



PORT BOUVARD

SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

ANNUAL REPORT

2024 - 2025

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CLUB HISTORY

The Port Bouvard Surf Lifesaving Club commenced patrols at Pyramids Beach in Dawesville on 18 December 2003. At that time, it started with 21 members of which 9 were active on patrol. The following season, in November 2004, the Club commenced a Nipper's program with 18 children aged between 5 and 13 years of age.

On 26 May 2006 the Club gained full affiliation with Surf Life Saving Western Australia (SLSWA). Since that time the Club has gone from strength to strength and is now recognised as a functional Surf Club that is successfully providing a range of services in the Peel Region. These services include patrols and public safety, training and education for members and the general public, competition fitness and health programs; and social interaction.

The Port Bouvard Surf Lifesaving Club is one of 31 Surf Lifesaving Clubs throughout Western Australia, and in the nearby area the Club interrelates with Mandurah, Secret Harbour and Coogee Surf Lifesaving Clubs.

The ground floor (stage one) construction of the clubrooms at Pyramids Beach was completed in March 2010. The first floor (stage two) construction was completed in July 2019. The addition of a second storey to the clubrooms has proven popular with the Mandurah community with a wide range of events being held and raising valuable funds for the club.





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CLUB VALUES

Trust | Honesty | Integrity | Respect | Pride
Innovation | Accountability | Vigilance

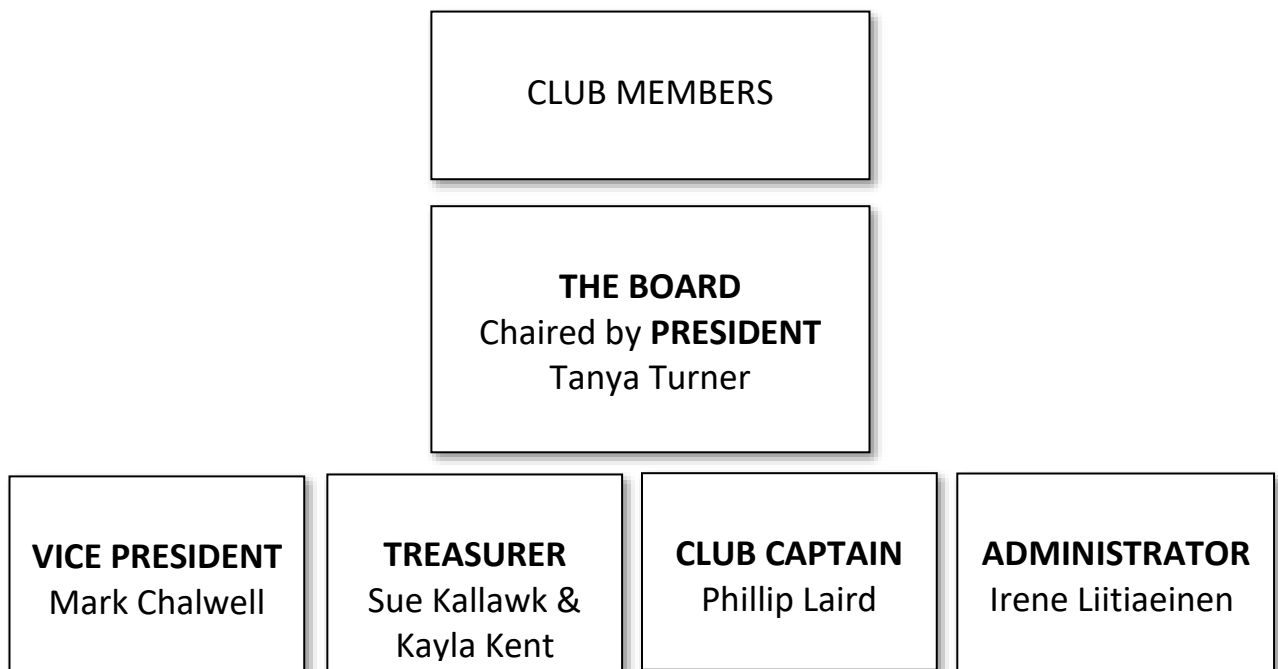
CLUB VISION AND OBJECTIVES

- To maintain efficient patrolling of the beach under the control of the Club
- To ensure the most effective methods of rescuing persons in distress, and the resuscitation of the apparently drowned by study and practice of the methods of Surf Life Saving as taught by Surf Life Saving Australia Limited
- To provide for the recreational, social, sporting and educational needs of members
- To be recognised within the City of Mandurah as an authority and provider on matters related to beach and aquatic safety management
- To be financially sustainable.



