



Redhead Surf Life Saving Club Inc. **Annual General Meeting**

**Minutes of Annual General Meeting Held at:
Redhead Surf Life Saving Club on Sunday 30th August 2020.**

AGM commenced at 10.31am

1. Welcome by Steve Foggett to all Club Members and Official Guests, Mayor Kay Fraser, Henry and Rhonda Scrutton

Steve Foggett - Recognised the Traditional owners of the land – the Awabakal Tribe.

Steve Foggett - Steve Foggett Congratulated all Members who had received 100% patrol awards.

Steve Foggett –

Another successful season has been completed despite the late season disruptions from the COVID 19 pandemic. This report summarises our achievements and acknowledges the efforts of our members that keeps our club functioning successfully.

A particular highlight of the season was the awarding of the NSW Rescue of the Month to Nic White, Lily Kennedy-Myers and Jet Hoffman. This was a great effort that averted what could have been a multiple drowning and reinforced why the club exists and why our members put in so much time in training and preparing.

The Committee continues to work tirelessly to keep the club functioning, both on a day-to-day basis and planning for the longer term. On behalf of the club and its members I extend our thanks to all members of the committee. They are Dave McCallum, Maddie Boon, Gail Henderson, Hayley Churchill, Sharon Greenland, Luke Nolan, Shauna Abrahamson, Andy Wright, Matt Cerniauskas, Lachlan Steffner, Jason Horadam and Adam Rees.

The number of club members continues to grow and has gone over 1,000, with a very strong representation from the Nippers, as shown in the graph below. Our patrolling membership is also shown and is remaining steady. This is a major achievement at a time when other clubs are seeing their numbers declining.

The club's building committee continued its good work in maintaining and improving the clubhouse and its surrounds. Of particular note this season was the progression of the DA for the extension to the front of club, the gaining of a fenced area to park our trailers adjacent to the public toilets, the installation of a new security camera system, council approval to extend our lease to the north of the club and a re-keying of the entire club. This would not have been possible without the hard and continuing work of Tony Greenland, Wayne Greenland, John Bale, Peter Bale, Greg Ross and Mike McKey.

Other improvements of note are:

- The function room has been repainted.
- The floor of the coolroom has been refurbished.
- The club website has been enhanced.
- There is an additional fridge in the breezeway to provide extra capacity for the downstairs bar.
- A number of grants were received to upgrade our lifesaving equipment.
- A donation was received from Insight Building for a club competition uniform.
- Music was a regular event on each third Sunday until the pandemic intervened.
- A rescue tube and board were installed in the breezeway so that they are easily accessible.
- The fire warning system has been upgraded.

We continue to negotiate with Council for a 20-year lease of the club premises. This process has been restarted although the issues remain the same. The issue of council increasing our rent remains the main sticking point in finalising a lease. Included in the lease negotiations are permanent arrangements to extend our lease boundary on the northern end of the club to provide more space for Nippers and other club activities and the use of the land to the north of the public amenities for trailer parking.

The club continues to look at ways to improve and upgrade the operation of the club's bar and function room. The income from these activities is essential to cover costs of patrolling our beach, competition and to meet everyday expenses. Over the warmer months, the opening of the downstairs bar on Friday evenings has become very popular with members and locals and was the main fundraising effort by our competitors, who staffed the bar. A big thank you to Karen Davidson, Callan Britt, Max Gilmour, Big Rossy and all bar staff.

My sincere thanks to the many older blokes, particularly Tony Greenland, Pete Scott, Greg Ross, Ross Clarke, Troy Blatchford, Ray Terrill, Col Wallace, and Terry Daly for looking after the many behind the scenes tasks necessary to keep the club house in order. Also, I'd like to thank grants organiser, Mark Sargent and the old boys committee, particularly Dickie Hadden and Charlie Matthews.

Our patrolling members were kept busy with record crowds visiting our beach. Club captain, Andy, has detailed the statistics for the year in his report. A big thanks to all the patrolling members and congratulations to the 55 members achieving 100% attendance. The legacy left by Jeff Matthews in rewarding the hundred percenters is well and truly appreciated.

