



# Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association

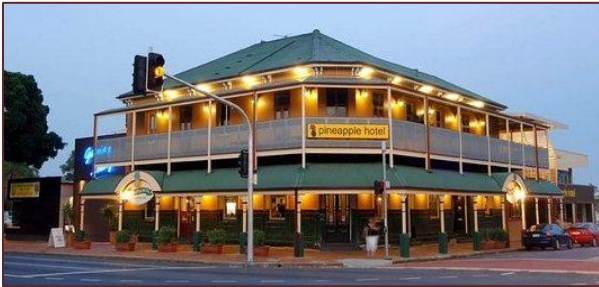


## NEWSLETTER

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## “Great occasions not to be missed!”



‘Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association’  
**Christmas Function**  
*This is a wonderful opportunity to catch up with past and long serving Kirra SLSC members to enjoy Christmas fellowship with mates at Bob Singleton’s Pineapple Hotel.*

*The Pineapple Hotel is situated on Main Street, Kangaroo Point and just walking distance to the famous Gabba Cricket Ground. Bob Singleton is a Kirra SLSC Honorary Life Governor and long-time supporter of the Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association.*

**FRIDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> NOVEMBER 2018 FROM 5:30 PM**

*‘Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association’s committee positions of President, Secretary and Committee Member for 2019 will also be endorsed at this annual Christmas function’*

*“Complementary refreshments and fingerfood provided”*



## Bumpo Freeman Remembrance Day

*‘Celebrating the life of Graham (Bumpo) Freeman, a dear friend and Kirra surf lifesaver’*

**FRIDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2018 FROM 3:30 PM**

**KIRRA SUPPORTERS BAR & BISTRO**

*“Come along and wear your Kirra Old Boys or Kirra SLSC polo shirt”*

*“A special occasion for all past and current surf club members to come together annually in fellowship to celebrate the lives and contributions of those Kirra SLSC members who sadly are no longer with us”*

## LEST WE FORGET

*“Complementary refreshments and fingerfood provided by the Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association”*

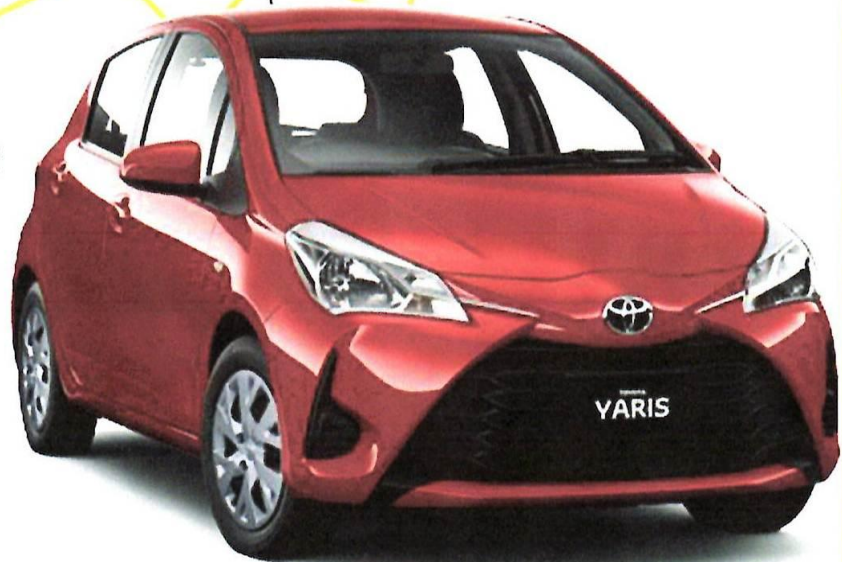


# Its On Again

## Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Assoc

### Car Raffle

**Win a  
Toyota Yaris  
Valued at  
\$15,990**



**\$120 tickets ~ only 199 to be sold**

Drawn Sunday 5th May 2019 at 4pm  
Kirra Surf Club Supporters Bar  
Marine Parade, Kirra  
Complementary drinks for all ticket holders  
present for draw from 3pm to 5pm

Vehicle supplied by:

**Sci-Fleet Toyota**



Tickets available now  
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## “50<sup>th</sup> anniversary reunion – Kirra Legends of the Surf”



What a day for a reunion with several of Kirra’s Australian R & R Champions, their wives and friends getting back together for lunch and a cold beverage at the Kirra Supporters Bar & Bistro on the 17<sup>th</sup> October 2018. Many great stories were shared over lunch of large surf, tough competition, and victories on the beach.

