

HELENSBURGH - STANWELL PARK SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

Surf Clubhouse,
STANWELL PARK

OFFICERS 1962-1963

Patrons..... R. Jackson MLA and C. Williamson
President..... Ald. N.H. O'Brien
Sen. Vice Pres..... A.E. Clarke
Vice Presidents..... G. Land, P. Anger, J. Moloney,
F. Daintry, R. Whittaker, W. Ryan,
G. Wardman, R. Frankland,
W. Phillips, K. Chapman,
R. Chapman, W. Hunt.
Captain..... L.J. Merton
Vice Captain..... B.J. Redshaw
Sec/Treas..... C.K. Asmussen
Asst. Sec/Treas..... J. Moloney (later P. Byers)
Boat Captain..... J. Andrews
Vice Boat Capt..... W.A. Andrews
Instructors..... J. Moloney and W. King
Branch Delegates..... A. Clarke, P. Anger
Publicity Officer..... P. Dunford
Committee..... T. Cannon, R. Field, W. Wilson,
I. Kohlhardt, N. Power, K. Stringer,
T. Daintry.
Hon. Med. Officers..... Drs. Walsh, Thompson and Meates
First Aid Officer..... T. Cannon
Asst. First Aiders..... A. Hardaker, T. Daintry
Social Committee..... F. Daintry, P. Dunford, T. Daintry,
A. Hardaker, W. Wilson, R. Whittaker,
(later H. Sale).
"Seagull" Instructor..... W. Phillips
Hon. Caretaker..... G. Land

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Dear Sir,

You are cordially invited to attend the Annual General Meeting to be held in the Clubhouse on Sunday September 22nd, at 10 a.m.

Club Rules provide:-

- (a) that all non-Honorary Members must have paid the incoming season's subscription prior to the meeting to be entitled to vote at the meeting.
- (b) that no person may be elected to any of the following positions should he not be present at the Meeting, unless he furnishes written acceptance of nomination viz: Patron, President, Captain, Vice Presidents, Vice Captain, Boat Captain, Boat Vice Captain, Chief Instructor, Secretary, Asst. Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, General Committee and Delegates.
- (c) All subscriptions must be paid before the end of OCTOBER to retain membership.

Yours sincerely,

C.K. ASMUSSEN (Hon. Secretary)

IMPORTANT PLEASE NOTE TIME AND DATE OF MEETING.

The Secretary,
Helensburgh-Stanwell Park S.L.S.C.

Dear Sir,

I will be unable to attend the Annual General Meeting.
I am willing to accept nomination for the position of

(Signature): _____

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ANNUAL REPORT 1962 - 1963

Gentlemen,

Your Club Executive has pleasure in presenting for your consideration the Annual Report for the season.

PATROLS, RESCUES AND FIRST AID

Patrol attendance, as usual, was good, and this together with member's knowledge of rescue procedure, and care of gear, enabled the Club to again finish high up in the Illawarra Branch Patrol Competition. Following our good placings in previous such competitions it can be justly claimed that our beach is still one of the best patrolled in the Association.

Rescues recorded totalled 11, six of which were accomplished with a line and belt and five without.

First Aid cases needing attention were somewhat fewer at 145, but even this number takes up much of the time of the Honorary Officers who did an excellent job.

MEMBERSHIP

Quite a pleasing feature was the increase in Membership from 98 to 115 and the increase was in the number of Active Members which rose from 39 to 55.

A comparison over the last two seasons can be gauged from the following figures:-

	<u>1961-2</u>	<u>1962-3</u>
Active	39	55
Active Reserve	25	23
Cadet	9	10
Associate	17	18
Life	8	9
Total	98	115

Let us see if we can increase our membership even more, especially in the Active ranks and so lighten the burden on our hard worked patrolmen.

