



PORT CAMPBELL SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB



PCSLSC members enjoying one of many beautiful sunsets this season. Photo credit: Coralee Askew

ANNUAL REPORT 2021-2022

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Committee of management

Position	Contact
President	Scott McKenzie
Vice President	Kerry O'Shea
Administrative Officer	Jon McLeod
Treasurer	Andrew Wilson
Club Captain	Darcy Tribe
Vice Club Captain	Che Stone
First Aid Officer	Georgia Barnett
Chief Instructor	Lara Faulk
Gear Steward	Ian Harris
Rescue Coordinator	Brett Wallace
Radio Officer	Sean Lenehan
Power Boat Officer	Murray Joiner
Vice Power Boat Officers	Harry Howard/Sean Lenehan
ATV Coordinator	David McKenzie
Competition Coordinator	Campbell McKenzie
Boat Captain	Andrew Vogels
Swim Series Coordinator	Marg O'Toole
Publicity Coordinator	Lara Faulk
Surf Guard Administrator	Jon McLeod
Membership Registrar	Jon McLeod
Secretary (previously Public Officer)	Andrew Wilson
Historian	Gav Deppeler
YIP Coordinator	Holly McKenzie
Apparel Officer	Sally Partridge
Life Saving Operations Council Delegate	Darcy Tribe
I.T. Officers	John Ryan, Josh McKenzie, Sean Lenehen
Bar Manager	Shane Mazlin
Assistant Bar Manager	Sarah Cumming
Equity Officer	Marina Deppeler/Josh McKenzie
By-Laws Coordinator	Jon McLeod
O.H.S. Officer	Ian Harris
House Coordinator	Marina Deppeler
Sponsorship Coordinator	Andrew Wilson
Social Coordinator	TBC
Membership Protection Officer	Sean Lenehan
Special Events Coordinator	Ben Matthews

Sub-committees

Position	Committee members	
Executive	Scott McKenzie Jon McLeod	Kerry O'Shea Andrew Wilson
Finance	Kerry O'Shea James Green Tate Tregea-Copeland	Tom Walsh Jayden Askew
House	Phillip Younis Shane Maslin	Brett Wallace Marina Deppeler
Junior	Brooke Barnewall Tracey Heaps	Bronwyn Rantall Leonie Wallace
Sponsorship	Andrew Wilson Brooke Barnewall	Jon McLeod Gary Askew
Social	Bec McAuliffe Bronwyn Rantall Cath Matthews	Tracey Heaps Marg O'Toole Leonie Wallace
Training & assessment	Dave McKenzie James Green Scott McKenzie John Ryan	Shane Maslin Lara Falk Brooke Barnewall Sean Lenehan



Port Campbell Carnival: November 2021. Photo credit: Raelene Wicks

President's Report

It is a privilege to be at the head of a team of volunteers who all share the same vision:
"To provide a safer beach and aquatic environment at Port Campbell beach and region." This is the vision set by the club.



Scott McKenzie with Timboon P12 kids.

As we rapidly approach the 60th anniversary of the formation of the club, it gives me pause for thought to ask, are we still a young club? For the younger readers I am sure 60 seems as old as the hills. I still vividly remember, as a junior rower, thinking our then sweep, Maz, at 35, was definitely old! I shudder to think what current junior rowers think of my age!

Where I am going with this is that it is reassuring to see what our club has grown to since humble beginnings in 1963. The first group of Bronzies who went through include the parents, and grandparents, of many of the current members of PCSLSC. Many visitors to our beach, particularly out-of-town Clubbies, comment on what a wonderful clubhouse we have.

It is not, of course, just an empty building. There is a certain club spirit that we have that is well recognised across the state. And that is something we should be proud of.

As I have mentioned in previous years, many of our committee members have held their committee position for over 20 years. This is indicative of the passion people have to keep our club operating at the high level of service that we do.

I recently spoke with Linda French. Linda, you may remember, was the Beach Energy representative instrumental in setting up the partnership that we have with Beach. It did not take long for Linda to work out that we are more than just people in red and yellow gear supervising the beach. And she is right of course. Along the way, as well as providing a safer beach and aquatic environment for Port Campbell and surrounds, we have been helping to mould better people.

We provide an open and inclusive environment, where kids (and adults) from our community and beyond can participate in activities from fun games with friends, to learning important water safety skills. People can build their own confidence in the ocean using various club equipment, learn basic to advanced lifesaving skills, participate in State and National level Leadership and Development camps and gain industry recognised experience and qualifications in training and assessing.

We provide our wonderful facility as a commercial option for meetings, weddings, parties, anything. We provide an unofficial safe haven in times of emergency. To that end, we now house a Beach Energy sponsored back-up generator that can be used to provide power here, or transported to the footy ground, or other emergency assembly points. When you step back and take that all in, you do realise that we are much more than men and women in red and yellow watching the beach.

The release of the coroner's report into the Easter 2019 incident on the third anniversary and the ensuing media and associated events weighed heavily upon us for a period. Together, we got through it. Thank you to all those who checked in on each other – and me – to see that people were going okay.

I thank all our sponsors and supporters and acknowledge Beach Energy's ongoing financial support. Last year we signed another three-year financial partnership with Beach. I thank them on behalf of all of us for their ongoing generous support.

