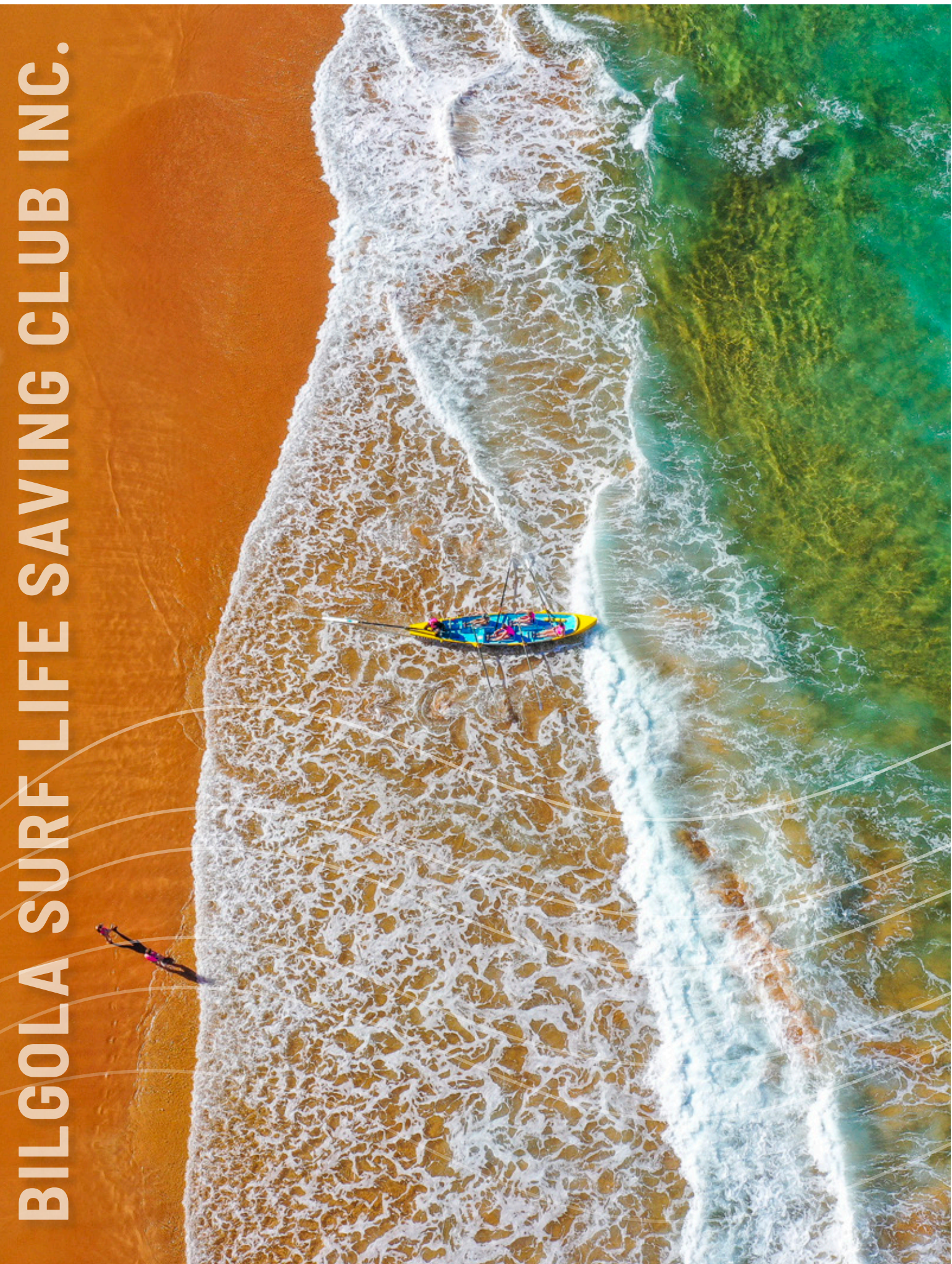




BILGOLA

SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB INC.

2025/26
ANNUAL REPORT



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77TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the 77th Annual General Meeting of Bilgola Surf Life Saving Club Incorporated will be held at the clubhouse on Sunday 2nd August 2026 at 11:00am.

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Welcome by the President
3. Acceptance of the Minutes of the 76th Annual General Meeting held on the 10th August 2025
4. Presentation and adoption of the 77th Annual Report
5. Presentation, consideration and adoption of the Auditor's Report and Balance Sheet 2025-2026
6. Election of Life Members
7. Nomination of Patrons and appointment of Public Officer
8. Election of Office Bearers and Management Committee Members
9. Motion to continue affiliation with Sydney Northern Beaches Branch

10. Motions of which due notice has been given:

- a. Alignment of financial year reporting to SLS Northern Beaches Branch
- b. Appointment of Auditor for 2026-2027

11. General business of an urgent nature

Fees are now due and payable in accordance with the Club Constitution. In order to vote at the AGM you must be financial for the upcoming season, hold the Bronze Medallion or be a Life/Distinguished Service Member of Bilgola SLSC. Membership can be processed online via the SLS Hub.

members.sls.com.au

Mignon Butler
Administration Officer

OFFICE BEARERS

2025-2026

Patron	John Brogden
Vice Patron	Marcus Blackmore
President	Greg Woods
Director of Club Operations	David Madew
Director of Surf Life Saving	Bridie O'Sullivan & Dave Burton
Administration Officer	Mignon Butler
Director of Finance	Tracey Rock
Licensee & Functions Officer	Jean Walsh
Juniors Officer	Michael O'Sullivan
Training Officer	Kirsty Allen
Sponsorships Officer	Colin Denver
Surf Boat & Competition Officer	Mark Parsons
IRB Officers	Matt Harris, Tony Nelson
SRC / Cadets Officer	Michael O'Sullivan
Media Officer	Anna Zilioli
Member Protection Officer	Rob Farr
Competition Secretary	Mark Parsons
Board & Ski Officer	Dave Burton
Club Coordinator	Anna Zilioli
Hon. Medical Officer	Dr Jon-Paul Mather
Hon. Legal Officer	Andrew Gough
Club Historian	James Chant

Committee Attendance Record 2025-2026

	Attendance	Apologies
Greg Woods	11	
Tracey Rock	8	3
Mignon Butler	10	1
Dave Burton	7	4
Bridie O'Sullivan	7	4
David Madew	10	1
Mark Parsons	9	1
Michael O'Sullivan	7	4
Kirsty Allen	7	3
Matt Harris	9	2
Tony Nelson	3	8
Colin Denver	5	6
Jean Walsh	3	2





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MEMBERSHIP

Members can easily join and pay for their membership online.

Nippers

Registration for Nippers for the coming 2026/2027 season will be online and on a nominated day at the clubhouse (tba via socials). The Bilgola website provides Nipper parents with all the necessary information required to register their child/children and be prepared for the season. It is Club policy that all Nipper members have at least one parent or guardian who is a Senior member of Bilgola Surf Lifesaving Club Inc. Applicable Senior membership categories include Active Senior, Active Reserve, Long Service, Social Member, Nipper Parent (General), Associate Member and Life Member.

Bilgola SLSC uses an online membership registration, renewal and payment system: members.sls.com.au

Bronze Medallion Fees

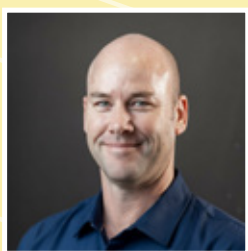
The Bronze Medallion course cost is \$200* (paid in addition to the membership fee pertaining to the individual). This covers all practical & classroom sessions, training materials, patrol uniform & cap. This fee must be paid prior to the course commencing.

* If the Club is required to employ an external facilitator for the First Aid component of the course an additional \$130 payment will be required.

Club Membership Schedule of Fees 2026-2027

Renewals	Early Bird Fees (\$) On or before 31/8/2026	Fees (\$) After 31/8/2026
Life Member (appointed by Committee)	0	0
Nipper (Under 6 - Under 13)	80	100
Nipper Parent	80	100
Cadet 13-15 yrs (undertaking SRC)	150	150
Cadet 13-15 yrs (SRC Holder)	70	70
Active Under 25yrs (Bronze Holder)	70	70
Senior Active 25+ yrs (Bronze Holder)	90	90
Active Reserve (approved by Committee)	90	90
Long Service (approved by Committee)	70	70
Community Member	150	150
Associate Member (spouse of a full member)	50	50
Transferring Active Member (plus category fee)	10	10
Gym Membership (Patrolling Members only)	30	30
Junior Surf Sports Levy	50	50
Competition Levy	200	200

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



As the new President of Bilgola Surf Life Saving Club, I would like to acknowledge the previous executive and sincerely thank them for their efforts, leadership and commitment over their tenure. Stepping into the role this season has given me a real appreciation for the commitment, effort and community spirit that exists across every part of the club.

It has been a privilege to serve as President of Bilgola Surf Life Saving Club for the 2025--26 season, and throughout that time the club has remained focused on its purpose of protecting beachgoers, supporting our community, and strengthening connections across patrols, training, competition, junior activities and club operations.

Bilgola SLSC continued to demonstrate the strength of its community, with a total membership of 956 across the season. Our volunteer lifesavers collectively delivered 6,582 patrolling hours and, in doing so, helped keep watch over 45,306 people who attended our beach during the patrol season.

Those patrol efforts translated into real outcomes on the beach. During the season, patrol teams performed 5 rescues, delivered 17 first aids, undertook 283 preventative actions and assisted with 2 missing persons searches. Most importantly, despite a season disrupted by severe weather events, there were no lives lost at Bilgola.

Training and education remained a major strength of the club this season. A total of 401 proficiencies were completed, and 122 new awards were delivered by our trainers and achieved by our members, reflecting a strong commitment to maintaining capability, building skills and preparing our members for the future.

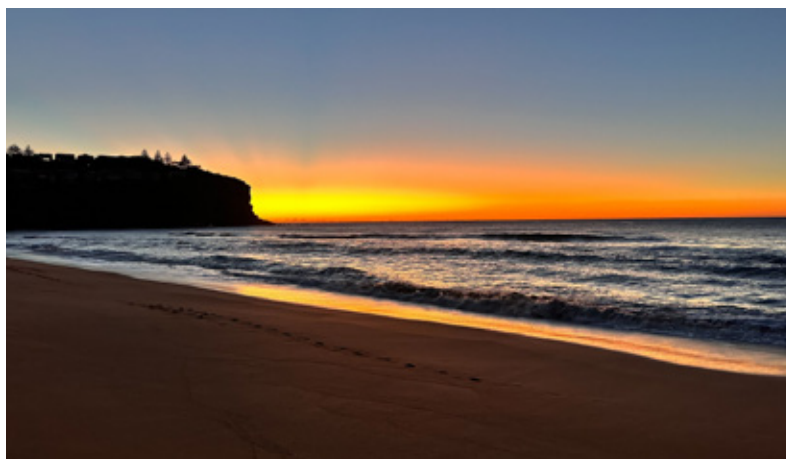
Special mention must go to Kirsty Allen and Emanuel Freer, together with the other dedicated trainers who organised and delivered the lifesaving CPR update for every single bronze member. That was a significant achievement and a clear example of the professionalism, planning and generosity that underpins our training culture.

The season also highlighted the importance of adaptability in a changing operational environment. With the impact of severe weather events felt across the coast, it was encouraging to see increased State Government funding and support for the DPI and Surf Life Saving NSW UAV service. Bilgola now has a UAV stationed at the Bilgola Headland car park, capable of being remotely launched and controlled via the State Operations Centre at Belrose or by a local operator, providing additional surveillance, search and rescue capability, and hazard identification for both Bilgola and Avalon beaches.

Across the club, our surf boat crews represented Bilgola with pride in numerous competitions, including Aussies, and did the club proud wherever they competed. Members also took part in a range of other competition events across the season, continuing Bilgola's strong tradition of participation, commitment and sportsmanship.

The Bilgola Billy Swim was again a great success this season, delivered in trying conditions and made possible through the commitment of an army of volunteers. A special thank you goes to Nikki Curtin for once again leading this event so capably, with her energy, organisation and dedication helping ensure another outstanding day for the club and the broader community.





PRESIDENT'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

Our junior activities again brought enormous energy to the club. Under the leadership of Michael O'Sullivan, supported by many unsung volunteers, the juniors enjoyed a great season, including the delivery of a highly successful U8 Nippers Carnival that brought smiles, laughter and enjoyment to so many young members and families.

The club is also fortunate to have many members who contribute beyond Bilgola through volunteer service at branch and state level. Whether serving as Duty Officers, After Hours Duty Officers, Liaison Officers, Inspectors, Flood Rescue Emergency Response Group members, Assessors, Facilitators or Trainers, these members make an enormous contribution to the wider Surf Life Saving movement and represent Bilgola with distinction.

There were also important achievements away from the sand. The completion of the balcony upgrade project has significantly enhanced the club's facilities and the finished result looks outstanding. Sincere thanks go to Neil Jones and the Blue Stone Homes team for delivering such a strong outcome for the club.

Special recognition must also go to Anna Zilioli, Owen Heywood, Jean Walsh, and our Club Caretakers, Ollie and Candice, whose ongoing

contribution behind the scenes is vital to the day-to-day functioning of the club. Ollie and Candice do a fantastic job caring for the club and helping ensure it remains welcoming, well presented and ready to support members and the broader community. Quite simply, without the commitment, reliability and hard work of people like these, the club would not function as effectively as it does.

No season succeeds through the efforts of one person or one group alone. Thank you to every member, patrol member, age manager, official, competitor, trainer, committee member, volunteer and supporter who gave up precious time to make this season a success. A special thank you is also extended to the executive, most of whom have also been serving in their roles for the first year, for the enormous effort, commitment and teamwork shown throughout the season.

Bilgola remains a strong community minded club, and this season has shown what can be achieved through service, resilience and teamwork. On behalf of the club leadership, thank you for contributing to another positive year for Bilgola Surf Life Saving Club.

Greg Woods
President





DIRECTOR OF FINANCE'S REPORT

The executive committee continues to strive to maintain and enhance the club's facilities and equipment and cannot do so without the generous support of all our members, the community and local authorities during our various fund-raising events and club activities held throughout the year. Thank you for your ongoing support.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

This financial year was from the 1st June 2025 through to 31st May 2026. All comparisons below are in comparison with the previous financial year (FY25), which was 12 months in length.

Revenues generated in FY26 were \$615,812 which is 11% higher than the revenue achieved in FY25 (\$553,222). From the revenue earned the club has spent \$596,020 (FY25: \$548,897, FY24: \$457,840). The end of year result was a profit of \$19,792 (FY25: \$4,325, FY24: \$73,787).

The net assets of the club was \$665,201 (FY25: \$645,408, FY24: \$641,083). The club's cash position has increased with cash deposits at the end of the financial year being \$351,520 (FY25: \$304,674, FY24: \$417,176).

INCOME

Without the continued support from our member's contributions, sponsors, donors and function activities we could not remain a financially viable club. Ongoing assistance and support are required to ensure we can continue to provide benefits to our members and the community.

Our revenue base for funding our expenditure primarily came from Bar and Functions, membership subscriptions, sponsorships and donations, grants, BBQ and fund-raising activities such as the Bilgola swim. Revenue this year was \$615,812 which is 11% higher than FY25. The following graphs show the comparison between FY26 and FY25 with revenue streams from largest to smallest (FY26).

Bar and Functions

Bar and functions made up 35% of the revenue in FY25, although this is a smaller % than last year, it is 57% of the revenue when excluding the grants, so extremely important. This continues to be a critical revenue stream for the club and congratulations should go to Jean and Owen for making sure this continues. Our regular Sunday sessions, sippers and nippers BBQ were once again well supported by our local community, businesses and members. All these events are as important as each other in relieving the financial burden of funding the club's activities.

The focus on events like the Sunday sessions not only contributes valuable revenue to the club it also assists in fostering a sense of community within the club and provides opportunities to grow our membership base. This year's sippers helped raise money for the Boaties, who volunteered each Sunday to raise money for their national competitions.

Membership

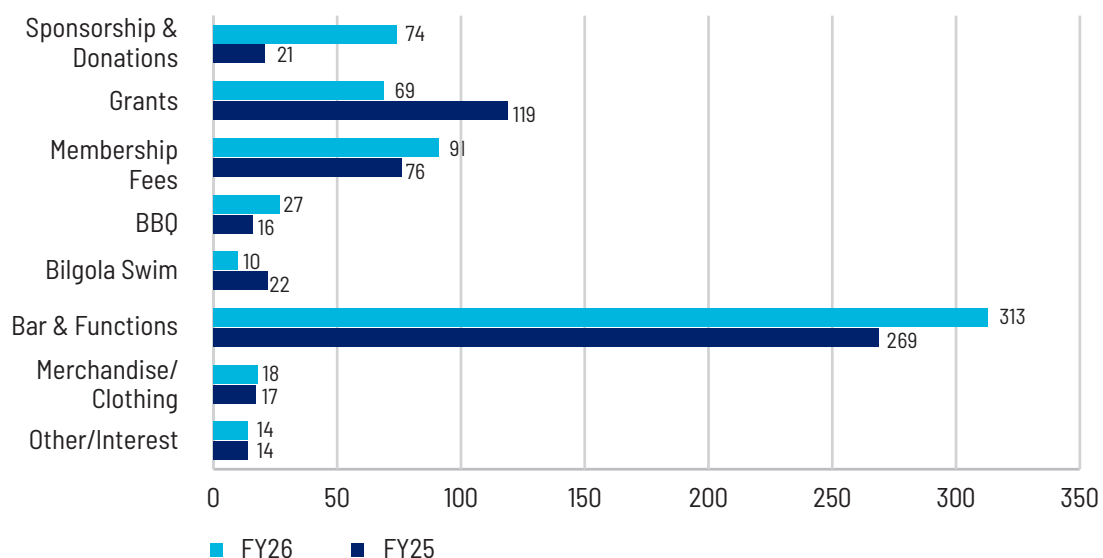
Membership revenue has increased by 20% which covers the costs of the increasing capitation and general expenses that the club is covering. Annual membership fees are invaluable both for the club and members, giving members access to latest club facilities and equipment.

Sponsorship and Donations

Overall sponsorship and donations has increased by \$49,423 (235%) this year after FY25 without a major sponsor. This includes a total of \$70,482 which included \$32,000 from Belle Property, \$21,034 from the Bod De Groot foundation, \$5,000 from Dr G. Smith (for the Boaties), \$2,000 from NB councils, \$1,700 from Mr M. Evans and \$1,500 from Mr M. Parsons (for the Boaties). Sponsorship and donations are critical to the Bilgola operation and is very much appreciated.

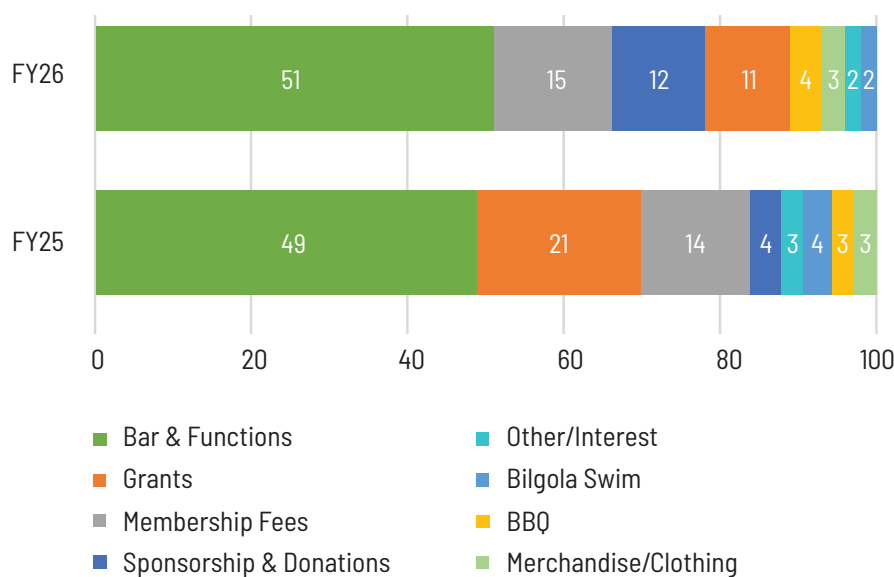
Core Revenue Streams

FY26/FY25 Comparison (\$'000)



Core Revenue Streams

FY26/FY25 (% of total)



Grants

During FY26 a large number of grants were received. The office of NSW Office of Sport contributed \$234,278, which in addition to the FY25 grant of \$78,092 was used for the club upgrades. Grants were also received from organisations such as SLS Australia BSEF (\$11,000), Northern Beaches Council (\$8,439) for the Pittwater swim series, Surf Life Saving NSW (\$8,000). An additional grant of

\$79,422 was received from the NSW Office of Sport. The total amount shown for graphs is based on the depreciation schedule. So although we received \$341,139 of grants, only \$68,544 was released with the depreciation schedule.

