



KIRRA NIPPERS SMASHING IT AT THE PBD CHAMPS

Kirra Chronicle



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Welcome Back to a new year at Kirra

Welcome to another exciting edition of the Kirra Surf Life Saving Club newsletter! As summer winds down, our club continues to buzz with activity, achievements, and preparations for the months ahead. Here's what's happening around the club:

Our Nippers have been busy competing in the U8-U10 Branch Championships, showcasing their skills, teamwork, and love for surf sports. A big congratulations to all our young athletes for their fantastic efforts and sportsmanship on the beach. Your dedication and enthusiasm make us proud! Thank you to the parents, coaches, and volunteers who support this vital program.

If you've visited the clubhouse recently, you'll have noticed the exciting renovations taking place. These updates will bring new life to

our facilities, making them more functional and welcoming for our members and the broader community. We appreciate everyone's patience during this time and can't wait to unveil the improvements soon!

As always, none of these achievements or developments would be possible without the dedication of our members, volunteers, and supporters. Whether you're patrolling the beach, helping with events, or working behind the scenes, your efforts are what make Kirra SLSC such a special place.

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



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New Hoodie Towels

New Hoodie Towels are back in stock

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



Around the Beaches

DHL Clean up

Massive clean up at the club last weekend. Thank you to the DHL staff from Brisbane who volunteered their Saturday to come down and clean up our surf club. What an amazing bunch of humans.

Also thanks to Avi Melniker (National Partnerships Executive Surf Life Saving Australia) for organising it. And to our members Darren, Brayden, Dion, Ketynah, Wanda and Bianca. Thank you

Also thank you to Adam aka Rip and Loretta for organising the food and Spinner for cooking the BBQ. If I've forgotten anyone I'm sorry.

The club looks amazing and clean so please everyone respect the effort that went in to achieve it and keep it clean.

Thanks heaps. 💙💛



Women's Day Patrol

Calling all Kirra Girls, nippers, juniors and seniors. Saturday 8th March is the annual international women's day patrol. This event is branch wide and it would be great to see as many of our wonderful patrolling women on the morning patrol. It is a day to celebrate the recognition of women in lifesaving.



Clubhouse works

Over the next few weeks you will see various work happening around the club. A new entry door is being installed into the Boat shed which will allow direct access to the club. New fans and lights have been installed along with new furniture to the members area make this area much nicer for all.



Staying at the Dorms

Just a reminder that if you are staying at the club you meet to always sign in. The sign-on sheets are available at the top of the stairs.



New Patrol Parking Sign

If you have been at the club in the past couple of weeks, you will have noticed the additional patrol parking signs. Please ensure that you are only using these parks while you are on patrol that day.



Junior Activity Search and Rescue Procedure

Search and Rescue (SAR) techniques are taught by SLISA at various levels, including a basic technique in the SLS Bronze Medallion. Lifesavers are taught the skills to conduct an in-shore or shallow water

search and rescue (SAR), as well as the operational processes required to conduct the search. In the Bronze Medallion and Surf Rescue Certificate, surf lifesavers are taught the technique of surface dives, which is a series of 'duck dives' through the surf to locate a submerged victim and or objects. The other SLISA awards are the Silver Medallion Beach Management (SMBM), Silver Medallion Aquatic Rescue (SMAR) and Power Craft Operator awards. These awards provide specific detail on SAR techniques using rescue power craft and the procedures required to conduct such SAR effort.



In shore / white water SAR procedures

In Australia all SAR operations must be controlled and coordinated by the relevant SAR Authority, which as noted that in most cases will be the Police /Water Police (the Authority). The appointed Club Incident Controller (Patrol Captain/Lifeguard or Water Safety Supervisor) and/or the

Authority will be responsible for instigating the commencement of the search as quickly as possible.

The Authority will be responsible for the implementation and conclusion of the search. For Junior Activities the existing technique of surface dives, which is a series of "duck dives" through the surf to locate a patient and or objects will be implemented in a managed environment and undertaken by proficient surf lifesavers. The in-shore/white water search will only be conducted after an appropriate risk assessment has been conducted to evaluate and mitigate risks to SAR personnel. The 'Risk Rating' section within the SLISA Operations App can be utilised at this stage. Dye and grid maps can be utilised to determine current and surf movements and search area.



PLEASE ENSURE ALL ITEMS ARE KEEP IN THIS BOX AT ALL TIME

Kirra SLSC - Life Membership & Life Governorship Nominations (2025)

Nominations for: Honourary Life Membership & Honourary Life Governorship of the Kirra SLSC close 5pm on Monday 31st March 2025.

If you believe that one of our members' or supporters' contribution to the Club has been distinguished enough to warrant consideration, please complete the Life Membership Nomination form which can be found on the club website (www.kirrasurfclub.com.au) under our club and documents. Nominations can then be sent to "Meritorious Awards Committee" c/- email: kirra@kirraslsc.com.

NOMINATIONS



Kirra Beach Surf Club

Great venue – Great views

Great meals – Friendly staff

Cold refreshments

"The family club"

"Breakfast is available on weekends"

"Kirra Beach Surf Club – A great venue with the best views of the Gold Coast!"



