



PAMBULA SLSC

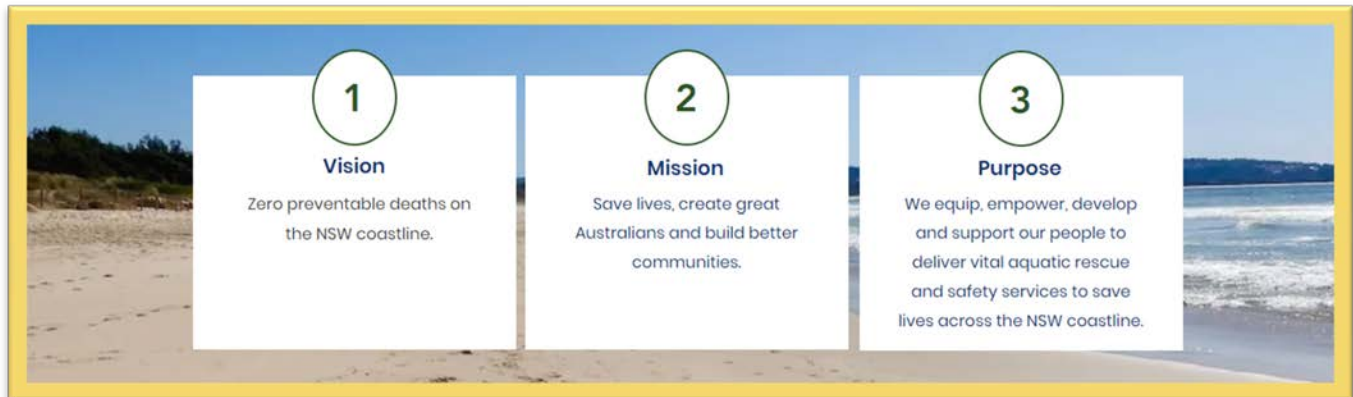
ANNUAL REPORT
2024



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



SLSA's mission is saving lives, creating great Australians and building better communities.

The Surf Life Saving movement first began in 1907, since which time, volunteer lifesavers have saved more than 550,000 lives.

With the Pambula Surf Life Saving Club operating patrols since 1914, we have grown to become one of the strongest clubs on the Far South Coast.

With our club motto "Vigilance and Service" our members are dedicated to providing a safe aquatic environment for all who visit Pambula Beach.

The Club encompasses all that is Surf Lifesaving, including: Patrols, Nippers and Cadets, Special Nippers, Junior and Senior Competition, Surf Boats and Skis (for competition and fitness), as well as Out of Hours Emergency Rescue (incorporating the use of IRBs and a Jet Ski).

Next time you are at the beach, watch out for us. Find the red and yellow flags and always swim between them.



Swim Between the Flags



ELECTED COMMITTEE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

President: Emma O'Neill

Vice President: Steve Hodgson

Club Captain: Liam O'Neill

Secretary: Ben Smith

Treasurer: Kym O'Halloran

NON-EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Power Craft Captain: Gavin Granger

Gear Steward: Kerry Bourke

Chief Training Officer: Kerryn Granger

Publicity Officer: Michael Dixon

Radio Officer: Mike Doering

Surf Boat Captain: Kirsty Byrne

UAV Captain: Mike Doering

First Aid Officer: Miep Kretching

Competition & Training / Surf Sports

Coordinator: Vacant

JAC: Lauren Moreland

WWCC / Child Protection Officer: Pam Hughes

Complaints Manager: Kerry Bourke

Registrar: Marci Vitouchova

Youth Development: Frank Davey

Webmaster: Terry Prowse

General Committee: Ken Carman, Nyrie Tickell,
Jimmy McGrath, Greg Leayr

House Committee Chairperson: Frank Davey

House Booking Officer: Miep Kretching

House Secretary: Kerry Bourke

Auditor: BSP Accounting

Medical officer: Sapphire Clinic Merimbula

Honorary Solicitor: Mark Hagan

Public Officer for Fair Trading: Simon Byrne

MPIO: Nick Hoynes

LIFE MEMBERS

CLUB

- Bootes, Michele
- Bootes, Peter
- Bourke, Kerry
- Byrne, Kirsty
- Briggs, Christopher
- Carman, Kenneth (Ken)
- Davey, Frank
- Deveril, William (Bill)
- Dirou, Leslie (Les)
- Doyle, Margaret
- Farrell, Richard (Rick)
- Farrell, Sandra (Sandy)
- Fergusson, Tracey
- Fogg, Stuart
- Granger, Gavin
- Granger, Kerryn
- Griffiths, Karen*
- Hay, Colin
- Hodgson, Stephen
- Holt, Andrew
- Hughes, Pamela (Pam)
- Kent, Wayne
- Krechting, Miep
- Liston, John
- Manson, Stuart
- McGrath, John (Jim)
- O'Halloran, Kym
- Prowse, David
- Shaw, Anthony (Tony)
- Shaw, Gregory (Greg)
- Smith, Ann
- Stone, Cecil*
- Torpey, David
- Williams, Tess

FAR SOUTH COAST BRANCH

- Bootes Michele (OAM)
- Bootes, Peter
- Davey, Frank (OAM)
- Hay, Donald *
- McGrath, John (Jim)

SLSNSW

- Hay, Donald (2018) *
- McGrath, John (Jim) (2022)

*Denotes deceased member



PRESIDENTS REPORT

I am pleased to present the comprehensive annual report of Pambula Surf Life Saving Club (SLSC) for the 2023/2024 season. As the President of Pambula SLSC, it is my honour to highlight the remarkable achievements and efforts of our dedicated members throughout the year.