MEETINGS

Committee Meetings were attended a little better than usual, but there is still room for improvement as the following list of attendances at the nine meetings held will show -

- 9.. L. Morton, J. Andrews, C. Asmussen
- 8.. W. Phillips, K. Chapman, W. Andrews
- 7.. P. Anger, J. Moloney, R. Whittaker, A. Frankland,
B. Redshaw, P. Dunford, J. Mawson.
- 6.. N. O'Brien, A. Clarke, R. Chapman, T. Cannon
- 5.. G. Wardman, I. Kohlhardt
- 4.. G. Land, K. Stringer, P. Byers, H. Williamson
- 3.. W. Wilson, N. Power
- 2.. W. Hunt, R. Field, T. Daintry, W. Ryan
- 1.. F. Daintry

The dates of a couple of the meetings were changed to allow the attendance of officers absent on Association business. Members on patrol when meetings were being held have been shown as being in attendance,

Continued interest of Life Members Jack Mawson and Harold Williamson is most welcome. Attendance of Delegates at Branch Meetings was most satisfactory.

EXAMINATIONS

In this sphere more success than usual was gained as 16 members obtained

their awards. They were -

Bronze Medallion..... Alan Manning, Denis Rees, Hans Bendl, Allan Ryan,
Robert Butt, Ray Dudley, Thomas Laws,
Bryant Phillips, Colin Ashford, Barry Ashford,
Mark Russell, Gregory Hand, Thomas Anderson and
William Trestrail.
Qualifying Certificate.... John Bringolf and Will Phillips.

Congratulations to all these successful candidates and it is hoped that you will all fulfill your patrol obligations with the thoroughness shown by members in recent years.

Whilst it is very necessary to recruit more members to qualify for their initial awards, it is most important that we get some of our present Bronze holders to obtain their Instructors Certificate.

The measure of success gained was a triumph to our Instructor John Moloney who put so much of his time into coaching the squads, and to Ken Corbett who was given the job of District Supervisor by the Illawarra Branch, and he was on our beach possibly as much as he was on his home beach. To these two gentlemen go our sincere appreciation.

CARNIVALS AND COMPETITIONS

Unfortunately participation in Carnivals was not as good as could have been expected. Too many members permit themselves to be nominated for events then fail to start.

Most successful competitors were John Bringolf who finished a very close second in the State Cadet Surf Championship, was second in the Branch Cadet Surf Championship and won the Branch Cadet Board Championship, and as usual Bob Field who finished a very close second in the Branch Surf Championship and qualified again for the State title.

A welcome return to the competition field was the boat crew.

Again Club competitions could have received much more support from Active Members, so much so that the Annual Meeting will have a motion before it to try to improve the position.

Early in the season a Board "Gala" day was held, and whilst a satisfactory number took part the board men failed to keep up the good work by participating in Club point scores. Also early in the season a dinner was provided for Active Members in recognition of their excellent patrol efforts in recent seasons.

For the point score swims very good weekly trophies were provided but unfortunately it did little to stimulate interest. The thanks of the Club are extended to the donors of the trophies.

An innovation was a Resuscitation Competition for a trophy generously donated by Doctors Walsh and Thompson.

As usual the "Seagulls" were well handled by Bryan Phillips to whom goes our thanks with the hope that he will carry on his good work. Besides their weekly competitions these lads competed with distinction at combined displays at Thirroul, Scarborough and Stanwell Park. Most successful in these displays was Will Phillips who won all his swims.

Club Competitions resulted -

Patrol Point Score ... P. Dunford, J. Beattie, J. Kinnaird, K. Stringer,
C. Palmer, M. Russell, R. Jackson.
J. Beattie Carnival Point Score
R. Jackson Resuscitation Point Score
F. Manning Board Point Score
R. Field Senior Surf and Belt Championships
T. Laws Senior Surf Point Score
L. Morton Senior Beach Point Score
B. Ashford Junior Surf and Belt Championships
Junior Surf Point Score
G. Hand Junior Beach Point Score

W. Phillips Cadet Surf Championship and Point Score
J. Higgins Cadet Beach Point Score

FINANCE

Lack of interest by some of the Social Committee and lack of support of functions by Members generally caused the financial position to slip badly. A much more energetic approach to fund raising will be necessary else it will be necessary to curb our present rate of expenditure.