BBQ

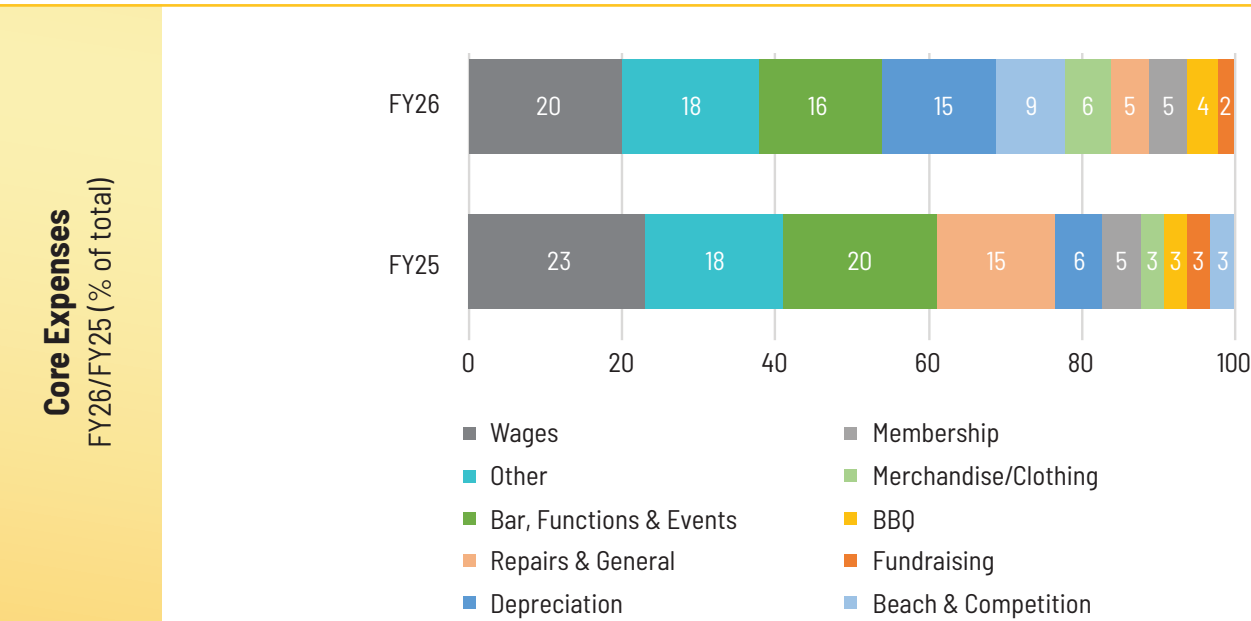
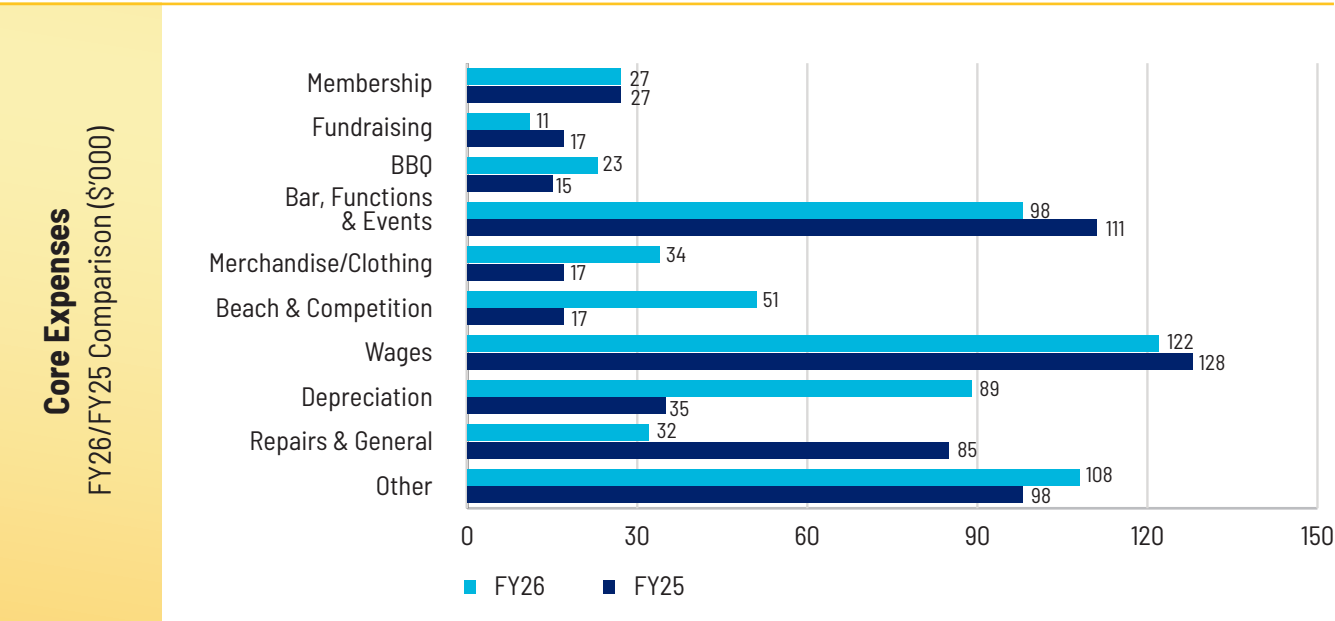
BBQ revenue is from both Nippers and Sippers BBQs. Overall the BBQs which totalled \$27,1440. Although this is a 94% increase on FY25,

it includes Nippers social events and is offset with Nippers revenue. The revenue of this stream offsets costs for both BBQs and Nippers social functions. Nippers social events will be a separate group from FY27 onwards.

Bilgola Swim

Our major fundraising events, the Bilgola swim resulted in \$11,162 of revenue for the club.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE’S REPORT
(CONTINUED)



EXPENSES

Our primary goal as a surf lifesaving club is to keep our beach safe for all swimmers and those who visit our shores. It can be costly to maintain our equipment to such a high standard together with providing ongoing training for our members.

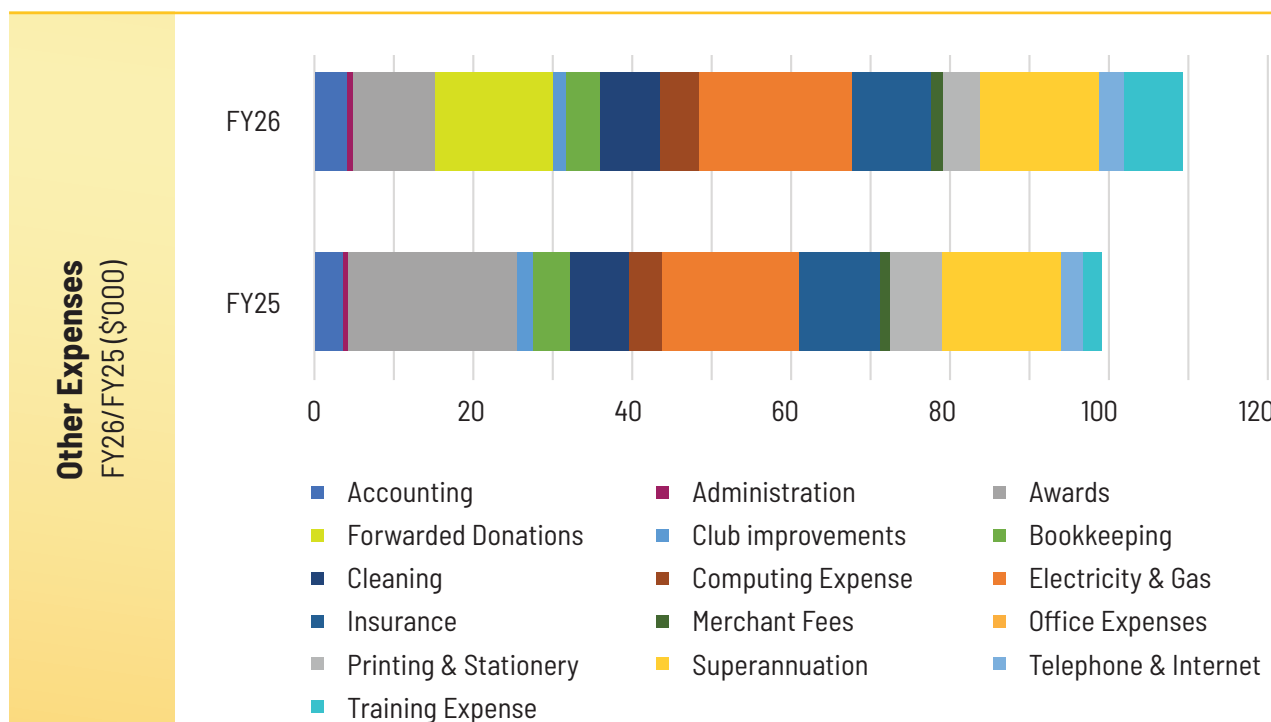
Our expenses for FY26 was \$596,020 which is 9% higher than FY25 (\$548,897). The following graphs show expenditure comparison between FY26 and FY25.

Capital spent during FY26

What is not shown in the expenses is the improvements that were made to the club that were the partially covered by the NSW Office of Sports grants. Grants for the improvements in FY26 was \$313,700. Improvements to the club in FY26 were \$423,615. This was spent on the replacement pergola (\$197,840), the bathroom renovations (\$223,548) and air conditioning for the caretakers unit (overdue)(\$2,227). The depreciation schedule shows this capital in increments over the following years.

Other

Other expenses are the 2nd largest cost centre at \$107,985 in FY26, an increase of 10% from FY25 (\$98,617). Other costs are shown from largest to smallest in the following graph. Individual cost centres such as cleaning, telephone, accounting (audit), electricity, computing and administration Cleaning all increased by 19%, 14%, 12%, 10%, 10% and 9% respectively from previous years.



Wages, Bar, Functions and Events

The biggest expenditure in FY26 was Wages, with the category Other (explained below) and Bar, Functions and Events next. Wages consisted of the Club Co-ordinator, which is a part time paid role as well as the Bar Manager and bar staff, which work as required for functions.

Total wages in FY26 were \$122,104 a decrease of 5% from FY25 (\$127,882). The difference is due to less hours worked. Bar, Functions and Events costs were costs of sales and for FY26 was \$98,131 a decrease of 12% from FY25 (\$111,128). A large portion of the decrease was because the 75th was included in FY25 costs (\$25,000 after ticket sales).

Merchandise / Clothing

Clothing and merchandise were another key area of expenditure for the club with \$34,011 spent in FY26, an increase of 105% on FY25 (\$16,547). Whilst some of this expenditure generates revenues for the club through clothing sales not all purchases are sold as the club will often subsidise clothing for

members that represent the club in competition or to club members and volunteers for events.

Beach and Competition

This year \$51,370 was spent on our beach operations which included IRB maintenance, medical costs and competition costs. These costs are 200% higher than the FY25 (\$16,532). The biggest difference was the competitions costs, which were \$27,981 which included the FY25 nationals competition costs. Some of these costs were covered by donations from Dr G. Smith (\$5,000) and M. Parsons (\$1,500).

Repairs, Maintenance and General

The Repairs, Maintenance and General costs were \$32,317, a decrease of 62% from FY25 (\$84,916) and around the same level as previous years. In FY26 these costs included repairs and maintenance (\$11,564) and general costs (\$20,753). These costs include the day to day costs to run the club and general maintenance to the clubhouse and equipment.

Membership

Membership costs in FY26 were \$26,925, similar to the FY25 costs (\$26,969). These costs include SLS Nth Beaches Affiliation costs of \$110, SLSNSW Capitation \$17,231 and SLS Nth Beaches Capitation of \$10,004, both which had been increased by 30% and 35% the previous year respectively and are planned to increase again.

NEXT FINANCIAL YEAR

In order to have sufficient surf lifesaving training and equipment available to our members, their families and our community we will need to again invest in our club in the coming financial year which will provide facilities for our members and the community to enjoy.

I would like to thank the Bilgola community for supporting this club and the dedication of the volunteer patrol members who are keeping our beaches safe.

Tracey Rock
Director of Finance

SPONSORSHIP REPORT



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GROUP**

Bilgola Beach SLSC is incredibly grateful for the generous support of our sponsors throughout the 2025/26 season. Their contributions make a real difference to our members, our programs, and our community and we simply could not do what we do without them.

We extend our deepest thanks to **Belle Property** for their significant and ongoing commitment to Bilgola Beach SLSC. Their support has been invaluable to the club this season, and we are proud to have them as a partner.

We also warmly thank **Beaches Group** for their continued support. Their loyalty to our club year after year is something we truly value and appreciate.

Our Nippers program continues to thrive thanks to the generosity of some wonderful local businesses. A heartfelt thank you to **Gather By** for their support of Nippers, and to both **Honest Chicken** and **Zubi at Billy's** for so generously contributing to our Nippers prizes, the kids absolutely loved them!

To our friends at **IGA Bilgola Plateau**, thank you for supporting our Nippers barbecue and helping us bring the community together around the fire.

A special mention to **Avalon Meats** and **Amber Waves Bakery**, wrapping the best snags in the best bread! Your contribution to our events never goes unnoticed, and the queues speak for themselves.

We also wish to recognise **United Resource Management (URM)** for their generous in-kind support through their free rubbish removal service. This kind of practical generosity keeps our beach and club looking its best.

On behalf of the Committee, a heartfelt thank you to all our sponsors and to the hardworking volunteers who have given so much of their time and energy to make 2025/26 such a successful season.

Bilgola Beach SLSC is ready for an even bigger 2026/27 season ahead!

Colin Denver
Sponsorship Officer

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BILLY SWIM REPORT



The 2026 Bilgola Billy Swim on Sunday 1 March was everything we love about our club: energetic, community-driven and full of ocean spirit.

The Billy Swim doesn't happen by accident — it happens because of the extraordinary dedication of our volunteers.

We prepared not once but twice: first in January (postponed due to conditions) and again in March. Mother Nature kept things interesting with a bigger swell, punchier waves and stronger winds than expected, but from sunrise the beach was buzzing and ready to go.

Our teams were on deck early. The IRB crew set the buoys in challenging conditions, the beach team built the start line and coordinated with timing, Patrol 6 prepared their patrol area, and the BBQ fired up right on cue. By the time swimmers arrived, everything was in place for a safe and exciting morning.

With people feeling jittery about water safety, we knew we needed to go above and beyond. Thanks to Matt Harris, we welcomed additional IRBs from Avalon, Whale Beach, Mona Vale and Newport, along with three jetskis and drone surveillance overhead. This combined effort gave swimmers the confidence to enjoy the event knowing they were exceptionally well supported.

With risk ratings complete and the green light from our SEMC, the first race launched at 9am sharp. True to form, the Billy Swim delivered a little drama — an Avalon IRB driver injured his foot just as the race began — Patrol 6 Captain Romilly Madew and event doctor JP were ready on the spot and responded instantly and professionally.

Given recent shark concerns and the cancellation of other swims, we weren't sure how many competitors to expect. But those who came were determined, upbeat and ready for a challenge. Their enthusiasm set the tone for a fantastic morning.

Participation & Results

500m Swim: 97 entries, 56 finishers

1500m Swim: 194 entries, 100 finishers

On-the-day entries: 56

Completed both swims: 58

Competitors delivered outstanding performances across both distances, with standout results from Emma Cherry, David O'Brien, Greg Upton, Mika Stockdale, Thomas Abbott, Emily McLean, Stephen Ford, Peter

Nash and many more. Whether a prize winner or simply crossing the finish line, every swimmer showed excellent ocean swimming technique, good humour and community spirit.

A Huge Team Effort

Special thanks to our IRB crews, jetski operators, water safety, the 4 G's beach setup team, car park marshals, minibus drivers, registrations, BBQ crew, photographers, social media, first aid, bag drop, merch, SEMC, our MC, VIP hosts, President, Club Coordinator, Treasurer, Club Captains, Patrol 6, meeters and greeters, and a special shout out to Jess Canabou whose social media posts are next level!

Collectively, your energy and generosity are what make this event so special. Also special thanks to Sue Heins, Mayor of Northern Beaches Council and Jacqui Scruby local member for Pittwater for officiating.

Swimmers return year after year because Bilgola offers something unique — a warm welcome, exceptional water safety, and a community that genuinely loves being together on the beach.

Bilgola is a special place. Bilgola is our happy place. And yes — we're already putting in an early request for a calm, sunny day in 2027.

See you on the sand next year.

Nicola Curtin
Swim Director



BILLY SWIM REPORT







BILLY RAYS





The Billy Rays

The Billy Rays is a group of BSLSC members who swim every Saturday and Sunday throughout the year. Where they swim each weekend is usually based on the swell and weather. Usually swimming a km at Bilgola on Saturday and Palm Beach on Sunday. Some weekend we are joined by Jane Spring, a paraplegic and Disability advocate. The Billy Rays have competed in the Toowoomb Bay Ocean Swim, The Bilgola Ocean Swim, The Palm to Whale and regularly swim Manly to Shelly and back.

The group have swum in both stunning conditions, clear, warm and low swell to atrocious conditions, rainy, windy, big swells, overcast, and or rippy.

This season we have experienced the joy of swimming with Dolphins, the thrill of catching rips out the back, competing in ocean swims and debriefing at breaky and coffee afterwards. Recently some of the Billy Rays swam through schools of fish off Manly and over a large Wobbegong at Palm Beach.

The group started during Covid with a few of the Patrol 14 members swimming together, then expanded each season as more people joined the very active WhatsApp group.

Romilly Madew
Billy Rays Coordinator



DIRECTOR OF LIFESAVING'S REPORT



Reflecting on our first season: Stepping into the Director of Lifesaving role together this season has been a genuine eye opener. We want to begin by acknowledging Adrian's tenure and the strong operational foundations he left behind.

Taking on this responsibility as a shared portfolio has shown us just how much time, coordination, and quiet effort goes into keeping our beach safe, our patrols supported, and our systems running smoothly.

We are grateful for the patience, encouragement, and good humour shown by all patrollers as we found our rhythm in this critical role.

Challenges that shaped the season

This year brought a unique mix of operational challenges that required adaptability and pragmatic approach:

- Postponed swims and event disruptions
- A heightened shark awareness environment
- The transition of Lifeguard operations to Council

Through all of this, our patrolling members demonstrated professionalism, teamwork, and a dedication to support the community.

Strengthening operational readiness

A major focus this season was improving our preparedness to respond. Key achievements included:

- A full season patrol roster established early and maintained throughout
- Formalised Emergency Call Out Team (ECOT) processes
- Upgraded Search and Rescue (SAR) kits
- Uniforms, whistles, and essential equipment fully restocked
- Improved First Aid Kit systems, supporting continuous improvement and readiness

These improvements ensure we remain rescue ready from the moment the flags go up.

Patrol participation

This year, **210** patrollers contributed across **10** patrols, each giving an average of **40** hours of community service. Many members also volunteered additional hours on other patrols – a testament to the outstanding community spirit that defines Bilgola.

We also proudly delivered our inaugural ANZAC Volunteer Patrol, a moment of reflection, service, and connection for our club.

Training, development & succession

Our focus on strengthening patrol capability and building future depth has been a major theme this season.

- Our trainers delivered the refreshed resuscitation training to all Bronze Medallion holders with clarity and professionalism.
- The new dry and wet proficiencies were embraced enthusiastically by members.
- We welcomed **our largest ever SRC cohort**, who will join patrols in 2026/27 and significantly bolster our roster.
- We acknowledge Kirsty, Michael, Dave Madew, Matt, and Manny for their leadership in training, recruitment, and building our "bench strength."

Succession planning is now firmly underway, ensuring the club remains strong and well resourced for years to come.



TOP TEN PATROLLERS

Each year the club recognises our top five female and top five male patrollers based on their recorded hours of service throughout the season. The contributions from all our members are tallied at the conclusion of the season and we celebrate those who have provided time to providing a safe environment for public water safety.

Huge congratulations to our top 5 female and male recipients.

Peter Dahdah - 146hrs

Brianna Dahdah - 129.5hrs

David Madew - 109.5hrs

Katherine Black - 103hrs

Greg Woods - 92.5hrs

Garth Campbell - 81.7hrs

Micheline Parker - 75.5hrs

Haidee Underwood - 66.5hrs

Peter Fenley - 66hrs

Nikki Curtin - 63hrs

PATROL OF THE YEAR

Pink Patrol

Nikki Curtin
Mignon Butler
Haidee Underwood
Nadine Cran
Alice Machar
Kirsty Allen
Shelly Acland
Kate Black
Karen Hegarty
Karen Jones-Gudmunson
Kate Knox
Poppy Koulouris
Bridie O'Sullivan
Triona Quinlan
Arielle Lewis
Eva Watts

DIRECTOR OF LIFESAVING'S REPORT (continued)

Technology & capability enhancements

The Bilgola Beach drone capability has been fully operational, providing 7 day a week surveillance support over Summer. This valuable layer of situational awareness was a game changes to our patrol operations.

New equipment acquired this season included:

- A side by side vehicle (SSV)
- A new trailer
- Additional defibrillators

These upgrades materially enhance our ability to respond quickly and effectively.

Patrol culture & engagement

Patrols this season were marked by strong engagement, teamwork, and a positive social atmosphere. Alongside our weekly patrols, other highlights included:

- Christmas Patrol
- ANZAC Patrol
- Pride Patrol
- Pink Patrol

These events strengthened connection across the club and showcased the inclusive, community minded spirit of Bilgola.

We also acknowledge the Surf Boat crews, who operated their own patrol this season. Despite a demanding competition calendar, they made a meaningful contribution to our lifesaving operations. Their potential and skills are enormous, and we look forward to even greater participation next season.

Shark sightings & community reassurance

The 2025/26 season saw a notable increase in shark sightings. We congratulate all patrollers for **embracing the new protocols and SOPS, and for managing these situations with composure and professionalism.** Your presence on the beach provided genuine reassurance to community members during periods of heightened concern.

Looking ahead

Our focus for 2026/27 includes:

- Strengthening patrol depth through succession planning and targeted recruitment
- Embedding scenario based training into patrol settings
- Providing earlier release of the Patrol Calendar and Training Calendar to support personal planning
- Updating the Patrol Operations Manual and other key documentation
- Introducing new shark trauma kits and additional rescue boards

We are committed to continuous improvement and ensuring Bilgola SLSC continues to remain a leader on the Northern Beaches in lifesaving excellence.

Last words

Thank you to every patroller for your patience, support, and commitment as we stepped into this role. It has been a privilege to serve the club. The strength of Bilgola SLSC lies in its people and this season has once again shown just how remarkable our community is.

