



Williamstown Swimming and Life Saving Club 2021-22 Annual Report



Office Bearers

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer

Paul Sullivan
Claire Howell
Rod Seeber
Mark Frisby

Club Directors
- Lifesaving Operations
- Lifesaving Training
- Communications
- Junior Activities
- Competition
- Building and Grounds
- Events

Marcus Stacey
Rebecca Cameron
Joel Farrow
Andree Parker
Lizzy McFarlane
Neal Coulson
Sally Leung

Membership Protection Officer
Membership Registrar
Pool Lifeguard Manager
WOW Schools Water Safety Program
Junior Club Captains

Charlie Evans
Leonie Newey
Jai Sullivan
Sally Leung
Brydie Logan & James O'Toole

Club administration officer
Club accounts officer

Simeone Logan
Daria Hewitt

Life Members

1924 Charles Harsley
1927 Stan Bradley
1932 John J. Liston
1932 E.(Ted) C. Goldstein
1933 John A. Dennis
1933 Cpt. Gordon Liley
1934 Tom C. Miller
1934 R. Bradley
1935 Cpt. James H. Fearon
1935 Alan McColl
1936 Jack G. Meehan
1936 John R. Bell
1937 F. Gough
1937 F. (Rex) R. Tyler
1939 Ethel Guildford
1939 Laura McColl
1941 William G. Tyrrell
1944 Alice Brady
1944 Frederick J. Thomas
1946 Ms. L. Miller
1947 Bernard Curry
1947 William Dooley
1947 Theo Nelson Snr.
1947 R. Stewart
1949 Hugh Ellis
1950 Charles William Blackburn
1952 Eric J. McGee
1952 Anzac E. Newgreen
1954 Ms. G. W. Thomas
1958 Petilla Newgreen
1958 Tom G. Marr
1960 John Doull
1960 Syd Wookey
1961 Ivy (L) Musicka
1961 Alma Farr
1962 Tom V. Farr
1962 Fred R. Perram
1963 Blanche Hansen

1963 Elsie Martin
1964 Fred Thomas OAM
1964 Tom Webster
1968 Sam Tyle
1968 Doug J. Newington
1970 John O'Keefe
1973 Alf Briscoe
1973 Ivy Elder
1974 John Raffle
1975 Del W. Crocker
1982 L. M. Ferguson
1982 Phillip D. Bright
1985 Peter Bright
1986 Barry Rowe
1987 Rose Cave
1989 J. P. Dooley
1990 Neil Emmett
1993 Mrs. Linda Molineux
1993 Frank Zahra
1994 Loris E. Wood
2001 Peter G. Hutchison
2002 Jenny Hogan
2002 Deborah McDonald
2002 Elizabeth Goga
2008 Samantha Cockfield
2008 Merrin McTaggart
2008 Scott Ivey
2009 Iain R. Dickson
2009 Monica Dickson
2013 Jason Wyatt
2013 Ben Griffin
2013 Kaye Tomkins
2014 William Boyd
2016 Gillian Schalkwijk
2016 Gerry Schalkwijk
2019 Janis Brooks
2019 Jacqui R. Hewitt
2021 Erica Bird

Acknowledgment of Country

Williamstown Swimming
and Life Saving Club
acknowledges the Traditional
Owners of the land, the
Bunurong People. We offer
our respect to their elders
past, present and emerging.

We acknowledge and
uphold Traditional Owner's
continuing relationship to the
land and water.

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President Report

"As I reflect on my fourth and final season as President it strikes me how unique each season is, no season is alike from one to the next just full of surprises."

It is with great pleasure I present this 102nd Annual Report of the Williamstown Swimming & Life Saving Club on behalf of the Board for the 2021/22 season. For the third consecutive season, COVID-19 tried its best to disrupt Club activities. Fortunately, most of the public health restrictions came to an end in mid-December and Club life essentially returned to normal.

There is no doubt COVID-19 has changed the way we all live, work and play – perhaps forever. This includes the way our club meets its obligations as a volunteer community service, patrolling our beach, education and how skills improvement are delivered. WSLSC will always be there to support our community and our members, which was demonstrated once again throughout the season.

We are truly blessed with the calibre of our lifesavers. And their commitment. The leadership of the team has been exceptional ensuring that Williamstown Beach is a safe environment for our local community and all beach visitors. Our patrol leaders have continued to connect us to our beachgoers and our capabilities as lifesavers are highly regarded throughout the broader community. A few rescues and preventative actions have again resulted in keeping our beach safe and sound. That no lives were lost under our watch this year. To all the Williamstown patrolling members thank you for your vigilance and service, your efforts have been outstanding, and your community dedication is greatly appreciated.

The success of our Education and Lifesaving services at WSLSC are predominantly due to the management delivered by our Director of Training and her team of trainers and assessors. During the 2022 season Williamstown added over 124 new awards to the membership. An outstanding result for our club's future as saving lives is our primary purpose. We should all be very proud of the level of service we provide and the annual updates we deliver re-educating our members.

Congratulations to our dedicated Nipper Team who overcame an uncertain start to the season. The nipper program brought so much life and enthusiasm back to the club. Something we needed after the past few seasons once restrictions were relaxed. It was wonderful to see so many new faces actively participating in the running the program. Nippers are our club's future so well done to all involved in making this program a success.

Congratulations to all of our competitors proudly representing the Club. Our coaching in competition continues to establish and develop from the past seasons. It was positive to see large and increasing numbers of members participating at craft, swim and beach both at carnivals and training sessions. At the Victorian and Australian Championships, we had another fine season with some stellar results in all areas, Nippers, Seniors and Masters. Thank you to all the coaches who committed heavily in time and effort, to make sure everything went smoothly and all our competitors were well supported.

Our Club is heavily reliant on Sponsorships, Donations and Grants to support our mission; "To ensure no lives are lost while on patrol and to assist members to achieve their full potential whilst supporting the community". I would like to take this opportunity to thank our generous, donors and sponsorship partners for their ongoing support. This allows the Club to continue to provide lifesaving first aid, water safety education and supportive equipment. The Club would like to thank Port of Melbourne, Greg Hocking Elly Partners, Orbit Logistics, Grace, Jim's Storage, Engine Swimwear, Peter Sadler Removal's, FFLA, Victorian Government, Hobsons Bay Council, SLISA and Life Saving Victoria for their continued support.





A special thank you to the WSLSC Board for their hard work, commitment and resilience in a challenging year who have worked tirelessly behind the scenes this year. At the end of this surf lifesaving year, we bid farewell to several key Club Board members whom have contributed significantly to the improvement of our Club. Firstly, to Rod Seeber who has been the Club Secretary thank you for your support and service in this important area at the Club, and secondly, Joel Farrow Director of Communications, thanking you both.

Arguably the most significant announcement for this Club in its 102 years, is the State Government funding of \$11.35 million alongside additional funds from Hobsons Bay Council, for the redevelopment of the Club facilities. The club will continue to work closely with council on the future build. The project has started and progressed with council in the final stages of appointing an architect and design team in August.

WSLSC will always continue its objective to position our club to be the community's club. Our primary purpose will always be as a surf lifesaving club, however with approximately 1,570 members we can always strive to do more. Once again am very proud of the club's efforts this year off the beach with community engagement.

And finally thank you to WARC, Sub-committee members, age managers, trainers, officials, coaches, assessors, active patrolling members, and all those who lend a helping hand around the club – our great community club would not exist without you.

As previously advised, I will be stepping down from my role as President at the July Annual General Meeting. I look back on my tenure with a sense of achievement and pride. Like the legacy of Presidents before me, the Club is in better shape than what we inherited and I know that others will continue this progress into the future.

It has been an honour to serve my community and I have a terrific sense of achievement to have taken our Club forward. Williamstown Swimming & Life Saving Club has a proud history and a bright future and I am very gratified to be part of it.

So finally, SLSC is the largest volunteer organisation in this country, we all need to be reminded that we must deliver a unique and inclusive environment at Williamstown Swimming and Life Saving Club where diversity is celebrated. Enjoy your club!

Paul Sullivan
President



WSLSC Significant achievements 2021/22 season

- \$11.35M Victorian Government and additional funds from Hobson Bay Council will provide a legacy build for future, council is to announce successful architect and design team in August, come on the journey.
- Our club still managed to achieve all patrol obligations required by Life Saving at season end, well done to all.
- A focus was also put on the quality and quantity of training and assessment being completed at the club, with an increased number of courses being run compared to previous season, outstanding results at season end.
- DAC / Development Advisory Committee was established for clubhouse redevelopment, along with other relevant sub committees.
- Ambulance Victoria continue to be supported by the Williamstown Swimming and Life Saving Club with access to their club room, allowing a Paramedic Responder to be stationed on site, a great result for the broader Hobson Bay communities.
- WSLSC held its first CALD program in 2021. Participants successfully completed the Learn to Swim program and Surf Rescue Certificates enabling them to participate in patrols at Williamstown beach.
- Over 1400 participated in WOW Schools program in Water Safety education programs, extending to communities both local and regional.
- Once again WSLSC to run a Mental Health Awareness session to members and broader local community, supported by Hobsons Bay Community Fund.
- New club Utility and ATV purchases
- New Gym equipment and surf craft purchases.
- Several groups continue create a wonderful community hub at WSLSC, Top Boxing, Rip Swim, CarmenBody Yoga, Ambulance Victoria, ETPA, thank you.
- WSLSC hosted the inaugural Presidents Pre-Season Forum an initiative aimed at bringing ideas and working together towards advancing lifesaving.
- Continued sound governance practices, employment of a club bookkeeper and administrator continues.
- WSLSC Nippers Emergency Day continues to grow, a great opportunity to get up close and meet our emergency services in person.



*Victorian Government,
Member for Williamstown,
Melissa Horne meeting
with trainers from the WOW
schools program*

Vice President Report

It was a slow emergence from lockdowns this year. I'm not sure any of us actually believe it, even now. But, emerge we have. And it is so good to feel the buzz building around the Club again.

Throughout everything the Club has remained an important hub for members and the wider community. Whether it was as a meeting point, a check in with a friendly face or an invigorating swim, people came together.

