

Sorrento Surf Lifesaving Club Newsletter

THE SPRAY

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President's message

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

We are now well and truly into the summer season now and I've had the opportunity to catch up with many of you either on the beach, at Nipper sessions or patrols – It's great to see so many members out and about and enjoying our great beach and facilities.

As many of you will be aware, the start to this season has not been without its challenges, but we are fortunate to have so many people within the club who are willing to step up and get involved, and I thank everyone who has done so, without you we wouldn't have the club that we do. I'd encourage anyone who wants to take a more hands on role within the club to do so, it's very rewarding and a great opportunity to make new friends and help shape our great club.

There's been lots happening at the club over the past couple of months – we've run a first aid course, two bronze courses and an SRC course. We are also in the process of training up some new IRB crew members which will boost our numbers in a positive way.

We're also about to have the first of our social functions – a pizza night – see the article later in this newsletter. Hope to see as many of you there as possible.

I look forward to catching up with you on the beach!

Jane Wright, President

Bayswim update

This year's Bayswim date has been set for 10 February and we welcome Natalie Garner into the role of coordinator. We will of course be looking for volunteers again for the key roles so keep an eye out for the call up! We particularly need people to help with the set up, water safety and administration so if you're available please email swim@sorrentoslsc.com.

Patrol news

The patrol season so far has been fantastic!

Well done to all patrollers and particular congratulations to our new Club Captain Tom Morrison and all the Patrol Captains and Junior Patrol Captains for stepping into their new roles so well.

Board update

Sorrento's boards are all ready for the new season with lots of repairs and even some new mals in the garage. A special thank you to Shane Britten, Royston Bradshaw, Greg Coles, Mason Riley, Des Smith, Blair Johnstone and Michael Quinn who spent many hours over winter ensuring the boards are in excellent shape. Thank you also to Trigger Bros, who supplied materials for repairs to our club for free.

We encourage you to take the boards out for training or surfing but please remember to respect the equipment.

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In order to keep the boards in good condition this season there are a few guidelines:

- Boards are not to be ridden on the inside between mid-tide and low tide when the rocks are exposed or if there is a risk of catching a fin
- If you take a board down to the beach it is your responsibility to bring it back up to the club house and wash it off - there have already been a number of incidents of boards being left out overnight
- Bennett Surf Rescue boards (the hard foam boards) are primarily for patrol use and water safety so if you are just looking to go for a surf try and choose a different board if there is one available

Sorrento SLSC and Barefoot Cinema

This January Sorrento SLSC has been offered an opportunity to partner with the Barefoot Cinema on their Surfing Night. They will be screening Proximity on Thursday 4 January. Details can be found here: <http://www.barefootcinema.com.au/surfing-night/>

The Barefoot Cinema has offered Sorrento SLSC an exclusive area for the evening. If you are interested in attending please book your tickets using the link and information below.

Additionally, Sorrento SLSC members are entitled to a 15% discount for all Barefoot sessions. To take advantage of this offer, head to website www.barefootcinema.com.au

- choose your venue and session; and
- enter the promotional code: SORRENTOSLSC

All of those tickets will then have the 15% discount applied to them.

Social night – pizza!

Our first social event of the season is again a pizza night. Sorrento Trattoria will be providing some fantastic pizzas for our enjoyment, the bar will be open and we will have a raffling off a number of items – including a gigantic toblerone!

We will kick off at 6.30pm on Saturday 6 January.

All members are welcome – please rsvp to Janice O'Connor on 0425 798 905 by 3 Jan.

Cost is \$10 per head or \$30 per family.

See you there 😊

Don't forget, if you have any news or items of interest that you would like to include in our next edition, please drop me a line at secretary@sorrentoslsc.com

Many thanks

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