Dave Burton & Bridie O'Sullivan
Directors of Lifesaving



BIGOLA SLSC PATROLS





2025/26 PATROL HOURS

Name		Patrol	Patrolled Hours*
Abbott	Thomas	V	12
Acland	Shelly	14	56.5
Aitken	Geoffrey	79	61.5
Allen	Kirsty	14	52.25
Archibald	Callum	8	46
Barclay	Natalie	79	34
Barclay	Tristan	79	5
Barron	Angus	V	40.5
Barron	Sebastian	4	50
Baylie	Rachel	2	36
Bernard	Marc	4	48
Black	Kate	12	103
Blenkinsop	John	3	18
Boulter	Frankie	V	5.5
Boulter	Warwick	V	3
Brogden	Lucinda	79	21
Broughton-Rouse	Aaron	2	43
Broughton-Rouse	Levi	2	51
Broughton-Rouse	Steve	2	29
Burns	Dane	V	8
Burton	David	6	61
Butler	Mignon	2	52
Cagney	Chloe	12	21
Campbell	Garth	12	81.7
Campbell	James	6	33.5
Cazalet	Sophie	79	21.5
Clarke	Abby	12	11
Coleman	Aidan	12	19
Coleman	Ella	12	4
Coleman	John	12	48
Coleman	Lily	12	9
Cook	Justin	4	20
Cowan	Finn	V	11.5
Cran	Ava	13	28
Cran	Nadine	13	58.8
Critchlow	Paige	V	9
Curtin	Nicola	10	63
Dahdah	Brandon	79	10
Dahdah	Brianna	14	129.5

Name		Patrol	Patrolled Hours*
Dahdah	Jayden	14	38
Dahdah	Peter	14	146
De Los Santos Del Pozo	Alicia	6	7
de Uriarte	Annmarie	79	13.5
de Uriarte	Benjamin	6	12.5
de Uriarte	Jamie	3	23.5
Dean	Bradley	3	4
Dean	Elysse	3	39.5
Deleu	Chloe	8	30.5
Deleu	Sam	8	16.5
Denver	Ciara	4	35.5
Denver	Colin	4	52
Denver	Harrison	4	43.5
Dose	Fleur	8	45.5
Driver	David	4	31.5
Edgley	Claire	V	3
Edgley	David	3	20.5
Edgley	Louise	3	27.5
Eggleton	Simon	10	29
Erskine	Hannah	V	2.5
Faddy	Steven	10	59.5
Fallshaw	Craig	10	42.5
Fan	Ka Chun	14	12.5
Farr	Lauren	79	12.5
Farr	Robert	79	22.5
Farrall	Jack	14	14
Fenley	Leah	8	18.5
Fenley	Pauline	8	19
Fenley	Peter	8 & 12	66
Field	Aimee	V	1.5
Forlonge	Carol	3	27.5
Forster	Harley	V	6.5
Franks	Greg	12	46
Frater	Philip	3	37.5
Freer	Emanuel	79	38
Fronzek	Ryan	8	38
Gaze Jones	Isabella	12	33.7
Gnanadickam	Milla	13	14

Name		Patrol	Patrolled Hours*
Goben	Clare	14	5
Gough	Andrew	13	42.5
Gough	Madeleine	V	4
Grayson	Conrad	13	13
Grayson	Taylor	4	5.5
Green	Alan	3	31.5
Gudmunson	Hugo	V	8
Gudmunson	Saxon	12	39
Hailes	Milo	12	4
Harman	Jack	6	44
harris	matt	2	46.5
Harris	Meaghan	2	17
Heath	Cora	V	14.5
Heath	David	6	26.5
Hegarty	Karen	13	40
Hill	Stephen	V	24.5
Hobbis	Asha	6	50
Hobbis	Tilly	V	21.5
Hogan	Kyla	2	31
Hogan	Luke	2	40
Hole	Fletcher	V	3.5
Hole	Sofia	V	3.5
Hole	Spencer	V	1.5
hudson	matilda	V	7
Ives	Jamie	10	13
Jacob	Rowan	14	47.5
Jacobs	Grant	8	45.5
Jacobs	Scarlett	8	40.5
Jones	Chloe	2	23
Jones	Lachlan	8	46.5
Jones-Gudmunson	Karen	12	60.5
Kanthak	Benjamin	79	40.5
Kelly	Connor	V	14.5
Kennard	Piers	V	12
Kilpatrick	Liam	8	38.5
Kilpatrick	Lincoln	V	4.5
Knight	Archie	V	4
Knight	Cleo	4	24.5
Knox	Kate	6	57

Name		Patrol	Patrolled Hours*
Koulouris	Georgia	14	18.5
Koulouris	Poppy	14	20.5
Laird	Amy	2	16
Laird	Lucas	2	25
Laird	Stephen	2	29
Lawson	John	3	44.5
Lewis	Arielle	V	21
Macdonald	Ian	10	47.5
Machar	Alice	12	12.5
Machar	Ellie	V	5.5
Machar	Scott	12	23
Madew	Arielle	14	2
Madew	David	6 & 14	109.5
Madew	Romilly	14	60.5
Madew (Jnr)	David	14	16
Manns	Jasmine	79	26.5
Mather	Jon-Paul	12	35
McFarlane	Dougal	13	9
Mcgrath	Hugo	V	4
Mcgrath	Rory	V	4
Mckinnon	Jean	10	25.5
McLeod	Ava	4	4
McWhinney	Andrew	4	40
McWhinney	Ethan	V	19.5
Miller	Alex	13	4
Miller	Amie	13	8
Moody	Tara	10	36
Mortlock	Gavin	4	45.5
Moss	Ben	6	32
Nelson	Tony	2	15
Nicholas	Beau	8	34.5
Nicholas	Belinda	79	3
Nicholas	Myles	8	36.3
Northover	Xavier	V	2.5
Oake	Lachlan	V	13.5
O'Callaghan	Paul	3	31
O'Sullivan	Bridie	6	50.5
O'Sullivan	Francesca	13	26
O'Sullivan	Isabella	V	4

Name		Patrol	Patrolled Hours*
O'Sullivan	Michael	13	48
Owler	Abigail	79	51
Owler	James	2	31.5
Pace	Louis	V	6.5
Pace	Samuel	8	33.5
Paine	Keira	14	38.8
Pandharipande	Reeha	V	6.5
Parker	Michelina	12	75.5
Parsanejad	Ali	79	14
Parsanejad	Luca	79	7
Parsanejad	Pouneh	79	6
Parsons	Abbie	8	36
Parsons	Mark	8	28.5
Peet	Rachael	12	49
Perrett	Summer	8	41.5
Perry	Karen	13	40
Perry	Madison	8	22.5
Pfafflin	Thomas	8	45.5
Philip	Russell	3	27.5
Poppleton	Craig	79	39.5
Proctor	Vanessa	79	37
quinlan	Triona	14	35
Raaff	Connor	8	23
Radford	Andrew	12	30
Radford	Tahli	12	9
Raper	Geoff	3	51.5
Reading	Claire	14	16.3
Reynolds	Grace	12	29
Rich	Arianna	8	4
Riddett	Grace	V	4
Roberts	Jack	8	17.5
Rovere	Aden	4	32.5
Rovere	George	V	8
Rovere	Jack	4	24.5
Rovere	Paul	4	40.5
Savage	Lachlan	V	19.5
Scheffers	Bruce	6	40.5
Schuele	Gustav	V	11.5
Scott	Mark	13	45

Name		Patrol	Patrolled Hours*
Skeeles	Damian	10	24.5
Smith	Noah	12	4
Spencer	Sophie	V	4
Story	Matthew	3	22.5
Summers Grayson	Jody	4	7
Tabisz	Grace	12	55.5
Tall	Gary	4	36.5
Taylor Gray	Rebecca	6	42.5
Tickle	James	10	34
Tickle	Keisha	10	8
Towers	Robert	2	20
Trevisan	Ray	10	48.5
Turner	Ian	8	23
Turner	Karri	8	5
Umbers	Darren	4	45
Underwood	Damian	10	40.5
Underwood	Haidee	8 & 10	66.5
Venter	Jessica	V	3
Wallrock	Lucy	6	9
Walsh	Jean	8	24.5
Wang	Sarah	4	7.5
Warne	Willow	V	2.5
Wastell	Lillian	12	10.8
Watson	Lachlan	13	16
Watson	Matthew	13	30
Watts	Eva	V	9.5
Watts	Marlon	12	49.7
Wegrzyn	Adrian	2	32
Whittet	Andrea	79	45.5
Woods	Gregory	2	92.5
Worner	Grant	3	63.5
Yeats	Chris	79	31.5
Yeats	Robyn	79	35.5
Zarin	Peter	79	6

* Excluding Penalty Hours V - Volunteer

PATROL NEWS



Lifesaving Open Day

Bilgola SLSC kicked off its first Lifesaving Open Day on Sunday 31 May and what unfolded on the beach was nothing short of spectacular. The crew brought their absolute best; simultaneous IRB and jet ski rescues, live patient board and tube rescues, manikin recoveries beyond the break, and a full spinal scenario carried out from the shallows to the sand with textbook precision. The water was alive with action from the moment the first callout hit the radio.

On the beach, the first aid showcase delivered genuine drama with a simulated head wound, an anaphylaxis response and a CPR station that gave participants the chance to get hands-on with equipment that saves lives. Out on the water the jet ski was put through its paces with unconscious patient pickups and two-person sled rescues showcasing what rescue water craft operations actually involve at full stretch.

What the day proved above all else is that Bilgola SLSC has the people, the skills and the passion to put on something truly memorable. Big thanks to the team. Watch this space. This is just the beginning.





Pink Patrol

On Saturday 7th March, the day before International Women's Day, Bilgola Surf Life Saving Club celebrated the annual **Pink Zinc Patrol** to celebrate and empower our strong female membership and encourage all local girls and women to take leadership and get involved in surf life saving. We had 16 women and girls, holding all positions from Patrol Captains to IRB Drivers and Crew, to ART and First Aid Officers as well as many general Bronze Medallion holders and SRC members assisting as swimmers, board paddlers and with general beach management.

It was a fantastic day full of action from setting up in the morning, moving flags as conditions changed, closing and re-opening the beach following shark sightings and bait balls moving past and monitoring local kids jumping off the north end rocks. It involved a lot of communication

with the local UAV, jet ski, IRB, Surf Com and a diverse group of local swimmers and surfers enjoying a day at the beach as we monitored them and the other local beaches with the movement of significant marine life up and down the coast.

With a healthy dose of coffee, snacks, a lot of good humour and swims in between, the half day shift flew by with everyone already excited to come back together again next year. As a group we came together, looked after the public on the beach supported each other to strengthen our skills, club and community.

From Mignon Butler and Nikki Curtin and thanks to Shelly Acland, Kirsty Allen, Kate Black, Nadine Cran, Karen Hegarty, Karen Jones-Gudmunson, Kate Knox, Poppy Koulouris, Arielle Lewis, Alice Machar, Romilly Madew, Bridie O'Sullivan, Triona Quinlan, Haidee Underwood and Eva Watts.

PATROL NEWS

ANZAC Day Memorial

The ANZAC Day memorial at Bilgola Surf Lifesaving Club has become a valued pre-patrol tradition, bringing together remembrance, service, and community on the sand ahead of flags-up.

This season's service was held in clear conditions following days of rain, with warmth and sunlight breaking across the beach as Patrol 2 formed for the march past. The setting provides for a quiet sense of occasion and reflection before the commencement of patrol duties.

The ANZAC values of courage, endurance, mateship, and sacrifice align closely with surf lifesaving and the service our club volunteers provide each weekend. The shared commitment to duty, teamwork, and looking out for others remains central to both traditions.

Thank you to Patrol 2 for maintaining and respectfully leading this ceremony, including the traditional SLS march past accompanied by the lone bugle, played this year by Daniel Sharkey, which continues to provide a simple but powerful moment of reflection. Appreciation is also extended to Steve Broughton-Rouse for coordinating the patrol march.

As the Ode was read and the Last Post sounded, a minute of absolute silence was observed across the beach, allowing those present to reflect and give thanks, accompanied only by the sound of waves breaking along the shore. This moment honoured those who have served and sacrificed, those currently serving in Australia's Defence Force, and their families.

The commemoration now sits as a steady and meaningful part of the club's identity, reinforcing the values of service, respect, and community, marking the final weekend of another successful season.

Adrian Wegrzyn



Rainbow Beaches Patrol

In February, Bilgola SLSC once again supported the SLS Rainbow Beaches patrol initiative, a nationwide event with over 130 beaches involved, with Patrol 14 decking the patrol tent and ATV out with the Progress Flags and bunting, coloured face zinc, rainbow sweatbands, and rainbow whistles.

SLSA and Lifesavers with Pride promote a welcoming and inclusive environment for members of the LGBTQIA+ community at all surf clubs.

Rainbow Beaches is an annual event led by Lifesavers with Pride to support surf clubs to showcase the colours of the Progress Flag on their beach to visibly demonstrate their inclusion and support of the LGBTQIA+ community.

Rainbow Beaches is an opportunity for surf clubs to showcase that everyone is welcome at the beach, engaging our allies and promoting strategies to connect with the LGBTQIA+ community.

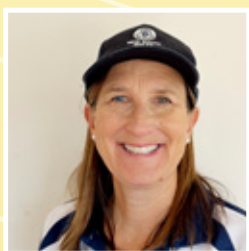
Romilly Madew

(Patrol 14 Patrol Captain)





CHIEF TRAINING OFFICER'S REPORT



This was my first year as Chief Training Officer and what a wonderful season it was! Our amazing training team – David Madew, Greg Woods, Emanuel Freer, Rowan Jacob, Michael O'Sullivan, Craig Poppleton, Kirsty Allen and Brianna Dahdah - have worked tirelessly to ensure our patrols have the qualifications needed to raise the flags every weekend, this includes new awards and maintaining existing awards.

Our trainers are often the first to hit the beach. Head down at 7am on a Sunday morning and you will see a hive of activity, motors revving up, boards out ready for practice and maybe a few sleepy teenagers pulling on their wetsuits! Thank you to our trainers for donating their time and expertise to ensure we have the skills needed and continued flow of volunteers for our patrols.

The season kicked off to a very busy start in September with the rollout of Lifesaving CPR. Over 16 training sessions, taking 1.5 hrs each, we trained 211 Bronze and SRC holders on the new technique. Thank you to all our patrolling members for giving up your time to learn the new approach and of course to our trainers who attended specialist training in preparation.

Surf Rescue Certificate and Bronze Medallion

- A huge achievement of the season was presenting our largest ever group for the Surf Rescue Certificate (SRC) assessment. Ensuring 35 participants achieve the award would not have been possible without help, so a big thank you to the bronze qualified parents who turned up every Sunday morning. We made a great team!
- 23 participants, including many cadets, passed their Bronze Medallion, many rolling straight into the IRB Crew certificate.
- Brianna Dahdah completed the Training Officer Course and assisted with the training and is now a certified BM and SRC trainer. Congratulations Brianna!

IRB Training

Our Inflatable Rescue Boat (IRB) trainers delivered two Crew and Driver training courses this season. These roles are critical for our patrols and ensuring depth in our

water rescue capability. Our IRB Captain, Matt Harris, kicked off his journey to become a trainer and along with Geoff Raper, Marc Bernard and Brianna Dahdah provided valuable training support as content experts.

8 IRB Crew and 2 IRB Drivers qualifications were achieved.

Advanced Awards

We saw a fantastic growth in advanced qualifications this season:

- 11 members achieved the Advanced Resuscitation Certificate
- 17 members completed the First Aid Certificate as part of their Bronze Medallion
- 8 members completed the Silver Medallion Patrol Captain certification

Ongoing Development

Every patrol requires all the listed awards so please take the opportunity to upskill, benefiting yourself and our community. If you would like to further your surf lifesaving journey, please contact our training team on training.officer@bilgolaslsc.org.au. You can also stay up to date with current courses via our newsletter, website and Instagram.

Kirsty Allen

Chief Training Officer



CHIEF TRAINING OFFICER'S REPORT





2025/26 BILGOLA AWARDS

Advanced Resuscitation & Oxygen Therapy

Geoffrey Aitken
Mignon Butler
Brianna Dahdah
Karen Jones-Gudmunson
Benjamin Kanthak
Andrea Whittet
Grant Worner
Asha Hobbs
Rebecca Taylor
Kate Knox
Garth Campbell

Silver Medallion Patrol Captain

Nikki Curtin
Beau Nicholas
Kirsty Allen
Garth Campbell
Craig Fallshaw
Karen Jones Gudmunson
Karen Muxworthy Perry
Bridie O'Sullivan

Silver Medallion IRB Driver

John Coleman
Brianna Dahdah

First Aid

Sam Deleu
Fleur Dose
Scarlett Jacobs
Lachlan Jones
Lachlan Oake
Julian Paul
Summer Perrett
Sebastian Barron
Alfred Bell
Caitlyn Cardno
Harrison C Denver
Chloe Erskine
James Ferguson Owler
Michelina Parker
Grace Reynolds
Mica Spencer
Marlon Watts

IRB Crew

Colin Denver
Harrison Denver
Michelina Parker
Lachlan Watson
Marlon Watts
Garth Campbell
Philip Frater
Saxon Gudmunson
Ava McLeod
Grant Worner

Surf Rescue Certificate

Aden Klauser
Aimee Field
Archie Knight
Arielle Lewis
Beatrice Manuelli
Calvin Thomas
Claudia Maestre
Cora Heath
Connor Kelly
Ellie Machar,
Ethan McWhinney
Eva Watts,
Frankie Boulter
George Rovere
Grace Byrnes
Grace Riddett
Gustav Schuele
Hannah Erskine
Harley Forster
Harper Kivi
Hugo Gudmunson
Hugo McGrath
Isabella O'Sullivan
Jade Mitchell
Louis Pace
Madeline Gough
Matilda Hudson
Morgan Grayson
Reeha Pandharipande
Rory McGrath
Saoirse Hackett-Cullen
Sophie Spencer

Tilly Hobbis
Willow Warne
Xavier Northover

Bronze Medallion

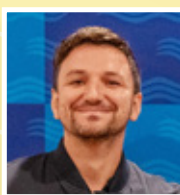
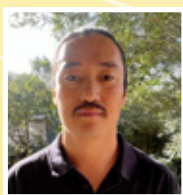
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Asha Hobbis

CHIEF TRAINING OFFICER'S REPORT





IRB CAPTAIN'S REPORT



The 2025/26 season was another busy one in the IRB world with ongoing training, upskilling, event water safety, and who could forget the increase in shark-related activity around the Northern Beaches.

The off-season saw some winter training sessions for the brave, run by Dave Madew. These sessions gave our personnel some valuable seat time in the IRBs to further gain water experience, and to maintain their skillset during the winter months. The uptake on this was substantial, highlighting the commitment that some of our IRB fraternity have to keeping themselves prepared to keep the public safe for the busier months of the year.

Upskilling continued this season, with more patrollers gaining their driver or crew qualification. The courses were led by our own Greg Woods and Dave Madew, as well as also our probationary trainers Matt Harris and Brianna Dahdah.

As per usual, our new recruits had to deal with a variety of conditions over many Sunday mornings as they learnt the ropes, gained experience and became more comfortable in the IRBs. As an ongoing reminder, we are ALWAYS looking for new patrollers who wish to upskill and become a driver or crew. Being qualified broadens your skillset, adds more value to your patrol, and is a heap of fun!

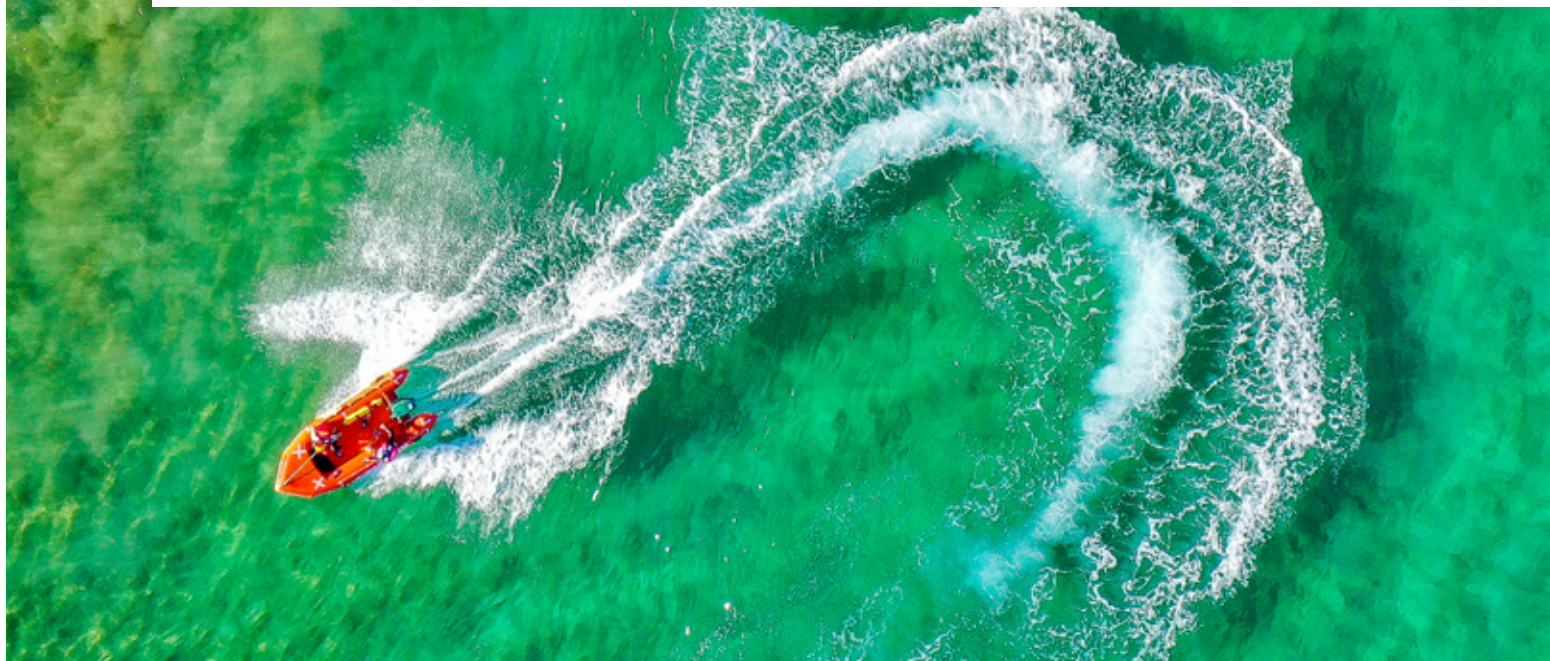
Skills proficiencies this year were once again run with the assistance of John Dibbs from Mona Vale, and our very own caretaker, Ollie Heyes. A vital part of IRBs, proficiencies ensure that all qualified members maintain their skills, be kept up to date on new techniques, and have the opportunity to refine their craft in a supervised environment. We were very appreciative for the time provided by

John and Ollie for this process.

The Northern Beaches Ocean Series was somewhat disrupted this year, with big swells and heightened shark concerns being the biggest contributors to events being postponed or even cancelled. None the less, Billy provided water safety for all events that ran, as well as the State Branch Championships too. This occurs outside of regular scheduled patrols, and every year, the club is always so appreciative of people stepping up and volunteering their time to do these extra duties.

I wish to acknowledge the following people who provided water safety for said events: Darren Umbers, Karen Hegarty, Nadine Cran, Philip Frater, Brianna Dahdah, Peter Dahdah, Dave Madew, Geoff Raper. Thank you guys!





The new resources that were acquired last season served us well this season, making for more efficient processes, easier set up/pack down, and generally making our shed look better. We were very fortunate this season to also welcome a new hull into the shed, kindly donated by Whale Beach SLSC. We named it "The Whaley" in honour of this act of generosity. We also purchased a new motor for future succession, and to ensure that we could always maintain operational capacity throughout the season. The IRB motor faces a tough life, and our motors were constantly in need of maintenance and repair throughout the season to stay healthy. This was through

a combination of a lack of proper maintenance by members, and general "wear and tear" from use. Countless hours were spent in the workshop fixing problems, addressing issues and finding solutions. Matt worked tirelessly to always keep a hull/motor rescue ready, which was difficult at times when multiple motors were non-operational. It should be emphasised similar to last season, the importance for **ALL** patrolling members to take care of the equipment, follow the maintenance procedures correctly, and report any concerns immediately. It would appear that people continue to not comprehend the amount of time that it takes to fix issues that arise

from their careless actions. We all need to work together to keep this essential rescue equipment in good working order.