From dawn to dusk (and a little bit either side) on any given day the Club is in flux with our vibrant array of members and users. The open water swimmers power by or bob about, the Nippers train, play and squeal, families in tow. Training courses are run with participants practicing CPR, driving the beach vehicle or rescuing each other. Patrollers set up and manage the beach, providing water safety, lifesaving jet skis based at the Club cross the Bay. Surf skis and boards race in and out, SUPs paddle around. IRBs buzz back and forth, tight buoy turns, surf boats practice starts off the beach, learn to row crews wobble about. Marching, flags, R&R, running, school groups criss-cross the beach. Out on the grass exercise classes, triathlon training, sunbathing, picnics, introductory tours. Swimming lessons, police training, laps and family fun in the pool. Inside weights are pumped, yoga stretches, ambulance response base manned, meetings, parties, gatherings, bar, communal teas.

All the while motors are tinkered with, equipment cared for, buildings maintained, first aid stock reordered, floors cleaned, memberships managed, training courses organised, events planned and run, covid / policy updates made, damage fixed, rubbish put out, grass cared for, the odd fire laid as we descend into winter.

The Club is a fully volunteer run organisation. Every element of the Club occurs thanks to the generous time input of volunteers. There is something very special about this wonderful community and the Board is deeply grateful for the support provided by so many. Apart from the day to day and seasonal operations there has been much unacknowledged work in the background ensuring the Club has a stable foundation and an enduring future for all. It is a very exciting time to be part of the Club. We are very much looking forward to sharing the next stage of the journey with you.

Thank you for your contribution to the Club. It is what it is because of you.

Claire Howell
Vice President





Secretary Report

It is with great pleasure that I submit my annual report for 2022.

This year has been another challenging one, albeit better than the previous two years, and again our Club has seen many highlights. These range from the Nippers participation over summer, a successful WOW Swim, learn to swim lessons in the pool by Grant Siedle's Little Rippers program, the running of the annual Point to Point race which was won by our Junior Club Captain Brydie Logan, and the usage of the facilities by many community groups. These include the Mussels, Dolphins, Belugas and Jellyfish and the popular School's program. The school's program continues to grow and teach water safety to Primary School children, and we are all grateful for the hard work that Sally Leung puts into running the program. The Hall hire also continues to be popular, and is a great source of revenue for the Club. I thank all members for their patience and understanding when the hall is occupied by these activities.

This year I am proud to say the Directors resurrected the role of Junior Club Captain, and James O'Toole and Brydie Logan were elected in that role. James and Brydie have formed a Junior Board which meets quarterly and will advise the Directors on the junior needs of the Club. The Junior Board has met and attended a meeting of the Club Directors, and they were also hosted by Club sponsors the Port of Melbourne at a meeting at their headquarters in Docklands. The Club Directors see the Junior Board as a great step forward in training our junior members to be future leaders of the Club and community, and I wish them well.

The Club has not increased membership fees for two years, and our membership continues to grow strongly with over 1500 members. Another increase on last year.

I would like to thank our President Paul Sullivan for his outstanding leadership over the last twelve months. It is a role that he carries with much distinction. Also, to the hard working Directors and those volunteers who get things done around the club without fanfare. We are all indebted to you for your generosity.

Lastly, I have served our Club as Secretary for four years, and this year I have decided to take a break, and so I will not be nominating for the Secretary's position at the AGM. I am very proud of the work the Directors have achieved in that time, and I hope that I have contributed in a small way to that work.

Rod Seeber
Secretary





Treasurer Report

As the club started to return to a somewhat normal season, so too did the club finances. For the 2021/22 season the Club made surplus of \$110,371 (2020/21 season had a loss of \$3,722), with bank balances increasing to \$671,788 from \$552,857 at the end of 2020/21.

Increased membership revenue was a noticeable change in income which is a result of a growth in membership numbers and the Club's decision to waive the 2020/21 membership fees. Event revenue also increased thanks to the successful running of the WOW swim and the schools program. The growth of the schools program resulted in increased expenditure on wages. The wage costs also included the new accounts officer and the growing role of the paid club administrator.

Many Victorian lifesaving clubs have experienced significant growth in membership following the redevelopment of their club facilities. The poor condition of the current club facilities is consistently a reason why members choose not to renew their membership so the Board expects a similar growth in membership will occur at our club. The club is starting to take steps to prepare for a larger membership including increased investment in paid staff roles in club administration and accounting.



Prudent financial management has the club well placed to deal with the financial impacts of the club redevelopment. The club has currently committed approximately \$200,000 to the club redevelopment (a financial contribution of \$180,000 and approx \$20,000 in fit out items such as recent club purchases of commercial fridges, furniture, etc). It is anticipated a fundraising process for the project will commence over the coming years.

The following is some of the key grant money received during the year

- \$15,000 from Surf Life Saving Australia Beach Safety Equipment Fund (BSEF) which was used for new operational equipment
- \$7,500 administration grant from Life Saving Victoria which was used for administration staff expenses
- \$5,320 from Victorian Government for insurance and cleaning support
- \$2,825 from Hobsons Bay for a covid recovery grant



For the coming financial year, the club is in the process of upgrading the club vehicle using a \$14,484 VESEP grant and a \$21,000 deposit was paid on a new surfboat reflecting the growing participation in surfboats within the club.

Overall a positive outcome with the club being in a strong financial position which is a good place to be in with the club redevelopment starting to take shape.

Mark Frisby
Treasurer



Financial Statements 2022

Williamstown SLSC

ABN 82 994 577 626

For the year ended 30 April 2022

Prepared by Gerard Harrington Pty Ltd

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Committee's Report

Williamstown SLSC

For the year ended 30 April 2022

Committee's Report

Your committee members submit the financial report of Williamstown SLSC for the financial year ended 30 April 2022.

Committee Members

The names of committee members throughout the year and at the date of this report are:

| | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Paul Sullivan (President) | Neal Coulson | Joel Farrow |
| Claire Howell (Vice-President) | Marcus Stacey | Rebecca Cameron |
| Rodney Seeber (Secretary) | Andree Parker | Sally Leung |
| Mark Frisby (Treasurer) | Elizabeth McFarlane | |

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the association during the financial year were Life Saving Operations.

Significant Changes

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

Operating Result

The surplus for the year ended 30 April 2022 amounted to \$110,371.

Going Concern

This financial report has been prepared on a going concern basis which contemplates continuity of normal business activities and the realisation of assets and settlement of liabilities in the ordinary course of business. The ability of the association to continue to operate as a going concern is dependent upon the ability of the association to generate sufficient cashflows from operations to meet its liabilities. The members of the association believe that the going concern assumption is appropriate.

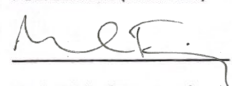
Auditors Independence Declaration

Section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 requires the company's auditors, Gerard Harrington Pty Ltd, to provide the directors with an Independence Declaration in relation to the review of the financial statements. The Independence Declaration forms part of the financial statements.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee on:


Paul Sullivan (President)

Date 10/7/22


Mark Frisby (Treasurer)

Date 10/7/22

Auditors Independence Declaration

Williamstown SLSC

For the year ended 30 April 2022

To the Members of Williamstown Swimming & Life Saving Club

Under Section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, in relation to the audit of Williamstown Swimming & Life Saving Club for the year there have been:

(a) No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit; and

(b) No contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.



Gerard Harrington IPA
Gerard Harrington Pty Ltd
11B Gell Street, Bacchus Marsh VIC 3340

Dated this 10th day of July 2022

Independent Auditor's Report

Williamstown SLSC

For the year ended 30 April 2022

Independent Auditors Report to the members of the Association

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Williamstown SLSC (the association), which comprises the committee's report, the assets and liabilities statement as at 30 April 2022, the income and expenditure statement for the year then ended, cash flow statement, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the certification by members of the committee on the annual statements giving a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the association.

Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The committee of Williamstown SLSC is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report, and has determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 is appropriate to meet the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (Vic) and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The committee's responsibility also includes such internal control as the committee determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We have conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error.

In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the association's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report, in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the association's internal control.

An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects (or gives a true and fair view –refer to the applicable state/territory Act), the financial position of Williamstown SLSC as at 30 April 2022 and (of) its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, and the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (Vic).

Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Distribution

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist Williamstown SLSC to meet the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (Vic). As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

Gerard Harrington IPA

Gerard Harrington Pty Ltd



Dated: 10 / 7 / 2022

Income and Expenditure Statement

Williamstown SLSC

For the year ended 30 April 2022

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Income | | |
| Revenue | | |
| Revenue - Building Levy | 109 | 545 |
| Revenue - Club Merchandise | 14,406 | 7,638 |
| Revenue - Events | 70,855 | 47,449 |
| Revenue - Fees | 36,527 | 1,109 |
| Revenue - FOB Access | 6,232 | 5,100 |
| Revenue - Membership fees | 139,615 | 31,005 |
| Revenue - Sponsorship | 24,750 | 21,250 |
| Revenue - Venue Hire | 6,013 | 805 |
| Total Revenue | 298,507 | 114,902 |
| Grant Income | 45,281 | 33,524 |
| Donations | 7,050 | 6,378 |
| Total Income | 350,838 | 154,804 |
| Cost of Sales | | |
| Purchases - Club Merchandise | 13,953 | 6,881 |
| Purchases - Events | 5,368 | 8,269 |
| Purchases - Fees | 15,994 | 1,109 |
| Purchases - FOB Access | 5,100 | - |
| Purchases - 100 Year Book | - | 19,175 |
| Total Cost of Sales | 40,415 | 35,435 |
| Gross Surplus | 310,424 | 119,369 |
| Other Income | | |
| Interest Income | 1,708 | 5,278 |
| Profit/(loss) on sale of assets | 700 | 908 |
| Revenue - Other | 23,754 | 13,355 |
| Revenue - Rent Income KIOSK | 30,182 | 31,641 |
| Cash Boost | - | 20,000 |
| Total Other Income | 56,344 | 71,183 |
| Expenditure | | |
| Administration Expenses | 6,095 | 4,366 |
| Advertising and promotional expenses | 2,080 | 2,103 |
| Audit Fee | 2,460 | 2,440 |
| Bank Fees - Westpac | 597 | 542 |
| Cleaning | 13,252 | 9,690 |
| Clothing expense | 19,344 | 9,623 |
| Depreciation | 67,611 | 73,739 |
| Subscriptions | 1,061 | 800 |
| Consumables | 578 | 1,232 |

