



CHRISTMAS DAY CELEBRATION AT KIRRA BEACH

# Kirra Khronicle



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## Welcome Back to a new year at Kirra

This time of the year is always busy but for Kirra competitors it appears to be super busy time. This month will see our older Nippers are doing a great job at Carnivals and our Champion IRB team will be back in the water training hard each Sunday preparing for their Winter season to come.

I would like to say a big thank you to all the people who are working tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure our great club succeeds. Hundreds of hours are put into the club that no-one ever sees.

Thank you also to all the members who patrolled over the Christmas/New Year periods. We sincerely thank you for dedicating your time to save lives at Kirra Beach.

A reminder to everyone, please ensure you have a current

BlueCard, have completed your CYRM and CAS online requirements.

Keep in eye out on your emails and Facebook for all the latest information on up and coming training courses.

To all competitors, just a reminder that you must meet all your good member policy obligations to complete at up-and-coming carnivals.

If you have any funny stories, terrific photos, competition results or just a message to get out to your fellow club members, please send them to the club.

**Signing off**  
**Rex the Roving Reporter**



Superstar Member

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Nippers do us proud

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# Around the Beaches

New Hoodie  
Towels are  
back in stock

See the Nipper  
clothing stand  
on Sunday's to  
grab yourself  
one.



A massive thankyou to everyone who helped out on Christmas Day on patrol, from 7:00am to 6:00pm the day went off with only a minor hitch. Couldn't have asked for a better group of people to come together on what is the busiest day of the year.

Could everyone please take a moment to thank everyone who patrolled;

First up in the morning was  
[Brian Catchlove](#), [Douglas Catchlove](#), [Ann Holtzapffel](#), [Judy Collins](#), [Brayden Zarn](#)  
From 10:00am - 12:30pm  
[Wanda Hanlon](#), [Chris Sando](#), [Sue Tyler](#)

From 12:30pm - 3:30pm  
[Wanda Hanlon](#), [Sally Engel](#)  
[Charlize Durnford](#), [Raphaelle Bazataqui](#)

And from 3:30pm - 6:00pm  
[Wanda Hanlon](#), [Raphaelle Bazataqui](#), [Ketynah Philip Laurie Cavill](#), [Quinn Murphy](#)

Mitchell Mackay  
Vice-Captain



**Special Mention to Mitchell Mackay for his incredible dedication, patrolling the entire day on Christmas Day for Kirra. What an outstanding effort and commitment to keeping our beaches safe!**



## Super Member

I just wanted to take the time in recognising Brayden Zarn for all his efforts this season. This weekend alone he has;

- Patrolled all day Saturday as a sub for other members

- Helped out Laurie Cavill on Sunday morning for the IRBC Course

- Jumped on patrol Sunday afternoon with Ian Wright and PG10 assisting with the numerous bluebottle stings over the afternoon and helping tidy up the foyer area of the surf club.

Thankyou Brayden, your efforts do not go un-noticed and are greatly appreciated by all members in the club.





## Nippers Carnival Superstars

Before the Christmas Break, Kirra Nipper had 15 nippers from our U8, U9 & U10 age groups compete at the Little Mates Carnival at Bilinga.

We had some really impressive results from the day with a few making finals. All 15 of these nippers put 100% effort into each of their events and didn't leave anything behind, showing some true Kirra spirit. Super proud!

Thank you to the parents, grandparents and friends for the support of our superstars, to Katherine De Beer for taking on the water safety role, Scott Byrnes for his official duties, Andrew McAuliffe (& team) for his IRB duties, Darrin Jones and Ian Wright for beach setup and pack down. Thank you for supporters the junior Kirra members!



## More New SRC members

Huge Congratulations to Kirra's newest SRC members. All are Nipper Parents and will be helping out with water safety for Nippers. Massive thanks to those that ran this course, Scott Byrnes and Brayden Zarn 💙💛



## IRB RACING IS BACK

The Kirra IRB team will hit the water again in a couple of weeks, to prepare for the start of a new IRB season. If you are interested in joining the team or even just want to come and try it out for the day, come on down each Sunday morning from February 2025.





