

ITHACA-CALOUNDRA CITY LIFE SAVING CLUB INC.

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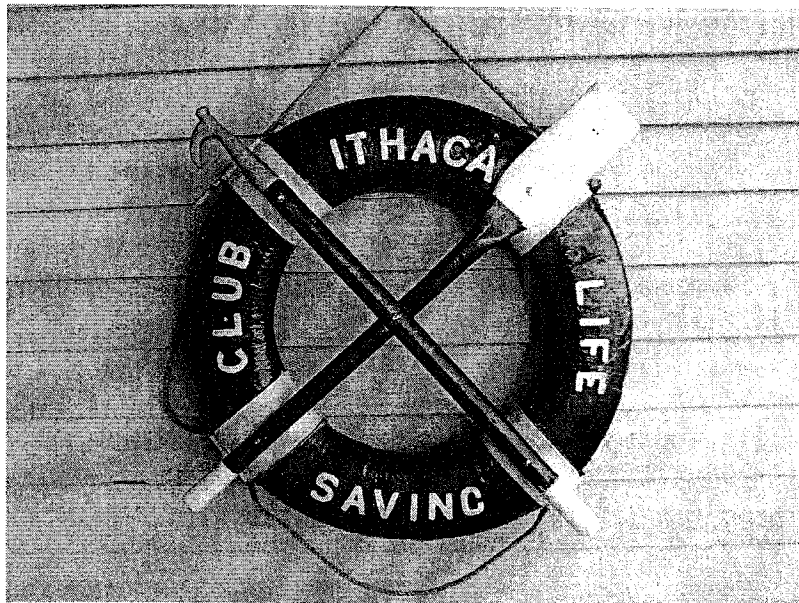
Affiliated with Royal Life Saving Society Queensland Incorporated

The Club has completed its fifty-sixth season.

MISSION STATEMENT

To achieve the highest level in the delivery of Aquatic Safety, Rescue and Emergency Care with the support of volunteer members within a family based environment.

ANNUAL REPORT



Club Captain's Report

This season has seen some interesting times, with our beach being re-developed by the council, thus limiting our access to the beach and patrols for approximately three months. Whilst the re-development was underway, we still managed to maintain a presence and still perform many rescues although the beach was officially closed. The beach re-opened on 5th December 2009.

Our club has contributed a staggering 3822 volunteer patrol hours for the Caloundra Community this past season, and I would like to thank all our members for their hard work and dedication. This figure does not include all the hours spent training etc.

It was also an interesting season with the wildlife that was rescued at our beach. We have rescued a turtle, sea bird, a stone fish and yellow faced whip snake.

The re-development also brought about changes in how we launched our Inflatable Rescue Boat (IRB). As our existing beach access for the IRB was taken away, we had to invent other ways to launch our IRB. Now we either take it to the boat ramp or use our newly purchased All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) to tow the boat to the beach.

This ATV has been extremely useful in other ways for the club. It has assisted us in maintaining a surveillance presence at the nearby Happy Valley. This is a very dangerous non-patrolled beach, which is frequented by many people on a daily basis.

With the recent Tsunami warning (February 2010), the ATV was vital in assisting members to warn the public of the Emergency Situation. The club performed almost 600 preventative actions on that day alone.

This season was also marred by the tragedy of the death of the English Tourist at Happy Valley in the week prior to the end of the season. Unfortunately she was not swimming in a patrolled area and by the time the council lifeguards were alerted and attended to her some time had passed. Our sympathies go out to her friends and families.

On a more positive note – we have a team of members going to Egypt in October this year for the World Life Saving Championships. This should be an exciting time.

Our Junior Lifeguard program continued to run this year, although in a somewhat smaller format. This was due to the fact that we could not operate when the beach was closed. The Juniors still enjoyed themselves and learnt many lifesaving skills.

The club's rookie program also continued, with seven members using this training program as a stepping stone towards becoming a full senior member of the club.

