



MUDJIMBA SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB NEWSLETTER



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PRESIDENTS REPORT – PHIL DANIELS

Hello Mudjimba Surf Lifesaving Club Members,

Sometimes it's hard to describe the meaning of an event that happens to you until some time after the event has occurred. I'm sure that's the same for many people. Joining a surf lifesaving club over 10 years ago was a turning point in my life, the significance of which I would not realise until many years later. Mudjimba by chance, happened to be that club for me.

Like many members of surf lifesaving in Australia, my introduction was through nippers and my daughter progressing through the nipper ranks here at our Club. I was unaware at the time, the membership I had signed onto, gave me friendships with a whole new community. It has helped me grow as I saw the growth in others, mainly nippers I was involved with as an age manager but adults as well. It has educated me in new skills and further developed skills I had previously. It has given me a network of contacts in various roles in our community, not just local but across the state. And I even found employment from contact within our Club.

To say I have benefited from my membership at Mudjimba is a huge understatement. I reflected on this during my patrol last Sunday afternoon. I am lucky enough to patrol with a couple who hail from the United States and they brought Thanksgiving lunch to the beach. Now I'm new to this celebration – it's not an Australian day after all. But I had to think on the meaning of the day to our American friends and what the simple act of sharing lunch with friends in a beautiful spot in the world meant to me. What was I thankful for.

As we head into Christmas, many of us will travel to family and friends. Some of us will have those close to us share this time with us at home. It is another special time, whatever your beliefs, to remind ourselves of the benefits we gain advantage from every day. For me, I really do value my membership to this Club, to be involved with every one of you in some small way and I appreciate what that gives me. Thank you.

I wish all of you a happy and safe Christmas period – the silly season.

We as a club, are still busy at it with longer shifts and a lot of shifts in quick succession for the next two months. Please watch out for your fellow patrol members, help out where you can. Many of us will miss a patrol or two as we all have functions and events to attend. But if you can lend a hand elsewhere, please do so. Your contribution, no matter how small, is valued and could save a life. Stay hydrated and sun smart as always.

Some good news: we are this close to having a replacement vehicle for the club. Many of our members have been working hard to make this happen and I thank them for their extended efforts.

You may notice the club has solar panels and a battery to assist with our green targets and reducing our power bills. A BIG thank you to the Building Committee and the Grants team for realising the dream here. It is a big deal.

We are also a step closer to replacing the SSV. We will continue to work towards that and hopefully we will see it early in the new year.

Our membership is growing with more and more of us gaining awards and progressing our surf lifesaving journey. Our patrols should start to see the benefits in the coming months.

Our youth are participating in Camp Commando and Pulse Junior programs and our Youth Development team are working with other engaging activities to help retain some of the most exciting members of our team.

Training continues – please see the various Facebook posts for timings and come along to give it a go.

And so much more...

Enjoy the beach, enjoy the club. I know I do 😊

Cheers,

Phil Daniels.



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DEPUTY PRESIDENT – TIM YOUNG

YOU ARE ALL LEADERS!

Research shows a **motivational leadership style** creates teams that are;

More motivated, perform better, are happier, engaged and positive, and less likely to leave!

Effective leadership is critical to motivation and Self Determination Theory research identifies some useful tips to **support, motivate, and retain participants in your organisation/activity.**

Controlling vs interpersonal leadership styles

Ask yourself what approaches do I typically use to get people to do things?

People do things along a continuum ranging from because;

They feel they have to to because they want to!

Where are you on the continuum between motivational leadership and controlling leadership?

Facilitating people wanting to do stuff controlling people to feel they have to do things?



Leadership Style

Controlling	Motivational
Direct people	Invite participant agendas
Monitors people	Asking with rationales/reasons
Uses words like must, have to...	Empower followers to implement their ideas
Exercises positional power	Elevates the follower
Task orientated	Relationship oriented supporting people
Prescriptive, carrots and sticks	Self-control, empowered to do what you're interested in
Micromanaged	Supported and enabled to have a go and excel

DIRECTOR OF SURF SPORTS – RYAN VEITCH

NOOSA HEADS U8-U10 CARNIVAL (25th November):

This carnival saw the highest number of nipper competitors in about five seasons for Mudjimba. We had 15 enthusiastic Mudjies competing in the water and on the sand. There were some great performances on the day but these carnivals a(U8-U10) are about fun and they certainly had plenty of that. Mudjimba has a reputation of being the loudest and most supportive crew at any carnival we attend, I'm happy to report that the future is in good hands with the support our Mudjies showed.



