

EASTER 2010

## Newsletter

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### *A note from your Deputy President*



I did not have an idea on what to write about and then I thought why not talk about the benefits of being involved in your Club. Myself and my wife Jenny have been actively involved with the Club for the past 10 years Jenny holding a position on the Junior Committee for the past 9 seasons as a Team Manager, Age Manager, Proficiency Officer, Carnival Nominator, server at bbq's and Carnival Official. Myself having held the positions of Club House Director for both Island and Mainland Clubhouses for two seasons and the past 8 as Deputy to George Clarke. There have been a lot of changes over the past 10 years coming from the Island with a total of about 40 Nippers to coming to the mainland and exploding the next season signing on over 150 nippers. Did this cause a bit of stress oh yes, where were we going to get enough helpers, age managers, equipment, trainers, cooks, people to help with the BBQ, and of course people to serve beer as we did not have a full license then. But we managed and we managed because the Parents of these Nippers became actively involved they put their hands up for anything that was on offer, they did there Bronze and became Patrolling Members allowing them to also do water safety for their kids, they took on roles as Secretary, Training Officers, age Managers and Catering staff. It was fantastic we had all these new people so willing to volunteer just a little of their time. Did you know if 4 people volunteer 15minutes of their time that saves one person volunteering 60 minutes of their time makes a big difference and people do not get burnt out, they stay keen and the Club goes from Strength to Strength? The Junior Committee just had their AGM and quite a few of the mainstays actually stood down and will now go into the Senior Ranks. There are openings for anyone who wishes to take on a role be it large or small. The Senior AGM is approaching and as it maybe a little more demanding in holding a position but it has its rewards and they are that you can say that you will be part of a management team of one of the Strongest and most successful Clubs in both Far North Branch and North Barrier. I know that George and I are nearing our tender and we are probably looking at someone to take on our roles if not in 2011 maybe 2012 . Don't get me wrong taking on a senior position is demanding but very satisfying. I must say though it does get a bit worrying when senior officers do stand down and then you think who will fill their spots, will they do as good a job it doesn't matter if the job is not done as good as it was, it is the effort that is appreciated. We thought we would have no one to replace our long serving Treasurer Peter Mc Grath and then comes along Mary Stephenson fantastic replacement. There is something for everyone it also gives you the opportunity to introduce new initiatives ,have an opinion and be able to do something about it instead of sitting on the grass and whinging remembering the saying "EMPTY VESSELS MAKE THE MOST SOUND".

And how do we stay afloat financially "FUND RAISING". How many people do you know no matter where you are always whining about how my kid doesn't paddle a new board or why is it costing me \$1000 to send my kid away for soccer or why is the equipment out dated. Those people who whinge the most are the ones who will not offer 5 minutes of their time let alone half a day. We have so many yearly Fund Raising activities in place now we have the opportunity to raise in the vicinity of \$100,000.

## **Activities Listed**

**People to People** about 20 families needed to billet kids from America 2 Nights, 1 Day Kids ages range from 13 years to 17 years

Arrive Thursday Afternoon around 4.00pm 22<sup>nd</sup> of July  
Depart Saturday Morning 7.00am 24<sup>th</sup> of July

**PROFIT \$4,500.00**

Man the Hyde Park Centre **Show Car Park** 3 hours a shift over 3 Days. 10.00am till about 6.00pm

**PROFIT \$4,000.00**

Man the Hyde Park Centre **V8 CARPARK** 3 hour Shifts over 4 Days 6.30am till 1.00pm