Lynda Barry
Club Captain

AWARDS

All available awards of The Royal Life Saving Society - Australia and the Club are listed, with Club awards gained shown.

	2009/10	2008/09	2007/08
Swim & Survive (from Water Discovery to Snr Swim & Survive)			28
Love 2 Swim Awards	18	20	
Lifesaving: Dry Rescue			
Wade Rescue			
Accompanied Rescue			
Bronze Star	10	23	7
Bronze Medallion	8	13	12
Grey Medallion	16	12	
Lifeguarding: Patrol Bronze Star			
Patrol Lifeguard			11
Pool Lifeguard			
Advanced Lifeguard			
IRB – Driver	1		7
IRB – Crew			7
Senior First Aid	10	19	23
Radio operator	12	4	6
ATV operator	8		
Advanced Lifesaving: Bronze Cross			
Award of Merit			
Distinction			
Diploma			
Resuscitation: Basic Resuscitation			
Resuscitation		19	23
Oxygen Resuscitation			
Oxy Equip Resus			
Semi Auto Defib.			
Nat Resus & Em Care			
Teaching: Instructor			
Teacher of Lifesaving			
Workplace Trainer			
First Aid Trainer			
Examiner: Level 1/2/3			
Oxygen Equipment			
RLMR: Crewman		12	
Able Crewman		7	
Advanced Crewman		7	
Skipper	1	3	
Advanced Skipper		1	
Captain		1	
	<u>84</u>	<u>141</u>	<u>124</u>

PATROLLING

This season the Club patrolled Bulcock Beach, Caloundra, weekends from 19 September 2009 to 3 May 2010 (22 Sept 2008 to 4 May 2009 last season). Patrols were conducted from 9.00am to 5.00pm and on occasions from 10.00am to 4.00pm.

The Club conducted official patrols over patrol weekends and all public holidays.

Summary of Patrol:

	2009/10	2008/09	2007/08	2006/07
Number of Patrol days	73	73	73	76
Total Patrol hours	589.25	653.25	542	521.5
Average hours of Patrol each day*	9 / 9.5			
Average person number on Patrol each day*	6 / 8			
Average rescue per Patrol day*	2.3/1.8			
Total volunteer hours provided	3,822			
Estimated attendance				
-beach	13,305	8,631		3,660
-water	7,590	13,417		4,413

*indicates a split with the first figure representing the first half of the patrol season (to 31st December) and the second figure representing the second half of the season.

The continued patrolling of the still waters of Caloundra between the Caloundra Bar and Golden Beach using rescue boats ensured a wide coverage of area with small numbers.

Patrols are overseen by:-

Club officials (Regular surprise inspections carried out)

The Royal Life Saving Society

Council Life Guards (Regular visits carried out by Council Lifeguard Supervisor)

Sunshine Coast Regional Council has a high involvement in the operations of the Club. Club officials have met with Council Officers on a number of occasions regarding beach issues, and the Club holds a Patrol Service Agreement with Council.

The Council life guard service on occasions visit the Club and provide feedback and advise regarding patrol activities. Council Beach Life Guards utilise the Club facilities and equipment for weekday beach patrols.

The three groups above ensure the quality of patrols is maintained to the highest standard. Every patrol has an allocated Patrol Captain who must be qualified for control of all of the patrol functions (i.e.: IRB, Radio, First Aid, etc)

Every member, while on patrol, must wear the Club patrol uniform, which consists of red shorts, yellow shirt and a quartered red and yellow skull cap.

Incidents for the season were as follows:

	2009/10	2008/09	2007/08	2006/07
First Aid	108	48	67	133
Rescues	17	24	11	26
Preventative Action	702	42	45	20
IRB - Rescues	94	99	70	59

All First aid cases are continued to be treated in the first aid room.