Between them this group of outstanding Kirra surf competitors won the National Championship of Surf Lifesaving Australia on three separate occasions in 1968, 1970 and 1971. In 1971, the champion Kirra R & R Team was selected in its entirety for the Australian Surf Life Saving Team and represented our nation on the Asian Tour.... “This was just an incredible achievement!”

**Check out the then and now photographs....** “Haven’t changed a bit states Kirra SLSC Honorary Life Member Peter Kelly! Yes all are looking well ☺”

*“Below: National Champions – 1968 North Cronulla Beach NSW (L-R): Col Wright, Bob Littler, Ron Gurnett (LM #38/1973), Arch Nicholson, Vic Arnall, Peter Wippell, and John Littler; Right: The team are in the same order (L-R) with Mrs Margaret Nicholson in the centre – 1968/2018”*



*“Above: National Champions – 1970 Ocean Grove Beach, Torquay VIC (L-R): Cameron Leagh-Murray, Peter Wippell, Col Wright, Peter Kelly, John Littler, and in front: Bob Littler and Arch Nicholson (LM #27/1961)”*



*Above Left: (L-R): Col Wright (LM #61/2003), Cameron Leagh-Murray, Bob Littler (LM #39/1974), Peter Wippell (LM #40/1975), John Littler, and Peter Kelly (LM #57/1997) – 1970/2018”*



*“Left: National Champions – 1971 City of Perth Beach WA (L-R): Peter Wippell, Cameron Leagh-Murray, Peter Kelly, Vic Arnall, Bob Littler, and Col Wright”*



*“Right (L-R) Col Wright, Cameron Leagh-Murray, Bob Littler, Vic Arnall (LM #63/2005), Peter Wippell, and Peter Kelly – 1971/2018”*



**Kirra ‘Legends of the Surf’**



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**“The Family Club – Bar – Bistro – Gaming – Friendly Staff – Greatest views on the Gold Coast”**

**“Thank you to Kirra’s Australian R&R Champions (1968/1970/1971) who chose to celebrate their outstanding competition success at their very own Kirra Supporters Club – Bar & Bistro on the occasion of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary year of their victory at North Cronulla Beach, NSW – 1968”**

**CONTACT THE KIRRA SUPPORTERS CLUB AND BOOK YOUR GROUP REUNION OR FUNCTION – “GREAT VENUE FOR CELEBRATING GREAT MEMORIES” – 07 5536 2787**



**“Electronic mail address...the way to go!”** Have you provided your electronic Email address to Association Secretary Adam Day? Of the current Association membership (now almost three hundred), only fifty members are yet to provide their electronic Email address. The Association’s Committee invites you to provide your electronic mailing address (should you have one). Details of your electronic Email address may be forwarded to Secretary Adam Day at [kirra@kirraoldboys.com](mailto: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”**

## Beach patrols back in full swing – 2018/2019 season



Long serving and experienced Kirra Surf Club members were on the first beach patrol for the 2018/2019 season, ready and available on the 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2018. The swimmers were safe at Kirra Beach with this proficient and experienced patrol group on duty.

