



North Cronulla Surf Life Saving Club Inc.

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Minutes of the 98th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD – 11.30AM SUNDAY, 27 August 2023

1. Geoff Budd Welcomed all Members, Guests, and Visitors

Special mention to the following:

Federal Member for Cook	Hon. Scott Morrison
Member for Cronulla	Hon Mark Speakman
Member for Miranda	Hon Eleni Petinos
Mayor Sutherland Shire Council	Cr Carmelo Pesce
Deputy Mayor Sutherland Shire Council	Cr Carol Provan
Councillor for Sutherland Shire Council A Ward	Cr Leanne Farmer
Councillor for Sutherland Shire Council A Ward	Cr Marcelle Elzerman
Non-executive Director SLS NSW	Mr Joel Wiseman
Director of Youth & Junior Development SLS Sydney	Mr Dave Love
District Chair Cronulla Sutherland District Council of SLS	Ian Toll JP NPSM
Treasurer Cronulla Sutherland District Council of SLS	Ms Anita Pryke
Lifesaving Operational Area Coordinator - Sutherland SLS SYD	Mr Rob Short
Senior Vice President Wanda SLSC	Mr Mark Sargeant
Cronulla SLSC – PATRON	Mr Ken English
Executive Director Elouera SLSC	Mr Cameron Simpson
North Cronulla SLSC – PATRON/ Life Member	Mr Warren Rennie

LIFE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mr Warren Rennie AM	Mr John Turner
Mr Damien Bulian	Mr Donald Workman
Mr Martin Dillon	Mr Kevin Macnamara
Mr Joel Eaton	Mr Craig McKinnier
Mr John Fraser	Mr Frank Schreuder
Mr Barry Fretten	Mr Barry Schuettrumpf

Full List in the club Attendance Book

2. Apologies

SLS NSW President	Mr Peter Agnew ESM
SLS Sydney President	Ms Elissa Hancock
Manager Public Safety and Lifeguards Sutherland Shire Council	Mr Scott Pracy
Team Leader Ocean Safety & Lifeguards Sutherland Shire Council	Mr Bede Elphick
Wanda SLSC President	Mrs Fiona Sutton
Tradies President	Dennis McHugh
North Cronulla Life Member	Mr Michael Bofinger
North Cronulla Life Member	Mr Stewart Cameron
North Cronulla Life Member	Mr Benjamin Dillon
North Cronulla Life Member	Mr Martin Fulton

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Mr Albert Jordan
Mr Neil Oliver
Mr Ian Wallace
Mr Stephen Warren
Mr Geoff Streater
Mr Jamie Primmer
Mrs Dianne Maddern
Larry Jones
Brett Furniss
Brook Fleming
Will Budd

3. Surf Life Savers' Prayer

The Lifesavers' Prayer was recited by **Brody Trivett-Clarke 2022/2023 JAG CLUB CAPTAIN**,

One Minute Silence was observed for the following members who sadly passed away during the season:

- **Robert 'Bobby' Lovell**
- **Reginald 'Reg' White**
- **Robert Voigt**
- **John 'Snowy' Bourn**
- **John Crisp**
- **Mark 'Max' Walker**

We miss you all – May they Rest in Peace

4. To confirm and adopt Minutes of the 97th Annual General Meeting, held on 17 July 2022

The Minutes of the 97th Annual General Meeting, held on the 17 July 2022 have been circulated and I now ask for members who attended last year's AGM to move and second the confirmation and adoption of the minutes.

Moved: Martin Dillion
All in Favour

Seconded Colin Bulloch
Declared Carried

5. Business arising from those Minutes – Geoff discussed the outcomes of the Action Item from last year's AGM, he thanked the great work of the Sutherland Council lead by engineer Mick O'Leary to keep our members on North Cronulla Beach.

6. PRESENTATION OF THE NATIONAL PATROL SERVICE AWARDS –

a) 5 Years

Mark	Anders
Hannah	Berman
Dane	Bofinger
Bill	Brander
Geoffrey	Budd
David	Cannings
Katlynn	Coglan
Connor	Dillon
Lucy	Flanagan
Alan	Freeman
Samuel	Freeman
Adrian	Futteleib
Lucy	Green