Due to the development of Bulcock Beach, the beach was closed until the 6th December 2009. Surveillance/standby patrols were completed during this time. Also patronage of the beach was extremely low and the Club was unable to commence patrols at the start of the season.

The tidal sweep of Pumicestone Passage continues to cause problems along Bulcock Beach; however the strong sweeps are more of a danger for those swimming to Bribie Island, and water craft users who get caught.

JUNIOR LIFEGUARD PROGRAM

The program

The Club commenced its Junior Life Guard Program (similar to Nippers) in 2002 and continued it again this season. The Program is a fun environment where games and competitions are used to teach the children:-

- Water Safety,
- Basic Rescue Techniques,
- Safe Swimming Habits,
- Basic Resuscitation, and
- Team work & responsibility

The program is conducted by members of the Club and all sessions (and children) are logged and tracked. Children progress through an introductory period of basic water safety; and will then progress through the 'Swim & Survive' (*Love 2 Swim*) series of awards. This progression would be expected to take between 1 and 4 years depending of the child's age and abilities. After the Swim & Survive awards, Junior Lifeguards are named as Cadet Lifeguards, and they aim for the 'Bronze Star' award, which is a rescue award similar to the Bronze Medallion. The target age for Bronze Star is 12 years old, and once Junior Lifeguards obtain their Bronze Star, they can assist with beach patrol duties.

As the program develops, new strands have been added, to cater for the changing demographics of membership. The season a Rookie Strand was added to the program, which includes members from 13 to 14 years.

Strands

Junior Aged 6 to 11 years old. Swim and Survive Series.

Cadet Aged 11 to 12 years old. Bronze Star award.

Rookie Aged 13 to 14 years old. Bronze Medallion and commence patrols.

The Junior LifeGuard Program conducts two training sessions each week:-

- Sunday morning at 8.00am (2 x 1 hour session) on Bulcock Beach
- Tuesday Evenings at 5.30pm (2 x 1 hour session) at Pathways, North Lakes

Junior Lifeguard Member's

Year	Junior	Cadet	Rookie	Total	% Increase
2002/3	20	Not/Applic.	Not Applicable	20	
2003/4	25	Not/Applic.	Not Applicable	25	25%
2004/5	32	Not/Applic.	Not Applicable	32	28%
2005/6	24	12	Not Applicable	36	13%
2006/7	22	16	Not Applicable	48	33%
2007/8	20	16	5	41	No increase
2008/09	14	15	6	35	No increase
2009/10	11	5	7	23	No increase

The Cadet strand was introduced in 05/06 season

The Rookie Strand was introduced in 07/08 season

ROYAL LIFE SAVING MARINE RESCUE (RLMR)

The Club has purchased an Aluminium Boat, primarily for use in the Caloundra passage area.

Due to our unique situation, many rescues the Club performs, involve water craft our Inflatable Rescue Boat whilst able to assist, are not suitable for rescue. A larger rigid hull boat would better site such situations. Funds towards the purchase were raised by members. It is also noted that SLSA no longer operate a Jet Boat from Maroochydore, which previously covered the southern end of the Sunshine Coast.

The boat will be launched in September 2008, at the beginning of the 2008/9 season.

It is appropriate to point out that the boat does not overlap with Coast Guard functions, which are more aligned to larger yachts and pleasure craft.

As the Club is accredited with DES, the boat complies with Part 5, Div 3 of the Maritime Safety Qld Licensing legislation, in that Skippers are required (as a minimum) to hold a recreational marine drivers licence (as is the case with IRBs), and Society certification for the boat.

All boat crew and skippers must complete additional training (in addition to holding a recreational marine drivers licence). Such training is a modular based program.

