

NT Surfline 30 October 2008

NT Surfline is for members, friends and supporters of Surf Life Saving Northern Territory. It provides brief information on the latest news and activities on the national and Territory scene. It is not designed to replace club newsletters - the primary source of news from your local club.

Gove Womens Surfboat Crew in Golden Hatrick

The awesome Women's Surfboat crew from the Gove Peninsula Surf Lifesaving Club won the Open Women's Surfboat Championship for the third year in a row last weekend at the North Australian Surf Life Saving Championships in Mackay, Queensland. The crew of Denise Marrable (stroke), Greer Ashby, Brinkley Dennerley, Keara Blundell and Charles Rue (sweep) got away to a great start in the final and, at the turning buoys, were only slightly ahead of the field. But a season of hard and dedicated training paid off in the 500 metres back to shore when the Gove crew's superior fitness and technique pulled them ahead of nearest rival, Picnic Bay SLSC, as Gove made best use of the onshore running waves. Denise paid tribute to her teammates for their commitment to the sport and acknowledged the influence of the SLSA Surfboat workshop held earlier in the season by Australian Champion Jack Alliss.

Outside the boat arena there was another goldrush and more medals when Alan Cross scored gold in the Masters Surf Ski and took silver in both the Masters Swim and Masters Board races. Australian Masters Champion, Shane Ezard, was also on the podium with gold from the Masters Beach Flags and Masters Beach Sprint and a hard-earned silver in the Open Beach Sprint.

The youth of the club also showed their talent. Emma Whelan scored bronze in the U15 Beach Flags (from a field of 40!) and another bronze when she teamed up with Alice Rudolph in the U15 Board Rescue. Watch out for these talented young competitors in the future!

Chance of a Lifetime

Up to two athletes from the NT have the opportunity to try out for the Kellogg's Nutri-Grain Ironman Series at Sydney's Wanda Beach on the weekend of 29-30 November.

This event will determine the remaining top competitor places for the 2008/2009 Kellogg's Nutri-Grain Ironman Series. Funding support from SLSA will cover:

- Return flights to Sydney
- Transportation of craft
- Accommodation over the weekend (shared twin room at a hotel close to the beach)

If you are interested in this opportunity please contact SLSNT on 8985n 6588 or email surf@lifesavingnt.com.au

Young Achiever Awards Northern Territory

The 2009 Young Achiever Awards for the Northern Territory are open for nominations until Friday 28th November. The awards include Career Achievement, Regional & Rural Initiative, Community Service, Arts, Science & Engineering, Environment, Sports,

Young Carers and Excellence in Youth Leadership. Nominations can be done on-line at www.awardsaustralia.com or call SLSNT on 8985 6588 if you need help or more information.

Telstra Beach To Bush reaches remote communities

World Ironman Champion, Zane Holmes, launched the largest and most innovative surf education program in Australia yesterday on Channel Nine's 'Today' breakfast program. The annual Telstra Beach To Bush surf safety program experienced and highly qualified surf lifesavers traveling to regional and remote primary schools to teach important basic surf safety messages and to help save lives this summer. This year's nationwide program will reach over 35,000 primary school children from more than 300 regional primary schools. While the program focuses primarily on beach safety, the aquatic safety skills can be easily applied to rivers, dams, creeks, pools and other waterways. In the Northern Territory schools in North East Arnhem Land are being targeted this year.

Bateup and Eckstein make NIB Coolangatta Gold history

Hayley Bateup and Caine Eckstein have raced their way into the history books with commanding wins in the grueling *NIB Coolangatta Gold* on the Gold Coast. Bateup, of the Kurrawa club, took out an unprecedented third title in the ultimate test of endurance and surf lifesaving skill while Eckstein, of Tugun, became only the second male competitor to win the title twice (the other was Guy Leech 1984 & 1985). Bateup finished ahead of Courtney Hancock (Northcliffe) by more than seven minutes with Alyce Bennett (Burleigh Heads/Mowbray Park) in third place while Eckstein was two and a half minutes in front of Tim Peach (Mooloolaba) and Nathan Smith (Cronulla) third.

Eckstein was in the zone for the gruelling 46 kilometre men's race and opened up a two-minute lead after the board leg from Currumbin to Burleigh Heads and it was a case of "catch me if you can" as the field set off for the 10km run to Surfers Paradise. But the further the race went the further Eckstein asserted his dominance. He was among a group of seven leaders at the end of the 23 kilometre ski paddle from Surfers Paradise to Coolangatta, which was whittled to four - Eckstein, Peach, Dean Mercer (Mooloolaba) and Smith (Cronulla) - after the 3.5km swim. It was in the board leg that Eckstein was able to open up his winning lead and he entered the final 10km run back to Surfers more than a minute ahead of Smith. This year there was a 30 per cent increase in competitors, especially internationals, with around 20,000 spectators lining Gold Coast beaches to watch the iconic race.

Free Sports Workshops offered

The Northern Territory Government is conducting free, highly interactive workshops covering areas of sports mentoring, sponsorship, volunteer management, assessment, analysis and communication techniques. The presenter will be presented by international speaker and author, Ian Crawford.

Sports Development - Sunday 2 November 2008, 9am - 5pm, CDU, Casuarina Campus.

Advanced Mentoring - Monday 3 November 2008, 9am - 3pm, CDU, Casuarina Campus. Places are limited, bookings are essential. For further information or to enroll, please contact Sam Gibson, Sports Development Coordinator on 8982 2328.

