

**JULY
2010**



**AWARD WINNERS
AGM AND
ELECTIONS
CANTARA**

ANNUAL DINNER

The Annual Dinner was held once again at the Victor Harbor Golf Club, and this year was hosted by Matt and Penny Smith. Ian Grant as usual entertained us with his exceptional multimedia shows. Humour was provided by Hamish with his lavish new plans for the Club, and Matt modelling a mankini (picture on Facebook). Maggie Savage and Elly were busy taking photos all night. Space, time and typing skills will prevent me from listing everyone who received a certificate or award, so please don't take it personally if your name is missed, it will be in the Annual Report anyhow.

AWARD	WINNER
Club Person of the year	Natalie Gilbert
Higgins Trophy	Dale Francis
Sandy McKenzie Memorial	Reagan Moon
Coopers brewery (Competitor of the year)	Anjie Collins
Bob Bruce Trophy (Patrol Person of the Year)	Greg Hoffman
Boat Captains Award	Paul Buchanan
Cadet of the Year	Louisa Richards
Matthews /Riverside Studio (most patrol hours)	Peter Francis
Schellase Trophy (First aid)	Reagan Moon
500 Patrol Hours	Peter Francis, Steve Overall
National Awards	Bryn Bridges, Chris Tapscott, Stewart Cummings
15 years Service	Alan Reynolds, Peter Trebilcock
10 years Service	Adrian Goldsmith, James Grant, Michael Grant, Brian Hurford, Margaret Wyschnja
Certificates of appreciation	Craig Dennis, Glyn Hopkins, Scott Billington, Dana Watts, Brian Elborough
Junior Lifesaver of the year	Jamie Buchanan

Certificates and awards were presented for Resuscitation (10), Surf rescue (14), Senior First Aid (24), Defibrillation (2), IRB Crew (9), IRB driver (2), Training officer (1), Assessor (1), IRB assessor (1), Silver Medallion (3), Bronze medallion (33), 50+ hours patrolling (29).

Feedback from people that attended put it down as one of the best Annual Dinners that we have held. A group of hardy revellers adjourned to the Family Hotel for an informal 'debriefing' and to watch one of the longest of 8-ball ever played (Evans family vs Overall (K) family).

AGM AND NEW OFFICE BEARERS

The AGM was held at the Clubrooms on the 4th of July. Outgoing Fiona presented the Annual Report featuring the usual colourful cover (this year courtesy of Elly). All positions were declared vacant and new office bearers were elected.

CLUB COUNCIL	
Patron	Bob Bruce
President	Rod Ellis
Vice presidents	Peter Francis, Lucinda Remilton
Secretary	Kevin Whelan
Assistant secretary	Marty Smee
Treasurer	Gavin Roberts
Chief Instructor	Reagan Moon
Captain	Hamish McMillan
Vice captain	Verity Remilton
Boat Captain	Kym Overall
Power boat Captain / Radio	Bob Bruce
Gear Steward	Michael Lippett
Members Representatives	Tara Irvin, Jean Sinkinson
IRB Captain	Mark Finlay
Junior Manager	Penny Smith
AUX	TBA
NON COUNCIL	
First Aid	Jean Sinkinson
Clubroom Steward	Tim Prance
Lions Liaison	Rod Ellis
Publicity	Marty Smee
Competition Officer	Matt Smith
Resources coordinator	Bob Bruce
Selection Committee	Troy Irvin, Hamish McMillan, Jeff Collins, Paul Buchanan
Judiciary	Ian Grant, Robert Mooney, Penny Smith, Pam Grant
Patrol Tribunal	Alg Palaitis, Troy Irvin, Robert Mooney
Life membership Committee	Troy Irvin, Bob Bruce, Peter Trebilcock, Hamish McMillan, Rod Ellis
Constitution	Bob Bruce (chair)

THANKS FIONA

Fiona Haselgrove relinquished her role as Club Secretary after 2 years of very hard work. She has won a position as a Deputy principal at Victor Harbor High, and this will be very time consuming for her. Her high level of organization saw the Club office getting a huge overhaul and clean out when she was first elected. She has overseen the purchase and use of a new computer system and the implementation of new Surfguard procedures. The Secretary's job has many facets and really is time consuming and complex. As her 'assistant' I was rarely called upon to help out, as she had it under control! On behalf of the Club I would like to publicly thank her for her effort, expertise and legacy.