FOUNDATION

On 1 December 1992 the Club agreed to the formation of a FOUNDATION, with the following eleven goals and conditions:

1. The aim of the Foundation is the creation of a capital fund capable of generating an annual income, part of which will be used to maintain the operation of the patrolling activities of the Club.
2. The principle to be developed by the generation of funds from sources such as legacies, bequests, donations, fundraising activities specifically designated for the purpose and transfers as approved by the Management Committee from the Club's general funds and/or fundraising activities.
3. A principle amount of \$100,000 be the initial goal.
4. Annual distribution be restricted to a maximum of 50% of the annual income generated by the Foundation.
5. Decisions on the distribution to be made by the Management Committee.
6. The signatures for the Foundation accounts be the usual Club signatories.
7. The bank books and investment receipts remain in the custody of the Club's Honorary Treasurer.
8. All expenses directly attributable to the Foundation be paid out of the Foundation.
9. All donations/bequests to the Foundation be acknowledged in the Club's Annual Report.
10. The Foundation's funds to be available to the Club general account on a loan basis, only in times of extreme financial hardship and with the approval of the Club's Management Committee.
11. These Foundation conditions to form part of the Club's By-Laws, and as such, can only be altered or repealed as per Rule 2\5 of the Club's Rules (Constitution).

On 13 May 1993 the Club started the Foundation with \$10,000 and continued with further investments.

FUNDRAISING

The Management Committee agreed to provide a fundraising encouragement trophy to the member who raised the most funds for the club during the season.

1999/00	Paul Barry
2002/03	Bruce Cowling
2003/04	(not awarded)
2004/05	(not awarded)
2005/06	(not awarded)
2006/07	(not awarded)
2007/08	(not awarded)
2008/09	Lynda Barry
2009/10	Patricia Barry

OFFICE BEARERS

Patron: Mr Mark McArdle MP
 Vice Patrons: Coun. Tim Dwyer
 Coun. Peter Slipper

President: Mr Jeffrey Phillips *
 Deputy President: Mrs Lynda Barry *
 Secretary: Mrs Patricia Barry *
 Treasurer: Mr Paul Barry *
 Club Captain: Mrs Lynda Barry*
 Chief Instructor: Mr Robert Reid *

Registrar/Recorder: Mr Sam Coxeter
 Clubhouse Director: Mr Robbie Schwartz
 Gear Steward: Mr Adam Smyth
 Club Vice Captains: Ms Andrea Theis
 Mr Robbie Schwartz
 Deputy Chief Instructor: Ms Jeannie Baxter-Reid FRLSS
 Communication Officer: Mr Jeffrey Phillips
 Publicity Officer: (vacant)
 Rookie Co-ordinator: Mr Adam Smyth
 Jr L/guard Administrator: Mrs Lynda Barry
 Jr L/guard Co-ordinator: Mr Paul Barry

Elected Committee Members: Mr Anthony Barry

Vice Presidents: Mr John McClelland AMSM, CRLSS
 Mr Rod Welford
 Mr Russell Green Dip RLSS, FRLSS
 Mr Scott Brady
 Mr Michael Darben DipRLSS, ARLSS, ASO

* Management Committee members.

Auditor: Mr James McClelland DipRLSS, CRLSS
 McClelland & Associates

MEMBERS

Following is a list of current financial members, excluding Life Members and Office Bearers.

Paid Members

Nicolas Anning	Will Arber-Colmer
Samantha Barry	Brad Clegg
Sarah Clegg	Jackie Clarke
Courtney Jeffs	Kim Jeffs
Alliyah Highton	Chris Mahon
Paul Seto	Jakam Smyth
Jake Theis	

Junior Members

Laura Barry	Conrad Boshoff
Gustav Boshoff	Leone Boshoff
Nathan Burandt	Nicholas Burandt
Jacob Cross-Pitcher	Alice Green
Emma Green	Jessica Green
Ashlee Higson	Brittney Jeffs
Gemma Koda	Jarad Smyth
Jesse Smyth	Kurt Theis
Gabrielle Wilson	Izaac Wilson

