



# PICNIC BAY SLSC. JUNIORS

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# Merry Xmas



Our Nipper Christmas party and fun day is on today, Santa will arrive in the IRB and the kids will have a fantastic day. A special awards ceremony will also be taking place today.



BIG thanks to the families who donated their time in the shopping centre's and various other locations for the recent Annual Surf Appeal. Without your support we would not have been able to raise the much needed funds for our Club. Gold stars go to Jason Wells, Steve Braddick & Jimmy Heery our very own Nipper Dads who went 'Up the Tower' and raised thousands of dollars. Overall approximately \$43,000 was raised which is the top club in the State?



A special thanks to Barb Anderson for coordinating this huge event and to all her merry helpers – You are great! GO PICNIC BAY!



An important message reminder to all parents: - It is really important that parents help out in any way on our Sunday mornings as we now have a record number of 250 Junior members. Water safety people are always needed and also little things like carrying & washing boards, packing up tents are very much appreciated. Remember a little assistance goes a long way. Another thing, it is very important for parents to be at the beach in case a sting or accident occurs to their child.

Have a great day!



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**WE THANK OUR SPONSORS ONCE AGAIN FOR THEIR SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGE YOU TO SUPPORT THEM**



Newly Graduated SRC Awardees - Well Done!



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## Interesting Facts about your Club

See below numbers for the 09/10 season

Fluros U7's – 59  
U8's – 39  
U9's – 31  
U10's – 31  
U11's – 32  
U12's – 24  
U13's – 17  
U14's – 17  
**TOTAL = 250**

### GO THE BAY!

Have you checked out our Website:-

[www.pbslsc.com.au](http://www.pbslsc.com.au)

### STOP PRESS

Discount with Sunferries Adult's \$18.60 return and Children \$7.65 return. Members to purchase tickets at least 20mins prior to departure and produce their membership card to receive the discount.

## Mark in your Diary

- 1. Junior Xmas Party & Fun Day –Sun 13<sup>th</sup> Dec 8.30am**  
Award ceremony and Santa arrives in Duck, bring a plate food to share.  
Club group Photo of ALL Nippers to be taken at the start of the day.
- 2. 17<sup>th</sup> Jan 2010 (SUN) Return** back to Nippers.
- 3. 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan (SAT) Twilight Carnival** – Australia Day  
Start 3pm (with Arcadia, Forrest Beach & Ayr invited)  
BBQ afterwards.
- 4. BOWEN Carnival** – North Barrier Branch (NBB) U8's to Masters – **6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> FEB 2010**. Semi Compulsory for all Nippers. NO normal Sunday Strand Nippers. For Accommodation Ring Bowen Tourist Information.
- 5. NOTE:** - It has been noticed that some Kids are not wearing their Caps whilst participating at Nipper Club days. This is compulsory requirement from Australian Surf Lifesaving.

### TRAINING SESSIONS

Training will stop for the Xmas break. Resume on 23 Jan 2010.

## ISLAND CLUBHOUSE

Come and stay at beautiful Magnetic Island!

The Island Clubhouse is available to all members for a very minimal charge (\$7ea person per nite) if you wish to stay, this makes it a very affordable holiday for families that would enjoy an island break at anytime! The Club can sleep about 30 people with full kitchen and bathroom facilities so give Beryl (Administrator) a call now and make your booking



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## BOARD SUBSIDY

**Did you know that our Club offers a Board Subsidy to members?** All you need to do is apply to the Committee and if approved PBSLSC will subsidize half the cost over a period of 2 years of your new board (*conditions apply*). See Graham Adams or Jeff Weightman or ring Beryl in the admin office for further details.

## Do you know???

Any potential sponsors for our Junior State Team??

Picnic Bay Nippers are sending a fantastic team to the QLD State Junior Surf Lifesaving Championships being held at Emu Park (near Rocky) on 9, 10 & 11<sup>th</sup> April 2010.

We are seeking Clothing sponsors or any type of assistance at all is muchly appreciated.

See your Age Manager if you can help or ring Graham Adams on 0418 728336.

### Age Group Photos

We are endeavoring to get group photos with as many of the kids as possible.  
See below the U10's





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### **Training and Development Report**

What a start to the season we have had.....In two and a half months you have:

- Had Nippers each Sunday morning
- Board Training U8-U14 every Wednesday & Board Training U11-U14 every Saturday
- One week School Holiday program (last hols)
- Attended fundraising activities
- Attended the Forrest Beach Carnival
- Attended the North Aussies at Mackay (Under 11 up)
- Attended the Sarina Carnival
- Had the Picnic Bay Carnival (Under 8-Under 10). It's all go.....What is coming up:

### **BOWEN BRANCH CHAMPIONSHIPS – 6<sup>th</sup> & 7th February 2010**

**This is the big carnival for us.**

For many of our junior parents, your first taste of the carnival atmosphere was at Picnic Bay-The Strand last month, our small Under 8 to 10 carnival. This is where the children competed in team and individual events for Picnic Bay and did so very passionately and well. It was great to see such a big representation and participation. Based on my assessment the children had a great time.

