

2024 - 2025 ANNUAL REPORT

DIXON PARK SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB INCORPORATED
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*Our mission is to save lives, create great
Australians and build better communities*



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NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA


Notice is given that the Annual General Meeting of Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Inc. will be held on Sunday 24 August 2025, from 11.00 am to 12.00 md on the first floor of the Club House, Ocean Street, Merewether NSW 2291.

With Reference to the DPSLSC Inc Constitution (August 2024), only Active members, Reserve Active members, Long Service members, Life members and Award* members have the right to present, to debate and to vote at the Annual General Meeting. (* where granted)

AGENDA

-  Welcome, Apologies and Attendance (including Acknowledgement of Country)
-  Minute silence for members that have passed during the season.
-  Confirmation of minutes for the previous AGM held Sunday 25 August 2024.
-  Presentation and adoption of the Annual Report for the 2024 -2025 season.
-  Presentation and adoption of the Auditors Report and Annual Financial Statements for the financial year ending 30th June 2025. Attendance by Joshua Comyns, Auditor, goodCOM Business Advisers Pty Ltd.
-  Motion to confer Life Membership on the following members:-
 - Bradley Newman
 - Dean Rowe
 - Mark Wright
-  Motion for Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Inc. to renew affiliation with Hunter Surf Life Saving and Surf Life Saving NSW.
-  Election of Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Inc. Board (ACNC Responsible Persons) for 2025-2026 season;
 - President
 - Vice President/Director of Administration (and Public Officer)
 - Director of Finance
 - Director of Life Saving
 - Director of Junior Activities
 - Director of Education
 - Director of Surf Sports
 - Director of Commercial Services
-  Motion to appoint goodCOM Business Advisers Pty Ltd as Auditors for Financial Year 2026
-  Address by Henry Scruton (President HSLS)
-  General Business

MEETING NOTES

-  It is Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club request; to renew and update membership, and pay fees, you will need to log into the Surf Life Saving Australia (SLSA) Members Portal <https://hub.sls.com.au>

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome to the 2024-2025 Annual Report for Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Incorporated. This season has been highly successful, reflecting our commitment to our mission: 'To Save Lives, Create Great Australians, and Build Better Communities'. Our achievements are a testament to the dedication, community spirit, and public service of our members.

We acknowledge our affiliated surf lifesaving organisations – Hunter Surf Life Saving (HSLs), Surf Life Saving NSW (SLSNSW), and Surf Life Saving Australia (SLSA) for their invaluable support; and extend our gratitude to the City of Newcastle (CN) for their positive and professional support with the club facilities, planning and operation.

I commend you to the detailed sections of this annual report compiled by the respective DPSLSC Board directors, club officials and auditors. A brief summary of notable points for the 2024-2025 season include:

- The commitment and skills of our patrolling members has ensured the safety of the beach. Special thanks to our Patrol Captains for their leadership.
- Our wonderful education team has trained, assessed and developed our existing and new members. Through their effort, the club has experienced strong growth in active patrolling members.
- Congratulations to our successful HSLs Awards of Excellence; Tom Newman – Surf Life Saver of the Year, and Laura Barnett – Trainer of the Year. Both Tom and Laura are also nominees for respective awards at the state (NSW) level

- The growth and strength of our nippers has been significant with robust planning and sustainable management.
- The strong number of club participants and great results in surf sports competition is the best it has been for many years.
- Special thanks to all Board directors and members in official positions for their time and contribution to the running of the club.
- The active and successful events held during the season to connect and recognise past and current members – such as the club presentation, patrol BBQs and life members dinner.
- Vale – Eric Wilson. Eric passed away in December; he was a Life Member, a great supporter and volunteer of the club. Our condolences to Eric's family, friends and DPSLSC members.
- In partnership with City of Newcastle (CN), the successful completion of the project to renew the eastern balcony windows and doors, fully funded by CN and NSW Government Surf Club Facility Program. We are also grateful to CN for scheduling the painting of the external building walls in the coming season and new signage.
- The strong governance and management of the club. The Board meets the ACNC governance standards, including its duty to ensure the financial affairs of DPSLSC Inc are managed responsibly.
- The positive approach and progress on the soon to be finalised longer-term lease with CN. The lease will relieve 'years' of unresolved issues and uncertainty – it will provide clarity and assurance for the club.
- Work completed and in progress to update the club identity viz. logo, website, communication to members, club merchandise and 'tech' systems to support our operation.



- Changes to key club staff roles:
 - Alison Wooden retired from the financial administration role. Thank you to Alison for her unwavering effort, expertise and contribution to the club over many years.
 - We welcome and congratulate:
 - Cassie Criss as the new financial administrator. Cassie brings graduate financial qualifications and experience to the role. Also, Cassie and her family have had a long association as members of the club.
 - Rebecca Connors as the new Venue Manager. Rebecca brings industry qualifications and experience to the role.
 - Thomas Newman as the new Technology Systems Administrator. This role will administer and support the expanded use of technology. Tom has already made a great contribution to the club in this capacity.

The club anticipates having a strong Board and officials for the 2025-2026 season. This is a key enabler for the growth, development and sustainability of the club. There are a number of initiatives underway or anticipated that will align to the strategic plan when completed. These relate to youth development, member retention, supported pathways, surf sports coaching and development framework, enhancements to the organisational structure to reduce the burden of individual roles, specific effort to address the gender imbalance, improvement to the technology support systems, strategic capital planning, and strengthening the leadership and communication across the club.

On behalf of the Board, we are very grateful to all club members, families, friends and stakeholders for your support and engagement in the Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club community. We encourage your ongoing participation, enjoyment and pride in being a member of the club.

Paul Murray
President



ADMINISTRATION REPORT

With the completion of the 2024-2025 season Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club is able to once again reflect on a successful season on the beach, ensuring the safety of all beach goers and supporting our mission of 'saving lives, creating great Australians and building better communities'.

The support of our dedicated volunteer members allowed us to deliver on all our patrol obligations, with trained personnel attending the beach on all weekends and public holidays during the patrol season.

Patrolling members logged 3,039 patrol hours for the season, with 7 rescues performed, 74 applications of first aid provided and thousands of preventions undertaken. Our patrols were again extremely proactive on the beach therefore minimising the need for rescues. The Club continues to maintain close links to the community it serves and continues to grow in strength from both a financial and management perspective.

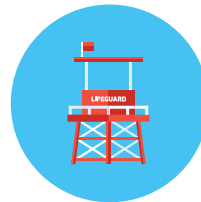
During the 2024-2025 season the Club supported a busy social calendar with a number of season highlights – the inaugural Life Members lunch was held in November, Nippers Presentation in March, the end of season Club presentation in May, Patrol BBQ's in December and March, the Row for Reach fundraiser in March and the Coastal Ascent Running event in June. All these events were well attended by current and Life members with a strong community presence at the fundraising events.

The inaugural Life Members luncheon was held in November 2024 with the majority of invited members attending. This represents part of the continued effort to maintain links between the current active members, and those who contributed in past years to make the Club what it is today. Life Members were also in attendance at the Nippers Presentation and the Club presentation to present awards to current junior and senior winners.