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| Council Rates | 1,967 | 2,106 |
| Donation | 100 | 660 |
| Electricity | 8,193 | 7,442 |
| First Aid expenses | 326 | 1,795 |
| Fuel | 873 | 524 |
| Gas | 3,854 | 4,010 |
| General Expenses | 3,446 | 2,449 |
| Insurance | 11,522 | 9,029 |
| Minor Equipment Expenses | 8,397 | 3,065 |
| Motor Vehicles | 3,556 | 1,017 |
| Oxygen | 1,693 | 1,530 |
| Payment processing fees | 1,678 | 611 |
| Pool running costs | 2,551 | 2,582 |
| Postage | 646 | 521 |
| Presentation Expenses | 5,494 | 2,743 |
| Printing & Stationery | 836 | 1,472 |
| Registration fees | 1,361 | 723 |
| Rent | 3,291 | 2,057 |
| Repairs and Maintenance | 9,340 | 13,013 |
| Security Service | 3,458 | 5,538 |
| Superannuation | 3,286 | 591 |
| Telephone & Internet | 2,655 | 2,560 |
| Training costs | 5,601 | 1,624 |
| Travel Expenses | 566 | - |
| Wages | 48,180 | 17,934 |
| Water | 7,074 | 3,907 |
| Website | 21 | 21 |
| Workcover | 214 | 215 |
| Payment processing fee - Square | 68 | - |
| Purchases events | 342 | - |
| Bookkeeping | 2,731 | - |
| Total Expenditure | 256,396 | 194,273 |
| Current Year Surplus/ (Deficit) | 110,371 | (3,722) |

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Assets and Liabilities Statement

Williamstown SLSC

As at 30 April 2022

| | NOTES | 30 APR 2022 | 30 APR 2021 |
|----------------------------------|-------|------------------|----------------|
| Assets | | | |
| Current Assets | | | |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents | | 221,788 | 152,857 |
| Trade and Other Receivables | 3 | 27,890 | 33,039 |
| Inventories | | 23,492 | 27,289 |
| GST Receivable | | 2,072 | - |
| Term deposits | | 450,000 | 400,000 |
| Total Current Assets | | 725,243 | 613,185 |
| Non-Current Assets | | | |
| Plant and Equipment and Vehicles | 5 | 255,305 | 203,085 |
| Land and Buildings | | 67,930 | 79,592 |
| Total Non-Current Assets | | 323,236 | 282,677 |
| Total Assets | | 1,048,478 | 895,862 |
| Liabilities | | | |
| Current Liabilities | | | |
| Trade and Other Payables | 6 | 56,851 | 10,995 |
| GST Payable | | - | 3,611 |
| Total Current Liabilities | | 56,851 | 14,606 |
| Total Liabilities | | 56,851 | 14,606 |
| Net Assets | | 991,628 | 881,256 |
| Member's Funds | | | |
| Capital Reserve | | 991,628 | 881,256 |
| Total Member's Funds | | 991,628 | 881,256 |

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Notes to the Financial Statements

Williamstown SLSC

For the year ended 30 April 2022

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements are special purpose financial statements prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (Vic). The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historic costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where stated specifically, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless stated otherwise, have been adopted in the preparation of these financial statements.

Property, Plant and Equipment (PPE)

Leasehold improvements and property, plant and equipment are carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation.

The depreciable amount of all PPE is depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

Leasehold improvements are amortised over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the association has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured. Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

Cash on Hand

Cash on hand includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Accounts Receivable and Other Debtors

Accounts receivable and other debtors include amounts due from members as well as amounts receivable from donors. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

Revenue and Other Income

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable after taking into account any trade discounts and volume rebates allowed. For this purpose, deferred consideration is not discounted to present values when recognising revenue.

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest method, which for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument. Dividend revenue is recognised when the right to receive a dividend has been established.

Grant and donation income is recognised when the entity obtains control over the funds, which is generally at the time of receipt.

If conditions are attached to the grant that must be satisfied before the association is eligible to receive the contribution, recognition of the grant as revenue will be deferred until those conditions are satisfied.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included with other receivables or payables in the assets and liabilities statement.

Accounts Payable and Other Payables

Accounts payable and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by the association during the reporting period that remain unpaid. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amounts normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|-------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| 2. Cash on Hand | | |
| Petty Cash | 21 | 5 |
| Westpac Business Cash Reserve | 33,875 | 56,832 |
| WSLSC - Building Fund | 29,878 | 29,875 |
| WSLSC - Grants Account | 4,596 | 4,596 |
| WSLSC Main | 153,418 | 61,550 |
| Total Cash on Hand | 221,788 | 152,857 |

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| 3. Trade and Other Receivables | | |
| Trade Receivables | | |
| Accounts Receivable | 12,225 | 25,637 |
| Total Trade Receivables | 12,225 | 25,637 |
| Other Receivables | | |
| Receivables | 15,242 | 7,402 |
| Total Other Receivables | 15,242 | 7,402 |
| Prepayments | | |

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

| | | |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Prepayments | 423 | - |
| Total Prepayments | 423 | - |
| Total Trade and Other Receivables | 27,890 | 33,039 |
| | 2022 | 2021 |

Members Loan Accounts

| | | |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| | 2022 | 2021 |
|--|-------------|-------------|

4. Land and Buildings

| | | |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Leasehold Improvements | | |
| Leasehold Improvements at Cost | 236,728 | 236,728 |
| Accumulated Amortisation of Leasehold Improvements | (168,798) | (157,136) |
| Total Leasehold Improvements | 67,930 | 79,592 |
| Total Land and Buildings | 67,930 | 79,592 |
| | 2022 | 2021 |

5. Plant and Equipment, Motor Vehicles

| | | |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| Plant and Equipment | | |
| Plant and Equipment at Cost | | |
| Competition Equipment | 270,236 | 199,437 |
| Fixtures & Fittings | 42,948 | 41,723 |
| IRBs & Motors | 175,678 | 168,945 |
| Life Saving Equipment | 82,916 | 72,047 |
| Office Equipment | 15,213 | 14,813 |
| Pool & Plant | 103,793 | 103,793 |
| Total Plant and Equipment at Cost | 690,784 | 600,759 |
| Accumulated Depreciation Plant and Equipment | | |
| Less Accumulated Depreciation on Competition Equipment | (170,385) | (156,953) |
| Less Accumulated Depreciation on Fixtures & Fittings | (18,705) | (13,696) |
| Less Accumulated Depreciation on IRBs & Motors | (166,601) | (155,737) |
| Less Accumulated Depreciation on Life Saving Equip | (49,532) | (41,528) |
| Less Accumulated Depreciation on Office Equipment | (10,478) | (9,387) |
| Less Accumulated Depreciation on Pool & Plant | (64,704) | (58,798) |
| Total Accumulated Depreciation Plant and Equipment | (480,405) | (436,099) |
| Total Plant and Equipment | 210,379 | 164,660 |
| Vehicles | | |
| Vehicles | 67,356 | 53,176 |
| Less Accumulated Depreciation on Vehicles | (22,429) | (14,751) |
| Total Vehicles | 44,927 | 38,425 |
| Total Plant and Equipment, Motor Vehicles | 255,305 | 203,085 |

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| 6. Trade and Other Payables | | |
| Trade Payables | | |
| Accounts Payable | 36,601 | 5,294 |
| Total Trade Payables | 36,601 | 5,294 |
| Other Payables | | |
| Other Amounts Payable | 2,167 | 702 |
| PAYG Payable | 666 | 404 |
| Unexpensed Grants liability | 17,417 | 4,596 |
| Total Other Payables | 20,249 | 5,701 |
| Total Trade and Other Payables | 56,851 | 10,995 |

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

Statement of Changes in Equity

Williamstown SLSC

For the year ended 30 April 2022

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|-------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Equity | | |
| Opening Balance | 881,256 | 884,978 |
| Increases | | |
| Surplus/(loss) for the Period | 110,371 | (3,722) |
| Total Increases | 110,371 | (3,722) |
| Total Equity | 991,628 | 881,256 |

Statement of Cash Flows - Direct Method

Williamstown SLSC

For the year ended 30 April 2022

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| Operating Activities | | |
| Receipts From Grants | 49,634 | 32,297 |
| Payments to Suppliers and Employees | (91,322) | (59,036) |
| Interest Received | 3,647 | 6,355 |
| Finance Costs | (650) | (589) |
| Cash Receipts From Other Operating Activities | 394,726 | 187,418 |
| Cash Payments From Other Operating Activities | (142,855) | (106,026) |
| Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities | 213,179 | 60,419 |
| Investing Activities | | |
| Payment for Property, Plant and Equipment | (86,938) | (28,711) |
| Payment for Investments | (50,000) | (100,000) |
| Other Cash Items From Investing Activities | (6,921) | 7,143 |
| Net Cash Flows from Investing Activities | (143,859) | (121,567) |
| Other Activities | | |
| Other Activities | (389) | (3,633) |
| Net Cash Flows from Other Activities | (389) | (3,633) |
| Net Cash Flows | 68,931 | (64,781) |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 152,857 | 217,638 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | 221,788 | 152,857 |
| Net change in cash for period | 68,931 | (64,781) |



Operations

The 2021/22 season started with a multitude of challenges for lifesaving operations thanks to the uncertainty of COVID 19, new award requirements for patrols and the late handover from the previous board. Being new in the role of Operations Director I felt I was playing catch-up for most of the season. Thankfully the former OD Alex Walton had done a sensational job and had established a strong patrolling culture within the club.

The patrol roster needed to be flexible to meet whatever changes might be imposed so we continued the 'casual' rostering system implemented last season. This allowed members to nominate when they would like to patrol rather than being rostered to set patrols with set dates. As with all things new it wasn't without its problems but on the whole this system was widely regarded as a success. We will make a few modifications to ease the workload of the poor person in charge of the roster and put a little more responsibility back onto the patrollers for future seasons.

Another new initiative was to create hot weather observation patrols on those midweek evenings when the hot temperature summoned many people to the cool water of the bay. We are hoping to expand this next season to include the warm spring days when the strong northerly winds push anything inflatable (and those on them) offshore.

The Training Team headed by Rebecca Cammeron had done a tremendous job over the summer upskilling many of our patrolling members. This made the task of filling our patrols with the necessary people and awards much easier. I must also thank Chloe Takac, Alastair Thomas and Leonie Newey. Alastair ensured the IRB was always ready for patrolling duties and organised the water safety duties for the WOW. Chloe was responsible for maintaining the first aid room and monitoring all first aid cases. While Leonie tackled the task of ensuring the logs were up to date.

