

### Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association

# NEWSLETTER



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#### **Old Boys Car Raffle:**

It was looking as though there would be a good turnout for the Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association CAR RAFFLE DRAW set for Sunday, 6th May commencing 3:00 pm in the Kirra SLSC Supporters Bar. Excellent odds available with only 199 tickets sold at \$120 each. The cost of a ticket included complimentary refreshments and finger-food throughout the afternoon function. All tickets were sold prior to the draw.

Over fifty tickets holders attended the draw for an opportunity to win and collect a new car. Additional draws for seafood and meat trays, and \$50 Bar/Bistro vouchers were also on offer for attending tickets holders and these were very popular. Kirra Beach locals and patrons of the Kirra SLSC Supporters Bar were also there and enjoyed a fun afternoon. Yes, it was an outstanding afternoon and a successful Association - Car Raffle.

The winning ticket drawn was 'TICKET NUMBER 70' purchased by long serving Kirra SLSC member Melissa Griffiths..... "Congratulations Melissa".

A big thank you from the committee is extended to all who bought tickets in the 'Car Raffle 2018' and for so generously supporting the Association. We hope to see you all again next year for the Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association –**Car Raffle 2019**.

A special mention and thanks to Paul Cameron and **Sci-Fleet Toyota** for the incredible support provided and contributions to making this Car Raffle a success..... "Well done!"

"Keep building the membership!" Several long serving Kirra SLSC members took the opportunity during this afternoon's Car Raffle draw to provide their contact details and join the Association.... "Welcome on board!"

"An invitation to join" – To all Kirra Surf Club long serving and past members; our Kirra Nipper coordinators and members; and Club associate and support members, an invitation is extended for you to be listed on "The Association" Membership Register to receive your Newsletter "What's Happening!" and to be informed and consider participating in the activities and events planned throughout the year by the Association. It costs nothing to join to have your name and contact details on 'The Association' Membership Register.

"Supporting your Club - our Kirra Surf Life Saving Club"

It is so simple to join! Just Email your name and contact details (postal address; telephone/mobile; and Email address) to 'The Association' Secretary Adam Day: <a href="mailto:kirra@kir

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Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association '2018 Calendar of Events' is available on the Kirra SLSC webpage: www.kirrasurfclub.com.au | Old Boys

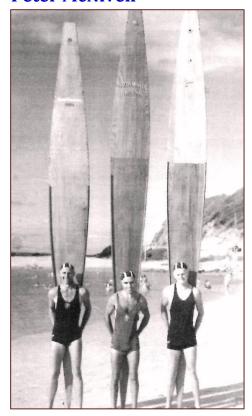
Have you provided your electronic Email address? Of the current Association membership, nearly eighty (80) members have not yet provided an electronic Email address. The Association's committee invites you to provide your electronic mailing address (should you have one). Details on your electronic Email address may be forwarded to Secretary Adam Day at kirra@kirraoldboys.com

"Should you not have or wish to not provide an electronic Email address, you will continue to receive all newsletters, news updates, and 'Old Boys' broadcasts circulated from time to time to ALL MEMBERS"

### **LEST WE FORGET**

"Thank you to Kirra SLSC Honorary Life Member (2011) Tony Wadeson for providing details on the following Club members who sadly are no longer with us"

#### **Peter McNiven**



Peter McNiven moved up to Brisbane from Sydney to manage Plumridge's Chocolate Factory which had been recently purchased by his family. He joined the Kirra Surf Life Saving Club with his close mate Mal Jarden. Both Peter and Mal gained their Bronze Medallions on the 16<sup>th</sup> December 1950 and were keen board riders (Kirra SLSC 100 years by PD Kelly: Page 104).

At the 1953 Queensland Surf Life Saving Championships, Peter McNiven won the State Surf Board title with fellow club members Keith Hamilton and Don Barclay finishing in  $2^{nd}$  and  $3^{rd}$  placings respectively (Kirra SLSC 100 years by PD Kelly: Page 107). Peter McNiven was the Kirra Club Honorary Treasurer for the 1953/1954 season and further served as the club's Surf Board Captain for several seasons.

After their marriage Peter and his wife Glenda lived in the Brisbane suburb of the Grange, Brisbane. They later relocated to Aspley and then in their later years moved into the Weller Gardens Retirement Village at Chermside. With Peter's deteriorating health he further moved into the Aged Care Complex within the Village. Peter McNiven died on the 10<sup>th</sup> September 2017 aged ninety years.

