

Port Fairy Surf Life Saving Club Annual Report 2017 / 2018



Giving to the Community



SRC Exam day with Shane Maslin (Examiner), Paul Buchanan (Examiner), and Shaun Murrhly (Chief Instructor)
SRC award: Georgie Henderson, Nicola Giblin, Liam Kelly, Erin Zehir, Max Green, Harrison Hocking, Matthew Spence, Tom Graham, Tilly Balmer, Ruby Mullins, Tessa Allen, Jack van der Aa, Bob Lang, Mitzi Adamson, Tomi Cashill and Anna Wakely.



IRB Drivers award: Jack Green (other awardees: Danny van Engelen, Scott Cooper and Adam McCosh) with Sami Zehir.

Cover:

On patrol - One of the many 2,041 patrol hours given to the community by Club members.

Bronze exam - Shaun Murrhly (Chief Instructor), Peter Artis, Griffen Lay, Sean Cashill, Greg Godde, Shane Maslin (Assessor), Megan Titmus, Paul Buchanan (Assessor), Leah Kermeen, and Fiona McCosh. (Not in photo: Patrick Farley, Rebecca Crowther, Taj Beardsley, Tim Tutt, Jarv Wiedermann, and Riley Mullins.)

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This report has been prepared for presentation to the Club's Annual General Meeting to be held at the clubhouse at 3 pm, on Sunday 12 August 2018. It contains reports and financial statements for the season 2017/ 2018 as required under the Club's constitution.

The Port Fairy Surf Life Saving Club Inc. is endorsed as a Deductible Gift Recipient, thus donations to the Club are tax deductible. The Club is a registered charity.

The Club operates from a building at the East beach, Port Fairy, constructed in 2000. During the season members patrol the moderately safe beach in front of the Club building. The sea to the North is far more energetic and at times dangerous. The Surf club was formed in 1951 out of the former Royal Port Fairy Swimming and Life Saving Club that operated from the sheltered South beach, from 1924 to 1942.

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Working with Children Checks

Under the "*Working with Children (WWC) Act 2005*", all members involved with activities of children under 18 years of age must have a valid WWC card before they can renew their membership. At the time of Club membership renewal, enter the card number on your renewal form. WWC cards can be renewed on-line <www.justice.vic.gov.au/workingwithchildren> and submitted at a Post Office. For volunteers there is no charge and the validity is for 3 years.

Members are asked to review their WWC card and renew it before it becomes out of date.

Board of Directors

Name	Portfolio	Meeting Attendance
Ian Powell	President / Risk Management	9
Neil Dyson	Vice-President/ Safety Officer	6
Tania Dalton	Club Secretary/ Club and Patrol Apparel	6
Bob Beekhof	Club Treasurer/ Power Craft Officer/ Engine Room	7
Shaun Murrhy	Club Captain/ Gear Steward Chief Instructor/ Boat Captain/ Boards and Skis/ Special Events	8
Helen Finnigan	First Aid Officer	3
Paul Buchanan	Projects Officer/ Grants Officer	7
Oscar Dunens	Gear and Equipment Steward	3
Paul Nash	Club Administrator / Membership Officer / Association Secretary/ Member Protection	9
Board meetings were held at 7.00 pm, on the first Wednesday of each month in the clubhouse.		

Other Club Portfolios

Name	Portfolio
Catherine Hetherington	Competition Manager - Seniors
Anthony Dixon	Competition Manager - Juniors
Ian Sutherland	Honorary Medical Officer
Jim Chambers	Emergency 24/7 call-out Liaison Officer
Martina Murrhy	Charlies on East Liaison Officer/ Publicity Officer/ Events Officer
Nicole Dwyer	Nippers/ Marketing/ Sponsorship/ Fund Raising/ Social Events
Scott Cooper	Radio and Communications

Club President

Dear Club Members:

From the start of construction of our Education and Training Centre at the beginning of the season, this year has been a very exciting one. I am pleased to inform you now that the building is at lockup stage and is due for completion before the 2018 – 2019 season commences. It will have a large area for education and training of Club members in life saving skills, an office, equipment storage area, and an accessible toilet. The area can be used for social functions as well. On the lower level, the heavy and wet equipment storage area has been extended. This has been a mammoth task. On behalf of us all, I would like to say a great big thank you to Paul B and Martina for coordinating the project.

