

Warriewood Surf Life Saving Club  
70<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting  
1<sup>st</sup> August 2021, 4pm via Zoom

**Attendees:** John Dulieu, Kathy Dulieu, Mel O'Connell, Mark O'Connell, Adam Kovac, Peter Casey, Angela Shanahan, Vickie Dyer, David Jollow, Cameron Powell, Andrea Powell, Elise Andrews, Neal McCarry, Rob Milliken, Cathy Milliken, Adam Gee, Jen Spencer, Justin McDonald, Simeon Haddad, Dan Susko, Valerio Corniani, Kevin green, Adam Gee, Rafa Galego, Vivek Sirkari, Karuna Maharaj , Dominic Lynch, Greg Hall, Cathy Hall, Libby Vanderlaan, Michael Vanderlaan, James Legget-Budden, Benno Hargy, Dean Hindman, Peter Mcfarland, Russell Lamb, Beverley Tilbury, Paul Baker, Kerrie Baker, Sascha Rundle, Simone Allan

**Life Members:** Peter Burgmann, Neil Dyer, Wayne Horne, Lorelle Kinsey, Rick Harris, Robert Walsh, Peter Byrne, Matt Sheridan

**VIP's:** Tracey Hare-Boyd (SNB President), Jen Huston (SNB Vice President)  
The Hon. Rob Stokes MP.

**Apologies:** nil



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0832	<p>Welcome by Club President John Dulieu</p> <p>Hi everyone and welcome to the 70<sup>th</sup> AGM of Warriewood Surf Life Saving club. I would like to extend a very warm welcome to our VIP's this afternoon, Life Members and Sponsors who are in attendance: The Honourable Robert Stokes member for Pittwater and Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, Tracey Hare-Boyd, President of Sydney Northern Beaches Surf Life Saving, Our Life members Peter Burgmann, Neil Dyer, Peter Byrne, Rick Harris, Matt Sheridan, Lorelle Kinsey and Wayne Horne and welcome to all our members and families. When I stood before you all last year as the newly elected President, we really didn't know how the season would pan out, and 12 months on we find ourselves in familiar territory with uncertainty surrounding the season ahead. But when you look at what we achieved last year, I know the true Wazza spirit will kick in again this season and we'll have just as much fun and success as we did last year.</p> <p>Before we kick into the formalities of today's AGM, I would like to run through the achievements of the club over the last 12 months.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• After a great deal of effort implementing covid plans cross all areas of the club, the Patrol Season kicked off on time and by the end of the season, we had 315 patrolling members spread across 12 Patrol Teams who invested over 5500 volunteer hours keeping our beach safe. Everyone that attended Warriewood Beach for some fun and recreation when home safely.</li> <li>• 354 Nippers graced our beach over 19 Sundays throughout the season, with only one day being missed due Christmas lockdown. I would like to thank Mark O'Connell, once again for his years of dedication as Nippers President and I wish Neal McCarry the best of luck moving forward in his capacity as the new Nippers President.</li> <li>• Even though we had covid plan after covid plan to implement and a New Bronze and SRC Curriculum to get our heads around, we still managed to train 106 of our members in 133 new awards which has resulted in 64 patrolling members added to our patrol teams. More encouraging is that 64% of our members that enhanced their skills this year were aged between 13-21. A big thank you to Angela and all our trainers and in particular Beverley Tilbury, who after supporting the club over so many years as a trainer and assessor has decided to retire! I think so many people even on this call have been trained by Beverley. You will be sadly missed and as a trainer and assessor myself, we promise to keep up the high standard of training that has been associated with Warriewood over so many years.