



COOKS HILL

LIFE SAVING & SURF CLUB

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Venue: Cooks Hill Surf Club
Date: Sunday 5th August 2018
Time: 3.00pm
Type of Meeting: Annual General Meeting
Attendance: See attendance sheets.

1. Welcome to official guests and visitors

Meeting Open at 3.05pm

Welcome to Rhonda Scruton CEO & Henry Scruton President of Hunter Branch.

2. Apologies

Jessica Charlton, Andrew Howard, Robert Young, Trudy Smith, Mark Smith, Scott Bear, Simon Hunt, Jamie McMahon, Pete Martine, Robert Silkman, Shane Joyce, Ryan Davies, Tim Brown, Vaughan Keena, Kim van Huisstede, Janis & Craig Hamilton, Gerry d'Arcy.

3. Welcome by the President

- Congratulations to the Juniors at NSW State Championships they came third with only a couple of points in it between 1st, 2nd and 3rd place
- Cooks Hill was once again Hunter Surf Lifesaving Lifesaver of the Year – Congratulations to John Mayo, a very worthy winner.
- Our community programmes continue are continuing to be successful and grow we also introduced further programmes with our indigenous kids and refugee and immigrant beach access programme.
- For the board it was a year of consolidation it was a massive year after the opening of the building. We decided to sit for a bit and grow into the building before moving forward and raising funds for the extension. We have not lost focus of finishing of the building fit out. We are not going to lose vision of getting the old building replaced, as many of you know its in a pretty bad state. We are still waiting on an update, from Newcastle City Council, re the terminate damage. We've lost the gym section, as its used for propping up the wall while the council are looking at the damage in the ceiling and roof. We've also got an issue in the patrol area/board area with the walls. We need to get it rectified as quickly as we can working with council.
- John Mayo, asked us to acknowledge that it is the 100th anniversary of our first life member Edward Grey Curly dying on the western front in the Battle of Amiens on Wednesday 8th August 2018.

4. Attendee's

Total Attendee's.48 - See attendance sheets

5. Adoption of Minutes of the 106th Annual General Meeting

Moved that the Club adopt the 106thAnnual General Meeting minutes.

Moved: Brett Derwin

Seconded: Ross Taylor

6. Adoption of 107th Annual Report.

Note an error that one of our co-patrons should be Mike Rabbit, not Mark Rabbit. Apologies for misspelling.

Moved: Mark Doherty

Seconded Jenny Hicks

7. Financial Reports.

Moved: Steve Sims

Seconded Stuart Bear

8. Election of half of Board as per constitution (those grey out, carry over to 2018-19 AGM)

Patrons	The Lord Mayor of Newcastle - Nuatali Nelmes
Co-Patrons	Roy Duffy
Honorary Solicitor	Ian Gray - CDG Law
Honorary Auditor	Prosperity Advisors
Honorary Chaplain	Helene O'Neill
President	Richard Hermens
Director of Facilities & Infrastructure	Belinda Grealy
Director of Administration	Adrian Miles – Not Elected this year
Director of Finance	Trudy Smith
Director of Lifesaving	Mark Doherty – Not Elected this year
Director of Junior Activities	Drew Miller– Not Elected this year
Director of Education	Ros Sklavos
Director of Surf Sports	Monique Williams – Not Elected this year
Director of Member Services	John Mayo – Not Elected this year

9. Fee Structure 2018-19

Nipper Membership Fees – No Change	
New Nipper Membership	\$120.00
Renewing Members	\$100.00
Nipper Parent	\$100.00
Nipper Family (2 adults & 2 or more children)	\$400.00 max
New Nipper hat	\$20.00
Senior Membership Fees – No Change	
Active (15-18)	\$100.00
Active Patrolling (18+)	\$120.00
Associate Member	\$150.00
Family (4 or more family members)	\$400.00 max
Late Renewal Fee	\$25.00
A late renewal fee will apply to all renewal fees paid after 1 October 2018 to recover administration costs	
Gym Keys	
No Gym keys in 2018-19 due to council closing Gym	
Junior Competition Fee's	
Under 8 Carnival Fee See attached competitor's policy for details.	\$ 52.00
Tier 1 Competition Fee's See attached competitors policy for details.	\$105.00
Tier 1 Family (3 or more children)	\$250.00
Tier 2 Competition Fee's See attached competitor's policy for details.	\$156.00
Tier 2 Family (3 or more children)	\$360.00
Tier 3 Competition Fee's See attached competitor's policy for details.	\$260.00
Tier 3 Family (3 or more children)	\$520.00
Tier 4 Pay as you go – Single Carnival Entry Fee	\$ 25.00
Senior Competition Fee's	
Senior Tier 1 Youth, Open and Master Competitors	\$ 0.00
Boat Crews	\$ 0.00
IRB Crews	\$ 0.00
Senior Tier 2 Youth, Open and Master Competitors See attached competitor's policy for details.	\$175.00
Senior Tier 3 Youth, Open and Master Competitors See attached competitor's policy for details.	\$250.00
Specifically excluded from the fees paid by Cooks Hill LS & SC are events not sanctioned By SLSNSW and events run for the profit of specific clubs or organisation. Eg Oceans	

Key and Storage Space – Newcastle Harbour Surf Sports Training Faculty	\$ 75.00
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We have reviewed the competition fee's this year, due to the growth of the club, We have been working to grow our competition team, but we also don't want to risk the security and stability of the clubs financials. Our competitors are starting to compete in a broader sector and larger number of competitions which does cost the club a significant amount above the current Tier 2 pricing. Had to make it more affordable for our club, as last year \$36k spent on competitions. New fee structure for the higher level of competitors. No fee's for the seniors who just compete in the local carnivals and Branch/State Champs or the Boats or IRB.