My sincere thanks to Club captains, Andy Wright, Hayley Churchill & Luke Nolan and the IRB guys, particularly Iain Robertson, Dean Curtis, Col Ekert, Callan Britt, Darren Mitchell and Andy Wright for ensuring that we had the people and equipment in place to keep the beach safe at all times.

Our Chief Training Officer, Shauna Abrahamson completed another busy and successful season. Her and her team's efforts are essential to keeping our patrolling numbers at the high level they are. My sincere thanks to Shauna and her team of Gail Henderson, Andy Wright, Lachlan Steffner, Callan Britt, Darren Mitchell and Dean Curtis and the many others contributing in the education area.

Congratulations to all our members who competed throughout the season in surf and pool rescue events. Our small club continues to achieve outstanding results at Branch and State, including the Masters team being second on the point score at State and first for a regional club. I would like to acknowledge the standout performances from Justin McMorland for his first in the Open Male Board Race, Daniel Collins for his results in the Nutri Grain Ironman competition, Bailey Proud for his results at the NSW Pool Rescue Championships and Bailey and Jake Cerniauskas for their selection in the NSW Pool Rescue team.

The results for the year would not have been possible had it not been for the many hours of hard work from the volunteer coaches. I would like to acknowledge all members who gave their own time to run coaching sessions, particularly sectional captains Peter Scott, Ray Terrill, Luke Nolan, Peter Watts and Anthony McCallum.

JAC Chairman, Jason Horadam and his committee, coaches and age managers put in another top year. Coaching from Peter Watts, Mark Ayre and Ash Clarke is paying dividends and it was good to see the fun and enthusiasm amongst the young members. The growth of this area will continue with Jason remaining as JAC chairman for another season. He will be supported by many enthusiastic parents and a strong committee.

A big part of the club's success is due to the support of our many sponsors, the community and Lake Macquarie City Council. I would like to personally thank our major sponsors Andrew Robertson Warners Bay Good Guys, Radford Shopfitters, Club Redhead, Bale Boshev Lawyers, Britt Plumbing, Matt Bale, John Bale, Scotts Plumbing, Renobuild, Insight Building, Redhead Vehicle Repairs and the Matthews family. I would also like to sincerely thank Mayor Kay Fraser and Lake Macquarie City Council, State Member for Charlestown, Jodie Harrison, Pat Conroy, Federal Member for Shortland, Henry and Rhonda Scruton and all the team from Hunter Branch.

The Club continues to receive distributions from Jeff Matthew's estate which have been deposited into a Managed Fund Portfolio managed by Forsythes Financial Advisors. Proceeds from the estate have been invested in line with the terms of Jeff's wishes. A financial report on the Trust investment is available for members. I would like to sincerely thank the Matthews family for their ongoing support of our club.

At times during the year the committee members have been called on to deal with difficult issues and to make some tough decisions. Our committee are truly passionate about the club and remain committed to providing a safe friendly environment for members, families and the community.

A quick note on the coming season, which will be one of the most difficult the club has had, due to the ongoing restrictions from the COVID 19 pandemic. The club and members have responded well to the rapidly changing environment and I am sure will continue to do so as we address the ongoing changes to the way that we will be able to operate.

Steve Foggett
Club President

2. Apologies: Jodie Harrison MP, Pat Conroy, Adam Rees, Boyd Conrick, Mick Sullivan, Peter Scott, Luke Nolan, Peter Ramplin, Gary Counsell, Julie Steffner, Lachlan Steffner, Lilly Steffner, Dean Little, Chris Bird, Hannah Bird, Matthew Bird, John Bale, Peter Bale, Charles Huth, Nance Adams, Robert Hadden, Jason Horadam

3. Remembrance- 1 Minute Silence

Steve Foggett - Asked the members to recognise the passing of members during this time.

4. Adaption of Minutes 2019/2020

Business Arising:

Steve Foggett – Fee Structure - the Fee Structure for Redhead SLSC will remain the same as the previous season.

Moved David McCallum

Seconded Jenny Churchill

Carried.

Motion: that the **Minutes of the 2019/2020 Annual General Meeting** be accepted.

Moved: Andrew Wright

Seconded Jenny Churchill

Carried.