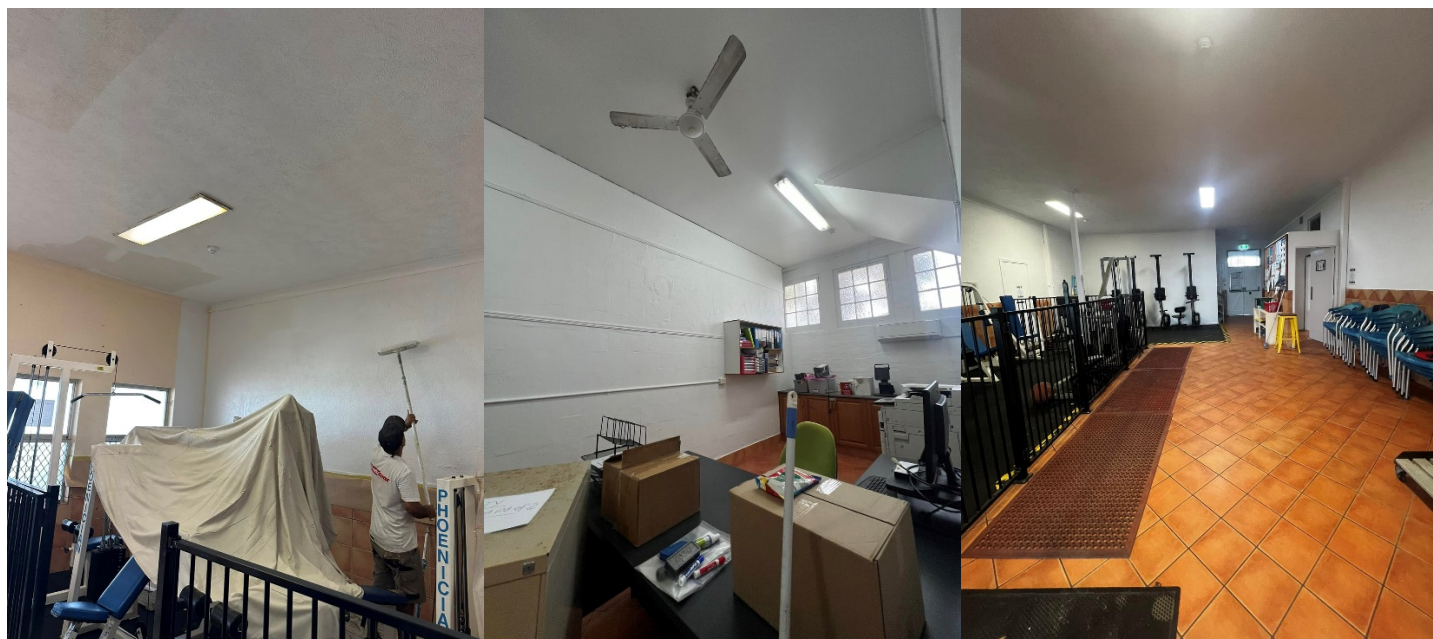
## Fresh new look for Kirra!

If you've been to the Kirra Surf Life Saving Clubhouse recently, you've probably noticed a big change. Gone are the old apricot walls—say hello to the crisp, freshly painted white walls that have transformed the space into a brighter, more modern environment!

This fantastic upgrade was made possible thanks to grant funding from the Queensland Government. We're incredibly grateful for their support, which helps us maintain and improve our facilities for the benefit of our members and the community.

A massive thank you also goes to Ian Wright for his stellar effort in organising this project. A heartfelt shoutout to everyone who pitched in to move furniture and make the process as smooth as possible.

Let's all do our part to keep these areas clean and tidy, ensuring the Clubhouse remains a welcoming and functional space for everyone. Thank you for your ongoing support!

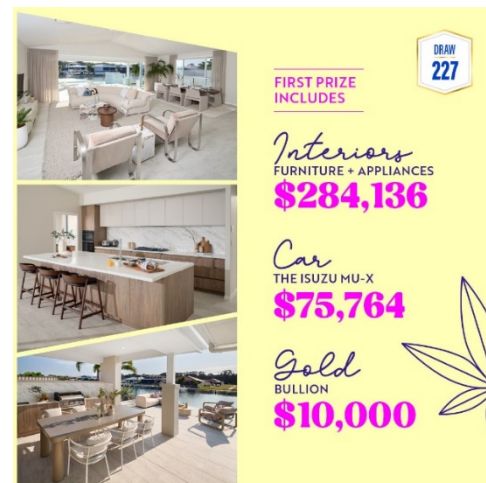
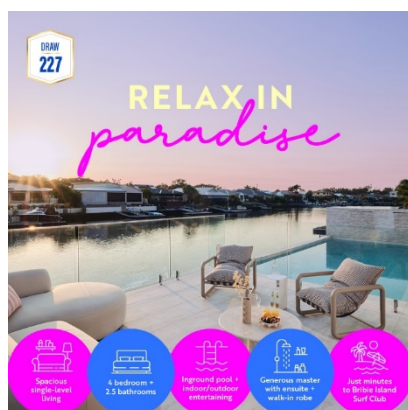