Club membership has grown from 575 last season to 738 members in all categories. The most dramatic increase has been in the nippers' categories from 346 to 453. This demonstrates the popularity of the program. For this, I thank Nicole for her role as Nipper coordinator, her age managers, water safety and other supporters. We look forward to seeing many coloured caps, and youngsters in pink rashy vests again next season.

During the 2017-2018, season Club members won 212 Surf Life Saving Australia awards. A very good number indeed for a small club. Thank you Shaun for coordinating the training program and to all your helpers for getting it under way.

The Club provided a total of 2,041 hours of patrol attendance for the season. Again, I stress a remarkable achievement for a small club of volunteer patrol members. Shaun Murrhly topped the list for patrol hours' attendance with 104 hours and thus deservedly received a LSV award.

Carnival wise, members have been successful as individuals and teams both in beach and water events. At the Australian Titles in Perth, the Firebirds and Shearwaters came 5th in their finals. A great effort. Well done – you have done our Club proud. The Shipwreck Coast Ocean Swim series proved to be an exciting event with Jordan Merrilees coming in first and Olympic gold medallist Mack Horton second. Our Abbie Artis and Ed Thomas were the first Club members to cross the line. Well done Abbie and Ed.

Fund raising has been very active during the season. The Club has been fortunate to have generous benefactors. Most funds raised have gone towards the cost of building the new Education and Training Centre. A list of our major sponsors and supporters is provided at the rear of this report. It is my pleasure to thank all our sponsors and donors.

Presentation night was successfully held on Friday 4th of May. The President's Award went to Nicole Dwyer for her outstanding work with overall Club activities and promotion.

Again, I say to Board members, thanks for your attendance at meetings and support of the Club. There would be no Club without a dedicated Board of Directors.

Dear Members, I have great pleasure in commending this report to the meeting.

Ian Powell, President.

Club Captain

Many times during the season I marvelled at Patrolling Members sacrifices and commitment they give to patrolling our beaches. When people say, "You do a great job at looking after everyone," you should answer, "Yes we do."

This was more evident this year than ever before, as with record numbers at Nippers we need as many qualified helpers as possible and adult help was terrific. The addition of 15 SRC holders was a great help for the program.

The four patrolling groups numbers each weekend were ok but we are always looking for more help. Hopefully in the near future with many teenagers gaining their SRC this season we can maybe have 5-6 patrolling groups.

Shaun Murrehy, Club Captain

Club Secretary

Our 2017 season was very successful.

Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers for making this happen. I would like to thank our administrator Paul Nash for his work and a big thank you to our President, Ian Powell who puts in hours of his time to enable the smooth running of the Club. We are very lucky to have many hard working volunteers so thank you all for what you do. Once again, we had a great year with our fundraising efforts over the season that include, the Duck Race, Swim Series, New Year's Eve collection.

A huge thank you to Nicole Dwyer for the many hours put in to running a very successful Nippers programme. I believe that through Nicole's hard work and assistance from nipper parents we now run one of the largest very successful Nipper programmes in Victoria.

The competition season was very busy. Our men's and women's boat crews won Gold medals at the Victorian Masters in Lorne and competed in the Australian Titles on Scarborough beach in Western Australia. We hope to get more of our new members to compete at carnivals next season.

Thank you to our Board of Directors and our dedicated volunteers that give their time to patrol and help the Club to be successful.

Tania Dalton, Club Secretary.

Chief Instructor

It's been a very successful and rewarding year as Chief Instructor with:

- 13 Bronze Medallion
- 16 SRC (Surf Rescue Certificate)
- 4 IRBD (Inflatable Rescue Boat Driver)

awards gained by old and new members.

This was not possible without the help of Paul Buchanan and Daryl Moss from LSV (Life Saving Victoria) who came down from Melbourne to put the IRB Drivers through their exam. He was very impressed with the 5 recipients.