LIFE MEMBERS

1961	Mr George Marr	+
1979	Mr John McClelland AMSM, CRLSS	
1982	Mr Ben Williams	
1983	Miss Bronwyn McClelland	
1984	Mr James McClelland DipRLSS, CRLSS	
1985	Mr Robert Stinson CRLSS	+
1989	Mr Stephen Pearl	
1990	Mr Stephen Skinner	
1991	Mrs Ann McClelland	+
1993	Mrs Yvette Skinner	
1996	Mr Scott Conway	
1999	Mr Paul Barry	
2000	Mr Jeffrey Phillips	
2003	Mr Mathew Schneider	
2004	Mrs Helen Morris CRLSS	
2009	Mrs Lynda Barry	

CLUB TROPHIES

JUNIOR LIFEGUARD

Junior Lifeguard of the Year

(Mark McArdle Bursary Award)

For continued and outstanding performance and teamwork by a junior lifeguard.

2002/03	Amy Mitchell
2003/04	(not awarded)
2004/05	Emma Kobez
2005/06	Louisa Cools
2006/07	Lauren Deagon & Jake Robinson
2007/08	Sarah Mannion
2008/09	Jake Theis
2009/10	Izaak Wilson

Most Improved Award

2004/05	Amy Mathers
2005/06	Sean McNevin
2006/07	Alice Green & Emma Green
2007/08	Laura Barry
2008/09	Jack Mannion
2009/10	Gemma Koda

Life Saving Skills Award (Juniors)

2004/05	Louisa Cools
2005/06	Jake Theis
2006/07	Issac Wilson
2007/08	Emma Green
2008/09	(not awarded)
2009/10	Kurt Theis

Life Saving Skills Award (Cadets)

2005/06	Lauren Deagon
2006/07	Samantha Barry & Jake Theis
2007/08	Chris Mahon
2008/09	Alliyah Higton/Chris Mahon/Jack Webb
2009/10	Alice Green

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

2008/09	Samantha Barry
2009/10	Chris Mahon

CLUB TROPHIES**SECRETARY'S ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD**

(Donated by Helen Morris)

For overall Club "encouragement".

1992/93	Hannah Gadsden
1996/97	(not awarded)
1997/98	Aaron Dahm
1998/99	Corey Dahm
1999/00	Sarah Dahm
2000/01	(not awarded)
2001/02	(not awarded)
2002/03	Tracey James
2003/04	(not awarded)
2004/05	(not awarded)
2005/06	Michael Smith
2006/07	Paula Preston & Nick Robinson
2007/08	Angela Keegan
2008/09	Sam Coxeter
2009/10	Paul Seto

SENIOR LIFEGUARD OF THE YEAR

(Mark McArdle Bursary Award)

2005/06	Isaac Cox
2006/07	Jim Connelly
2007/08	Robert Schwartz
2008/09	Robert Reid
2009/10	Sam Coxeter

CLUB TROPHIES

THE PRESIDENT'S SHIELD

(Donated by Brian Davis MLA)

For continued and outstanding contribution at "coast/patrolling activities".

1979/80	Stephen Skinner
1980/81	Bronwyn McClelland
1981/82	(not awarded)
1982/83	Gordon Palmer & Adam Musial
1983/84	Yvette Barry & Michael Madden
1984/85	Michael Madden
1985/96	Stephen Pearl
1986/87	Paul Barry
1987/88	(not awarded)
1988/89	Catherine Stumer
1989/90	Karen Miles/Paul Hudson
1990/91	Jeffrey Phillips
1991/92	Scott Conway
1992/93	Mathew Schneider
1993/94	Salina Currie
1994/95	Mark Riken/Salina Currie
1995/96	Salina Currie
1996/97	(not awarded)
1997/98	(not awarded)
1998/99	Brendan O'Shea & Tony Spriggs
1999/00	(not awarded)
2000/01	(not awarded)
2001/02	(not awarded)
2002/03	Matthew Kay
2003/04	(not awarded)
2004/05	Bob Sims
2005/06	Jeffrey Phillips
2006/07	Brad Clegg & Paul Seto
2007/08	Diane Clegg
2008/09	Robert Schwartz
2009/10	Robert Schwartz

CLUB TROPHIES

McCLELLAND TROPHY

(Donated by the McClelland family)

For most patrols undertaken by cadets.

