NORTH AVOCA NEWS

19/12/2023



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I would like to congratulate our active members, Keiren Paull, Matt Slattery, Cassandra Bickhoff and Matt Sproll who have been awarded the National Medal and First Clasps for their sustained service and commitment to our Club and Surf Life Saving. This is a very prestigious award, which is awarded by the Australian Government. Thank you for all you do.



As we see out the final week of 2023 I'd like to say a sincere thankyou to our membership base that continue to selflessly contribute to our club. There is a really nice energy and community connection about the club at the moment, so I truly hope you all feel you are getting as much out of the club as what you are putting in. It was great to see so many of you at our Christmas party on Saturday. I also look forward to catching up with you at our summer sips, sounds and food nights through January. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our FONA's and sponsors for their continued support again this year. We simply couldn't do what we do without you.

As club president I am so proud of what we have achieved as a community again this year and look forward to many great things to come in 2024 and beyond. I also extend a big thankyou to the management committee for their

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efforts and achievements as club leaders both visibly and behind the scenes.

On behalf of the committee, I'd like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy new year.

If you make it to the beach on Christmas or boxing day please take the time to thank all the wonderful people volunteering at this time.

Please also note that the office will be closed from 1st January to 14th January 2024, please direct any urgent communications to myself at president@naslsc.com.au.

Stay safe, swim between the flags and enjoy the holiday period with family and friends.

Kim Findlay
President
president@naslsc.com.au

Director of Administration

Please note that the bar will be closed for the next two Sunday's (Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve) but will be reopening again for Sunday SIPs from 5pm - 7pm every Sunday through January. Please tell your friends, neighbours and holiday makers - SIPs is open to everyone... we've got a great new variety of alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks available and who doesn't love a \$7 Six Strings beer or a \$5 glass of house white, rose or sparkling overlooking the beach on a sunny Sunday afternoon! There are also some fantastic events planned through January as per the flyer below. We hope to see you there!

Wishing you all the very best for a lovely break and time with your families and friends - see you at the beach!

Penny Smith
Director of Administration / admin@naslsc.com.au

Education

Requals

Reminder that all requals need to be complete and in Surfguard before your proficiency expires on the 31st December 2023. If you are yet to complete all your components then please visit a patrol this weekend to do so. From the 1st Jan 2024 active members cannot patrol until they have completed their proficiencies. Don't forget the eleraning skills maintenance component.

Lifesaving

- The Summer holiday patrol hours started on the 16th Dec. AM Patrol 09:00am - 1:30pm & PM Patrol 1:30pm to 6:00pm
- Sat 23/12/23 AM Patrol 8, PM Patrol 1
- Sun 24/12/23 AM Patrol 9, PM Patrol 6
- Mon 25/12/23 Volunteers
- Tues 26/12/23 AM Patrol 5, PM patrol 10
- Reminder for all patrolling members to complete their online skills maintenance.
- Christmas Day patrol if you are available, even for 1hour please let me know with your preferred time.
- Lunch will be provided for Xmas Day Patrol



Have fun patrolling!

Josh Duggan Director of Lifesaving lifesaving@naslsc.com.au

Education Team / education@naslsc.com.au

Child Safe Commitment

As part of our clubs commitment to meeting the 10 'Child Safe Standards' we will be holding 2 kids workshops for the U6-U12 age groups on 20^{th} January 2024 (U6-U9 in the morning and U10-U12 in the afternoon).

During the workshops the kids can expect to:

- Learn about their rights and responsibilities as club members and what they can expect from the adults in the club.
- Play games and have snacks.
- Have the opportunity to give feedback about what they like and don't like about the club, and ideas for the future.
- Help produce a video resource that can be used to educate future years nippers.

This will help our Club meet the NSW Child Safe Standards

- Children participate in decisions affecting them and are taken seriously.
- Families and communities are informed and involved.

More information and the link to register will come out soon via your age managers.

Evelyn Dwyer Child Safe Coordinator childsafecoordinator@naslsc.com.au

Youth

We are currently in the process of finalising our NA youth camp for our U13 - U17 age groups, with our U19s in the role of youth facilitators. We will also have 2 guest youth facilitators from Branch assisting. There will be a lot of fun activities. I look forward to providing you with more details in the new year.