With the new training room nearing completion there will be no interruptions this coming season when we hope many more members will commit to gaining awards.

Shaun Murrehy, Chief Instructor

Club Treasurer

The Club is in a sound financial position, the books have been audited by Sinclair Wilson and the audited balance sheet and financial statements are located in the Appendix.

The Club has experienced a spike in membership. We now have a record high of 738 members with 453 of those involved in our nipper program. This has in turn increased our overall revenue, which allows us to service member needs and supply up to date equipment within budget.

We would like to thank Bendigo Bank, our sponsors and the many donors for their continued support.

Bob Beekhof, Treasurer and Paul Nash, Club Administrator



PRESENTATION NIGHT: Shaun Murrhy (Chief Instructor) and Katrina Anthony (LSV Western District Officer) presenting Bronze Medallion awards to Griffin Lay, Pete Artis, Sean cachill, Greg Godde and Rebecca Crowther.



Ian Powell (President) receiving a donation from Andrew Kenna (Commonwealth Bank Port Fairy)



Julia O'Neil (Community Bank) presenting awards to Dean Dwyer, Tom Graham, Shaun Murrthy, Anna Jane Henderson. Front: Jack van de Aa, Nicole Dwyer, Mitzi Adamson, and Georgie Henderson

Surf Life Saving Australia Awards

Award	Total	Male	Female
Advanced Resuscitation Techniques [AID]	7	4	3
Apply surf awareness and self-rescue skills (PUASAR012C)	14	9	5
Assessor Advanced Resuscitation Techniques [AID]	1	0	1
Assessor Bronze Medallion	1	0	1
Bronze Medallion	13	9	4
Certificate II in Public Safety (Aquatic Rescue) (PUA21012)	14	9	5
Communicate in the workplace (PUACOM001C)	14	9	5
Crew small powercraft in a rescue operation (PUASAR015A)	6	6	0
Follow defined occupational health and safety policies and procedures (PUAOHS001C)	14	9	5
IRB Crew Certificate	6	6	0
Junior Activities Age Manager Course	7	4	3
Operate and maintain a small powercraft and motor for rescue operations (PUASAR014A)	5	5	0
Operate communications systems and equipment (PUAOPE013A)	14	9	5
Participate in an aquatic rescue operation (PUASAR013A)	14	9	5
Prepare maintain and test response equipment (PUAEQU001B)	5	5	0
Provide advanced resuscitation (HLTAID007)	8	5	3
Provide basic emergency life support (HLTFA211A)	14	9	5
Provide cardiopulmonary resuscitation [CPR] (HLTAID001)	2	1	1
Silver Medallion IRB Driver	4	4	0
Surf Play Two	1	0	1
Surf Rescue Certificate (CPR Endorsed)	16	8	8
Surf Safe One	2	1	1
Surf Smart One	2	0	2
Work effectively in a public safety organisation (PUATEA004D)	14	9	5
Work in a team (PUATEA001B)	14	9	5
Total	212	139	73

Club Awards

Moyneyana Ocean Swim Award The Moyneyana Ocean Swim is a major fundraiser for the Club, making over \$5,000 this year. It is a huge event attracting well over 260 swimmers each New Year, and can only be run with the support of our members, and with the assistance of the Warrnambool & Port Campbell clubs.

We want to encourage our members to participate in the swim and the following awards recognise our patrol members who came home first in this year's swim.

First Club female patrolling member to Finish - Abbie Artis
First Club male patrolling member to Finish - Ed Thomas

Club Championship: Each year our Club Captain challenges our patrolling members to an aquatic duel- pitting the lifesaving skills of member against member in a titanic battle against the elements of sea and beach. The winner on the day of competition is forever recognized as the Club's Iron man or Iron woman for that year.

Junior female champion – Lily Godde
Junior male champion – Hamish McDougall
Open female champion – Anna Jane Henderson
Open male champion - Dean Dwyer
Masters female champion – Angela Hipwell
Masters male champion - Shaun Murrhy

Club Patrol Awards These awards recognise those patrolling members who give the most volunteer service hours to the Club's beach patrols. Some stats: patrolling members (junior and senior) who clocked up patrol hours for our Club this season - preventative actions, lost children - rescues - significant first aid.