**PROFIT \$10,000.00**

**Rattle the Tin Sell Sunscreen and Ice Creams** at the **V8'S** 10 People per day for 4 days 8.00am till 2.00pm

**PROFIT \$20,000.00**

**Man the Water Stops** at the Running Festival 7 Stops approx. 3 people each stop 5.00am till about 9.00am

**PROFIT \$2,000.00**

**Cook breakfast/Lunch** for 1500 Corporate Triathlon Competitors. Do water Safety. 30 people from 8.00am till 2.00pm

**PROFIT HAS POTENTIAL WITH BAR TAKINGS \$15,000.00**

**Great Northern Raffles** every Friday Night 5.00pm till 6.00pm on the Dot. 3 Ticket Sellers.  
**PROFIT \$15,000.00**

**Ewan Races** sell beer clean away rubbish and ask for Gold Coin Donation to breathylyse day after

**PROFIT \$4,000.00**

**Chocolate Drive** all nipper parents are asked to take a box to sell if you are like me you will eat the lot yourself

**PROFIT \$2,000.00**

**MANDATORY CLUB FUND RAISER DOOR KNOCK EVERY CLUB MEMBER MUST PARTICIPATE**

**PROFIT \$45,000.00**

**Trivia Night**

**PROFIT \$4,000.00**

There is so much that a small band of people have organized and attended it is a big job but as you can see the rewards are fantastic. WE HAVE 500 MEMBERS IT PROBABLY TAKES ABOUT 2000 MAN HOURS TO RUN THESE EVENTS THAT IS ABOUT 4 HOURS PER PERSON FOR THE WHOLE SEASON AND CAN WE GET THAT OUT OF 500 MEMBERS NOT A CHANCE WE GET ABOUT 30 MEMBERS. IS IT TIRING YES, IT IS FUN YES, IS IT REWARDING YES, DO YOU GET TO NETWORK YES.

So next time you are asked to help out please think about the phrase many hands make light work. Don't wait to be asked help out anyway.

I think I have filled in the space so I will sign off and be sure to make your presence felt it is appreciated. Do not hesitate to speak to me or George even if you would like to run with one of the Events or help.

Note: We even have difficulty in manning the sausage sizzle on a Sunday for 3 hours how hard is it to sell a sausage.

**PROFIT \$9,000**

Cheers  
Jim

## *Surf Sports Update from Ian Wright*



The tradition of the Critter Hay Memorial Handicap Surf Race lives on this weekend.

The Critter Hay Handicap Surf Race has been run every Easter Sunday for approx' 48 years. Critter (Ernie) was a great club member and a real character.

He was tragically killed in a work accident, leaving behind a wife and child, who perpetuated the memory of Critter with the Easter Sunday swim.

Traditionally a highly prized trophy, and being a handicap event, many of the past winners include some of the "not so fast in the water" members as well as some of our best swimmers.

We look forward to seeing you at the island Sunday Morning

Where: Magnetic Island Club House

When: Easter Sunday 9.45am Start (to allow anyone catching the ferry to attend)

Please: Personal Protection Suits a Must

Please note that due to unforeseen circumstances we have changed the Club Champs to SUNDAY

ONLY not Saturday & Sunday as previously communicated.

When 8.00am Start Sunday 11th April

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I apologize for any inconvenience caused.

Ian Wright - Director of Surf Sports



## Happy Easter Picnic Bay Surf Lifesavers!

Are looking for a fun escape this Easter? Then hop down to Sunferries Travel and talk to our friendly team to plan a **FUN** Easter break. We have a variety of tours, activities and accommodation options from Fraser Island all the way up to Cape Tribulation. Staying in town this month? Then check out the school holiday activities on offer at Reef HQ and the Museum of Tropical Queensland. Purchase your Reef HQ entry tickets from Sunferries Travel at the Breakwater or Nelly Bay Ferry Terminals. (Reef HQ school holiday program free with admission). Don't forget sign-up to the Sunferries E-escapes newsletter to receive the **HOTTEST HOLIDAY DEALS** each month straight to your inbox! Sign-up today at [www.sunferries.com.au](http://www.sunferries.com.au)

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• *A reminder to all members about the Members Draw each Sunday between 2pm and 4pm.*

• *The member whose number is drawn MUST BE PRESENT and must have their MEMBERS CARD to receive the jackpot prize which is now worth \$100!!*

• *Hope to see you there!*                      *\*NB - NOT OPEN EASTER SUNDAY!!!!!!!!!!*

## Dates to Remember

Junior State Titles 16th - 18th April

Presentation Dinner 29th May  
@ the RAAF Base

Annual General Meeting 20th June

# GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL RAFFLES

It's Friday afternoon. It's hot & it's humid. You're ready to start the weekend with a nice cool beer. You open the fridge. To your horror & dismay you witness a traumatic site..... THERE'S NO BEER!!!