Lifesaving Endeavours

The past season has exemplified our club's unwavering commitment to lifesaving and beach safety. Despite facing persistent challenges, our members have demonstrated exceptional dedication in patrolling Pambula each. The implementation of our Flexible Rostering System has not only allowed for increased flexibility but has also revolutionised the way we approach patrol duty. By accommodating the diverse schedules and commitments of our members, this innovative system has created an environment where everyone feels valued and empowered to contribute. As a result, we have witnessed a surge in participation and inclusivity within our patrol teams, strengthening our ability to safeguard Pambula Beach effectively. This success is a testament to the adaptability and dedication of our members, who have embraced this new approach wholeheartedly, further solidifying our 'No Lives Lost' record.

Over the course of the season, our members collectively contributed 2417 hours of voluntary service on patrol duty, resulting in 310 preventative actions and 6 successful aquatic rescues. I extend my heartfelt congratulations to our esteemed Club Captain, Liam O'Neill, and all our diligent Patrol Captains. However, it is essential to acknowledge that the true backbone of our success lies with each and every one of our patrolling members, whose tireless efforts ensure the safety of all beachgoers.

Education Initiatives

Despite challenges, our education team has made significant strides in upskilling our members. This season, we are proud to report that:

- 12 members completed the Bronze Medallion.
- 13 members obtained the Surf Rescue Certificate.
- 16 members acquired the Advanced Resuscitation Techniques (ART) certification.
- 5 members completed the IRB Crew course.
- 2 members became certified IRB Drivers.

These achievements underscore our commitment to equipping our members with the necessary skills and knowledge to excel in lifesaving efforts.

Nippers Program

Our Nippers program continues to be a cornerstone of our club's success, providing invaluable surf survival skills to our youth while fostering a sense of community and camaraderie. I extend my

sincere gratitude to all our Age Managers, water safety teams, administration staff, and volunteers for their unwavering dedication and hard work. Special commendation is due to Lauren Moreland and the Nippers Committee for their exceptional leadership and commitment throughout the season.

Member Recognition

The Far South Coast Awards of Excellence provided a platform to recognize outstanding contributions within our club. Congratulations to the following members who received awards:

- Lifesaver of the Year: Liam O'Neill
- Junior Lifesaver of the Year: Jayden Reyneke
- Volunteer of the Year: Ben Smith
- Junior Volunteer of the Year: Maggie Bourke
- Administrator of the Year: Ben Smith
- Support Operations Member of the Year: Chris Briggs
- Service Team of the Year: Same Wave



Above: Liam O'Neill accepting Lifesaver of the Year (left) and Ben Smith accepting Volunteer of the Year (right) from Mayor Russel Fitzpatrick



Above left: Maggie Bourke accepting Junior Volunteer of the Year from Mayor Russel Fitzpatrick
Above right: Ben Smith and Jayden Reyneke accepting a certificate of appreciation recognising their efforts in the Merimbula Classic rescue.



Above: Jayden Reyneke accepting Junior Lifesaver of the Year

Sponsorship Support

We are immensely grateful for the ongoing support of our sponsors, whose generosity ensures the financial stability of Pambula SLSC. Special thanks to our major sponsor, Bendigo Bank Pambula, and local venues such as Lakeview Hotel, Club Sapphire, and Merimbula RSL club for their continuous support through weekly fundraising raffles.

Season Highlights

The 2023/2024 season has been marked by significant achievements and milestones for Pambula Surf Life Saving Club, reflecting our commitment to community engagement, strategic planning, and innovative growth initiatives.

One of the standout events of the season was the successful hosting of the 29th Annual Wambiri Youth Leadership Camp. Held from May 24th to 26th, this event brought together candidates from all FSC Clubs, providing them with an enriching experience focused on leadership development. Participants were treated to a weekend filled with valuable interactions with local emergency services, including the NSW Police Force, NSW Rural Fire Service, NSW Ambulance, and Westpac Life Saver Rescue Helicopters. I extend my heartfelt thanks to Frank Davey, Andrew Edmunds, Vikki Marshall, and all the leaders who contributed to making this event a resounding success. The impact of this camp extends beyond the immediate participants, shaping future leaders in surf lifesaving and beyond.

Under the guidance of Secretary Ben Smith, Pambula SLSC embarked on a strategic planning journey aimed at charting the course for our future endeavours. This strategic plan serves as a roadmap, guiding our operations, setting clear goals, and identifying key areas for focused energy and resources. Through collaborative efforts and strategic foresight, we are positioning ourselves for sustainable growth and continued success in the years to come.

In a move towards enhancing our club's offerings and revenue streams, we successfully updated our liquor license to allow for the service of alcohol outside of club-run functions. This strategic decision not only expanded the scope of services we can offer but also enabled us to capitalize on our facilities by renting them out, thus generating a passive income stream. To support this initiative, the club developed a comprehensive plan of management, fee schedule, and house committee policies, ensuring smooth implementation and compliance with regulatory requirements. This strategic pivot not only enhances our financial sustainability but also opens new avenues for community engagement and support.

These accomplishments are a testament to the dedication, hard work, and collaborative spirit of our members and partners. As we reflect on the past season's successes, we are inspired and motivated to continue striving for excellence in all our endeavours.

In closing, I extend my sincere gratitude to each and every member of Pambula SLSC for their unwavering dedication, passion, and commitment to our club's mission. Your efforts have not only ensured the safety and well-being of our community but have also strengthened the bonds that unite us as a club and as a community.

Thank you for a remarkable season.

Emma O'Neill

President



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LIFESAVING REPORT

With immense pride and gratitude, I extend my heartfelt appreciation to the patrolling members of Pambula Surf Life Saving Club (PSLSC) who dedicated their valuable time throughout the 2023/24 season to ensure the safety of both locals and tourists at Pambula Beach.