Junior female – Tilly Balmer – 22.5 hours
Junior male – none this season
Cadet female – Georgie Henderson – 53.25 hours
Cadet male – Tom Graham – 47.5 hours
Senior female – Nicole Dwyer - 89.75 hours
Senior male – Shaun Murrhy - 104 hours

Patrol Captain's Awards Each patrol captain nominates a member of their patrol who has given exemplary volunteer service to the patrol.

Patrol Group 1, Captain Robert Beekhof – Danny vanEngelen
Patrol Group 2, Captain Shaun Murrhy – Greg Godde
Patrol Group 3, Captain Helen Finnigan – Scott Cooper
Patrol Group 4, Captain Scott Hetherington – Adam McCosh

Michael Lockett Memorial Award Michael Lockett was a terrific young member of our Club who died young. This award is in honour of his memory. This major Club award recognizes a senior patrolling member who has served the most volunteer patrol hours and provided the most benefit to the patrol system.

Shaun Murrhy - 104 hours

Tracy Trimby Memorial Cup for Cadets Tracy Trimby was a Club cadet champion in 1974. He left Port Fairy for Darwin and died young. His family donated the cup to honour him and to encourage cadet members of the Club. This award goes to our best performing cadets.

Mitzi Adamson
Jack van der Aa

Boyce Le Couteur Memorial Award for Juniors Boyce Le Couteur was a doctor practising in Port Fairy prior to moving to the United Kingdom. He was the Surf Club's first President from 1951 to 1960. This award goes to our best performing junior aged member.

Sami Zehir

S.F.R. Hedditch Memorial Award – Club person of the year Sidney Hedditch was a Club President and a tireless worker during the building of the 1964 clubhouse and his wife was a dynamic member of the Club's women's auxiliary. The "Club Person of the Year" award honours a member who has given consistent high value service to the Club during the year:

Nicole Dwyer
Robert Beekhof

Pickles Maloney Award – Life Saver of the year Graham Maloney supported the Club over several years and donated this shield to recognise the outstanding service by volunteer patrolling members of the Club throughout the season. Volunteer life saving duties remain the core work of our Club. This "Lifesaver of the Year" award recognises a member who has provided exemplary performance in this field:

Abbie Artis
Dean Dwyer

Graham Woodrup Memorial Award Graham was an outstanding Club and community member. After his untimely death in a cycling accident, the Club honoured his memory with an award fitting to the exemplary contribution Graham had made to the community. The criteria for this award is to be a member of the Port Fairy Surf Life Saving Club and to have provided outstanding service to other clubs and organisations.

No award this season

President's Award To recognise a senior Club member who showed energy and initiative with overall Club activities and promotion over the season.

Nicole Dwyer

Club Membership

Category	Female	Male	Total
Junior Activity Member (5-13 years)	229	224	453
Cadet Member (13-15 years)	12	19	31
Active (15-18 years)	12	15	27
Active (18yrs and over)	61	70	131
Associate	50	31	81
Life Member	4	11	15
Total	368	370	738

In 2016-17 total membership was total **575**, 2015-16 total **535**, 2014-15 total **487**, and 2013-14 total **451**.

Assistance given by the Club

Assistance	Events
Beach clean-up carried out by patrols	78
First Aid administered	6
Preventative actions taken	110
Swimmer assistance	0
Rescue by Type – IRB	0
Rescue by Type – Board	0

