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OF WISDOM FROM A DENIZEN OF THE CLOVELLY BAY DEEP!!!**

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THE WORLD AT THEIR FEET!

Clovelly SLSC's mens' beach relay team of John "Macca" McNamee, Mark "Gooba" Scott and Jayson "Abe" Lincoln have been training in all weathers throughout the winter months in preparation for their next international assault --- the Sydney World Masters Games 2009.

Coached by veteran Australian beach champion, Patrick Manning OAM, the highly-experienced combination of Scott and McNamee have been joined by seasoned beach campaigner and new club member and ex-Bronte bullet, "Abe" Lincoln in their campaign to wrest another world relay crown and place it in the Clovelly SLSC trophy cabinet.



The team is pictured here before a training session at Maroubra Beach ..from left Jayson Lincoln, Patrick Manning, Mark Scott and John McNamee.

The vital relay back-up man and current State flags champion Glen “Lofty” Lofts will be held in reserve for the prestigious event. (Unfortunately Lofty couldn’t make it for the historic photo shoot) but here he is below at the State titles.



As well as their own individual sprint, flags and surf swim events, the boys will be contesting the 150 year men’s beach relay at the Surf Lifesaving competition to be held at Manly beach on the weekend of Saturday, October 10 and Sunday October 11.

The Surf lifesaving event is a self-contained competition within the World Masters Games format although non-surf lifesaving members of the public and non-proficient surf club members have been invited to compete.

Already Mark Scott and John McNamee (along with Derek Wong) won a World Relay title in Germany last July, that event was part of the World Lifesaving championships (associated with Surf Lifesaving Australia and the International Lifesaving Federation).

This latest “Seniors Olympics”, which has attracted almost 30 thousand competitors from around the world, comes under the umbrella of the World Masters Games of which surf lifesaving is a “guest” member.

Two of the Clovelly campaigners, Jayson Lincoln and John McNamee (a former State beach champion) will also be competing in the Athletics section of the World Masters Games to be held at the Sydney Olympic Park, Homebush on the following week...both have entered for the 100m and 200m sprints although an unfortunate schedule clash may mean they’ll be able to take on the 200m only.

These athletic events have attracted ace Canadian, American, Japanese, European and African champions (some are even ex-Olympians and Commonwealth Games medallists!!)

“Gooba” has also entered his gold-medal winning touch footy team in the Games and will be competing against the world’s best at Penrith in the week after the surf lifesaving.

Goob’s the current Branch, State, Aussie and World Over 50 beach sprint champion and brings a wealth of tough, no-holds-barred experience to the beach relay arena.

Our “junior” member, “Abe” Lincoln is in the 35-39 age bracket, a former Bronte cadet and in recent years a Wamberal SLSC competitor, who has won a swag of junior, Open and Masters titles at State, national and world level over the past 20 years.

He’s a great asset to our team....but he could throw a late scare into his teammates as his wife is due to give birth to their first child on that weekend of competition!

That’s why Glen “Lofty” Lofts has placed himself on standby..what the Mollymook Mauler might lose in years to the 150 year Clovelly combo, he makes up for with his lightning pace across the first 30m and his super-slick baton skills.

WHY NOT COME ALONG ON EITHER OF THE TWO DAYS OCTOBER 10 OR 11 TO MANLY BEACH TO CHEER ON THE CLOVELLY WORLD TEAM.....

INDIVIDUAL EVENTS, SATURDAY, THE RELAY’S ON THE SUNDAY.



BACK TO THE BEACH!!!

There’ll be a series of new formats to the Clovelly beach events competition this season...

These will include the traditional Sunday morning surf swim or board paddle “over the Wall” or off the Square, and Friday evening Twilight Beach mini-carnivals involving everyone from the Nippers to the veterans and fitness classes.

The Sunday morning swims/paddles will carry a cumulative pointscore leading to an end-of-year trophy.

We’ll also be introducing regular beach sprint, beach flags, beach relay and board riding instruction sessions conducted by experienced personnel.

Maroubra SLSC has also invited us to take part occasionally in their Sunday morning beach events and surf swim followed by a social barbecue etc.

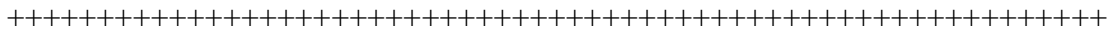
But we’ll kick off with a challenging Fun Run/Walk from the Clovelly surf club to Coogee on the Opening Sunday, October 3 at 9am.

