of our supporters who may have been inadvertently omitted.

Congratulations

To the following on joining the ranks of the Benedicts:-

Eric Green, Bill Burnes, Ron Jackson

To Bill Staden upon his engagement.

To Arthur Le Clerc and his wife upon the birth of a son, and to Hal and Yvonne Leslie on the birth of daughter Rae.

To Fred Eggleston upon being made Honorary Member.

To North Narrabeen S.L.S. Club upon winning the Royal Hotel Shield for annual competition between Collaroy, North and South Narrabeen.

To Dick Twight on selection as Captain of the Australian Surf Team to South Africa.

In Memoriam

It is our very sad duty to record the passing of Leon Greer, who last season was a member of our victorious Junior R and R squad. One of our most popular members. Leon did not recover fully after a serious illness and finally succumbed to a further attack.

A great sport and clubman, Leon's fight to regain his health will always be remembered by those who knew him and the club with the assistance of Mrs. Greer has instituted a Memorial Trophy bearing his name.

To his Mother and relatives, the Management Committee and all members extend their deepest sympathy in their sad loss.

Treasurer's Report Season 1953-54

I have much pleasure in submitting the Annual Report and balance sheet of S.N.S.I.S. Club for the year ending 31/7/54.

As far as the finances are concerned your club had a very successful year and once again I must stress the fact that only a small band of helpers were responsible for this effort. Members must realise that each and every one must play their part in assisting to raise money as the burden is too great to be carried by the few. The old saying that "many hands make light work" is a true one, and I would like in the ensuing year to see all members help in this side of the clubs activities.

Assets of the club have been depreciated as usual and I do not hesitate to say that if sold would realise their book value. Again, this year I would like to offer my personal thanks to those stalwards Arthur and Enid Lawrence, Bert and Joan Gill, Ray Beard and Peter Clark. Without people such as these the club could not function.

In conclusion I would like to thank Bruce Fisk our Hon. Auditor, for the valuable assistance he has given me.

(Signed) T.J. PAILTHORPE
Hon.Treasurer.

President's Addendum

Once again it is my privilege to sincerely thank all those members who worked so hard for the club during 1953-54.

I would also like to pay tribute to all those people who financially assisted and encouraged our work.

The season provided difficulties in many spheres

but with a little more teamwork by every member I'm sure we can look forward with confidence to renewed success in the forthcoming season.

I extend best wishes and greetings to all members and supporters for happy surfing in 1954-55.

(Signed) FRED BERTRAM

Membership

Allen A.C.	Doherty P.	Mairs J.
Andrews D.	Douglas D.	Moloney B.
Barracrough L.	Edwards W.	McGarritty L.
Bernauer N.	Farr R.	McKenzie A.
Bolton V.J.	Farrell P.	Rispen R.J.
Bowles J.	Ferguson D.	Staden W.
Bressington J.	Fullbrook E.	Thoms J.
Burnes V.J.	Grinos J.	Turner I.
Bywater P.	Hughes D.	Tyler R.
Clarke J.	Hynds A.	Van Doornum R.
Clarke P.	Jenkins J..	Walsh F.J.
Cusack B.	Lansley J.	Witt J.
Dalziel J.	Leslie H.G.	Wright J.

Active Junior

Bowles J.	Osborne E.
Burnes C.	Rees G.
Cusack G.	Verity A.
Marshall G.	Wright R.

Active Reserve

Beatty J.S.	Swaine J.S.
Lunley H.	Whitehead M.
Pailthorpe T.	

Associate

Beard R.
Bowles H.
Corish R.
Daley A.J.

Gill A.
Hynds W.
Lawrence A.
McCann R.

Honorary

Eggleston F.

Income & Expenditure Account
For The Year Ended
31st July, 1954.

SOUTH NARRABEEN SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED JULY 31. 1954.

EXPENDITURE

To

Presentations Expenses - Trophies:	98.11. 3
Printing & Stationery:	18. 5. 0
Electricity, Gas, and Telephone:	66.18. 0
Maintenance - Club House & Gear:	41.15. 3
General Expenses:	37. 8. 6
Insurance:	4. 0. 0
Badges:	8.10. 3
	<u>275. 8. 3</u>
Surplus for year:	
Transferred to Accumulated Funds:	296.12. 0
	<u>£ 572. 0. 3</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS

LIABILITIES

ACCUMULATED FUNDS:

Balance, July 31 1953:	910.16.10
Add: Surplus for year:	296.12. 0
	<u>1207. 8.10</u>
	<u>£ 1207. 8.10</u>

I have examined the Books and Vouchers of South Narrabeen Surf Life Saving Club, and hereby certify that the above Income & Expenditure Account and Balance Sheet are in accordance therewith.

SYDNEY: August 24. 1954.

INCOME

By

Members' Subscriptions:		21.11. 6
Social Functions & Carnivals	501. 5. 9	
Less: Expenses:	208. 1. 3	293. 4. 6
Donations:		
Social Committee:	100. 0. 0	
Sundry:	128.15. 6	228.15. 6
Week-end Club:		13.11. 9
Interest on Commonwealth Bonds:		3. 2. 6
Sundry Income:		11.14. 6
		<u>£ 572. 0. 3</u>

AT JULY 31 1954

ASSETS

Boat Shed:	275. 1. 8
Club House Improvements:	75. 0. 0
Furniture & Fittings:	208. 7. 0
Surf Boat, Oars, and Trailer:	235.15. 0
Reels, Lines, Etc.	65. 0. 0
Sundry Equipment:	56. 0. 0
Bank of New South Wales - Collaroy:	192. 5. 2
Commonwealth Bonds - 3½% 1964:	100. 0. 0
	<u>£ 1207. 8.10</u>

(Signed) A. Bruce Fisk
Honorary Auditor