A special mention of thanks to Nat Powell, who has kindly stepped in to take over the reins of secretary from Jon McLeod while he has

treatment for a medical condition. From all of us, I wish Jon every success with his treatment.

Lastly, I wholeheartedly thank all our committee members, general members, parents and supporters for another fantastic year.

Scott McKenzie
President

Admin Officer's Report

It was a season of two halves for our committee meetings this past 12 months. For the first half, we continued with our COVID-friendly Zoom meetings and, once restrictions lifted, we were happy revert to face to face meetings to ensure governance and administration continued to run smoothly.

Despite the COVID disruptions, we continued to have well attended committee meetings this season, with many important decisions discussed and made about the current and future operations of our club. A big thank you to all committee members, who have dedicated countless hours attending, preparing and follow-up on meetings.

Membership report

This season we re-classified many Associate members to General Members. General members

do not play an active role in the club's activities (e.g. many parents of nippers are included in this classification).

We have seen good growth in membership numbers throughout the season, in particular a considerable increase in our Nipper participation which grew to 189 junior activity members. While Cadet numbers increased, it is obvious we need to do more to attract female Cadet members.

Jon McLeod & Natalie Powell
Admin Officer

Membership category	Male	Female	2021/22	2020/21
Junior Activity (5-13 yrs)	76	73	149	119
Cadet (13-15 yrs)	23	6	29	25
Active (15-18 yrs)	12	17	29	31
Active (18+ yrs)	32	34	66	78
Reserve Active	1	1	2	2
Associate	7	3	4	82
General	34	43	77	-
Life member	12	1	13	11
Honorary	1	-	1	-
TOTAL	195	179	374	266

Treasurer's Report

Report for financial year 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022

It is with pleasure that I present the Treasurers Report to the club for the 10th time...

I had to double check that was correct, I can't believe it's 10 years!

Sometimes time really does fly when you're having fun!

I will discuss the financial result in detail at the AGM. At the time of writing, we are still awaiting the audited reports.

COVID clearly once again played a part in terms of the sunset room being well down on pre-COVID booking levels.

Despite this, the club was able to improve its bottom line which, given the major fundraising part of the club wasn't at anywhere near full capacity, is a wonderful achievement.

This year saw a bigger ramp up in the clubhouse getting more attention in a capital works sense rather than just repairs via the \$32,000 allocated. It's also pleasing that much more will be able to be done as much of that amount remains unspent and our current position will allow for more capital works on the building each year.

2021/22 was again a strange one as treasurer, given the density restrictions and the required push for things to be done online resulting in it still being a rather remote role.

Pleasing that later in the year things seem to be returning to normal as well.

To thank everyone who has helped during the year either directly or simply by their hard work, understanding and patience would take forever, but to all this is my thank you. Once again, you make my job very easy and enjoyable. It's something I appreciate more as it's not always the case in community organisations.

Andrew Wilson

Treasurer



Trainee IRB crew and drivers in front of our new club deck.

Sponsorship Report

We would like to sincerely thank the following businesses and government authorities for their support of the club.

This may have been through grants, sponsorships or donations.

- Beach Energy
- Victorian Department of Justice and Community safety
- Emergency Management Victoria
- Australian Federal Government
- DJ Catering
- Kangaroobie Meats
- AGL
- Breakwater IB
- Mibus Bros
- PFD Foods
- Yumbah Narrawong

- Jason Lamb Splash Factory
- Pope's Bus lines
- Port Campbell constructions
- GM Cabinets
- Darcy Tribe
- Jayden Askew
- Mitchell Wallace
- Leahy's Electrical Services
- Brendan Hickey Electrical

And the many other individuals, families, groups, and businesses that have supported us throughout the year.



Pink Patrol: once again, PCSLSC once again joined to celebrate women in lifesaving.

Club Captain's Report

Another season wrapped up. Thank you to all patrol members, patrol captains, parents and other taxi services who made the season flow so well.

Thank you to all for your resilience and commitment to the longest season we have had. From Late November to ANZAC day.



1,000 out of 1,000: one of our two patrol teams that scored top marks in patrol inspections this season.

You have all again gone above and beyond the already quality patrol standard set by the pillars of the club. Another great achievement was shown in patrol audits this season. We achieved 1,000/1,000 for both inspections. It is again a representation of our patrol standard and quality of training.

Pink patrol was run again this year. Thank you to Charlotte Meade for being patrol captain and organising the patrol. The aim of this initiative is to acknowledge and celebrate the many contributions females past and present have played in lifesaving and inspire and empower future generations of females and girls through positive role modelling and building capacity through skills and confidence. The patrol was

definitely filled with and represented by women who contribute, inspire and are positive role models in lifesaving and our club.

Many patrollers put in many hours this season and that doesn't go unnoticed. A full list below shows total of water safety hours and patrol hours. What it doesn't show is all the hours that go into travel and work behind the scenes. Well done to everyone for your commitment.

Here's a few statistics for you to sink your teeth into: 2,200 patrol hours were recorded over the season, six preventative actions measured, lots of people went for a swim over summer in Port Campbell and lots of laughs were had.

For next season, there are already ideas and initiatives being noted down. Including a Great Ocean Walk day from Wreck Beach to the 12 Apostles, with the aim of improving member's knowledge of locations along the coast.

It was something I was keen on making happen this season but run out of time and nice days. We are also investigating an outpost patrol in Peterborough, but there will be more advertised later this year when we know more. Feel free to let me know of any ideas you have, and we can see how we can implement them.



