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# “off the square”

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News, Information and People From Your Club

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The JourneyMasters



**Welcome to the 75th edition of “Off the Square”**  
Fee collections at the office have now closed. This is after over 3 months of office work from management committee! Any Associate member who has not completed their renewal process has to reapply for membership. Active members who have failed us will be liable for a late fee. Fobs of non-financial members will be deactivated later this month.

**3rd Annual Pink Ribbon Day - 25th October**  
This now annual charity event for the Breast Cancer Foundation was superbly organized by **Bronwyn Maroon** & all the “pink ladies” who assisted her. Breast cancer survivor **Albine Alvarez** enthralled & informed the audience with her graphic outline of the physical & emotional impacts of this cancer. A fund raising target of \$10,000 was set & the Clovelly community responded amazingly with **\$12,704.20** ! Double last year ! More photos & info. overleaf.



**Bron, Anthony Maroon** (Triple M DJ & guest host), **Louise Currie** & **Syd “Chocolate Wheel” D’Ornay**.

### Skin Cancer Checks

For the 3rd successive year, **Dr. Rick Wilcox** is offering older club members (18 & over) free skin cancer checks down at the club. This will occur on Sunday 7th December from 9am to around midday, depending on demand. If you can't make it, **Rick's** professional services are available at the **Coogee Skin Cancer Clinic** on Malabar Road next to the servo - ph 9349 1999. A booking sheet will be on the noticeboard in the club hall in November. Write in your name to reserve a time. First in best dressed !

### VETERANS DAY

Sunday 16th Nov. 12-3pm in the Club Bar. All members welcome. Share in the folk lore of your club. Join members from years gone by reminiscing the good ole days. Lunch will be served, and the yarns & the ale will flow. Let any old timers you know, know !

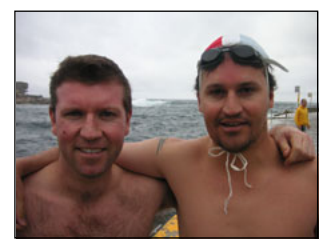
### REMAINING PROFICIENCY DATES

#### Bronze

Wed 12/11	6pm
Sun 16/11	9am
Wed 26/11	6pm
Sun 30/11	9am

### DAVE MURRAY MEMORIAL SHIELD

It may have been the first day of daylight saving, but the victorious team from the Eskimos were anything but late. On a grey 5th October, 4 teams, 2 each from the Surf Club & Eskimos, battled for supremacy in a 14x55yards relay race. This annual event commemorates the life of Clovelly Life Member **David Murray**. **Dave's** sons **Chris & Stuart**, along with their families, were on hand to make the presentation to the victors. **Stuart** foreground & **Chris** next to him, also opened the swimming for their respective teams.



Pictured at the presentation of the **Dave Murray Shield** are l-r **John McNamee** (Competition Director), **Nigel Chapman** (Eskimos President), **Stuart & Chris**, **Glen Clarke** (Surf Club President)

### SILVER MEDALLION

Congratulation to **Neil Smallman, Kiernan Fitzgerald & Jason Tassell** who completed this Patrol Captain prerequisite on 13 & 16 Oct. **Jason “Top Gun” Tassell** is pictured in the new waterproof IRB helmet radio gear.



### SUNDAY PM PATROL DRINKS

Members of the Sunday arvo patrol are invited to the bar upstairs for 2 drinks on the club after patrol. These are not transferable nor redeemable at a later date.

**FRESHWATER MASTERS** - Sun 22nd Nov: get your name in with **John McNamee**. Full range of age events available. A great day of competition and all over by lunch time.

### AROUND YOUR CLUB

- the 4th October auction sale of the Boundary Street family home of **Barry “Blackman” Dunn** & wife **Patsy** was Clovelly Surf Club through & through. Successful purchaser **Troy Graham** is a club member who used to row for Clovelly with **Barry & Patsy’s** eldest son **Brad**. **Troy & Brad** are long time mates, & “**Blackman**” is a long service member of the club.