The Club presentation night held in May was well attended by current members and invited Life Members. The Volunteer of the Year was awarded to Patricia Kinney, a well deserving member of the nipper's committee, while there were 2 hard working recipients for the Life Saver of the Year – Tom Newman and Joao Silveirinha. Paul Brady was named the Masters Athlete of

Season Statistics

50,934
people at Dixon Park
Beach during
patrol hours



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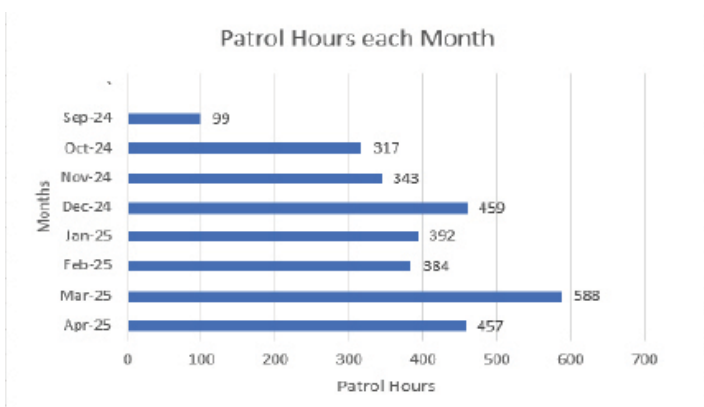


7
rescues



6,589
preventative actions

the Year, Lachlan Pearse the Athlete of the Year, Laura Barnett Trainer of the Year and Stuart Barnett Assessor/Facilitator of the Year. Patrol 6, led by Patrol Captain Earl Rennie, was awarded Patrol of the Year.



Dixon Park also went on to perform strongly at the Hunter Branch Awards of Excellence on 27th June, with 2 of our nominees receiving major awards. Laura Barnett was recognised as The Trainer of the Year while Tom Newman was awarded the Life Saver of the Year. Congratulations to both these high achievers on the recognition of their significant contributions to the Club!

As always, a huge amount of work goes on behind the scenes to ensure the Club functions in an effective and efficient manner, with well-established processes and procedures in place to ensure transparency, consistency, and compliance. The development and use of annual budgets has become a key tool for monitoring expenditure across all operational areas. This approach not only ensures accountability but also provides valuable insight into specific areas of spending. Furthermore, it enables long-term strategic financial planning, particularly in relation to capital expenditure.

Deceased Members

To those Members who have suffered bereavements during the past year, we express our deepest sympathy. We especially remember Life Member Eric ‘Ekka’ Wilson who passed away under tragic circumstances late last year.

In 1967 Eric became involved with the Club and over time became a tireless worker and staunch supporter. While he never gained a bronze medallion or competed, he became part of the lifeblood of the Club and regarded the Dixon Park fraternity as his family. His volunteering covered all aspects of Club activity and he was always available if there was a job to be done. In many respects his contributions went unseen as he was not driven by a need for thanks or any recognition, other than to be a part of the Dixon Park family.

Ekka’s efforts over many years were an important part of the development and continued success of the Club.

Toni O’Donoghue
Vice President/Director of Administration

Table: Executive meetings and participation from September 2024 to June 2025

Executive Group	Position	Attendance	Apology
Paul Murray	President	8	1
Toni O’Donoghue	Vice President/Director of Administration	7	2
Geoff Wooden	Director of Finance	8	1
Dean Rowe	Directors of Lifesaving	5	4
Peter Eden		9	0
Tom Newman	Director of Education	9	0
Peter Wilkinson	Director of Surf Sports	5	4
Ian Kerr	Director Commercial Services	8	1
Joao Silveirinha	Director of Junior Activities	8	1

NB: No meeting held in March 2025



FINANCE REPORT

Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club (DPSLSC, the Club) is an incorporated association and a registered charity with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC). The audited financial statements included in the 2024-25 Annual Report are prepared to comply with the requirements of the ACNC.

Income

The net surplus for the club in 2024-25 of \$36,331 was significantly lower than the \$109,631 achieved last year, but was well above expectations. The Club budgeted for a surplus of \$16,636 in 2024-25. The Club Board had expected a fairly subdued result due to the state of the economy combined with a planned closure of the upstairs function area to allow for the installation of new glass doors in April and May. Even though Hall Hire Function income during the year was flat compared to Budget, the Bar Sales turnover was 32% higher than budgeted. The other main contributor to the better-than-expected result was Day Hire Income which came in at \$43,391 against a budget of \$24,253, an extra \$19,138. Regular Yoga and Pilates sessions along with Dickies coffee van, combined with a number of one-off corporate hires, were the major factors in this favourable outcome.

Expenses

Operating Expenditure levels in 2024-25 were around \$20,000 higher than 2023-24 and around \$14,000 higher than budgeted. The main contributors to this were higher wages for functions related staff, expenditure on Club functions & presentations and maintenance expenditure in the upstairs functions area. The increase in Club function spend is part of a wider effort to encourage greater member engagement.

Balance Sheet

The Club ended the year with net assets of \$1.466 million, an increase of \$37k year on year. The cash position was even more positive with a \$71k increase in cash compared to 2023-24. The Club is currently holding \$800k in cash reserves on term deposit.

A Fixed Asset stocktake was undertaken during the year to better evaluate what assets were on hand in the Club and their general condition. A number of items no longer fit for purpose were identified and disposed of. A detailed reconciliation of assets on hand to the financial records held in Xero was completed. This will give Club members better visibility as to what assets the Club actually holds and will assist in the event of insurance claims being required.

The glass doors and windows on the ocean side of the upstairs club rooms were replaced during the year as they were deemed no longer fit for purpose. The project was funded through Grant Funds secured in conjunction with City of Newcastle. The funding received and works were all managed directly by City of Newcastle.

2025-26 Plans

The Club has budgeted to spend around \$30k on further improving member facilities in the club rooms in 2025-26. This includes upgrade works on the upstairs women's toilets and extending the coverage of the current CCTV system.

Staff Changes – Alison Wooden

After seven years as the Club's bookkeeper, Alison Wooden retired at the end of 2024-25. Alison has made a significant contribution to ensuring the financial success of the Club over her time in the role, providing sound guidance and support to a number of Finance Directors. On behalf of the Board, I would like to thank Alison for her contribution to the Club's ongoing success.

The Club has been fortunate to be able to find an internal replacement for Alison in Cassie Criss. Cassie has a strong connection with the Club through her involvement with the Juniors Program and I am sure she will continue to make a meaningful contribution in her new role.

Geoff Wooden

Director of Finance



LIFE SAVING REPORT

Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club continues to rely entirely on the dedication of our volunteer patrolling members, whose unwavering commitment every weekend and public holiday forms the foundation of our club. Their selfless contributions of time and expertise enabled us to fulfil the NSW Surf Life Saving mission: "Saving lives, creating great Australians, and building better communities."