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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2024 - 2025 SEASON



CLUB POSITION HOLDERS

Director of Education	Jeff Kallawk
Director of Lifesaving	Melissa Martyn
Director of Surfsports	Alanna Gardner-Bell
Director of Membership	Kelsey Black
Nippers Coordinator	Luise Wilkinson
Gear Shed Officers	Leo Griffith & Tyler Kallawk
First Aid Officer	Melissa & Jamie Martyn
Merchandise Officer	Nicole Martin
Grievance Officer	Murray Horbury
Grants Officer	Murray Horbury
Social Media	Luise Wilkinson & Alanna Gardner-Bell
Newsletter & Website	Irene Liitiaainen
Cut 2 Club	Jeff Kallawk



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Membership Report – *Kelsey Black*

Total memberships at Port Bouvard Surf Lifesaving Club for the season 2024/2025 was 315.

This season our membership numbers have unfortunately decreased from last season.

Nipper numbers are still making up the majority of membership numbers within the club and hopefully will rise in the coming seasons.

The Open and Come & Try Day was a success with the most of our new members joining up on this day. These days wouldn't happen without everyone jumping in a volunteering their time. Special thanks to Luise for running the come and try sessions for our new members to see what we are all about at Port Bouvard SLSC.

Surf babies also had a great season with two six-week programs running. Zoe did great for her first time running surf babies. The children really enjoyed their mornings with her.

315 TOTAL ACTIVE MEMBERS

129	Junior Active Members	5 - 13 years
16	Cadets Active Members	13 - 15 years
13	Active Youth Members	15 - 18 years
32	Senior Active Members	18+ years
77	General Members	
2	Award Member	
6	Life Members	
31	Other	
9	Leave / Restricted	





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President's Report – *Tanya Turner*

As we wrap up another season, we reflect on a largely smooth and successful year – albeit not without a bit of action along the way!

From the rescue of a young boy off the rocks, to the surfing related bite incident of one of our junior members, who thankfully has recovered well, these incidents remind us of the importance of our skills and vigilance.

On a more celebratory note, we're proud to congratulate Zoe Martin, recipient of the Youth Club Achiever Award and Ethan Price, awarded the Nipper Club Achiever for 2024/25. Their commitment and enthusiasm reflect the best of what our club represents.

Our valued partnership and patronage with Lisa Munday and the Labour Party continues to grow stronger. We're delighted to share that, with Lisa's successful re-election, we have secured a Federal Government Grant of \$100,000 to support the upgrades and equipment need to complete our first-floor kitchen. While progress has been steady rather than swift, work has been ongoing behind the scenes, and we're excited to be able to secure the funding needed to complete this project.

This season 104 drownings were reported across Australia, with over 30% occurring at beaches. This stark figure underscores the importance of the lifesaving skill we teach and uphold at Port Bouvard. We extend congratulations to everyone who achieved and award or continued their development through Surf Life Saving this season. We're proud to welcome our new bronze medallion holders, new Surf Rescue Certificate recipients and our new IRB crew. I look forward to seeing you on the beach.

This year marked the 6th anniversary of the Cut 2 Club Swim, which introduced a 5km course for the first time. Unfortunately, weather conditions only allowed the 2.25km swim to proceed, but we're optimistic about the excitement and competition the new distance will bring in the future. We were also honoured to welcome Premier Roger Cook for his inaugural Cut 2 Club swim.

As we farewell our long-standing café operator, we extend our best wishes and heartfelt thanks for their contribution. The board is enthusiastic about the future, with discussions underway around the expansion of café operations – stay tuned for some exciting developments.

