

NT Surfline 10 September 2009

NT Surfline is for members 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 intended to replace club newsletters – the primary source of news from your local club.

NEW ITEMS IN THIS EDITION ...

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20 indigenous students from small remote communities in NE Arnhem Land have been studying and working hard for their Surf Life Saving Bronze Medallion. The students will be tested tomorrow at Yirrkala's Shady Beach, home of Australia's first surf life saving club in an indigenous community – the Walngawu Djakamirri SLSC. The training program has included all of the traditional Bronze program activities and has also introduced the students to a range of exciting surf sports including surfboat rowing – new this year! The program has been delivered by SLSNT staff Tony & Julie Snelling with invaluable assistance from German Lifeguard, Stefan Krampe, and volunteer WA lifesaver, Alison Radburn. Next week 28 students from the Yirrkala CEC (Community Education Centre) will enter the Bronze program.

Huge Success - 230 school students at Nhulunbuy Surf Carnival

The biggest ever school surf carnival was held on Town Beach, Nhulunbuy yesterday (Wed 9 Sept) when 230 students from the Nhulunbuy High School, Yirrkala CEC, Yirrkala Homelands School and a special contingent from Dhalunbuy, over 100 km away. In the morning the students rotated around 12 activity centres, all managed by youth from the Gove Peninsula SLSC. In the afternoon an age-based competition produced some exciting finishes in board rescue races, wade races, beach flags and beach relays. Congratulations to teacher and GP SLSC stalwart, Denise Marrable for organising such a successful event and to all the activity coordinators and water safety personnel who contributed to a safe and memorable day.

DHL to the rescue

DHL is pleased to announce it has renewed its sponsorship of Surf Life Saving Australia (SLSA) for a further three years. The partnership, which began in September 2003, continues to be SLSA's largest. DHL's support will fund new uniforms for all 54,000 patrolling surf lifesavers around the nation. In 2008-09, Australia's 54,000 active surf lifesavers spent more than 1.1 million hours patrolling Australia's 300+ patrolled beaches, rescuing more than 10,500 people.

Perkins Shipping deliver first gear for NT Champs

Perkins Shipping, the naming rights sponsor for the SLSNT Senior Surf Life Saving Championships, has delivered the first of the competition equipment needed for the NT Surf Life Saving Championships – a Darwin SLSC surfboat and all of the carnival buoys and ropes needed for the swim. craft and boat competition. As you read this edition of NT Surfline more equipment is making its way around the Top End aboard the coastal ship 'Frances Bay'. SLSNT is very grateful for the generous freight sponsorship by Perkins Shipping and we urge all members to consider Perkins Shipping for their personal and business freight needs.

Level 1 Officials Course in Gove

A Level 1 Officials course will be conducted by the Australian Lifesaving Academy NT at the Gove Peninsula SLSC on Monday 14 September. It is especially targeted at members of the Gove Peninsula and Walngawu Djakamirri SLSCs. Please contact Julie Snelling on 041717 1015 if you would like to attend.

Championships Referees – Craig & Julie

SLSNT is pleased to announce that Craig Croke and Julie Snelling will be joint referees for the SLSNT Championships – each also serving as a Sectional Referee. Craig and Julie are excellent Level 2 officials and have gained valuable experience at previous NT Championships, other state competitions and the Australian & Interstate Championships. Level 1 Officials keen to move up to Level 2 should discuss this career path with Julie at the earliest opportunity – call 041717 1015.

Patrol Hours for Championships

All active members are reminded that they need to have completed 16 patrol hours by 31st July to be eligible for the 2009 NT Championships. These hours can include patrol duty last season from 1st August 2008. Active Reserve members must have accrued 8 hours. Long Service and Life Members are exempt. For new members, gaining their Surf Rescue Certificate or Bronze Medallion/Certificate II in Public Safety this season, there are concessions and these are explained in SLSNT Championships circulars.

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Key Dates for your Diary

Sat 26th Sept & Sun 27th Sept: NT Surf Life Saving Championships, Nhulunbuy.

Tue 16 March to Sun 21 March, 2010: Whereis Australian Surf Life Saving Championships, Kurrawa Beach on the Gold Coast.

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