I would also like to acknowledge the exceptional leadership of my fellow patrol captains—Andrew Holt, Peter Bootes, Emma O'Neill, Frank Davey, Jamie Lynn, Ben Smith, Chris Briggs, David Prowse, Gavin Granger, and Simon Byrne—for their outstanding guidance and the wealth of knowledge shared with their teams. Their hard work and commitment have been instrumental in making this season a resounding success. Furthermore, I extend special thanks to Gavin Granger, whose relentless efforts ensured all IRBs were rescue-ready, and to Miep Krechting, whose exceptional management of our first-aid room made it the best stocked on the Far South Coast.



Patrol Activities and Achievements

Throughout the duration of the patrolling season, running from October 2023 to April 2024, our volunteers admirably fulfilled their duties, completing 2,416.53 hours of patrol. During our patrolled times, we saw over 27,000 visitors to Pambula Beach. Our team conducted six rescues, attended to 23 cases requiring first aid, and performed 310 preventative actions.

This season saw us emerge as leaders within Surf Life Saving New South Wales (SLSNSW) as we implemented a flexible patrol roster. This innovative approach, borrowed from our friends at Bermagui SLSC, allowed members to take ownership of their patrol rosters and make time in their schedules for volunteering. As a club, we welcomed both members who could commit to a full patrol roster and those who could contribute on an ad hoc basis, encouraging member involvement regardless of their level of availability.



As the saying goes, 'many hands make light work.' While some members still went above and beyond, this year saw a more even distribution of the amazing 2,490.53 hours we committed between the flags. A huge thank you goes to our president, Emma O'Neill, for the countless hours of admin work she put in behind the scenes to get this patrol option up and running. Pambula is a club of firsts; while we weren't the pioneers of this innovation, we have established ourselves as leaders in flexibility and have been recognised by SLSNSW for our initiative.



The timing of patrols changed this season as dictated by a new Lifesaving Service Agreement with SLSNSW. Pushing back to a later start time was not seen as most appropriate by many of our members; however, we all adapted well. Based on extensive data analysis conducted by Emma O'Neill, Ben Smith, and myself, a business case for change has been submitted to SLSNSW for the upcoming season. We thank everyone for their flexibility as we negotiate these changes.

Support Operations

A sincere thank you to our club Call Out Team (COT) for responding to numerous emergency call outs this season. Our COT, filled with experienced lifesavers, has been consistently professional and effective in their response. Additionally, thank you to those members who volunteer their time with the Far South Coast Branch Rescue Services Team (formerly the Support Operations Team). We look forward to the installation of two Emergency Response Beacons in our area in the upcoming season, which will fast-track our responses to both the Pambula River Mouth and Merimbula Bar Beach, identified as black spots.



Nippers and Junior Activities

I would like to extend a special thank you to the Nippers Water Safety Team, led by Ben Smith and John Grady, for stepping up and operating independently of the community patrols. Lauren Moreland has been exceptional in her role as Junior Activities Chair, shifting the Nippers culture and actively involving parent helpers. Well done, Team Nippers!



I am immensely proud of the dedication and commitment shown by all members of PSLSC. Your efforts ensure the safety and enjoyment of Pambula Beach for all visitors, and I look forward to another successful season ahead.

Liam O'Neill
Club Captain



EDUCATION REPORT

Congratulations to all members who gained awards this season.

Awards completed this season were:

- Bronze Medallion course with 8 people participating
- Surf Rescue to Bronze Medallion course with 4 transitioning
- Surf Rescue Certificate course with 10 participants (some were nipper parents.)
- Our IRB Crew course had 5 people complete their IRB Crew certificate.
- Silver Medallion IRB Driver had 2 complete the course.

Thank you so much to all our wonderful trainers, assessors, and content experts this season who did a fantastic job helping the participants gain their awards and are such a big help to me throughout the year.



- Other club education consisted of Myself, Gavin, and Kirsty Byrne running Surf Awareness sessions for Merimbula Primary School classes. The kids loved it and we think it is a very worthwhile program.



- We had some members undertake Swift Water Training undertaken by SLSNSW.
- Proficiencies at the beginning of our season, went well, with most people being able to enter themselves into the app which made paperwork much easier and we knew who was turning up on each of the 4 dates, thank you to all who participated willingly and with enthusiasm.

Kerryn Granger
CTO

JUNIOR ACTIVITY REPORT

We had a new JAC, age manager coordinator, water safety coordinator and uniform coordinator. Our ever-tireless water safety team, Nippers patrol and regular patrol Captains also contributed to the whole team working really well together to pull off a successful season for our Pambula Nippers (no BBQ coordinator, unfortunately).



We had good attendance at all 3 Branch carnivals, with some good results, including Branch champions, in multiple age groups. Our under 13 Age Champion, Owen Wall, also successfully competed at the NSW Country Championships in Warilla in January to pull off a 2nd in the sprint and 5th in flags.

Our interaction with the Water Police and their rescue boat for a joint awareness day in February was a great success, thanks to Steve Winslow for organising. The kids loved being able to ride in the IRB and on the jet ski and raved about their experiences on the boat.



The Nippers also loved the drone demonstration by our own drone expert Mike Doering.

Michele and Peter Bootes were instrumental in the Education component of our Nippers course this season, both writing the program, and rounding up the volunteers to run it each week. In January, Michele received her OAM for her work with the surf club, especially Same Wave, a well-deserved honour.



Thanks to our outgoing JAC, Belinda Morris, for all of her continued support and help. She managed to gain her SRC this season, along with one other Nipper parent, and our whole age eligible U13/14 cohort, again largely thanks to the efforts of the Bootes'. A great achievement!

Lauren Moreland
JAC



SAME WAVE REPORT

Season summary

Our Same Wave program continues to provide incredible and rewarding experiences for its participants and volunteers.