*“Left: On patrol with Casey Kreutzer; Greg Dunn (LM #62/2004); Paul Bertini; Allan Comans; Brian Hurley; and Scott Byrnes (LM #50/1989)”*



**“Proud to be Australian”**

Information about your Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association, copies of past Newsletters, and details on planned events are available on the Kirra SLSC Website: [www.kirrasurfclub.com.au](http://www.kirrasurfclub.com.au) | Old Boys

## ‘Association membership’

**“Keep building the membership!”** Over the past ten months almost sixty current, long serving and past Kirra Surf Club members have joined the Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association. As our numbers approach three hundred members, your Association Committee remains committed to reaching the target of five hundred members on the Association’s ‘Membership Register’ ..... **“It costs nothing to join and all are welcome on board!”**

**“An invitation to join”** – To all Kirra Surf Club current senior, long serving and past members; our Kirra Nipper coordinators and members; and Club associate and support members, the **invitation is extended** for you to be listed on the Association’s Membership Register to receive your Newsletter **“What’s Happening!”** and to be informed and consider participating in the many 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: [kirra@kirraoldboys.com](mailto:kirra@kirraoldboys.com)

## **Kirra Supporters Bar & Bistro – NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT!!**

The Kirra Surf Lifesaving Supporters Association has responsibility for developing and implementing the business strategies that hopefully will sustain the Kirra Licensed Bar and Bistro into the future. The Club Manager deals with the daily operations including all staffing arrangements. A big year (2018/2019) ahead for the newly elected Kirra SLS Supporters Association ‘Committee’ and Club Manager Curtis Henderson to ensure the continuing operational business viability of the Kirra Supporters Club.....

**Long term success will only be achieved with all members of the Kirra Surf Life Saving Club; Kirra Juniors (Nippers) Association; the Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association; and the Kirra SLS Supporters Association taking collective ownership and utilising this excellent surf club licensed facility..... “It is your licensed club!”**

**GREAT CLUB – GREAT FACILITIES – GREAT STAFF – GREAT OCEAN VIEWS**



## EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Expressions of Interest are invited for the positions of [Treasurer](#) and [Secretary](#) of the Kirra Surf Lifesaving Supporters Association:

Your Kirra Supporters Association and Kirra Supporters Bar is not sustainable without your help! Do you possess the following?

- # You just love being a volunteer;
- # You are a good communicator;
- # You have reading, writing and arithmetic skills (The 3R's);
- # You think innovatively and are willing to just have a go; and
- # You love a challenge and not afraid to do things differently.

If yes, then you are well suited to lodge your "Expression of Interest"!!

Expressions of Interest for the positions of [Secretary](#) and [Treasurer](#) for the Kirra Surf Lifesaving Supporters Association are invited and can be sent to: [beechofamily4@tpg.com.au](mailto:beechofamily4@tpg.com.au)



## YOUR KIRRA SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB – NEEDS YOUR HELP AND SUPPORT!!!

### Down memory lane:

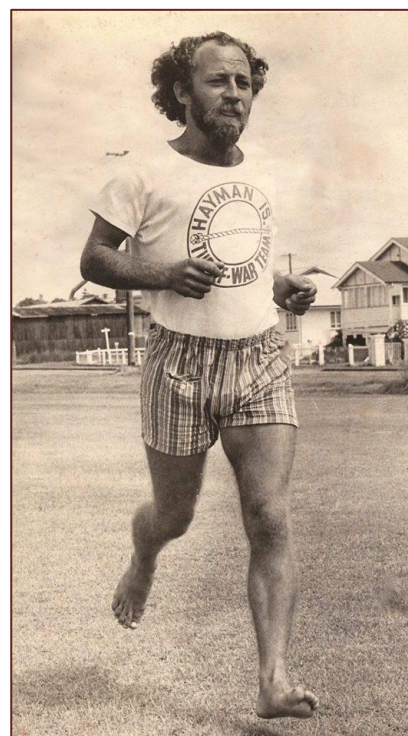


*"Left: Beach Flags – check out the baton!! (L-R) Ross (Bundy) Edmonds; Tom Laffin; Dennis Boucher; Alan Beauchamp; and Barrie Thorne (LM #42/1977)..... Bazza, gosh that right arm looks ominous? Watch out brother!" (What year was this??)*