Presentation Night



Junior awards



Dean Dwyer, Lily Godde, Anna Jane Henderson, and Shaun Murrhiy



Demi Sharp (Champion Nipper) and Hannah van der Aa



Dean Dwyer and Brooke Green



Jack van de Aa, Shaun Murrhiy, and Mitzi Adamson



Nicole Dwyer, and Ian Powell

Patrol Hours

<u>Hours</u>	<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First</u>
104	Murrihy	Shaun	23.5	Zehir	Sami
99.75	Dwyer	Dean	22.5	Balmer	Tilly
89.75	Dwyer	Nicole	21.25	Lang	Robert
66	Henderson	Anna Jane	20.5	Green	Jack
65.5	McCosh	Adam	20.5	Hipwell	Angela
63.5	Beekhof	Robert	20	Giblin	Nicola
59.5	Finnigan	Helen	19.5	Zehir	Eren
53.25	Henderson	Georgie	19.25	Conheady	Isabella
52.5	Finnigan	Amy	19	Boyd	Leonie
50.75	Artis	Abbie	19	Mullins	Bradley
50.75	Cooper	Scott	18.5	Allen	Tessa
48.5	Murrihy	Martina	18.25	Buchanan	Paul
47.5	Carson	Ilona	18	Green	Max
47.5	Graham	Tom	17	Wakely	Anna
47.5	van Engelen	Daniel	16.5	Mullins	Ruby
46.75	van der Aa	Jack	15.5	Crowther	Rebecca
41.5	Kelly	Liam	14.5	Dunens	Oscar
41	Godde	Greg	14.5	Lay	Griffin
40	Adamson	Susan	14	Cashill	Tomi
36	Hocking	Harrison	13	Dixon	Anthony
35.5	Hetherington	Vicki	12.5	Cashill	Sean
35	Buchanan	Paul	11	Spence	Matthew
33.5	Dalton	Gregory	10.5	Beardsley	Tahj
33	Hetherington	Scott	9.5	Hogan	Natasha
32.5	Hetherington	Catherine	9.5	Moore	Scott
30.5	Green	Brooke	7.5	Mullins	Riley
29.5	Dalton	Tania	7	Hogan	Harry
29.25	Conlan	Paddy	6.5	Balmer	Antonia
28.75	Artis	Peter	6.5	Henderson	Simon
28.5	Adamson	Mitzi	6	Giblin	Erin
28.5	Chambers	James	6	Sharples	Lola
26	McCosh	Fiona	4	Hocking	Nicholas
24.75	Kermeen	Leah	4	Searby	Holly
24	Titmus	Megan	3.5	Farley	Patrick
			1.5	Adamson	Penny
<u>Total volunteer patrol hours given to the community 2,041 hours.</u>					

Engine Room and Power Craft Officer

First of all, thank you to all our drivers and crew for your invaluable assistance during this past season. Your help with patrols, nipper events, swimming and surf carnivals is an important aspect of Club and community involvement. We hope you enjoyed yourself and look forward to you all putting your hand up again for season 2018/19 and perhaps see a few new faces!

This season we purchased two new mercury motors through funding support and now boast four 25hp Mercury motors. We no longer have the Yamaha motors which will make fuelling and maintenance easier. The Club appreciates the due diligence that our drivers and crew show towards all of our equipment.

Repairs to the IRB's have been minor and they are in good condition. Having said that, we are in the process of seeking funding to replace the 2004 and 2006 IRB's. Maintenance and care of equipment is a priority for our Club.

Thank you to Peter Artis for making the fuel spillage tray. We appreciate Moyne Engineering's kind donation.

New drivers and crew are always welcome and we congratulate all those members that were awarded their driver and crew certificates.

Thank you again for your support and we hope to see you in season 2018/19. Have a great break!

Bob Beekhof, Engine Room and IRB Officer.

Nipper Co-ordinator

Nippers continued to move forward in season 2017-18 with record attendance of approximately 460 registered Nippers. Our first session was 02nd December and we concluded on the 25th February. Every registered Nipper received a swim bag and drink bottle this year, thanks to the sponsorship of the Port Fairy & District Community Bank and our local IGA Supermarket. There were 15 sessions in total and there's absolutely no way we can successfully run a program catering for these sorts of numbers without a lot of help and the highlight of the season for me has been how many people have been willing to volunteer their assistance.

Thanks to the efforts of our volunteer helpers and family members, we again managed to get through the whole summer without any major incidents involving our Nippers.