Our **Patrol Captains** once again led by example, displaying outstanding leadership and support for their teams. Their commitment ensured our beach was consistently well-patrolled, with the required number of proficient lifesavers on duty each weekend throughout the season. For the 2024 – 2025 season, our Patrol Captains were:

Patrol 1	Peter Wilkinson
Patrol 2	Dean Rowe
Patrol 3	Adrian Parker
Patrol 4	Ross Burgess
Patrol 5	Brad Noble
Patrol 6	Earl Rennie
Patrol 7	Mark Kirkpatrick
Patrol 8	Scott Gibson/Kesley Kernes
Patrol 9	John Humphries
Patrol 10	Neil Caddis

One of the season's highlights was the announcement of Patrol of the Year, awarded to Patrol 6, led by Patrol Captain Earl Rennie. This exceptional team, although small in number, demonstrated remarkable skill, enthusiasm, and a proactive approach to beach safety. Their focus on fitness, ongoing skills development, and strong preventative measures made them stand out. Congratulations to Patrol 6 for thoroughly deserved recognition.

Patrol 6 – Patrol of the Year Members:

- Earl Rennie (PC)
- Callen Blanch
- Joao Silveirinha (VC)
- Nina Diaz
- Natalia Pedraza
- Meisha Hawkins
- Lucy Cordoba
- Margarida Silveirinha
- Troy McClelland

Volunteer of the Year – Patricia Kinney

Patricia has gone above and beyond this season in her role as Club Registrar, coordinating the registration of 165 Nippers and their families while managing all qualifications and certificates through Hunter Branch. She streamlined internal processes, enhanced communication, and personally led 14 BBQ/fundraising events—contributions equivalent to that of a patrolling member. Beyond her formal duties, Patricia developed food safety documentation, sourced new kitchen equipment, and actively supported the Nipper Committee. Her initiative, dependability, and exceptional work ethic made her an outstanding Volunteer of the Year.

Lifesavers of the Year – Tom Newman & John Silveirinha

Tom Newman completed an amazing 224 patrol hours. He attended every rostered patrol and provided support to every other patrol at least once during the season, volunteered for patrol on Christmas day and was part of the Dixon Park Emergency Call Out Team for the season. He completed 2 rescues and performed numerous preventative actions and multiple first-aids.

He also made a significant impact by revitalising our Education program. He implemented a structured, tech-enabled training system that increased engagement and course completion. Tom's hands-on involvement, clear communication, and inclusive leadership transformed our education offerings and created a lasting positive change.



Joao Silveirinha contributed over 70 patrol hours this season and wore multiple hats: Director of Junior Activities, Patrol Vice Captain, and member of the Dixon Park Call-Out Team. He achieved his SMPC qualification and participated in the WLTBO inter-agency rescue operation. Joao also supported water safety at Nippers, helped deliver training sessions, and contributed to updating key operational procedures. His all-round dedication across lifesaving, education, and emergency response makes him a thoroughly deserving recipient of this award.

This season also saw a number of members recognised with National Service Medals – Stuart Barnett, Ross Burgess, Neil Caddis, Bradley Newman, Toni O'Donoghue, Dean Rowe, and Mark Wright. Peter Brown received a National Medal as well as 1st Clasp for 25 years service and 2nd Clasp for 35 years service. Congratulations to all these medal recipients.

Season Statistics (28th Sept 2024 – 27th Apr 2025)

- **Total beach attendance:** 50,934
- **Total patrol hours completed:** 3,039
- **Preventative actions:** 6,589
- **First aid incidents:** 41
- **Rescues performed:** 7

Hunter Branch conducted regular patrol audits throughout the season, assessing our compliance with standard operating procedures and helping identify areas for improvement. These audits contributed to the continued enhancement of our lifesaving services.

To all our patrolling members — thank you. Your dedication has made Dixon Park Beach a safe, welcoming place for our local community and visitors alike. We look forward to the 2025-2026 season.

Dean Rowe, Peter Eden
Directors of Lifesaving





JUNIOR ACTIVITIES (NIPPERS) REPORT

'Dixon Park SLSC is committed to safeguarding children and young people'

The 2024–2025 Nippers' season was a tremendous success, marked by strong and consistent participation across all age groups. Sunday sessions were well attended through to Christmas, with particularly high and steady numbers in our U6, U7, U8 and U9 groups—a great sign for the future of the program. The club experienced sustainable growth in overall Nipper enrolments, by circa 20%. This steady rise reflects the ongoing strength of our community, the appeal of our program, and the commitment of our dedicated volunteers and families.

The 2024–2025 season brought excellent water conditions, allowing a greater focus on ocean-based activities across all age groups. Nippers spent significantly more time in the surf, developing essential water skills and growing in confidence with each session. This progress was made possible by a notable increase in the number of Age Managers, which enabled more structured and consistent delivery of activities across all groups every weekend. We also welcomed new Water Safety Age Managers, whose involvement will continue to benefit the program in seasons to come.

The remarkable improvement in water confidence and ability shown by the Nippers is a direct credit to the dedication of our volunteer Age Managers, who supervised, supported, and guided the children with patience and care. The success of each session was further supported by the fantastic involvement of parents, who helped run games and beach activities, creating a fun and engaging environment for all. Thank you to everyone who contributed to another successful and rewarding season.

The remarkable growth in water skills this season was also the result of our Nippers' willingness to step up and participate as a team in ocean activities—many of them trying these for the very first time. Through shared encouragement and teamwork, each Nipper was lifted by the collective effort of the group, achieving milestones they never imagined possible at the start of the season. The Water Safety Team provided glowing feedback on the Nippers' enthusiasm and progress, highlighting just how far they'd come. This strong foundation opens the door to taking a more structured approach to Carnival participation next season, with the goal of building confidence, skills, and competitive experience. We continue to encourage strong parental involvement, particularly in supporting their children's journey towards achieving their Bronze Medallion and stepping up to become officials at carnivals. Active participation from parents is essential to the ongoing success and growth of our club.

This year several of the older Nippers completed their Surf Rescue Certificates (SRC), an enormous achievement of which they should be very proud. Congratulations to Declan Byrnes, Jacob Leung, Felipe Castro, Nina Diaz, Meisha Hawkins, Justin Macini, Maggie Kinney and Patrick Ware on this achievement.

This also sets them on the pathway toward achieving their Bronze Medallion, should they choose to pursue it. As a special milestone, they received their official patrol uniforms during Nippers Presentation—an exciting moment that marks their readiness to begin patrolling with the club from next season. We look forward to seeing them take the next step in their surf lifesaving journey and contribute to keeping our beaches safe.



Several of our Nippers proudly represented Dixon Park at various carnivals throughout the season, putting in a tremendous effort and showing great team spirit. The experience was invaluable—with plenty of fun, camaraderie, and lasting memories made along the way. Looking ahead, the club is committed to implementing a more structured approach next season to better support our young athletes and help them thrive in both individual and team events.

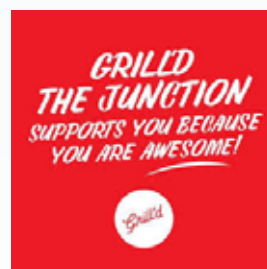
Chloe Ware was the proud recipient of the Dale Laverty Award for the 2024–2025 season. Throughout the season at Dixon Park Nippers, Chloe consistently demonstrated outstanding mentoring, leadership, teamwork and surf life saving skills. Her positive attitude and willingness to support others made her a true role model for our younger Nippers. Chloe's commitment to the values of surf lifesaving perfectly reflects the spirit of this prestigious award, and we congratulate her on well-deserved recognition.