KIRRA SLSC HONOUR BOARDS

Today, the surf club Honour Boards that are positioned in the Kirra Supporters Club were updated with current details. Additionally, a new Honour Board was added to acknowledge our club's World Surf Lifesaving Champions.

These Honour Boards are part of the History Project coordinated and funded by the Kirra Surf Club Past & Long Serving Members Association.



We Need you help!

Sunday 13 April 2025

On Sunday 13th April, the Cooly Classic will be held again at Kirra and we need your help to make this a success.



There are various jobs that will need to be done on the day including:

- Board Paddlers start 8am
- IRB Drivers & Crew - start 7am
- Bag Storage Area Attendants start 8am
- Drink station start 9am
- BBQ start 7am

Anyone paddling boards please be at Kirra by 8am to collect a board and to start the journey over to Snapper.

Please complete the online form

<https://form.jotform.com/kirragrants/cooly-classic-helpers-needed-april->

with your availability and what section, you can help also email the club
(kirra@kirraslsc.com.au)

Competitor – this event is a sanction event and will count towards your good member policy obligations.



Dates for the Fridge

February

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
9 – Women's Day Patrol
13-16 – QLD Youth Champs @ TU
23 – Nipper Break up
23 – First Aid Course @ PDB

29 March to 6 April –
Australia Champs – NKI & TUG

April

01 - Aussies Master Champs @
NKI
02-06 - Aussies Senior Champs
13 – ART Course @ PDB
13 – Cooly Classic – HELPER
NEEDED

May

10 – IRB Carnival @ Tally
24 & 25 – IRB Carnival @ Dicky
Beach

31 – Kirra AGM
31 – Kirra Annual Dinner 6pm
Kirra Supporters Club

June

7 & 8 – IRB carnival @ Bribie
21 & 22 – IRB Carnival @
Southport
22 - ART Course @ PDB

July

5 & 6 – IRB State Champs @
Cooly

It's all happening at Kirra Nippers

Nippers is back up and running for the last part of their season. We for those of you who have been around the club on a Sunday morning, you will have seen how it's a hive of activity and not to mention the amazing BBQ as well.

The Nipper AGM which will be held on the 23th March 9am, is your opportunity to put up your hand and help out where you can.

Position up for Nomination are:

- JUNIOR ACTIVITIES CHAIRPERSON
- DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON
- SECRETARY
- TREASURER
- REGISTRAR (2-4 Positions)
- TEAM MANAGER
- GEAR STEWARD
- WATER SAFETY OFFICER
- EDUCATION OFFICER
- AWARDS OFFICER
- CARNIVAL NOMINATION OFFICER
- CLOTHING COORDINATOR
- PUBLICITY OFFICER
- BBQ COORDINATOR
- AGE MANAGERS (U6-U14)



Keep an eye out on your email for full detail of the Nipper AGM or you can find a Nomination form.

Silver Medallion Patrol Captain Course:

Tuesday, 11 March 2025* 6:00pm-9:00pm
Tuesday, 18 March 2025* 6:00pm-9:00pm
Saturday, 22 March 2025* 8:00am Start

Where: Coolangatta SLSC

Facilitators: Belinda Doman, Courtney Taylor, Derek Baldwin.

Prerequisites:

- Must be a registered financial member of a club
- Must be 17 years or over
- Members over 18: Must have a current Blue Card & CYRMS/CSA
- Must hold Bronze Medallion & Cert II in Public Safety
- Must have two (2) years patrolling experience
- Must be proficient in Bronze Medallion OR First Aid OR ART
- Must be able to attend all sessions in their entirety (online option available for midweek sessions)*

RSVP: Friday 25 February 2025 @ MIDDAY. Enrol by selecting "Course List" from SLSQ Portal, untick "My Club Only" & enrol on Course.

Other:

- Online learning must be completed prior to attending first session (details will be supplied following enrolment)
- Candidates to bring device (laptop/tablet)
- Course will only proceed if Full

Contact PDB
Phone: 07 5534 6077
Email: education@slsqpointdanger.com.au



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PDB Youth Champions - Our Kirra Superstars

Massive congratulations from all of us at Kirra SLSC to Lilly-Rose Waara who placed 2nd in the U11 1km Beach Run at the PDB YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS a couple of weekend ago.

Other amazing results with another States qualifier in Tarnika Hall for flags and two reserve spots in flags Lilly-Rose and Claudia Sunday in sprints.

Awesome effort to both Nina Carvallo and Ayana Beeby at their first carnival, they should be incredibly proud for giving it their all and having a go.

Thank you girls, your sportsmanship for not only your teams mates but also other club competitors, is exactly what Kirra is about and we are honoured to have you represent Kirra SLSC.





Save this date

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May 2025

Kirra SLSC
AGM
& Annual Dinner

🏡 Win a Waterfront Home and Support Kirra Surf Life Saving Club! ☀️

Picture yourself waking up in a gorgeous waterfront home at Broadbeach Waters—where every day feels like a holiday. By buying a ticket, you're not just chasing a dream; you're making a real difference by helping Kirra Surf Life Saving Club continue their vital work. Every ticket sold helps us keep our beaches safe and protect the lives of locals and visitors alike.

🎫 Get tickets now <https://surflottery.com.au/club/kirrabeachslsc>



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