"Left: (L-R) Queensland Surf Board champions – Keith Hamilton (2<sup>nd</sup>); Peter McNiven (1<sup>st</sup>); and Don Barclay (3<sup>rd</sup>) are at Kirra Beach in 1953"

#### **Paul Williams**



Paul Williams joined the Kirra Surf Life Saving Club in 1960 and gained his surf lifesaving Bronze Medallion on the  $14^{\rm th}$  December during his first season with the club. Paul was a good size of a man and everyone remembers him for his big smile.

Nicknamed 'Yogi' given his size, Paul enjoyed Rugby Union and played as a member of the Kirra SLSC Rugby Union Team during the foundation season in 1964 (see photograph). Paul was the club Pillow Fight Champion and also rowed in the senior surf boat 'B' crew in that same year. However Paul's main sport was boxing in which he excelled. It is believed that he was Queensland's Amateur Heavyweight Champion at one stage.

Paul 'Yogi' Williams passed away on the 21st March 2018 only two months short of his seventy-seventh birthday (26/05/1941 – 21/03/2018). He will always be remembered as that big man with the big smile. Paul was a good club man and liked by all.

#### Kirra Lifesavers Rugby Club – Foundation Season 1964:

#### **Queensland Rugby Union Sub-District Competition**

(Reference: Kirra SLSC 100 years by PD Kelly: Page 148)



Kirra Lifesavers Rugby Club - Foundation Season 1964 Queensland Rugby Union Sub-District Competition

Back Row: R Ford-Johnson (Secretary/Treasurer), J Dunsdon (Coach), W Wright, C Leagh-Murray, P Williams, B Carter, B Thorne, F Hull, M Geary, C DeVene (Pres. KLRC) D Brockhurst (Pres. Kirra SLSC)

Middle Row: J Price, J Grant, L Bliss, R Edmonds, R Garnsey, V Arnall, P Carlton

Front Row: R Wilson, N Ryan, R Carson (Captain), G Power, I Munro, R Batstone. Absent: S Carseldine, G Worrell

"Above: Check the names of the players and support staff for this Rugby Union Team – some Kirra legends here!"

I know that you join with me in acknowledging these past surf lifesavers and members of the Kirra Surf Life Saving Club, and offer of deepest sympathies to the McNiven and Williams families on their sad loss.

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#### KIRRA SLSC MONTHLY NEWSLETTER (Kirra Khronicle):

For those who enjoy catching up on what's happening with your Kirra Surf Life Saving Club.......

Visit the webpage: <a href="www.kirrasurfclub.com.au">www.kirrasurfclub.com.au</a> "So simple to access...... Go there and have a look on what's happening for the Kirra Surf Club and the Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association"

An *'Old Boys'* article is now regularly included in the Kirra Surf Club's monthly newsletter — **KIRRA KHRONICLE.** Should you have an item of interest and/or a photograph for this monthly Newsletter, than please forward to me care of <u>kirra@kirraoldboys.com</u> prior to the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the month..... *"Go visit the Kirra webpage – it's a good read!"* 

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#### **Request for assistance from Kirra Club President Michael Hill:**

In our April Newsletter I mentioned that Michael was seeking assistance for toilets and cisterns for the soon to be refurbished Kirra clubhouse downstairs 'members showers and toilets'. These facilities are in high demand throughout the year and need an urgent rebuild. Whilst the Club has received a small government grant for the project, this will not cover the full costs of the reconstruction works required.

I am very pleased to advise that our long term 'Old Boys' and Kirra past member Brian Bartels (son of Kirra SLSC Life Governor Carl Bartels) and his wife Angela recently confirmed their support for this project. Club President Michael Hill and the committee are truly thankful for this most generous financial and in-kind assistance. "Brian and Angela – well done and our sincere thanks from the Old Boys Association"

#### Last patrol for the 2017/2018 season:



Congratulations to all Kirra SLSC members who undertook their responsibilities and maintained beach patrols throughout the season. You continue a proud tradition that extends back over 102 years of ensuring surf safety for those who swim at Kirra Beach. Congratulations also to those 'behind the scenes' dedicated workers who ensure that the Kirra Club members are trained, proficient, equipped, and rostered to fulfil their obligations on behalf of their Club. I also note with interest that there remain several long serving and 'Association' members who still perform their beach patrols..... "Congratulations to all - Vigilance and Service"

"Above: Last patrol on Kirra Beach for the 2017/2018 season – Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2018 by Patrol Group 9 (L – R): Patrol Captain Ben Sholz; Scott Byrnes; Ray Wintzloff; Ivo Garofalo; Chris Damic; Jack Wintzloff; Lyn Kirkwood; Peter Barry and CoCo the assistant patrol dog. Peter Barry, Chris Damic and Ivo Garofalo also undertake Waverunner Mobile Surf Patrols with Chris and Ivo on 24 hour callouts as rostered.... A very experienced Patrol Group"

#### Seeking a pair of the old R & R costumes:

**STOP SEARCHING!** The 'Old Boys' Committee was after a pair of R & R costumes worn by club members competing at Australian Surf Life Saving Championships. The R & R costume is the type displaying the Kirra SLSC (with surf reel) logo. Your 'Old Boys' Committee would like to professionally frame this costume with appropriate photographs as a part of the historical collection to be showcased in the clubhouse. "Many thanks to Margaret Nicholson who through daughter Sue's enquiries has provided the costume from the 1950s worn by Club legend Arch Nicholson OAM, and also a Kirra March Past costume...... When appropriately showcased these will be a key feature of Kirra's future historical displays".