...and she will kill me for putting in the photo !

Marty



NEWS FROM THE CLUB CAPTAIN

Hi all,

Can you believe it? Another season is just round the corner and it looks like it may well be bigger than last years. More juniors? More seniors? More of everything and less of only one thing...time. There's a lot coming up so try to keep up and stay tuned to your SMS, email messages and our clubs growing facebook group following. (Make sure the club has your up to date details) Here's just a few things that are, will or might be going on in upcoming months for you to keep an eye out for.

JET SKI (RWC) course

Will happen. It will be late notice and it will be all go once it's announced. If you're still keen to do your driver accreditation here's a few pointers to help you be ready when the call comes.

1. Get re-qualified (Senior First Aid, ARC, Silver medallion holder)
2. Get fit. (400m swim in under 8 minutes. 1.6km run in under 8 minutes)
3. Get booties and gloves. (It's pretty cold on the water for a whole weekend)

NAT' GILBERTS INCLUSION PROGRAM

For people who aren't necessarily your typical bronzed Aussie surf demi god, who may have a physical or mental deficit that ordinarily stops them from being given the opportunities we all take for granted. Nat and a yet to be named group of helpers, working with those in the know, are going to be developing a program to give people experiences of sand and sea. Could you be a helper? Do you know anyone that might want to help or take part? Stay tuned or ask Nat for more info. She's very excited about this new project.

WATER SAVING

Whilst I know during these the coldest months the temptation is to race from the ocean up into the warm showers, I remind you wetsuits are not to be worn or washed off in the showers. The sand blocks the drains and the time you're stripping down in the showers wastes water. Don't do it. I think we'll run a lottery as we come into the new season for the biggest offenders with the prize being shoveling the sand out of the sump.

CAR PARKING

Reminding everyone that the space inside the gates is for pick ups and drop off of equipment/catering only. It's not a carpark so as the new season comes up lets remember this.

YOUTH COUNCIL

Over the past 3 months we've had several meetings of our first youth council, where members between 13-20 years old come down to the club and talk about what they think our club might be in the future. Some of the ideas being worked on so far include twilight carnivals, club hoodies, surf comps and access to more training. If you fit this age group and want your say, don't just leave it to cyberspace or adults to determine your fate. Have your say. Next meeting August 7th 6:30pm at the club. These meetings have been combined with Yoga and aerobics classes but no one really knows what will happen til they rock up on the night. Very informal. Pizza for tea. Mmmm. Why cant adult club council be more like this???

LIFESAVING AT GOOLWA

The deliver of lifesaving services at Goolwa is moving forward with the help of State Centre and local residents. At this stage summer will see an outpost set up by at Goolwa main beach. Clubbies from all round the sate are volunteering to go onto a roster to do a shift here or there to help Goolwa be a safer beach for the public and I'd encourage anyone interested in doing anything a bit different to put your hand up to help out aswell. At a club level, we'll be part of a support strategy for this outpost and whilst we wont be a full time presence, we'll be welcome to help out when our numbers allow for it. Other support will be delivered in the way of RWC and 4 wheel drive, along with equipment provision from state centre. None of this is anything to be worried about, rather an opportunity for us to increase our lifesaving capabilities.

ANNUAL REPORT AND AGM

Thanks for all those that attended the AGM on the 4th of July. I think it may have been one of our fastest ones ever with all business concluded in about 2 hours. Welcome to all the new office holders and look out members. There's some real movers and shakers in amongst this new lot. We still have plenty of copies of the latest Annual Report at the club, so please grab a copy to keep, when you're at the club next.

PS there was no bloody coup at the AGM and I'll be back for the upcoming season, clipboard in hand for more inspections and training. Of course I'll have one extra training aid being my soon to be born baby person with me to make sure all is going right on patrol.

LAST SUNDAY SKILLS TRAINING

Sunday 25th of July, 10am meet at the club for off season training. Last one saw us take some rescue boards to Middleton to crack a couple of sets and the IRB's got a bit of a run too, with some new crew and drivers at the helm.

SURF COMP

Are you a club member? Can you surf at all? Have you ever thought about giving it a go? Matt and Jess are going to run an in club surf day with a comp for those interested. The dates are to be confirmed so stay ear to the ground for details.

PORT ELLIOT SHOW

October 9th and 10th, our club will be doing the how gates again so block out this weekend in your diary to come in, give a hand, have some fairy floss and pat a chicken. Rosters to be put together in next few weeks.