Moments before the  
inside, you remem-  
ber a place where  
everybody knows your  
name & your heart  
beats steady once  
you stroll on down to the Great  
Northern Hotel where you are greeted  
with open arms by  
your



panic flares up  
ber that there's  
everybody  
name &  
begins to  
again. You stroll  
Northern Hotel  
with open arms by

fellow Clubbies.

Thank Goodness for fundraisers!

**EVERY FRIDAY AFTERNOON FROM 5PM.  
NEW MEMBERS/YE OLD MEMBERS AND POTEN-  
TIAL MEMBERS ALLS WELCOME!**

**YOU DON'T HAVE TO SELL TICKETS JUST COME ON  
DOWN AND SUPPORT THE PUB THAT IS SUPPORT-  
ING YOUR CLUB!**

**IT'S ALSO GREAT WAY OPPORTUNITY TO CATCH  
UP WITH YOUR FELLOW CLUBBIES!**

**SEE OVER PAGE FOR RAFFLES ROSTER**

## **GREAT NORTHERN RAFFLES ROSTER R 2010**

### **(5 PM - 6 PM SHARP)**

FRI 08/01/10	PAUL WEST	TONY LORENZ	JIM HEERY
FRI 15/01/10	JOHN BRADDICK	SEAN GIBSON	JIM HEERY
FRI 22/01/10	HOOKIE MORGAN	DARRIN BRAGG	
FRI 29/01/10	VIC O'KEEFE	LEAH SLADDEN	MO MARA
FRI 05/02/10	ANDREW MCCUTCHAN	DREW ARMIT	JIM HEERY
FRI 12/02/10	GARY GAGE	GLENN PARRY	
FRI 19/02/10	CRAIG BENNETT	MICK ANDERSON	
FRI 26/02/10	BRAD SKINNER	STEVE BRADDICK	
FRI 05/03/10	JASON WELLS	TROY JACOBSEN	JIM HEERY
FRI 12/03/10	BRIAN MOORE	GREG CULLEN	BRIAN HEYER
FRI 19/03/10	DON ARMIT	PETER MCHUGH	
FRI 26/03/10	MATT TWOMEY	BRENT & GRAHAM SHAILER	
THU 01/04/10	JEREMY GAGE	TRAVIS SCHMIDT	KATHY BROWN
FRI 09/04/10	ALYSHA MORGAN MORGAN & JIM HEERY	JANE DOWKER	RACHAEL CLARKE
FRI 16/04/10	PAUL WEST	TONY LORENZ	
FRI 23/04/10	JOHN BRADDICK	SEAN GIBSON	
FRI 30/04/10	HOOKIE MORGAN	DARRIN BRAGG	
FRI 07/05/10	VIC O'KEEFE	LEAH SLADDEN	MO MARA JIM HEERY
FRI 14/05/10	ANDREW MCCUTCHAN	DREW ARMIT	
FRI 21/05/10	GARY GAGE	GLENN PARRY	
FRI 28/05/10	CRAIG BENNETT	MICK ANDERSON	
FRI 04/06/10	BRAD SKINNER	STEVE BRADDICK	JIM HEERY
FRI 11/06/10	JASON WELLS	TROY JACOBSEN	
FRI 18/06/10	BRIAN MOORE	GREG CULLEN	BRIAN HEYER
FRI 25/06/10	DON ARMIT	PETER MCHUGH	
FRI 02/07/10	BRENT & GRAHAM SHAILER	MATT TWOMEY	JIM HEERY