</li> <li>• On the Finance side, despite the tough year in loss of revenue in so many areas we still managed a net Surplus of \$55,687. This was largely due to grants, sponsorship and the bequeathment of \$30,000 from Michael George Byron. This emphasises the fact the club cannot just rely on membership funds alone and moving forward we need to look at more innovative fundraising events organised by our members to top up the coffers. None the less, it's a great result given the circumstances and I would like to thank our Treasurer Peter Casey for his diligence across all the finance areas of the club.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On the topic of Fundraising events, we had one of most successful Chieftain Challenge Swims last year raising over \$10,000. When you look back at this event, we were the only Club in Sydney that held an Ocean Swim event that side of Christmas and were are forever grateful for the timing. 3 days later, the Northern Beaches went into lockdown. I would like to extend a big thanks to Jen Spencer for getting this off the ground.</li> <li>• Last month Warriewood had the pleasure of hosting the NSW Governments announcement of funding for Surf Life Saving Clubs across NSW. We were absolutely thrilled that Warriewood was a part of that announcement being awarded \$300,000 which will be significant contribution to the Clubs Master Plan in upgrading our facilities. Planning is underway we hope that work will commence in next year's off season.</li> <li>• Without question, the investment in our youth is the future of our club! It's great to see our senior members investing the time training and mentoring our younger members – the next generation. Thanks must go to the likes of Russell Lamb and Katherine Maguire for the program they are running with the boats, and to the Senior Sand Dancers for what they are achieving with their younger protégés. We also started the process last year of formalising the investment into our youth by appointing Adam Kovac as Youth Development Officer. This role is specifically designed to support the 14-17 years old, to ensure that age group remains active within Warriewood SLSC and the Surf Life Saving community. The energy this group generates is infectious and is something we all need to encourage and embrace.</li> <li>• And on the topic of youth, we must be doing something right. For the first time in our history, we can lay claim the NSW Junior Life Saver of the Year Award – well done Vivek. I think the Warriewood Annual report belongs to you this year, I don't think there's page without your name on it and it goes without saying we are we are immensely proud of what you achieved.</li> </ul> <p>Losing a club member is never easy. It's even harder when it's a member who was one of our SRC's graduates from 2 years ago. Phoebe Larsen sadly passed away 2 months ago at the age of 15. On behalf of the club, I would like to extend our sincere condolences to the Larson family. Our thoughts are with Phoebe's parents Adam and Katanya and brother James through this difficult time. We will be working with the Larson family over the coming weeks to organise a memorial paddle out.</p> <p>So, in summary, whilst the last 12 months has been a challenging in so many ways, it has also been extremely rewarding when you look at what we have achieved. As a Club we have some much to be proud of and so much to look forward to once we get out of lockdown. From Nipper parents to Age Mangers, to the Nipper BBQ crew Prisca &amp; Nick, to our Patrol Captains and Patrolling Members, to our Trainers and Assessors, to the Warriewood committee members and their families I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks and gratitude for all your hard work and support you have provided over the last 12 months.</p> <p>What makes this club great is you, the members of our club no matter what your involvement is I look forward to hopefully achieving more in the year ahead.</p> <p>Thank you.</p>