5. Presentation of the 112th Annual Report & Financial Report.

Madison Boon/Scott Faraday-Bensley - Financials summary:

Finance Report

Scott Faraday-Bensley: Acknowledged Madison Boon and congratulated her on a job well done.

- Administration - a deficit of \$66K, slowly tidying up assets, expecting a loss of @ \$22K. which is expected in the current climate.
- Old Boys: are in at @ \$10K.
- Surf Sports: over all a \$25K profit for the year, there have been key changes in reporting which overall is very pleasing.
- Redhead SLSC is in a strong Financial Position we are endeavoring to make prudent financial decisions to ensure this pattern continues.
- Page 42 contains the expected impact that Covid 19 have on future financial statements.
- The Clubs Cash-flow is on page 37.

Motion: that the Financial Report be accepted.

Moved Andrew Wright

Seconded Mark Sargent

Carried.

6. Endorsement of the 2020/2021 JAC Sub-Committee.

Position	Nominee	Result
Chairman	Jason Horadam	Jason Horadam
Vice-Chairperson	Jason Barr	Jason Barr
Secretary	Kim Elliott	Kim Elliott
Treasurer	Kendal Achurch-Ihle	Kendal Achurch-Ihle
Water Superintendent	Andrew Wright	Andrew Wright
Registrar	Julie Evans	Julie Evans
Competition Coordinator 1	Lisa Brown	Lisa Brown
Competition Coordinator 2	N/A	

Motion: That Redhead SLSC Endorse the JAC Committee.

Moved Tony Greenland

Seconded Darren Mitchell

Carried

7. Notice of Motion (Affiliation of the Hunter Branch).

Henry Scruton – acknowledged the wonderful efforts by all at Redhead SLSC, thanked Steve Foggett and the team for their great commitment to the Club and Life Saving in General

Moved Jenny Churchill

Seconded Gail Henderson

Carried

8. Presentation of Club Awards

SLSA – 25 Years Long Service Award

LONG, Kendall NS11234824 30/06/2020
GREENLAND, Sharon NS11234829 30/06/2020

SLSA – 30 Years Long Service Award

EVANS, Owen NS11234825 30/06/2020

SLSA – 50 Years Long Service Award

BALE, John NS11234830 30/06/2020
BALE, Peter NS11234831 30/06/2020

SLSA – 60 Years Long Service Award

MATTHEWS, Glyn NS10978593 05/08/2019
MURRAY, Colin NS10978594 05/08/2019
DIXON, Robert NS11234826 30/06/2020
FEHLBERG, Gerald NS11234727 30/06/2020
HADDEN, Richard NS11234728 30/06/2020
MACDONALD, Duncan NS11234997 30/06/2020

9. Elections - Appointment of an Acting Chairperson and Two Scrutineers to Conduct the Election

Acting Chairperson - Henry Scruton accepted Role as Acting Chairperson whilst Presidential Position was established. Congratulated Steve, the Executive and Various Committees

Noted – September 26 is when everything can start to go back to some normality with the Covid19 restrictions easing.

Competition is yet to know where were heading.

Hunter Branch Awards, couldn't be held physically this year, presented Lachlan Steffner with the Youth Volunteer of the Year Award

Presented Shauna Abrahamson with a Plaque for participation in a Bronze pilot from SLS Australia.

Gail Henderson with Facilitator of the Year from Hunter and NSW SLS

Henry, thanked Steve Foggett again for his efforts and support, and thanked all at Redhead SLSC for their commitment to Surf Life Saving and the Local Community.

Scrutineers – Jenny Churchill and Sharon Greenland accepted roles of Scrutineer for elections.

9.1 Election: Patron or Patrons, Vice Patrons

Patron	Accepted	Replaced By
Hon: Jodie Harrison	Hon: Jodie Harrison	not applicable
The Estate of Jeff Matthews	The Estate of Jeff Matthews	not applicable
Andrew Robertson	Andrew Robertson	not applicable

Vice - Patron	Accepted	Replaced
Cr Kay Fraser	Cr Kay Fraser	not applicable
Pat Conroy MHR	Pat Conroy MHR	not applicable
Dave McKanna	Dave McKanna	not applicable
David Radford	David Radford	not applicable
CEO Central Leagues	Dane Seymour	not applicable
John Bale	John Bale	not applicable
Peter Bale	Peter Bale	not applicable
Wayne Stoddard	Wayne Stoddard	not applicable