Finally, I want to sincerely thank the Directors, members and especially the Board for your kind words and support following the announcement of my stepping down as President. It has been an incredible journey, at times thrilling at times daunting, but always rewarding. I am proud of what we've accomplished together and excited for what lies ahead.

Here's to another strong, safe and spirited season ahead.



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CLUB CAPTAINS REPORT – *Phillip Laird*

Completing a second year as Club Captain has given me a great sense of accomplishment; in what we've set out to do, delivered and even added on top of what a normal patrol year would have normally been asked for.

A comment from Cam Robbins (Lifesaving Department Manager SLSWA) on an abalone patrol stuck with me "Every life saved has the value of \$1.5 million to the community". While I'm not as quick to value a life in dollars, I preferred to look at this as an indication of the value we as a club can and do return to our community on an annual and ongoing basis. This is a contribution made on the back of volunteer hours that we, as members of the club, all contribute to.

These activities are across all areas of our operations; from coaching and mentoring our nippers in their development and supporting them at carnivals; delivering contracted patrol hours to the Mandurah City Council; providing water safety and first aid to numerous school and community events; training and developing our members to improve our service; and maintaining our equipment to always be rescue ready.

I'm certain that for every one of our logged 2,057 hours of patrol this year, there were just as many non-patrol related hours given so generously to support the club. For everyone who was able to contribute their time, my appreciation and thanks for doing so.

The appreciation and value aspect, which is well deserved, is part of what I hope that our volunteers get from the club. In groups, like on patrol or in training, I enjoy seeing the camaraderie formed. This tells me we also come here for the people and PBSLSC is the people.

I would like to recognise our Gear Shed Officers, and trainers, Tyler and Leo, for their time and contribution this year. Taking on both these roles between them, they have kept our shed and gear in order, trained new patrolling members and upskilled others. Taking on challenges like these is something I'd like to put to all. The surf club is a great environment to try out leadership, mentoring or gaining a new skill; and in doing so, it will make our club more successful.

These are all thoughts I'd like everyone to take into the next patrolling season. This will mean that we'll not only have a successful season but will sustain PBSLS well into the future.

Once again, thanks for the season and see you on the sand in October.



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DIRECTOR OF LIFE SAVING – *Melissa Martyn*

Another successful Open Day with 13 members volunteering to patrol and high numbers of children participating in the Come and Try sessions on the beach. The challenging water conditions kept our lifesavers busy, and we had our first rescues for the season.

Conditions this season were variable with some interesting days of rips and under currents, even the first Nippers session involved a rescue. A total of 10 rescues were undertaken throughout the season.

I would like to thank our wonderful lifesavers who give up their Sundays to volunteer to keep our beaches safe.

In addition to patrolling, our club is actively involved in a variety of community events. This year we provided lifesaving services at the following events:

- City of Mandurah Music under the bridge
- South Halls Head Primary School first aid
- The Duel
- Madora Bay Primary School beach carnival
- MCC beach day at San Remo and Doddis
- Falcon Lions Club kids fishing competition
- City of Mandurah Crabfest

My sincere thanks to those members that always reply to the call out for help and big thanks to our Cut 2 Club Committee and water safety team. A special mention and thanks to Julia, Hamish and Alex for helping with water safety at Peel Regional Championships.

Abalone Patrols are an integral part of ensuring the safety of the community, thanks to Phil for coordinating these patrols this season.

Falcon Bay patrols are fun relaxed patrols but are important during the busy holiday period, thanks to Jim, Jen and Deb.





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DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION – *Jeff Kallawk*

Education during the 2024/2025 season saw the addition of members newly qualified with:

- Surf Rescue Certificate
- Bronze Medallion
- IRB Crew

Watching our previous years' Nippers step up to complete their Surf Rescue Certificate (SRC) brings with it a newfound responsibility and participation in patrol, allowing them to give back to the club and Nippers program through provision of water safety and patrol duties. Additionally, previous SRC holders and Nipper parents progress to complete their Bronze Medallion, opening up access to further training opportunities with the Surf Life Saving world.