CALL OUTS FOR AFTER HOURS RESCUE

Thanks to those that responded to my request for details and availability on after hours call outs. We'll add people to the list and let you know what progress we make with this as we do.

CANTARA 2010

What was different about Cantara 2010 compared to previous years ?

- ❑ The weather was fine,
- ❑ There was a record number of participants – estimated to be around 60, but it was hard to count because people were all over the place
- ❑ The standard of outside accommodation reached new heights – architecturally designed tents that took teams to people to erect, and not always correctly, as well as high-rise caravans.
- ❑ An ongoing 'Cantara's got talent' musical, acting, and acrobatic talent show
- ❑ The toilets did not smell

What was the same as with previous years?

- ❑ Good humour and fellowship
- ❑ Kids having fun and running amok
- ❑ Mud and sandhill sliding
- ❑ Sledging
- ❑ Paul Buchanan winning the 'Cantara Classic' fishing competition
- ❑ A couple of adults becoming loud and silly after a few drinkies
- ❑ A couple of adults having large hangovers the morning after a few drinkies

The Un-official Cantara diary

People started rolling in Friday afternoon, obviously to get the prime camping spots to show off their show their high level of accommodation in the hope of discouraging riff-raff. Funky Williams peaked early in the campfire drinking event and tried to become 'one' with campfire. He was noticeably quieter for the rest of the weekend.

Saturday saw a steady stream of camper arrive, and the crowd was in awe of their tents. One was so complex that even a team of tradies could not erect properly. The kids took off in all directions or stayed around to kick footies, play golf, ride bikes etc. Adults enjoyed sitting around the fire and yarning or going for nature walks.

Saturday night was the shared feast and sing along around the fire. Seb 'Mr Repertoire' Goldsmith lead on guitar and vocals, ably backed up by Simon Grenfell (also on guitar and vocals – but he is also good!); Paul Buchanan on drums (beer cartons – not so good); Lori Buchanan on spoons and throat bagpipes (work in progress); Marty on didgeridoo (PVC pipe- not good at all); and the assembled voices of the 'Cantara Choir of Extremely Hard Knocks' (quality variable). Rousing choruses of 'Psycho Killer' ensured that most wildlife left the area and migrated to other parts of the Coorong.

Highlight was Paul 'losing' his drum when he momentary lost consciousness (Marty burnt it) and then woke up and played 'air drum' until he realised that it was not there.

Sunday morning was a bit slow for some, but mountains of bacon and eggs got things going again. It was time for the fishing expedition, with a record number of entries trekking over the sandhills with rods in hand. Paul was the last to set up (no surprises there) and was lucky to even cast his rod into the water. To show there is no real justice in the world he caught the only fish (again!) while the rest of us hauled in kilos of seaweed. After lunch the kids went off to the mud flats to slide and see how dirty they could make themselves, followed by the 'Cantara Bocce Open'. This attracted a huge crowd, raucous barracking, questionable tactics, and controversy – all the ingredients of a premier sporting event.

Sunday night saw Choir and band reform around the campfire for an encore. Nat was in outstanding 'verbal' form, Matt Turley and Randall Warner demolished unprecedented amounts of Bundy, and Paul was asleep in his tent.

We awoke Monday morning to a thick layer of frost and ice on everything. Bacon and eggs were the go again and people huddled around the fire to get warm and trip over Nat in her swag. Over the ensuing hours tents came down, the place got cleaned up and people left in dribs and drabs to return home (some were more dribby and drab than others e.g. Seb).

Big thanks to Nat and Steve Gilbert for organising the weekend once again.

Cantara 2011 – bigger and louder ?



TURKEY TALK with ELLIOT THE SCRUB TURKEY

It is a little early in the season to feature too many Turkey Deeds but...

Matt Smith almost did a good job of knocking himself out while chainsawing on Marty's block. That piece of land seems to attract Turkey deeds as there is a wooden monument there to recognise Marty and Peter Francis's run away trailer episode.

If you read the Cantara report then there were probably a whole bunch of out of tune turkeys gathered there. Paul's non-existent drum was maybe a highlight !!??

When you go surfing, you generally take your surfboard, don't you Elly !?

PUBLICITY

If you want anything put into the newsletter, or ant to right an article piece for the 'Times' then feel free to send them to me
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