



BMD NORTHCLIFFE
SURF CLUB

Australian Champion Club since 2004

MARCH
2018

2018 QLD SURF LIFE SAVING CHAMPIONSHIPS

BMD Northcliffe Surf Club took out their 15th consecutive QLD Championship Pointscore on the Sunshine Coast on the weekend.

We had success across all age groups in individual and team events throughout the weekend but a standout was certainly Mitchell Coombes who won 6 gold including a convincing victory in the U19 Ironman as well as 5 bronze medals.

We had great results in the major finals on Sunday with Courtney Hancock taking out the Open Ironwoman, Shannon Eckstein claiming victory in the Surf Race, Cory Hill in the Open Male Ski Race and Harriet Brown in the Open Female Board Race. Success continued through to the final event of the day with BMD Northcliffe taking out the coveted Open Male Taplin Relay Championship.

[Click here](#) for Seniors & Masters Results

See page 4 for QLD Youth Champs Results



RIGHT PLACE, RIGHT TIME RESCUES...

SATURDAY 17 MARCH - MAROOCHYDORE

Jake Moore was involved in a rescue at the QLD Surf Life Saving Champs at Maroochydore on Saturday afternoon.

Jack was lining up for the U19 Taplin when four Asian tourists swimming outside of the flags were swept out to sea at Maroochydore. Jack along with other competitors from Kurrawa, Burleigh and Alexandra Headland paddled out to the tourists who had their hands in the air waving and were gasping for air.

The fully dressed tourists were pulled on to the competitor's boards and brought safely back to shore.

MONDAY 19 FEBRUARY - NORTHCLIFFE

Our Manager on Duty in the Supporters Club spotted 3 swimmers in trouble in front of the club at 5:15pm. Beaches had been closed that day with dangerous surf conditions caused by Cyclone Gita.

Hannah Sculley and Maddy Dunn who were working upstairs at the time & Lee Vrolyks who was working in the office ran down to the beach with a board and 2 tubes and entered the water fully dressed in their work uniforms to rescue the 3 teenage boys. 2 of the boys made it safely back on to their feet but one had been swept out passed the shore break and was in a lot of trouble. Maddy & Lee got to the boy allowing him to hold on to a tube and rest as had swallowed a bit of water. He was then brought safely back to shore. It's handy having Life Savers that work at the club!



DATES FOR THE DIARY...

SUN 25 MARCH
U10 - U15 Presentation Day

WED 4 - SUN 15 APRIL
Commonwealth Games

SAT 14 - SUN 15 APRIL
Australian Youth Champs, Scarborough

MON 16 - SUN 22 APRIL
Australian Championships, Scarborough

SAT 2 JUNE
Annual Dinner - Arts Centre

SUN 8 JULY
Annual General Meeting
& Old Boys Reunion

COMMONWEALTH GAMES PATROL HOURS



24/03/18 - 22/04/18

FLAGS UP 7AM
FLAGS DOWN 5PM

"SURVEILLANCE"
6-7am and 5-6pm

SAVE THE DATES

**ANNUAL DINNER
& PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES**
SATURDAY 2 JUNE, 2018.

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
& OLD BOYS REUNION**
SUNDAY 8 JULY, 2018.

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LIFE SAVING & EDUCATION

2017/18 COURSE CALENDAR

Don't forget to check out the course calendar on our website to see all the courses we have on offer. They are all free to active patrolling members. [Click here](#) to view.

UPCOMING COURSES

First Aid

Saturday 21st April 2018 8am – 4pm
Saturday 9th June 2018 8am - 4pm
South Coast Branch office (next to Mermaid Beach SLSC)

Advanced Resuscitation

Saturday 12th May 2018 8am – 4pm
South Coast Branch office (next to Mermaid Beach SLSC)

Please email [Caroline Fildes](#) to register for any of the above courses

AWARDS ACHIEVED

CONGRATULATIONS to the following members who recently achieved the following awards:

Bronze Medallion/ Certificate 2 in Public Safety

Hazuki Dohi, Akito Fukushima, Hoyu Sasaki

Training Officer IRB

Callum Breetzke

Assessor IRB

Hayden Crouch

Advanced Resuscitation

Giles Gulson and Chloe Gulson

PATROL INCENTIVES

The Membership Bursary was established to recognise and reward the significant contribution that many of our patrolling members make to our club each season in a variety of roles. These include Patrol Captain, 70+ patrol hours, obtaining multiple awards, officiating at multiple carnivals, training & assessing at multiple courses and being a Lifesaving Committee member. If you are eligible you will be able to use the bursary for your membership for next season.

