

2009-2010 SEASON

The EnergyAustralia Awards of Excellence were held on the 10th July 2009. What a great night, thank you to all nominees, award winners and members for your attendance.

The following is a list of Award winners.

Lifesaver of the Year - John Wilson Cooks Hill Nominees were Graeme Webb, Troy Hartup, Andrew Scott, Callan Nickerson, Narelle Blick, Steve Cook, Charlie Bugbird, Drew Morgan, Tracey Dawkings, Wesley Bax

John Pearson Assessor of the Year - Robert Duff Birubi, **Presidents Award** - Drew Morgan Redhead,

Trainer of the Year - Kathryn Donnelly Nobbys, **Official of the Year** - Steve Marley CHB

Administrator of the Year - Ross Bowmaker - Caves Beach, **Coach of the Year** - Mat Kent & Troy Blatchford Redhead,

Rookie of the Year - Holly Whitton Nobbys, **Team of the Year** - Under 15 Board Relay Team (Matt Fairbairn, Isaac Morgan, Jay Sullivan)

Masters Team of the Year - Board Rescue Team - Redhead (Tim Foran & Mat Kent)

Boat Crew of the Year - U/23 Female Crew Cooks Hill (Hayley Beckerleg, Sarah Hill, Michael Evans, Anne Marie Gibson, Samantha Hewitt)

IRB Crew of the Year - Caves Beach (Scott Bryant, Rosalyn Ricketts, Mark Van Huisstede)

Open Male Surf - Stewart McLachlan Redhead **Open Female Surf** - Nikki Chapman S/Belmont

U/19 Male Surf - Michael Booth Redhead **U/19 Female Surf** - Laura Higgins Redhead

U/17 Male Surf - Sam Earp S/Belmont **U/17 Female Surf** - Kirsty Waugh - S/Belmont

U/15 Male Surf - Isaac Morgan Redhead **U/15 Female Surf** - Jessica Collins Redhead

Open Male Beach - Michael Waghorn Caves Beach **Open Female Beach** - Lisa Wright S/Belmont

U/19 Male Beach - Troy Ham S/Belmont **U/17 Female Beach** - Marnie Robertson S/Belmont

U/15 Male Beach - Sam McIntosh S/Belmont **Pool Rescue Competitor Female** - Sjana Earp Cooks Hill

Surf Board Riding Competitor Male - Matt Rawson S/Belmont

Male Masters Competitor - Mark Woodcock Merewether **Female Masters Competitor** - Dale Mowbray S/Belmont

Scott Mason Ironman Award - Brendan Pullen Redhead

A 2009/2010 Calendar has been put on the website. This document is being updated continually [Click Here](#)

LIFESAVING:

Attention all IRB Captains: All Clubs should be aware of their Legal Obligations regarding Vessel Registrations. [Click Here](#)

CHANGE OF DATE: Attention all Club Captains, Support Services, Duty Officers and District Supervisors this seasons Lifesaving Conference will be held on the 23rd September 2009 commencing at 6pm. Please RSVP to the Branch Office

Clubs are reminded that if they participate in any event outside of Surf Lifesaving, Water safety, people power etc you **must** lodge a **Special Event Form** to cover your members with Insurance. These can be downloaded from our website [click here](#) these forms have been updated so please read carefully.

CLUB DEVELOPMENT:

CHANGE OF DATE: A Management Plan Meeting for all Club Presidents and their Executives will now be held on the 20th August 2009 commencing at 6pm at the Hunter Branch Office RSVP Kate Preston 4961 4533

MEMBER SERVICES: Meeting will be held on the 10th August 2009 commencing at 6pm for all Junior Organisers to be inducted so they can help out with their Junior Proficiencies.

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT:

Along with Club Registration Dates there will be one common Registration Day for new members which will be advertised on Clubs behalf - Date: 30th August 2009 10am to 12pm

Attention all Junior Coordinators and Age Managers: There will be 2 Age Managers Training Courses being conducted within the Branch. The Course will include, a session on the Junior Resource Kit, practical beach and water sessions and a brief discussion on Officials. Courses will be held at Swansea Belmont for Catherine Hill Bay, Caves Beach, Swansea Belmont, Redhead, Cooks Hill, Dixon Park and Merewether on the 20th September 2009 and at Stockton for TGHN, Fingal, Birubi, Stockton, Nobbys, Newcastle, on the 27th September 2009. RSVP to Kate Preston is required by the 4th September 2009.

SENIOR FIRST AID:

Senior First Aid Courses are being held at Redhead SLSC conducted by Scott & Sheree Young - Phone contact 0422 734 834

If your Club has sufficient numbers to complete a Senior First Aid Course/Refresher this can be arranged to be done at your Club.

SLS NSW Training & Education Officer - Linda Miles will conduct a Senior First Aid course on Friday 14th August 2009 commencing at 9am to be conducted at the Hunter Branch Office, Tighes Hill.

All enquiries for SLSNSW Training information please call directly to Linda on Mobile No: 0409 075 620

CIRCULARS AND MEMOS FROM SLSNSW:

The following link to SLSNSW will allow members to keep updated with all the latest information: <http://www.surflifesaving.com.au/>

EDUCATION:

All Trainers and Assessors please note the Annual Education Conference and SOPs update will be held on **Sunday 30th August 2009 commencing at 9am. Registrations are needed, please contact the office.**

For further information on courses and meetings to be held within the Hunter Branch, please check our website:

Registrations are needed for all the following courses to take place as Resources have to be made up, please contact the Hunter Branch Office: 4961 4533 or email info@hsls.org.au

Spinal Management Course - 19th October 2009 - per zone

Defibrillator Course - 21st October 2009 - per zone

Basic Beach Management - Course 1 - 1st & 2nd September 2009 (evening course) Course 2 - 19th September 2009 (day course) - per zone

Trainers Course - 24th October 2009 To be held at Tighes Hill

Assessors Course - 13th, 14th & 15th November to be held at Tighes Hill

Advanced Emergency Care - 2nd & 4th November 2009 To be held at Tighes Hill

SURF SPORTS:

The Australian IRB Championships commence on the 24th July 2009 at Kawana Waters on the Sunshine Coast - Good luck to the Caves Beach contingency, may the fumes be with you.

SOME IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

Surf Sports Calendar - [Click here](#) (This is a live document changes will be made, please check regularly)

Pool Rescue Challenge - 2nd August 2009 - For information flyer please check our website:

<http://www.hsls.org.au/surfsports-carnivalinformation.html> or contact Kate at the Hunter Branch Office 4961 4533

Officials are also required. Entries close 29th July 2009

There will be a **Level 1 Surf Coaching Course** on the 25th & 26th September 2009.

March Past Clinic - 13th September 2009 Commencing at 10.30am to 2.30pm at Caves Beach SLSC [Click Here](#)

Expressions of Interest are being called for the next **Officials Course** which will be held on the 27th & 28th October 2009

Please complete the Application Form [CLICK HERE](#) and return to the Hunter Branch Office. Expressions of Interest are also being called for the Hunter Branch Team Managerial positions. Please contact Kate Preston - 4961 4533

For all Surf Sports Information please check the Hunter Branch Website, as we are updating the site continually