Darcy and Lara with their Australia Day awards

Darcy Tribe

Club Captain

Leading Female Patrol Members		Hours	Leading Male Patrol Members		Hours
Name			Name		
1. Lara Falk (ID: 4518602)		56.0	1. Guy Faber (ID: 4765885)		108.0
2. Alice Hallyburton (ID: 5614506)		50.3	2. Ben O'Leary (ID: 5733266)		84.5
3. Delys Jones (ID: 5891554)		35.5	3. Scott McKenzie (ID: 4140175)		50.0
4. Bethany Best (ID: 5896086)		32.7	4. Zeth Kerr (ID: 5452853)		49.5
5. Cathryn Matthews (ID: 3759176)		31.5	5. Sean Lenehan (ID: 4518318)		43.5
6. Holly McKenzie (ID: 4565665)		30.5	6. Darcy Tribe (ID: 4148547)		43.5
7. Susanna Ryan (ID: 4556638)		29.5	7. Harry Howard (ID: 5532422)		41.0
8. Georgia Barnett (ID: 4096003)		27.5	8. Ian Harris (ID: 3759259)		38.5
9. Jorja Nieuwenhuizen (ID: 4133946)		26.0	9. Jack Matthews (ID: 4523350)		37.0
10. Johanna McKenzie (ID: 4765892)		24.5	10. Nico Pol (ID: 6008679)		36.0

Club Championships results

Open Male

1st Mitch Griestede
2nd Ben Matthews
3rd Guy Faber

Open Female

1st Cath Matthews
2nd Left in the Dust

Under 18 Male

1st Jack Matthews
2nd Smoked

Under 18 Female

1st Milly Illingsworth
1st Olive Andrews



Stalwarts: The 2022 club champions braved chilly conditions to compete this year.

Radio Officer's Report

Overall communications were successful this season with no radio damage and only a couple of software issues. So ,I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all our members for continuing to care for our radios for another season.

This year all the radios got new batteries under a state-wide and funded upgrade rollout to supply all the handheld radios with salt-resistant batteries to prevent issues in previous years of the radio terminals corroding.

We also received a new set of waterproof radio bags, which have proven their effectiveness on three occasions since their implementation.

This season we trained up 30 members with their Radio Operators Certificate (ROC), during which each member developed their knowledge of how the LSV Radio network works, proper radio etiquette and protocol, how the radios themselves work and the different types LSV utilize, the channels we can utilize, how Comms can "patch" our radios into other emergency services and clubs. This also provided members the opportunity to have a hands-on play with our radios and ask questions which I will admit I had to follow up to get answers from the state communications officer on a few.

I will be running more ROC courses in the off-season for anyone who missed out this season.

Over the off-season, I intend to re-test reception along the coast between Moonlight Heads and Childers Cove and plot the results on a google heat map to give us as a club a better visual

representation of our radio coverage in our operations area.

Anyone wishing to help with this please contact me, as the more people with radios the better. This will also be a great opportunity for younger members to visit the nooks and crannies of the shipwreck coast.

As always if anyone has any questions about the radios, LIMSOC or Comms feel free to reach out.



Sean showing a Timboon P12 a SLV drone.

Sean Lenehan
Radio Officer

ATV Coordinator's Report

Another year has passed and our Can Am has served us well.

How do you imagine how we ever operated without it! This year more people have become accredited to drive the vehicle which is great. To all operators always remember safety.

The committee have decided to upgrade the Can Am. With a grant and trade in we have

been able to purchase a new vehicle at no cost to the club. It should arrive soon. Please always remember to drive carefully and responsibly.

David McKenzie
ATV Coordinator

First Aid Report

Well done to everyone throughout the 2021/22 season!

The members of our club continue to do a wonderful job at ensuring that our beach remains a safe aquatic environment for all.

This season, patrol members responded to two major and five minor first aid incidents and numerous preventative actions. Fantastic work to everyone involved with these cases.

The Surf Club has been home to multiple pulse oximeters this past season. A pulse oximeter is a small device that displays a reading of how saturated a patients' blood is with oxygen and additionally their heart rate at that given time.

This is all done by simply placing the pulse oximeter on the patient's finger. A pulse oximeter can rapidly detect changes in oxygen levels which then allows patrolling members to provide appropriate oxygen therapy. They are currently located in the first aid room and both the oxygen and first aid bags.

The club was also fortunate enough to be able to purchase additional first aid equipment. This included extremity tourniquets, battery packs and pads for our defibrillators, pocket masks, new manual suction equipment and multiple BVM's (Bag Valve Masks) along with several other smaller products including various dressings.

I would also like to take the time to thank South West Healthcare, Warrnambool, for their support and assistance in servicing our Oxy Viva this season.

Georgia Barnett
First Aid Office



All smiles: some of our fantastic nippers taking a break on the beach. Photo credit Raelene Wicks

Gear Steward's Report

Wow, how the seasons fly pass us. The past season was full of ups and downs but we were able to complete the season without any major hiccups.

This could only happen as a result of the input of an amazing team we have at Port Campbell Surf Life Saving Club.



Photo credit Raelene Wicks

I would personally like to thank Darcy Tribe, Lara Faulk, Murray Joiner, Sean Lenehan, Jon McLeod, Andrew Wilson and our ever-reliable president Scott McKenzie (my apologies if I have overlooked anyone).

