

# MMLSC Beach News

## February 2012





## President's Report

Community—that is the feeling I had on Australia Day afternoon when I walked away from the club house after another amazing MMAD swim day. It is truly the spirit of Mt Martha that shows so overwhelmingly on such a great day like we had. It is so fantastic to see everyone pull together to get the job done on the day. From the members who arrived at the club from 5-30am to help with all the set up that was not able to be done prior to those who spend months behind the scenes working so hard on the detailed jobs that have to be completed just to get the swim day off the ground. It is quite humbling to see so many of you lend a hand and show your support not only to the Life Saving Club but the whole of the Mt Martha community because this event has become iconic to our little township. This year was the 16th swimming of the swim and it was a record number of entries again. The MMAD Swim started as the Quinn swim under the guidance of Lindie and Darrel Hartwig and their team of merry helpers many of who return year after year to lend a helping hand and to guide those less experienced with the day. This year the 5km Crazy Swim was introduced, all 100 entry places were filled plus a couple extra. It was spectacular to watch all those swimmers take on the race and what a finish we were treated to neck and neck over the last part of the swim and finally only a few seconds separated 1st and 2nd. Hoody and team what a fantastic effort, you were able to pull it off great well done look forward to next year.

Four carnivals into the New Year already, it doesn't seem possible. There have been so many fantastic results achieved by so many new and seasoned members. Remember that you don't have to win, it's about doing your best and enjoying your carnival day at the same time. One outstanding result was Meg Ridley who was selected as part of the Victorian team, congratulations Meg from all club members. The Vic team competed at Queenscliff SLSC up in NSW over the weekend of the 21st and 22nd of January. Meg you're a champ a second in the U17's Beach Sprint and a third in U17's Flags awesome effort against the best Australia has to offer. As bay clubs we can mix it with the best of them.

The club had another amazing result with the second of our Highway collection thanks to everyone who turned out for what was a pleasant day of collecting. Just over \$9600 was collected due to the generosity of motorists passing through the intersection. It was great to see the Federal Minister Greg Hunt help out on the day. Greg's not worried about getting in and having a go which he also displayed by again swimming in the 1.2 km MMAD swim.

It's time to amp up the training for all those who want to compete at States, Masters and Aussies in the coming weeks and months. As this is the last post before Masters at Lorne SLSC I want to take this opportunity to wish all Masters the best of luck for the event be safe and enjoy the day. It's great fun to compete and catch up with people that you have not seen for 12 months. I wonder if we can make it 4 years on the trot good luck to all. A brief note on the building we are still stuck in council bogged down in more red tape but cutting through it slowly dotting the 'i's and crossing the 't's as we go.

**John Harvey**



## Highway Collection Thank You

Thank you so much to the wonderful members that came and “rattled” a tin at the intersection and those who did all the counting and running around, giving up their time on a summer Saturday. I would especially like to thank Sally Davis for giving up her home, once again, as the counting house. We raised the fantastic amount of \$9,606 that will go towards Club funds and benefit all areas of the membership.



Great work from Emma in designing the Hungry Monster nipper and the MMAD swim logo for 2012. Also thank to Sally for organising the t-shirts. More Nipper shirts are being ordered.



## MMAD Swim

More MMAD swim photos can be found on the MMAD Swim facebook site thanks to our photographers Dave, Emma and Megan. Also check out Grant's Youtube video. Search MMAD Swim 2012.

## Club Training

### Monday

Seniors sprint training  
5 pm -6 pm  
Mace Oval

### Tuesday

Competition Nippers Board  
Training 4.30 pm  
Parent supervision required  
Seniors/Masters Board  
Training 6.00 pm

### Wednesday

Masters Training  
Resumes 11/1/2012  
6.00-7.30 pm

### Thursday

Seniors Training  
6pm-7.30pm

### Friday

Nippers Training 6.00 pm  
Resumes Friday January 13

### Saturday

Swim, Board, or Ski  
8.00 am

### Sunday

Swim, Board, or Ski  
8.00 am

## MMLSC ATV INDUCTION

- ATV inductions will be held from 12 pm on February 12 and March 18
- at MMLSC This will be available to all patrolling members who are 18
- years or older and hold a current valid Victorian drivers licence.
- The induction should only take approximately 15-20 minutes per
- person.
- Patrol members who attend a MMLSC ATV induction are only allowed
- to drive the MMLSC ATV on the Mount Martha beach.
- If you have questions please contact Tim Harper 0414 507783
- [tim.harper@brooks.com.au](mailto:tim.harper@brooks.com.au)

## New Bronze Course

- **WHEN:** Wednesday nights from 6.30pm and Saturday afternoons
- from 1 pm commencing 8th February,
- **WHERE:** Seaford Life Saving Club
- **ASSESSMENT:** TBA
- Please let Tim Harper know if interested by 1st of February
- **CONTACT:** Tim Harper 0414 507783 [tim.harper@brooks.com.au](mailto:tim.harper@brooks.com.au)

## Masters

- With the Masters State Championships at Lorne fast approaching
- (11/2/2012), Wednesday training will be taking on a more competitive
- flavor. Those not competing will still be catered for. For those
- intending to compete, remember to register and pay your \$32 through
- the club website as soon as possible.