The participation of these member in the combined course was conducted over 6-8 weekends and involved a great amount of commitment and effort by the candidates to achieve their awards; involving both dry skills, including radio operations and first aid; and numerous water sessions to expose them to beach safety, tube and board rescues. Each candidate successfully completed their respective course and all should be proud of the achievement they have attained.

Further to this, a number of members stepped forward to undertake the IRB crew course, run locally as a mixed course with members from Mandurah joining in. Again, it was great to see the level of commitment and effort put in by all the candidates, turning up week after week at the crack of dawn to get hours in the boat, with exposure to all manner of conditions including some pretty big surf. Proudly, once again, each of the candidates was successful in completing the course, adding to the patrol capacity for both Port Bouvard and Mandurah SLSCs. It was also great to see the companionship and comradery between our clubs with the whole team just getting along and getting it done.

This helps greatly for inter-club activities like abalone patrols, competition water safety and events like our Cut 2 Club swim.

Surf Rescue Certificate	Bronze Medallion	IRB Crew
Indiana Chalwell	Zachary Hlaing	Koby Birkin
Scarlet Dunlop	Ben Kent	Abbey Burnham
Thomas Hlaing	Julia Liitiaainen	Chloe Damhuis
Banjo Sawyer		Alexander Gardner
Freddie Sudholz		Hamish Gardner
		Zachary Hlaing
		Joel Kallawk
		Euan Laird



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Also requiring mention here is the efforts of those that assisted in running the courses, providing water safety for all courses and drivers for the IRB crew course. Thanks here go to Tyler Kallawk, Leo Griffith, Phil Laird, Mark Chalwell, Mark Delopulos and Marcus Martin

Special mention needs to also go to Tyler Kallawk and Leo Griffith, who between them drove the enthusiasm to get the courses off the ground and run. Congratulations to both young men who have now successfully attained their Bronze Medallion and SRC trainers' qualifications, with both also completing the training requirements to be IRB crew trainers.

In a club of volunteers, it takes dedication from members to step forward and upskill to be trainers, and similarly candidates to step up and be trained, with everyone learning new skills and helping build what our surf club has become. It is only with this commitment that the fabric of the club stays intact which allows us to serve our communities well.

So please, if you have toyed with the idea of getting your SRC or Bronze or are interested in completing any other course moving forward, please contact your Director of Education and express an interest as it's only viable to run a course when enough candidates are keen.

The skills are valuable for patrol, helping nippers and surf sports and allow the club to help with water safety requirements at surf sports competitions being attended. Parents of nippers and the surf sports team are encouraged to get involved. Similarly, the qualifications look great in a CV and demonstrate a willingness to volunteer, which goes a long way with prospective employers.

Hope to see you all next year. Stay safe in the off-season.





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Woodside Nippers Report - Luise Wilkinson

The 2024/2025 Season kicked off really well. The Nipper packs were handed out during the Open Day and also the week before Nippers started. The conditions were pretty good throughout the season with only a couple of Sundays with big swells. We had quite a few nice 'flat' Sundays which was perfect for board training.

We started off with 9 Age Managers and was able to recruit 4 more as the season progressed. A big thank you to our wonderful Age Managers for volunteering their time each Sunday. They were even keen to dress up in inflatable costumes and race against each other on the last day of the season!

Nipper numbers were on par with the season before (see membership report) with bigger numbers in the U6-U8 groups.

Challenges were, we was not able to hold a NRC course for new members due to trainer availability. This is something that needs to be done at the beginning of each season.

Equipment was checked at the start of the season and quite a few new body boards and foamies were unwrapped for the season. It would be good to purchase new obstacle course equipment for next season. A recent donation from Mr Wally Walters will help to purchase whats needed.