A highlight of the season was the number of members who qualified for professional positions with LSV in a wide range of roles. Williamstown had representatives working in LSV communications, on the beach as Lifeguards, performing patrols on the RWCs (Rescue Water Craft), flying drones and patrolling from the air in the Westpac Rescue Helicopter.

Closer to home, some of our members patrolled a huge number of hours for Williamstown. Leading the count was Bruce Collins with over 117 hrs who happened to be the Patrol Captain when a couple of swimmers found themselves in serious trouble. If it wasn't for the actions of Bruce and Jason Thurley, we may well have had a double fatality on our beach.

Rebecca Cameron was the other member to crack the 100 hours of voluntary service with Neil Emmett right behind at over 92 hrs. Others who did more than 50 hours include Tom and James Frisby, Talia Roder and Chloe Takac. While these members provided a massive contribution, every hour that every patrolling member contributes is valued and appreciated. On behalf of the committee and the public who swim at Williamstown beach, I wish to thank every patrolling member for their efforts over the summer.

Looking to the future we have a sub committee investigating our operational needs and ensuring the new facilities will be functional for all our purposes. Our club vehicle is to be replaced and we will continue to source and maintain the best quality patrol equipment available. We have two SUPs for patrol duties and want to conduct a trial to have these potentially included as future rescue equipment. It is also a goal of ours to have a Williamstown team compete in the State Patrol Competition along with the First Aid and Champion Lifesaver Competition.

Finally I want to recognise and thank our outgoing president Paul Sullivan for his enthusiasm and encouragement. You have been a wonderful asset to the club Paul and have left a legacy for the future of the club.

Marcus Stacey

100+ Patrol hours

Bruce Collins

Rebecca Cameron

50+ Patrol hours

Neil Emmett

Joel Farrow

Tom Frisby

James Frisby

Talia Rodder

Chloe takac

25+ Patrol hours

Ian Barclay

Daniel Burgess

Stacey Cockram

Jesse Coulson

Olivia de Zilva

Peta de Zilva

Ann Dinham

Ashley Everton

Nick Franklin

Nick Frisby

Claire Howell

Servane Jacob

Lincoln Kelly

Sally Leung

Brydie Logan

Craig Logan

Catherine Mason

Sarah Meehan

Janet Moloney

Mia Peterson

Ann Renda

Gillian Schalkwijk

Valerie Scholes

Samantha Sonogo

Marcus Stacey

Lily Stojcevska

Rhys Treloar

Alex Walton

Douglas Wright

Lachlan Wright

Training

As Victoria emerged from Covid-19 restrictions in the latter half of 2021, opportunities for training at WS&LSC increased. Members enthusiastically stepped up and gained new awards, completed pre-season skills maintenance sessions, and ensured their first aid and emergency care skills were updated to meet current requirements. 13 different courses were delivered by the club, with 124 awards achieved directly by club members as a result of these courses. A further 67 lifesaving awards were also obtained by members through LSV or other clubs. This represents an amazing effort by the club to support fellow members, LSV and the local community.

Skills Maintenance: 21 skills maintenance sessions were held between November 2021 and mid January 2022. Skills sessions included SRC, BM, IRBC, IRBD and ART. 130+ club members participated in these sessions, with 40% of members maintaining their skills in 2 or more different awards. These sessions were also an opportunity to encourage patrolling members to practise skills during the season while on patrol. Special thanks go to the members of the training team for being available across so many sessions to ensure that as many members as possible were signed off prior to the peak patrol season.

Surf Rescue Certificate (SRC): This year WS&LSC were approached by LSV to host a Cultural and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) SRC course at the club. In the week between the school term finishing and Christmas the club conducted two week-long intensive SRC courses, with our 6 new club CALD members joining a group of 18 Nipper program graduates from WS&LSC and Altona LSC. Participants were put through their paces on the beach, in the open water and in the club pool gaining valuable rescue and resuscitation skills and becoming patrol ready club members. It was a pleasure to see the cohort working together throughout the course and to see these friendship bonds continue during the patrol season. It was also fantastic to see these new award holders helping out with Nipper water safety and on beach activities on Sunday mornings. Special thanks go to our wonderful training team for making themselves available at this busy time of year and to Michael Masseni from LSV for introducing us to our new CALD members and for assisting with the course during the week.

Surf Rescue Certificates: Cleo Creaney, Peta De Silva, Jasper Devine, Oliver Devine, Saw Joshua George, Saw Justin George, Piya Gill, Nathaniel Glover, Ezra Hope, Jacob Howell, Lincoln Kelly, Sheli Lian, Mason Phillips (Altona), Madison Sonego, Shermula Tun Kin and July Lin Weeku. Matthew Hunt and Simone Phelan also attained their SRC at Altona and Anglesea this season. Monique Howell also attained her Resuscitation Award during the SRC intensive course.

Bronze Medallion: The club have offered 3 different Bronze Medallion courses this season, including the longest running Bronze course ever (affectionately dubbed the 'boaties bronze course'), a pre-Christmas intensive Bronze running concurrently with the SRC course and a mid-Feb start course. These courses catered for a range of participants, including new members keen to participate in surfboat rowing competitions, current SRC holders now old enough to undertake the Bronze course, members wishing to assist with patrol duties and parents wanting to assist with providing water safety at junior carnivals and competitions. There were many Covid-19 disruptions to the Boaties Bronze which impacted on the length of the course and poor water quality prevented completion of the mid-Feb course water based assessments as planned. This means that we still have a further three club members who are part way through completing their Bronze assessment. Thank you to all participants for stepping up and attaining your Bronze – this is the foundation award for our patrols and is the prerequisite for many of the other SLSA awards. Again special thanks to the Training Team members for your incredible efforts delivering these courses.

Bronze Medallion: Riley Cargill, James Harrison, Maureen Hope, Sarah Laing, Karl McIntosh, Rachel McIntosh, Anita McKinstry, Samantha Sonego, Stacy Szalay, Jason Thurley, Sonia Budde, Olivia De Silva, Jackson Kelly,



Nina Lang, Jack Murphy, James O'Toole, Mia Petersson, Sinead Sullivan, Ruby Binios, Anita Harraway and Lachlan Wright. Natasha Rourke also attained her Bronze at Wye River in December.

IRB (inflatable rescue boats) crew and driver courses were held over a couple of weekends in late March. These courses were very popular, reflecting the desire of experienced patrol and competition IRB crew members to upskill to become drivers and the enthusiasm of the new Bronze patrollers to get their crew qualifications for patrolling and joining the winter IRB comp team. The highlight of the courses was the final day at Ocean Grove, where the course participants were joined by members of the IRB competition team, gaining valuable experience operating the boats in the surf and learning about IRB racing techniques. Special thanks to the IRB comp team and the parents of all the young course participants for the assistance with transport arrangements and making the surf day possible.



IRB Crew Certificates: Olivia de Silva, Wade Hunt, Jackson Kelly, Nina Lang, Cooper Logan, William Muller, James O'Toole and Mia Petersson. Jason Thurley also attained his Crew award on an LSV course in December. Silver Medallion IRB Driver: Mackenzie Bull, Jesse Coulson, Neil Emmett, Nick Frisby, Brydie Logan and Talia Rodder. Jason Thurley also attained his Driver award on an LSV course in March.

Silver Medallion Beach Management courses were not held at the club in the last 12 months. Chelsea Coulson, Jesse Coulson and Jason Thurley all obtained their SMBM awards this season through courses offered by Half Moon Bay LSC and Sandridge LSC. LSV has advised that a new Silver Medallion Patrol Captain award will be introduced in the lead up to the 2022-2023 season – we will keep members informed about this new award as we learn more about it and what this means for members who already hold the SMBM award.

Gold Medallion: Congratulations to Stacey Cockram for attaining her Gold Medallion this season. The training team are investigating opportunities and what forward planning needs to be undertaken to offer a club Gold Medallion course in the future.



First Aid and Advanced Resuscitation Techniques (ART) courses: In July 2021, LSV introduced new modules for both First Aid and ART, and introduced a combined ART/First Aid course. As a result, the training team conducted an audit of club first aid and ART award holders to determine which active patrol members would need to undertake the three-yearly award update and to identify additional members interested in doing these awards for the first time. For the first course in December, we combined resources with Altona LSC and our member participants hosted by Steven Cordina over two evenings at Altona. In late April, we again combined resources with Altona and WS&LSC hosted a second ART/FA course. The skills audit also identified a number of members who had already updated their First Aid awards and were now eligible to update or upgrade to the ART award, so we also ran an ART only award at WS&LSC in mid-June. We were fortunate to have a visit from Marcus Stacey during the ART course and benefited from his paramedic insights on techniques and responding to an on-beach scenario. The training team plan to offer a regular series of Resuscitation, First Aid and ART courses throughout the year to ensure that members skills are fully up to date at the start of the patrol season. A significant number of club members also took advantage of the first aid training courses offered directly by LSV or via their own workplaces throughout the year.



Since September 2021, 56 club members updated their first aid or attained new first aid awards. A further 12 members have awards that are still current but will need to be updated to the new modules in the coming 12 months. The club now also has 45 club members with updated or new ART awards, which is a fantastic improvement from only 20 members able to be rostered for ART at the start of the patrol season.

First Aid Awards (new modules): Ian Barclay, Jose Manuel Blasco, Jo Bramble, Chris Breedon, Janis Brooks, Mackenzie Bull, Daniel Burgess, Rebecca Cameron, Andrew Canet, Katherine Canet, Stacey Cockram, Bruce Collins, Ian Connop, Chelsea Coulson, Jesse Coulson, Sylvie Coulson, Erin Damen, Sally Dawson, Tim Dowling, Neil Emmett, Joel Farrow, Paul Foulstone, Nicholas Franklin, Tom Frisby, Freddie Graham, Evonne Grosso, Pip Grummet, Claire Hodgart, Stuart James, Liam Keough, Sally Leung, Brydie Logan, Simeone Logan, Craig Marshall, Lizzie McFarlane, Shirrine McInerney, Cara McMahon, Rachael Moloney, Leonie Newey, Mia Petersson, Annie Renda, Jennifer Renda, Talia Rodder, David Rylance, Gerry Schalkwijk, Gillian Schalkwijk, Valerie Scholes, Samantha Sonogo, Marcus Stacey, Jai Sullivan, Chloe Takac, Jason Thurley, Kaye Tomkins, Kane Treloar, Nathan Waddell, Alex Walton and Doug Wright.