My job was made a lot easier with these people stepping up to help out at different times throughout the season.

Ok, our gear needs some repairing. It's the usual, fins missing, hand straps pulled out, dings (sometimes a few more hey Mitchell G., I won't say anymore), but that's all part of the challenges battling with the ocean, sand and unknowns. I do have some winter repairs to do but it's a long cool winter, so hopefully I will find time to get this done.

I look forward to our 2022/23 season and the challenges it brings, so until then relax, sit back in the warmth of your homes, enjoy the footy (that's if you are into it) and stay safe.

Ian Harris
Gear Stewart



Crews competing at the Port Campbell carnival. Photo credit Raelene Wicks

Boat Captain & Team Manager's Report

Congratulations everyone on another great season.

It started off with our own short course carnival which included the first ever surf boat race marshalled, officiated, started, rowed and swept entirely by women – an amazing effort by everyone involved and a special moment for the sport.

The day also saw nineteen (!!) new sweeps obtaining their S1 accreditation, including our own Brooke Barnewall, Kerry O'Shea, Charlie Trotter and Guy Faber. Port Campbell also hosted a pre-season 10km row at Boggy Creek which was attended by a good number of crews from around the state. Hopefully this will become an annual training event on the surf boat calendar.

As for the rest of the season...

The U19 boys crew had their first competition at the State Titles and came away with a silver medal in enthusiastic fashion. They're looking forward to many more carnivals next year and getting out into some surf. It will be great if a second U19 boys crew could join them next year.



U19 boys at the States. Photo credit Coralee Askew

Our two U19 girls' crews had another successful season. The Pixies won silver medals at the VSRL Open and State Titles, while the Fireballs won bronzes at both events.



The Pixies. Photo credit Coralee Askew

With their training starting back in August, it was great to see all their hard work pay off with some great results and a real improvement in fitness and skill.



The Fireballs: Photo credit Coralee Askew

The trip to Sydney's Elouera Beach was a highlight for both girls crews and they proved more than capable of mixing it with the best U19 crews in the country, with the Pixies making the semis and the Fireballs making the quarter finals.



ASRL Open in Elouera: Photo credit Linda McKenzie

The U23 boys really stepped up this season and have become one of the crews to watch in Victoria. They competed across four states, winning the U23 events at the VSRL Open and State Titles. They also represented Victoria as part of the State team the ASRL Open at Elouera as well as competing in the general competition where

they made the semis. Their results were doubly impressive as Gary tackled the large surf with a couple of broken ribs sustained in the first race of the weekend.



U23 boys with State gold. Photo credit Coralee Askew

The boys' trip to the Aussies was a great experience for them. All junior grade races were held on the Thursday as the surf was predicted to get bigger as the week went on (which, in true Gold Coast fashion, it did!). They were unlucky to take on a lot of water in the quarter finals, finishing fourth and missing out on progressing to the semis.



Kittens Gold at the State Masters 180 division

The Kittens won gold at the Victorian State Masters Titles in the 180 division. The girls and Kenz have put a lot of work into training, and it was great to see them win their first gold medal. They will be looking forward to the challenge of defending their title next year. The Kittens also made the finals of the reserve women at the state titles.

The Ravens won Port Campbell's first Reserve Grade gold medal at the Victorian State Titles with their win in the reserve women's division. This was an emotional win for us as a crew and a club. The girls got a late start to the training season with the

Victorian Titles being their only carnival for the year. But they used their experience to put in a great day's rowing to get the gold. They are looking forward to a proper pre-season and rowing at more events next summer.



Reserve gold for the Ravens. Photo credit Coralee Askew

A big thank you

I wanted to thank everyone who supports our crews on and off the beach. It makes sweeping so much less stressful knowing the boats are being unloaded and loaded, the tents are being put up and pulled down and the crews being looked after and supported by a team of smiling helpers. As a few of us who have been around a while have noted, it gives you a feeling of great pride to look back up to the tents from the starting line and see a large contingent of Port Campbell people filling the tents.



A big thanks to all the helpers. Photo credit Coralee Askew.

As someone who has been rowing and sweeping for a long time, it has been awesome to see a season where the club has been successful across multiple events and categories – from juniors to masters. The challenge now is to continue the success and improve where we can.

Andrew Vogels

Boat Captain & Team Manager

PCSLSC Boat Crews: 2021/22 season

The Ravens (Reserve women)

- Natalie Powell
- Rachel Murfett
- Jorja Nieuwenhuizen
- Emily Mansfield
- Andrew Vogels (sweep)

The Rockets (U23 boys)

- Charlie Trotter
- Cam McKenzie
- Mitch Gristede
- Ben Matthews
- Guy Faber
- Gary Askew (sweep)

The Pixies (U19 girls)

- Mali Glendinning
- Rachel Morden
- Delys Jones
- Alysa Hibburt
- Scott McKenzie (sweep)

The Kittens (Reserve/Masters women)

- Leonie Wallace
- Brooke Barnewall
- Tracey Heeps
- Bronwyn Rantall
- Scott McKenzie (sweep)

The Fireballs (U19 girls)

- Abbey Trotter
- Tahlia Berry
- Jo McKenzie
- Holly McKenzie
- Andrew Vogels (sweep)

