

THE HELENSBURGH - STANWELL PARK SURF L. S. CLUB

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GENTLEMEN.

The Committee of the Helensburgh-Stanwell Park S.L. S.C. has pleasure in presenting for your consideration the Annual Report for the Season, 1951-1952, ending June 30th, 1952.

PATROLS.

Patrols were maintained on Sundays and Holidays, throughout the Season, a general improvement being evident in this department, compared to the previous season. This is no doubt due in some measure to the spirit engendered by the Captain Webb Cup. It is hoped that a further improvement will be seen in the coming Season.

RESCUES.

The following rescues were recorded,
With Line..... 15.
Without Line.... 7.

Three of the above required resuscitation and recovered. There were no fatalities in the surf, it is regretted, however, that 1 life was lost in the lagoon.

FIRST AID.

Two hundred and ninety eight (298) cases were recorded as being treated for various accidents, blue bottle stings, etc. Several cases required additional hospital treatment. These cases were capably handled by Messrs. Cannon and Smith.

MEMBERSHIP.

The Club has an active membership of 56, and a total membership of 148. A substantial increase is desired in the active membership, a further appeal being made to the members from the Helensburgh District to stimulate interest in the Club.

MEETINGS.

Your Committee has met regularly and as required throughout the year. These meetings were not always well attended, a falling off being most noticeable towards the end of the Season. The Club was represented at all Branch Meetings by its own delegates.

OBITUARY. It is with regret that we record the death of Mr. J. Turnoch, and our deepest sympathy is extended to the relatives.

EXAMINATIONS. The following members qualified for the Bronze Medallion, R. Lawrence, R. Griffiths, E. Griffiths, J. Joy, R. Valbusa, J. Clark, W. Jeffries, R. Payne, B. Lippiat, and D. Wood. The Committee extends its congratulations to these members, and also to R. Smith who gained a Resuscitator's Certificate.

COUNCIL LIFESAVER.

This office was capably filled by Colin Geelan, and it is hoped that the Council will again make this Service available in the coming Season.

BADGE.

A Special meeting called for the purpose, selected a badge design for other than active members.

CLUB HOUSE.

The Council has effected a number of much-needed repairs, and have supplied the paint, and brushes for re-painting by Club members. The Committee particularly requests all members to assist in keeping the property in a good state of repair.

CARNIVALS and COMPETITIONS.

The Club was represented at all Branch Carnivals, and the N.S.W. and Australian Championships. Most placings came in board and ski events, and musical flag beach events, serving to illustrate what training will do, and emphasises the need for concerted training in all phases of Life Saving. An interclub competition was again held between Park and Bronte, an enjoyable day of friendly competition that is looked forward to each year. The Easter Cup was not competed for as weather and surfing conditions were not favourable.

The Club Competitions were keenly contested and resulted as under:-

Senior Belt Championship.....	G. Jardine.
Senior Surf " "	G. Jardine.
Junior Belt Championship.	B. Cannon.
Junior Surf " "	B. Cannon.
Senior Surf POINT SCORES.	C. Cox
Senior Beach " "	A. Mercer.
Junior Surf " "	B. Cannon.
Junior Beach " "	B. Mason.
Cadet Beach " "	R. Chapman.
Cadet Surf " "	N. Moseley
	J. Kinniard } Equal.

The Club's Carnival was held in ideal surfing and weather conditions but several setbacks occurred to marr the general success of the day.

FINANCE:

The Club had a very successful year from the point of view of finance, thanks being due to those Club members who assisted and particularly to the energetic Ladies Auxiliary, for whose untiring efforts throughout the season, the Club extends its most sincere thanks, and we look forward to their support in the season ahead.

Donations were received from the following;- Mrs Piggott, Mrs J. Williamson, Miss I. Gardiner, Dr. Gardiner, C. Wood, J. Turnock, A. Clift, R. J. Sanderson, R. Moseley, H. Williamson, G. Kinnell, L. Wilson, W. Mansfield, S. McEnally, J. Sutherland, W. Sutherland, J. Dignam, J. Kinniard, D. Kinnell, R. C. Budd, E. Elliott, A. Carlow, J. Sanderson, H. J. White, W. Schneider, Bronte S.L.S.C. and anonymous.

GEAR.

During the Season the Club acquired, 1 Boat trailer, 1 set Carnival flags, and Signalling Flags, 1 Steel gear locker, 1 set R and R Costumes, an additional loudspeaker, and radio attachment for the amplifier, 1-3 phase motorised pump, with tank for shower. The gear was generally maintained in a satisfactory manner.

The following gear was allocated the Club from the general public appeal, 2 Reels, 3 lines, 1 Ski, 2, bolts and a patrol tower.

APPRECIATION.

The Committee extends its thanks and appreciation to all officers and members who have performed an excellent job in helping the Club towards the success it enjoyed during the 1951-52 Season, also to the Council of the City of Greater Wollongong, Messrs Davey and Brindley, (Hon. Architects) Mr J. Morgan, (Hon Auditor) and all other friends and well-wishers who lent their support.

The Committee would like to appeal, in conclusion, to all members to interest themselves in the Club management by accepting and fulfilling any position for which they are capable, and help to lighten the load, usually carried by a few keen and energetic officials.

For and on behalf of the Committee
 H. J. F. WILLIAMSON, President,
 C. K. ASMUSSEN, Secretary,
 H. A. JARDINE, Captain,
 K. JENNINGS, Vice Captain.