THE JAPANESE CONNECTION

It has been an absolute pleasure working with 3 members of our Japanese sister club, Otake SLSC, for them to be awarded the Bronze Medallion. "Mini", "Muscles" and "Sleepy" flew through the assessment with flying colors after spending the week here training with us earlier this month. The collaboration with Otake has been ongoing for over 20 years and is invaluable to both clubs.



NEW EQUIPMENT

We have recently taken delivery of a new IRB motor, 3 Bennett soft rescue boards, 10 rescue tubes and a pair of binoculars courtesy of the Australian Government's Beach Safety Equipment Fund. This initiative aims to ensure that Australia's surf lifesavers have the vital safety equipment needed to keep our beaches safe and is much appreciated.

INTERNATIONAL LIFESAVING

In addition to supporting our members on ISLA (International Surf Lifesaving Association) missions, BMD Northcliffe have established a bursary to assist one of our training team each year to take part in these wonderful projects. The club has also donated surf rescue boards, rescue tubes and patrol uniforms to help with ISLA's vision to assist developing countries with advanced training and equipment, so that they can better serve their ocean communities.



BLUE CARDS

PLEASE CHECK YOUR BLUE CARD AND MAKE SURE IT HASN'T EXPIRED. IF IT HAS OR IS CLOSE TO EXPIRING YOU NEED TO RENEW ASAP. See Tiarne or Caroline.

HAVE YOU HAD YOUR SKIN CHECKED THIS YEAR?

We encourage all our members to visit a skin cancer clinic each year and ensure you wear sun protective clothing and sunscreen on patrol.

Please take the opportunity to visit one of our sponsors, **The Layt Clinic**, 16 Harvest Court, Southport or call for an appointment on 5597 4100.



SKIN CANCER & LASER
THE LAYT CLINIC

You're Invited



JOIN US FOR OUR

71st Annual Dinner
& PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES

SAT 2 JUNE, 2018

GOLD COAST ARTS CENTRE



SURF SPORTS

AUSSIES 2018

UNIFORMS

Due to the Commonwealth Games be held soon and also the hiring out of our Training Room from now until the end of the Games we will not be having an Aussies 18 meeting. All uniforms are now ready to be picked up from my office. Any information you need to know about Aussies will be sent out to you in the coming weeks.

CRAFT CONTAINERS

Loading day for our containers for Aussies will be this coming Monday 26th March at Gold Coast Bakeries - [16 Production Avenue Molendinar](#)

All craft needs to be dropped off at the Bakery between 6am and 9am on Monday.

If you have a cover for your craft it is highly recommended that you use it. All boards need their fins taken out.

PROGRAMS

Draft programs for Aussies can be found by [clicking here](#)

U14 & U15s AT THE QLD YOUTH CHAMPS

Well done to the U14 & U15 age groups at the QLD Youth Championships. They brought in 92 points to help the club achieve 2nd place overall. The biggest point scoring age group was the 15 boys with 42pts. Kai Watson led by example taking out the Matthew Barclay trophy winning the U15 Ironman.

Thanks to Sally, John and Karl over the weekend and Graham throughout the season. Thanks to all the parents who help with tents, organising and getting the kids to the start line healthy and screened up.

To everyone going to Aussies keep up the hard work for what will be an amazing experience.



BOATIES CORNER

It is the business end of the season for all our crews and their recent performances at Kirra and the Queensland State Titles creates much confidence in the way we are about to approach the Australian Titles in Perth

Our Open Ladies – The BMD Krankits won the Qld State Title. This is the first time a Ladies Crew has medalled with such honours at the State titles which were held on the Sunshine Coast. Not only did they win the State Title, they anchored the lifesaver relay giving our mates in the Skis, Board and Swim a lead which no club could close. This is the first time, the club has won the lifesaver relay and the last as the event will no longer exist on the calendar - Well done ladies



Our Open Reserve crew - The BMD Northcliffe Thunder reached the final and claimed points for the club in a finish that saw 5 crews cross the line within seconds of each other at the State Titles . Conditions were flat but their boat speed, given their length of time in the boat is exceptional. They are ready for the Australian Titles, and Damian and Gary will put them through their paces over the next two weeks.

Our local Gold Coast Crew – The BMD Northcliffe Argonauts took out the silver medal in the 160 Masters Event at the State Titles. Their boat speed saw them match it with open reserve grade crews. Three quality crews competing for BMD Northcliffe and ready to tackle the countries best in Perth in April 2018.