Even though this season was a memorable one for the U14 numbers, we forecast that next season we will have one of the biggest U14 Age Groups in many years, with more than 10 members doing their SRC. Huge thanks to Stuart Barnett, Tom Newman, Laura Barnett and Ross Burgess, our Education and Training Team, for the ongoing support of our Nippers during the season.



A big thank you to our generous sponsors for the 2024–2025 Nippers' season. Their continued support played a vital role in the success of our program and the safety and development of our young life savers. We are incredibly grateful for their commitment to our club and community. Special thanks to our season sponsors: Shy Skin Australia, Sellers Quality Meats, Side Track Coffee, Grill'd - The Junction, Storm Engineering and Fortitude - Live Work, and all other valued partners who helped make this season one to remember. Your contributions allowed us to provide quality training, equipment, and memorable experiences for every Nipper on the beach.

Our Local Nippers Sponsors



Ongoing engagement with parents is enabling the Nippers Committee to better understand the needs of the club and tailor the program accordingly. This collaboration is key to building a more structured and supportive environment—particularly in preparing our Nippers for future participation in carnivals and other development opportunities. Due to other competing sports, the nipper’s calendar for next season will be adjusted to start earlier in the season and consequently finish earlier. This enables a better coordination between other sports with less clashes. We hope that this adjustment improves nippers’ participation.

In summary, the 2024–2025 Nippers’ season was truly a memorable one. It was both a pleasure and a privilege for every Age Manager to play a part in educating and mentoring our young Nippers—helping them grow in confidence, skill, and character both in the ocean and beyond. The dedication, enthusiasm, and development shown by the Nippers throughout the season were inspiring. All Age Managers look forward to many more exciting seasons ahead and hope that the Nippers of today will become the lifesavers and mentors of tomorrow, continuing the cycle of surf education and community service that keeps our beaches safe.

John Silveirinha
Junior Activities Co-ordinator

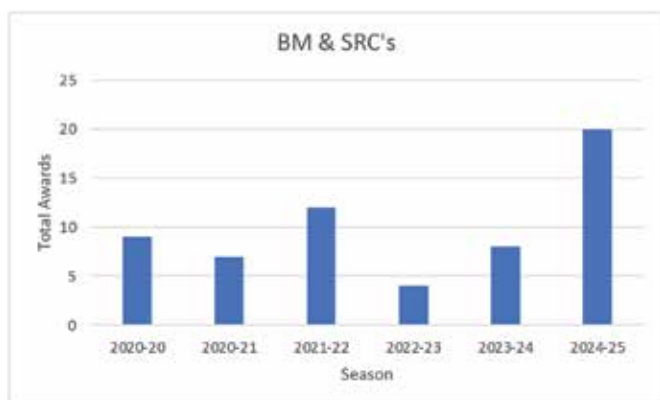


EDUCATION REPORT

Building on our success in recent seasons, the 2024-2025 season saw the Education Team continue strengthening our capabilities and enhancing our capacity to deliver quality training.

This season we adjusted our focus from that of the last, where our efforts were spread across all course types, notably increasing the clubs First Aid (FA) and Advanced Resuscitation Techniques (ART) trained members. Prior to this season's commencement, we identified the areas to best utilise our efforts were boosting patrol member numbers and rebuilding our youth cohort. Both of these combined to create an overarching goal of ensuring patrol sustainability into the future. As such the team heavily prioritised delivery of the core Life Saving awards, being the Bronze Medallion (BM) & Surf Rescue Certificate (SRC), delivering two of each course, whilst facilitating FA & IRB courses around this.

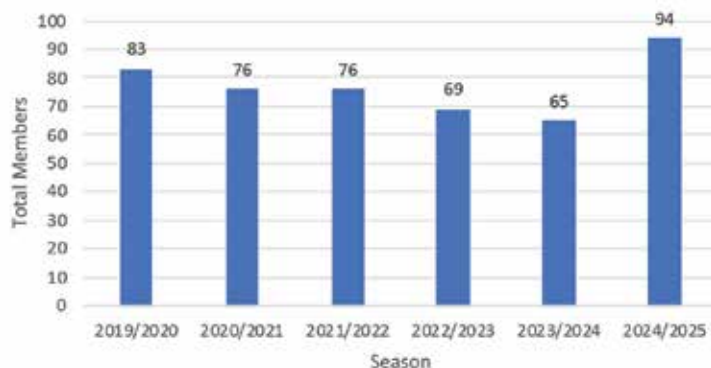
I am pleased to report our dedicated Education Team was successful in achieving our goal, welcoming 12 BM's and 8 SRC's to our patrols. This also takes our youth cohort, of Cadet (13-15 years) and Active (15-18 yrs) members, to a total of 16, a two-fold increase.



**Summary of Core Life Saving Awards;
2024-2025 Growth on Previous 5-Seasons**

The Hunter Surf Life Saving 2023-2024 Annual Report showed Dixon Park's patrolling membership over the previous 5 seasons slowly declining, listing the total number for that season at 65. Following the conclusion of the 2024-2025 Season, the total patrolling membership now sits at 94, a growth of more than 40%. This growth is driven by the success of the BM/SRC candidates, and includes several new Award Members which reflects a strong focus on building the community within the Club. Notably Dixon Park has welcomed members transferring from other Hunter clubs, re-engaged with returning past members and embraced qualified surf life savers relocating to Newcastle.

Patrolling Membership



Total Patrolling Membership; 2024-2025 Growth on Previous 5-Seasons

Education team members continued to upskill, improving our abilities in courses we are proficient to deliver, but also undertaking further training to attain certification for delivery of more course types. Team members attended the Branch Education Pre-Season Meetings and our IRB trainers participated in additional Pre-Season Workshops assimilating changes to the new IRB courses recently rolled out. Throughout the season Ross Burgess achieved the Endorsed Training Officer – IRB award, Adrian Parker & Imogen Llewellyn the Endorsed Training Officer BM/SRC and Tom Newman commenced as Probationary Training Officer IRB. Prior to the 2025-2026 Season, Adrian Parker will also be endorsed as Training Officer IRB and Stuart Barnett endorsed as a Facilitator BM, SRC & Radio Ops.



Throughout the season it was excellent to see numerous members taking up opportunities to participate in a wide variety of additional training being delivered beyond the club level.

Tyron Mascini, Natalia Pedraza & Juan Ramuno participated in the Advanced IRB Skills Weekend (formerly 'ALBERT') at Fingal Beach, enhancing their skills with tuition from the Branch's most skilled IRB trainers, including **Al Gordon**. **João Silveirinha & Tom Newman** undertook training with NSW Fire & Rescue, attaining the Perform Swift/Floodwater Rescue & Recovery UoC, strengthening Dixon Park's ability to contribute to the growing SLSNSW support operations in natural disasters. These skills were quickly put to use with both participating in the statewide SES interservice flood training exercise 'Who Let The Boats Out' working with the NSWSES & NSW Water Rescue. **Tyron Mascini & Taylah Lowe** took part in Hunter SLS Youth UAV Day and several members undertook Branch Silver Medallion courses.

Education Summary

In total 699 new Awards, Units of Competency, Online Courses, & Qualifications were processed for Dixon Park members this season - a 20% increase from the previous season.

Additionally, 233 Senior proficiencies and 169 Junior proficiencies were processed, totalling 392.