Call for Interstate Team Nominations

Last year the Northern Territory Interstate Team won the handicap competition at the Interstate Championships and we're keen to do it again!

SLSNT is inviting nominations for selection to contest the 2009 Interstate Surf Life Saving Championships at Scarborough Beach, Perth, WA on Wednesday 18th March, 2009. This first round of selections applies to members of the Darwin SLSC, Gove Peninsula SLSC, Mindil Beach SLSC and Broome SLSC. The Interstate Championships are being held at the same venue as the Australian Masters Surf Life Saving Championships (17 & 18th March) and the Australian Surf Life Saving Championships (19-22 March). Selected members will receive a free uniform and be eligible for a travel and accommodation subsidy. Details are in SLSNT Circular 13 sent to clubs. Nominations close Monday 24th November.

Lifesaver of the Year and Volunteer of the Year

Members and clubs are encouraged to nominate for the prestigious Lifesaver of the Year and Volunteer of the Year recognition awards. The members selected as the Lifesaver of the Year and the Volunteer of the Year will represent the NT in the selection of national recognition awards in Perth, WA during the week of the Australian Championships, 19-22 March. Please note there are three age categories in the Lifesaver of the year awards - Open, Under 19 and Under 17. These awards are detailed in SLSNT Circulars 14 and 15 which have been sent to clubs. Nominations close Monday 24th November. More information can be obtained from SLSNT CEO Tony Snelling on 8985 6588 or email tony.snelling@lifesavingnt.com.au

Lifesaving Commendations

Clubs are invited to nominate individual members, or teams of members, to the SLSNT Meritorious Awards Committee for recognition of outstanding lifesaving actions that have occurred since 1 November 2007. Nominations must be received on or before Monday 24 November, 2008 in hard copy or by email to SLSNT on surf@lifesavingnt.com.au. Details are in SLSNT Circular 12 sent to clubs. The SLSNT Meritorious Awards Committee will award a Lifesaving Commendation when, in the opinion of the Committee, the lifesaving act deserves recognition as an excellent and commendable lifesaving act by that individual or team and this may include:

- Bravery
- Rescues

Searches
First aid & Emergency Care and;
Resuscitations

Boardies Day - Friday 28 November

Get behind Boardies Day - an easy and fun way to raise money for your Club. Supported by the Surf Life Saving Foundation you will receive all the marketing materials you need to promote the event to your local community so that your club can receive 100% of the funds they raise. For this year's event an opt-in fee of \$50 applies and must be submitted by 30 October 2008. Clubs will then receive:

- 1 box of 25 limited edition Le Tan Boardies Day 30ml sunscreen (RRP of \$100)
- 50 Boardies Day Brochures to help you spread the word
- 25 Boardies Day Posters
- 20 Inflatable Boardies Day Beach Balls
- Boardies Day supporter stickers
- 100 red and yellow balloons
- CD containing promotional items such as web and email banners, press release, etc.
- Plus all of the templates you will need to send to your contacts, such as covering letter, thank you letter, etc which you can modify to suit your Club.

Annual Presentation Night - Darwin SLSC

The Darwin SLSC will celebrate their success and the Surf Life Saving achievements of the club and its members on Saturday 1st November, 2008 at the Surf Club. A great night is assured with a theme of Heroes and Villains applying to the festivities.

Exciting new leadership development opportunity

Surf Life Saving Australia's leadership development program will take a further leap forward with the 2008 National Leadership College to be held at Sydney University, 1 - 6 December 2008. The National Leadership College is the accumulation of two years of development with the focus of the national program moving from a 'camp' to a 'conference' and now to a 'college'. The college will assume participants come into it with some previous exposure to leadership training, preferably from within the surf life saving leadership pathway, but it could also come from their careers outside of surf. The college philosophy will be interactive shared learning and will relate SLSA's leadership competencies to grass roots surf life saving. This will be achieved through industry professional presenters and a focus on facilitator lead workshops. For more information via the Circular please follow this

link: http://www.slsa.com.au/site/_content/resource/00002435-docsource.pdf

Lifeguards Wanted

Please call SLSNT on 8985 6588 or email lgsupervisor@lifesavingnt.com.au if you are interested in work as a Lifeguard.

NT Academyline...

Training Officer's Course

Training Officers are essential to every Surf Life Saving Club. They are the wonderfully dedicated members who volunteer countless hours to train others for their Certificate II in Public Safety, IRB Driving, Advanced Resuscitation, Heart Defibrillation and much more. To become a Training Officer it is essential to gain a nationally accredited unit of competency called 'Deliver Training'. The Lifesaving Academy (NT) is now seeking expressions of interest for this course please call Julie Snelling on 8985 6588 or email julie.snelling@lifesavingnt.com.au

First Aid Refresher Courses

These short courses (2-3 hrs) can be run 'on demand' for small groups. Register your interest if you need to do your 3-year refresher course by calling Julie Snelling on 8985 6588 or email julie.snelling@lifesavingnt.com.au

General Information...

SLSNT Contacts

Have you updated our contact details?

Our new office phone number is (08) 8985 6588. CEO mobile phone is 041717 3287.

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General/Public Enquiries: surf@lifesavingnt.com.au

Key Dates for your Diary

Friday 28th November: Boardies Day.

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Australian Championships: Tuesday 17th March to Sunday 22nd March 2009, Scarborough Beach, WA.

Interstate Championships: Wednesday 18th March 2009, Scarborough Beach, WA.

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