Motion that Redhead SLSC Accepts the Patron or Patrons and Vice Patrons as Listed

Moved Matthew Kent

Seconded Stuart MacDonald

Carried

9.2 - Election for Officers

Management Committee Election

NB – (Section 8.1 of the Club Constitution requires all members of the Management Committee with the exception of the JAC Chairperson and JAC Delegate to be holders of the SLSA Surf Bronze Medallion)

Position	Nominees	Result (accepted /replaced)
President	David McCallum	David McCallum
Deputy President	Sharon Greenland	Sharon Greenland
Secretary	Colin Ekert	Colin Ekert
Treasurer	Scott Faraday-Bensley	Scott Faraday-Bensley
Registrar	Gail Henderson	Gail Henderson
Club Captain	Andrew Wright	Andrew Wright
Vice-Captain - 1	Hayley Churchill	Hayley Churchill
Vice-Captain - 2	Daren Mitchell	Daren Mitchell
Chief Instructor	Shauna Abrahamson	Shauna Abrahamson
Competition Coordinator	Luke Nolan	Luke Nolan
Public Officer	Jenny Churchill	Jenny Churchill
JAC Chairperson	Jason Horadam	Jason Horadam
JAC Delegate	Jason Horadam	Jason Horadam
Youth Development Officer	No Nomination Received	To Be Advised
Safe~Guarding Children Officer	No Nomination Received	To Be Advised

Motion that Redhead SLSC Accepts Management Committee as Listed

Moved Matthew Kent

Seconded John Sedgewick

Carried

9.3 - Non-Management Committee Positions

Position	Nominees	Result (accepted /replaced)
Beach Captain / Iron	Boyd Conrick	Boyd Conrick
Mobile Services Officer - 1	Iain Robertson	Iain Robertson
Mobile Services Officer - 2	Colin Ekert	Colin Ekert
Board Captain	Ray Terrill	Ray Terrill
Boat Captain	Anthony McCallum	Anthony McCallum
Ski Captain	Peter Scott / Adam Rowe	Peter Scott / Adam Rowe
Surf Captain	Jacob Cerniauskas	Jacob Cerniauskas
JAC Liaison Officer -1	Jason Horadam	Jason Horadam
JAC Liaison Officer -2	To Be Advised by JAC	To Be Advised
Assistant Competition Coordinator – 1	Peter Collins	Peter Collins
Assistant Competition Coordinator - 2	Matthew Kent	Matthew Kent
Assistant Instructor - 1	Andrew Wright	Andrew Wright
Assistant Instructor - 2	Gail Henderson	Gail Henderson
Assistant Instructor - 3	Steve Foggett	Steve Foggett
WH&S Officer	Adam Rees	Adam Rees
First Aid Officer	Adam Rees	Adam Rees
Member protection Officer - Male	David McCallum	David McCallum
Member protection Officer - Female	Sharon Greenland	Sharon Greenland
Radio Officer	Tony Greenland	Tony Greenland
Club History Officer	Glenn Ramplin	Glenn Ramplin
Club Grants Officer	Mark Sargent	Mark Sargent
Club Chaplain	David McCallum	David McCallum
Licensee	Callan Britt	Callan Britt
IT Manager	Steve Foggett	Steve Foggett

Motion that Redhead SLSC Accepts Non-Management Committee as Listed

Moved John Sedgewick

Seconded Stuart Macdonald

Carried

9.4 - Sub – Committees

Life Membership Committee - (5 Life members)		
Position	Nominees (Incumbent)	Result (accepted /replaced)
Life Membership Committee	John Sedgwick	John Sedgwick
Life Membership Committee	John Scott	John Scott
Life Membership Committee	Duncan McDonald	Duncan McDonald
Life Membership Committee	Ken Connolly	Ken Connolly
Life Membership Committee	Jenny Churchill	Jenny Churchill