This year we celebrated the 25th Anniversary of the program and this was marked with an event which recognised the truly unique and cherished nature of the program.

As per previous seasons, Same Wave was again recognised through club and branch awards.

Most importantly, the feedback from the families involved is incredibly positive, as highlighted in the speech provided by Natasha Quast at the 25 year celebration below.

Thanks, Natasha, for allowing us to share these amazing words.

Twenty-five years ago, a remarkable journey began—a journey that would touch countless lives, create lasting memories, and foster a sense of belonging.

Today, as we celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Same Wave program, we reflect on the waves of change, resilience, friendship, and compassion that have carried us all through the years.



I am Natasha, a proud parent and a witness to the magic that unfolds within Same Wave. My son, Sam, joined Same Wave at the age of 4 and a half, he is now 19. Picture it: a little guy with autism, squinting at the ocean like it holds the secrets of the universe. Spoiler alert: it actually does!

When we entered the world of Same Wave, we were welcomed with open arms. Same Wave became a lighthouse, embracing us and reminding us that we were not alone.

Over the past 15 years, Sam has learned not only water skills but also the art of resilience. The ocean, with its unpredictable tides, became his classroom—a place where participants discover strength and courage.

Each Saturday, as laughter echoes across the shore, as participants walk hand in hand supported by volunteers, we see the absolute best of humanity in the most beautiful of places- Pambula Beach. Many times, I have stood on the shore and heard Sam's laughter and seen his beaming smile, which often left a quiet tear in my eyes (don't judge me; I'm sure it was just the salty air).

Over the years, countless participants have caught their first wave on boards and in beach wheelchairs, surrounded by volunteers who steadied their way and smiled alongside them. Participants have thrown balls, played under the parachute, raced to capture flags, and gathered confidence to dive under the float in the ocean, cheered on by volunteers and families on the shore. We have heard screams of excitement as Tony carefully, and



not so carefully, maneuvered the rubber duckie over and between waves. These experiences may never have happened without this program.

Same Wave is much more than just an inclusive program that helps people learn water skills or engage in activities that may otherwise not have access to. It is smiles, laughter, togetherness, safety, understanding, and compassion.

Seeing Katie with her beautiful smile and fabulous hair, Mitch with his contagious happiness, Brent who blew us all away when he swam from Tathra wharf to the waves, Timmy who eagerly shows his strength and speed each week, and Aidan who amazed us when he first stood up on a board, we are reminded of the incredible spirit and achievements of our participants.

I remember Jake's beaming smile as he caught his first wave, surrounded by helpers who steadied the board. And let's not forget Jordan, Josh, Jono, Sophie, Jazmin, Jennifer, Damon, Sean, Sarah, Max, Tommy, Shannon, Ashley, Dominic, Keiron, Leesh, Bell, Liliana, Riley, Kyra, David and Daniel, Joel, Rani, Bradley, Natasha, Angus, Ross, Matilda, Pippa, Grace and Amanda and more who have made this journey unforgettable



Same Wave is a community—a family—where everyone matters. Our founders, Michelle and Peter Bootes, envisioned a place where children and families could find acceptance, joy, and a sense of belonging. Their tireless efforts, fueled by love and compassion, have shaped Same Wave into what it is today. Michelle and Peter, we owe you a debt of gratitude that words alone cannot express.



Your legacy lives on in every smile, every high-five, and every shared triumph. And let us not forget the unsung heroes—the volunteers. They arrive early, Same Wave shirts in hand, ready to make a difference. They are the heart and soul of Same Wave, dedicating their time, energy, and passion to ensure that every child feels the thrill of catching a wave and the safety of belonging.



To our volunteers, thank you for being the wind beneath our wings, propelling us forward even when the currents get rough. As we celebrate this milestone, let us acknowledge the past, cherish the present, and look toward the future.



Same Wave will continue to be a harbor for families like ours—a place where waves of compassion, resilience, and belonging carry us forward. Thank you, Same Wave community, for being the tide that lifts us all.



BOAT CAPTAIN REPORT

Another big season coming up for PSLSC in 2024/25!!

The 2023/24 rowing and paddling season was a little quieter than the previous year but shaping up to be a super busy one for the 2024/25 season at PSLSC.

The season started with our third Gotch4Life 24 Hour row on the 9/10th September 2023. Apart from a few graveyard shifts it was a busy roster filled by club and committee members, boat rowers, Forever Young rowers, EPIC gym in Pambula, Seaside Health Club in Merimbula and Wheelers Restaurant team all made an appearance. We were also super happy to have Kristy McBain and Russell Fitzpatrick attend, and I am pretty sure they are in training again for this year!!

It was a huge success with our club rowing a total of 675km and raising \$3500. All proceeds go towards mental fitness in our area and community. I have just registered Pambula for our 4th 24 Hour Row which is being held at our club on the 7-8 September 2024. Everyone is invited to come along for a fun weekend again this year!!

After a year of rest for the Club to Pub it will be back bigger than ever for 2024. The popular event will be held on Saturday 19th October 2024 at Pambula Surf Club. It is sure to be a big one this year with the upcoming George Bass Surf Marathon looming later in December 2024.

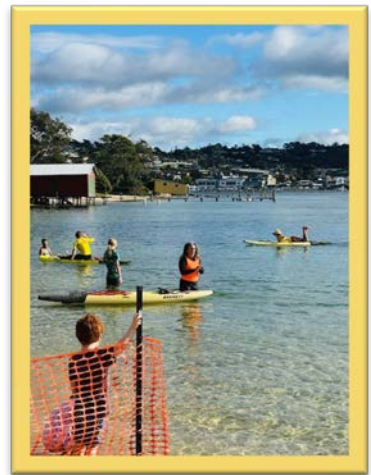
George Bass Surf Marathon 2024 is the 50th Anniversary Marathon which will commence in Batemans Bay on Sunday 29 December and finish in Eden on Saturday 4th January. This year we will have a female and male veteran team rowing with a handful of paddlers already entered. All rowers and paddlers have commenced building their teams and are in the full swing of training now.