On behalf of Matt and myself, we wish to thank all the Billy IRB crew for their hard work, commitment and enthusiasm throughout the season. You add significant value to the operation of this club, and your presence ensures that we are always adequately prepared to perform our primary duty as a surf lifesaving club.

Tony Nelson & Matt Harris
IRB Captains

IRB PHOTOS





SURFSPORTS REPORT



I am very happy to report on the 2025/26 season just finished. Bilgola has welcomed new members and returning members to our ranks. We grew as a competitive unit this year from the two crews last year to now boasting six very competitive crews.

Firstly, welcoming Mark Fitzgerald back to his spiritual home of Bilgola, and the crew of **The Bombshells**, Maddie, Haidee, Ari and Chloe. One of our Under 19 Ladies crews, a fun energetic crew that always displayed great team spirit and positive attitude. Anyone who has ever rowed a surfboat will tell you they have a hard luck story of a bad alley tough heats or being put under at the start. Unfortunately, this year these girls copped more than their fair share of these scenarios. So next year it's all good luck.

Our second Junior Ladies Crew **The Silly Billys** is Abbie, Scarlett, Summer and Fleur and reserve Celena with Neil as sweep. All brand-new rowers and many new Bronze Medallion graduates this year. It was a long year for the girls as they began learning to row mid-winter and had a very steep learning curve. The first few carnivals were fun and challenging, but soon enough they became contenders. Along the way the girls met new friends from all over and really enjoyed the sport. Results followed with a final appearance at The NSW State Championships and a semi final appearance at the SLISA Championships and the SLISA Short course Championships, well done to you and the dedication of your support people.

The Junior Male Crew swept by Neil, **The Chicken Legs** of Sam, Myles, Ryan and Jack with reserve Lachlan looked the most likely this season. Always on the pace these young men rowed with real heart and commitment. A tough year with school and other commitments shortening their season. Their highlights were semi finals at NSW State championships, SLISA Short course Championships and Aussies.

This year we had two U23 male crews. **The Backshots Crew** of Liam, Callum Lach and Dane were joined by sweep Rob.





SURFSPORTS REPORT



Bilgola is very fortunate to have Rob with us, he is a well credentialled rower sweep and competitor across many SLSA platforms. His experience and knowledge has this year assisted and fortified our ranks getting the best out of the Backshots who rowed very well in an extremely tough division.

The Fireball Crew of Tom, Beau, Connor and Lachlan swept by Neil started the year with a final in the SLSA Short course Championships. A great experience and an achievement to be revered. Often well placed in carnivals, as a crew they are on the rise, that first win is now closer than ever.

The newcomers of the sport are our **Masters Ladies Crew** Swept by Rob. The Crankays are now ready to take on the competition, good luck ladies and may the surf gods always shine on you.

The Masters Men Crew of Norm, Mark, Grant and Garrett swept by Neil have rejoined the competitive ranks after a few years off. It was a long way back to rowing fitness and it definitely showed in the early months. Getting our mojo back seemed to be more difficult than expected. For us having a large group of Billy rowers around was extremely heartwarming. The fun times and comradery, team spirit, support and smiles all around was a welcome feeling that we missed.

Results were Gold in SNB Branch Championships, Gold in NSW Metropolitan Championships, Silver in The ASRL Australian Open and Bronze in The SLSA Australian Championships.

Lincoln Fitzpatrick has gained his sweeps accreditation this season and has been a huge part of the rowing group training and volunteering for the many thankless jobs in and around the group including being our official at Branch. Well done Linc, looking forward to next year.

To Neil Jones, congratulations and thankyou. 4 crews this season is a very busy year for you and we really appreciate all of your time, effort and positive input into the group.

This year something very rare happened, we had three Father and Child Competitors in the same competitions: Myself & Abbie, Neil & Lachlan and Grant & Scarlett. We also welcome Jack Roberts who is a third-generation rower, the grandson of Life member Michael Bartlett.

I would like to thank Garrett Smith for his kind donation to the rowers, with his assistance we now have new helmets and can retire those that were over 20 years old and stop borrowing from other clubs.

This year we organised and conducted a trivia night in the clubhouse. What a fun night it was. Funds raised went towards the accommodation costs throughout the year. Can't wait till the next one.

Thank you to Jean for allowing the club to work the sippers BBQ and raise money for annual costs, very much appreciated.

Rowing awards

To those that raised the bar for all.

Great work and thank you, recognition while displayed in the club is obvious to those on the beach. Not only by your teammates but throughout the branch, state and beyond, people are commenting to me and noticing you. Bilgola is regaining the respect we deserve.

ROWING AWARDS

Rower of the Year
Grant Jacobs

Female Rower of the Year
Fleur Dose

Junior Rower of the Year
Ryan Fronzek

Surf Boat Crew of the Year
The Silly Billys
Fleur Dose, Summer Pettit,
Scarlett Jacobs, Abbie Parsons,
Neil Jones (sweep)



Congratulations to Damian Underwood who won Gold at Branch in the 2K sand run.

Its great to have more Billy competitors out there representing the blue and gold. If anyone else is also interested I can assist you.

Finally, on a personal note, during the day of the Branch championship, Bilgola entered the surfboat relay. What I witnessed was a great feeling of team spirit, encouragement and bonding right throughout the rowing group. The level of support from within was infectious and continued to grow through the rest of the season. It's times like these that stay with you as a fond memory of our club.

A huge thank you to all the support from families and friends this year, including but not limited to, travel and carpooling to training sessions and away carnivals, organising accommodation, assistance with our trivia night and sippers BBQ days, cleaning and maintenance of our surf craft and trailers and also preparing and painting our new surf helmets.

Mark Parsons
Director of Surfsports

SURFSPORTS REPORT





Gotcha for Life 24 hour row

In September 2025, Bilgola raised \$3,350 during the Gotcha for Life 24 hour row for mental health.

This was made possible with the assistance of the Salt Shed gym at Warriewood. They provided us with the facility and equipment to take on the challenge.

Our group consisted of the clubs rowers, family and friends. Outside of the rowing group Peter Fenley and the Rovere & Machar families made the commitment and helped the cause. Their efforts were very welcome and a moral boost for everyone.

The vibe at the gym was upbeat with music, TV and BBQ running at all times, It was a long night for some of the crew pushing on to complete

the challenge, swags and sleeping/ camping gear was present and when the group had the opportunity to nap throughout the night and morning it was an easy option.

Four rowing machines were kept busy for the 24 hours and best estimate is that our group rowed 1,300,000 metres, a truly astonishing distance a great effort and all with smiles on faces.

I'm very proud of the group to raise awareness of mental health and the profile of Bilgola SLSC.

Congratulations to everyone involved!



**GOTCHA
4LIFE**



SURFSPORTS REPORT





SURFSPORTS REPORT





LICENSEE & FUNCTIONS REPORT



Another huge year of action for our little club. We packed in more than 80 events this season, everything from weddings and birthdays to raves, BBQs, memorials and even the odd cooking class. If there was a spare moment on the calendar, someone filled it.

The Nipper Christmas Party and Halloween Party were once again absolute crowd pleasers — they never miss. The Boaties Trivia Night also delivered in a big way, with top tier organisation and plenty of laughs. Sunday Sippers also continued its strong momentum, supported by the boat crews who reliably managed the weekly BBQ in all weather conditions as part of their fundraising efforts. Their culinary contributions quickly became a favourite among patrons.

The Functions Team would like to formally acknowledge the many individuals involved in the bathroom upgrades and pergola project. From the extensive work behind the grant applications to the hands on contributions from club members, these improvements have had a substantial impact. The enhanced facilities have elevated the overall presentation of the club and significantly increased its appeal to prospective hirers.

To our Functions Team — led by the legendary OJ and Pauline — thank you. And to our regular crew of Zoe, Bruce, Andrew, Regan, Spencer and Lukas all past Nipper members. Special mention to Lukas Wegrzyn, who's swapped the sand for the ADF — we're grateful for everything he brought to the club and wish him all the best. We also welcomed some fresh faces this year: Fletcher, Abbey and Lily, who all jumped in with enthusiasm.

We had a steady stream of glowing feedback from hirers throughout the season, with people constantly commenting on how friendly, professional and helpful our team is. They really do represent the club at its best.

The club welcomed the return of murder mystery to the beach with the BBC/ABC series *Return to Paradise* filming Season 3 at our very own clubhouse.



Huge congrats to the cast and crew for taking home the Gold Logie for Best Drama at the 2025 TV Awards. If you haven't watched Seasons 1 and 2 on ABC iView yet, now's your moment. It's been pretty special seeing our clubhouse on screen — fingers crossed they return for more.

Running functions at the club is a big team effort, and none of it happens without the many hands behind the scenes. From our caretakers to the BBQ legends, event staff and management — thank you all. You're the reason the club feels like home for our members and such a standout venue for our guests.

Jean Walsh
Licensee



CLUB OPERATION'S REPORT



Picking up the House Captain's role – I know that it is now officially Director of Club Operations, but what's in a name – was like grasping a firehose going full blast and trying to direct the hose in a useful manner.

The House Captain position is managing the 'bricks and mortar' and everything from basement flash flooding to toilet blockages, to turf replacement, to surf inundation, all of which came within the first six months. Thanks to Owen (O.J.) Heywood, and our caretakers Ollie and Candice for managing the flow of the problems to allow me to get up to speed.

Thanks also to previous House Captain Mark Parsons for handing over the clubhouse on an upward trajectory. The commencement of the bathrooms and the glass patio awnings projects was just starting, so taking these over halfway through worked seamlessly.

These projects were successfully completed and have made a real difference to the clubhouse. I would like to acknowledge Neil Jones – also our surfboat sweep extraordinaire – of Bluestone Homes for the work on the patio – it has really made a great difference to the verandah and grass area of the club.

Our clubhouse has been a beacon to Bilgola beachgoers for a number of decades, but these years, the weather and the seaside conditions take a toll on the building - to that end, we work with partners such as Northern Beaches Council (NBC) to help us maintain the building, fixing small things before they become big things – NBC is the landlord to the majority of surf clubs on the Northern Beaches, so being one of (about) 22 clubs might mean that we might be lost in the rush to have things done or repaired, but this is not the case – thank you to Kristie Debney, Stephanie Robertson and our 'own' Simon Crayfourd (son of Richard Crayfourd, a long serving stalwart of our club) for their prompt and thorough attention to our club.

Looking forward, we recently won two grants from the NSW government which will help us improve the working of the building – one, the moving of the coolrooms and opening up of the floor footprint for surf equipment, including Nipper boards and surf rescue boards. The second grant will help us upgrade our security for



our members and for the general public. Both grants should be acted upon by patrol season 2026-27. Thank you to the NSW Government under the Surf Club Facilities Program. Thanks also to our President Greg Woods for his work on the grant applications.

As you can see, the role of House Captain involves bricks, mortar, water, glass, metal and every other piece of the clubhouse – but the biggest and best part of the job are the connections and relationships that are built with the members of our club, the Executive of the club, Anna, our Club Coordinator, and the people who visit our beach. These connections and relationships make the job a pleasure to do.

Thanks and see you in season 2026–27.

David Madew
Director of Club Operations



NIPPER'S REPORT



For the third year in a row the weather and ocean cooperated to provide a fantastic season of Nippers. At the risk of repeating previous annual reports, Nipper numbers again increased by 10%, Nippers were in the ocean every week, our inter club competitors performed admirably, and the “vibe on the beach” was better than ever.

The Surf Rescue Certificate group this year was the largest we've had with nearly 38 Nippers graduating to become qualified life savers. As a club we are very proud and excited for Tilly Hobbis from this cohort who was the Northern Beaches female Junior Lifesaver of the year - the first time a member of the club has received the award.

The Junior Committee welcomed Justin Cook, Kate Knox, and Darren Umbers with Dave Burton stepping back to a mentor role as he took on Director of Lifesaving this season.

Now in its fourth year, the U8's Fun Carnival was again a huge success with great feedback from all clubs involved. A big thank you to Darren Umbers, Piers Davenport, Matt Evans, Dave Burton & Garth Campbell in particular who helped with setup and running of the carnival. The event is now a fixture on the Northern Beaches Branch calendar and it's already booked in for next season!

Lachlan Cook from U10s was our Westfield Nipper of the Year nominee. With nominations closing as we go to press we wish him the best of luck.

Education

The core aim of the Nipper program is to provide children with basic surf skills and a pathway to becoming qualified lifesavers all while having a lot of fun on a Sunday morning. We aim to provide something for all Nippers from those looking to compete at inter club carnivals to others who are wanting to develop their ocean skills and confidence. This is reflected in our high retention rate through the age groups. A large part of this is the Bilgola specific coastal education program which was developed by Age Managers in



previous seasons and was again an integral part of Nippers this year.

Garth Campbell again led the water safety team this season. In his words - “I don't think we've ever had more kids in the water more often”. Job Done! A big thanks to Garth, the water safety and all the parents who enable us to run the Nippers wet program each week.

Delivering the education program, supporting and ensuring the kids have fun at the same time, while managing a constantly changing beach environment is a challenging task. Once again our team of Age Managers and Assistants, Water Safety and Cadets did a fantastic job - often under challenging conditions. Thank you all!



NIPPER'S REPORT
(CONTINUED)



Club Championships

The weather cooperated this season with all three club championship rounds completed without delays. Special thanks to Justin Cook & Valerie Marsh for helping with the final tallying, trophies, award ordering, and presentation day. Congratulations to our male and female Nippers of the year:

Junior:

Freddie Wallrock & Alexa Leslie

Senior:

Oscar Wallrock, Scarlett Leslie

Surf Sports

Colin Denver again ran the Junior surf sports program this season. Bilgola Beach SLSC was well represented at Branch carnivals with several notable performances from Oscar Wallrock (U12B), Scarlett Leslie (U11G), and Alexa Leslie (U9G). We also saw an outstanding performance from Freddie Wallrock (U9B) who took out 3rd place in the swim at the SNB Branch carnival and made it all the way to the finals in State carnival finishing 26th overall. Fantastic results from our Bilgola competitors this year.

We also saw the start of a new partnership with Newport SLSC sharing training sessions for swim and boards. This was a great initiative, and all the competitors really enjoyed the fun and informative time together.

Lastly, a big thank you to Tiana who helped out with our Sand sessions this year and to all of the parents who helped make the carnivals so successful this year.

Fundraising and Sponsorship

Matt Evans & Dan Cran ran the BBQ this season which is a major source of fund raising for Nippers. The annual Halloween Party was as big as ever and the Xmas party was another major success. The beef Brisket burgers sold out at all events they were sold and our world famous spit roast lived up to expectations. Feeding 300 people each week is no easy task and these two gents do an amazing job - thank you!

Avalon Village Meats continued their support via discounted produce for the BBQ. Bilgola IGA again provided drinks for the BBQ at Nippers free of charge.

Belle Property & GatherBy Honey continued their generous support of the club. Honest Chicken at Newport & Zubi's @ Billy again provided weekly awards and vouchers for Nippers and discounts on our event catering and Beaches Group again supported our Nippers.

We also ran an end of season raffle with prizes donated from local businesses Good Citizens Glasses at Avalon, Surfboat and Modus Breweries, Bonfire Bread, and Theraband.

A big thank you to all of our sponsors - your support is greatly appreciated and means the world to us. We couldn't do Sunday mornings without you!

Operations

The season began on October the 19th with swimming proficiencies in the ocean pool at Bilgola. Nippers proper started the following Sunday.

Dave Driver once again took the lead on beach setup, leading a group of parents each Sunday morning putting out equipment and setting up the beach before the Nipper session.

Valerie Marsh again took the lead in the uniform shop this year with support from Liala Cadelli & Gaby Johnston. The shop ran like clockwork all season thanks to a huge effort from these three wonderful ladies.

It takes a lot of work from a team of people behind the scenes to make Nippers happen. To the Age Managers, Assistants, and Cadets. Thank you. Delivering the Nipper programme, keeping Nippers safe in the water, and providing this opportunity for our kids is a large commitment which we are very grateful for.

To the Junior Committee, thank you again for your help and support - it is deeply appreciated. Once again we can all look back on another fabulous season.

Finally a special shout out to Darren Umbers - winner of this year's Chairman's Award. Darren has been an age manager for several years and joined the Junior Committee this year taking on the age manager coordinator role. He also took the lead on the U8s carnival, and helped out driving and crewing the IRB for mid week SRC training sessions. He is always positive, happy to do whatever is most needed, and made a huge contribution to ensuring the Nippers season was another resounding success. From myself and the Junior Committee - thank you Darren.

That's it for 2025-26, see you all in October.

Michael O'Sullivan
Juniors Officer

2025/26 NIPPER/CADET AWARDS

OUTSTANDING JUNIOR NIPPER

Male: Freddie Wallrock

Female: Alexa Leslie

OUTSTANDING SENIOR NIPPER

Male: Oscar Wallrock

Female: Scarlett Leslie

AGE GROUP PLACINGS

Under 8 Girls

1ST Claudia Leslie

2ND Charlotte Moss

2ND Indie Harkness

Encouragement Awards:

Valentina Ghorayeb

Rose Athey

Isla Liccioni

Under 8 Boys

1ST Cruz Perriott

2ND Cruz Evans

3RD Sebastian Oakley

Encouragement Awards:

Teddy Taylor Gray

River Tseng

Under 9 Girls

1ST Alexa Leslie

2ND Piper Sheedy

3RD Isabella Garland

Encouragement Awards:

Elsie Mccune

Liliana Field

Under 9 Boys

1ST Frederick Wallrock

2ND Everett Cochrane

3RD Dashton Panos

Encouragement Awards:

Cody Samuels

Lachlan Montgomerie

Under 10 Girls

1ST Olympia Ryan

2ND Tess Blenkinsop

2ND Aila Mcfarlane

Encouragement Awards:

Francesca Mcgrath

Stephanie Brakell

Under 10 Boys

1ST Henry Castro Lago

2ND Christian Carter-Richards

2ND Coby James

Encouragement Awards:

Sirocco Adams

Coby James

Under 11 Girls

1ST Scarlett Leslie

2ND Skye Bensley

3RD Summer Panos

Encouragement Awards:

Charlotte McWhinney

Brianna Walker

Under 11 Boys

1ST Oliver Byrnes

2ND Hugo Atkinson

3RD Louie Evans

Encouragement Awards:

Oliver Wallace

Jayden Wallace

Under 12 Girls

1ST Mackenzie Miller

1ST Piper Knight

3RD Isabelle Field

Encouragement Awards:

Saskia Howell

Chiara Lewis

Under 12 Boys

1ST Oscar Wallrock

2ND Kane Heath

3RD Henry Bell

Encouragement Awards:

Hugh Barron

Jaxon Hogan

Under 13 Girls

1ST Erin Driver

2ND Hannah Wallace

2ND Mandala Ferris

2ND Sophie Christ

Encouragement Awards:

Not awarded this year

Under 13 Boys

1ST Louis Castro-Lago

2ND Jack Blenkinsop

3RD Henry Lewis

Encouragement Awards:

Not awarded this year

SRC (U14S)

JLOTTY Representaives

Male: Paxton Jones

Female: Tilly Hobbis

Club Contributor

Male: Gustav Schuele

Female: Eva Watts

Most Improved

Reeha Pandharipande

Best & Fairest

Male: Archie Knight

Female: Arielle Lewis

CADETS

Outstanding Cadet Award

Female: Ciara Denver

Service Recognition

Seb Barron

Finn Campbell

Harrison Denver

Marlon Watts

Grace Tabisz

Micheline Parker

Ben Di Uriarte

Outstanding Senior Cadet

Ciara Denver

AGE ASSISTANTS

Nippers Outstanding

Service Award

Robyn Yeats

Abi Owler

OUTSTANDING NIPPER CONTRIBUTORS

Age Manager of the Year

Justin Cook

Chairman's Award

Darren Umbers

BBQ: Matt & Dan

Uniform Shop: Valerie,

Laila & Gaby

Setup: David Driver

Water Safety: Garth Campbell,

Jamie DeUriate

Allrounder Ax

Social media: Jess

Contributors: Scott Machar,

Colin Denver

IRB All stars: Matt Watson,

Brianna Dahdah, Pete Dahdah,

Francesca O'Sullivan, Alice

Machar, Kate Knox

NIPPERS LONG SERVICE AWARD

Survial Award

John Blenkinsop

(U13 Age Manager)



BILGOLA SLSC NIPPERS



6
years



7
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11
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12
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13
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SRC/CADET REPORT



It was another fantastic season for all the Cadets age groups. Numbers continued their upward trend, we had 2 remote patrol weekends, and produced nearly 60 qualified lifesavers across SRC, Bronze medallion, and IRB crew. Several Cadets were involved in rescues and incidents which saved lives, a reminder of the impact this program can have.

While the primary goal of Cadets is to train our teenagers in their Bronze Medallion and Surf Rescue Certificate (SRC) much like Nippers we add extra educational and social elements. With the challenges the modern online world presents to our kids the indirect benefits of Cadets - increased self esteem, confidence & secondary social networks are as important as the life saving skills we teach.

This year's SRC cohort was the largest in the history of the club with 40 U14s. The size of the group presented new challenges for our training team led by CTO Kirsty Allen & yours truly with amazing support from Age Managers and a number of parents including Andrew McWhinney, Asha Hobbs, Cleo Knight, Mignon Butler, Karen Gudmunson, Ben Spencer, Conrad Grayson & Warwick Boulter. They say that what doesn't break you makes you stronger - which in this case was true. It was a lot of fun training this group, with split wet and dry Sunday sessions combined with midweek boards, swimming, and the occasional pizza night.

After gaining their awards a number of the Cadets and patrolling parents travelled north to Bonny Hills for a patrol to help out another country club. This is the first time we have been to Bonny Hills, which is a very different beach to Bilgola and gives our young lifesavers a chance to expand their surf skills and coastal knowledge. Bonny Hills SLSC were great hosts and we are looking forward to continuing the association next season.

We finished the patrolling season with a Cadet patrol day, supporting the ANZAC volunteer patrol. A crisp autumn day, blue skies, and smooth surf resulted in a lot of fun being had by all.

This year's winter solstice event consisted of a talk on the coastal



processes impacting our beach - by Scott Machar, first generation Nipper, Cadet parent, age Manager and Nipper's Secretary, an awards presentation and some very tasty hamburgers! Thank you to all the parents who helped make this season such fun for this cohort. We could not have done it without you.