Donna Hargreaves
Natasha Hargreaves
Lily Hook
Megan Kessey
Phoebe Kessey
Tulley Lane
Graeme Lanham
Zane Lewis
Harrison Maddern
Tyler Maddern
Emily Maythers
Jeffrey O'Loughlin
James Primmer
Alexandra Rampoldi
Ariane Sharpe
Tamsyn Sharpe
Anthony Sobb
Rodger Tranter
Jessica Walmsley

b) 10 Years

Mark Anders
Bill Brander
Alan Freeman
Natasha Hargreaves
Jeffrey O'Loughlin
Anthony Sobb

c) 15 Years

Samuel Freeman

7. Presentation of the Long Service Awards

- a) 50 YEARS – DONALD SMITH
LARRY JONES
b) 60 YEARS – IAN MCPHERSON
DARRON MCGREE
ROSS SIMPSON

8. Motion of which due notice has been given: "That by way of Special Resolution the members of North Cronulla Surf Life Saving Club Incorporated and as per Clause 46 of Club's Constitution approved 29th May 2016 endorse:

1. Amend clause 9.3 Membership Categories

9.3 Categories of Membership

- 9.3.1** The Members of the Club shall consist of:
Senior Members which comprise:
Active Members;
Reserve Active;
Probationary Members; and

- 9.3.2** Youth Members which comprise:
Junior (Nipper) Members (U6-U14); and
Cadet Members (U13-U15); and
- 9.3.3** Honorary Members and Service Members shall consist of:
Long Service Members.
50+ Years membership with North Cronulla SLSC
Ladies Committee Life
Junior Activities Life
Ladies Committee
Honorary
- 9.3.4** Life Members:
The Club shall have the power to elect a Member as a Life Member for outstanding services rendered to the Club.
- 9.3.4.1.1** the eligibility requirements for Life Membership are that the nominee is Member who has completed twelve (12) years of outstanding service as a Member as a Cadet, Senior Active, U19 Active, U17 Active, Active Reserve, Long Service, 50 +Years, Associate Holding Office, Associate: Junior or General Service Member.
- 9.3.4.1.2** all nominations for Life Membership must be submitted to the Administration Director (Secretary) on the prescribed "Nomination for Life Membership" form by the last day of February.
- 9.3.4.1.3** during the month of March, the Administration Director (Secretary) shall have the service record of each nominee verified and will forward all nominations including respective service records to the Board.
- 9.3.4.1.4** the Board may refer any or all nominations to the Life Membership Committee which shall provide advice on eligibility to the Board by the last day of April.
- 9.3.4.1.5** the proposer and seconder of each nomination shall be advised in writing and have the right to be heard at the May Board meeting at which each nomination is to be considered by the Board.
- 9.3.4.1.6** the Board must approve the submission of each nomination to the Annual General Meeting by at least seventy five percent (75%) of those present and eligible to vote. The Board ballot shall be determined by a show of hands, except, if on the decision of the Chairperson or if four (4) or more members present at the meeting decide that the question should be determined by a secret ballot, then a secret ballot shall be held.
- 9.3.4.1.7** following approval by the Board the nomination shall be included in the following Notice of Annual General Meeting.
- 9.3.4.1.8** upon the Notice of the Annual General Meeting being issued, the Secretary shall post the nominees service record on the Club Notice Board and provide copies to Members present and eligible to vote at the Annual General Meeting.
- 9.3.4.1.9** members must then approve the nomination at the Annual General Meeting by at least an eighty per cent (80%) majority of those present and eligible to vote, the vote shall be by secret ballot.
- 9.3.4.1.10** Life Members shall not be called upon to pay annual subscription under rule 9.12 or perform any patrol duties.
- 9.3.5** Distinguished Service Members:
- 9.3.5.1.1** The Club shall have the power to elect any person as Distinguished Service Member for outstanding services rendered to the Club.
- 9.3.5.1.2** the eligibility requirements for Distinguished Service Membership are that the nominee is a Person who has completed twelve (12) years of outstanding service as a member of North Cronulla Surf Life Saving Club.
- 9.3.5.1.3** all nominations for Distinguished Service Membership must be submitted to the Administration Director (Secretary) on the

- prescribed "Nomination for Distinguished Service Membership" form by the last day of February.
- 9.3.5.1.4** during the month of March, the Administration Director (Secretary) shall have the service record of each nominee verified and will forward all nominations including respective service records to the Board.
- 9.3.5.1.5** the Board may refer any or all nominations to the Life Membership
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- 9.3.5.1.12** members must then approve the nomination at the Annual General Meeting by at least an eighty per cent (80%) majority of those present and eligible to vote, the vote shall be by secret ballot.
- 9.3.5.1.13** Distinguished Service Members shall not be called upon to pay annual subscription under rule 9.12.
- 9.3.6** Associate Members which comprise:
 Associates Holding Office;
 Associate: Junior Activities and General Service;
 Leave
- 9.3.7** Restricted Members:
 The Board may by Regulation accept an individual as a Restricted Member for a specific purpose. Restricted Members shall have no rights other than those granted by the Board, shall not have voting rights and membership to have a term of not more than one year.
- 9.3.8** Community Members which comprise:
 Community Member
 Affiliated Sports
- 9.3.9** The Regulations will set out the requirements for determining eligibility for each category of membership.