Highlights from the Gotcha4Life 24 Hour Row

Fundraising is going strong with the Club Sapphire Boaties raffles each Saturday afternoon. Thank you to all the volunteers for turning up each week to make this run smoothly.



On the June long weekend, The Winter Sun Festival held their 4th competitive winters morning swim at Mitchie's Jetty. This year they had over 120 swimmers completing the 3 swims. The event organisers introduced a Ripple Racers swim for the kiddos. Definitely a great opportunity for the Nippers age group to come along in the future. PSLSC was asked to help with the water safety. A successful morning on the water for everyone.

Special thanks to Peter Bootes, Michele Bootes, Guy Bootes, Nigel Ayling, Anj Bolton, Miep Krechting, Tina Piccione, Jason Holmes, Aiden Holmes, Jordan Mansfield, John Robson, John Quinlan, Robyn Rosenfeldt, Ella Woodger and Kym O'Halloran for assisting with water safety on the day.

Looking forward to a busy 2024/25 season
Stay safe and well.
See you on the beach at PB!

Kirsty Byrne
Boat Captain



UAV CAPTAINS REPORT

The UAV Captain would like to express his gratitude and many thanks to all the duty lifeguards & volunteer lifesavers assisting with the UAV beach setup and their support throughout the 2023-2024 season.

I would also like to give a special thanks to all the committee members who have continued their enthusiastic support of UAV operations.

- AUAVS 2023-2024 Season review summary: -
 - The club now has one new UAV, a Mavic 3 Enterprise E & will have a Mavic 3 Enterprise T very soon. The 'E' designates extended optics & the 'T' designates thermal imaging. These are outstanding assets allowing far greater coverage than the drones they replaced. My hope is that UAV pilots & operators are trained in night operations which would make the thermal imaging drone very useful in search & rescue operations.
 - The AUAVS has recently had some management changes. Sol Rainbow is now no longer the FSC AUAVS supervisor. A replacement will be found prior to commencement of the 2024-2025 season. As part of the restructure the AUAVS has disbanded the Location Equipment Officer (LEO) role, which means I am no longer the LEO for Pambula. This role will be operated by the AUAVS FSC supervisor.

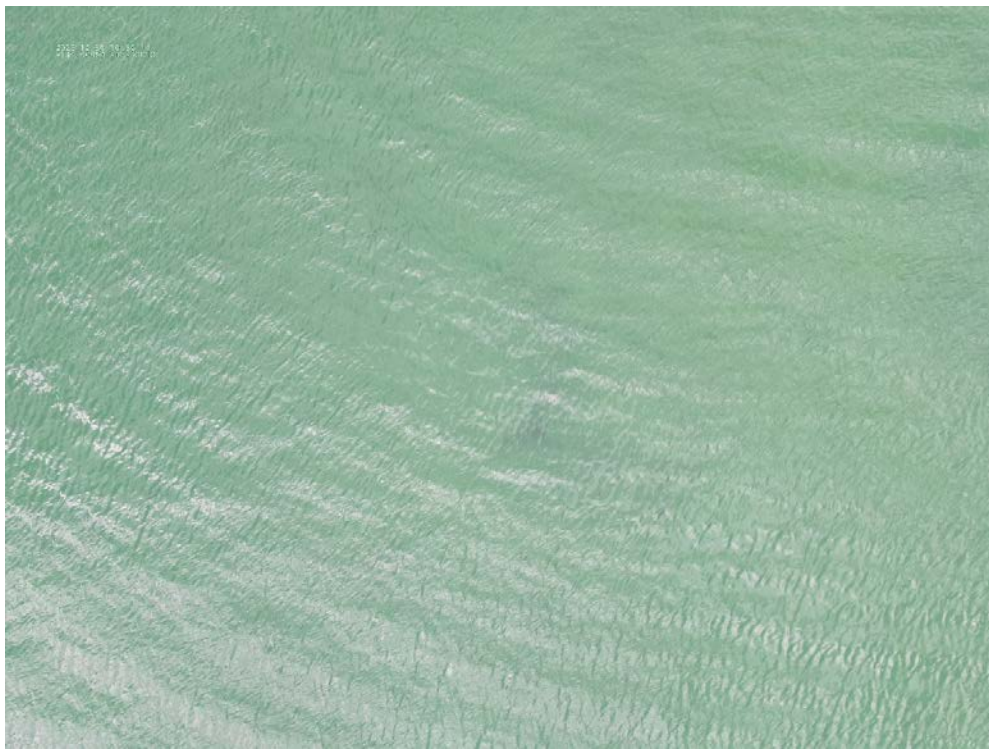
Saturday 30th December 2023

This troublesome 2 metre bronze whaler caused the UAV pilot (me), the patrol captain (Gav) and the IRB boat crew some consternation. Whilst traditionally not a dangerous shark, this one however decided to get within 2 metres of some beachgoers who were still in the water & ignoring sirens & shouts to get out of the water.

Fortunately, the IRB crew were able to intervene and shoo it away without it causing harm. This was very uncharacteristic of a bronzy as it seemed to be wounded.



This dark shadow was estimated to be a 3 – 3.5 metre great white sighted at the other end of the beach by the UAV pilot (me) not long after the bronzy was given its marching orders. This photo demonstrates the difficulty in identifying dangerous marine animals in sometimes difficult conditions. It's only through experience that this animal was spotted. Once again, the IRB crew did an excellent job in shooping it out to sea.