The Club's remaining projector was sold late in the season, and it was pleasing to receive donations from the following - R. Chester, Helensburgh Workmens Club, N. O'Brien, C. Redshaw, H. Williamson, K. Redshaw, C. Williamson, J. Mawson, R. Jackson, J. Allen, A. Clarke, A. Stott, R. Whittaker, W. Ryan, Rev. Fr. Nelson, Northern Suburbs Leagues Club, D. Lorenz, B. Redshaw, F. Wolrige, H. Sale, C. Freeman, A. Pollard, J. Sutherland, H. Anger, W. Hingston and Shell Oil Co.

GEAR AND CLUBHOUSE

Condition of gear received, as usual, the compliments of Wollongong Council Inspector and the Illawarra Brank. A new fibro roof has been fitted to the Clubhouse, however this has not proved satisfactory and is at present being investigated. New foundations and piers are being constructed under the building and a new path laid at the rear. Rail sleepers are being used to improve the boat ramp and it is hoped that it will be possible to paint the entire Clubhouse before the new season gets too far under way.

Early in November the new surfboat was launched and christened "Hal Williamson", and if it gives the same service as its namesake the Club will be well rewarded. The old boat, "District News", is still in a serviceable condition after 10 years use.

The road to the Clubhouse has deteriorated so as to become almost a danger, however the Wollongong Council has promised to construct Beach Road right to the Clubhouse.

Lockers were provided to assist those wishing to stay overnight in the Clubhouse but were not utilised as expected.

An issue of car badges were procured and many members are now proudly displaying their membership.

LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

Northern Suburbs Leagues Club

Again we were granted a most enjoyable night and benefited quite well financially. It is hoped that another such night will be allocated early in the new season.

Helensburgh Workmens Club

This Club gave us their usual handsome donation and their continued support is most welcome. As both these Clubs support many other such institutions their efforts are most commendable.

Stanwell Park Local Committee

Relations with this Committee continue to be most cordial and their ready assistance is heartening.

Wollongong Council

From the Club's share of Parking Fees the Council has repaired the roof, and are having the other work already referred to effected, and it is hoped to receive an issue of paint very soon. It is to be hoped that the Council will construct Beach Road to the Clubhouse as the private road is becoming dangerous and soon it will not be possible to get an ambulance to the Clubhouse or to get gear out.

25 YEAR AWARDS

These awards, which had been expected for our members with 25 years of service have not yet been received, but latest advice indicates that they will be

available very soon and arrangements will then be made for their presentation.

VANDALISM, DISCIPLINE AND THEFTS

Unfortunately your Committee feels duty bound to report on these matters.

It is most regrettable ^{that} to a minority of our Members see fit to damage Club property as has been evidenced by treatment of clubhouse ceilings, locks, windows etc., and should the culprits be caught it behoves the incoming Committee to deal harshly in the matter. Also items and cash have been stolen from members pockets principally when the owners have been on patrol or participating in competitions.

Disciplinary action had to be taken against four members whose conduct was considered unbecoming.

The hot showers were turned off for two weeks to bring home to Members that the showers are being used much in excess of what Club rules permit.

APPRECIATION

Again thanks to all Members who fulfilled their allotted duties, to local businessmen for their continued assistance, to Ald. G. Hanley, to Tony Bevan and the Aerial Patrol Service, and to the Illawarra Branch SLSA especially for their excellent references to our Club in the Branch Official History Book.

A special appeal is made to Members to assist by accepting positions of which they are capable of fulfilling, and to help in any way they can.

Would all members please note the new time of the Annual Meeting.

N.H. O'Brien.....President
L.J. Morton.....Captain
B.J. Redshaw.....Vice Captain
C.K. Asmussen...Hon. Sec/Treas.