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Every ticket sold helps us keep our beaches safe and protect the lives of locals and visitors alike.

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# Kirra Surf Club Remembrance

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> December 2024 – Kirra Supporters**

The annual Kirra (Bumpo/Elke) Remembrance Day was an event with the largest attendance in the event's fifteen years. Just over 100 many current and past Kirra members, families, supporters, players, joining together in this most special day of our Kirra. A day when we come together in fellowship to celebrate the lives of those associated with the Kirra Surf Life Saving Club who have passed with us.... "We will always remember their service"

A big thank you to our anonymous sponsor for their very generous support of the Kirra 'Bumpo/Elke' Remembrance Day as this contributed to the success of an incredibly special day for all those attending



"Left: Kirra SLSC President Cheryl Fenton, candidate for Federal electorate of McPherson, and the Kirra Remembrance Day"



Over 100 people joined the 2024 Kirra (Bumpo/Elke) Remembrance Day on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> December.... A special day for all attending"

**'Once a Kirra member – always a Kirra member'**



"Left: Joining together for the 2024 Kirra Bumpo/Elke Remembrance Day: (L-R): **Doctor Stephen Barry** (KSLSC Hon Life Member #52/1991 and Club Patron); **Ron Gurnett** (KSLSC Hon Life Member #38/1973 and founding President, Kirra Surf Club Past & Long Serving Members Association); **Cheryl Fenton** (KSLSC President – first Kirra female member endorsed as Club President); **Yvonne Papadimos** (KSLSC Hon Life Governor #12/2024 and Club Secretary); **Ian Wright** (KSLSC Deputy-President); **Councillor Gail O'Neill** (CoGC Division 14); **Leon Rebello** (LNP candidate for Federal electorate of McPherson); **Peter Beauchamp** AFSM (KSLSC Hon Life Member #49/1986 and President, Kirra Surf Club Past & Long Serving Members Association; Secretary, Kirra SLS Supporters Association); and **Dave Sunday** (Supporter and Age Manager of the Kirra SLSC Nippers).





## Dates for the Fridge

### January

11 – Oceans 38 Rd #3 @ TAL SLSC  
19 – First Aid Course  
25 – U11-U14 Sleepover at Club

### February

01-02 – QLD Surf Rescue Champs  
@SSC

01 – GC U11-U13 Carnival  
@ BIL SLSC  
07-09 – PDB Youth Champs @ NKI  
17 – ART course  
28 – PDB Senior Champs @ TBC  
SLSC

### March

01 – PDB Senior Champs @ TBC  
SLSC  
02 – PDB U8-U10 Carnival @ TBC  
SLSC  
07-09 – QLD Senior Champs @  
NKI  
13-16 – QLD Youth Champs @ TU







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Membership Categories	From 1 Oct 2024
<b>Active Membership</b> (including renewals) (Senior / Long Service / Award )	\$110
(Membership ages between <b>14 - 17 Years</b> )	\$105
<b>Associate Membership</b>	\$115
<b>Family Membership</b> (Family of 4 – must be living in the same household – extra membership receives \$10 off category fee)	\$320
<b>Nippers U8 – U14</b>	\$90
<b>Green Caps U6 – U7</b>	\$80

### Ways to Pay 2024/25 Membership

- Online at <https://members.sls.com.au>
- Cash or Cheque
- EFTPOS
- **Direct Deposit** - (Bank details are: BSB: 124 063 Account No: 2165 7960 Account Name: Kirra Surf Life Saving Club, Reference: Your Name)
- **Via Phone with Credit Card**  
Call the Office on 07 5599 3524 during Office hours





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