Safety remains our main priority and to this end we ensured that we complied with all safety measures as required by LSV including: ensuring that ocean conditions are suitable for Nippers to enter the water, that the requisite water safety personnel are on hand, and that necessary paper work has been completed and signed off. Pool swims were conducted at Belfast Aquatics prior to the season to check the swimming capabilities of our Nippers. These swim assessments will be a regular part of the program going forward as they help us determine the number of water safety personnel we need to provide during our ocean sessions. A failure to complete the requisite distance doesn't mean that the youngster can't take part in the program, only that they will need to have an adult enter the water with them (1:1) until such time as they can meet the requirement.

We again were blessed with good conditions for our Sunday sessions that contributed to the large numbers of enthusiastic youngsters taking part. Our aim as always is to increase our Nippers' water safety and surf knowledge whilst enjoying a fun and friendly atmosphere. East Beach was again a sea of pink, green and orange as our Nippers were joined by great numbers of both qualified and trainee water safety people. The pink vests enable us to more easily spot an athlete under the water, whilst the other colours make it much easier for myself and our Age Managers to ensure we have the required number of helpers for each activity. An introduction of colour age caps also made everyone's life easier this season. For the nippers themselves, age managers, water safety and parents this enabled us to identify the age group with ease and is a great concept embraced by all.

A few of the highlights this season included; Friday night twilight sessions, the Australia Day Carnival, introduction of fresh fruit and a "soft-drink free" Club.

In particular, I'd like to thank our Age Managers and Water Safety and in particular Dean Dwyer who helped set up each week and also the IRB driver. I also appreciate many others who assisted in other areas, administration, merchandise, fruit cutters and let's not forget the BBQ team!

We certainly value the input from all those that contribute to our program and encourage all interested parties to put their hands up and ask how they can help – with the numbers now attending our program it's more important than ever that we have as many volunteers as possible.

We concluded our season on Sunday 25th February when we held our last session, presented awards and had a fun family day.

This season's champion Nipper award went to Demi Sharp who was rewarded for a great year overall, including a dominant effort at our local Club championships.

I look forward to another great season in 2018-19!

Nicole Dwyer, Nipper's Coordinator

Nipper Championship Results

Under 8 – Girls

Gold - Lena Watty
Silver - Alice McPherson
Bronze- Lexie Dwyer

Under 8 Boys

Gold- Tom Templeton
Silver- Lucas Harper
Bronze- Jimmy Bidmade

Under 9 Girls

Gold- Sophie Hill
Silver- Jorgia Lowe
Bronze- Pepper Bowes

Under 9 Boys

Gold- Edward Northeast
Silver- Riley Thompson
Bronze- Harry Pollock

Under 10 Girls

Gold - Poppy Myers
Silver- Elsa Tutt
Bronze- Caitlin Barry

Under 10 Boys

Gold- Adam Lee
Silver- William Sinnott
Bronze- Charlie Brooks

Under 11 Girls

Gold- Olivia Rees
Silver- Amelie Reddick
Bronze- Abigail Langley

Under 11 Boys

Gold- Oscar Hill
Silver- Toby Watkinson
Bronze- Tom Kinley

Under 12 Girls

Gold- Claudia Tutt
Silver- Lekaya Carson
Bronze- Lucy Kennedy

Under 12 Boys

Gold- Oliver Myers
Silver- Jack Lee
Bronze- Charlie Adams

Under 13 Girls

Gold- Demi Sharp
Silver- Milly Graham
Bronze- Ollie Dixon

Under 13 Boys

Gold- Lachlan Rees
Silver- Tobe Adamson
Bronze- Oscar Pollock

Under 14 Girls

Gold- Alexis Finnigan
Silver- Steph Hooker
Bronze- Viktoriah Patterson - McCosh

Under 14 Boys

Gold- Lucas Howie
Silver- Angus Kennedy

Champion Nipper: Demi Sharp



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Surf Boat Captain

Another fine season was had by our Senior rowing crews, the "Shearwaters" (boys) and the "Firebirds" (girls). Even though we did not compete in many local carnivals along the coast we had a successful and enjoyable year. Both crews won GOLD at the Vic Masters in Lorne and culminated in the Aussies at Scarborough, Perth where both crews made the finals in their age group division.