Our strength is with our team based competition backed up with some solid individual performances.

We, the committee of Picnic Bay, would love to see as many of our Under 8s to Under 14s represent Picnic Bay at BOWEN. Bowen is a great place and not far down the road. Generally the Carnival starts about 8.00 to 8.30am on the Saturday and finishes about 11.30 to 12.30 on the Sunday.

All children who nominate will compete and if they have undertaken nippers on a Sunday, then they know what they are in for.

All our Age Managers will be attending the Bowen Carnival and will look after our Juniors on the beach ensuring they compete in the correct events etc. So I guess that if you can find the time and resources to compete at Bowen- the age managers and coaches who have assisted the development of the children throughout the season who appreciate and enjoy seeing the Crew compete at the 'Olympics' of our Branch Competition Calendar.

**Under 11-Under 14 news-** Remember the Bowen Carnival which is the Branch Championships on 6th & 7th Feb 2010 is compulsory to those who want to be considered for state Titles selection at Emu Park in April. It will be important to enjoy the festive break, but if you are looking to be selected for the State, it is important to maintain some level of training before the Branch. The Branch results will matter for the selection Panel.

### **BOARD TRAINING 18 TO 22nd JANUARY 2010**

We are looking at undertaking a training programme at Ross River early next year (last week of School Hols). This is a great opportunity leading up to the Branch Championships.

If we do go ahead with this, we would expect the training times will be 8.30 to about 10.30am each day-Monday to Friday. (At Rossiters Park pontoon).

We will issue information later (late December or early Jan- via email) to advise if this will be a goer. Depending on water safety, numbers may be limited.

### **EIMEO (near Mackay) CARNIVAL UNDER 8 TO UNDER 14 on 27th and 28th February 2010**

This is a junior carnival within our Branch for those who are interested. More information will follow on this one.

### **PROGRAMME**

Please find attached a draft programme for the second half of the season (January to April); this has some key dates on it.

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## SURF GIRL UPDATE

Surf girl **Sheridan Arthur**, would like to thank all the fantastic Nipper parents & nippers for helping with fundraising at the Annual Surf Appeal.

**COMING UP:** - DON'T Miss the famous Annual Picnic Bay Trivia Night:-  
Saturday 13/02/10.

PCYC Wellington St MUNDINGBURRA

\$10 per head or \$100 table of 10

THEME – Fancy Dress your table for great prizes.

Celebrity Host & Lots of other great prizes.

TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE WHEN NIPPERS RESUME ON 17TH JAN  
LIMITED NUMBERS!! See Paula Morgan our Water Safety Guru for tix.

ASK ANYONE WHO'S BEEN IN PAST YEARS AND HEAR THE GREAT STORIES AND FUN  
NIGHT THAT'S BEEN HAD.

Great Northern Raffles generates \$15,000 per year for our club Only 1 hour on every Friday 5pm-6pm. **Any dads** who would like to be added to the roster (twice a year if we have enough Dads) please let Paula know ASAP on **4778 1413 or 0407 026 166**

Also a big thank you to all the parents and senior members who have provided water safety so far this season. Your help is much appreciated.

REMEMBER it's not too late to get your surf bronze and be a part of the "coolest place on the beach – THE WATER".





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## **SURF RESCUE CHAMPIONSHIPS ALVA BEACH**

This report is on the Juniors participation in the Surf Rescue Championships held at Alva Beach on the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> of December. We had only one Competitor who championed the cause in the Champion Lifesaver Competition held on the Saturday. Jayden Adams did exceptionally well in winning the Under 14 division. Jayden now has the opportunity to compete at the Junior State Titles in this competition.

Sunday was the day of the Patrol Competition; this is a competition which tests the skills of what Lifesaving is all about, **WHAT TO DO IN AN EMERGENCY SITUATION**. This competition is a Senior Event and we the Juniors (Under 14's) as we have done in past years put together a team to compete above our age. The team comprised of Jayden Adams, Harrison Lowth, Connor Heery and the only girl Julia Braddick. Some of this team struggled a little bit competing against the older group of Under 15's but what they lacked in Physical ability they certainly made up for in Enthusiasm and Practical ability. This team had a heap of fun as there was no pressure to perform to any expectations. They reaped the rewards though when they came away with a Bronze Medal after a limited lead up. Fantastic effort and a lot of fun. The team would like to pass on a big thanks to Julia's sister Caitlin and Harrison's brother Zac who volunteered some time to teach them the finer points.

### **Highlights**

- Harrison rescuing 3 Swimmers with one Tube.
- Connor doing two swims in a row.
- Julia paddling a board
- Jayden pulling a swimmer out of the water who was not part of the Event.

There were plenty of opportunities for everyone in the champion Lifesaver Competition from Under 12's to Under 14's as there was only one competitor in the Under 12 Girls, one competitor in the Under 13 Boys and two competitors in the Under 14 Girls

**Remember if you don't have a go you will never, never know.**



U15 Bronze Medalists – Patrol Comp  
Jayden, Julia, Connor, Harrison – Well Done!