Finally I want to make a shout out to age managers Andrew McWhinney & Conrad Grayson who took the Boys & Girls Nipper groups from U6s right through to their SRC this year. The size of this group and the engagement of everyone involved was a reflection of their commitment over many seasons and is what Billy is all about.

This year's U16 group took a slightly longer route than usual to their



Bronze Medallion. A delayed start resulted in a pause over Xmas before restarting in late January. Trainers Emanuel Freer & Brianna Dahdah lead the group with nearly 20 new Bronze Medallions awarded over 2 assessments in February and March. A number of the group then went straight on to gain their IRB crew awards before the end of season.

Special mention should be made of Harison Denver who was involved in an after hours rescue during the Xmas break. His quick thinking and reaction to help with a board rescue was instrumental in ensuring a swimmer caught in the Newport Express made it safely back to shore.

In March a number of older Cadets & parents made the now annual trip to Crowdy Head to help out with a weekend Patrol. Crowdy Head SLSC were again fantastic hosts helping make the weekend a lot fun. We are very grateful for the opportunity to expose our young lifesavers to a different coastal environment and the learning opportunities it provides.

Reflecting on another season we are doing very well in our mission to produce qualified lifesavers with deep knowledge and respect for the amazing local environment we enjoy. Till next season.

Michael O'Sullivan
Cadets Officer



SRC/CADETS





MEMBER RECOGNITION

This year's awards night was a cracker! The energy of the room—which was 'standing room only'—was amazing. There was such a sense of community with that 'end of season' buzz and yes, job well done. It was packed with people who, when it comes down to it, are 'family'. That's what Billy is all about.

As the MC for the night, I started out by talking about just that: It's not only the people getting the awards that matter, it's about their fellow boaties, their fellow patrol members, the Nippers Age Managers, the families who support them to put in that time, and to all the trainers, the Committee members, the folks who front up to do extra patrols or clean up the bbq area. There are just so many people who are a part of what makes the club what it is.

But sure, that night was also about those who go above-and-beyond and there were so many of them. Some who had won national awards, some who had just got their Bronze

award. Some who'd put in the most hours on the beach, and some who'd put in the most in a surf boat. And they weren't just the fittest, or youngest, they were of every stripe. Some had only a few years membership while others had decades. That mix that truly represents our community means so much to the health of Billy today, and for the years to come.

So, to everyone who's a part of Billy, directly or indirectly, congratulations on an amazing season!

Rowan Jacob

SLS NORTHERN BEACHES AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE

The Surf Life Saving SNB Awards of Excellence recognises outstanding achievements and contributions across all aspects of surf life saving.

Our other nominees may not have taken home the crown but they're royalty in our eyes:

Trainer of the Year: Kirsty Allen

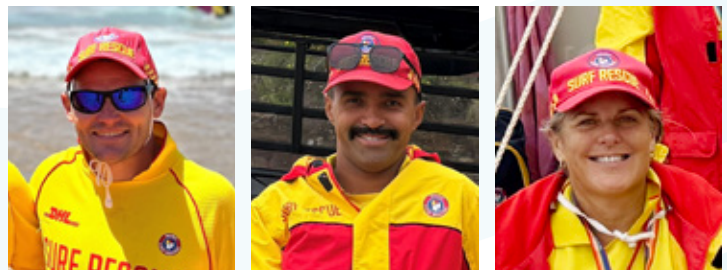
Youth Lifesaver of the Year: Brianna Dahdah

Lifesaver of the Year: Michael O'Sullivan

Volunteer of the Year: Matt Harris & Peter Dahdah

Administrator of the Year: Anna Zilioli

Club of the Year: Bilgola SLSC!!



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR WINNERS:

Patrol Captain of the Year - Levi Rouse

Trainer of the Year - Emanuel Freer

Support Ops Member of the Year - Romilly Madew



HONOURING CRAIG POPPLETON

Volunteer of the Year Nominee

We're incredibly proud to share that our very own Craig Poppleton (life member, assessor, trainer, and long-standing surf lifesaver) was nominated in the **Emergency Services** category of the **2025 Northern Beaches Volunteer of the Year Awards**. This year marked the **inaugural inclusion of the Emergency Services category**, recognising the vital role that volunteers like Craig play in keeping our community safe. With decades of dedicated service, mentoring, and leadership behind him, Craig's nomination is a powerful testament to the impact he's had, not just on our club, but across the wider lifesaving community.

The awards, run by The Centre for Volunteering in partnership with the NSW Government, celebrate exceptional contributions across sectors. Craig was presented with his nominee certificate at the regional ceremony... a proud moment for both Craig and the club. Congratulations, Craig, well deserved!



CONGRATULATIONS: Craig Poppleton



Thank you: **DAVE EDGLEY & JOHN LAWSON**

For more than two decades, Patrol 3 has been shaped by the steady leadership and enduring friendship of co captains Dave Edgley and John Lawson. The pair first met in Plateau Park when their daughters – both named Emma, affectionately known as the M&Ms – started school together. That friendship soon found its way onto the beach, and in 2003 they began co captaining Patrol 3, a partnership that has defined the patrol ever since.

John joined Bilgola in 1999, gaining his Bronze in 2001 and his Silver Medallion in 2003. Alongside his role as Age Manager, he helped build a patrol known for its capability, camaraderie and strong core of highly engaged Bronzies – many of them Nipper mums. When reflecting on his time at Bilgola, John simply says, "It's the people that make it. A core group of brilliant people."

Dave, who also joined in 1999, completed his Bronze in 2000 and quickly became an Age Manager, mentor, IRB driver and long serving Patrol Captain. He is widely credited with creating the welcoming, community focused culture that defines Patrol 3. Of course, many will fondly remember Dave's infamous IRB delivered Santa arrival – a moment now firmly part of club folklore.

Their leadership was recognised with Patrol Captain of the Year awards in 2006/07 and 2023/24, 2026/26, and Patrol 3's Patrol of the Year win in 2023/24. In 2025, both Dave and John were awarded the National Medal for 25 years of continuous service – a fitting acknowledgement of their dedication. This season, they hand over the reins to Grant Worner, leaving behind a legacy built on friendship, service and a patrol culture that will endure long after their final sign off. Thank you, Dave and John, for your service, leadership and "can do" attitude.

TILLY HOBBS

Junior Lifesaver of the Year

Our very own Tilly Hobbs, was selected to represent the Sydney Northern Beaches Branch at the 2026 NSW Junior Lifesaver of the Year (JLOTY) program, held at the Collaroy Centre in April 2026. Having first been crowned the Sydney Northern Beaches Female Junior Lifesaver of the Year, Tilly earned her place among 22 outstanding young lifesavers from across New South Wales. Throughout the three-day leadership and development camp, she demonstrated the commitment, teamwork, and community spirit that are at the heart of Surf Life Saving. Her selection is a testament to her dedication to beach safety, volunteer service, and leadership within the Surf Life Saving movement, and reflects the strong tradition of excellence at Bilgola SLSC. Congratulations Tilly!



CONGRATULATIONS: Tilly Hobbs

A tribute to:

STEVE BROUGHTON-ROUSE

CONGRATULATIONS:
50 YEAR SERVICE AWARD
& NATIONAL MEDAL

No Witnesses, No Applause:
The End of an Era for a
Patrolling Legend

From Conscription to Bilgola's Sands

Steve began his surf lifesaving journey at Copacabana Beach in 1965, a path briefly interrupted when he was conscripted for the Vietnam War. Between military service and his subsequent career as a firefighter—which routinely played havoc with his weekends—it wasn't until 1971 that he officially earned his Bronze Medallion at Bilgola. By the following year, Steve was elevated to Patrol Captain. He remembers an era of extremely busy beaches; in the days before home air conditioning and backyard pools, crowds flooded the coastline. Bilgola was packed to the brim, exacerbated by a total lack of defined parking. Cars lined the Serpentine all the way up to Barrenjoey Road and openly parked across the then-grassy southern headland. Back then, standard-issue, "sun-smart" patrol kit consisted strictly of a pair of Speedos and a swimming cap. Unsurprisingly, many patrollers of that sun-drenched era are now riddled with skin cancers. In terms of rescue gear, the early 1900s invention of the heavy reel, line, and belt was still the pride of the frontline.

Pillows, Pubs and Hangovers

The surf club scene of the 1970s was a male-dominated, macho, and heavily militarized environment. Saluting was not uncommon, and the March Past was executed with strict military precision. Steve's preferred carnival discipline was the Pillow Fight. Two fit lifesavers would straddle an elevated, grease-slicked wooden pole over the sand. With one hand tucked firmly behind their backs, competitors used their free arm to swing a heavy, canvas-cased pillow until one was knocked to the beach. Steve recalls with a grin his secret weapon of wrapping the heavy



canvas case tightly around your closed fist, essentially using it to punch your opponent in the face.

With a total club roster of just 27 patrolling members, standard patrols often consisted of a mere three or four lifesavers. For one season, the club trialed full-weekend patrols, but the experiment failed spectacularly. Sunburnt members routinely headed to The Newport Arms after an exhausting 10-hour Saturday shift for an equally long stint at the bar, only to back it up on Sunday morning, patrolling the blazing sand with splitting headaches. Fortunately, the clubhouse featured a bunkhouse in those days, saving members like Steve from having to drive all the way back to Cheltenham—the suburb he called home then, and still does today.

The Recruiting Masterclass

To share the heavy patrolling load, it was obvious the club desperately needed more numbers, and this is where Steve truly excelled. While local water polo comps and Eastwood Rugby Club were his prime hunting grounds, absolutely no one was safe from his recruiting prowess. Membership surged and a golden era followed. New recruits continued to be sourced from his kids schools, Beecroft Rugby, and eventually his own family as all three children proudly joined his "Patrol 1" crew.

Though he served various committee positions including Club and House Captain and was an inaugural Nippers Age Manager when the program launched in 1988, Steve attributes his 1994 Life Membership to this continuous supply of new recruits. This milestone was soon followed by



his first National Medal circa 1996. In recent years, Steve was honored with his 50-year service award, capped off by a second National Medal this past season.

The Evolution of Patrol 2

By the early 2000s, Steve's relentless recruitment had remarkably created two separate Broughton-Rouse patrols: Patrol 1, captained by Steve, and Patrol 2, captained by his sons, Aaron and Levi. Sadly, the subsequent years saw the passing of Patrol 1 stalwarts John "Mumbles" Aldenhoven, Bruce McLean, and Mick Joy. Combined with dwindling numbers on Patrol 2—as tends to happen when members hit their twenties—the club decided to merge the two teams. In a touching tribute, the club officially retired the Patrol 1 designation, and Steve's combined crew have proudly operated as Patrol 2 ever since.

On the bright side, the merger injected the vital youth the patrol needed to carry it into the future. It allowed veterans like Steve, Bob Towers, Anthony "AKW" White, Jamie Stokoe, Peter Saxon, and John Walcott to remain an integral part of the team without the administrative stress of modern red-tape captaincy or the physical requirement to be first-line rescuers. For another 20 years, this tight-knit crew soldiered on together. Only recently have we seen retirements, alongside the deeply felt passing of AKW, who was honored with a beautiful, packed memorial at the clubhouse.

"No Witnesses. No Applause."

When prompted for a single memory that stands out above the rest, Steve recalls a harrowing, unequipped rescue from a day when he was already far from a spring chicken. He had just walked onto the sand to assess the conditions for setting up the flags when he spotted a woman walk directly into a violent rip at the northern end of the beach. By the time she realized she was in trouble, she was 30 meters out. Steve sprinted into action, jumping straight into the same rip as she began making the fatal mistake of swimming directly against it.

Using the current to his advantage, he reached her quickly, but they were soon swept a further 50 meters out into heavy surf. With no rescue device, and an entirely exhausted, panicked patient, it took every ounce of Steve's strength and deep local knowledge to survive. Counterintuitively, he dragged her out of the rip toward the treacherous northern rocks. From years of spearfishing the area, he knew there was a shallow reef section there.

He precariously managed to hold the woman above the water line, launching himself off the rocky bottom for the occasional gasp of air between sets.

Even as they finally struggled back into the shallows, the terrified woman refused to put her feet down until they reached knee-deep water. The moment she was safe, she simply trotted off, grabbed her belongings, and disappeared into the northern car park without uttering a single word of thanks. Steve collapsed onto the sand, entirely spent after a brutal 15-minute fight for their lives.

Retelling the story today, the core of why he wears the quartered cap remains unchanged: "It was a reminder to me... I know why I am doing this. She would not have made it back to her family that day. There was no one else in eyesight, and she would have soon drowned fighting the current. It still stays with me. No witnesses. No applause."

Marching, Snow, and ANZAC Spirit

Happier memories include hosting two of his children's weddings at the club, and the proud advent of the club's ANZAC Day March Past. Steve recalls that Patrol 2 was rostered on for the dawn shift about seven years ago when a couple of patrols prior he pitched the idea of a formal service. He was immensely proud of how the team ran with it. Members scrambled to find flags and poles, secured a Sydney Symphony Orchestra trumpeter, and Meaghan and Matt Harris's grandfather even painstakingly refurbished an old vintage wooden reel for the occasion. Adrian Wegrzyn was the driving force that day and has been ever since,



transforming the ANZAC Day event into a club tradition.

Another legendary yarn took place in the early-to-mid '90s, when Patrol 1 entered the Perisher-Smiggin's Pub-to-Pub cross-country ski race in full patrol gear—complete with a heavy, old-school wooden rescue reel. The team drank like fish, won \$500 for best dressed (a small fortune at the time), and even made a memorable, hilarious appearance on Nine's Wide World of Sports.

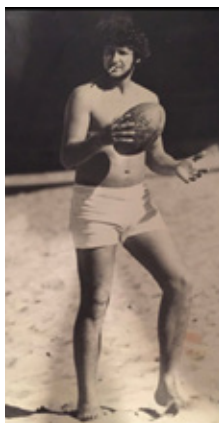
Tribute from Life Member Dennis O'Toole

Steve is a great lifesaver and clubman. He will always be thought of as the most dedicated patroller in the history of Bilgola Surf Life Saving Club. If there is ever a lifesaver's Valhalla, then Steve Broughton-Rouse will always stand there high above the throne. Well done oh' faithful servant of surf lifesaving.

One Final Shift

This October, Steve turns 80 on a Friday. All things going to plan, he will pull on the budgie smugglers for one final, ceremonial patrol the following Sunday morning—his absolute favorite shift. This will truly be the end of a magnificent era.

Levi Broughton-Rouse





CONGRATULATIONS:

ROMILLY MADEW AO

Life Membership Award

Romilly Madew started surf lifesaving in 1990 when she gained her Bronze Medallion from Palm Beach SLSC. She spent several seasons at the club, becoming Vice Captain of her Patrol, before moving to regional NSW in 1994.

In 2008, she and her husband, David, moved to the Northern Beaches, where she joined Bilgola SLSC (BSLSC) and her three children joined Nippers.

Since joining Bilgola SLSC, Romilly has been a Nipper mum, Nipper Age Manager (U6 Boys from 2009), Patroller from 2009, Patrol Captain of Patrol 14, Committee Member (including Vice President and President), competitor, and volunteer.

Romilly became a Duty Office for Surf Lifesaving Sydney Northern Beaches (SLS SNB) in 2021, as well as an Afterhours Duty Officer, SLSNSW Liaison Officer during critical events (Floods) and a SEMC for Branch. For two seasons she was SLSSNB Support Operations Advisor (Duty Officer Coordinator) and a Committee Member, SLSSNB, Board of Life Saving. Romilly is the Patrol Captain and organizer for the annual SLSNSW Rainbow Beaches Patrol and Pink Zinc Patrol. This year Romilly is also Patrol Captain for Patrol 9 (Craig Poppleton's Patrol) as he is out for the season with injury.

Romilly also established and coordinates the Bilgola Rays Swimming group, made up of 30 BSLSC members, who Ocean swim every weekend and have started competing for BSLSC in Masters.

CONGRATULATIONS:

DAVID MADEW

Distinguished Member Award

David joined Bilgola Surf Club after moving from country NSW in 2008. For several years he joined John Brogden as the 'BBQ kings' for Nippers. In April 2014 he earned his Bronze Medallion.

David went onto earning his IRB Crew Certificate and Silver Medallion IRB Driver in 2015, then became an IRB Trainer in 2017. Since then, he has been Bilgola Surf Club IRB Captain (2017 – 2023), representing IRBs on the Bilgola Surf Club Committee for these years and becoming Head Trainer. He has a highly motivated training team that have been at the forefront of instituting new training techniques and skills.

As IRB Captain he actively went about renewing the IRB fleet, with Gen 3 hulls, a strategy of two-stroke motor renewal and a maintenance program meaning less downtime and better equipment reliability.

From 2018 to 2023 David was the Swim Director of Bilgola Swim. He gained local government grants for the Pittwater Swim Series (of which, Bilgola Swim was a member) that built the numbers and profile of all the Northern Beaches Swims involved.

David was also the Liquor Licensee for the Club for several years.

In season 2024/25 David supported three patrols, including Patrol 14 and helping Patrol 7 and 9, amassing over 160 patrolling hours, excluding all IRB training hours for the two IRB courses.



CONGRATULATIONS: Rowan Jacob

ROWAN JACOB

World Masters Swimming Championships & Book Launch

On 25 September 2025, Rowan launched his new book at Bilgola Surf Club: *Your Story SuperPower – Narrative Secrets to a Successful Life*.

It was a great night with three of our own Bronzies sharing their own stories of transformation – Shelly Acland, Craig Fallshaw and Pete Dahdah. And of course, Rowan shared his own story about his journey to be top 10 in the world at a breaststroke swimming event - which he did at the World Masters swimming championships following a 2-year journey towards this ambitious goal!

PERPETUAL TROPHY AWARDS

Congratulations to the 2025/26 season recipients.



PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Michael O'Sullivan, Nikki Curtin & Owen Heywood



CLUB CAPTAIN'S AWARD

Shelly Acland & Grant Worner



LIFE SAVING ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AWARD

*Michael O'Sullivan, Harrison Denver,
Emanuel Freer & Russell Philip*



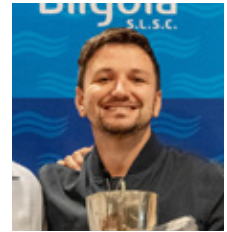
SURF BOAT CREW OF THE YEAR

*Silly Billys - Fleur Dose, Summer Pettit,
Scarlett Jacobs, Abbie Parsons & Neil Jones*



OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO SURF LIFE SAVING

Mark Parsons



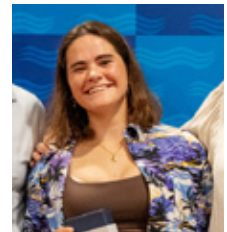
MOST VALUED PERSON OF THE YEAR

Matt Harris



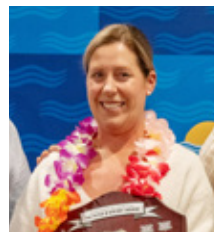
TOP BRONZE CANDIDATE

Colin Denver



YOUTH PERSON OF THE YEAR

Haidee Underwood



LIFESAVER OF THE YEAR

Nadine Cran



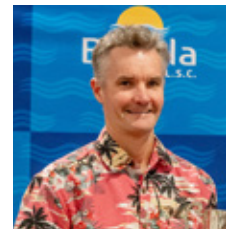
PATROL CAPTAIN OF THE YEAR

John Lawson & David Edgley



IRB PERSON OF THE YEAR

Darren Umbers



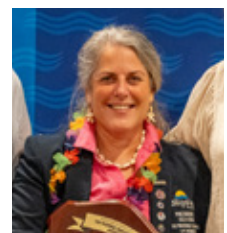
CLUB PERSON OF THE YEAR

Damien Underwood



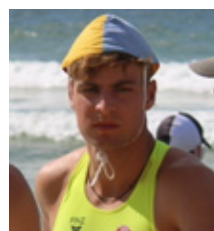
ROWER OF THE YEAR

Grant Jacobs



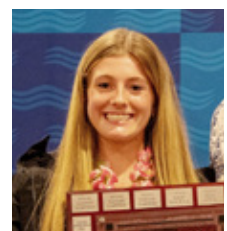
RICHARD CRAYFOUR AWARD

Romilly Madew



JUNIOR ROWER OF THE YEAR

Ryan Fronzek



FEMALE ROWER OF THE YEAR

Fleur Dose

PERPETUAL TROPHY WINNERS

PART OF OUR CLUB'S HISTORY

Lifesaver of the Year (Peter O'Gready Award)

1994/95 Kirk Jansson
1995/96 Andrew Strachan
1996/97 Murray McGain,
Geoff Hannigan
1997/98 Nick McCarthy
1998/99 Nick McCarthy,
Anthony O'Toole
1999/00 Nick McCarthy
2000/01 Sean Frazer
2001/02 Simon Crayford
2002/03 Karen Peek
2003/04 Andrew Strachan
2004/05 Peter Tomkins
2005/06 Geoff Raper
2006/07 Geoff Raper
2007/08 Geoff Raper
2008/09 Geoff Raper
2009/10 Geoff Raper
2010/11 Geoff Raper
2011/12 Geoff Raper
2012/13 Isabelle Poelmann
2013/14 Greg Franks
2014/15 Ricky Rogers Jnr
2015/16 Ricky Rogers
2016/17 Kai Schaefer
2017/18 Bruce Scheffers
2018/19 Emanuel Freer
2019/20 Greg Woods
2020/21 Marc Bernard
2021/22 Mark Scott
2022/23 David Burton
2023/24 Craig Poppleton
2024/25 Greg Franks
2025/26 Nadine Cran

Junior Lifesaver of the Year

2015/16 Keira Paine,
Flynn Poelmann
2017/18 Jarrah Turner,
Leah Fenley

Club Person of the Year (The Bob de Groot Award)

*This award replaces the
Clubman/Woman Award
2008/09 Sharon Raper
2009/10 Stephen Dadour,
Barry Towns
2010/11 Dennis O'Toole
2011/12 Kristen Raper
2012/13 Peter Tomkins
2013/14 Ben Gill
2014/15 David Brown
2015/16 Norm Pounder
2016/17 David Madew
2017/18 Craig Poppleton
2018/19 Ian Macdonald
2019/20 John Coleman
2020/21 Stephen Laird
2021/22 Kirsty Allen
2022/23 Jean Walsh
2023/24 Michael O'Sullivan
2024/25 Matt Harris
2025/26 Damien Underwood

Most Valued Person of the Year (Ross Henessey Award)