These figures combine for a remarkable total of 1091, nearly doubling that of the previous season.

Member Recognition

Numerous people contributed to the success of the 2024-2025 season. Their voluntary efforts are crucial to allowing Dixon Park SLSC to continue delivering the vital service of keeping our community safe, and as such, are deserving of recognition.

Firstly, I give my sincere thanks to **Laura Barnett** who was instrumental in our success this season. Her attendance was flawless, without fail she was present at every training session from season commencement to the final Branch Assessment (CVA) in March. The pleasing growth shown in the figures above is a direct result of Laura's dedication and leadership, particularly in the SRC program. Her training approach helped build ability and confidence, ensuring all candidates were successful in their assessments. This season Laura deservedly received the club's 'Trainer of the Year' award and was commended to the Branch Awards of Excellence (AoE's). Here, her immense contributions were further recognised, receiving the Hunter SLS 'Trainer of the Year' award. It is with certainty I can say on behalf of all Dixon Park members congratulations, thank you and best wishes for the upcoming SLSNSW AoE's.

My appreciation also goes to **Stuart Barnett** for his continued guidance & support which benefited me greatly. Stuart's experience as a trainer, assessor and facilitator are invaluable to the club's success. He yet again made enormous contributions, mentoring trainers, assessing numerous candidates across the branch including coordination of CVA's, facilitating FA courses, contributing to the redevelopment of the Branch's education practices, and delivering consistently high-quality training to Dixon Park candidates. I congratulate Stuart on receiving the club's 'Assessor & Facilitator of the Year' awards.



Thank you to **Ross Burgess** for his continued efforts in the education space in addition to his role as the club's Support Services Officer. Ross showed continued dedication to revitalising the IRB Program at Dixon Park, further bolstering the crew-person ranks on patrols. The 100% success rate of our candidates at the March IRB CVA is a testament to Ross' expertise as a powercraft operator and trainer. I know all crew award recipients from recent seasons look forward to attaining their Silver Medallion IRB Driver's award under his instruction.

Thank you to all within the club who contributed to the club's Education Program, Skills Maintenance and training this season. Namely, **Adrian Parker, Al Gordon & all Patrol Captains in the seniors, and Julie Ware, João Silveirinha, Patricia Kinney & Lochie Pearse** in the Juniors. My gratitude to those at Hunter Branch for their ongoing support, particularly **Sarah Findlay & Gail Henderson** who after many dedicated years as the Branch Director of Education is stepping down. Thankyou Gail for your invaluable contributions to Surf Life Saving and best wishes from all at Dixon Park. My appreciation to **Willow Forsyth**, the new Branch DoE, who is already doing an excellent job. We look forward to working closely with her in the upcoming season.

Season 2025-2026

Unfortunately, due to travel and work commitments I will be stepping down as Director of Education after two seasons in the role. With such highly skilled, capable and enthusiastic trainers in the club, I have no doubt the Education Team will continue building on the season's success in 2025-2026.

Plans are underway to deliver BM, SRC, FA, ART & IRB courses and I encourage members to continue upskilling, not only in these awards but to take advantage of the numerous pathways Surf Life Saving has to offer more broadly.

It must be emphasised that the time commitment currently involved in the seasonal delivery of the club's Education Program is significant. I urge all members, where possible, to assist the team next season. No matter how small a contribution is made, from water safety during sessions to being a content-matter expert and assisting in delivery of a topic, it will greatly assist.

Further, I strongly encourage members with an interest in becoming a trainer to participate in the Trainers Course. Speaking from experience, becoming a trainer is a highly rewarding and certainly a worthwhile commitment with the benefit of attaining widely recognised certifications. Fast-tracked opportunities to become a SLS Trainer have recently been launched, particularly for those with existing experience in education. The growth in trainers at Dixon Park in recent years has notably allowed for a sharing of the workload and it is in the club's interest to see this continue.

Finally, I give my sincere thanks to the members of the Board. Your time, dedication and passion for success at Dixon Park SLSC are nothing short of incredible.

2024/25 AWARD SUMMARY

BRONZE MEDALLION

Rose Anderson, Xavier Byrnes, David Dale, Matthew Johnson, San Leung, Marnie Long, Daniel Richardson, Sophia Richardson, Vladimir Shatrov, Gabriel Waterford, Malachai Waterford, Ross Wood

RESUSCITATION CERTIFICATES

Felipe Bergamo De Castro, Declan Byrnes, Nina Diaz, Meisha Hawkins, Jacob Leung, Justin Mascini, Margarida Silveirinha, Patrick Ware, Nicholas Barry, Kate Henty, Matthew Johnson, San Leung, Marnie Long, Lochie Pearse, Vlad Shatrov

SURF RESCUE CERTIFICATES

Felipe Bergamo De Castro, Declan Byrnes, Nina Diaz, Meisha Hawkins, Jacob Leung, Justin Mascini, Margarida Silveirinha, Patrick Ware

IRB CREW PERSON CERTIFICATES

Maria Cordoba, Declan Fitzgerald, Tyron Mascini, Troy McClelland, Scott Millar, Natalia Pedraza, Juan Ramuno

FIRST AID

Rose Anderson, Ashlee Antcliff, Cassandra Barnett, Laura Barnett, Tia Brady, Ross Burgess, Samuel Burgess, Xavier Byrnes, Neil Caddis, Alan Cross, David Dale, Thomas Newman, Daniel Richardson, Sophia Richardson, Gabriel Waterford, Malachai Waterford, Ross Wood

IRB CREW

Peter Eden, Aleksander Fitzgerald, Sam Rayfield, Vlad Shatrov

SILVER MEDALLION PATROL CAPTAIN

Callan Blanch, John Miller

Club Education Team

Stuart Barnett (T,A,F,C,M); Laura Barnett (T); Ross Burgess (T); Adrian Parker (T,C); Alan Gordon (T,A,M) Thomas Newman (T); Imogen Llewellyn (T); Cassandra Barnett (T,C)

T = Endorsed Training Officer, A = Endorsed Assessor, F = Facilitator, P = Probationary Training Officer, C = Cert IV Training and Assessing, M = TAF Mentor

Thomas Newman
Director of Education



SURF SPORTS REPORT

The 2024-2025 season brought an end to a 25 year long competitive era for the club's Masters Boat Crew. Age, injury and interest all contributed to the final hurrah for the crew.

The crew re-emerged from a 10-year hiatus in 1999-2000 when they won a silver medal in the Branch Championships. This was followed with an East Coast Masters Title in season 2002-3 with Justin O'Donoghue as sweep. Around this time other rowers were gradually attracted back to boat rowing at Dixon Park, with some enthusiastic B crews and the clubs' first female crew.



The arrival of Trevor Dyson and Perry Sparkes in 2006 brought immediate success to the Masters Crew. After Trevor's retirement the crew was blessed with the arrival of Shane Barclay in 2015. The reality is that crews rarely win major titles without a good sweep, and both Trevor and Shane fit that description. With 1 World Title, 7 Aussie Golds, 9 State Golds, 3 Local Series Victories and numerous Branch Titles, the crew enjoyed a successful era in surf boat competition. The original four were Ian Kerr, Mark Wright, Paul Murray and Peter Wilkinson, with a brief stint by Graig Harding in 2009 and then Paul Hunt replaced Mark in 2011.