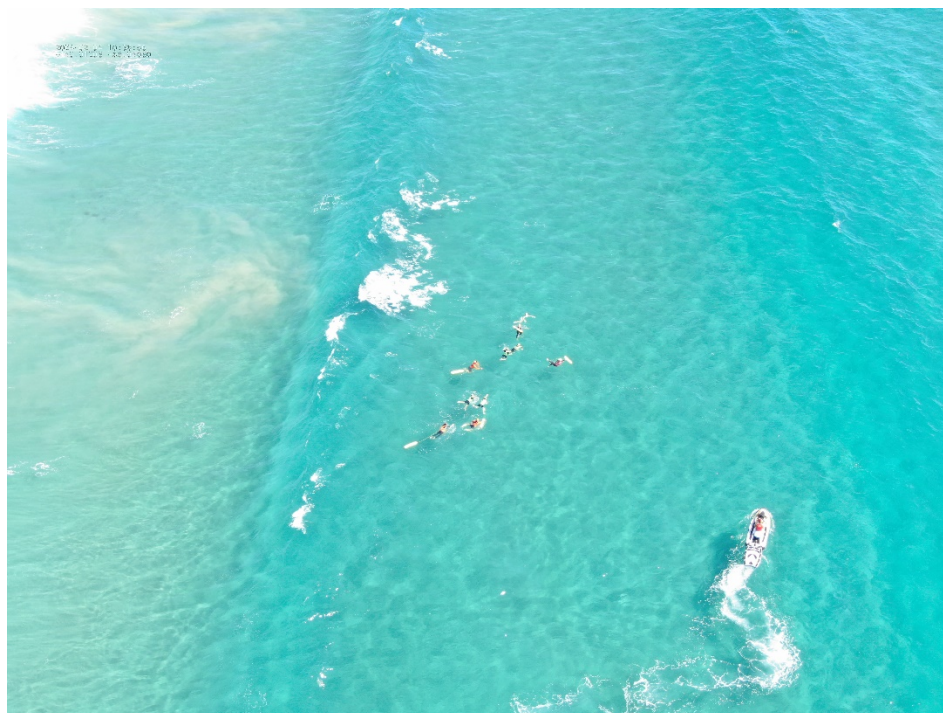


Typical patrol day on Pambula Beach during summer 2023-2024



As per previous years as from the end of January there was no UAV patrols except for Nipper's training on Sunday mornings throughout February, March, and April. As per the previous nippers season the UAV Captain volunteered to provide UAV patrols for most of these days.

Nippers Sunday activities



Nippers enjoying something different with their activities on Sunday 18th February. NSW Police vessel was stationed off Pambula Beach for each nippers group to be welcomed aboard and to view this incredible vessel firsthand.



UAV Captain, Mike Doering, providing Uncrewed Aerial Vehicle (UAV) education to our various nipper groups. This session was welcomed by the nippers as they were able to view what the beach & surf

look like from the sky. Basic safety instruction was also conducted demonstrating to the nippers that safety was the most important aspect of being a UAV pilot.

In summary

Generally, the season was thankfully very uneventful, only three shark sightings. Beachgoers were generally friendly and curious. This being my third year flying UAV's (drones) at Pambula Beach many locals & visitors are now very used to the drone being on the beach. I received many positive comments about what a fantastic initiative this is and how they feel very safe with the drone in the air.

Mike Doering

UAV Captain



Above: Tommy and a friend completing patrols 102 and 103 for the season

RADIO OFFICER REPORT

Thank you to all patrol captains, patrol members & lifeguards for keeping the radios in good working order.

A full audit of the radios both in the upstairs radio cupboard & the downstairs operational areas was completed on the 28th June.

- 11 radios were located in the upstairs radio cupboard & all in reasonable condition
- 7 radios were located downstairs
- 11 radios are with the Pambula SLSC call out team
- 1 radio is located with marine rescue
- 1 radio located with the Eden water police
- 4 radios still missing from last year

11 radios from the upstairs cupboard have been sent to Karera for servicing. These are expected back by the end of July 2024. When received the 7 radios from downstairs will also be sent for servicing to Karera. These will be expected back by end August 2024.

Mike Doering – Radio Officer

PARTNERSHIPS

As we do each year, we recognise and thank the local businesses that support our club and make each season possible.

Major sponsors



Secondary and In-Kind Sponsors

- Southern Trucks
- Aqua Restaurant
- Bobbins Transport
- SL Hodgson Builders
- Pete Scott Automotive
- Andrew Marshman Engineers
- Kothes Accounting Group
- Ron Doyle Motors
- Mitre 10, Pambula
- Ken Carman & Associates
- Fraser Marine Eden
- Wheelers Restaurant
- Mumbulla Foundation
- Broadwater Oysters

The generous support of the general public and our donors is acknowledged, because without their purchase of raffle tickets or donations, our purchase of rescue gear and equipment; and the recruitment and training of surf lifesavers relies on these funds.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS



Australian Government



Pambula Surf Life Saving Club acknowledges;

- The NSW Government through the Emergency Services portfolio for ongoing funding of state-wide operations and programs which benefit clubs, members and the community.
- The NSW Government for the support of the Office of Sport, for their support to increase usage, safety and participation in Surf Life Saving through ongoing programs.
- Federal Government for the Beach Safety Equipment Funding which directed \$10,000 to every SLSC for the purchase of vital rescue equipment, first aid and medical supplies.
- Federal Government for the VET Funding which enabled hundreds of assessors to update their training qualifications and provided clubs with updated training equipment including QCPR manikins and tablets.
- The NSW Premier Chris Minns, The Hon Steve Kamper MP-Sports Minister, Member for Bega Dr Michael Holland and Office of Sport for their funding support through the Sport Surf Club Facilities Grant.