2008/09 Nigel Dawson,
Stephen Dadour
2009/10 Pete Tomkins
2010/11 Nigel Dawson
2011/12 Owen Heywood
2012/13 Rachel Brown
2013/14 Graham Foran
2014/15 Peter Fenley
2015/16 Rowan Jacobs,
Rob Chant
2016/17 Peter Fenley
2017/18 David Madew
2018/19 Kylie Ockwell
2019/20 Romilly Madew
2020/21 John Coleman
2021/22 David Madew
2022/23 Peter Dahdah
2023/24 Nikki Curtin
2024/25 Neil Jones
2025/26 Matt Harris

Distinguished Service Membership

1999 James Chant
1999 Robert Machar
1999 Kirk Jansson
2000 Richard Crayford
2000 Don McManus
2001 Kevin Berry †
2002 Bruce McLean †
2004 Jim King
2005 Graham Foran
2007 Kirk Jansson
2009 Graedon Frazer,
Murray McGain
2010 Ray Burgess,
Andrew Strachan
2011 Stephen Dadour
2012 Nigel Dawson,
Geoff Raper
2013/14 Louise Edgley,
Peter Tomkins,
Craig Poppleton
2014/15 Nigel Penn
2020/21 Norm Pounder,
Romilly Madew
2024/25 David Madew

Top Bronze Candidate (Saxon Glover Award)

1994/95 Edward Ockwell
1995/96 Paula Drayton
1996/97 Rachel Hudson
1997/98 Jeff Bashford
1998/99 David Machar
1999/00 Steve Allan
2000/01 Teddy Nassif
2001/02 Nicole Gibbeson
2002/03 Luke Hartin
2003/04 Elise McLeod
2004/05 Cameron King
2005/06 Louise Edgeley
2006/07 Michael King
2007/08 Cliff Brigstocke
2008/09 Debbie Milsom
2009/10 Dr Henry Pleass
2010/11 Margaret Moore
2011/12 Madelyn Wilton,
Solomon Beyene

2012/13 Gavin Smithen
2013/14 John Morley
2014/15 Liam Brown
2015/16 Jane Huang
2016/17 Jamie McCrindle,
Archie Elliott
2017/18 Emmanuel Freer
2019/20 Lauren Farr
2020/21 Mignon Butler
2021/22 Simon Eggleton
2022/23 Damian Underwood
2023/24 Shelly Acland,
Darren Umbers
2024/25 Geoff Aitken
2025/26 Colin Denver

Presidents Award

2018/19 Karen Perry,
Peter Dahdah,
Bob Machar,
Lucy Brogden
2019/20 David Madew,
Rowan Jacob,
Rob Farr,
Nicki Curtain
2020/21 David Madew,
Mark Scott,
John Coleman,
Stephen Laird
2021/22 JP Mather,
Caity Lowe,
Nikki Curtain
2022/23 Geoff Raper,
Michael O'Sullivan,
Andrew Gough,
Greg Franks,
Romilly Madew,
Gregory Woods
2023/24 Greg Woods,
David Burton,
Stephen Laird
2024/25 Scott Machar,
Kirsty Allen,
Nikki Curtin
2025/26 Michael O'Sullivan,
Nikki Curtin,
Owen Heywood

Richard Crayfourd Award

2018/19 Peter Dahdah
2020/21 Mark Parsons
2021/22 Matt Evans
2023/24 Nikki Curtain
2024/25 Garth Campbell
2025/26 Romilly Madew

Clubman of the Year

1991/92 Kirk Jansson
1992/93 Mark Schubert
1993/94 Andrew Strachan
1994/95 Murray McGain
1995/96 Stuart Quin
1996/97 Dennis O'Toole
1997/98 Bob Machar,
Johnathan Geaghan
1998/99 Kevin Berry
1999/00 Jim King
2000/01 Michael Bartlett
2001/02 Bob Machar
2002/03 James Chant
2003/04 Geoff Raper,
Alan Lamacraft
2004/05 Alan Lamacraft
2005/06 Justin Poppleton
2006/07 Tim Creecy
2007/08 Steve Allan

Club Woman of the Year

1990/91 Renay Kangellis
1991/92 Jennifer Bartlett
1992/93 Charmaine Sully
1993/94 Sarah Bartlett
1994/95 Karrin Flood
1995/96 Karrin Flood
1996/97 Sally Quin
1997/98 Paula Drayton
1999/00 Laura Rigby
2000/01 Sally Saunders
2001/02 Karen Peek
2002/03 Susan Winter
2003/04 Karen Peek
2004/05 Louise Edgley
2005/06 Louise Edgley
2006/07 Louise Edgley
2007/08 Colleen Allan

Age Manager of the Year

2010/11 David Brown
2011/12 David Brown,
Lucy Brogden
2012/13 Jean Walsh,
John Morley
2013/14 Bianca Norris,
John Morley,
David Poole
2014/15 Rob Farr,
Lucy Brogden
2016/17 Jon Hulme
2017/18 Adrian Wegrzyn
2018/19 Conrad Grayson
2019/20 Alex Miller
2022/23 David Burton,
David Heath

Patrol Captain of the Year

2000/01 Paula Drayton
2001/02 Simon Crayfourd
2002/03 Craig Poppleton
2003/04 Murray McGain
2004/05 Geoff Raper
2005/06 David Machar
2006/07 David Edgley
2007/08 Andrew Strachan
2008/09 Craig Poppleton
2009/10 Craig Poppleton
2010/11 Kristen Raper
2011/12 Ilkka Tales
2012/13 Craig Poppleton
2013/14 Isabelle Poelmann
2014/15 Greg Franks
2015/16 Piet Poelmann
2016/17 Levi Broughton Rouse
2017/18 Levi Broughton Rouse
2018/19 Greg Franks
2019/20 Romilly Madew
2020/21 Marc Bernard
2021/22 Rob Farr
2022/23 Steve Faddy
2023/24 David Edgley
2024/25 Romilly Madew
2025/26 John Lawson,
David Edgley

Outstanding Contribution to Surf Life Saving (The Kevin Berry Award)

2007/08 Steve Faddy,
Nigel Penn,
Kevin Berry
2008/09 Nigel Penn,
Karen Peek,
Peter Tomkins,
Gabby Chase-Berry,
Richard Crayfourd,
Steve Faddy
2009/10 Nigel Penn,
Karen Peek,
Peter Tomkins,
Dennis O'Toole,
Geoff Raper,
Steve Faddy,
Richard Crayfourd
2010/11 Dennis O'Toole,
Nigel Penn,
Pete Tomkins,
Nigel Dawson,
Geoff Raper,
Karen Peek,
Steve Faddy
2011/12 Nigel Penn,
Dennis O'Toole,
Steve Faddy,
Geoff Raper,
Nigel Dawson,
Karen Peek,
Norm Pounder,
Richard Crayfourd
2012/13 Nigel Penn,
Dennis O'Toole,
Craig Poppleton,
Steve Faddy,
Nigel Dawson,
Norm Pounder,
Steve Cousins,
Pauline Wright,
Kerrie Burgess
2013/14 Nigel Penn,
Norm Pounder,
Isabelle Poelmann,
Louise Edgley

2014/15 Steve Faddy
2015/16 Dennis O'Toole,
Nigel Penn,
Steve Couzens,
Rob Farr,
Isabelle Poelmann
Schmidt
2016/17 Norm Pounder,
Kaz Marks
2017/18 Peter Fenley,
Nigel Penn,
Kaz Marks,
Craig Poppleton
2018/19 Nigel Penn,
Peter Fenley,
Kaz Marks,
Steve Faddy
2019/20 Kaz Marks,
Nigel Penn,
Steve Faddy
2020/21 Steve Faddy,
Jarrah Turner
2021/22 Romilly Madew,
Peter Fenley
2023/24 Emanuel Freer
2024/25 Greg Woods
2025/26 Mark Parsons

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PERPETUAL TROPHY WINNERS

PART OF OUR CLUB'S HISTORY

Lifesaving acknowledgement award

2019/20 Matt Scully,
Craig Poppleton,
Greg Franks
2020/21 Sara Strong,
Zac Cracknell,
Romily Madew,
Juliette Moore,
Jack Farrall
2021/22 Andrew Gough,
David Madew,
Greg Woods,
Zac Cracknell
2022/23 Caitlin Lowe,
Geoff Raper,
Rowan Jacob,
David Driver,
Sarah Wang,
John Coleman,
Jon-Paul Mather
2023/24 Kirsty Allen,
Lucy Brogden,
Steve Broughton Rouse
2024/25 David Madew,
Rowan Jacob,
Michael O'Sullivan
2025/26 Michael O'Sullivan,
Harrison Denver,
Emanuel Freer,
Russell Philip

Club Champion

1991/92 Robert Nicholls
1992/93 Kim Peade
1993/94 Mark Schubert
1994/95 Anthony O'Toole
1995/96 Anthony O'Toole
1996/97 Aaron Reilly
1997/98 Anthony O'Toole
1998/99 Anthony O'Toole,
Aaron Reilly
1999/00 Anthony O'Toole
2000/01 Andrew Strachan
2001/02 Andrew Strachan,
Anthony O'Toole
2002/03 Simon Crayford
2003/04 Anthony O'Toole
2004/05 Anthony O'Toole
2005/06 Ben Gill
2006/07 Mitchell Foran
2007/08 Jarrad King
2008/09 Mitchell Foran
2009/10 Mitchell Foran
2011/12 Mitchell Foran
2012/13 Jarrad King,
Jesse Thompson
2013/14 Michael Fell
2015/16 Hugh Pender
2016/17 Mark Hooley

Female Club Champion

2004/05 Mel MacPherson
2005/06 Sally Macready,
Nikki Sedgwick
2006/07 Nikki Sedgwick
2007/08 Elle Lindner
2008/09 Rhiannon Lea
2009/10 Alex Rogers
2011/12 Nikki Sedgwick
2012/13 Molly Simpson
2013/14 Annabelle Rogers,
Rebecca Rogers
2015/16 Rebecca Rogers
2016/17 Tiani Schaefer

Youth Patrol Person of the Year

2006/07 Grahame Butler
2007/08 Ben Scheffers
2008/09 Darcy Gray,
Callum Gray
2009/10 Callum Gray,
Darcy Gray
2011/12 Jess Milsom
2012/13 Richard Rogers Jnr.
2013/14 Richard Rogers Jnr.
2014/15 Annabelle Rogers
2015/16 Liam Brown
2016/17 Cameron Scully
2018/19 Meg Elphick,
Ollie Festa,
Nathan Dahdah,
Mike Donoghue
2020/21 Kiera Paine,
Lauren Farr
2022/23 Haidee Underwood
2023/24 Brianna DahDah
2024/25 Brianna DahDah
2025/26 Haidee Underwood

Club Captains Award

2018/19 David Gilliard,
Jarrah Turner
2019/20 Zac Cracknell,
Ray Trevisan,
Meaghan Harris
2020/21 David Driver
2021/22 Greg Franks,
Justyne Rogers,
Janelle Hall,
Julie Hall,
Ashley Hall,
Rebecca Rogers,
Julie-Ann Grosbard
2022/23 John Lawson,
Meaghan Harris,
David Madew,
Haidee Underwood,
Keisha Tickle
2023/24 Xander El-Youssef,
Tony Nelson,
Matt Harris

2024/25 Andrew Radford,
Peter Dahdah,
Emanuel Freer
2025/26 Shelly Acland,
Grant Worner

IRB Person of the Year

1999/00 Stuart Lane
2000/01 Nigel Penn
2001/02 Tony Rigby
2002/03 Steve Allan
2003/04 Peter Tomkins
2004/05 Nigel Dawson
2005/06 Chad Sheppard
2006/07 Nigel Penn
2007/08 Gabrielle Chaseberry
2008/09 Geoff Raper
2011/12 Daniel Maberly
2012/13 Bill Hawkins
2013/14 Ben Gill
2014/15 Piet Poelmann,
Bill Hawkins
2015/16 David Madew
2016/17 Piet Poelmann,
Tiani Schaefer
2017/18 David Madew
2018/19 Dave Driver
2019/20 Jarrah Turner
2020/21 David Madew
2021/22 Josh Farr,
Colin Callaghan,
Jack Farrell
2022/23 Gregory Woods
2023/24 Haidee Underwood
2024/25 Nadine Cran
2025/26 Darren Umbers

Surf Boat Crew of the Year

1997/98 Under 21's G
1998/99 Open Women's G
1999/00 Open Women's G
2000/01 Under 19's G
2001/02 Open Women's G
2002/03 Under 19's G
2003/04 Open Women's G
2004/05 Under 21 G
2005/06 U19 Matchsticks,
Open Women's Gold
2006/07 U23 Women's Gold
2007/08 160 Masters Crew
2008/09 U23 Women's Gold
Open Women's Blue
2009/10 160 Masters Crew
2010/11 A Crew (Open Men's)
2011/12 A Crew (Open Men's)
2012/13 Bilgola Bennys
2013/14 A Crew (Open Men's)
2014/15 U23 Men's Bilgola
Bennys
2015/16 Open Women Gold
2016/17 Under 19 Womens
2017/18 U23 Women Bilgola
'Rippers', Masters Men
Bilgola 'Older'
2018/19 Masters Men Bilgola
'Older'
2019/20 Masters Men Bilgola
'Older'
2020/21 Masters Men Bilgola
'Older'
2023/24 U23 Men
2024/25 U19 Male Chicken Legs
2025/26 U17 Women Silly Billys

Rower of the Year

1994/95 Steve Reilly
1995/96 Steve Snell
1996/97 Norm Pounder [Jnr]
1997/98 Paul Shepherd
1998/99 Paula Drayton,
Shaun Taylor
1999/00 Jonathon Geaghan
2000/01 Natalie Gartner
2001/02 Jason Crump
2002/03 Don McManus
2003/04 Mitchell Foran
2004/05 Neil Jones
2005/06 Nikki Sedgwick
2006/07 Cameron King
2007/08 Jason Crump
2008/09 Brendan Murray
2009/10 Ben Gill,
Brendan Murray
2010/11 Ben Gill
2011/12 Mitchell Foran
2012/13 Norm Pounder
2013/14 Norm Pounder
2014/15 Norm Pounder
2015/16 Ben Gill
2016/17 Mitch Renouff
2017/18 Ben Gill
2018/19 Norm Pounder,
Matt Nugent
2019/20 Ben Gill
2020/21 Mark Hooley
2021/22 Adam Corrigan
2023/24 Neil Jones
2024/25 Neil Jones
2025/26 Grant Jacobs

Female Rower of the Year

2002/03 Natalie Gartner
2003/04 Natalie Gartner
2004/05 Natalie Gartner
2005/06 Nikki Sedgwick
2006/07 Jana Letnic
2007/08 Laura Brealey
2008/09 Rhiannon Lea
2009/10 Rhiannon Lea

2010/11 Rhiannon Lea
2011/12 Rhiannon Lea
2012/13 Natalie Gartner
2013/14 Claire Cupitt
2014/15 Aleisha Pollicina
2015/16 Aleisha Pollicina
2016/17 Alice Clarke
2017/18 Lucy Knowles
2018/19 Lucy Knowles
2019/20 Ella Smith
2025/26 Fleur Dose

Junior Rower of the Year

1995/96 Murray Jess
1996/97 Aaron Reilly
1997/98 Anthony O'Toole
1998/99 Matthew Newark
1999/00 Richard Bruce
2000/01 Natalie Bruce
2001/02 Mitchell Foran
2002/03 Mitchell Foran
2003/04 Mitchell Foran
2004/05 Alex Preston
2005/06 Nikki Sedgwick
2006/07 Cameron King
2007/08 Nathan Udy
2008/09 Jesse Thompson
2009/10 Courtney Cox,
Jesse Thompson
2010/11 Hugh Pender
2012/13 Anna Galloway
2013/14 Molly Simpson
2014/15 Alicia Jackson
2015/16 Caitlin Lowe
2016/17 Grace Devaney
2023/24 Myles Nicholas
2024/25 Lachlan Savage
2025/26 Ryan Fronzek

Bilgola Bolt Winner

1994 Gary Bilton
1995 Gary Bilton
1996 Gary Bilton
1997 Gary Bilton
1998 Gary Bilton
1999 Simon Crayfourd
2000 Gary Bilton
2001 Mark Hooley
2002 Mark Hooley
2003 Simon Crayfourd
2004 Jarrad King
2005 Jarrad King
2006 Jarrad King
2007 Courtney Dober
2008 Courtney Dober
2009 Dylan Free
2010 Elliott Green
2012 Jarrad King
2013 Michael Fell
2014 Michael Fell
2015 Stephen Beukers
2016/17 Mark Hooley

PRESENTATION NIGHT





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2025/26 BILGOLA SLSC MEMBERS

Life Members

Michael Bartlett OAM
Anthony Bland †
Steve Broughton-Rouse
James Chant
Graham Foran
Robert Hawkins
John Hillier †
Kirk Jansson
Neil Jones
David Lyall †
Robert Machar
Romilly Madew AO
Dennis O'Toole
Nigel Penn
Craig Poppleton

Long Service

Levi Broughton-Rouse
Robert Emerson
David B. Filmer
Mark Fitzgerald
Geoff Hannigan
Owen Heywood
Grant Jacobs
Linc Kilpatrick
Brian Law
Scott Machar
David Madew
Murray McGain
David Nicholls
Mark Parsons
Norm Pounder
Geoff Raper
Claire Reading
Peter Saxton
Garett Smith
Robert Towers

Honorary

John Brogden
Marcus Blackmore

Reserve Active

Carol Forlonge

Community Member

Janet Anthes
Michelle Barden
Christophe Bernard
Kelly Bernard
Peter Biscoe
Chris Boffa
Michael Boon
Katrina Bowen
Nick Bowen
Roger Bruce
Rhonda Campbell
Robert Coppola
Nicholas David
Lyn De Klerk
Craig Dorrington
John Greenhill
Kirsten Gyles
Peter Hatcher
Sarah Hatcher
Alexandra Hawthorne
Tony hay
Jenny Hicks
Tina Horkan
Ray Horne
Anita Jacoby
David Livingston
Peter Macourt
Jon Marks
Allan McCormac
Irene Newport
Rick Osborn
Julie Peasley-Brooks
Melinda Phillips
Kristopher Ritter
Lisette Slotboom
Jane Spring
Roslyn Walker
Lisa Wandl
Alan Waring
Marian Welsh

General

David Adams
Lennah Adams
Katherine Addington
David Addley
Natalie Aitken
Prakash Ale
Morten Andersen
Keirin Athey
Grace Atkinson
Robert Baird
Elizabeth Baker
Sandy Banfield
Pat Barclay
Camilla Barklem
Leo Bartsch
Melanie Bates
Alfie Bell
Louise Bell
Stuart Bensley
Yvonne Renate Benz
Lauren Best
Louis Blythe
David Boers
Ben Bolewski
Simone Bonouvrie
Lynda Bourke
Ben Bradbury
Greer Bradbury
Caroline Brakell
Flinders Brogden
Hugh Brogden
Trinity Brogden
Darron Broughton
Erika Brown
Fiona Bulstrode
Declan Burns
Matthew Butler
Brodie Byrnes
Robert Byrnes
Liala Cadelli
Julie Cadman
Colin Callaghan
Jemma Campbell
Liam Campbell

Ross Candido
Claire Cardno
Carina Cargill
Charles Carter-Richards
Ceri Cashell
Parrish Castaing
Lisa Castro Lago
Andrew Chapman
Matt Chapman
Alex Chesser
Daniel Christ
Gemma Christie
Roger Christie
Daisy Clasper
Bradley Cochrane
Alexander Collier
Samantha Collier
Leslie Comans
Elisabeth Cooper
Jamie Coull
Daniel Cran
Simon Crayfound
Ben Cronin
Emma Cronin
Andrew Crook
Kerry Curtis
Katy Daniells
Byron Darroch
Alexandra Davidson
Alice Dean
Terri Diegelman
Tamra Driver
Christopher Drummer
Annette Dyball
Dan Elliott
Kathryn Elliott
Peter Emmanoilidis
Geoffrey Erder
Paul Erskine
Penny Erskine
Hayden Evans
Lisa Evans
Matthew Evans
Andrew Fairbairn
Michaela Fallon

Frank Fan
Andrew Fegan
Katie Fegan
Joshua Fenley
Peter Ferris
Matt Field
Ian Fields
Vincent Fiere
Cameron Finlayson
Emily Fletcher
Russell Forster
Sean Frazer
Andrea Garbuio
Andy Gardner
Gabrielle Gardner
Adam Garland
Sarah Gerathy
Georges Ghorayeb
Phoebe Ghorayeb
Nathan Gibson
Penny Gleen
Sanjay Gnanadickam
Jim Goddard
Courtney Gold
Natalie Graham
Amelia Gray
Roger Gray
Nicky Greenlees-Jones
Elissa Groen
Paul Gudmunson
Renee Hackett
Jenna Harkness
Scott Harman
Cairine Haslam
Eric Hawkins
Kathryn Hawkins
Lisa Henshaw
Natalia Hepp
Neil Hobbis
Ali Hodgkinson
Melanie Horkan
Joachim Howard
Anthony Howell
Thomas Howes
Damion Howlett