ART Awards (new modules): Ian Barclay, Jose Manuel Blasco, Jo Bramble, Chris Breedon, Janis Brooks, Daniel Burgess, Rebecca Cameron, Andrew Canet, Katherine Canet, Stacey Cockram, Bruce Collins, Chelsea Coulson, Jesse Coulson, Sylvie Coulson, Erin Damen, Sally Dawson, Tim Dowling, Neil Emmett, Joel Farrow, Nicholas Franklin, Tom Frisby, Evonne Grosso, Claire Hodgart, Liam Keough, Brydie Logan, Simeone Logan, Craig Marshall, Shirrine McInerney, Rachael Moloney, Mia Petersson, Annie Renda, Jennifer Renda, Talia Rodder, David Rylance, Gerry Schalkwijk, Gillian Schalkwijk, Valerie Scholes, Samantha Sonogo, Marcus Stacey, Jai Sullivan, Chloe Takac, Jason Thurley, Kaye Tomkins, Kane Treloar, Nathan Waddell and Alex Walton.

Side-by-Side Vehicle (SSV) Operator course: This season LSV introduced a new award for members operating the club's all-terrain vehicle (ATV). The training team were very fortunate that several experienced trainers gained their SSV award at Hampton LSC and then headed to Williamstown to start the daunting task of delivering this new course to everyone who will need it before the start of the 2022-2023 season. The training team ran two courses in April, with 25 new awards achieved across the two courses. The club now has four new facilitators for this course and plans to offer regular courses from now to the lead-up to the new patrol season.

SSV Operator Awards: Jose Manuel Blasco, Rebecca Cameron, Andrew Canet, Katherine Canet, Stacey Cockram, Bruce Collins, Chelsea Coulson, Jesse Coulson, Neil Emmett, Charlie Evans, Joel Farrow, Nicholas Franklin, Nick Frisby, Tom Frisby, Evonne Grosso, Claire Hodgart, Claire Howell, James Key, William Robertson, Talia Rodder, David Rylance, Gerry Schalkwijk, Emily Smith, Alastair Thomas, Jason Thurley, Rhys Treloar, Alex Walton, Jeff Walton and Doug Wright.



Pool Lifeguard courses: The club was notified that LSV were offering subsidised pool lifeguard courses as part of their campaign to address the lack of trained pool lifeguards in Victoria. 11 WLSLSC members took up this opportunity to obtain their Pool Lifeguard awards and we look forward to seeing them all on the pool deck in the summer of 2022-2023. The Training Team will continue discussions with LSV regarding facilitating yearly lifeguard refresher training for all of our pool lifeguard award holders.

Equipment: The club was successful in obtaining a number of grants this season and some of those grants facilitated the purchase of additional equipment for use in training courses. New equipment includes additional spinal boards, pocket masks, an additional AED trainer, partial leg wound training models with tourniquets and haemostatic dressings for treating severe bleeds, OP airway insertion trainers, manual suction kits, Ana-pen trainers,



compression and snake bite management bandages and a bleeding wound moulage kit complete with artificial blood. This new equipment is particularly valuable as it helps the club teach modules with newly introduced and reinstated techniques across several courses.

Training Team Members

Jo Bramble
Rebecca Cameron
Andrew Canet
Katherine Canet
Stacey Cockram
Erin Damen

Joel Farrow
Sally Leung
Craig Logan
Lizzie McFarlane
Rachael Moloney
Talia Rodder
David Rylance

Chloe Takac
Alastair Thomas
Jason Thurley
Kane Treloar
Alex Walton
Jeff Walton

Training at the club would not be possible without the continued efforts of our wonderful team of Trainers, Assessors and Facilitators. We are most grateful to our more experienced members of the team for their continued mentoring of the team and for everyone in the team who is willing to put time into preparing for and delivering such a wide range of courses.



This season we were fortunate to add several new members to the team, including 4 trainee trainers (3 members who completed the Training Officer Course and a 1 x Cert IV holder) and 2 x BM Trainers. We also upskilled a number of other trainers and now have additional resources to deploy on courses, including 1 x IRB trainer, 2 x BM Assessors, 1 x IRB Assessor, 1 x BM Facilitator and 4 x SSV Facilitators. LSV recently offered opportunities for our TOC trainers to upgrade their training to include the assessor skillsets – Chloe Takac has taken up this offer and is currently completing the Assessors modules. Also of note this season is the willingness of senior patrol members to work with the training team, effectively picking up the training baton during patrols to assist new award holders apply and develop their skills on the beach.

On a personal note, I would also like to express my gratitude to Joel Farrow and Alex Walton for their never-ceasing support with my transition into the Training portfolio this season. Your knowledge, experience and willingness to mentor me in this new role have been outstanding.

Rebecca Cameron



Club Redevelopment

Season 2021/22 started with great excitement following the announcement in May 2021 of \$11.3M funding from the Victorian Government. Following this announcement there has been a frustrating process of project briefings and project planning. The Board, especially Paul Sullivan, has been actively pushing the process behind the scenes to keep the project moving including Council briefings, project partner meetings and most recently, project coordination meetings. Special thanks to the Member for Williamstown, Melissa Horne, who has been actively involved and extremely supportive through this process as well as the Council staff.

The project has started to gather momentum in recent months. Council is currently in the final stages of appointing an architect and design team team which is expected to be complete in August. The Council brief for the project noted the end design would be something along the lines of the following concept designs which were prepared by Council in consultation with the club in 2019 to assist with securing project funding.



The new architects will update these plans, and prepare a complete package of plans for consultation later this year. Council recently added the project to the [Council website](#) which will provide updates on the project progress. Members will be kept updated by the club once dates for consultation are known.

Mark Frisby

Communications

The Comms space of Williamstown SLSC is always a vibrant and fun space to work within! Over the 2021/22 season, despite the annoyance of the COVID-19 pandemic, we have had plenty to celebrate this season, from fantastic results from our competition teams, to heart-warming stories about our members and our community. It is a privilege to capture these moments and advertise them to our members and the broader community through social media, our Aquanut newsletter and our website.

Through the use of multiple platforms, WSLSC is able to broadcast its news, achievements and advertisements to a far-reaching audience, which has grown the last few years and will continue to grow as our amazing Club continues to reach new heights. Our Club TeamApp site boasts approximately 1680 members, showing a combination of new, returning, and historical members are still interested in the operations and activities of the Club, and this platform has served us well in informing members of what is happening throughout the season.

Social media is another powerful tool in our belts for promoting the Club and its activities and achievements throughout the season. Facebook and Instagram both attract different demographics and groups of people, and have been used side by side throughout the 2021/22 season to highlight big parts of the Club. Instagram has seen a 10% increase in followers within the past 12 months, with Facebook also boasting a 14% increase in followers in the same time period. Both of these social media sites will be important for continuing the promotion and engagement of the Club with its members and community in the future.

Finally, our Club newsletter. In loving memory of Life Member Tom Webster, who passed away in January 2022, the Board decided to name the February edition of the Club Newsletter as the Aquanut newsletter, in honour of Tom's contribution the historical namesake of the Club publication. This newsletter has provided a great single source of information for the Club in showcasing our happenings, operations and achievements and will continue to do so into the future!

Thank you to everyone who provided photos, stories, information and more to make the season for Communications its best to date!

Joel Farrow



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Teen lifesavers on patrol

By Molly Magennis

A group of teenagers who have immigrated to Australia or have parents who were born overseas, took to the beach on the weekend for their first patrol as volunteer lifesavers at Williamstown beach.

The group, aged between 13 and 16 from Thailand and Malaysia, have spent the past few years participating in Life Saving Victoria's 'Learn to Swim' program, and have now also finished their Surf Rescue Certificates.

Life Saving Victoria's manager for diversity and inclusion program delivery Michael Hannon said the kids have been really determined to complete their courses so that they can get out and undertake patrols.

"Developing these skills and achieving this qualification also provides them with the opportunity to take on employment as trainee lifeguards or pool lifeguards in the years to come," he said.

Surf Rescue Certificate participant Shelli said she was taught just how important swimming was from a young age by her mother.

"My mum taught me that swimming is important and I really enjoy swimming, since my mum was a swimming teacher when I was young, she helped me and I find great joy in swimming."

"It's something that everyone should at least learn to do in their life."

"Anyone can do the Surf Rescue Certificate, today is my first day of patrolling and I am also nervous to get out and about, but I am excited to see everyone out and enjoying themselves, and to keep people safe."



Shelli.



Shelli is aged 16-years-old and originally from Thailand. (Hannon)



Lifeguard Chris, Pippa, Shelli, Justin, Jilly, Reginald Chhava, Chris, Joshua and Sherrilyn enjoy their first patrol at Williamstown Beach. (Hannon)



The six young lifeguards have learnt how to swim and now have their Surf Rescue Certificates. (Hannon)

Awards & Recognition Committee

Committee Members

Jacqui Hewitt *

Liz Goga

Iain Dickson *

Steven McMahon

Club Committee representative

Paul Sullivan (Club President)

The committee has met a number of times during the past calendar year and reviewed candidates for life membership, club awards and other lifesaving awards. In addition to the lifesaving awards the committee may consider club members for local council and state government awards.

Our role is to consider the criteria of the award and candidates suitability for selection and make a recommendation to the Club committee.

It is the Club committee role to consider the recommendations and to accept or reject nominees.

The prime objective for life membership is to recognize Club members who make long term positive contributions to the Club, to establish a culture of respect for inducted Life members and to reinforce the history of the Club. To this end the Club committee has supported the Awards committee and commissioned a new Life Members honour board for display in the club rooms.

While contributions of club members to the wider lifesaving community are recognised, the primary selection criteria for life membership is their positive contribution to the Club.

For members interested in the detail of the selection criteria there is a policy document on the [Club website](#).

During the past 4 years of the Awards committee, in addition our charter, one of our roles has been to undertake a historical review of the club with a view to recognize any club members who have made incredible contributions to the Club over many years, but who for one reason or another may have been overlooked for Life membership. Over recent years a number of new Life

members have been recognized for their critical work in rescuing the club in the 1970's.