All has not been lost however, in the competition space at Dixon Park in 2024-2025. Paul Brady kept the flag flying with a World Title in the Beach flags. He followed this up with a State Gold. Not to be outdone, club newbie Lachlan Pearse (ex Point Leo) collected a State Silver Medal in the Tube Race. Once again Juan Ramuno and Tim Wilkinson had a crack at the State Masters. While they performed creditably, flying the Dixon Park flag, the competition proved too strong.

In addition to these successes the club had its best representation at the Branch Masters in several years, placing third on the overall point score.



Hunter Branch Results

Lachlan Pearse	1st - 30-39 yrs Male Beach Sprint 1st - 30-39 yrs Male Iron person 1st - 30-39 yrs Male Single Ski 3rd - 30-39 yrs Male Board Race 2nd - 30-39 yrs Male Surf Race 2nd - 30-39 yrs Male 2Km Run
Juan Ramuno	1st - 30-39 yrs Male Beach Flags
Dean Rowe	2nd - 40-49 yrs Male 2Km Run
Timothy Wilkinson	3rd - 40-49 yrs Male Beach Sprint
Alan Cross	2nd - 50-59 yrs Male Iron person 2nd - 50-59 yrs Male Single Ski 3rd - 50-59 yrs Male Beach Sprint 3rd - 50-59 yrs Male Board Race 3rd - 50-59 yrs Male Surf Race
Peter Eden (looking very old for 39)	3rd - 30-39 yrs Male Single Ski
Bryce Hardie / Lachlan Pearse / Tim Wilkinson	1st - Masters Male Surf Team
Adrian Parker / Juan Ramuno / Lachlan Pearse / Tim Wilkinson	2nd - Masters Male Beach Relay
Juan Ramuno / Lachlan Pearse	2nd - Masters Male Board Rescue
Alan Cross / Lachlan Pearse / Peter Eden	3rd - Masters Male Ski Relay

In addition to competition in the surf life saving arena, a number of patrolling members achieved great results in the pool, on the track and off road. **Lachlan Pearse** achieved 3 gold, 6 silver and 1 bronze at the National Masters Swimming Championships in April, **Tia Brady** competed in the State, Capital and Australian athletics in the 400m, 800m and 1500m, **Justin Mascini** won bronze in the NSW Athletics championships and **Vlad Shatrov** placed 9th overall in the UTA Miler 160km ultra marathon – qualifying for the World Championships in France 2026. Amazing results all round!

Competition can be an important element in the overall success of the club. The club has two club skis, competition boards, a well-resourced gym and a Boat Shed at Horseshoe Beach. All are available for members to maintain personal fitness and a healthy involvement in the club. Members are encouraged to use club facilities and equipment for their own fitness and health.

Peter Wilkinson
Director of Surf Sports



AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR 1ST JULY 2024 TO 30TH JUNE 2025

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Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Inc.

ABN: 36 248 962 500

Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2025

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Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Inc.

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Board Report

The members of the Board submit the financial report of the Association for the financial year ended 30 June 2025.

1. General information

Board members

The names of Board members throughout the year and at the date of this report are:

Name	Position
Paul Murray	President
Toni O'Donoghue	Vice President and Director of Administration
Geoff Wooden	Director of Finance
Peter Wilkinson	Director of Surf Sports
Thomas Newman	Director of Education
John Silverthorpe	Director of Junior Activities
Dean Rowe, Peter Eden	Director of Lifesaving
Ian Kerr	Director of Commercial Activities

Principal activities

The principal activities of the Association during the financial period was to provide for the conduct, encouragement, promotion and administration of surf lifesaving throughout Dixon Park Beach.



Significant changes

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

Operating Results

The Association's operating surplus for the year was \$36,331 (2024: \$109,630).

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Board:

Board member: Signed by:  69013C268A2A79
Board member: Signed by:  89FF208F62E1441

Dated 24 August 2025



Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Inc.

ABN: 36 248 962 500

Auditor's Independence Declaration under Section 60-40 of The Australian Charities and Not For Profit Commission Act 2012 to the Board of Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Inc.

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 June 2025, there have been:

- (i) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* in relation to the audit; and
- (ii) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.



Joshua Comyns
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24 August 2025

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Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Inc
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Responsible Entity Declaration

The members of the Board of the Association declare that in the Association's opinion:

- a) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the registered entity is able to pay all of its debts, as and when they become due and payable; and
- b) the financial statements and notes satisfy the requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012.

Signed in accordance with subsection 60.15(2) of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission Regulations 2022.

Board Member

Signed by: Paul Murray
890123C58A54N79

Date: 24 August 2025

Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Inc.
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Statement of Financial Performance
As at 30 June 2025

	Note	2025	2024
		\$	\$
Income			
Bar sales		170,012	204,602
Clothing sales		4,016	10,615
Day hall hire income		43,391	31,642
Donations and sponsorships		1,616	4,997
Event services		350	-
Food sales		12,969	5,188
Fundraising events		1,773	1,159
Grants – acquittal		20,937	29,336
Grants – non acquittal		9,091	15,538
Hall hire and functions income		41,627	61,639
Interest income		35,130	27,849
Kitchen hire income		7,636	9,545
Memberships		35,156	35,810
Sundry income		8,180	2,491
Profit on Sale of Assets		23	-
Total income		391,907	440,412
Cost of sales			
Opening stock		44,297	32,013
Clothing & merchandise purchases		4,289	10,799
Event services costs		2,400	6,032
Hire of Bar Staff		320	-
Fundraising costs		23	165
Purchases - Bar		69,854	80,212
Purchases - Food		5,881	5,465
Closing stock		(32,758)	(44,297)
Total cost of sales		94,306	90,389
Expenditure			
Advertising & promotion		2,578	915
ATV running costs		3,507	962
Audit and accounting fees		5,200	5,732
Awards		1,209	-
Bad Debts Expense		1,000	1,896
Bank charges		1,869	12,105
Bookkeeping fees		12,105	13,043
Cleaning		13,125	13,693
Clubhouse supplies		4,776	4,060
Competition expenses		1,167	482

Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Inc.

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Statement of Financial Performance
As at 30 June 2025

Depreciation	42,493	41,417
Employee amenities	52	94
Entertainment	2,711	-
Freight & Courier	425	-
Grant expenditure	1,828	10,816
Hunter Branch/ SLISA costs	3,240	3,230
Insurance	19,275	23,348
IRB Expenses	2,581	1,468
Light, power & heating	11,213	9,850
Liquor license	746	693
Long service leave – bar staff	154	1,075
Loss on scrapped assets	-	226
Motor vehicle expenses	-	8,750
Presentation and Club days	19,329	306
Printing, postage and stationery	1,208	-
Rates and Taxes	621	195
Registrations	-	96
Rent	-	14,124
Repairs and maintenance	21,141	1,814
Subscriptions	1,842	-
Sundry Expenses	396	7,889
Superannuation	8,477	2,508
Telephone & internet	2,142	112
Training courses and consumables	1,190	44,211
Wages and salaries – bar/functions	38,271	1,720
Wages and salaries - cleaning	3,370	25,481
Wages and salaries – event co-ordinator	32,029	240,393
Total expenses	261,270	240,393
Surplus before income taxes	36,331	109,630
Income tax expense		
Surplus after income tax	36,331	109,630
Other comprehensive income		
Total comprehensive income for the year	36,331	109,630

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Inc.