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0833	<p>John Dulieu We did send out the minutes from last year's meeting and agenda, we are collecting the attendance through the registration which is being kept in a spreadsheet after you have registered so thank you for that.</p> <p>Before we start, we need to move a motion of confirmation that the AGM is being conducted electronically.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> That the format and conduct of this meeting be accepted and that any challenge arising from any procedural or irregularity in or to the conduct of the meeting be waived.</p> <p><b>Moved by: Peter Byrne, Seconded by Jen Spencer</b></p>
0834	<p><b>Motion:</b> Confirmation of the Affiliation of the Association with Surf Life Saving Sydney Northern Beaches Inc. That affiliation be sought for the 2021/2022 season with Surf Life Saving Sydney Northern Beaches Incorporated for the 2021/2022 season. Further, that the articles, constitution, by-laws, regulations and resolutions, together with the Awards and equipment of Surf Life Saving Australia Limited and Surf Life Saving NSW be accepted without reservation.</p> <p><b>Moved by Jen Spencer, Seconded by Peter Byrne.</b></p>
0835	<p><b>Motion:</b> Adoption of minutes of the 69th Annual General Meeting held on 2nd August 2020</p> <p><b>Moved by Jen Spencer, seconded by Rob Milliken.</b></p>
0836	<p><b>Presentation and Adoption of the 2020/2021 Financial Statement.</b></p> <p>Included in the Annual report is this year's financial statements prepared by the Treasurer and our auditors I'd like to thank Peter Casey for his outstanding effort in getting this prepared for the year.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Adoption of the 2020/2021 Financial Statement</p> <p><b>Moved by Justin Macdonald, Seconded by Rob Milliken,</b></p>
0837	<p>John Dulieu - adopt the presentation of the Annual report. Before we do that, I'd like to thank Jen Huston for her contribution putting the report together, it's never easy putting a report like that together. I'd also like to thank all the committee for their input as well.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Adopt the presentation of the 20/21 Annual report.</p> <p><b>Moved by Peter Casey, Seconded by Libby Vanderlaan.</b></p>
0838	<p><b>Election of the Office bearers for the 2021/22 season</b></p> <p>John Dulieu hands over to Peter Bergman (Life Member): On behalf of myself, life members and members of the club, John thank you for a great job under very difficult circumstances that you have done in your inaugural year as President. I don't think anyone has been challenged like you have been put through this year, in trying to lead the club and hold together and sustain our duties as a surf lifesaving club. Great job and you can see by the annual report we are still</p>

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	<p>operating in some sense, and I don't know how you've done it, but you have done a great job, so congratulations on that.</p> <p>Probably leading, the timely having electronically savvy people operating within your committee and yourself, some of these older ones like myself as Mocca will tell you, they are a day behind and we would be lost, couldn't do it so another plus for what you've done in difficult issues, you've handled it perfectly.</p> <p>Number one thing in the club is protection on the beach, looking after our swimmers, and to go through the season again resulting with no lives lost is our number one priority and a surf lifesaving club, remarkable result in challenging times. Congratulations again.</p> <p>Last congratulations is to Vivek for NSW and Branch Junior Surf Lifesaver of the year. Shows the great direction which way the club is going.</p> <p>You read through the Annual report and you can see we are going well in the masters, we're going well in competition with boats, and also at Surf Lifesaving, the Juniors coming through and for Vivek to take out the award is just fantastic. We are a medium size club, but we overachieve in what we do in our club at all times. So with that I'll just finish off and say it's been a great year in very trying conditions.</p> <p><b>Life Member Peter Burgmann</b> - I will declare all positions vacant on the committee and call for the first position, the position of President of Warriewood surf life-saving club.</p> <p><b>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE</b></p> <p><b>PRESIDENT</b> - John Dulieu  Moved by Peter Burgmann, Seconded by Rick Harris</p> <p>Peter Burgmann: No other nominations John, congratulations and take back over the chair.  John Dulieu: Thanks Peter, and thanks for all to the members. It has been fantastic year when you look back and again, I can't reiterate how grateful I am for the support. Particularly from Jen Spencer throughout the year as well and various of other people who I call on a regular basis. Again, thanks for all your assistance and help it's been tremendous and really looking forward to the year ahead.</p> <p>John Dulieu: Moving through the rest of the positions this afternoon. For the position of Vice President which has been uncontested, the nomination for Vice President is Jen Spencer.</p> <p><b>VICE PRESIDENT</b> - Jen Spencer  Moved by, Justin McDonald, Seconded by, Michael Vanderlaan</p> <p>John Dulieu: Before moving onto the next position, I just need to motion to add an additional position to the executive committee which is the additional Vice President looking after the grants. This is specifically created for the additional workload put on the committee to look after the grants and building facilities etc.</p> <p><b>Motion: to add additional Vice President role:</b>  <b>Position moved by Peter Casey, Seconded by Peter Burgmann</b></p> <p><b>VICE PRESIDENT for grants</b> – Simeon Haddad</p>