The Awards committee members are selected for a 4 year term and every 2 years the two longer longer serving members retire. This year Jacqui and I will retire from the Awards committee and the Club will appoint 2 new members.

On a personal note I have enjoyed my involvement in the club by participating in the Awards committee. Now on with the WOW Swim

Iain Dickson



Williamstown Open Water Schools Program

The WOW School programs commenced on November 15th this season. Once again it was a shaky start to our programs coming slowly out of lockdown and our start date of November 9th was delayed for a week. Our usual face to face coaches training was also missed due to indoor density restrictions. Luckily with our keen and well skilled coaching team, coaches were quickly up to date on their teaching knowledge and water safety education.

The weather was mainly kind to us this season, particularly in Term 1. Students were able to practice skills in rescues, boards (nipper and body boards), flags, safe water entry/safety skills in the pool, as well as learn first aid and CPR skills and of course have fun with beach and pool games! It is also observed that the teachers love attending these sessions!

This season we managed to put more than 1000 primary school students through our programs in November and December, and more than 400 in February/ March. Some students attended 1 day programs, some 2 days, and Newmarket Primary students were lucky enough to attend a 1st term surf sports program once a week, right up to the start of April. It was great to see the improve in waters skills and confidence over that time.

We were also able to assess and pass more than 60 grade 6 students in their Victorian Water Safety Certificate (done on request from the school during their program). The Victorian Water Safety Certificate is a Victorian Government initiative which describes specific water safety competencies that should be achieved by the time students reach the end of primary school. If you would like further information on the VWSC, please contact events@williamstownslsc.org.au

Our students come from a mix of local Primary Schools including many of our regular nippers (Williamstown Primary, Williamstown North, Newport Lakes, St Marys, Newmarket), and others from surrounding suburbs (St Leo the Great, Kensington, Salt Water College). We also hosted swim carnival and training times for local schools. It is always great fun to watch the house coloured students cheering each other on up and down the pool.

This year our coaches were a mixture of new and old faces. Our new younger coaches were able to assist with additional water safety and shadow shifts, with our more experienced coaches stepping up to Team Lead and supervise the team, as well as provide one on one assistance to special needs students. Thank you to Nick and Tom Frisby and Jesse Coulson for keeping the team together and fun and learning going throughout the season. And thank you to the rest of the team for your dedication and expertise in making our WOW Schools Program such a wonderful learning environment for aquatic safety for our students. I can see that you all gained teaching and employability skills too.

If you would like to be involved in the WOW Schools Program as a coach this coming season, we are always looking for additional coaches. What do you need? - Minimum age of 16 years, A current bronze medallion, Working with Childrens' Check and a love and passion to teach water safety to students! We also need a lifeguard for each session if this suits you. Lastly if you are interested in assisting to co-ordinate and contributing to the program in other ways, I would love to hear from you. Please watch out for Team App EOI's in the coming months or send your details to events@williamstownslsc.org.au

The WOW Open Water Schools Program is accredited with Sporting Schools, in which schools can apply for funding to offset fees. If your school is not currently on our program list or they maybe interested in a modified water safety program, please get them to contact me.

Sally Leung





WOW Championships

Thank you to the volunteers for this year's the WOW Challenge. We are so proud of our club and the feedback we receive from the swimmers on what a great event this is! While the numbers weren't as good as we had hoped (thanks again COVID), we think people were still quite wary of being out in large numbers! That said, we ran a great event in 2022!

As always, a BIG thank you to our amazing members who volunteer hours of time and knowledge before, during and after this event. It was great to see a record number of volunteers this year! We will need to order more of those orange t-shirts for next year!

Special mention goes to our Race Director-in-training and Chief Marshall Pip Grummet, Water Safety Co-ordinator Alastair Thomas, Emergency Management Co-ordinator Iain Dickson, Registrations Coordinator Staeven Vallak, and First Aid Officer Marcus Stacey, Volunteer Coordinator Cara McMahon, and Gear and Equipment Steward Michael McMahon who were working together with our all our volunteers for the event.



We brought back the 1.2km swim this year, with a new course designed to avoid any crossing points with our long-distance swimmers. We are pleased to say this was a great success!

We again attracted swimmers from all over the World, Australia and of course Victoria. We again attracted international, national, regional, and of course, local swimmers. Our participants ranged from 12 years old right up to our oldest competitor this year who was 76 years. With this year having the highest number of multi-class entries as well.

Our event t-shirts looked fabulous this year thanks to local resident Liam Foul of @foulstone Design for his fantastic artwork. Our social media campaign looked great with increased followers and likes and showcasing some fabulous footage of our club in many posts!

We would also like to acknowledge our major sponsors including the Port of Melbourne, Hobson's Bay City Council, Greater Western Water and Beacon Lighting and.

The WOW Committee would like to thank everyone for ongoing their contribution to this event.

WOW Committee





Open Water Swimming

I have just returned from a wet and wild swim camp on the NSW South coast where flood records have once again been broken. It's lovely to be able to travel and investigate new swim locations again but is also a strong reminder of just how lucky we are to live here in Melbourne where our climate is relatively stable.

Bay swimming continues to grow quickly, and it feels like many swimmers now use the pool as a secondary location with the OW being their focus whenever possible. There would hardly be a day that goes past without seeing swimmers out between the poles off Willy lapping up all the benefits that come with a cool water swim.

I saw a peak water temperature recorded at 26.4c this past summer season with temperatures currently hovering back in the 10's and it is that range of water temperature that offers a real challenge to many of us. If we have chosen the bay as our swim base, we either choose to embrace the temperature variations with enthusiasm or simply give up. Being comfortable in the water is important and wearing gear that gets you to that state is vital. Being cold, anxious and or panicky in the water is not a good scenario and is to be avoided at all costs. Having said that, embracing a little discomfort can unlock superpowers that you may not have been aware you possessed. Try a swim in the shallows without your suit after completing your main suited swim, always swim with a buddy and set a little cool water challenge together. There are so many "big ticket" swim goals that the smaller ones can go unrecognised. I am always much more inspired by the little breakthroughs and seeing the difference that achieving micro goals can make to an individual.

Those red lions'-mane jellies were living their best lives last season and created lots of "jelly-talk" over the socials. It is important to remember that we as humans are the problem, not the jellies. With continuing poor farming practices, inability to capture water and allow run off via our road and drainage system, general pollution, and global warming all compound to increase nutrient levels and creating desirable conditions for phytoplankton and algal blooms along with spikes in jelly-fish populations. We are all going to have to learn to live with the jellies or start to make changes at a grass roots and individual level.

The swim event calendar was back in place last season, and it was lovely to see another hugely successful WOW event showing strong participation numbers. Many other events were cancelled or postponed due to poor weather or lack of volunteer staff due to covid outbreaks but in general it was a much more "normal" season. I would expect this coming Summer season to be busier than ever as we all begin our move back into more normal rhythm. From a "swim group" perspective, it's been wonderful to see so many swimmers at the beach every Saturday morning. This has extended into the winter as well, and it is terrific to see some of the club's better known swim groups (The Mussels and The Willy Dolphins) being joined from pre-dawn hours through to lunchtime, by a huge variety of other groups each week. These groups vary in size, origin, and purpose, and it is great to see a camaraderie across their memberships as we all share personal and group experiences, a well-earned cuppa, and the club facilities too. I can't wait to see this grow even further in the coming years, especially as the club redevelopment unfolds. I am looking forward to strong representation from the club for swimmers as a focus on water safety continues to increase and with a particular new focus on the Winter season.

Personally, I have some ideas around swim leader training, cold water safety training and hypothermia kits which potentially might be available from the club, and I would be keen to chat and build a core of swim members who may be interested in assisting. Well done to all swimmers for being such strong advocates of our sport and representing WSLSC publicly in such a vital and healthy form on the beach

Charlie Evans



Ambulance Victoria

Over the past 12 months, Ambulance Victoria has been supported by the Williamstown Swimming and Life Saving Club with access to their club room, allowing a Paramedic Responder to be stationed on site. This has provided better access to respond to the Williamstown Community. This Ambulance resource has improved our response to the Williamstown, and nearby communities, to attend to life threatening emergencies.

Whilst the Ambulance service has been seeing unprecedented levels off '000' calls and workload across the region, with the support of the Williamstown Swimming and Life Saving Club we have been able to continue to provide outstanding results and care within the Williamstown area.

As a representative of Ambulance Victoria please accept my thanks for all your support, generosity and commitment throughout the last year. The Ambulance staff members who have been stationed at the Williamstown SLSC Hall have felt a warm welcome and great fulfilment engaging with your members. I hope to continue our partnership into the future.

Chris Meertens
Senior Team Manager – Hobsons Bay



Yoga

This season CarmenBody Yoga was thrilled at the opportunity to bring yoga to the community in Williamstown. After teaching a few friends from my home over Summer, it became apparent to Yoga teacher Doreen that she needed a bigger space to house the growing numbers in the local vicinity. Classes have been running mid week at the WSLSC on Wednesday and Thursday mornings. A huge thank you to the WSLSC for opening up the space to Yoga, so far it has been very well received.

Top Boxing Fitness

Since 2016 Top Boxing Fitness has been providing group training with Cardio Boxing & Strength/Conditioning group sessions. Currently we have around 35 club members attending classes. This continues to make a positive impact on members health and wellness and such a great incentive for the lifesaving club to provide their members with a valuable exercise program as part of their general membership.

Rip Swim

What a great year of swimming - both in the pool and in the open water. It has been a really pleasure to have the opportunity to work with so many people from the club and assist them in becoming stronger and safer swimmers. The Tuesday afternoon lessons in terms 1 and 4 were very productive, with about 30 children coming down each afternoon to improve their strokes and learn a little about water safety. Thanks to our teachers Rod Seeber and Rory Sullivan for their efforts. The pool was cool, but the atmosphere was very warm! Thanks also to Jai for organising the lifeguarding and the guards who were there at all of our sessions.

In the open water, there have been several members of the club come along to little events at the Willy beach and also take on The Rip Swim with great success! This Saturday we have a winter Rip Swim, a non-wetsuit swim across the Heads where the water will be about 11/12 degrees only! Staeven Valek and Jeffery Challis are lining up. I wish them and the others all the best!!