The Rays (U19 boys)

- Dan Ryan
- Jack Matthews
- Will Banks
- Lenny Copeland-Tregea
- Scott McKenzie (sweep)

Additional/substitute crew members

- Kerry O'Shea (sweep) – reserve women/Ravens
- Lara Falk – reserve women/Ravens
- Stephanie Hibburt – reserve women/Ravens
- Lucy Jones – U19 girls/Pixies
- Aaron Gibblet – reserve men
- Patrick Ryan – reserve men
- Tate Tregea-Copeland – reserve men



Team PCSLSC: crews at the State Titles in Warrnambool. Photo credit: Coralee Askew

Junior Coordinator's Report

It is time to celebrate and recognise the conclusion of the 2021-2022 Nipper season. We managed to conduct seven out of ten Nipper sessions, 'Covid January' restricting our offerings in the aim of keeping Nippers and Nipper leaders safe.

Thank you to parents for firstly bringing their children to Nippers, and also understanding when we cancelled. Let's again hope that our next Nipper season can run uninterrupted.



All smiles from our Nippers. Photo credit Raelene Wicks

The season once again threw at us an assortment of weather conditions, but in general we were not too battered! Our Nippers once again learnt and practised their beach and surf skills, concentrating on beach sprints, flags, relays, wading, swimming and boarding. It is wonderful to see the skill development beginning with the cautious but

eager Under 7s right up to the courageous and capable Under 14s.

A huge thank you to all the Age Manager, Assistants and Water Safety helpers. Without these volunteers Nippers certainly could not be as successful as it is. Our numbers this year were large, and all help offered was readily accepted. Of course, we will be looking for help next season, see anyone at the club to find out more info.

Well done to all the Under 14s who have finished their Nipper journey. We thank them and their Parents for their involvement in Nippers and encourage them to stay involved in the club in the future. Volunteering is a vital part of our Community and has so many benefits to our physical, emotional, social and mental health. There are many pathways that can keep our members involved, and any contribution great or small is appreciated.

Cheers, and see you in December!

Bronnie, Brooke, Tracey & Leonie
Junior Committee

AGE GROUP	COUNT	ENROLLED LEADERS	NIPPER CLUB CHAMPIONS
Under 7s	24	Bronwyn Rantall & Leonie Wallace	Menzel Cook / Jack McKenzie / Ruby Glennen
Under 8s	31	Bobbie French & James Maxwell	George Titmus / Milla Loughnan
Under 9s	20	Lynda McKenzie & Clare Dunn	William Douglas / Indii McKenzie
Under 10s	30	Tracey Heeps & Tiff Jones	Harry Sinnott / Etti Glennen
Under 11s	16	Andrew Vogels	Alby Jones / Sacha Blain / Aysha Hollick
Under 12s	14	Bec McAuliffe & Scott Rawlings	William Paterson / Tyra Sambell
Under 13s	13	Matt Bowker & Sam Doolan	Harrison Glennen / Ruby Jones
Under 14s	10	Brooke Barnewall	Lachlan Douglas / Evie Gordon / Thea Vogels
Total:	158		

Nipper Hall of Famers

Rileigh Williams, Ronan Kerr, Lachlan Douglas, Thea Vogels, Finn Baxter, Tom Ryan, Cooper Whiting, Josh McKenzie, Caius Cuthell, Evie Gordon, Toby Gale.



2022 Nipper Champions



Some of many highlights of the 2021/22 Nipper season. Photo credits Raelene Wicks.



Rescue Coordinator's Report

Following the members decision last season not to replace the Pelican with another offshore craft, this season proved fairly quiet in respect to marine rescues.

The club has still maintained and operated IRBs outside of normal patrol duties and will assist, when possible, other local emergency services.

Two incidents resulted in the club being put on standby this season. A rescue and unfortunate drowning at Princetown and a search for a diver missing off Peterborough. In both instances the decision was made not to launch the IRB due to the distance involved and the arrival of the HEMS 4 helicopter on scene. Thank you to the members that responded and were prepared to assist.

Even though the club has decided to focus on our core beach activities and patrols, there remains the need for some sort of coastal rescue service to operate in the local area. Currently the nearest watercraft are located at Apollo Bay and Warrnambool in the form of Coast Guard.

Historically the Coastguard were limited in their ability to operate in an inshore environment due to training and the larger boats they operated. Warrnambool Coastguard took huge steps toward rectifying this this year with the purchase of two Jet skis. Currently they are in the process of developing training modules and qualifications for the skis with the assistance of MSAR.

The club met with members from Warrnambool Coastguard early in the season and discussed the possibility of setting up a similar service in Port Campbell using Jet skis as the main craft. It was felt setting up a stand-alone service would prove almost impossible with the current regulations and bureaucracy.

Potentially, if enough community members were interested, a group of locals could join Warrnambool Coastguard and possibly operate under their banner with Jet skis stored in Port Campbell to provide a first response service with inshore capabilities. Looking outside the surf club there are many locals with the experience and

skills to add great value to this proposal! Should this idea gather momentum this service would not have any affiliation with our club or LSV. At this stage we are simply investigating the options and using our experience and contacts within MSAR to assist if possible.

Warrnambool Coastguard are a highly professional organisation, and I would like to thank their members and in particular Alan Wood for continuing discussions and their support. Hopefully a few of us can get across to Warrnambool at some stage to investigate this further.