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	<p>Moved by Libby Vanderlaan, Seconded by Jen Spencer</p> <p>John Dulieu – one thing I didn't mention in my speech was to congratulate Cam Powell on his appointment as Director of Surf Lifesaving for Sydney Northern Beaches and on behalf of the club Cam we do wish you all the very best. It's great to have someone from Warriewood in that position and great that Warriewood has been recognised for leadership skills and appointment of that role.</p> <p><b>CLUB CAPTAIN - Cam Powell</b>  Moved by Dan Susko, Seconded by Dominic Lynch</p> <p><b>VICE CLUB CAPTAIN – Mark O'Connell</b>  Moved by Michael Vanderlaan, Seconded by Simeon Haddad</p> <p><b>CLUB SECRETARY - Mel O'Connell</b>  Moved by Angela Shanahan, Seconded by Libby Vanderlaan</p> <p><b>CLUB TREASURER - Peter Casey</b>  Moved by Simeon Haddad, Seconded by Dan Susko</p> <p><b>Management Committee</b></p> <p><b>NIPPERS PRESIDENT – Neal McCarry</b>  Moved by Michael Vanderlaan, Seconded by Justin McDonald</p> <p><b>SURF SPORTS – Adam Gee</b>  Moved by John Dulieu, Seconded by Greg Hall</p> <p><b>MASTERS COACH – Greg Hall</b>  Moved by, Neil Dyer, Seconded by Jen Spencer</p> <p><b>BOAT CAPTAIN - Russell Lamb</b>  Moved by Peter Byrne, Seconded by Dominic Lynch</p> <p><b>CHIEF TRAINING OFFICER - Angela Shanahan</b>  Moved by Jen Spencer, Seconded by Vivek Sirkari</p> <p><b>YOUTH DEVELOPMENT OFFICER – Adam Kovac</b>  Moved by Neil Dyer, Seconded by Peter Byrne</p> <p><b>REGISTRAR - Vacant</b></p> <p><b>BAR MANAGER - Rob Milliken</b>  Moved by Michael Vanderlaan, Seconded vby Greg Hall</p> <p><b>SPONSORSHIP – Dom Lynch</b>  Moved by Dan Susko, Seconded by Adam Gee</p> <p><b>SENIOR SOCIAL – Andrea Powell</b>  Moved by, Rob Milliken, Seconded by Libby Vanderlaan</p>

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	<p><b>IRB CAPTAIN</b> – Dean Hindman Moved by Jen spencer, Seconded by Neil Dyer</p> <p><b>RADIO</b> - Casaba Kaposi Moved by Jen Spencer, Seconded by Simeon Haddad</p> <p><b>TRAINING OFFICERS</b> - Angela Shanahan, John Dulieu, Cameron Powell, James Leggett-Budden, Vickie Dyer, Rick Harris, Paul Baker, Darren Speirs, Sascha Rundle, Neil Dyer Moved by Justin McDonald, Seconded by Peter Byrne</p> <p><b>ASSESSORS</b> - John Dulieu, Cameron Powell, Rick Harris Moved by Justin McDonald, Seconded by Dan Susko</p> <p><b>WATER MANAGER</b> - Vacant</p> <p><b>CLUB DOCTOR</b> - David Jollow Moved by Neil Dyer, Seconded by Peter Burgmann</p> <p><b>BRANCH DELEGATE</b> – dissolved position not required</p> <p><b>CARNIVAL COACH</b> – Cathy Milliken Moved by, Angela Shanahan, Seconded by Adam Gee</p> <p><b>RACE STEWARD</b> - Vacant</p> <p><b>GEAR STEWARD</b> – Vacant – temporarily held by the position of Vice Captain.</p> <p><b>CLOTHING STEWARD</b> – Liz Ashley Moved by Jen Spencer, Seconded by Neil Dyer</p> <p><b>WHS OFFICER</b> - Sascha Rundle Moved by Michael Vanderlaan, Seconded by Dan Susko</p> <p><b>MEMBER PROTECTION INFORMATION OFFICER (MPIO)</b> – position to be reviewed.</p> <p>John Dulieu: Thankyou everyone and congratulations to everyone who has been renominated, looking forward to the year ahead.</p>