A quick mention of Scott "Skeeta" Clements efforts at the Queensland State Titles. Skeeta donned the tightts and teamed up with his olden day competition to win a Gold and Bronze in the 5 and 6 Person Open R&R – a fantastic effort from all who helped the club take out the overall point score at the State Titles

We are all looking forward to Perth – and will see you there!!

Mike Chop

**FUN FACT
QUEENSLAND
IRONMAN DOMINATION!**

U19 IRONMAN CHAMPION
Mitchell Coombes

U17 IRONMAN CHAMPION
Bode Schulz

U15 IRONMAN CHAMPION
Kai Watson

U13 IRONMAN CHAMPION
Euan Lynch

U12 IRONMAN CHAMPION
Ryley Harland





MASTERS CORNER

At the time of writing, Queensland Masters titles have been run and won.

With a small but talented team, BMD Northcliffe finished a very credible fourth (4th) on the points ladder.

There were many notable performances across the beach but the following are worth mentioning:

- Lee Vrolyks (5 gold)
- Noel Kalkka (4 gold)
- Tiarne Smith (3 gold)
- Stephen Fry (3 gold)
- Silver medal to the Argonauts – the masters boat crew
- Grant Veckranges, Wakana Yoshida and Hiro Uruguchi – who all medalled at their first Qld masters competition under the maroon star
- Gold to Skin and Scotty Ox in the 55+ board rescue after deciding to do the race 2 mins before marshalling
- Fossil and Roger B both getting robbed after leading the whole race in their respective surf races

On behalf of the masters team, a big thank you to Wally, Kev, Floody, Pop and Gav who set up the beach on Thursday and also the officials who represented the club.

Finally thanks to the masters team who had a crack at every team and every event. There was great camaraderie under the tents which contributed to a successful carnival.

With a number of our team also returning for the Aussies (Gav, Nico, Scotty, Reesy, Theresa B, et al) - we are definitely looking good for Perth!

As always, please encourage a friend to come along and join the group – I have my eye on a couple of likely youth dads who are masters in the making.

Please remember to sign up to the BMD Northcliffe Masters Facebook page which will have information on carnivals, teams, programs and social gatherings from time to time.

Cheers
Moorey



Click the Facebook icon to join our Masters Facebook Group



OUT THE BACK & UP FRONT

- ☺ Jimmy needs to work on his reversing skills???
- ☺ The tent fairies had good practice at State in readiness for Aussies...
- ☺ Kev M, has been practising for a role in the upcoming Spiderman movie!!! Climbs up 2 floors on the side of apartment building
- ☺ Welcome back Hannah Sculley! Race prep on point after locking herself out of her car!
- ☺ Karl" Captain Northcliffe "Hill! Total commitment to the cause!



NIPPERS CORNER



OLD YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS:

Congratulation to all of our members who competed at the QLD Youth Championships. Our team finished in second place overall.

Thank you to all of our Age Managers, officials, water safety & IRB crew who allow our team to compete and for our coaching staff and sponsors for their ongoing support.

[Click here](#) for QLD Youth Championships Results



YOUTH TEAM BBQ BREAKFAST

SUN 25 MARCH

Youth Team BBQ Breakfast @ club 8am

If you haven't RSVP'd, please contact Tiarne via email

U10-u15 PRESENTATION

SUN 25 MARCH

U10-15s Presentation @ club 8.30am

- Presentation of trophies
- Age Champion and placing trophies
- Special Award trophies
- Age group certificates
- Lucky draw prizes

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supporters club news...

2018 KENO & CLUBS QUEENSLAND *awards of* EXCELLENCE

Congratulations to all of our amazing staff and management team that helped us achieve these awards and to our wonderful members & patrons for your continued support!

BMD Northcliffe Surf Life Saving Supporters Club was recently honoured the below accolades:



Best Surf Life Saving Supporters Club



Best Club Gold Coast



Best Dining Finalist - 3rd Place



WIN ONE OF FIVE
EASTER HAMPERS

PURCHASE
AN ENTREE
OR A
DESSERT
WITH ANY
MAIN MEAL
FOR A
FREE TICKET!

DRAWN
EASTER
MONDAY

MEMBER DRAWS

SUNDAY
DRAW
\$5,600
drawn
4pm - 5pm

WEDNESDAY
DRAW
\$700
drawn
from 6:30pm

Birthday FUNCTIONS

GOT A BIRTHDAY OR SPECIAL
EVENT COMING UP?

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WITH US!

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DISCUSS YOUR EVENT



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