At the beginning of the season the club was approached by Chris Stewart – Team Manager of Timboon Ambulance Services to assist in the creation of an information booklet of the local coastal area. With the many different locations and scenarios that emergency services face, it was suggested a booklet outlining directions, estimated call out times, access points and local knowledge for each location would prove valuable especially for new members.

PCSLSC met monthly with Ambulance Victoria, SES, Parks Victoria and CFA to start the lengthy process of working through each site individually. To begin with, interagency exercises and mock rescues have taken place at Wreck Beach and also the river mouth at Princetown. Anyone wishing to be involved in the development of this booklet, please let me know.

Thanks again to all members who assisted me in my role as rescue co-ordinator this season.

Brett Wallace
Rescue Coordinator

Power Boat Captain's Report

Hello to all, I am going to open this year with a HUGE thanks to our club sponsors. I have been doing this job as power boat captain for about 23 years and during that time the Pope Family have always and generously donated the fuel for the IRBs.

That's no small feat, and for that I thank them very much, not to say that we don't value all of our fantastic club partners.

A big thanks to young Sean for all his valued help in keeping the IRBs up and running, dropping parts off, or picking them up, it all helps.

Lara has been an absolute goer, with her helpers training the next generation of drivers and crewies. And to all the other drivers and crew that have taken such good care of the equipment.

From me to all, have a safe and rebuilding, refreshing off time and I will see you next year. I will be in the same seat if they want me.



Murray (Blue) Joiner
Power Boat Captain



IRB in action: taking some nippers out for a ride. Photo credit Raelene Wicks.

Swim Series Report

Again – we had a very successful Shipwreck Coast Swim Series. The last swim of four in the series was at Port Campbell on Feb 5th.

This year we had Portland SLSC joined the series, which was not only good for ‘interclub relations’ but also highly successful. There has been so much positive feedback it seems Portland might have even ‘pipped’ Port Campbell as the most popular swim!!

Registration was solely online this series, which worked well. Numbers of swimmers registered is as follows:

- Port Fairy - 278
- Portland -194
- Warrnambool - 263
- Port Campbell – 277

There were no major issues at any of the swims. Thanks to Scott organising, we had several ‘zoom’ meetings between the clubs before the series began, and it seems to have ‘morphed’ into a core group, making it easier to interchange duties at each venue. We all have a few suggestions for next series and hope to meet up again, sometime at the start of next season.

A huge thankyou to those who made the trip to other venues to help out, especially those who travelled to Portland. A decision was made when Portland joined the series, that Portland were not required to bring a ‘duckie’

to Port Campbell for water safety, and vice versa, due to the distance involved, but still supply a crew.

To those who helped at Port Campbell – Wow!! what a fantastic job. When I was asked what time to set up, I suggested 0830. When I arrived ‘early’ at 0800 it was mostly done – amazing!! Without such support this major fundraising event just couldn’t happen so smoothly, safely and professionally. THANK YOU to all involved.

This swim series raised \$8,816 for each of the participating clubs! What a fantastic effort!



A stellar volunteer effort. Photo credit Raelene Wicks

Marg O'Toole
Swim Series Coordinator



Competitors in action at the 2022 Shipwreck Coast Swim in Port Campbell. Photo credits Raelene Wicks.



Chief Instructor's Report

We started the season smoothly and refreshing our COVID Safe practices through our Skills Maintenance sessions. The updated online learning platform worked much more effectively this year; we were able to utilise it for our blended courses we offered.

Our trainers underwent further training in preparation for this season in Port Fairy where we upgraded our First Aid, Advanced Resuscitation Techniques and Provide CPR skills. This update allowed for all our trainers to continue to maintain a high standard over the summer.

Below is a summary of the Awards which were gained through the season.

As we head into next season, we will have more opportunities to undertake training online over the cooler months. More details will be published soon. Marine Licenses are now able to be completed through LSV over the winter period and there will also be First Aid and Advanced Resuscitation Courses running both in our region and out of State Centre in Melbourne

I would personally like to thank our team of Trainers and Assessors; without them we wouldn't

be able to offer the training we did over the summer. And, to our active members, it's been great to see so many of you upskilling over summer!



2022 season bronze squad.

Lara Falk
Chief Instructor

Overview	Candidates
Surf Rescue Certificate	10
Bronze Medallion	14
First Aid	6
Advanced Resuscitation Techniques	6
Resuscitation (CPR)	6
Basic Beach Management (BBM)	None, due to new award coming
IRB Crewman's	11
IRB Driver	6
ATV	8
Radio Officers Certificate	30
Training Officer Certificate	Nil – upcoming courses in winter
Gold Medallion	nil

M&LD Report

COVID has somewhat messed around our Membership & Leadership Development program this season.

We were unable to run the Sydney trip for juniors. The week-long Leadership College program that Lara was accepted into has been postponed a couple of times and now falls in winter when Lara is unable to attend.



The U13, U15 and U18 camps were able to run. **Harrison Glennen** and **Ava Cunningham** (pictured above) were selected to attend the U13 development camp at the YMCA Camp Lake Dewar, Myrniong.



Bethany Best and **Zeth Kerr** (pictured above) were selected to attend the U15 development camp at Anglesea.

Susanna Ryan and **Alice Hallyburton** (pictured below) were selected for the U18 Leadership camp at YMCA Camp Manyung.