Kei Howlett	Johnny Mrljak	Matthew Squires	Active (18yrs and over)	Clare Goben
Veronica Hsu	Joann Mullally-Forster	Alexander Stafford	Shelly Acland	Andrew Gough
Kristy Hudson	Peter Nash	Alison Stafford	Geoff Aitken	Conrad Grayson
Abbie Hughes	Chris Neale	Jessica Stewart	Kirsty Allen	Alan Green
Damien Robert Hughes	Lee-Anne Newcombe	Alison Sutton	Callum Archibald	Alex Hailes
Lucy Humphrey	Catherine Northover	Philip Tayler	Tristan Barclay	matt harris
Kelly Ann James	Anthony Oakley	Ethan Teas	Angus Barron	Meaghan Harris
Gabriella Johnston	Georg Oberwalleney	Jessica Teas	Rachel Baylie	David Heath
Lauren Johnston	Yalin Ozucelik	Edmund Thomas	Marc Bernard	Karen Hegarty
Marisa Kanthak	Alex Pace	Jessica Thomas	Kate Black	Ollie Heys
Jennifer Kearney Bott	Harshad Pandharipande	Mark Tickle	John Blenkinsop	Stephen Hill
Daniel Kelly	Jordan Panos	Jeremy Toole	Warwick Boulter	Asha Hobbis
Ewan Kelly	Elia Parsanejad	Guy Treloar	Lucinda Brogden	Luke Hogan
Carolina Kennard	Kasra Parsanejad	Claire Tremellen	Aaron Broughton-Rouse	Spencer Hole
Belinda Kennewell	Hugh Peachey	Timothy Tremellen	Dane Burns	Rowan Jacob
Matthew Kennewell	Kim Peacock	Andrew Tunbridge	Dave Burton	Karen Jones -
Julia Kindt	Mathew Petrusma	Matthew Turansky	Mignon Butler	Gudmunson
Stephen Kiraly	Tania Pickering	James Twemlow	Garth Campbell	Benjamin Kanthak
Kevin Kivi	Alice Pilcher	Carol Van Beek	James Campbell	Piers Kennard
Corinna Klawon	Phillippa Prentice	Christiaan Van Beek	Sophie Cazalet	Liam Kilpatrick
Elliott Knight	Carolina Puerta Villa	Sophie Van Der Meer	Aidan Coleman	Cleo Knight
Ben Knox	Chase Putnam	Corin van Poppel	Ella Coleman	Kate Knox
Megan Koffel	Sheridan Raphael	Nick Venter	John Coleman	Poppy Koulouris
Candice Lake	Sascha Reuter	Charlie Walker	Justin Cook	Amy Laird
Chris Leach	Justin Riddett	Craig Walker	Nadine Cran	Stephen Laird
Amy Leaman	Ben Roberts	Erin Walker	Paige Critchlow	John Lawson
Garth Leslie	James Roberts	Michael Wallace	Nikki Curtin	Ian Macdonald
Kelsey Lewis	Kate Robertson	Samuel Wallrock	Brandon Dahdah	Arielle Madew
Emily Liccioni	Tim Robinson	Sarah Warburton	Jayden Dahdah	David Madew (Jnr)
James Little	Tracey Rock	Gemma Ward	Peter Dahdah	Jasmine Manns
Richard Lloyd	Sarah Rose	Allisha Waterman	Alicia De Los Santos	Jon-Paul Mather
Sarah Loxton	Tyson Rose	Matthew Watt	Del Pozo	Dougal McFarlane
Justin Lydement	Anna Rudd	Stephanie Watts	Jamie de Uriarte	Jean Mckinnon
Miguel Maestre	Nigel Ruffell	Jason Weston	Bradley Dean	Andrew McWhinney
Sascha Maestre	didier Ryan	Carolyn White	Elysse Dean	Alex Miller
Mohammed Kashif	Nicholas Sargent	Tom White	Colin Denver	Amie Miller
Magbool	Lizzie Schebesta	Kate Whitelaw	David Driver	Tara Moody
Krisztina Majer	Gunter Schuele	Byron Williams	Claire Edgley	Gavin Mortlock
Suzanne Manfredini	Samantha Sealey	Graeme Wilson	David Edgley	Ben Moss
Stefano Manuelli	Oliver Sharp	Eric Woods	Emma Edgley	Tony Nelson
Valerie Marsh	Tom Sheedy	Sigrid Woods	Louise Edgley	Beau Nicholas
Mardi Matesic	Henry Shepherd	Anna Zilioli	Simon Eggleton	Belinda Nicholas
Felicity McCullum	Mimi Sheppard	Priscilla Zvirblis	Steven Faddy	Lachlan Oake
Daniel McCune	Jessica Sheridan	Alen Zvokelj	Craig Fallshaw	Paul O'Callaghan
Alex Mcdonald	Ronald Simpson	David Machar	Alex Fan	Sophie O'Neill
Thomas McGain	Ashley Smith	Maryanne Spiers	Joshua Farr	Bridie O'Sullivan
Cameron McGeachie	Nicholas Smith		Lauren Farr	Michael O'Sullivan
Pip McGrath	Campbell Smyth		Robert Farr	Keira Paine
Dominique Milne	Rebecca Sooben		Jack Farrall	Ali Parsanejad
Supawannee Milotich	Benjamin Spencer		Leah Fenley	Luca Parsanejad
Stuart Minnock	Catherine Spencer		Pauline Fenley	Mahshad Parsanejad
Colleen Moggach	Megan Spencer		Peter Fenley	Pouneh Parsanejad
Jessica Mony	Philippa Spencer		Greg Franks	Rachael Peet
Matthew Moody	Britt Springall		Philip Frater	Karen Perry
Nina Morgan	Joel Springall		Emanuel Freer	Thomas Pfafflin

BILGOLA MEMBERS

Active (18yrs and over) Continued

Russell Philip
Vanessa Proctor
Triona quinlan
Connor Raaff
Andrew Radford
Jack Roberts
Paul Rovere
Candice Ryan
Lachlan Savage
Bruce Scheffers
Mark Scott
Damian Skeeles
Noah Smith
Matthew Story
Jody Summers Grayson
Gary Tall
Rebecca Taylor Gray
Siobhan Tranter
Ray Trevisan
Ian Turner
Karri Turner
Darren Umbers
Damian Underwood
Haidee Underwood
Lucy Wallrock
Jean Walsh
Sarah Wang
Matthew Watson
Adrian Wegrzyn
Andrea Whittet
Greg Woods
Grant Worner
Chris Yeats
Robyn Yeats
Felix Zarin
Peter Zarin

Active (15-18 yrs)

Nate Barclay
Chloe Cagney
Caitlyn Cardno
Abby Clarke
Lily Coleman
Finn Cowan
Ava Cran
Brianna Dahdah
Annmarie de Uriarte
Chloe Deleu
Sam Deleu

Ciara Denver
Harrison Denver
Fleur Dose
Chloe Erskine
Hugo Feek
Samuel Freer
Ryan Fronzek
Isabella Gaze Jones
Milla Gnanadickam
Taylor Grayson
Saxon Gudmunson
Milo Hailes
Fletcher Hole
Jamie Ives
Scarlett Jacobs
Lachlan Jones
Georgia Koulouris
Lucas Laird
Eddie Latham
Alice Machar
Ava McLeod
Sophie Mitchell
Thomas Murray
Myles Nicholas
Francesca O'Sullivan

Abigail Owler
James Owler
Sam Pace
Celena Panetta
Micheline Parker
Abbie Parsons
Summer Perrett
Madison Perry
Tahli Radford
Arianna Rich
Aden Rovere
Jack Rovere
Mica Spencer
Grace Tabisz
Keisha Tickle
Lillian Wastell
Aidan Watson
Lachlan Watson
Marlon Watts

Past Active

Bill Hawkins

Cadet (13-15 years)

Thomas Abbott
Sebastian Barron
Frankie Boulter
Grace Byrnes
Benjamin de Uriarte
Hannah Erskine
Aimee Field
Harley Forster
Mae Freer
Madeleine Gough
Morgan Grayson
Hugo Gudmunson
Saoirse Hackett-Cullen
Jack Harman
Cora Heath
Tilly Hobbs
Kyla Hogan
Sofia Hole
Amelie Howlett
matilda hudson
Chloe Jones
Paxton Jones
Connor Kelly
Harper Kivi
Aden Klauser
Archie Knight
Arielle Lewis
Ellie Machar
Claudia Maestre
Beatrice Manuelli
Hugo Mcgrath
Rory Mcgrath
Ethan McWhinney
Jade allegra Mitchell
Alysha Moggach
Xavier Northover
Isabella O'Sullivan
Louis Pace
Reeha Pandharipande
Grace Reynolds
Grace Riddett
George Rovere
Gustav Schuele
Sophie Spencer
Calvin Thomas
James Tickle
Jess Venter
Willow Warne
Eva Watts

Junior Activity (5-13 years)

Layla-Rose Abboud
Amani Adams
Rhodan Adams
Sirocco Adams
Frankie Addley
Abby Aitken
Alexis Aitken
Paciencia Ale
Ines Andersen
Jade Andersen
Ari Andronicus
Carlotta Antill-Hepp
Arthur Archer
Rose Athey
Thomas Athey
Hugo Atkinson
Isla Baird
Liam Baird
Vicente Baird
Arthur Baker
Lawrence Baker
Mila Banfield
Noah Banfield
Jude Barclay
Hugh Barron
Bjorn Bartsch
Eloise Bates
Henry Bell
Skye Bensley
Matiu Benz
Zoe Benz
Fabian Bichler
Jack Blenkinsop
Tess Blenkinsop
Elsa Blythe
Juni Blythe
Luca Blythe
Audrey Boers
Jack Boers
Lily Boers
Jackson Bolewski
Hazel Bonouvrie
Finnegan Bradbury
Stephanie Brakell
William Broughton
Francesca Bulstrode
Max Burton
Jack Byrnes
Oliver Byrnes

Sadie Byrnes
Maddison Callanan
Matilda Campbell
Oliver Campbell
Jordan Ross Candido
Molly Carroll
Christian Carter-Richards
James Carter-Richards
Isabeail Cashell-Knight
Evelyn Castaing
Isaac Castaing
Henry Castro Lago
Louis Castro Lago
Juliana Chapman
Kara Chapman
Roxy Chapman
Arabella Chesser
Sophie Christ
Annabelle Christie
Charlotte Christie
Xavier Christie
Otto Clasper
Everett Cochrane
Ondine Cochrane
Rowan Cochrane
Leo Collier
Marley Comans-Swoboda
Evelyn Cook
Harrison Cook
Lachlan Cook
Rory Coull
Freya Cran
Harley Cran
Callum Crayfourd
Ava Cronin
Zoe Cronin
Andre Darroch
Charles Darroch
Audrey Davidson
Darcy Davidson
Jasmine Denver
Max Diegelman
Erin Driver
Koa Dyball
Elizabeth Elliott
Henry Elliott
Leo Emmanoilidis
Sophie Erskine
Asha Evans

Cruz Evans	George Howes	Jamiro Lydement	Elfi Ozucelik	Arlo Springall
Finn Evans	Harry Howes	Luano Lydement	Rainer Ozucelik	Emmylou Springall
Jude Evans	Emma Howlett	Bonnie Machar	Dashton Panos	Lily Squires
Louie Evans	Felix Robert Hughes	Morgan Maestre	Klay Panos	Ben Stafford
Emily Fabris	Blake Jacobs Williams	Jaxon Majer	Summer Panos	Jonah Sutton
Harry Fabris	Jet Jacobs Williams	Kaio Manfredini	Beau Peachey	Edie Tayler
Holt Fairbairn	Misty Jaijee Lloyd	Owen Marsh	Billie Peachey	Caroline Taylor Gray
Raffaella Fairbairn	Coby James	Tobias McCullum	Cruz Perriott	Teddy Taylor Gray
Olympia Fallon	Kayla James	Elsie McCune	Maisie Petrusma	Atticus Teas
Sophia Fan	Maxwell Jenkins-Burns	Callum McDonald	Jack Pilcher	Ronin Teas
Georgie Fegan	Everly Johnston	Niamh McDonald	Thomas Pilcher	Laila Thomas
Maeve Fegan	Oliver Johnston	Aila McFarlane	Jessica Prentice	Henry Toole
Mandala Ferris	Indigo Jones	Lily McFarlane	Lucy Prentice	Oscar Toole
Isabelle Field	Olin Jordan	Jonah McGeachie	Blake Putnam	Carmen Tremellen
Liliana Field	Evie Kanthak	Mila McGeachie	Isabella Raphael	Eloise Tremellen
Ethan Fields	Tilly Kanthak	Charles Mcgoldrick	Mia Raphael	River Tseng
Sasha Fields	Anishka Kashif	William Mcgoldrick	Winnie Reading	Eva Tunbridge
Alice Fiere	Noah Kearney Bott	Emilia McGrath	Leia Reuter	Ruby Turansky
Sofia Fileti	Bodhi Kelly	Francesca McGrath	George Riddett	Willa Twemlow
Charlie Fletcher	Maisie Kelly	Sofia Mckinnon	Evie Roberts	Ollie Umbers
Isabella Fletcher	Milla Kennard	Tilda Mckinnon	Max Roberts	Sophie Umbers
Arlan Forster	Neive Kennard	Charlotte Mcwhinney	Albert Robinson	Alexander Van Beek
Jett Frazer	Chloe Kennewell	Mackenzie Miller	Evie Robinson	Oliver Van Beek
Will Frazer	Huon Kennewell	Rye Miller	Bowie Rose	Jade van Poppel
Lorenzo Garbuio	Leo Kiraly	Mack Milne	Willow Rose-Kirwan	Leo Venter
Jaxon Gardner	Letizia Klawon	Maggie Milne	Harry Rudd	Brianna Walker
Serena Gardner	Jude Knight	Luca Joseph Milotich	Oscar Ruffell	Clementine Walker
Brody Garland	Lexi Knight	Mia Paravee Milotich	Arden Ryan	Oliver Walker
Isabella Garland	Piper Knight	Rosie Minnock	Olympia Ryan	Hannah Wallace
Siddy Ghorayeb	Audrey Knox	Lachlan Montgomerie	Cody Samuels	Jayden Wallace
Valentina Ghorayeb	Heidi Knox	Sophie Montgomerie	Sadie Sargent	Oliver Wallace
Milla Ivy Gibson	Jesse Lagopoulos	Madeline Moody	Bo Schifferstein	Frederick Wallrock
Kate Goddard	Billie Lamb	Levi Morgan-Erder	Annabel Sealey	Oscar Wallrock
Isla Gold	Brea Lamb	Zachary Morgan-Erder	Raffaella Sharp	Ayana Waterman
Henry Gough	Alex Leaman	Charlotte Moss	Mackenzie Sheedy	Mackenzie Watt
Billy Gray	Jack Leaman	Loulou Moss	Piper Sheedy	Jemima White
Charlie Gray	Alexa Leslie	Ellie Mrljak	Edward Shepherd	Jude White
Marli Gray	Claudia Leslie	Hazel Nash	Lachlan Shepherd	Fred Wilson
Marlo Grinham	Scarlett Leslie	Rowan Nash	Dustin Sheridan	William Wilson
Indie Harkness	Jett Letts	Charlie Neale	Jamie Sheridan	Moby Woods
Marley Harkness	Kirra Letts	Lucia-Rose Neale	Eleni Silcock	Benjamin Zvirblis
Eve Hawkins	Chiara Lewis	Hannah Newcombe	Elodie Skeeles	Henry Zvirblis
Isla Hawkins	Henry Lewis	Nathaniel Northover	Finley Smith	Alya-Luna Zvokel
Kane Heath	Isla Lewis	Leo Oakley	Harriet Smith	
Nixon Hobbis	Isla Liccioni	Sebastian Oakley	Matilda Smith	
Jaxon Hogan	William Liccioni	Henry Oberwalleney	Mitchell Smith	
Oisín Horkan	Finlay Little	Mattias Oberwalleney	Pippa Smith	
Hunter Howard	Sophie Little	Cadence O'Callaghan	Racer Smyth	
Bowie Howell	Arlo Loxton	Daisy O'Callaghan	Ellie Spencer	
Oscar Howell	Benjamin Loxton	Juniper Ogden	Maggie Spencer	
Saskia Howell	Theodore Loxton	Lucie O'Sullivan	Sage Spencer	

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Statement of Profit and Loss & Other Comprehensive Income

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2026

	2026	2025
Revenue		
Bilgola Swim	10,463	22,208
Caretaker Rent	13,000	13,000
Cash Reserve - 22-3333	-	-
Cleaning & Bar Staff Reimbursement	32,017	30,670
Clothing	17,603	16,754
Club - Bar Income	38,004	52,620
Club - BBQ Income	5,082	725
Functions Income	173,330	115,310
Hall Functions Rent	37,686	43,923
Hall Rent	26,505	15,400
Nippers - Bar Income	5,592	11,021
Nippers - BBQ Income	22,058	14,881
Other - Fund Raising Income	266	-
Tern Deposit - 21-1850	3,460	-
Memberships	90,970	75,557
Grant Operating	28,769	118,675
Grant for Assets Purchase	39,775	-
Donations	30,850	3,560
Sponsorships	39,632	17,500
Other Revenue	-	1,420
Total Revenue	615,062	553,223
Cost of Sales		
Opening Stock	41,211	31,281
Purchases	127,115	105,127
Closing Stock	(41,567)	(41,211)
Total Cost of Sales	126,758	95,197
Gross Surplus	488,304	458,025
Other Income		
Other Revenue	750	-
Total Other Income	750	-
Expenditure		
Accounting	3,900	3,470
Administration	666	612
Awards	10,054	20,758
Bank Fees	4	-
Bilgola Swim Costs	11,162	16,547
Boat Carnival Costs	(129)	-

Statement of Profit and Loss & Other Comprehensive Income

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2026

	2026	2025
Bookkeeping	4,276	4,587
Cleaning	8,713	7,334
Club - BBQ Costs	2,502	2,191
Club Improvements	1,650	1,985
Competition Costs	27,981	3,536
Computing Expenses	4,815	4,389
Depreciation	88,781	35,051
Donation	14,400	-
Electricity & Gas	18,809	17,081
Event Related Expense - Misc	4,346	31,074
Event Related Expense - Music	1,035	1,455
General Expenses	20,753	41,396
General Repairs & Maintenance	11,564	43,520
Insurance	9,728	10,121
IRB Fuel	2,580	1,275
IRB Repairs & Maintenance	10,480	8,399
Medical Costs	7,721	3,323
Membership Dues & Subscriptions	26,925	26,969
Merchant Fees	1,407	1,290
Nippers - BBQ Costs	20,732	12,467
Printing & Stationery	4,624	6,661
SRB Repairs & Maintenance	2,736	-
Superannuation	14,593	14,673
Telephone & Internet	3,049	2,672
Training Expense	7,303	2,400
Travel and Accommodation	-	586
Wages	122,104	127,882
Total Expenditure	469,262	453,700
Current Year Surplus/ (Deficit) Before Income Tax Adjustments	19,792	4,326
Current Year Surplus/ (Deficit) Before Income Tax	19,792	4,326
Net Current Year Surplus After Income Tax	19,792	4,326
Current Year Other Comprehensive Income, Net Of Income Tax	-	-
Current Year Total Comprehensive Income	19,792	4,326

Statement of Financial Position

AS AT 31 MAY 2026

	NOTES	31 MAY 2026	31 MAY 2025
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash & Cash Equivalents	2	351,520	304,674
Trade and Other Receivables		2,200	101,402
Inventories		41,567	41,211
Income Tax Receivable		5,577	3,952
Total Current Assets		400,864	451,239
Non-Current Assets			
Plant and Equipment, Vehicles	3	543,226	208,392
Total Non-Current Assets		543,226	208,392
Total Assets		944,090	659,631
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Trade and Other Payables		2,442	3,582
GST Payable		1,759	6,736
Deferred Income		272,595	-
Employee Entitlements		-	841
Total Current Liabilities		276,796	11,159
Non-Current Liabilities			
Other Non-Current Liabilities			
Liabilities		2,093	3,063
Total Other Non-Current Liabilities		2,093	3,063
Total Non-Current Liabilities		2,093	3,063
Total Liabilities		278,889	14,222
Net Assets		665,201	645,409
Member's Funds			
Capital Reserve		665,201	645,409
Total Member's Funds		665,201	645,409

Statement of Changes in Equity

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2026

	2026	2025
Equity		
Opening Balance	645,409	641,084
Increases		
Surplus for the Period	19,792	4,326
Total Increases	19,792	4,326
Total Equity	665,201	645,409

Statement of Cash Flows

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2026

	NOTES	2026	2025
Cash flows from Operating Activities			
Receipts from customers		743,466	500,572
Payments to suppliers and employees		(585,372)	(556,420)
Finance costs		(4)	-
Total Cash flows from Operating Activities		158,090	(55,847)
Cash flows from Investing Activities			
Proceeds from sales of property, plant and equipment		7,255	35,051
Grants Received for Assets Purchase		312,370	-
Payment for property, plant and equipment		(430,870)	(91,705)
Total Cash flows from Investing Activities		(111,245)	(56,654)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held		46,846	(112,501)
Cash Balances			
Opening cash balance	2	304,674	417,176
Closing cash balance	2	351,520	304,674
Movement in cash		46,846	(112,501)

Notes of the Financial Statements

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2026

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements cover Bilgola Surf Lifesaving Club Inc. as an individual entity. Bilgola Surf Lifesaving Club Inc. is a not-for-profit Association incorporated in New South Wales under the Associations Incorporation Act 2009 (NSW).

The financial statements are special purpose financial statements prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012 (Cth), the Associations Incorporation Act 2009 (NSW), the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 (NSW) and the club's constitution. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the above acts and regulations, the club's constitution and the following Australian Accounting Standards:

AASB 101 Presentation of Financial Statements

AASB 107 Statements of Cash Flows

AASB 108 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors

AASB 124 Related Party Disclosures

AASB 1031 Materiality

AASB 1048 Interpretation of Accounting Standards

AASB 1054 Australian Additional Disclosures

No other Accounting Standards, Australian Accounting Interpretations or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historic costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where stated specifically, current valuations of non-current assets. The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless stated otherwise, have been adopted in the preparation of these financial statements.

Income Tax

No provision for income tax has been raised as the Association is exempt from income tax under Div 50 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

Property, Plant and Equipment (PPE)

Leasehold improvements and office equipment are carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation.

In the event the carrying value of plant and equipment is greater than the estimated recoverable amount, the carrying value is written down immediately to the estimated recoverable amount. A formal assessment of recoverable amount is made when impairment indicators are present.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the association and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the statement of comprehensive income during the financial period in which they are incurred.

Notes of the Financial Statements

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2026

Depreciation

The depreciation method and useful life used for items of property, plant and equipment(excluding freehold land) reflects the pattern in which their future economic benefits are expected to be consumed by the association. Depreciation commences from the time the asset is held ready for use. Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements. The depreciation method and useful life of assets is reviewed annually to ensure they are still appropriate.

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains or losses are recognised in profit or loss. When revalued assets are sold, amounts included in the revaluation surplus relating to that asset are transferred to retained earnings.

Employee Provisions

Provision is made for the association's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period. Employee provisions have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled.

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the association has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured. Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprises cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments which are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value. Bank overdrafts are presented within current liabilities on the statement of financial position.

Accounts Receivable and Other Debtors

Accounts receivable and other debtors include amounts due from members as well as amounts receivable from donors. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

Revenue and Other Income

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable after taking into account any trade discounts and volume rebates allowed. For this purpose, deferred consideration is not discounted to present values when recognising revenue.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest method, which for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument. Dividend revenue is recognised when the right to receive a dividend has been established.

Grant and donation income is recognised when the entity obtains control over the funds, which is generally at the time of receipt.

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If conditions are attached to the grant that must be satisfied before the association is eligible to receive the contribution, recognition of the grant as revenue will be deferred until those conditions are satisfied.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax.

Financial Instruments

Recognition, initial measurement and derecognition

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Association becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument, and are measured initially at fair value adjusted by transactions costs, except for those carried at fair value through profit or loss, which are measured initially at fair value. Subsequent measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities are described below.

Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, or when the financial asset and all substantial risks and rewards are transferred. A financial liability is derecognised when it is extinguished, discharged, cancelled or expires.

Classification and subsequent measurement of financial assets

Except for those trade receivables that do not contain a significant financing component and are measured at the transaction price, all financial assets are initially measured at fair value adjusted for transaction costs (where applicable).

For the purpose of subsequent measurement, financial assets other than those designated and effective as hedging instruments are classified into the following categories upon initial recognition:

- amortised cost
- fair value through profit or loss (FVPL)
- equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)

All income and expenses relating to financial assets that are recognised in profit or loss are presented within finance costs, finance income or other financial items, except for impairment of trade receivables which is presented within other expenses.

Classifications are determined by both:

- The entity's business model for managing the financial asset
- The contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets

All income and expenses relating to financial assets that are recognised in profit or loss are presented within finance costs, finance income or other financial items, except for impairment of trade receivables, which is presented within other expenses.

Subsequent measurement of financial assets

Financial assets at amortised cost

Financial assets are measured at amortised cost if the assets meet the following conditions (and are not designated as FVPL):

- they are held within a business model whose objective is to hold the financial assets and collect its contractual cash flows
- the contractual terms of the financial assets give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding

After initial recognition, these are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Discounting is omitted where the effect of discounting is immaterial. The Association's cash and cash equivalents, trade and most other receivables fall into this category of financial instruments as well as long-term deposit that were previously classified as held-to-maturity under AASB 139.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (FVPL)

Financial assets that are held within a different business model other than 'hold to collect' or 'hold to collect and sell' are categorised at fair value through profit and loss. Further, irrespective of business model financial assets whose contractual cash flows are not solely payments of principal and interest are accounted for at FVPL. All derivative financial instruments fall into this category, except for those designated and effective as hedging instruments, for which the hedge accounting requirements apply (see below).

Equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income (Equity FVOCI)

Investments in equity instruments that are not held for trading are eligible for an irrevocable election at inception to be measured at FVOCI. Under Equity FVOCI, subsequent movements in fair value are recognised in other comprehensive income and are never reclassified to profit or loss. Dividends from these investments continue to be recorded as other income within the profit or loss unless the dividend clearly represents return of capital.

Impairment of Financial assets

AASB 9's impairment requirements use more forward looking information to recognize expected credit losses - the 'expected credit losses (ECL) model'. Instruments within the scope of the new requirements included loans and other debt-type financial

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assets measured at amortised cost and FVOCI, trade receivables and loan commitments and some financial guarantee contracts (for the issuer) that are not measured at fair value through profit or loss.

The Association considers a broader range of information when assessing credit risk and measuring expected credit losses, including past events, current conditions, reasonable and supportable forecasts that affect the expected collectability of the future cash flows of the instrument.

In applying this forward-looking approach, a distinction is made between:

- financial instruments that have not deteriorated significantly in credit quality since initial recognition or that have low credit risk ('Stage 1') and
- financial instruments that have deteriorated significantly in credit quality since initial recognition and whose credit risk is not low ('Stage 2').

'Stage 3' would cover financial assets that have objective evidence of impairment at the reporting date.

'12-month expected credit losses' are recognised for the first category while 'lifetime expected credit losses' are recognised for the second category.

Measurement of the expected credit losses is determined by a probability-weighted estimate of credit losses over the expected life of the financial instrument.

Trade and other receivables

The Association makes use of a simplified approach in accounting for trade and other receivables and records the loss allowance at the amount equal to the expected lifetime credit losses. In using this practical expedient, the Association uses its historical experience, external indicators and forward-looking information to calculate the expected credit losses using a provision matrix.

Classification and measurement of financial liabilities

As the accounting for financial liabilities remains largely unchanged from AASB 139, the Association's financial liabilities were not impacted by the adoption of AASB 9. However, for completeness, the accounting policy is disclosed below.

The Association's financial liabilities include borrowings and trade and other payables.

Financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value, and, where applicable, adjusted for transaction costs unless the Association designated a financial liability at fair value through profit or loss.

Subsequently, financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method except for derivatives and financial liabilities designated at FVPL, which are carried subsequently at fair value with gains or losses recognised in profit or loss (other than derivative financial instruments that are designated and effective as hedging instruments).

All interest-related charges and, if applicable, changes in an instrument's fair value that are reported in profit or loss are included within finance costs or finance income.

Leases

For any new contracts entered into on or after 1 January 2020, the Association considers whether a contract is, or contains a lease. A lease is defined as 'a contract, or part of a contract, that conveys the right to use an asset (the underlying asset) for a period of time in exchange for consideration'.

To apply this definition the Association assesses whether the contract meets three key evaluations which are whether:

- the contract contains an identified asset, which is either explicitly identified in the contract or implicitly specified by being identified at the time the asset is made available to the Association
- the Association has the right to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from use of the identified asset throughout the period of use, considering its rights within the defined scope of the contract
- the Association has the right to direct the use of the identified asset throughout the period of use. The Association assess whether it has the right to direct 'how and for what purpose' the asset is used throughout the period of use.

Measurement and recognition of leases as a lessee

At lease commencement date, the Association recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability on the balance sheet. The right-of-use asset is measured at cost, which is made up of the initial measurement of the lease liability, any initial direct costs incurred by the Association, an estimate of any costs to dismantle and remove the asset at the end of the lease, and any lease payments made in advance of the lease commencement date (net of any incentives received).

The Association depreciates the right-of-use assets on a straight-line basis from the lease commencement date to the earlier of the end of the useful life of the right-of-use asset or the end of the lease term. The Association also assesses the right-of-use asset for impairment when such indicators exist.

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At the commencement date, the Association measures the lease liability at the present value of the lease payments unpaid at that date, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease if that rate is readily available or the Association's incremental borrowing rate.

Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability are made up of fixed payments (including in substance fixed), variable payments based on an index or rate, amounts expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee and payments arising from options reasonably certain to be exercised.

Subsequent to initial measurement, the liability will be reduced for payments made and increased for interest. It is remeasured to reflect any reassessment or modification, or if there are changes in in-substance fixed payments.

When the lease liability is remeasured, the corresponding adjustment is reflected in the right-of-use asset, or profit and loss if the right-of-use asset is already reduced to zero.

The Association has elected to account for short-term leases and leases of low-value assets using the practical expedients. Instead of recognising a right-of-use asset and lease liability, the payments in relation to these are recognised as an expense in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

On the statement of financial position, right-of-use assets have been included in property, plant and equipment and lease liabilities have been included in finance liabilities.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included with other receivables or payables in the assets and liabilities statement.

Inventories

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. No value is ascribed to goods for resale that have been donated to the Association where fair value cannot be reliably determined. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less any applicable selling expenses.

Accounts Payable and Other Payables

Accounts payable and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by the association during the reporting period that remain unpaid. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amounts normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

Significant management judgement in applying accounting policies

When preparing the financial statements, management undertakes a number of judgements, estimates and assumptions about the recognition and measurement of assets, liabilities, income and expenses.

Estimation uncertainty

Information about estimates and assumptions that have the most significant effect on recognition and measurement of assets, liabilities, income and expenses is provided below. Actual results may be substantially different.

Impairment

In assessing impairment, management estimates the recoverable amount of each asset or cash-generating units, based on expected future cash flows and uses an interest rate to discount them. Estimation uncertainty relates to assumptions about future operating results and the determination of a suitable discount rate.

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Useful lives of depreciable assets

Management reviews its estimate of the useful lives of depreciable assets at each reporting date, based on the expected utility of the assets. Uncertainties in these estimates relate to technical obsolescence that may change the utility of certain software and IT equipment.

Inventories

Management estimates the net realisable values of inventories, taking into account the most reliable evidence available at each reporting date. The future realisation of these inventories may be affected by future technology or other market-driven changes that may reduce future selling prices.

Long service leave

The liability for long service leave is recognised and measured at the present value of the estimated cash flows to be made in respect of all employees at the reporting date. In determining the present value of the liability, estimates of attrition rates and pay increases through promotion and inflation have been taken into account.

Related Party Transactions

The Association's related parties include its key management personnel and related entities as described below. Unless otherwise stated, none of the transactions incorporate special terms and conditions and no guarantees were given or received. Outstanding balances are usually settled in cash.

Transactions with related entities

The Association sourced goods and services from members at market rate during the financial year. All related party services and contracts are approved by the Committee.

Transactions with key management personnel

All key management personnel and volunteers are not compensated for holding office positions.

	2026	2025
2. Cash on Hand		
Bank accounts/(overdraft)	350,162	301,520
Cash floats	1,358	3,154
Total Cash on Hand	351,520	304,674
	2026	2025

3. Plant & Equipment, Vehicles

Plant & Equipment		
Plant and equipment at cost	859,851	441,947
Accumulated depreciation of plant and equipment	(316,625)	(233,555)
Total Plant & Equipment	543,226	208,392
Total Plant & Equipment, Vehicles	543,226	208,392
	2026	2025

4. Trade & Other Payables

Other Payables		
PAYG Withholdings Payable	2,442	3,582
Total Other Payables	2,442	3,582
Total Trade & Other Payables	2,442	3,582

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5. Reconciliation of result for the year to cash flows from operating activities

Reconciliation of net income to net cash provided by operating activities:

	2026	2025
Cash flows from operations		
Profit for the year	19,792	4,326
Depreciation	88,781	35,051
Interest received	-	-
- (increase)/decrease in trade and other receivables	97,577	(89,424)
- (increase)/decrease in inventories	(356)	(9,930)
- increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables	264,667	3,131
- other	(312,371)	999
Total Cash flows from operations	158,090	(55,847)

6. Fundraising Appeals

The Association holds fundraising events, and its beneficiary of donations from the community. The Club operates under Fundraising Number CFN 26976.

Net fundraising is applied to the operational expenses of the Association in its core lifesaving activities.

Donations are not raised or bound by a specific activity.

	2026	2025
Fundraising Activities		
Donations	30,850	3,560
Bilgola Swim	10,463	22,208
Bilgola Swim Costs	(11,162)	(16,547)
Total Fundraising Activities	30,151	9,221

Declaration by Members of the Committee

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2026

The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the committee:

1. The financial report which comprises of the statement of financial position as at 31 May 2026 , and the statement of profit and loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes is in accordance with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 (Cth) and Association Incorporation Act 2009 (NSW) and

a) complies with Australian Accounting Standards as set out in Note 1;

b) complies with the provisions of the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012 (Cth) and the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Regulations 2013 (Cth); and

c) gives a true and fair view of the financial position of Bilgola Surf Lifesaving Club Inc. as at 31 May 2026 and its performance for the year ended on that date;

2. The accompanying statement of comprehensive income is drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the profit (or loss) of the association including fundraising appeals for the last financial year;

3. The statement of financial position is drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the association including fundraising appeals as at the end of the financial year;

4. The provisions of the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 (NSW), the regulations under the act, and the conditions attached to the fundraising authority have been complied with by the association;

5. The internal controls exercised by the association are appropriate and effective in accounting for all income received and applied by the organisation from any of its fundraising appeal;

6. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Bilgola Surf Lifesaving Club Inc. will be able to pay all of its debts as and when they fall due and payable;

7. The accounts and associated records have been properly kept during the year;

8. Money received as a result of fundraising appeals conducted during the year has been properly accounted for, and;

9. The principal activities of the association during the financial year were the provision of lifesaving services and no significant change to these activities has occurred.

The accounts of the Association have been made out in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards, other mandatory professional reporting requirements, the provisions of the Associations Incorporation Act 2009 (NSW), Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012 (Cth) and the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 (NSW).

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Committee in accordance with subsection 60.15 (2) of the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Regulation 2013 (Cth) and other requirements by:

President:

Greg Woods



Director of Finance:

Tracey Rock

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Dated: 31 July 2026

Compilation Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2026

Compilation report to Bilgola Surf Lifesaving Club Inc.

We have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements of Bilgola Surf Lifesaving Club Inc., which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 May 2026, statement of profit and loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity, the statement of cash flows, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes. The specific purpose for which the special purpose financial statements have been prepared is set out in Note 1.

The Responsibility of the Committee Members

The committee of Bilgola Surf Lifesaving Club Inc. is solely responsible for the information contained in the special purpose financial statements, the reliability, accuracy and completeness of the information and for the determination that the basis of accounting used is appropriate to meet its needs and for the purpose that financial statements were prepared.

Our Responsibility

On the basis of information provided by the Committee we have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements in accordance with the basis of accounting as described in Note 1 to the financial statements and APES 315 *Compilation of Financial Information*.

We have applied our expertise in accounting and financial reporting to compile these financial statements in accordance with the basis of accounting described in Note 1 to the financial statements. We have complied with the relevant ethical requirements of APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants*.



Tomas Weiszer

Chartered Accountant

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Dated: 31 July 2026

Independent Auditor's Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2026

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BILGOLA SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB INC
ABN 64 566 803 132

Independent Auditor's Report For the year ended 31 May 2026

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

I have audited the financial report of Bilgola Surf Life Saving Club Inc (the Association), which comprises the Statement of Financial Position as at 31 May 2026, the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income, Statement of Changes in Equity and Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended on that date, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the Declaration by Members of the Committee.

Auditor's Qualified Opinion

In my opinion, except for the effects described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the financial report of Bilgola Surf Life Saving Club Inc has been prepared in accordance with Div 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 (Cth)* and the *Associations Incorporation Act 2009 (NSW)*, including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the Association's financial position as at 31 May 2026 and of its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended; and
- (b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements and the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013*.

In accordance with the *Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 (as amended) (NSW)* and the *Charitable Fundraising Regulation 2008*, in my opinion, except for the effects described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph:

- (a) the financial statements show a true and fair view of the financial results of the fundraising appeals conducted during the year ended 31 May 2026 being the year to which they relate
- (b) the financial statements and associated records have been properly kept during the year ended 31 May 2026, in accordance with the *Charitable Fundraising Act 1991* and the regulations
- (c) money received as a result of fundraising appeal activities conducted during the year ended 31 May 2026 has been properly accounted for and applied in accordance with the *Charitable Fundraising Act 1991* and the regulations
- (d) at the date of this report, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Bilgola Surf Life Saving Club Inc will be able to pay all of its debts as and when they fall due and payable.

Basis of Qualified Opinion

It is not practical for Bilgola Surf Life Saving Club Inc to maintain an effective system of internal control over donations and fund-raising activities until their entry in the accounting records. Accordingly, my audit in relation to donations and fund raising was limited to amounts recorded.

I conducted my audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of my report. I am independent of the Association in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of

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the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Emphasis of Matter – Basis of Accounting

I draw attention to Note 1, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the Association's financial reporting responsibilities under *the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Act 2012 (Cth)*, *the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 (NSW)*, *the Associations Incorporation Act 2009 (NSW)* and the Club's constitution. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. My opinion is not modified in respect of this matter

Responsibility of the Committee's for the Financial Report

The committee of the Association is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and has determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 to the financial report is appropriate to meet the requirements of *the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012 (Cth)*, *the Associations Incorporation Act 2009 (NSW)*, *Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 (NSW)* and the needs of members. The responsible entities' responsibility also includes such internal control as the responsible entities determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report. As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, I exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. I also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omission, misrepresentation or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Committee.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Committee's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Association's ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of my auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Associate to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

I communicate with the Committee regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in the internal control that I identify during my audit.



Auditor
Peter M Power FCA
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Dated: 31 July 2026

Auditor's Independence Declaration

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2026

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To the Members of the Committee of Bilgola Surf Life Saving Club Inc.

In accordance with the requirements of section 60-40 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012 (Cth)*, as auditor for the audit of Bilgola Surf Life Saving Club Inc. ABN 64 566 803 132 for the year ended 31 May 2026, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

(i) No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in section 60-40 of 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.



Peter M Power FCA

Registered Company Auditor No. 730

PO BOX 65, Mona Vale NSW 1660

Dated: 31 July 2026

Income and Expenditure Statement

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2026

	2026	2025
Income		
Donations		
Bilgola Swim	10,463	22,208
Caretaker Rent	13,000	13,000
Cash Reserve - 22-3333	-	-
Cleaning & Bar Staff Reimbursement	32,017	30,670
Clothing	17,603	16,754
Club - Bar Income	38,004	52,620
Club - BBQ Income	5,082	725
Functions Income	173,330	115,310
Grants Income	28,769	118,675
Hall Functions Rent	37,686	43,923
Hall Rent	26,505	15,400
Membership Subscriptions	90,970	75,557
Nippers - Bar Income	5,592	11,021
Nippers - BBQ Income	22,058	14,881
Other - Fund Raising Income	266	-
Other Income	-	1,420
Sponsorship Income	39,632	17,500
Tern Deposit - 21-1850	3,460	-
Grants Income received for Asset Purchases	39,775	-
Total Donations	584,212	549,663
Fundraising		
Donations	30,850	3,560
Total Fundraising	30,850	3,560
Total Income	615,062	553,223
Gross Surplus	615,062	553,223
Other Income		
Other Revenue	750	-
Total Other Income	750	-
Expenditure		
Travel and Accommodation	-	586
Accounting	3,900	3,470
Administration	666	612
Awards	10,054	20,758
Bank Fees	4	-
Bar Costs	92,909	81,415
Bilgola Swim Costs	11,162	16,547
Boat Carnival Costs	(129)	-

Income and Expenditure Statement

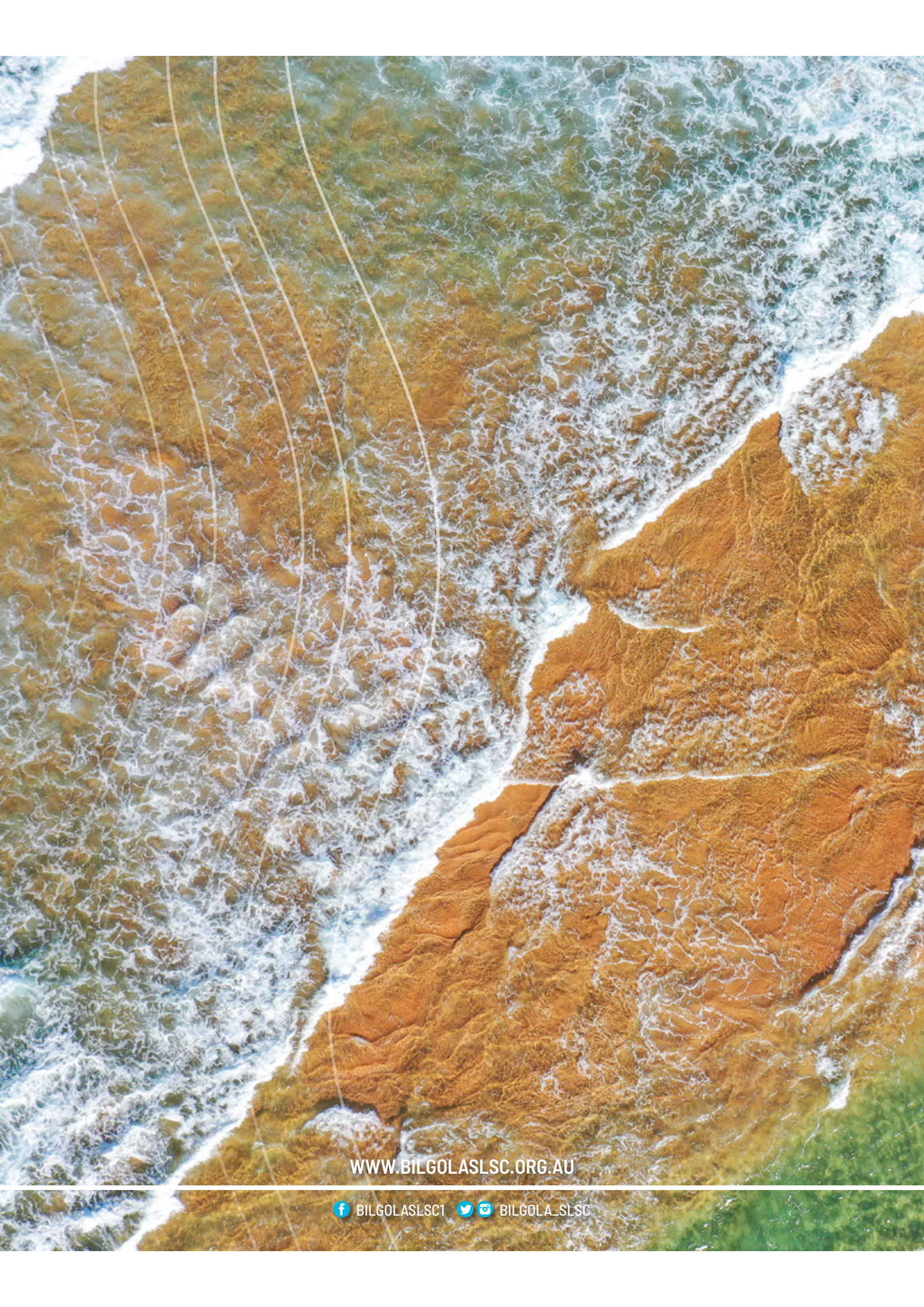
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	2026	2025
Bookkeeping	4,276	4,587
Cleaning	8,713	7,334
Closing Stock - Bar	(13,137)	(12,979)
Closing Stock - Clothing	(28,430)	(28,232)
Clothing Costs	34,206	23,712
Club - BBQ Costs	2,502	2,191
Club Improvements	1,650	1,985
Competition Costs	27,981	3,536
Computing Expenses	4,815	4,389
Depreciation	88,781	35,051
Donation	14,400	-
Electricity & Gas	18,809	17,081
Event Related Expense - Misc	4,346	31,074
Event Related Expense - Music	1,035	1,455
General Expenses	20,753	41,396
General Repairs & Maintenance	11,564	43,520
Insurance	9,728	10,121
IRB Fuel	2,580	1,275
IRB Repairs & Maintenance	10,480	8,399
Medical Costs	7,721	3,323
Membership Dues & Subscriptions	26,925	26,969
Merchant Fees	1,407	1,290
Nippers - BBQ Costs	20,732	12,467
Opening Stock - Bar	12,979	10,164
Opening Stock - Clothing	28,232	21,117
Printing & Stationery	4,624	6,661
SRB Repairs & Maintenance	2,736	-
Superannuation	14,593	14,673
Telephone & Internet	3,049	2,672
Training Expense	7,303	2,400
Wages	122,104	127,882
Total Expenditure	596,020	548,897
Current Year Surplus/ (Deficit) Before Income Tax Adjustments	19,792	4,326
Current Year Surplus/ (Deficit) Before Income Tax	19,792	4,326
Net Current Year Surplus After Income Tax	19,792	4,326

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