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AWARD RECIPIENTS 2024 - 2025

Best Patrolling Lifesaver
Jamie Martyn

Best Club Officer
Irene Liitiaainen

Junior Development Award
Mahi Davies

Best Non-Patrolling Member
Team Price - Ginny & Mark Price

Best New Club Member
Benjamin Kent

Best Instructor
Jeff Kallawk

Outstanding contribution to Surf Sports
Alanna Gardner Bell

Volunteer of the Year
Luise Wilkinson

Club Captains Award
Tyler Kallawk

Best Club Member
Helen Steffen

Most Patrol Hours Senior Male
Phillip Laird

Most Patrol Hours Senior Female
Melissa Martyn

Hodges Family Youth Most Patrol Hours Male
Leo Griffith

Hodges Family Youth Most Patrol Hours Female
Abbey Burnham

Club Champion Male Under 17
Hamish Gardner

SLSWA Nipper Club Achiever Award
Ethan Price

SLSWA Youth Club Achiever Award
Zoe Martin

Most Promising Youth Female U15
Scarlett Dunlop

Most Promising Youth Male U15
Frederick Sudholz

Most Promising Youth Female U17
Abbey Burnham

Most Promising Youth Male U17
Hamish Gardner





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5 Years National Patrol Service

Hiroko Cording
Leo Griffith
Ben Hlaing
Tyler Kallawk
Phillip Laird
Michael Liitainen
Jamie Martyn
Samira Storey

10 Years National Patrol Service

Mark Delopulos
Eric Fawcett
John Hodges
Jeff Kallawk
Sue Kallawk
Lara Martin
Marcus Martin
Melissa Martyn
Jane Thomas

50 Years National Patrol Service

Jim Delopulos

500 Patrol Hours

Tanya O'Brien
Melissa Martyn
Marcus Martin
Reece Smith









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MINUTES OF 2024 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



Minutes of the 2024 Annual General Meeting on 21 July 2024
Ground floor function room, Port Bouvard SLSC, Southport Boulevard, Dawesville

Director of Surf Sports	Alana Gardiner Bell
Director of Youth	TBA
Director of Membership	Kelsey Black

Position Holders

Member Safety and Wellbeing Officer (MSEO)	Murray Horbury
Junior Officer (Nippers Coordinator)	Luise Wilkinson
First Aid Officer	Vacant
Gear Officer	Leo Griffith & Tyler Kallawk
Patrol Captains	TBC
Ski Captain	Vacant
Coaching Coordinator	Vacant
Newsletter Editor	Vacant
Publicity Officer	Vacant
Website Officer	Vacant
Social Officer	Vacant
Merchandise Officer	Vacant
Approved Bar Manager	TBC
Cut2Club	Jeff Kallawk

Club Patrons

Lisa Munday, Jeff Kallawk and John Hodges were proposed as Patrons of the Club. Tany Turner will confirm acceptance with each person.

9. Endorsement of membership fees

It was endorsed that the membership fees remain the same as for the previous season 2023/2024.

10. General business

Café

A proposal from the Pizza Project for running the café at the club was made available for participants to review.

Pyramids café as the current café tenant has expressed an interest to continue for the upcoming season.

Club events

Luise Wilkinson asked for feedback and assistance from club members in planning and organising club events. Irene Liitiaainen will work with Luis to send a survey to all club members asking what events they would like to see at the club and ask for volunteers.

William Liitiaainen will request information from SLSWA regarding opportunities for clubs to rent the new training facilities in Margaret River to organise a club weekend.



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Ground floor function room, Port Bouvard SLSC, Southport Boulevard, Dawesville

Club promotion

Promotion of Nippers and club activities in local primary and secondary school newsletters.

Investigate if it is possible to erect a sign at Old Coast Road.

Cut2Club

3rd Saturday in January. Potentially a new 5km swim course. The potential of purchasing our own timing chips was discussed.

Jeff Kallawk will organise a meeting to kick start the planning for the next Cut2Club swim and will invite Wayne Butchart, Alana Gardiner Bell, Leo Griffith, Tyler Kallawk, William Liitiaainen and Phillip Laird.

Club constitution

Tanya Turner asked if the club constitutions can be changed so that the President and Vice President cannot step down from their roles during the same year. A Special General Meeting will need to be held to change the Club Constitution.

11. Close of meeting

Tanya Turner closed the meeting at 4.30pm.

Keys returned

14 - Reece Smith

13 - Wayne Butchart (Plus Bunnings Power Pass card)

Keys allocated

13 - Phillip Laird

14 - Leo Griffith



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TREASURER REPORT – *Kayla Kent*

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