This will be followed by a 200m ocean swim (conditions permitting.)

Serious runners, keen to test their all-winter fitness regime, will kick off the gut-sapping event with a gruelling leg from the Cloey first aid room to the Wylie’s Baths sign and return.

Walkers, out for a brisk Sunday morning stroll, can just do the surf club to surf club and back to surf club discipline.

Let’s know if you’re interested.



NICE TRY GEOFF!!!

Tireless Board/ski/run exponent (and another ex-Bronte boy who finds life much more congenial at Cloey!!) Geoff Scott thought he was on a good chance and tried to get me to enter him in the Over 50 section of the gruelling NSW Endurance Championships at Cronulla beach on Saturday, September 19 as he'd turned the Magic Five-Oh in July.

Sadly, Surf Lifesaving still regards this event as being on last season's calendar so instead of tackling the blokes in the older age range, Geoff's stuck in his old 45-49 group where he's found the going pretty tough!!

Geoff's not doing too bad for his age though...he's entered in the 8km board paddle and 5km beach run. (Phew!!!)

Our other Clovelly competitor at Cronulla is Australian Open 2km beach run Bronze Medallist Bernie "the Chisel" Chisholm who's in the Open section of the paddle and run. Hopefully Bernie will have her new comp board soon to boost her surfing challenges.

Good luck to both, we'll be out there on the day to cheer the Cloey Enduros along!!

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BROTHER AGAINST BROTHER...MATE AGAINST MATE

Yep, it's that time again...the annual Dave Murray Memorial Shield 30m x 12-person relay clash will be held on Sunday, October 25.

The popular event across Clovelly Bay commemorates the memory of the late Dave Murray, a veteran surf club patroller and competitor and Life Member.

His two sons, Chris, a senior active member and Stuart (who's always too busy to complete his bronze course!) head up two rival relay teams selected from the Clovelly Surf Club and the Clovelly Eskimos, of which Dave was a gold medal winning stalwart.

The current holders are the Eskys but revenge could come swiftly!

(Will the Eskys' Lady President lead off the cross-Bay challenge for her team? Watch this space!!)

Also welcome to compete in the event are teams from the Nippers, Nippers Parents, Clovelly Surf Club Swimming Club and the City Tatts Cheetahs although they don't qualify for the major trophy....

Don't miss it!! Everyone gets a swim.

REGISTRATION IN DOWNSTAIRS HALL 11.15AM.....SWIM TIME...12 MIDDAY...FOLLOWED BY BARBECUE AND REFRESHMENTS.



FREE T-SHIRT DAY AT FRESHY!!!

The annual Freshwater Masters in which the Cloey team regularly makes Top Ten billing will be held this year on Saturday, November 21.

And yep, they'll be giving away their usual popular T-shirts to all competitors.

This year we'll be strengthening our womens' surf teams to be brain-stormed by Karon "Greta Garbo" Lekeu and will hopefully include Branch surf swim Silver Medallist Helen "Callo" Callaghan and her Junior Captain mate Reggie Williams.

The men's surf team will once again be led by John "Scats" Stewart and Henri Lekeu while barnacle encrusted boardies, Geoff Scott, Rob Johnson and Board and Ski supremo Al Pausey will represent the paddlers.

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WHAT ARE THE BOATIES UP TO?

I was hoping to include a photo of the Bucky surf boat and its intrepid crew in their rugged winter training regimen but it's been too bloody dark on Sunday mornings when the boys have been out disturbing the peace of Cloey bay and beyond (sometimes disappearing around Shark Point towards Bronte!!)

Speaking of the boaties, it's great to see Super Sweep Paul "Boof" Smith back on his pins after a prolonged injury sojourn.

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CARRY ON KURT!!!

Great to see Kurt Shields will be a Patrol Captain this season...we may even tempt him back into the competition and board instruction areas (hopefully).

Kurt's a former Open beach sprint finalist and board specialist who has been extremely active in the competition area for Cloey over the past 10 years.

Welcome back mate, can't wait to have you on board and back on the beach again!!

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ALL DETAILS ON ANY EVENTS..OR IF YOU WISH TO JOIN THE CLOEY COMPETITION TEAM, PLEASE CONTACT:

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