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0839	<p data-bbox="245 219 817 246"><b>Nomination of Life member ROBERT MILLIKEN</b></p> <p data-bbox="245 291 852 318">Nominated by: Neil Dyer, Seconded by Rick Harris</p> <p data-bbox="245 362 1407 465">Rob has been a major asset to Warriewood SLSC for over 27 years. Like most members Rob started as a nipper parent and then moved through many club positions over many years contributing to just about every club activity there is.</p> <p data-bbox="245 510 1008 537">Rob has held the following positions within the club committee:</p> <ul data-bbox="245 582 453 792" style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Club Registrar</li> <li>Club Treasurer</li> <li>IRB Captain</li> <li>Patrol Captain</li> <li>Bar Manager</li> <li>BBQ coordinator</li> </ul> <p data-bbox="245 837 1375 940">There is not any club activity that Rob has not been involved with: Nippers, Social Committee, fundraising activities, coordinator of Pub-2-Pub marshalling, cadet camps, working bees, Chieftain Challenge.... the list is endless.</p> <p data-bbox="245 985 1394 1043">Rob is also a valued Patrol Captain and has maintained a vigilant personal patrol record for over many years.</p> <p data-bbox="245 1088 1267 1115">Rob also competes for the club and has represented Warriewood on many occasions.</p> <p data-bbox="245 1160 1385 1303">Rob is always the first person to put his hand up to help out with anything at the club and his endless commitment and passion for the club is appreciated by everyone. He has proved to be a great mentor to many of our younger members of the club and is unwavering with his encouragement and enthusiasm with our adult and senior members as well.</p> <p data-bbox="245 1348 1401 1451">Whenever a working Bee or Social event is scheduled Rob, along with his dedicated wife Catherine, is the first to lend a hand and usually the last to leave at the end of any event. Yes, he is usually the one completing all the cleaning.</p> <p data-bbox="245 1496 1394 1599">Rob asks for nothing and expects no praise or self-gratification. He puts his heart and soul in the club and the community in general, and we are all the better for his enduring dedication and humbleness that is just "Rob's nature".</p> <p data-bbox="245 1644 1401 1702">Robert Milliken is totally worthy of Life Membership to Warriewood Surf Life Saving Club and his nomination is well overdue.</p>

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0840	<p data-bbox="245 219 794 248"><b>Catherine Milliken Distinguish Services Award</b></p> <p data-bbox="245 293 1307 322">Some familiarity with this nomination to that of the nomination of Robs Life Membership.</p> <p data-bbox="245 367 1366 432">This individual also joined the club in 1900 according to Surf guard, but in reality, we think it's probably 1994.</p> <p data-bbox="245 477 1299 577">This individual has also been a major asset to Warriewood SLSC for over 27 years. Like most members this individual started as a Nipper parent and has a major impact on everything she gets involved in.</p> <p data-bbox="245 622 1139 651">Over the years this individual has contributed to the club in so many areas.</p> <ul data-bbox="296 696 1366 1088" style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nippers BBQ for many years</li> <li>• Working bees</li> <li>• Social committee &amp; many fundraising activities</li> <li>• Nippers under 6 helper- with Tom Cassidy (</li> <li>• Warriewood March Past</li> <li>• Pub to pub helper for years</li> <li>• Bar assistant with Rob</li> <li>• Club official at Carnivals (big rap for this)</li> <li>• Historically a Patrol helper and widely known for supplying muffins to Patrol members</li> <li>• Constant worker at every club event</li> <li>• Now a training advisor to the Sand Dancers and a valued member of Patrol 8</li> </ul> <p data-bbox="245 1133 464 1162">The list is endless.</p> <p data-bbox="245 1207 1390 1272">This individual is always the first person to put her hand up to help out with anything at the club and her endless commitment and passion for the club is appreciated by everyone.</p> <p data-bbox="245 1317 1374 1417">Like her husband, she asks for nothing and expects no praise or self-gratification. She puts her heart and soul in the club and the community in general, and we are all the better for her enduring dedication and humbleness.</p> <p data-bbox="245 1462 1299 1527">Cath Milliken, I'm very proud as President of Warriewood SLSC to be present to you the Distinguish Services Award.</p>