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Financial Statements - 30 June 2024

Pambula Surf Life Saving Club Incorporated

ABN 83 872 472 712

For the year ended 30 June 2024

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Income Statement

Pambula Surf Life Saving Club Incorporated For the year ended 30 June 2024

	2024	2023
Income		
Fundraising		
Donations	7,588.90	6,347.75
Raffle Income	61,128.90	62,736.95
Total Fundraising	68,717.80	69,084.70
Operating		
Bar Takings	27,635.33	2,814.64
Clothing Sales	21,535.49	23,231.92
Club to Pub Entry Fees	-	1,205.00
Clubhouse Hire	4,721.27	2,742.36
Grants Received	80,065.05	43,977.00
Interest Received	525.34	-
Membership Fees	21,680.00	14,655.00
Membership Fee Active Kids	155.00	505.00
Nipper BBQ	-	3,782.00
Sale of Fixed Asset	1,000.00	-
Wambiri Camp	-	970.62
Total Operating	157,317.48	93,883.54
Total Income	226,035.28	162,968.24
Expenditure		
Fundraising		
Raffle Expenses	11,455.86	17,071.71
Total Fundraising	11,455.86	17,071.71
Operating		
Accounting Fees	2,069.57	1,763.89
Advertising & Promotions	1,405.00	310.00
Awards & Trophies	1,847.27	2,019.01
Bar Purchases	12,339.38	3,136.63
Branch Costs	2,602.75	880.55
Clothing including Stock Adjustment	13,231.48	20,779.04
Club to Pub	-	321.15
Clubhouse Building	6,241.88	2,695.00
Clubhouse Supplies	2,441.10	2,173.89
Entry Fees	508.34	132.72
First Aid/Safety	1,708.13	3,244.78
Freight & Cartage	504.00	492.80
Fuels & Oils	1,150.86	1,417.95
Gas	1,238.95	751.32
George Bass Member Payments	-	2,485.48
Insurance Premiums	21,421.97	20,644.43

	2024	2023
Lease Expense - BVSC	617.24	592.35
Licence Fees & Permits	1,617.27	323.64
Light & Power	2,174.90	1,911.79
Membership Refunds	227.56	60.00
Merchant Fees	717.66	882.90
Nipper BBQ Costs	231.35	1,406.97
Nippers Expenses	783.88	3,334.47
Payment Gateway Fees	3.23	28.62
Printing, Postage & Stationary	89.32	1,062.55
R & M - Clubhouse	52,341.56	35,998.18
R & M - Gear	4,282.35	8,991.66
Rates	2,189.91	2,976.70
Rates - Sewer & Water	1,836.42	2,354.77
Security Costs	588.84	553.98
Social Function Expenses	8,685.28	2,744.82
Sundry Expenses	2,467.38	2,412.46
Square Fees	87.06	-
Telephone/Internet	112.57	485.70
Trailer Expenses	338.17	768.00
Training Expenses	1,009.28	1,506.85
Travel & Accommodation Costs	284.55	-
Uniform Expense	2,667.23	3,461.59
Vehicle Expenses	1,599.99	7,954.71
Wambiri Camp Expenses	338.73	1,243.35
Website	-	3,851.21
Total Operating	154,002.41	148,155.91
Total Expenditure	165,458.27	165,227.62
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year before Depreciation Expense	60,577.01	(2,259.38)
Less: Depreciation Expense		
Depreciation Expense	(55,915.45)	(51,844.22)
Net (Deficit) / Surplus for the year	4,661.56	(54,103.60)

Balance Sheet

Pambula Surf Life Saving Club Incorporated As at 30 June 2024

	NOTES	30 JUNE 2024	30 JUNE 2023
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash & Cash Equivalents	2	93,071.02	64,531.33
Inventory		13,180.64	14,533.62
Trade & Other Receivables	3	(26.00)	5,833.84
Total Current Assets		106,225.66	84,898.79
Non-Current Assets			
Property, Plant & Equipment	4	881,641.82	898,307.13
Total Non-Current Assets		881,641.82	898,307.13
Total Assets		987,867.48	983,205.92
Net Assets		987,867.48	983,205.92
Member's Funds			
Accumulated Surpluses		987,867.48	983,205.92
Total Member's Funds		987,867.48	983,205.92

Movements in Equity

Pambula Surf Life Saving Club Incorporated For the year ended 30 June 2024

	2024	2023
Member's Funds		
Accumulated Surpluses	983,205.92	1,037,309.52
(Deficit) / Surplus for the year	4,661.56	(54,103.60)
Total Member's Funds	987,867.48	983,205.92

Statement of Cash Flows - Direct Method

Pambula Surf Life Saving Club Incorporated For the year ended 30 June 2024

	2024	2023
Operating Activities		
GST	7,997.21	1,125.31
Cash receipts from other operating activities	237,620.90	169,457.36
Cash payments from other operating activities	(179,181.26)	(178,361.53)
Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities	66,436.85	(7,778.86)
Investing Activities		
Payment for property, plant and equipment	(39,250.14)	(24,460.42)
Other cash items from investing activities	1,352.98	(3,248.51)
Net Cash Flows from Investing Activities	(37,897.16)	(27,708.93)
Financing Activities		
Other cash items from financing activities	-	1,363.64
Net Cash Flows from Financing Activities	-	1,363.64
Net Cash Flows	28,539.69	(34,124.15)
Cash and Cash Equivalents		
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	64,031.33	98,155.48
Net change in cash for period	28,539.69	(34,124.15)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	92,571.02	64,031.33

Notes to the Financial Statements

Pambula Surf Life Saving Club Incorporated For the year ended 30 June 2024

1. Material Accounting Policy Information

The association was incorporated 4 April 1989 (Y0733922) under the *Associations Incorporation Act 1984*, NSW as a Not For Profit Entity, and these accounts are compliant with this Act. It is registered with the Australian Business Register - Australian Business Number 83 872 472 712. The association is registered for Goods and Services Tax purposes and reports quarterly on a cash basis. Until 4 May 2024, the association conducted fundraising under the Surf Life Saving NSW fundraising authority (CFN11033). After 4 May 2024, the club obtained its own separate authority to fundraise (CFN 26952), which is under the provisions of the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991. This authority remains in force until 3 March 2027.