On the eve of the Solstice, we also held a small fundraiser for Fight MND and raised \$1300. Thanks so much to the swimmers who allowed cheeky young children to pour a bucket of ice over the heads all for a good cause!





Nippers

An amazing group of volunteers assisted Williamstown SLSC deliver our COVID-safe Nippers Education Program for the 2021-22 season.

Our Nippers sessions welcomed over 300 Nippers (in their new rashies!) and ran from late January to February 2022. Our program attracted immense interest from returning Nippers and their families – as well as welcoming many first-time nippers across all our age groups. We welcomed many returning age group managers from previous seasons as well as new age managers who gained their age manager qualification and assisted leading our age groups in our fun and educational program. The sessions encompassed skill development and water safety awareness as well as games and activities to highlight the opportunities lifesaving offers our community.

Many of WSLSC's junior leaders – who hold Surf Rescue Certificate (SRC) and Bronze Medallion (BM) qualifications – assisted our age group managers by demonstrating surf skills and techniques (including beach obstacle courses and the quickest way to jump up during beach flags starts). We received such positive feedback from parents about our junior club leaders who loved working with the age groups and sharing their nipper experiences with our upcoming nippers and future lifesavers!



We appreciated the presentation by the [Marine Mammal Foundation](#) at WSLSC as part of our Nippers program. It was interesting to learn about the marine environment in and around Williamstown beach and share this information with our community. Judging by the insightful questions asked by our younger members, we have some future marine biologists in our community!

Our Emergency Services Day just keeps getting bigger and better. Always a fun day for our Nippers (and families!) our session was attended by Ambulance Victoria, Victoria Police, Fire Rescue Victoria and the Westpac Lifesaver Rescue Helicopter. The Victoria Police motorcycles were popular with nippers and parents alike. It was a wonderful opportunity for our Nippers to talk with our first responders.

Our thanks to our incredible crew of helpers who help make the season happen – our Age Group Managers, Water Safety personnel, beach set up crews, SRC/ BM helpers, swim assessors, membership services, first aid team, fruit crew and other helpers on the days – we wouldn't have a program without your assistance.



We are looking for more parents to be part of our sub-committee to contribute to the development of our future Nippers program. Please reach out to juniors@williamstownslsc.org.au to learn more about ways you can be involved in the Nippers program and contribute to our club developing our future lifesaving patrollers!

Andree Parker



Competition

The 21/22 competition season saw significant growth in most areas of surf sports at Williamstown. It was great to see many individuals and teams try something new or excel in their chosen discipline. Our results and individual reports outlined below speak for themselves. A big congratulations to all teams in your efforts and success during the 21/22 season.

I would like to begin by thanking all Team Managers at the helm of each area.

IRB – Scott Ivey, Ben Griffin, Jodi Griffin, Joel Farrow

Junior Team – April Pretorius

Senior Team – Sally Dawson

Masters and RnR – Sally Leung

Surf Boats – Ann Dinham

Secondly, I would like to acknowledge all the coaches. Thank-you for your hard work and dedication in training all our athletes this year.

IRB – Scott Ivey

Junior Team – Fiona McCarroll, Matt McCarroll, Jesse Coulson, Stacy Szalay

March Past and RnR – Max Collins

Surf Boats – Tim McFarlane, Nathan Waddell and Evonne Grosso

Thirdly, a massive thank-you to our officials, age managers and water safety personnel. The hours you put in on the beach providing support and encouragement to our athletes when they need it whilst doing what they love and enjoy at both carnival days and training does not go unnoticed. Without you competition would not be possible.

I would also like to thank Leonie Newey and Craig Treloar who officiated on behalf of the Junior and Senior Team.

Finally, to the athletes who competed this year in rain, hail or shine. The countless hours of training and grit and determination on carnival days is something that you all should be proud of.

I look forward to seeing the area grow and be represented competitively at both a state and national level next season!

Elizabeth McFarlane

Junior Competition

April Prestorius

After a season away from competition for most of our Juniors and so a very long preseason, it was great to see have them back on the beach representing Williamstown. With two thirds of our team never having competed in surf sports before the start of the season, who would have thought that we would smash our way to 9th place overall in the State!

With the leadership of our coaches Jesse, Fiona, Matt & Stacy, the growth and improvement seen throughout the 6 carnivals of the season was impressive. And our carnivals this season had it all, starting with the choppy conditions of the Endurance Champs where our 4 competitors Layla, Madigan, Mahli & Miller all came away with medals. The first full team carnival was at Mt Martha on a very hot day, where most of our team enjoyed their first ever carnival, including Ivy, Airlie & Zara who are our first U8s to compete for a few years. The first time parents were in all in awe of what the kids achieved, and just like that they were all hooked! Ocean Grove showed everyone what our sport is all about, with some very challenging conditions giving the kids a real test of their skills.

The season concluded at the Victorian Junior Life Saving Championships in Lorne over 3 days of competition. Some extremely wild weather meant LSV had to adjust the schedule, so the team adapted and had some fantastic results. Lead by our Team Captain Madison Sonogo, we came 9th overall, including just missing a medal in the March Past on countback.

Some highlights include

- The whole U13 girls team competing in their first States and making finals in several events



- U9s Ivy & Jonah, and U10 boys Axel & Will competing without full teams, but making friends and joining composite teams, even coming away with some team medals
- Fantastic results from the U12 girls, who came away with 5 individual and 5 team event medals
- After cheering on her siblings from the beach for 10 years, U10 Bonnie getting her chance to show them how it's done!
- Mabel & Mieke in the U12 girls board relay, and Aiden with U13 boys, going above and beyond to get teams through

A massive thank you to our coaches Jess, Fiona, Matt & Stacy, for the countless hours put in to training the kids. It has been a huge effort from all the parents, so thank you to the Officials, Water Safety, Age Managers, and for every other job that has to be done to get our team on the beach! We also look forward to welcoming new competitors next season – all nippers are eligible to join, with the only requirement being that you attain your skills assessment through a timed swim. So keep up those swimming lessons over winter and please get in touch if you would like more information!

A big thank you to Lizzie for organising a fantastic Presentation night recently - congratulations to our Age Champions.

Senior Competition

Sally Dawson

Once again it was a disappointing start to the 2021/22 season when the first pool lifesaving competition was postponed, and the season was subsequently cancelled. However, the senior team had been training over the early parts of the season and our beach team competed in as many carnivals as they could, missing some through injury and Covid.

A small but committed team arrived in Warrnambool to compete at states with some excellent results. James Frisby and Liam Keough had success as a team with a bronze in the u17 2x1 km beach relay, and a bronze in the u17 beach relay as a composite team, as well as both finishing close to medals in their individual races. We had the first open mens beach relay in many years, with James and Liam racing with Daniel Burgess and Emmet Keogh. Claire Hodgart won the open women's 2km beach run convincingly, and teamed up with Brydie Logan to just miss out on a medal in the open 2x1 km beach relay. Brydie Logan won a bronze medal in the u17 belt race, an impressive result for the first time competing in this event.

The standout result for the senior competition team was achieved at Aussies on the Gold Coast. Nick Frisby won a silver medal in the u19 2km beach run, in front of a very excited group of Williamstown competitors. This is the first medal Williamstown has won in the open category at Aussies and a great achievement.



Surf Boat Rowing Competition

Ann Dinham

Our goal for the 21/22 season was community growth. We now have 60 participants in the WSLSC WhatsApp group which is made up of social, competitive and learner rowers. All valuable members of WSLSC community.

Our season started last winter with 10 rowers getting their Bronze Medallions. This winter we are hoping to get 6 more. That makes up an additional 2 - 3 patrol groups for our Williamstown Beach safety coverage. Last Spring our Learn-to-Row Programme ensured we continued with our growth and bringing new members to our club. Boaties Bar remained a solid 6-8pm social slot every Friday night.

WSLSC was represented at Vic State Masters [Silver & Bronze], Vic States [4th & 5th] and Aussies Gold Coast [4th & 6th] with crews in the Female 160s, Female 180s, Open Reserve Men and Women divisions.

However it is was not about the results, it was about the WSLSC TENT filled with kids of all ages, rowers, partners, parents, grandparents and friends. We are the loudest, happiest, most fun on the beach at every carnival no matter what the weather!

Thank you to our WSLSC rowers, sweeps, coaches, supporters and club, for a great 21/22 season. Watch this space for more community engagement and development in 22/23!





Open Womens' 5 Person Rescue and Resuscitation

Sally Leung

Our Open Womens team had the addition of Training Officer Rebecca Cameron, replacing Claire Howell as 1st linesman. It was a big learning curve for Bec, with our first carnival at Mordialloc involving a line tangle, and therefore belt release, followed by Ocean Grove (always a big swim and therefore a long haul in), Lorne and Warrnambool. Wednesday early morning and weekend training to practice our marching, hauling in and out, rescues, resuscitation and carries and pickups are the only way to learn and try to perfect the R & R six stages of competition. Throw in different beach and water conditions and each competition seems different.

Although the competition is small in numbers, our competitors definitely show us the ropes, and we came away with a silver medal at States. (Note, state gold medallists Anglesea also were gold medallists at Aussies).

A special thanks as always to our dedicated coach Max Collins who travels the furthest but always makes it to training before any of us!

Patient: Valerie Scholes

Belt Swimmer: Sally Leung

Reelman: Cara McMahon

1st Linesman: Rebecca Cameron

2nd Linesman: Simeone Logan



Victorian Masters

Sally Leung

A small but keen group of female water competitors headed down to Lorne for the annual Victorian Masters Competition.

Val Scholes battled the big waves managing to get out the back and around on "Giraffe" – twice! – once in the board race and second time in the board rescue, where with Sally Leung, they brought home a silver medal.

Gillian Schalkwijk kept up her medal winning swims bringing home a silver in the 60-64 female surf race, and gold in the 170+ surf teams with Val Scholes and Sally Leung. Sally also brought home a silver in the 50-54 age group, with Bec Cameron coming in 7th and Val 5th in the 55-59 age group.



March Past

Sally Leung

Williamstown shone again at the State Championships Warrnambool taking out the Gold in first teams event in the March Past on Friday night. After a shaky start – which meant just getting a team of 12 together, and last minute team swap of Leonie Newey in, Bruce Collins out (due to Friday night scheduling), the team marched to victory.