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0841	<p><b>The Hon. Rob Stokes MP - address:</b></p> <p>Can I just say how wonderful it is to join you all to congratulate you on what is your 70<sup>th</sup> year, an incredible contribution to the community, couldn't be prouder to represent all of you. To Rob and to Cath (Milliken) a heartfelt congratulations, real selfless stories of dedication, service of self-sacrifice by looking after other people and all the values of which surf lifesaving is all about. You're a wonderful family club, John you have done an incredible job of leadership. Can I say to everyone listening online that the job of Club President is an incredibly thankless task, it involves dealing with State, with Branch, with Council, with State government, with WHS issues that need to be looked into, there's financial issues that need to be looked into and then there's all the other bits and pieces that are involved in running a club, it's incredibly complex and incredibly time consuming. So, John to you and to your family on behalf of the committee I represent thank you so much and to your committee, the life members and distinguished service members, including now Rob and Cath in their ranks, thank you for your support in this amazing club. A few people I want to acknowledge I know it is always dangerous acknowledging individuals because the club is the sum total of it's membership. I wanted to acknowledge Tracey Hare-Boyd who is on the line and does an incredible job representing all of us at a branch level. To Cam Powell who I can say from personal experience is a wonderful soccer coach, but more than that he will make an incredible contribution as director, ensuring that the Pontiac Chieftains can punch above their weight at the board level which is really important. Can I also just acknowledge Angela Shanahan for the work as Chief Training Officer, talking of thankless tasks that's another one, but thank you Angela for all the work you are doing and the way you are influencing young lives. On that point I should acknowledge Vivek because Vivek I'm watching my back I know you're after my job and you know I'll yield it to you one day, but you are an amazing young man and just an exemplar of the incredible things that Warriewood Surf Lifesaving club is able to achieve. On that note I also wanted to acknowledge Mark O'Connell mainly because he'll hate being acknowledged because he is a very humble man and also Mel but thank you for your leadership. I wanted to acknowledge Rick Harris because I still have PTSD over the time he put me through my IRB licence about 20 years ago, I still haven't quite recovered. And I also wanted to acknowledge Dolly because I don't know, Dolly and technology are not two words I put together, but I noticed he stayed online and quite quiet the whole time. But to all of you, you are an amazing club you are doing amazing things and you're making a real difference in the lives of the whole community, and I only point out the work you did with raising more than \$20 grand for the Starlight Foundation and on top of all the work you do volunteering for our community and making sure that people are safe on Warriewood Beach.</p> <p>Thank you so much, it is an honour to serve you, congratulations.</p>

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0842	<p>Tracey Hare-Boyd Branch President – SLS Northern Beaches - address:</p> <p>I think this is the third year in a row that I have been invited to Warriewood’s AGM so thanks for being so welcoming. Over those 3 years I have absolutely enjoyed watching the club grow from strength to strength. This year Warriewood has been front line and forward with their Junior life saver Vivek, you guys have Branch, State and Aussie medallists, you have hosted the first NSW development camp for ages 16-21, you hosted the funding announcement, you have put up your hand for just about everything. So, from a branch perspective, thank you. Congratulations to Cam as well for becoming an Executive and working with the Branch team. For Warriewood, that will be a real asset as well. Thanks to everyone for your support, every time I have visited Warriewood there has been open arms and welcoming. To John and the Executive, congratulations to Jen H for an amazing annual report that I didn’t need to proof read. Congratulations Dolly who has been adding up the bottles, I have seen them lining up there, well done. Thanks again guys and I just want to point out that this is the first club that I have noticed the male lockdown hairdo happening on the face.</p> <p>Well done, Warriewood, congratulations.</p>
0843	<p>John invited comments from the attendees.</p> <p>There were no further comments. John thanked everyone for attending and concluded the meeting</p>