The camps are a great opportunity for our kids to mix with kids from clubs all across the state in a fun environment, and hopefully come back feeling a little bit inspired to further their lifesaving careers.

To quote one of the participants: "The camp was a great experience, I learnt new skills and met like-minded people from all over the state."

We also ran a show-and-tell day for the Timboon Primary kids at Timboon P-12 and supported some school groups with water safety information and club history info.

In December we hosted St Pats kids. In March we had several groups of Camberwell Grammar kids, and a couple of groups of kids from the Yuulong Campus of Ballarat Clarendon College.

Thank you very much to those who helped out with the various schools.

Scott McKenzie

House Committee Report

The 2021/22 season has been very productive for the House Committee, completing many items listed on the Maintenance Audit List.

A huge thank you to Brett Wallace, Phillip Younis and Shane Maslin, who have tirelessly worked hard to achieve the items listed within this report. The House Committee is trusted with looking after the building that provides the club with security and housing of all our equipment, and the functions that help us raise some of the funds we need to provide the services we do.

The House Committee is charged with two specific roles: Buildings & Maintenance and Management & Marketing. An annual Maintenance Audit is conducted which provides an extensive list of building issues that need addressing as well as improvement works. These have been prioritised based on a high to low priority with these works to be carried out over the next 2-3 years.

The list below shows the works that the House Committee have completed this season:

- Installation of Salto Key Hardware & Software
- Overhaul & upgrade to Membership Category & Key Access Levels
- Installation of Security System
- Overhaul outside security lighting
- Install external Defib outside roller door wall
- Replace remaining guttering
- Install new external Tap Downstairs
- Repair Function Room Ceiling/Roof
- Purchase Memorial Deck Outdoor Furniture
- Install Tap & Hose to Memorial Deck
- Install Memorial Deck Balcony Bistro Blinds
- PCSLSC Memorial Deck new signage
- Plaster Bar wall
- Install shelving inside Cool Room
- Install Wine Cabinet in Bar

- Replace Exits Signs & Upgrade Emergency Lighting
- Replace 40 x Fluros with LED Fluoro
- Install Non-Slip Bullnose treads to Patrol Tower Stairwell & Handrail
- Window guides in meeting room & Kitchen
- Replace exhaust fan in Female Changeroom
- Replace exhaust fan in Male Changeroom
- New Meeting Room split system
- Reposition Life Member photos in Patrol Tower stairwell

From a Management and Marketing position the committee have provided the following

- New Radio advertising
- New cleaning staff

The House Committee sincerely thanks the following:

- Bar Manager Shane Maslin and Assistant Bar Manager Sarah Cumming, volunteer Bar Staff and our Function Room Booking Agent Marina Deppeler.
- I.T. – Josh Mckenzie & Sean Lenehan for assistance with Club Access & Security Software Program.
- Club Treasurer Andrew Wilson & our Sponsorship Committee who have sourced the needed funds to enable us to carry out maintenance & upgrades to our facility.
- All members who have donated their time assisting with the maintenance & cleaning of our wonderful facility in yet another busy & successful season

Marina Deppeler
Chair, House Committee

Bar Manager's Report

Hi all! Another challenging year for the bar with Covid restrictions and check-ins etc. However we have come through and the signs are all very positive for bookings and functions in the future.

Bar takings are up (\$18,504) on last year, but this is still well down compared to pre-Covid numbers. But as I said previously bookings are on the up.

Thanks to Marina for the work she does as booking agent and liaising with the appropriate people for the smooth running of functions.

A big thanks to Sarah for the difficult task of organising bar staff for any functions which can be time consuming and a very thankless job and also to Scott who gives Sarah a hand when things get a bit tight.

Thanks also must go to the many members that do put their hand up to help out. This is a large portion of our fundraising and without you all it just wouldn't happen.

There is a requirement by Liquor Licensing for all bar staff to have their RSA and I notice a few have expired or are about so expect a call and I will point you in the right direction for renewal

See you all at the dinner.

Shane Maslin
Bar Manager

Apparel Officer's Report

It has once again been my pleasure to have been the apparel officer over the past year. Even though it has been another year of turmoil, we have kept the club looking good.

General Apparel

We have continued to fit-out Port Campbell in as many black tops and red hoodies again this year. Hooded towels have also been as popular as ever.

"Surf Club Shop"

The shop was open more regularly this year, but having no BBQ and Nippers going straight to the beach rather than congregating under the deck reduced awareness especially for new families.

Nipper Uniform

With the continued sponsorship from Beach Energy we were once again able to ensure all of our members had current safety vests.

Patrol Uniforms

Once again we had to reissue all patrol members with new tops to reflect new sponsorships but with the help of Patrol Captains I think we got everyone covered. If there are still any old shirts about, we are still collecting them for recycling.

Budget

In 2021/22, \$5,000 was made available to pre-purchase stock. This amount would be ideal for the 2022/23 season as well.

Sally Partridge
Apparel Office

Publicity Officer's Report

This past year our Social Media platforms growth has really exceeded my expectations.

The figures below really do demonstrate the popularity and demand to keep up content on our social media platforms.

I am really impressed by the increase in people who 'Liked' our public Facebook page in the past year. This growth has allowed us to connect with many different people, see the table below.