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Statement of Financial Position
As at 30 June 2025

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	64,926	94,864
Trade and Other Receivables	17,339	9,312
Inventories	32,758	44,297
Financial Assets	800,000	700,000
Other Assets	2,630	3,935
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	917,653	852,408
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Property, Plant & Equipment	595,152	623,165
Formation Expenses	38	38
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	595,190	623,203
TOTAL ASSETS	1,512,843	1,475,611
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Trade and other payables	10,242	11,529
Provisions	-	6,000
Other Liabilities	37,095	27,832
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	47,337	45,361
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Provisions	-	1,075
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	-	1,075
TOTAL LIABILITIES	47,337	46,436
NET ASSETS	1,465,506	1,429,175
MEMBERS' FUNDS		
Retained surplus	1,465,506	1,429,175
TOTAL MEMBERS' EQUITY	1,465,506	1,429,175

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Inc.
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Statement of Changes in Equity
For the Year Ended 30 June 2025

	Retained Surplus \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 July 2024	1,429,175	1,429,175
Surplus for the year	36,331	36,331
Balance at 30 June 2025	1,465,506	1,465,506

	Retained Surplus \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 July 2023	1,319,545	1,319,545
Surplus for the year	109,630	109,630
Balance at 30 June 2024	1,429,175	1,429,175

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Inc.
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Statement of Cash Flows
For the Year Ended 30 June 2025

	Note	2025 \$	2024 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Receipts from customers		348,751	481,136
Payments to suppliers and employees		(299,339)	(367,009)
Interest received		35,130	27,849
Net cash provided by operating activities		84,542	141,976
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Reinvestment in financial assets		(100,000)	(136,152)
Payments for acquisition of plant and equipment		(14,480)	(20,992)
Net cash used in investing activities		(114,480)	(157,144)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents held			
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		(29,938)	(15,168)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year		94,864	110,032

Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	64,926	94,864
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The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Inc.

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Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2025

The financial report covers Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Inc. as an individual entity. Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club is a Not-For-Profit entity, incorporated and domiciled in Australia.

The functional and presentation currency of Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Inc. is Australian dollars.

Comparatives are consistent with prior years, unless otherwise stated.

1. Basis of Preparation

In the Board's opinion, the Association is not a reporting entity since there are unlikely to exist users of the financial statements who are not able to command the preparation of reports tailored so as to satisfy specifically all of their information needs. This special purpose financial report has been prepared to satisfy the reporting requirements in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards. Australian Accounting Interpretations, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, *Charitable Fundraising Act 1997* and the *Australian Charities and Not-For-Profits Commission Act 2012*.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of *Australian Charities and Not-For-Profit Commission Act 2012* and the following Australian Accounting Standards:

- AASB 101 Presentation of Financial Statements
- AASB 107 Statement of Cash Flows
- AASB 108 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors
- AASB 124 Related Party Disclosures
- AASB 1048 Interpretation of Standards
- AASB 1054 Australian Additional Disclosures.

Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are consistent with prior reporting periods unless otherwise stated.

2. Material Accounting Policy Information

(a) Income Tax

The Association is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

(b) Revenue and Other Income

Specific revenue streams

The revenue recognition policies for the principal revenue streams of the Association are:

Donations and Bequests

Donations and bequests are recognised as revenue when received. As specified in the Act, unsolicited donations, members' donations and bequests are not treated as fundraising income when determining information required under the Act. They are treated as gifts under the legislation.

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Notes to the Financial Statements
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2. Material Accounting Policy Information

(b) Revenue and Other Income (continued)

Grant revenue

Grant revenue is recognised in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income when the entity obtains control of the grant, it is probable that the economic benefits gained from the grant will flow to the entity and the amount of the grant can be measured reliably.

When grant revenue is received whereby the entity incurs an obligation to deliver economic value directly back to the contributor, this is considered a reciprocal transaction and the grant revenue is recognised in the statement of financial position as a liability until the service has been delivered to the contributor, otherwise the grant is recognised as income on receipt.

Interest revenue

Interest is recognised using the effective interest method.

Rendering of services

Revenue in relation to rendering of services is recognised depending on whether the outcome of the services can be estimated reliably. If the outcome can be estimated reliably then the stage of completion of the services is used to determine the appropriate level of revenue to be recognised in the period.

If the outcome cannot be reliably estimated then revenue is recognised to the extent of expenses recognised that are recoverable.

Other income

Other income is recognised on an accruals basis when the Association is entitled to it.

(c) Property, plant and equipment

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost or fair value less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment.

The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable asset are shown below:

Fixed asset class	Depreciation rate
Plant & Equipment (Juniors & Seniors)	10% - 100%
Office Equipment	5% - 10%
Surf Sports, Boat & Gym Equipment	10% - 100%
ATV, IRB and Life Saving Equipment	20%
Leasehold Improvements	2.5%

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Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2025

(d) Financial Instruments

Financial assets

The Association's financial assets measured at amortised cost comprise trade and other receivables, term deposits, and cash and cash equivalents in the statement of financial position.

Financial liabilities

The financial liabilities of the Association comprise trade payables.

(e) Impairment of non-financial assets

At the end of each reporting period the Association determines whether there is evidence of an impairment indicator for non-financial assets.

Where an indicator exists and regardless for indefinite life intangible assets and intangible assets not yet available for use, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated.

3 Critical accounting estimates, judgements and errors

The Board members evaluate estimates, judgements and errors incorporated into the financial statements based on historical knowledge and best available current information. Estimates assume a reasonable expectation of future events and are based on current trends and economic data, obtained both externally and within the Association.

Key estimates –property, plant and equipment residual values and useful lives

These assets are written down to their estimated residual value over their estimated residual value over their anticipated useful lives using the straight-line basis. Members of the Board reviews residual values annually considering market conditions and disposal values.

	2025	2024
\$	\$	\$
63,869	92,757	
1,057	2,107	
64,926	94,864	
17,339	9,312	
17,339	9,312	
32,758	44,297	
32,758	44,297	
800,000	700,000	
800,000	700,000	

4. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash at bank
Cash on hand

5. Trade & other receivables

Other debtors

6. Inventories

Stock on hand – at cost

7. Financial Assets

Westpac Bank Term Deposits > 3 months

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Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2025

8. Other assets

2025	2024
\$	\$
2,630	3,935
2,630	3,935

Prepayments

9. Property, plant and equipment

Leasehold Improvements

At cost

Accumulated depreciation

Total Leasehold Improvements

Plant and Equipment - Seniors

At cost

Accumulated depreciation

Total Plant and Equipment - Seniors

Plant and Equipment - Juniors

At cost

Accumulated depreciation

Total Plant and Equipment - Juniors

Surf Sports, Boat and Gym Equipment - Seniors

At cost

Accumulated depreciation

Total Surf Sports, Boat and Gym Equipment - Seniors

ATV and IRB Equipment

At cost

Accumulated depreciation

Total ATV and IRB Equipment

Life Saving and Education Equip - Seniors

At cost

Accumulated depreciation

Total Life Saving and Education Equip - Seniors

Office Furniture & Equipment

At cost

Accumulated depreciation

Total Office Furniture & Equipment

Total Property, Plant and Equipment

Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2025

10. Trade & other payables

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Accounts payable	3,843	3,956
GST payable / (receivable)	1,876	2,695
PAYG withholdings payable	1,042	1,771
Superannuation payable	1,609	1,363
Other payables	1,872	1,744
	10,242	11,529

11. Provisions

CURRENT	-	6,000
Provision for staff bonus	-	6,000
NON-CURRENT	-	1,075
Provision for Long Service Leave	-	1,075

12. Other Liabilities

Bonds held in advance (Functions)	3,500	3,500
Unearned income	33,595	24,332
	37,095	27,832

13. Disclosures under the NSW Charitable Fundraising Act 1991

Fundraising appeals conducted by the Club during the year led to a number of donations. Net fundraising is applied to the operational expenses of the Club in its core lifesaving activities. Comparisons of certain monetary figures and percentages in accordance with the requirements of the NSW Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 are set out below.