It was a win hotly contested with very little separating the last 4 teams, with WS&LSC narrowly beating Anglesea by one point! Celebrations and jumps for joy could be heard throughout the Warrnambool club rooms and Max Collins got to shout a round and to celebrate yet another gold medal for the Willy Marchers! Hoping for a WA show in 2023!

The Willy Marchers also represented the club at the Anzac March in Altona this year.



IRB Competition

Joel Farrow

After the absence of a season in 2020, the 2021 IRB season was a breath of fresh air for many athletes around the State as our competitors took to the wintry sands for the first time in two years. COVID may have impacted the 2020 season, but 2021 was a new year and a new opportunity!

Round 1 kicked off with a bay carnival at Mordialloc. As the first opportunity for some new competitors to get a taste for IRB Racing, and for returning competitors to dust off the cobwebs, competition was fast and fierce, with Williamstown S&LSC coming away with some pennants and the winners title for the carnival. Mordialloc also presented Victorian competitors with the opportunity to participate in U23 competitions. Rounds 2, 4 and 5 tested our athletes and provided some fast-paced competition throughout the season, with Round 3 intended to be held at South Melbourne as a pre-cautionary measure under COVID-19 concerns.

The season culminated in the penultimate carnival of the season, the TRE Motorsport IRB Victorian Championships at the beautiful Lorne beach. The fantastic finals results (amongst others) lead Williamstown SLSC to claim the title of State Champions once again!

The COVID-19 pandemic unfortunately resulted in the cancellation of the Aussies competition in New South Wales in 2021, cutting our season short, but nonetheless a successful season for our team!

A big thank you must be mentioned to the brilliant foundations of our team:

- team support of the parents who provided the team with hot drinks, delicious homemade food and lollies throughout the season, keep our equipment in order and ensure our boats arrive at each carnival;
- officials who give up their time in atypical beach weather and conditions to ensure our athletes have a competition to race in;
- team management who make sure our athletes are organised and able to have fun and produce some amazing results!





Competition Results

NATIONAL

Australian Life Saving Championships - April 2022 Gold Coast

u19 Mens 2km beach run Silver Nick Frisby

VICTORIAN

Victorian IRB Championships – July 2021 Lorne

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| Open Overall Ranking | 1st |
| U23 Women Rescue | Gold |
| Open Men Relay | Gold |
| Open Men Rescue | Gold |
| Open Women Rescue | Gold |
| Open Women Rescue | Silver |
| Open Men Mass Rescue | Silver |
| Open Men Teams Rescue | Silver |
| Open Women Teams Rescue | Bronze |

Victorian Endurance Championships - November 2021 Cosy Corner

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| U12 Female Board 2km | Silver | Mahli McCarroll |
| | Bronze | Layla Pretorius |
| U12 Female Run 2km | Gold | Madigan Carroll |
| | Bronze | Mahli McCarroll |
| U12 Female Swim 1km | Silver | Mahli McCarroll |
| | Bronze | Madigan Carroll |
| U13 Female Run 2km | Gold | Miller Szalay |

Victorian Masters Championships – February 2022 Lorne

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| 50-54 Women's Board Rescue | Silver | Valerie Scholes, Sally Leung |
| 50-54 Women's Surf Race | Silver | Sally Leung |
| 60-64 Women's Surf Race | Silver | Gillian Schalkwijk |
| 170+ Women's Surf Teams | Gold | Sally Leung, Valerie Scholes, Gillian Schalkwijk |
| 160+ Women's Surf Boat Race | Bronze | Williamstown Witches: Stacy Szalay, Anita McKinstry, Rachel McIntosh, Samantha Sonego |
| | | Sweep: Tim McFarlane |
| 180+ Women's Surfboat Race | Bronze | Williamstown Whitecaps: Catherine Mason, Sharon Mumford, Ann Dinham, Sarah Laing |
| | | Sweep: Tim McFarlane |

Victorian Junior Championships – February 2022 Lorne

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| Overall | 9th | |
| March Past | Bronze (tied) | |
| U9 girls Wade Relay | Gold | Ivy Chapple (composite) |
| U9 girls Surf Teams | Silver | Ivy Chapple (composite) |
| U9 girls Board Relay | Silver | Ivy Chapple (composite) |
| U10 boys Board Relay | Silver | Axel & Will (composite) |
| U11 boys Flags | Silver | Mackinlee Carroll |
| U12 girls Beach Run | Gold | Madigan Carroll |
| U12 girls Board | Silver | Mahli McCarroll |
| U12 girls Surf Race | Silver | Madigan Carroll |
| U12 girls Flags | Bronze | Mahli McCarroll |
| U12 girls Iron | Bronze | Mahli McCarroll |
| U12 girls Surf Teams | Gold | Mahli, Layla, Ava, Madigan |
| U12 girls Aquacam | Bronze | Mahli, Ava, Madigan, Mabel |
| U12 girls Beach Relay | Silver | Mahli, Ava, Madigan, Mabel |
| U12 girls Belt & Reel | Gold | Mahli McCarroll & Madigan Carroll |
| U12 girls Board Rescue | Gold | Mahli McCarroll & Madigan Carroll |
| U12 boys Iron | Silver | Noah Chapple |
| U12 boys Board Race | Bronze | Noah Chapple |
| U12 boys Surf Race | Bronze | Noah Chapple |



Victorian Senior Championships – March 2022 Warrnambool

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| Open Mixed March Past | Gold | Brydie Logan, Sally Leung, Rebecca Cameron, Claire Hodgart, Simeone Logan, Valerie Scholes, Daniel Burgess, Kaye Tomkins, Gillian Schalkwijk, Gerry Schalkwijk, Leonie Newey, Ian Barclay |
| Open Women's 5 Person RnR | Silver | Sally Leung, Simeone Logan, Cara-Louise McMahon, Valerie Scholes, Rebecca Cameron |
| Open Womens 2km beach run | Gold | Claire Hodgart |
| u17 Mens 2x1 km beach relay | Bronze | James Frisby, Liam Keough |
| u17 Mens beach relay | Bronze | James Frisby, Liam Keough (composite with Fairhaven and Mt Martha) |
| u19 Womens Belt race | Bronze | Brydie Logan |

Senior Awards

WSLSC Club Champion

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| Open Female | Sam Sonogo |
| Open Male | Tom Frisby |
| U19 Female | Brydie Logan |
| U19 Male | Nick Frisby |

IRB

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| Male driver | Calum Dickson |
| Female driver | Sarah Meehan |
| Male crew | Alastair Thomas |
| Female crew | Talia Rodder |
| Ppatient | Antonia Rayner |
| Coaches award | Brydie Logan |

Beach competition

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| Open Female | Claire Hodgart |
| Open Male | Nick Frisby |

Water competition

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| Open Female | Brydie Logan |
| Open Male | n/a |

Point to Point Swim

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| 1st | Brydie Logan |
| 2nd | Tim Dowling |
| 3rd | Nick Frisby |

Surfboats

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| Female | Sam Sonogo |
| Male | Nathan Waddell |
| Coaches award - Stacy Szalay | |

Coaches Award

Valerie Scholes

Team of the Year

James Frisby, Liam Keough

Best Team Player

Chloe Takac

Best Junior Lifesaver

(Police Shield)
Lachlan Wright

Club Member of the Year

Jason Thurley

Junior Awards

WSLSC Club Champions

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| U6 boys | Patrick Raff |
| U6 girls | Audrey Issacs |
| U8 girls | Ivy Raff / Zara Pretorius |
| U9 girls | Ivy Chapple |
| U9 boys | Jonah Rossow |
| U10 girls | Vivienne McIntosh |
| U10 boys | Axel Szalay |
| U11 girls | Mieke Pretorius |
| U11 boys | Yianni Nicolau |
| U12 girls | Mahli McCarroll |
| U12 boys | Noah Chapple |
| U13 girls | Miller Szalay |
| U13 boys | Nathaniel Glover |

Age Champions

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| U8 Girls | Zara Pretorius |
| U9 Girls | Ivy Chapple |
| U9 Boys | Jonah Rossow |
| U10 Girls | Vivienne McIntosh |
| U10 Boys | Axel Szalay |
| U11 Girls | Mieke Pretorius |
| U11 Boys | Mackinlee Carroll |
| U12 Girls | Mahli McCarroll |
| U12 Boys | Noah Chapple |
| U13 Girls | Zara McIntosh |
| U13 Boys | Nathaniel Glover |

Overall Nipper Champion

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| Girls | Mahli McCarroll |
| Boys | Noah Chapple |

Surf Sport Award

Madison Sonogo & Yianni Nicolau

Team of the Year

U12 Girls - Ava O'Toole, Estee Rossow, Layla Pretorius, Mabel Hanrahan, Madigan Carroll, Mahli McCarroll.

2021/22 Membership

Thank you to all WSLSC members who support the lifesaving movement.

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| Annie Abbott | Wayne Benjamin | Sharyn Burke | Sue Comeadow | Joseph Dunne | Marco Giudici |
| Dan Abbott | Brett Bennett | Frederick Burrows | Janet Condy | Sabrina Dunne | Ben Gladman |
| George Abbott | Elizabeth Bennett | Natalie Burt | Amelie Connelly | Sean Dunne | Chloe Gladman |
| Kieron Agius | George Bennett | Dominic Burton | Jonathon Connelly | Lily Dutton | Michael Gladman |
| Maria Montana Agundez-Rios | Harry Bennett | Madeleine Burton | Timothy Connelly | Samuel Dutton | Amelia Gleeson |
| Lachlan Alexander | Rosemary Bennett | Samuel Burton | Ian Connop | Luke Eastwood | Harvey Gleeson |
| Mitchell Alexander | Paul Benson | Toni Burton | Sean Cooney | Melissa Eastwood | Jesse Gleeson |
| Austin Allen | Kathryn Bentley | Nancy Bush | Aine Cooper | Steve Eastwood | Kate Gleeson |
| Glenn Allison | Aaliyah Berjaoui | Clifford Butler | Mathew Cooper | Kim Edwards | Benjamin Glover |
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The club sadly said farewell to the following members this year.

- June Seeber who was a member from age 16 in 1941 throughout the war years and into the fifties
- Cee Ming Leoung started lifesaving in the 1990s. She continued her lifesaving volunteer work and was a patrol captain for many years in the 2000s.
- Tom Webster, Life Member (1964) who passed away in January 2022





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