Adoption of the 2018-19 Membership Fees

Moved Jack Saunders
Seconded Terry Cosgrove

Presidents Medal:

Introduced this year to fall in line with Hunter Branch and SLS NSW, it is open to anyone who wishes to nominate it for it and is open to the whole club. This year recipient, we've tried twice to present this award and they aren't here again today. This person has done a tremendous job, financials, support, hard work, lots of areas, we wouldn't be here without her hard work. Recipient is Trudy Smith. She's tireless in her work and support of the club. Congratulations to Trudy.

10. Life Membership Nominations

A number of nominations for Life Membership this year. Richard would like to read the names of the people who have been nominated before asking them to leave the room so that the nominations can be voted on.

John mayo – Richard Hermens outlined his nomination. CHSLSC member 15yrs membership. Has held a committee position for 12years. John dedicated patrolling member, 10yr national service award. Driving force behind Gropers, fundraising, inclusion programs, sportsman lunch. Force behind the community programs. Instrumental in Same waves, assistant swim and indigenous kids program. Outstanding historian of the club. Anzac day organiser.

Adrian Miles – Richard Hermens outlined his nomination joined late 1990's, achieving 20yrs patrolling member, patrol of the twice, 15yrs patrol service awards, 10 year board member. Stepping into role of Treasurer when needed, added value of advice in building, ensuring ability to fund the building.

Scott Bear, Richard Hermens outlined his nomination Scott joined in 1980, almost 30yrs membership background in surf boats coaching and competition. Scott has organised the golf, raffles, 100club, he's Mr fix it around the club, oversaw the Gym membership. Very humble and one of those blokes you can rely on.

Mark Doherty – Richard Hermens outlined, Mark joined in 1970's between then and the early 80's he was very active, trainer, club captain. Competitor, coach, won branch medals, moved to Redhead SLSC. Mark moved back in 2014, signed up as Club Captain. Continues to lead a strong Patrol at the club, fundraising, lead the changes in the club constitution, CHSLSC Life saver of the year and Hunter SLS Lifesaver of the year in 2016-18, National rescue of the month in 2018.

Dan Solomon noted - He puts in a huge amount of work put in behind the scene. Organisation of Senior Presentation, takes on responsibilities above and beyond what is required. John mayo noted the improvements of 100% patrol at the club is due to Mark.

Steve Sims – Richard Hermens outlined. Joined in 1980's, held a number of positions on in committees, current Assistant Treasure, building committee, introduced the 3quote policy, authoriser of purchase policy. Works quietly behind the scene, but puts in a huge amount of work and effort to the club, Steve is always there.. His passion and knowledge for the club is second to non. Very unassuming person who would not expect this honour.

The five nominees where asked to leave the office, while the voting procedure was outline. A show of hands was requested by those eligible to vote.

Voting

John Mayo – unanimous

Adrian Miles – Unanimous

Scott Bear – unanimous

Mark Doherty – unanimous

Steve Sims – unanimous.

Cooks Hill is proud to welcome five new life members.

11. General Business

Henry Scruton, absolute honour. On behalf of HSLs, I'd like to congratulate CHSLSC, to make the club work as well as it does. What a fantastic job, Mark Doherty's job on the beach is the leader for all other branch. Your Annual Report is a great presentation of the history of the club. Cooks Hill has helped to ensure HSLs is breach free, we are the only branch in Australia. Your juniors do a fantastic job, Monique all the kids act, behave and perform brilliant. Set a certain line/barrier for people to work to.

A great view of the bench when we come by on the Ski's, always see the patrolling member son the beach.

Congratulations to John Mayo – Surf Lifesaver of the year for Hunter SLS.

Well done Cooks Hill.

John Mayo thank you for the display at Hunter Awards nigh, celebrating 100years, what an opportunity, we couldn't let it go to waste. Started in 1918, conclusion of WW1,

At raising of flags this year, at Nobby's get many people to join and as many boats on the water. We'll make it special.

Thank you's

Thank you to Denise Hay – Denise volunteered her time earlier this year to help us rebuild our website. We would like to acknowledge and thank Denise, as it was something we had been working towards for a while. We are extremely proud and appreciative of the work she has done.

Thank you to Jen – Jenny is leaving us to join Hunter Surf Lifesaving after 4.5years, thank you to Jen for her work supporting the club over the years, we couldn't run a club this size without someone in her position to support the Board of Directors and generally activities at the club. We have a wonderful new replacement in Nina Mills. Nina is new to the club and SLS, so please welcome her to the club and be gentle with her as she learns the ropes and gets her head around everything. Welcome Nina.

Mark D – on behalf of the life members, Cooks Hill is family, what we do what we do for club

Rod Harrison, acknowledgement of the AR, great year, awards we receive. Thank you to Richard and also his supportive wife Sue, we know how hard this role is. Well done.

John 'Choc' Anderson – we've been kind to NCC, its time for us to get aggressive with them. Let's get the media involved. Its time we take a stand. I'm prepare to go, if you need me to.

Terry Cosgrove – further to what Choc said, its time to apply pressure. Getting very frustrated with the council.

Belinda Grealy– thank you to Angus for all the work he has done to date as Director of Facilities & Infrastructure

13. Meeting Close

Meeting closed at:3.57pm