All rowers thank the Club for the continued support and financial help and hope to do it all next year!

Shaun Murrphy, Boat Captain



Shearwaters and Firebirds at Scarborough



Firebirds



Shearwaters



Shearwaters and Firebirds, Gold medallists,
Vic Masters at Lorne beach



Duck Derby New Year's Day 2018
Our Assessors

The Education and Training Centre

It is pleasing to see our major building project 'The Education and Training Centre' (EC) is nearing completion with an opening to take place at the start of our next patrol season. Our builder (and Club Life Member) Jim Chambers and his crew have done a sterling job, which should see the project coming in on budget.

We plan to install a 'state of the art' audio-visual system that received a recent financial boost with a 5K grant from the South West Community Foundation and a 10K grant from the Port Fairy Commonwealth Bank.

The Port Fairy Folk Festival Committee has also recently released their \$80K grant for the centre. As a Club, we really appreciate the wonderful financial support this project has received.

A big thank you to our local trades people for their excellent workmanship and fair deals for their services. It has been a pleasure to be able to use this project to support local businesses and keep this project within our community.

Paul Buchanan, Projects Officer

Other Projects

Regional Nippers Carnival - Coordinated by Nicole Dwyer and well supported by our regional clubs. This was a fantastic event. Special events funding from Moyne Shire was much appreciated and ensured the carnival was not a financial burden to our Club of volunteers.

Moyneyana Ocean Swim - We again teamed up with Warrnambool and Port Campbell clubs to run the Shipwreck Coast swim series. Olympic Gold medalist Mack Horton once again competed in our swim but was pipped by his own swimming partner Jordan Merriles. Each club made over 6K from the swim series.

New Years Day Duck Derby and Corporate duck race. Once again, this was a sell-out of tickets and well supported by local businesses. Lovely weather graced the event and made it a wonderful spectacle for the thousands of spectators.

New Years Eve procession - the nippers of our club looked splendid in their pink tops marching around the streets of Port Fairy.

Presentation Night - With the nippers celebrating their award winners in an afternoon event our senior night was well attended and a wonderful celebration of the talent and dedication of our volunteers. Again over 40 businesses supported the awards with donations of goods and vouchers.

IRB replacement - we hope to gain grants to enable us to replace two ageing Inflatable Rescue Boats this year. As our major life saving equipment it is essential that they are in top condition and completely reliable. The Club gained grants last season to replace two motors.

I am continually inspired by the many Club members who take on the demanding and time-consuming projects that enable our Club to provide so much to our community. As a lifesaving organisation of volunteers, we have much to be proud of.

Paul Buchanan, Projects Officer



August 2017 – the frame is up and ready for roofing



August 2017 – now there is more room for life saving equipment downstairs



Front entrance and office



Ramp entrance with Martina checking out progress



Inside looking towards the entrance



Working on the entrance wall



View from the lower end of Hughes Avenue

Charlies on East Liaison Officer

“Charlies on East” with the managers Bill, Di & Emma Foran, & their staff continues to be a great asset to our Club in providing a steady, valuable income stream.

They work hard, open 7 days a week, providing café and take-away options. They also offer a venue for events such as weddings and parties, so there are always patrons coming & going from Charlies.