### Dr Rip's Essential Beach Book

Everything you wanted to know about surf, sand and rips' is a bestseller in Australia and is available from all good bookstores and the [iTunes Bookstore](http://www.scienceofthesurf.com). <http://www.scienceofthesurf.com>

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## Nipper Carnivals

Date	Venue	Carnival	Time	Cost	Registration Due
<b>Sunday, February 5</b>	<b>Pt Leo</b>	<b>Peninsula Regional Championships</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>	<b>\$16</b>	<b>29/01/2012</b>
Sunday, February 19	Bancoora	Junior Carnival #4	9.00 am	\$15	13/02/2012
<b>Saturday, March 3</b> <b>Sunday, March 4</b>	<b>Lorne</b>	<b>2012 Victorian Junior Championships</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<b>10/02/2012</b>

## Senior Carnivals

Date	Venue	Carnival	Time	Registration Due
Sunday, February 12	Lorne	Summer Surf Series #5	8.00 am	<b>07/02/2012</b>
Sunday, February 26	Inverloch	Summer Surf Series #6	8.00 am	21/02/2012
<b>Saturday, March 10</b> <b>Sunday, March 11</b>	<b>An- glesea</b>	<b>2012 Victorian Lifesaving Championships</b>	<b>8.00 am</b>	<b>10/02/2012</b>

## Masters Carnivals

Date	Venue	Carnival	Time	Cost	Registration Due
<b>Saturday, February 11</b>	<b>Lorne</b>	<b>2012 Victorian Masters Championships</b>	<b>8.30 am</b>	<b>\$32</b>	<b>02/02/2012</b>

## Training Officer Course

A new Training officer's course is being held on Saturday February 25 and Sunday February 26 at Ocean Grove. If you are interested in more information please contact Tim Harper.

### The Bloody Big Swim

Congratulations to all the members who recently participated in the Bloody Big Swim especially the four solo swimmers Dave Fraser, Dave Unwin, Caroline McGill and Emma Malone.

### Rottneest Channel Swim

Good luck to Dave Fraser who has registered for the 19.7 km Rottneest Channel Swim on February 25. Dave is our first club member to enter this event as a solo swimmer.



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## NIPPERS

How fast the first half of our 2011/12 season has gone. We are now into the busy part of our season with nipper carnivals on most weekends. January 2nd we held an extra MMLSC carnival style nippers session. A fantastic morning was had by all. We originally had planned a 4.30-6pm session however due to the forecast of the day to hit around 40degrees we ran it in the morning from 9.00- 11. We had amazing feedback regarding this day from nippers, parents to Age Managers. People further down the beach were curious so came up to see what was happening. And guess what? Yes they have decided it would be fantastic for their children to partake in this fantastic, fun activity called NIPPERS at MMLSC.

You know the thing that makes our club the best is the dedication our parents put into making our club what it is today, and if not for you it would not be possible. We had a nipper's carnival at Cosy Corner on Friday January 6th another great day and Mt Martha LSC was well represented with 52 competitors. Our U13-U14 competed at Anglesea January 8 and Saturday 21st January was Sth Melbourne carnival. Woosoo what a blustery windy day however that did not deter 36 of our kids from u8 –u12 competing. Warrnambool is Saturday 28th January. We have 22 keen nippers registered for this carnival. Sunday 5th February is Regionals at Pt Leo. The cut off date for registration is 23rd January if they are wishing to compete. Pt Leo Regionals carnival is for U8 –U14. U8 can compete at all carnivals EXCEPT the Victorian State Championships at Lorne.

Pt Leo Regionals is where our TEAMS U9-U14 wishing to compete at States are required to compete and if successful, qualify for the Vic Championships on the weekend of 3-4 March at Lorne. Saturday 3rd March is individual events where all children can compete. Sunday 4th March is for teams only that qualified at Regionals at Pt Leo. We always have an outstanding amount of competitors representing MMLSC, last year around 80 of our nippers and families travelled to Lakes Entrance for a great weekend.

Registrations for Victorian State Champs cut off are 18th February. Most families have already booked accommodation months ago, so if you are considering attending and have not booked in anywhere I would suggest trying to find somewhere ASAP. Our State Team will also receive a MMLSC States team top at minimal cost so to assist us in correct amount to order please register ASAP.

**See you on the beach!!!!**

Jane Cole



## Committee Positions

The club is seeking a new Secretary to be appointed at the upcoming AGM in May. Assistance and mentoring will be provided. Other positions will also become available. If you are interested in becoming more involved and assisting in any committee position please contact Nick Wootton on [mail@nickwootton.com](mailto:mail@nickwootton.com)









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