



## **ANNUAL REPORT 2018-2019**



It has been a privilege to be a member of Taree Old Bar Surf Club in the season of 2018-2019 and it has been an honour to be the President of this club in its 91<sup>st</sup> Year.

Regrettably, my role as President was not voted on by members at the AGM and instead I was voted onto the Board of Directors, who subsequently installed me in the President Role in late July.

Despite the less than ideal start, I believe our executive team has provided strong and united leadership to our club and has accomplished a great deal in the 2018/2019 season.

Some, but not all these accomplishments include;

- Holding several fundraisers over the October Long Weekend as part of Old Bar Festival.
- Celebrating our 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary over the weekend of November 3-4.
- Officially opening the "Grant Armstrong Memorial Gymnasium".
- Increasing our Community involvement and engagement, including encouraging partnership with varied community groups, increased bar openings and increasing Hall hires and community access to our club house.
- Qualifying a new Bronze Squad who have gained IRB qualifications to increase patrol depth.
- Holding a round of the North Coast Surf Boat Series on January 19.
- Completing all rostered patrol hours with 5 smalls but dedicated patrolling teams.
- Conducting over 16 weeks of Junior Activities.

I would like to offer my sincere gratitude to our hard-working executive members, who not only hold down their Board of Director's Portfolio but contribute to the endless other tasks of our club including Fundraising, members events, bar openings, surf carnivals and regular monthly meetings to name but a few.

I would also like to acknowledge every club member, be they associates, nippers, nipper parents or gym members for your contribution to our club.

Finally, as a surf lifesaving club, it goes without saying that we need to acknowledge the incredible work of our volunteer patrollers. The job of a volunteer patroller is not glamorous, it is often thankless, at times boring and sometimes incredibly risky. Without your time, your skills and your dedication there in no club. Couple this to the fact that we have limited patrol numbers, with a dangerous beach and that many of our patrol members take on more roles than patrolling such as Nippers water safety, age managers, bar operators, raffle ticket sellers, cleaners and BBQ Cooks only further exemplifies what you contribute to our club and the community. Thank you.

While we acknowledge the excellent work of everyone this season, our job is not yet finished and going into the future we need to work towards identifying, implementing and achieving sustainable goals to help us make our club continue to prosper.

Since leaving administration, four seasons ago, we have admirably completed all our requirements and rebuilt our club. However, now is the time, especially with such a dedicated group of members, that we can look beyond trying to survive each individual season and instead build our club for the future. I urge all members to think about an area they are passionate about in our club and see if there is a way they can help us we can build it up further.

We are Team T.O.B.

Jane Lynch

President Taree Old Bar Surf Club

# 2018-2019 Season Award Winners

## PERPETUAL AWARD WINNERS:

- Patrol member of the year- Andy Snelgar
- Grant Armstrong Memorial Club Worker of the Year- Alan Lewis & Carolyn Weiley
- Jeff Vandenberg Memorial Young Member of the year- Ryley Burge & Amber Kelleher
- Doug Ferguson Memorial Male member of the year - Michael Cameron
- Female Member of the year- Sarah Little
- Doug Ferguson Memorial Club Member of the Year- Andrew Somerville

## BRANCH AWARD NOMINEES

- Surf Sports Team of the Year- Old Bar Black Sheep – Jane Lynch, Maggie Collins, Ben Stevenson, Sarah Little and Corinne Stevenson.
- Coach of the Year – Ben Stevenson
- Age Manager of the Year- Sarah Little
- Facilitator of the Year- Corinne Stevenson
- Administrator of the Year- Michael Cameron
- Youth Volunteer of the Year- Ryley Burge
- Volunteer of the Year- Dean Donovan
- Patrol Captain of the Year- Tate Muscio
- Youth Lifesaver of the Year- Amber Kelleher
- Lifesaver of the Year- Murad Alshalalfah
- Master Lifesaver of the Year- Andrew Somerville.

## BRANCH AWARD WINNERS

- Facilitator of the Year- Corinne Stevenson
- Administrator of the Year- Michael Cameron
- Patrol Contribution Award- Joe Dunn

As a club, we would also like to highlight the inspiring contribution of Andrew Somerville, who this season clocked up 40 years of service to Surf Life Saving. He is a wonderful lifesaver and ambassador for our club and Surf Life Saving.