Social Media is a pivotal platform for our club, the interaction with people from outside have increased a lot this past year. The average 'Reach' for most Facebook post's is 12,659 people with our highest being 4,450 people on Facebook.

I am always looking for new idea's please contact me if you have any.



Another favourite moment. Pic Coralee Askew

Thank you, **Lara Falk**
Publicity Officer

Platform	2018 – 2019	2019 – 2020	2020 - 2021	2021 - 2022
Facebook (Public Page)	265	398	645	867
Facebook (Private Page)	250	313	337	370
Instagram	389	532	641	703
TeamApp	27	48	48	48



A couple of my favourite social media moments from this past year. Photo credits Raelene Wicks.

Special Events Report

Unfortunately, not much got going with Special Events this season.

With the local spike of virus cases over January, we made the decision to not run beach volleyball this season. The Swim Raffle also did not run this season, due to a time issue.

Next season we will launch back into special events. And continue to promote healthy

lifestyles in a social environment. We would love your help, hands and ideas. Feel free to come apart of our little committee and come have some fun.

Darcy Tribe and Ben Matthews
Special Events Coordinator



Volunteers for the Shipwreck Coast Swim Series. Photo credit Raelene Wicks.

Long Service Awards

20-year award

Jon McLeod



30-year award

Brett Wallace



25-year award

Murray Joiner
Ian Harris



Club Awards 2021/22

The Stewart Meek Most Passionate Club Member

This award is in memory of Life Member Stewart Meek. After some discussion it was decided to retire the ‘Holmes Best club person’ cup and procure a new one in memory of Stewart Meek, as this is the highest award the club gives out and Stewart was held in such high regards by the club. ***The award is awarded to the member with most votes conducted at the Annual Dinner by the club members.***

The John Younis Best Junior Club Person

The premier award to the Junior (U18) club person in the PCSLSC commemorates the contribution of John Younis to the club. ‘Johnny’ was the inaugural president of the club, a proud life member, and despite his claim to have never actually swum in the ocean, he became a strong and passionate advocate for the fledgling community group. Johnny was a man with big visions and while his early motivation centred on the provision of a rescue service in Port Campbell, he became an advocate for the opportunities that the club could provide to young people. He was a great believer in the rewards that could come from effort and the award seeks to recognize those who have contributed in an outstanding manner. ***The Club Captain chooses this award.***

The Ross and Andrew Powell Achievement Award

This award was previously called the Nita and George Powell Achievement Award but has now been altered (with the family’s blessing) to recognise the significant contribution both Ross and Andrew Powell made to the Surf Club. The Powell family have always been aware that there were members of the Surf Club who, either by choice or the low-profile position they had in the club were silent achievers and thought those people needed to be recognized in some way for their efforts.

The Club Executive chooses this award.

The Peter O’Rorke Power Boat Award

Peter was an active member of the Warrnambool Surf Lifesaving Club and was one of the key figures in the formation of PCSLSC. He was a role model, a mentor and a life-long friend to many of these members. Peter spent many hours on the beach here training some 30 new members in the skills of lifesaving to attain their bronze medallions. Peter always remained a staunch supporter of our club and followed its development with pride and interest throughout the years. He held his Life Membership of our club in very high regard. He was tragically killed in a car accident near Lake Bolac on 26th May 2010. His contribution to PCSLSC should always be remembered.

The Club Executive chooses this award.

The President’s “Dunny Seat” Award

The President’s Award is awarded to the club member who has displayed or performed an unusual (or in many cases, downright stupid) act during the year. ***The Club President chooses this Award.***

The W. “Bill” Pope Most Efficient Patrol Award

This award is dedicated to the memory of Bill Pope. Bill was an active contributor to PCSLSC from the club’s initial inception. Bill and his family had active roles in the club over three generations. Rowing and sweeping boats, club champion, patrol captains and club captain, Bill enjoyed the many roles that his children and grandchildren undertook. Bill Pope’s legacy of supporting the club has been carried on by the family.

This award is chosen by the Club Captain and President. The chosen patrol will include the following six positions: Patrol Captain, IRB Driver, IRB Crew, ARTC, First Aid and SRC.

The Competitor/Competitive Team of the Year (for open and Nipper members)

It is awarded to the team or individual who:

- Have/has competed at least two carnivals for the season
- Has been highly committed to regular and focused training
- Has shown significant improvement over the season
- Consistently demonstrated sportsmanlike behaviour (respectful behaviour to other competitors and officials)
- Fulfilled the necessary responsibilities as an active member of PCSLSC
- In cases where there are more than one team/individual who could equally meet these criteria, performance and participation in surf carnivals and other SLSA approved events will be taken into consideration.

Long Service Awards

In recognition of a member's long-term commitment to PCSLSC, awards for 15, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60 and 70 years of service will be provided. They will be awarded to any member who has contributed to the club in at least one of the following ways for.

- A patrolling member
- As an Age Manager, Assistant Age Manager or Water Safety Officer in our Nipper Program
- As a member of our Committee of Management
- Any other specific purpose agreed to by our Committee of Management
- Years of membership shall commence from the date of joining the club but not earlier than the age to become eligible to obtain SLSA Surf Rescue Certificate (13 years). Where the years of membership are not continuous they shall be aggregated.



Remembering Po, Andy and all fallen lifesavers with a minute's silence on Easter Monday. Pic Coralee Askew