In the committee members' opinion, the incorporated association is not a reporting entity as there are no users dependent on general purpose financial statements. This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Act 2009*, the *Associations Incorporation Regulation 2022 (NSW)*, the *Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 (NSW)* and the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the recognition and measurement requirements of the Australian Accounting Standards and Accounting interpretations, and the disclosure requirements of AASB 101 Presentation of Financial Statements, AASB 107 Statement of Cash Flows, AASB 108 Accounting Policies, AASB 124 Related Party Disclosures, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors, AASB 1048 Interpretation of Standards and AASB 1054 Australian Additional Disclosures. No new accounting standards were applicable for this accounting period.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following material accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

(a) **Income Tax**

The association is income tax exempt under subdivision 50-45 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act, 1997*. Consequently, no provision for taxation has been made in the financial statements.

(b) **Fixed Assets**

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets are depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Donated assets are brought to account at fair value at the date of acquisition.

(c) **Inventories**

All inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. The "First In First Out" method has been used to assign cost to individual items of stock.

Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgements

The committee make estimates and judgements during the preparation of these financial statements regarding assumptions about current and future events affecting transactions and balances. These estimates and judgements are based on the best information available at the time of preparing the financial statements, however as additional information is known then the actual results may differ from the estimates. There are no areas that involve a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements other than those described in the accounting policies.

Information & Declarations to be furnished under the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991

During the year the association obtained net income of \$62,736.95 for charitable purposes. Of this income \$17,071.71 was used for fundraising activities. The surplus was used for equipment purchases and maintained. Fundraising efforts conducted included raffles and donations.

Key Management Personnel and Related Party Transactions

The committee and volunteers did not receive any remuneration from the association during the year other than reimbursement of out of pocket expenses that have been fully substantiated. There were no related party transactions with the committee during the financial year.

	2024	2023
2. Cash & Cash Equivalents		
Bendigo Business Account	91,129.68	39,031.33
Petty Cash Float	500.00	500.00
Term Deposit	1,441.34	25,000.00
Total Cash & Cash Equivalents	93,071.02	64,531.33

	2024	2023
3. Trade and Other Receivables		
Trade Receivables	660.00	-
GST Receivable / (Payable)	(686.00)	5,833.84
Total Trade and Other Receivables	(26.00)	5,833.84

	2024	2023
4. Property, Plant & Equipment		
Leasehold Improvements		
Leasehold Improvements at Cost	1,192,835.14	1,192,835.14
Accumulated Amortisation - Leasehold Improvements	(376,822.90)	(343,543.42)
Total Leasehold Improvements	816,012.24	849,291.72
Equipment		
Equipment at Cost	495,791.69	481,547.30
Accumulated Depreciation - Equipment	(430,162.11)	(432,531.89)
Total Equipment	65,629.58	49,015.41
Total Property, Plant & Equipment	881,641.82	898,307.13

Statement by the Committee

Pambula Surf Life Saving Club Incorporated For the year ended 30 June 2024

In the opinion of the Committee:

- the incorporated association is not a reporting entity because there are no users dependent on general purpose financial statements. Accordingly, as described in Note 1 to the financial statements, the attached special purpose financial reports have been prepared for the purposes of complying with the *Associations Incorporations Act 2012*, the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*, the *Charitable Fundraising Act 1991* and associated regulations;
- the attached financial statements comply with the Australian Accounting Standards as described in Note 1 to the financial statements;
- the attached financial statements comply with the requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* and the *Charitable Fundraising Act 1991*;
- the attached financial statements and notes give a true and fair view of the incorporated association's financial position as at 30 June, 2024 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date;
- there are reasonable grounds to believe that the incorporated association will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable;
- the financial statements give a true and fair view of all income and expenditure with respect to fundraising appeals; and
- the internal controls exercised by the incorporated association are appropriate and effective in accounting for all income received and applied by the incorporated association from all fundraising appeals.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Committee by:



President Treasurer

2 August 2024

Date:



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Auditor's Independence Declaration

Pambula Surf Life Saving Club Incorporated

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 June 2024, there have been:

- (i) No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements set out in the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* in relation to the audit; and
- (ii) No contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

John C Nevin

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2nd August 2024

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Auditor's Report

Pambula Surf Life Saving Club Incorporated

For the year ended 30 June 2024

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Pambula Surf Life Saving Club Inc as at 30 June 2024 and (of) its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, and the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 2009 (NSW) and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012.

Independent Auditors Report to the members of the Association

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Pambula Surf Life Saving Club Inc (the association), which comprises the committee's report, the assets and liabilities statement as at 30 June 2024, the income and expenditure statement for the year then ended, cash flow statement, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the certification by members of the committee on the annual statements giving a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the association.

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Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The committee of Pambula Surf Life Saving Club Inc is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and has determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 is appropriate to meet the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 2009 (NSW) and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The committee's responsibility also includes such internal control as the committee determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We have conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the association's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report, in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the association's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Qualification

As is common for Clubs of this type, it is not practicable for the Pambula Surf Club Incorporated to maintain an effective system of internal control over cash receipts until their initial entry in the accounting records. Accordingly, our auditing relation to cash receipts was limited to amounts recorded.

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