Moved Tony Greenland

Seconded Col Murray

Carried

Constitution Committee - (4 plus President or Secretary)		
Position	Nominees (Incumbent)	Result (accepted /replaced)
Club President / Secretary	David McCallum/Colin Ekert	David McCallum/Colin Ekert
	Tony Greenland	Tony Greenland
	Jenny Churchill	Jenny Churchill
	Mark Sargent	Mark Sargent
	Stuart MacDonald	Stuart MacDonald

Moved Duncan MacDonald

Seconded Robert Dixon

Carried

House Committee - (4 plus executive)		
Position	Nominees (Incumbent)	Result (accepted /replaced)
President	David McCallum	David McCallum
Function Manager	Karen Davidson	As Required
	Tony Greenland	Tony Greenland
	Peter Scott	Peter Scott
	Gary Council	Gary Council
	Ross Clarke	Ross Clarke
	Troy Blatchford	Troy Blatchford
	Callan Britt	Callan Britt
	Hayley Churchill	Hayley Churchill
	Mick Sullivan	Mick Sullivan
	Steve Foggett	Steve Foggett

Moved John Sedgewick

Seconded Col Murray

Carried

Competition Committee (Sectional Captains plus Competition Co-Ordinator and Assistant)		
Position	Nominees (Incumbent)	Result (accepted /replaced)
Club President	David McCallum	David McCallum
Competition Coordinator	Luke Nolan	Luke Nolan
Assistant Coordinator	Peter Collins	Peter Collins
Assistant Coordinator	Matthew Kent	Matthew Kent
Youth Development Officer		
Coach/s (Five Sectional Captains)		
Beach Captain / Iron	Boyd Conrick	Boyd Conrick
Board Captain	Ray Terrill	Ray Terrill
Boat Captain	Anthony McCallum	Anthony McCallum
Ski Captain	Peter Scott / Adam Rowe	Peter Scott / Adam Rowe
Surf Captain	Jacob Cerniauskas	Jacob Cerniauskas

Motion that Redhead SLSC Accepts the Sub-Committees as Listed

Moved Glyn Matthews

Seconded Shauna Abrahamson

Carried

10. Constitution Changes. (If required)

NIL

11. General Business

11.1 – Life Membership – Mick Sullivan.

Col Murray presented the floor with Mick Sullivan's nomination for life membership, expressing Mick's support and commitment to the Club.

Motion that Redhead SLSC Accepts Michael Sullivan as a Senior Club Life Member

Moved Colion Murray **Seconded** John Sedgewick **by Secret Ballot - Carried**

11.2 – Matthew Kent – Nick Callan passed away, his family has donated two skis with paddles, could the Club send a thank you letter to his family.

11.3 – John Sedgewick – Will Competition go ahead this season?

Stuart MacDonald – State Centre is indicating at this stage that a pre-qualification system may be in place to have events running.

John Sedgewick – stated that he had heard that competition won't be going ahead.

Rhonda Scrutton – LMCC is planning to have carnivals in stages with limitation imposed to the events.

11.4 – John Sedgewick – Gym – struggling for space, can we fill the footpath?

Tony Greenland – our lease doesn't cover that area, we need public access.

11.5 – John Sedgewick – Murals – they look great, but we had Club Sponsors in that place and had to be taken down, how has LMCC the right to put the murals in its place?

Mike McKey – agreed, we were receiving around \$10K a year for those signs.

Kay Fraser – indicated that she would discuss the issue with Mike at a later date.

11.6 – John Sedgewick – with Covid and many struggling, have we reduced fees for the upcoming season?

Mike McKey – we have avenues in place for those with financial difficulties, those people are to see myself (Mike McKey) for assistance

11.7 – Charles Matthews – according to the Sydney Morning Herald, former member John Haynes passed away recently, he rowed boats for the club, the committee should acknowledge his service to the Club!

Steve Foggett – Charles, the Club has committed to scattering his ashes at the beach on the 26th of September.

11.8 – Jenny Churchill – the 40 years of Women in SLS is an acknowledgment of women in SLS, can we get a double ladies ski for the club to honour this event/ would it meet the criteria for the fundraising that is done.

Steve Foggett – we would need to check the list of those committed to fundraising to check if it's possible.

11.9 – John Sedgewick – Storage Area, can we remove the buildup of rubbish, it is really looking poor.

The meeting was closed at – 11.43 am.

Colin Ekert
Club Secretary

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