Save the Date – NA Youth Camp Saturday 17th Feb to Sunday 18th Feb 2024

Bailey Green Youth Representative Committee youthdevelopment.coordinator@naslsc.com.au

Surf Sports

Hey everyone,

Keeping things short and sweet for you all so you can get back to enjoying the Festive season!

MASTERS!!!

Club Champs will be January 28th 2024.

Start times and finer details to be confirmed soon, but lock in that date

That's all from me.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year,

Kane Hennessey
Director of Surf Sports
surfports@naslsc.com.au

Nippers

Interbranch representatives Kara and Ed: Congratulations to Kara U14's and Ed U12's for making the SLSCC interbranch team and their first Interbranch carnival where Central Coast placed second in NSW. Congratulations Kara and Ed and SLSCC. Well done.





Christmas Nippers day:

We have just had our very last day of nippers for this year on Saturday 16/12/24. Where the big man in the red suit paid a visit to all our nippers. What a great day it was with lots of activities and fun for the day. With the commando assault course, dodgeball, Lilypad and the best waterslide ever!

After all the activities Santa was spotted in the IRB out the back in the surf... long way to come from the North Pole to North Avoca in a IRB but he does it every year! There was lots of youthful hysteria on Santas arrival with lots of lollies to be given out on the beach. Santa then went up to hand out presents to all the "nice" kids. Turns out that all of the North Avoca Nippers are "nice", everyone got a present....not one lump of coal!

Thanks to all of the helpers that put it in a massive effort that made this day such a great day for the kids. It really was a big effort.









Whats on in the new year:

The last day of training for 2023 will be Thursday 21/12 and training will recommence in the new year on Tuesday 9/1/24.

Terrigal Carnival 14/1/24:

To start back in 2024 for the U8-U14's we have a carnival at Terrigal. Please let your age managers know if you want to go to this. U6 and U7's your nippers will recommence 21/1/24 in the new year.

Club Champs:

Our one and only club Champs is scheduled to be on the 28/1/24. This is for U8-U14's and the chance to get your name forever on the North Avoca Honour boards as club Champion!



24/2/24 Nippers Fun day:

We are off to Aquasplash again for a fun day of nippers at the Gosford water park. Information on this will be out in the new year.



Branch Championships: 4/2/24 at Umina Beach.

This is the carnival where we want as many as we can there to fly the North Avoca flag. This event is for all of Central Coast clubs only and is the big local event. Presentation at the club after.

State Championships 7-10 March 24:

This is the big one and one that North Avoca has always had a strong attendance. If your thinking of going to this talk with your age managers ASAP. We normally stay as a group at Narrabeen NRMA lakeside caravan park and have a fantastic team building few days. Need to get in quick for this though.



Hope you have all had a great year with North Avoca so far and we are looking forward to seeing you all next year and have a safe and wonderful Christmas and New year break. PS; Look out for the social days at the club over the holidays.

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Assistant JAC / nippers2@naslsc.com.au



12 JANUARY 2024 @ 6:00PM

FRIDAY SIPS

Golden Gozleme and live music from Ella Powell

19 JANUARY 2024 @ 6:00PM

FRIDAY SIPS

Woodfire Plzza and live music from Jane Germain

27 JANUARY 2024 @ 6:00PM

SATURDAY SIPS

Hollydene Wine Tasting, Moobi Burgers, Mr Goaty Gelato and live music from Ethan Beckton



NORTH AVOCA SURF LIFESAVING CLUB WELCOMES YOU TO SUMMER SIPS....

27TH OF JANUARY @ 5.30PM.

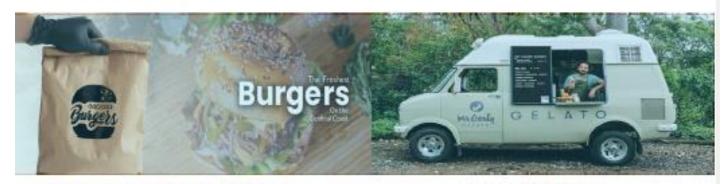
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