# "Please keep this date reserved on your calendar!" 'Sports Luncheon at the Pineapple Hotel' – 31st August (11am to 3:30pm)

"Enjoy an outstanding day with Kirra mates and friends; seafood lunch and refreshments; excellent speakers relating their challenging experiences and successes; raffles and special fund raising activities; and just a fun day for all attending. Start today and organise your table of TEN...... Bring along nine mates with you for an enjoyable lunch, drinks, and good yarns!"

Tickets only \$120 each <u>OR</u> \$1080 for a table of <u>TEN</u> – Includes a seafood lunch and refreshments

Contact John Bell (Mobile) 0401 172 521 or Adam Day (Mobile) 0447 208 986 to reserve your tickets

Email: <u>kirra@kirraoldboys.com</u>

WATCH THIS SPACE...... For further details

I invite you to share this Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association − Newsletter 4/2018 with your 'circle of friends' listed in your own electronic "Address Book"...... Many thanks ©

Peter Beauchamp President – Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association 11<sup>th</sup> May 2018



## **Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association**

### "Major events remaining for year 2018"

Date	Event/Activity	Contact
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> July 2018 from 7am Wynnum Golf Club	'Annual Golf Day'  WHEN: 29th July 2018 with tee off at 7:20am  VENUE: Wynnum Golf Club  NUMBERS: Only twenty-four (24) player spots are available  (Contact the Golf Club Pro Shop on 07 3396 9000 to booked your golf cart)  Lance English; Keith Boucher; Greg Dunn; Peter Kelly; Roger Cresswell; Bob  Wilson; Peter Beauchamp; John Bell; and Tom Lagan and others have  confirmed their playing  ONLY 12 PLAYER SPOTS REMAINING RING JOHN BELL TO BOOK  YOUR GAME!!	John Bell  Mobile: 0401 172 521; Home: 07 5590 9256; Email: johnleebell46@gmail.com
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> August 2018 from 11am Pineapple Hotel	'Sports Luncheon at the Pineapple Hotel'  WHEN: Friday 31st August 2018 from 11:00am to 3:30pm (To be seated no later than 11:30am)  VENUE: Pineapple Hotel, Main Street, Kangaroo Point (Just up the road from the famous Gabba!)  Enjoy yourself with Kirra mates and friends; seafood lunch and refreshments; excellent speakers relating their challenging experiences and success; raffles, auctions, and other special fund raising activities; and just a fun day for all attending.  Tickets just \$120 - Includes a seafood lunch and refreshments (Organise your table of ten and get one ticket free!!)	John Bell Mobile: 0401 172 521; Home: 07 5590 9256; Email: johnleebell46@gmail.com  OR  Adam Day  Mobile: 0447 208 986 Email: kirra@kirraoldboys.com
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2018 from 6.00pm Pineapple Hotel	'Annual Meeting and Christmas Function'  This is the occasion to catch up with past and long serving Kirra SLSC members to enjoy Christmas fellowship with mates. 'Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association' Office Bearers of President, Secretary and Committee Member for 2019 will be endorsed at this annual meeting.  WHEN: 23rd November 2018 from 6:00pm VENUE: Pineapple Hotel at Kangaroo Point  "Complementary refreshments and fingerfood provided"	Adam Day Secretary Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association Mobile: 0447 208 986 Email: kirra@kirraoldboys.com
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> December 2018 from 3.00pm Kirra SLSC Supporters Bar	"Celebrating the life of Graham Freeman, a dear friend and Kirra surf lifesaver" – A special day for past and long serving Kirra SLSC members to be held on Friday 28th December 2018 from 3:00pm at the Kirra SLSC Supporters Bar.  "You are invited to wear your Kirra Old Boys or Kirra SLSC polo shirt"  "The annual Bumpo Freeman Commemorative Day is a special occasion for all Club members to come together in fellowship to celebrate the lives and contributions of all those Kirra SLSC members who are sadly no longer with us"  LEST WE FORGET	Peter Beauchamp  President  Kirra Surf Club Old Boys  Association  Mobile: 0429 548813  Email:  kirra@kirraoldboys.com