Visitors to the car park on the weekend of 18-19th October were amazed at the weight loss that **Billy Phillips** appeared to have achieved. No, that wasn't it! It was the return of the **Chissa** ! **Billy** had a commitment over that weekend.

- Old journalists never die, they just come back as lead jounos in Senior's Papers. Some of **John McNamee's** articles in “Go 55s - For The Active Seniors” have a real Clovelly slant. A front page appearance for 50 year member **Luciano Lombardi** in the Spring edition let us in on highlights of his impressive middle weight/light weight boxing career. Have a chat with **Luciano** any day down the Bay. In the same issue, **Ken Stone's** illustrious career “in the horse's mouth” is also highlighted. **Ken** has had a lifetime in the racing industry after starting off as a stablehand in the 1960's. **Ken's** Giles at Clovelly fitness classes are legendary. **Ken** is also now seen on a board with the Nippers every Sunday giving **Scotty Anderson** & co a hand with water safety.
- Heard from **Richard “Scorpo” Stoppelbein** in October. He was club handicapper in 1956-57, the club's 50th year. Dick read about Veterans Day in OTS on the net. He'll be down from Queensland for the event. Ask **Dick** about the “6 & 4 penny club”.
- Gary “Chubby” Stubbs** knew **Dick** in those days. **Chubby** is just back from a few months touring North America. From Alaska to the Florida Keys!
- Your club strives to constantly communicate with members. Group e-mails & SMS, mailouts, club website, noticeboards, Off the Square, & now courtesy of **Comp Director McNamee** - the “**Beach Bulletin**” for the latest on the club competition front.
- Some changes to patrol requirements were confirmed at the management meeting on 20th October. From next season, from age 49, only 6 years of patrolling will be required before Veteran status. At age 60 you will only need to have completed 3 years. There will also be concessions for those training squads, and for the Executive of the club. These will be implemented immediately, pending AGM approval in July 2009.

#### **IRB DRIVER PROFICIENCIES**

Saturday 8th November 8am - Maroubra Beach

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We need all drivers to make every effort to become proficient this year. See you there.

#### **More Pink Power!**

On the door, **Annette, Wendy, Megan, Sharon**. At the wheel - **Valerie, Rennie, Lydia**, and presenting for the first time, the **Pink Ribbonettes!**



Thankyou again to all the sponsors & supporters who were acknowledged on the day, and another special thanks to **AG Meats, Jenny & the Top Cat Team, & Clovelly Surf Club** & its members. An interesting sidelight to this event was the work put in by current & past Surf Club Social Secretaries - **Bronwyn Maroon** had that role last year, **Louise Currie** is in the chair now & **Lyn Chapman** was there a few years ago.

- If you haven't tried the new **Breakfast Café** in the upstairs bar area from 9-12midday on Saturdays & Sundays, you really are missing out! This initiative commenced on 12th October. All food is pre-prepared (no waiting) and the coffee is all in handy takeaway cups. If the trial is successful, the club & **Top Cat Catering** will be entering into a profit sharing arrangement. Nipper parents are already vociferous in their praise and support of the concept & the quality food. Trial ends mid-November.
- New Chief Instructor **Tania “Foreman” Rouse** has really got things up & running. There are 2 new Bronze Squads in training with total candidates close to 30. Thankyou to Trainers **Andrew Hodge & Laura Percy** and **Chris “Topper” Thompson & Alex Brun**. This season's Surf Rescue Squad, also in training, numbers 19. The SRC is the transition between Nippers & the senior club. Squad members have to be 13 by date of the exam. Thankyou to **Tania & Derek Wong** for taking on responsibility for this squad of youngsters. The future looks bright with all of these squads aiming to qualify before Christmas, and then don the red & yellow !
- If President **Glen Clarke** is limping more than usual in late November, ask him how his new hip is going ! Best wishes with the op & the recovery **Clarkie**.

**PATROL CAR SPACES ARE JUST THAT.** Please do not use these spaces at any time on patrol days. Active members need to register with Captain **Alan Kane** to receive a RCC parking permit to authorise use of these spaces on duty days only. Vehicles not displaying permits risk fines by RCC. You also risk your credibility as a supporter of those undertaking your club's prime function - club action will follow.