## DIRECTOR OF ADMISITRATION REPORT

2018/2019 SEASON.

Another year of consolidation & responsible management for TOBSLSC. Positive steps have been taken with compliance matters and the Board have been transparent in conveying their decisions.

All of the executive positions, except Sports Education, were fulfilled in 2018-2019.

Minuted Executive Meetings were held in accordance with the Club's Constitution and are duly filed.

It is a credit to the past Boards that they have been able to return TOBSLSC to viability & functionality after the Administration process. You need to appreciate that in the corporate world there are not many survivors from the appointment of Administrators.

President Jane Lynch initiated Management Plans for the Executive to ensure that the designated events happened within the required time periods and dates. Jane also introduced the requirement for the executive members to provide written reports prior to the executive meetings to assist with the flow & length of time normally associated with Board meetings. Both of these initiatives greatly improved the role of administration. Jane also has to be congratulated on a great speech delivered at the 90th Anniversary dinner before dignitaries such as the Federal & State members of parliament. Well done Jane. Congratulations to the balance of members of the Board for providing the teamwork to fulfil their functions in their various specialist areas.

From an administration viewpoint the following matters progressed during the year:

The downstairs unit became a rental proposition and is contributing to rental income.

Casual rentals & hall hires have also assisted rental income.

The gym became functional and contributed with greater membership fee income.

From a community viewpoint the open-air screening on the front lawn of "Teach a Man to Fish" was a success. The 90th Anniversary of TOBSLSC was a fantastic weekend and was a highlight for me. Congratulations to the Anniversary Committee and in particular Bevan & Carolyn Weiley for their contribution.

The club needs greater contribution from the community to continue its re-building process & celebrate its 100th Anniversary in 2008.

Anyone who wishes to make a contribution may do so by joining up on a committee.

ALAN LEWIS

DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION 2018-2019.

Congratulations to the Taree Old Bar members who have completed the following Awards this season:

Bronze Medallion	Murad Alshalalfah Lindsay Bidner Andrew McNeice Tom Riley Howard Sampson
IRB Crew Certificate	Murad Alshalalfah Lindsay Bidner Tom Riley Howard Sampson
IRB Driver	Lindsay Bidner

In addition to these completed Awards, we also have Jane Lynch, Brian Kelleher, Angela Kelleher training towards their IRB Driver Certificate and Dean Donovan and Andrew McNeice training towards their IRB Crew Certificate. With the support of our qualified IRB Drivers to provide these members with access to hours in the boat, these members will achieve their Awards early next season.

With the dedication of our Patrol Captains performing the role of Skill Maintenance Officers, we were able to refresh the skills of our current patrol members to remain qualified and stay involved in the Club. Proficiencies completed in the 18/19 season included:

AWARD	# of members who completed proficiency
Bronze Medallion	43
Advanced Resuscitation Certificate	9
IRB Crew	16
IRB Driver	7
Spinal Management	12

We are a small education team at Taree Old Bar with Tate Muscio and Jane Lynch as our Trainers and me as Assessor for the Bronze Medallion. Tate Muscio is very close to being signed off as being able to also train the IRB Awards. A huge acknowledgement to Jane and Tate for the extra hours they put in to deliver training at our Club. These hours are not recognised and are in addition to patrol, competition and executive roles performed. Thank you!

As a small education team, we need support from other Clubs in order to get the Assessments completed for our members. A massive thank you needs to be extended to Tony Sylvia (South West Rocks), Ian Everingham (South West Rocks), Janne Moran (Pacific Palms) and Greg Irving (Crowdy Head) for volunteering their time to ensure our members are confident and competent to protect our beach.

Report prepared by:  
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**From:** Director of Lifesaving  
**Date:** 6 July 2019  
**Lifesaving report 2018/2019**

Lifesaving

The club again provided a great service this patrolling season with new Tec iPad patrol log book and logins things should get easier as we use these tools.

It's through the continuous professional attitude of all our active members that our jobs as lifesavers helps with the preventions on our beaches.

Thanks to all our patrol captains and there teams for their hours they put into patrols.

To all the members who did the extra hours over hour holiday seasons the community thanks you and is a real strength of the club.

Thank you to all members looking forward to another year improving lifesaving skills and enjoying friendships.

Dean Donovan