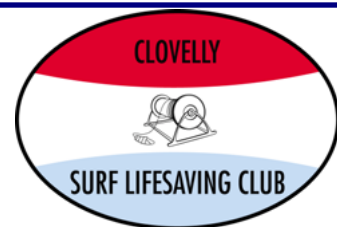


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### SPORTSMAN'S LUNCH Friday 9th May CLOVELLY HOTEL



What a day! Beyond all expectations - the venue, the guest speakers, the MC, the sell out crowd, the food, the beer...!!! This fundraising day for Clovelly SLSC was a resounding success by any measure ! MC Steve “Chimes” Gillis was superb as he interviewed our guests in a relaxed and totally informal mode. Chimes’ personality & depth of knowledge about these personalities, & their sport, had them all responding readily. Chimes donated his time, as did all the guests - **thank you** to all, on behalf of all the members of Clovelly Surf Club. Brad “Freddy” Fittler was first up on the mike. This Rugby League legend & current Rooster’s coach is now living in Clovelly. He fronted up despite it being his wife’s birthday on the day. Brad shared all sorts of information with us: would have been a PE teacher if he didn’t make the big league ; has graduated from a moped to a Harley; doesn’t drink much anymore - it used to make him happy, chase sheilas & be unreliable; on the ‘94 Kangaroo tour, his contract with Penrith included a commitment to pay all his room service charges - over 70 bourbons at a \$18 a hit! Brad looks forward to his children being at Clovelly PS & even revealed a green side reflected in his role as an Energy Ambassador. Scott Geddes current Rabbitohs First Grade front rower spoke of the influence of Russel Crowe at the club & of his own bad run of injuries in recent years. Scott grew up in Moss Vale, joined Souths in 2002, & believes they can still make the 8 this year. Current Kangaroos Assistant Coach John Cartwright was indeed topical as he shared insights into the Kangaroos preparations for the Centenary Test vs. NZ at the SCG that night; this Penrith boy said he was loving life as a coach and spoke of his times with the Roosters & currently the Gold Coast Titans.; John’s 15 year old daughter is a gun tennis player currently representing QLD - she even received a call from “Alfie” Langer with the “Queenslander” call.



**Gai Waterhouse:** an energetic and elegant lady whose animated and dynamic repartee was simply not to be forgotten. Even Chimes barely got a word in! Just a sample of what Gai shared with us : up each morning at 2.45am & makes a fruit plate for husband Robbie; “I got tarted up to look nice for Clovelly Surf Club”; currently has 140 horses in training; “horse ownership is about having fun - if owners want to make millions, they’re in the wrong game”; I’ll give up the game when the alarm goes at 1/4 to 3 & I start rolling over to give Robbie a cuddle”; Dance Hero & Bentley Biscuit were 2 of her favourites; loves the Golden Slipper; gift wraps the race trophies & gives them to foremen or other involved staff at Christmas. **Kevin Moses:** rides a bike to the track but walked down here today; after his 1st Group 1 winner in the Sydney Cup had a big night out with his mum & mother-in-law at the Doncaster & then the Seals; knows nothing about trees at front of his place; rode at 50kg, now 66kg ; “horses race in daylight, why do we train them in the dark ?” - Kevin wants to start trackwork at 7.30am !; played for La Perouse with LaPa Stewart; “Gai wants the wins, I want the cash!” *[The photos on this page speak for themselves!]* **THANKYOU** to the Clovelly Hotel for the complimentary use of the venue and allowing us to use sponsor’s kegs & wine. Also to other major supporters The JourneyMasters, CEJ Fashion, Queensland Turf Club, Macquarie Bank, Sydney Turf Club, Top Cat Catering, Souths Juniors, Hatha Yoga, Rag & Famish Hotel, Triple Ace Hotel, Churchill’s Bar, Ravesi’s & the Green Mango Café.



## AROUND YOUR CLUB

### **PRESENTATION NIGHT : Saturday 21st June - Bondi Room at Easts Leagues Club**

Great Sit Down Dinner Menu, Live Music by Kristy.

Tickets: Adults \$60, Under 18s \$35

**Bookings close 16th June.** All members should have received a mailout with credit card and other payment options.

- that photo at bottom right of the set on the front page is club member **Butch MacDougall** at the Sportsman's Lunch. **Butch** was no slouch himself. He played 3 Tests for the Wallabies in the second row, via the old St George Rugby Club.
- Best wishes to **John & Jenny McNamee, Derek Wong & Mark Scott** who will represent Clovelly SLSC in beach events at the **World Surf Life Saving Championships** in Germany in July.
- Pictured below are the top finishers, and the start of the annual **Watson's Bay to Clovelly Run**. This event produced by Competition Director **John McNamee** & held on Sunday 4th May attracted over 30 starters. The overall winner once again was **Justin James** in 51.57. Second was **Pat Harmer** & aeq 3rd were **Ken Stone & Steve de Francesco**. First lady was **Jo Cooper** in 1:01.11 while **Luciano Lombardi** (1:43.15), at the ripe young age of 78, was the oldest finisher. Thanks to the **Clovelly Hotel** for use of their bus for transport & to **Gary Cooper** for taking on the bus driver role.



- Another reminder to members that after a recent energy audit, the **cost of the sauna will be rising to \$2 for 20 minutes**. At this price, both power costs & capital costs of elements etc are still being subsidised by your club.
- Your club has engaged architects to draw up plans for the submission of a Development Application to Council. This project aims to construct a large underground storage facility for club equipment. This store will be located to the south west of the club. The completion of this first stage of a broader redevelopment plan will then enable us to move towards expansion of gymnasium & ladies change room facilities. Plans will be on display for member's comments as they become available. We hope to access further funding from the State Government Surf Club capital grants scheme.
- Trained by IRB Captain **Andrew Hodge**, our winter IRB Driver Training Squad continue to brave those chill mornings. **Andrew** himself is looking towards Surf Life Saving official jet ski driver accreditation.
- The photos below show the **Clovelly Eskimos Winter Swimming Club** brains trust for 2008. This winter swimming division of the **Clovelly Surf Club** swims at 11am every Sunday morning over the colder months. Registrations must be in by 10.45am. Eskies is open to both **Clovelly Surf Club** members and non-members. Photos (l-r) **Ian Eccles** (Captain), **Jim King** (Secretary), **Lyn Chapman** (Treasurer), **Cerin Campling** (Vice-Captain), **Nigel Chapman** (President), **Dave Mead** (Vice-President), **Eryn Twigg & Margery Keeble** (Handicappers & Registration).



**CLOVELLY SURF CLUB 102nd AGM SUNDAY 27TH JULY 1PM UPSTAIRS IN FUNCTION AREA.**