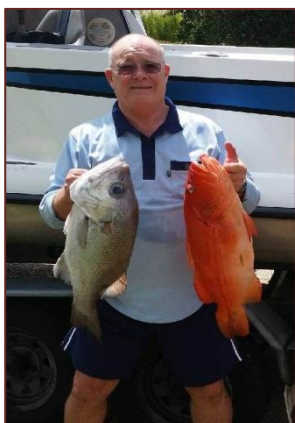
*"Right: Kirra Honorary Life Member John (Brashie) Bell (LM #70/2015) ... our Club's very own Marathon Man"*

**Brashie was the inaugural recipient of the Club's 'Most Outstanding Achievement Award' presented at the Annual Dinner in 1973:**

On the 23<sup>rd</sup> February 1973 Brashie ran over 100 kilometres through the night from the Alliance Hotel (Spring Hill, Brisbane) to Coolangatta to raise funds for the construction of the Club's Gear Shed. Brashie achieved the incredible amount of over \$2,500 for his surf club in sponsorship for this marathon run (see full details in *Kirra SLSC 100 years: by Peter D Kelly: Page 182*). Brashie is a champion worker for the Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association and assists with the annual Golf Game, Sports Luncheon and so much more..... ***"Thanks Brashie – your valued contributions are always so very much appreciated..... Go the mighty ROYAL BLUE and GOLD!"***



## Enjoying his retirement:



*“Well here is another of those Kirra Old Boys who is enjoying his well earned retirement. Out fishing last weekend (mid October 2018) and caught these two beauties! Coral Trout and a Perch I believe?..... Well done Rick!”*

Kirra SLSC Honorary Life Member (#45/1981) Rick Sellwood was one of the original four JRB Drivers for the surf club who along with Max Klingner (LM #24/1954), Ron Halpin (LM #30/1965) and Les Sellwood (LM #44/1980) kicked off our JRB surf patrols in the early 1970s. That Smith Boat powered by a V8 Engine driving a three stage Hamilton Jet Unit sure did power that JRB along. Rick was an excellent clubman and administrator, serving as Hon. Treasurer for five years and an exceptional fund raiser. He has that special honour of being the recipient of ‘*Kirra’s Most Willing and Consistent Member*’ award on two separate occasions..... Kirra’s premier member’s award for the year.

## 2019 CALENDAR EVENTS AND DATES NOW CONFIRMED

Year 2019 annual events for the Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association with dates and venues are now confirmed..... *“Book these dates on your home calendar and we sincerely hope you have the time to attend, catch up with olde Kirra mates, enjoy the fellowship and great yarns, and assist with our fund raising activities....See you there!!”*

| DATE (2019)                      | EVENT  | VENUE                 |
|----------------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> May       | Draw Kirra Old Boys Car Raffle (From 3:00pm)                                       | Kirra Supporters Club |
| Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June   | Kirra SLSC Annual Dinner   | Kirra Supporters Club |
| Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June     | Kirra SLSC Annual General Meeting  | Kirra Surf Club       |
| Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> July      | Annual Kirra Golf Day (From 7:00am)  | Wynnum Golf Club      |
| Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> August   | Kirra Sports Luncheon (11:30am to 3:30pm)  | Pineapple Hotel       |
| Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November | Annual Christmas Function and Old Boys Association – General Meeting (From 5:30pm) | Pineapple Hotel       |
| Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> December | Bumpo Freeman Remembrance Day (From 3:30pm)  | Kirra Supporters Club |

**Note: Other events will be included in the calendar as planned ‘For your information’**

### Queensland Public Holidays

New Year’s Day – Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019; Australia Day – Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> January; Aus day Public Holiday – Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January; Easter – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April to Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April; Anzac day – Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April; Labor Day – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May; RNA Day Brisbane – 14<sup>th</sup> August; Queen’s Birthday – Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October; Christmas Day – Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> December; Boxing Day – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> December 2019

Hope you enjoyed the read..... I invite you to share this Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association – Newsletter 8/2018 with your circle of friends and those listed in your own electronic ‘Address Book’..... Many thanks ☺

**Peter Beauchamp AFSM**

Kirra SLSC Honorary Life Member (LM #49/1986)

President – Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association  
(26<sup>th</sup> October 2018)