2. Amend clause 9.9.2 to the following:

- 9.9.2** The following Members only shall be entitled to vote at General Meeting of the Club:
 Life Member,
 Distinguished Service Member,
 Senior Active,
 U/19 Active,
 U/17 Active,
 Youth Members holding a Bronze Medallion Award
 Active Reserve,
 Long Service,
 50+ Years membership with North Cronulla SLSC
 Associate Holding Office

3. Add clause 24.2.4 Annual General Meetings

24.2.4 To consider any nominations for Life Membership or Distinguished Service Membership

Moved: Martin Dillon
All in favour

Seconded Norm Piddington
Declared Carried

9. Submission and adoption of the 98th Annual Report of the Board of Directors and Balance Sheet for Season 2022/2023.

We are now moving for the Adoption of the 98th Annual Report and Financial Statements and Balance Sheet for season 2022/2023.

9.1 President, Geoff Budd submitted the Ninety Eighth (98th) Annual Report of North Cronulla Surf Life Saving Club Inc. Season 2022/2023. In submitting the Ninetieth Eighth (98th) Annual Report of North Cronulla Surf Life Saving Club Inc. the President highlighted that Season 2022/2023 has been exciting and marked by high achievement by many of our members.

NO LIVES LOST – “important to me and our principal target”

9.2 Finance Director, Ben Smollett presented the Financial Statements and Balance Sheet for the Financial Year Ended 30 April 2023 and spoke on the financial performance of the Club for this fiscal year.

9.3 The President then invited those wishing to speak on the Annual Report to come forward.
The speakers were: -

Federal Member for Cook

Hon. Scott Morrison

Member for Cronulla

Hon Mark Speakman

Member for Miranda

Hon Eleni Petinos

Mayor Sutherland Shire Council

Cr Carmelo Pesce

Deputy Mayor Sutherland Shire Council

Cr Carol Provan

Councillor for Sutherland Shire Council A Ward

Cr Leanne Farmer

Councillor for Sutherland Shire Council A Ward

Cr Marcelle Elzerman

Non-executive Director SLS NSW

Mr Joel Wiseman

Director of Youth & Junior Development SLS Sydney

Mr Dave Love

District Chair Cronulla Sutherland District Council of SLS

Ian Toll JP NPSM

North Cronulla Club Patron

Warren Rennie AM

“That the 98th Annual Report and Financial Statements and Balance Sheet for season 2022/2023 be adopted”.

Moved: Martin Dillon
All in Favour

Seconded Kevin Macnamara
Declared

10. TO ELECT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE 2023-2024 SEASON AND ELECT ONE NEW TRUSTEE FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM.

GEOFF TO DECLARE ALL POSITIONS VACANT – AND REQUEST WARREN RENNIE TO RUN THROUGH THE NOMINATIONS

a) I have one written nomination here for the very important position of CLUB PRESIDENT

PRESIDENT

GEOFF BUDD

Nominated Jamie Primmer and seconded by Donna Hargreaves

Warren Rennie: I declare Geoff Budd PRESIDENT of North Cronulla Surf Club for Season 2023/2024

FOR EXPEDIENCY AS WE HAVE, (BY THE CLOSING DATE), ONE (1) WRITTEN NOMINATION FOR THIRTEEN (11) OF THE FOLLOWING BOARD POSITIONS --

I PROPOSE THAT THESE DIRECTORS BE APPOINTED TO THEIR NOMINATED POSITIONS UNLESS ANYONE PRESENT HAS

ANY OBJECTIONS

CLUB EXECUTIVE

DEPUTY PRESIDENT
CLUB CAPTAIN
ADMINISTRATION DIRECTOR "SECRETARY" & PUBLIC OFFICER
FINANCE DIRECTOR
JAG "Nipper" DIRECTOR

CRAIG MCKINNIERY
DAVID WAUGH
DONNA HARGREAVES
BEN SMOLLETT
DANIEL LAWSON

BALANCE OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS WITH WRITTEN NOMINATIONS

DIRECTORS

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR
LIFESAVING DIRECTOR
EDUCATION & TRAINING DIRECTOR
OPERATIONS (FACILITIES) DIRECTOR
MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR
COMPETION DIRECTOR
LIFE MEMBERS X (2) ON BOARD OF DIRECTORS

NATASHA HARGREAVES
GRAEME LANHAM
ANITA PRYKE
GEOFF STREATER
BARBARA MAYTHERS
JEFF LOY
KEVIN MACNAMARA / BARRY
SCHUETRUMPF

b) SELECTION OF ONE (1) TRUSTEE

Extract from Club Constitution (Clause 36.)