2006/07	Sam Coxeter
2007/08	Samantha Barry
2008/09	Jake Theis
2009/10	Brittany Jeffs

DARELLE RENEW TROPHY

(Donated by friends of the late Darelle Renew(nee Stubbs) – club captain from 1967 to 1969)

For the most all-round member.

2009/10 Jeffrey Phillips



Reel & Line Squad, 1969 Bronze Medallion

Back row – Denis Robinson (instructor), Christine Day, Pamela Gammon, Lindsay Logan (instructor)
Front row – Wendy Ratcliffe, **DARELLE STUBBS**, Kerry Williams, Elizabeth Diggles

CLUB TROPHIES**PATRON'S CUP**

(Donated by Joe Venning)

For continued and outstanding contribution at "pool training".

1969/70	Angela Perry
1970/71	Angela Perry
1971/72	Linda Gallagher/James McClelland/Doug Hawly
1972/73	Judith Godwin
1973/74	Bronwyn McClelland
1974/75	(not awarded)
1975/76	(not awarded)
1976/77	(not awarded)
1977/78	(not awarded)
1978/79	Peter Bell
1979/80	Leah Doyle
1980/81	(not awarded)
1981/82	Stephen Pearl
1982/83	Michael Madden
1983/84	Paul Barry
1984/85	Scott Conway
1985/86	Jose Zahran
1986/87	Catherine Stumer
1987/88	(not awarded)
1988/89	Simon Johnson
1989/90	Tom Dunstan/Benjamin Kells
1990/91	Karen Morris/Claire Morris
1991/92	(not awarded)
1992/93	Claire Morris
1993/94	(not awarded)
1994/95	Graham Meiforth/Bianca Spraggon
1995/96	(not awarded)
1996/97	(not awarded)
1997/98	Kerrie Bell/Tegan Bell
1998/99	Natasha Selwood
1999/00	(not awarded)
2000/01	(not awarded)
2001/02	(not awarded)
2002/03	Lynda Barry
2003/04	(not awarded)
2004/05	Matthew Warner
2005/06	(not awarded)
2006/07	Andrea Theis
2007/08	Andrea Theis
2008/09	Adam Smyth
2009/10	Kim Jeffs

Champions

In 1960 George Marr, Ken O'Connell and Denise Venning prepared a trial constitution for the Club. Under the heading "Club Championships" the paragraph read "It is Club's policy that no Championship be held for members, but rather to encourage members to become proficient in lifesaving techniques. The acquisition of the Diploma entitles the holder to wear the Club's Honour Blazer thereby signifying their Championship status within the club.". The Diploma of the Society was instituted in the United Kingdom in 1896.

With changes to the Club's constitution from 22nd August 1985 the Club Championship paragraph has been moved from the Rules to the By-laws and reads "It is the Club's policy to encourage members to become proficient in lifesaving techniques.".

With only forty-two Queenslanders awarded the Diploma of the Royal Life Saving Society, it is still an achievement when a Club member gains this award. The following members have gained the Diploma.

Lewis Maguire	1962
James McClelland	1993
Glyn Reinbott	1996
Shane Roberts	1997
Claire Morris	1998

Other members who have gained the Diploma either under a different organisation (eg school or police) or after leaving the Club were: A Ball (1962), F Clifford (1962), J Marr (1996), G Meijer (1991) and R Green (1997).



*1962 presentation by George Marr (L)
to Lewis Maguire (R)
of a coffee jug for being the first Club
member to gain the
Society's Diploma*



Boardwalk renovations November 2009