UPCOMING CARNIVALS:

- 16th December – Mooloolaba Masters Christmas Carnival
 - o <https://www.trybooking.com/CNQNK>
- 13th & 14th January – State Board Riding Championships (Sunshine Coast TBA)
 - o U17, U19, Open & Masters
 - o Short & Long Board events
- 26th– 28th January – Murphy Homes Maroochy Classic (Maroochydore)
 - o U17, U17 & Open
- 23rd– 25th February – Youth Branch Championships (Mooloolaba)
 - o U11-U15
 - o All Events
- 2nd March – U8-U10 Branch Championships (Met Caloundra)
 - o All Events – solo & teams
- 15th– 17th March – State Masters Championships (Kurrawa)
 - o All Events – solo & teams

- 22nd- 24th March – Youth State Championships (Burleigh Heads)

Please contact me at surfsports@mudjimbasurf.com.au or 0437 490 978 if you have any queries regarding upcoming carnivals.

Ryan Veitch
SURF SPORTS

DIRECTOR OF JUNIOR ACTIVITIES – ZOE NAYLOR



We completed our first points day and our Nippers did a fantastic job! Thanks to our water safety and age manager volunteers, our nippers are learning more skills to swim, run, and paddle and continue to improve each week.

Important Dates

Saturday 9 December: Carols for Clubbies. 5pm food stalls open; 6pm program begins

Sunday 10 December 8am: Last Nippers til after new year

Sunday 21 January 8am: Nippers starts up again

Sunday 24 March: Nipper Presentation Day



In early November, the Coolum Lion's Club presented our nippers club with a \$2,000.00 donation. Thank you Lions!!! You can help the Lions Club this month by purchasing a Christmas cake during nippers at the canteen.



We had 14 Nippers compete at the Noosa U8-U10 Carnival. Big thanks to water safety volunteers Aaron and Matt and thanks to Adam as Team Manager. The kids did a great job competing and were able to gauge their skills against other nippers from around the Sunshine Coast



Thanks to Guy Tanner and Scott for running our SRC/Bronze program. Congratulations to our 8 nipper parents for completing their award!! This is a big commitment for you as parents and we thank you for getting this certification for your kids.

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Member Spotlight: Jenny. Jenny is a life member of Mudjimba SLSC and currently our First Aid Officer. Jenny has been a Patrol Captain and Secretary of the Club among other roles in her 20+ years as member. Jenny still comes down to patrol and continues to keep our first aid office well stocked and ready for any emergency. Thank you



Member Spotlight! Sally joined the club as a nipper parent. Beginning as an Age Manager, Sally completed her bronze medallion 5 years ago. Although her kids are done with nippers, Sally continues to patrol with our club and serves as Club Secretary. Thanks for your time on and off the beach Sally!!!



Member Spotlight! Dali started as a nipper when she was 8 years old and now serves as a Patrol Captain!! Dali is a wonderful role model for our nippers to see what skills, training and leadership can bring you in surf lifesaving. A true asset to our club, we are glad to have Dali volunteer with us. Say thanks when you see her on the beach!



Member Spotlight! Fay has been involved in many aspects of the club for many years and currently volunteers as our clothing officer. Receiving her 10 year service award in 2020, Fay is an exemplary example of a patrolling member who gives service beyond the water's edge. A qualified ART and First Aid member, Fay leaps into action to assist injured patrons (sometimes on a weekly basis!). Thank you Fay for your service to the club!



Member Spotlight! Glenn just received his 10 year National Patrol Service award in 2023. As a Patrol Captain and IRB Driver, Glenn takes care of beach patrons on the sand and in the water. Give Glenn a big thank you when you see him on the beach for over ten years of volunteering in our community!



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Club Championship Highlights – November 4th
Thanks to Ryan for organising and everyone for competing!





OFFICE HOURS

Monday	8:45am - 11:45am
Tuesday	8:45am - 11:45am
Wednesday	8:45am - 11:45am
Thursday	8:45am - 11:45am
Friday	8:45am - 11:45am
Saturday	Closed
Sunday	Closed

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**CHRISTMAS
OFFICE
ADMIN
HOURS**



**The office will be closed
from Monday 25DEC23 and
will reopen on Tuesday
02JAN24**

**WISHING YOU A MERRY
CHRISTMAS FROM THE ADMIN TEAM**



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