36.1 Appointment

36.1.1 The Club shall elect three (3) Trustees who shall each be Members, have attained the age of 30 years and reside in Australia.

36.1.2 Trustees are elected for a term of three (3) years with one Trustee position being vacated and filled each year at the Annual General Meeting by rotation. The election of a Trustee position at an Annual General Meeting shall be conducted under the same procedures as provided for the election of Directors.

36.1.3 Any Trustee appointed by the Board to fill a casual vacancy will satisfy rule and serve out the remaining balance of the term for that Trustee position, where upon the position will fall vacant and a new Trustee elected under rules **36.1.1** and **36.1.2**.

TRUSTEE BARRY FRETEN TERM HAS EXPIRED

I HAVE ONE (1) WRITTEN NOMINATION FOR THE VERY IMPORTANT POSITION OF TRUSTEE.

That being BARRY FRETEN who has held the position of Trustee for Three (3) YEAR TERMS

Nominated Ben Dillon and seconded by Martin Dillon

Can I have a Mover and Seconder that BARRY FRETEN nominations be accepted?

Moved Craig McKinnery
All in Favour

Seconder Donna Hargreaves
Carried

11. To determine date of first Board of Directors Meeting **20 SEPTEMBER 2023**

12. General Business (urgent matters only)

Luke Brbot President of the North Cronulla Sea Lice thanked the board for the support they have given the Sea Lice Section A special thank you to Frank Schreuder for the work he has done to bring back the section to the club.

The Patron advised the meeting of a submission given to Surf Life Saving Australia for a Meritorious Award for bravery for a major rescue performed by North Cronulla members.

The rescue took place on Saturday, 26th March 1972 at the Northern end of North Cronulla Beach. The surf was huge that day the waves measuring at least 7 metres. A lone Board rider experienced great difficulty in this surf and was spotted by the patrol in the tower. Chris Gough swam out unaided to the rescue site. He reached and comforted the board rider.

Max Lewis and Stewart Cameron followed, Cameron on a Board and Lewis on a ski. They both assisted Chris Gough in supporting the Board rider

Brian Vassarotti, a member of the club's Junior R&R team who was training on the beach entered this huge surf and swam out in a Belt. The team used 2 lines tied together, however Brian aged 17 years could not reach the site as they had drifted out to 600 metres from the beach.

John Bourn, OAM and Terry Tierney on surf skis ventured out and after paddling for 30 minutes through huge seas joined the rescue site which now had drifted out to 800 metres (the length of 2 Surfboat courses). The decision was made to place the Board rider on Tierney's ski and Chris Gough on Bourn's ski and transfer them in a southerly direction to a safe haven, Salmon Haul.

When passing Cronulla Beach a Cronulla Surf Boat intercepted them and a decision was made to transfer the Board rider and Chris Gough into the Surf Boat who returned to Cronulla Beach. Bourn and Tierney returned to North Cronulla beach.

Sometime later it was announced by Surf Life Saving Australia that Chris Gough and the Cronulla Surf Boat crew was recognised for their bravery in this rescue.

For some unaccountable reason Stewart Cameron, Max Lewis, Brian Vassarotti, John Bourn, OAM and Terry Tierney were not recognised.

Sadly, Terry Tierney passed away and in researching his history the Patron in discussion with John Bourn discovered this apparent oversight.

With John Bourn's support and interviewing Stewart Cameron and Chris Gough, the Patron on behalf of the club submitted the nomination for a Meritorious Award for the 5 members not recognised

The Patron received notification just before this Annual General Meeting that these 5 fine members have now been recognised with a Certificate of Merit in Bronze for their outstanding Bravery in the successful Rescue and securing the lone Board Rider off North Cronulla Beach on Saturday 26th March 1972 – 51 years past.

The Awards are to be presented at the National Awards of Excellence later in the year.

As a sad finale to this report John Bourn, OAM passed away prior to this announcement as well as Terry Tierney and Brian Vassarotti.

13. President's Address.

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors

Donna Hargreaves
Administration Director