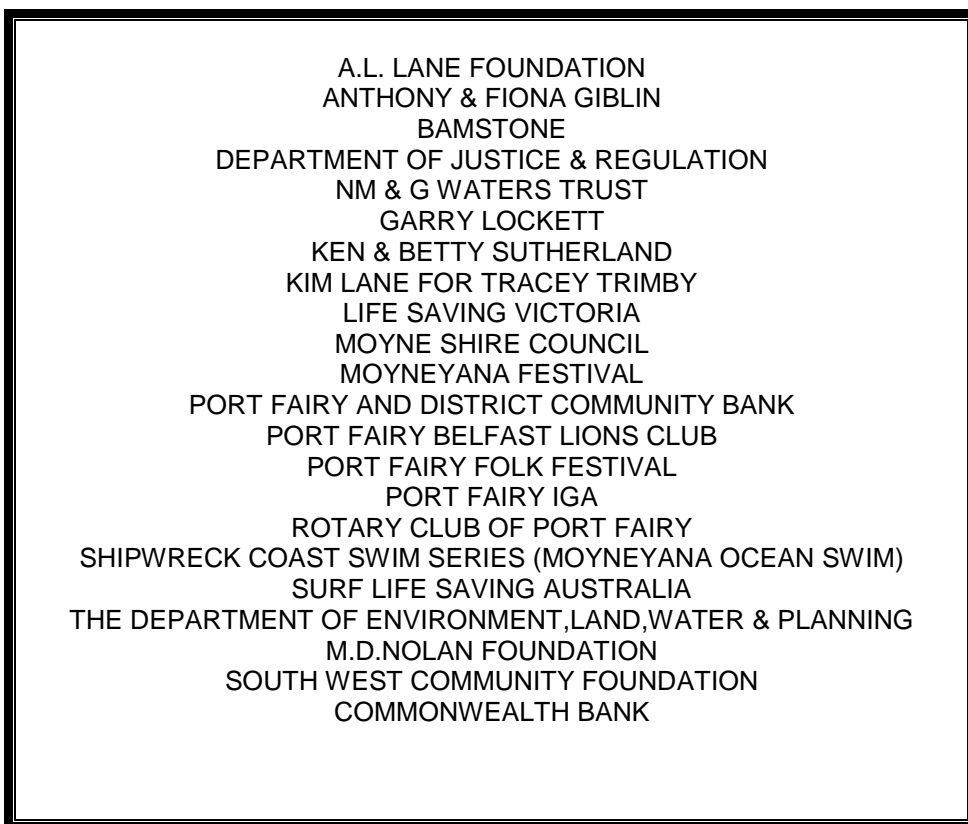
A close working relationship has evolved over several years with our Club and the Forans. This works well for both parties particularly with regard to the extension to our Club building that is currently underway.

Please keep “Charlies on East” in mind for your next function or meal.

Martina Murrhly, Liaison Officer

Major Sponsors and Supporters

Thank you to our Major Sponsors and Supporters for the season:



Wannon Water
water stand.
Australia Day



Abbie Artis.
Nipper Age Manager



Nashy with Ian on Australia
Day 2018.
Thank you Nashy for the
work you have done
throughout the year.



Rachel Ross.
Modeling a
hooded towel

APPENDIX

Funds received from major donors for the building

Date	Details	\$
2014	Isobel & D Jones Foundation	11,770.00
2014	A L Lane Foundation	10,000.00
2014	N D Nolan Foundation	6,000.00
23/02/2015	Moyne Shire Council - community assistance fund grant (architect)	20,000.00
28/10/2017	Pacific Hydro Grant – audio-visual, table & chairs	6,000.00
15/06/2016	Dept. of Social Services grant - audio, video, electrical	4,950.00
30/06/2016	South West Community Foundation	5,000.00
4/07/2016	My Cause Funding - new building	1,578.77
30/12/2016	Port Fairy and District Community Bank	2,000.00
24/08/2016	Lions Club Port Fairy Belfast	2,000.00
27/01/2017	Bakers Delight, Paula Groves - building	100.00
26/04/2017	Ray & Joyce Uebergang Foundation - building	10,000.00
22/05/2017	Gwen & Edna Jones Foundation - building	10,000.00
2/06/2017	Norman, Mavis & Graeme Waters Trust (Received \$27,500 - \$7,500 for community development)	20,000.00
4/07/2017	Port Fairy and District Community Bank	10,000.00
18/09/2017	Moyne Shire Council – building grant	110,000.00
24/11/2017	Dept Justice - security grant	8,640.50
30/11/2017	AL Lane Foundation	5,000.00
4/05/2018	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	10,000.00
30/05/2018	South West Community Foundation	5,000.00
15/06/2018	Port Fairy Folk Festival	80,000.00
	Total funds received from major donors	\$ 338,039.27

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