(i) Details of aggregate gross income and total expenses of Fundraising Appeals:

	2025	%	2024	%
	\$		\$	
Total Fundraising Income	2,282		3,898	
Less: Total Direct Costs of Fundraising	(1,476)	64.68	(402)	10.3
Net surplus / (Deficit) from Fundraising	806	35.32	995	89.7

(ii) Accounting Principles and method adopted in the Financial Statements:

The accounting principles and methods adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out in Note 1 of the notes to the financial statements.

(iii) Fundraising appeals conducted during the year:

During the year ended 30 June 2025 there was a presentation night tickets fundraising activity undertaken and Breakfast BBQ fundraising for Coastal Ascent event and RowForReach (2024: presentation night tickets and RowForReach fundraising).

Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30 June 2025

14. Contingencies

In the opinion of the members of the Board, the Association did not have any contingent liabilities at 30 June 2025 (30 June 2024: None).

15. Related Parties Transactions

Transactions between related parties are on normal commercial terms and conditions no more favourable than those available to other parties unless otherwise stated.

16. Key Management Personnel

The key management personnel of the Association are the members of the Board.

All key management personnel and volunteers are not compensated.

17. Events Occurring After the Reporting Date

The financial report was authorised for issue on 24 August 2025 by the members of the Board.

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Association, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Association in future financial years.

18. Statutory Information

The registered office and principal place of business of the Association is:
Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Inc.
15 Ocean Street
Merewether NSW, 2291

Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Inc.

ABN: 36 248 962 500

Charitable Fundraising Act Declaration

I, Paul Murray, President of Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Inc., declare that in my opinion that:

- (a) The financial statements give a true and fair view of all income and expenditure of Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Inc. with respect to fundraising appeal activities for the financial year ended 30 June 2025;
- (b) The statement of financial position gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs with respect to fundraising appeal activities as at 30 June 2025;
- (c) The provisions of the Charitable Fundraising (NSW) Act 1991 and Regulations and the conditions attached to the authority have been complied with for the financial year ended 30 June 2025;
- (d) The internal controls exercised by Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Inc. are appropriate and effective in accounting for all income received and applied by Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Inc. from any of its fundraising appeals; and
- (e) There are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association is able to pay all of its debts, as and when they become due and payable.

Dated 24 August 2025

Signed by:

#90123C556A2475

Paul Murray (President)



Independent Audit Report to the members of
Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Inc.

Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report being a special purpose financial report of Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Inc., which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2025, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of material accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the Board's declaration.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of the Association is in accordance with Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*, and *NSW Charitable Funding Act 1997* including:

- (i) giving a true and fair view of the Association's financial position as at 30 June 2025 and of its financial performance for the year ended; and
- (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent described in Note 1 and Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulations 2022*.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Association in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.



We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the Board members' financial reporting responsibilities under the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*, and *NSW Charitable Funding Act 1997*. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

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Independent Audit Report to the members of Dixon Park Surf Life Saving Club Inc.

Responsibilities of members of the Board and Those Charged with Governance

The Board members of the Association are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 is appropriate to meet the requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, NSW Charitable Fundraising Act 1991, and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The Board members' responsibility also includes such internal control as the Board members determine necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Board members are responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Board members either intend to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Board is responsible for overseeing the Association's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the members of the Board.

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- Conclude on the appropriateness of the members of the Boards use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Association to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the members of the Board regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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Partner
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24 August 2025

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Life Members (Deceased)

N	Brown
Hugh	Clifford
Doug	Eades
Wally	Eather
Ray	Harman
W	Haynes
James	Johnson
Dale	Laverty
William	McIntosh
Harold	McLardy
Richard	McWhinney
Brett	Norris
J	O'Reilly
Jack	Owen
F	Parker
W	Parker
Reginald	Parkinson
T	Purdon
David	Ringland
J	Rourke
Kevin	Smith
Edward	Swain
John	Tongue
Eric	Wilson
Peter	Woodward

Life Members

Stuart	Barnett
Paul	Brady
Peter	Brown
Carl	Greer
Warren	Hinchcliffe
Bruce	MacDonald
Arthur	Mawkes
Paul	Murray
Peter	Norris
Toni	O'Donoghue
Trevor	Owen
Geoff	Padgett
Earl	Rennie
Doug	Sault
Kenneth	Screen
Jack	Tomlinson
Peter	Wilkinson

Active Members (18 yrs and over)

Ross	Anderson
Ashlee	Antcliff
Cassandra	Barnett
Laura	Barnett
Nicholas	Barry
Michael	Beldzinski
Jude	Biswas
Callan	Blanch
Ross	Burgess
Samuel	Burgess
Caitlin	Byrnes
David	Byrnes
Neil	Caddis
Michael	Chatwin
Maria	Cordoba
Alan	Cross
David	Dale
Peter	Eden
Reece	Faulkner
Aleksandr	Fitzgerald
Declan	Fitzgerald
Scott	Gibson
Bryce	Hardie
Chris	Harvey
Kate	Henty
John	Humphries
Kesley	Kernes
Amy	Kirkpatrick
Mark	Kirkpatrick
Sam	Leung
Imogen	Llewellyn
Marnie	Long
Tyron	Mascini
Troy	McClelland
Natasha	McIntosh
John	Miller
Scott	Millar
Bradley	Newman
Thomas	Newman
Brad	Noble
Jack	Noble
Adrian	Parker
Lachlan	Pearse
Natalia	Pedraza
Sondra	Purser

Juan	Ramuno
Samuel	Rayfield
Robert	Reed
Daniel	Richardson
Sophia	Richardson
Dean	Rowe
Alexandra	Ryba
Vladimir	Shatrov
Joao	Silveirinha
Blair	Speakman
Gavin	Stewart
Mark-Nicola	Vergot
Gabriel	Waterford
Malachai	Waterford
Timothy	Wilkinson
Breeannan	Williams
Ross	Wood
Mark	Wright

Long Service

Adrian	Anderson
Carl	Audley
Shane	Barclay
Matthew	Criss
Ian	Faulkner
Brian	Fisher
Allan	Gordon
Marc	Henty
Paul	Hunt
Ian	Kerr
Lisa	Wright

Reserve Active

Tia	Brady
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Award Members

Harry	Daniel
Darren	Pateman





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