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# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING REPORT 2021 – 2022

# WEDNESDAY 13 JULY 2022 7.30PM VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE



# Mornington Life Saving Club 2021 - 2022 Annual General Meeting

#### Held Via Zoom Video Conference

# On Wednesday 13th July 2022 7.30PM

# **Agenda**

- **1.** Minutes:
  - **a.** 2021 AGM Wed 09<sup>th</sup> of June 2021
- 2. Financial Report for the year ending 31st March 2022
  - a. Auditors Report
  - **b.** Treasurers Report
  - **c.** Questions/Answers
- **3.** Presidents Report
- **4.** Club Captains Report
- **5.** Senior Captains Report
- **6.** Nipper Captains Report
- 7. Membership Report
- **8.** Chief Instructors Report
- **9.** Elections
- **10.** Any Other Business



# MLSC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2021 <u>Annual General Meeting</u> <u>Minutes</u>

Date:	Wed 9/June/2021	Time:	7.30pm
Location:	Zoom meeting - Electronic	Minutes:	Kelly Parrish
Present:	Kelly Parrish, Damian Brice, Nicole Warner, Ange Seaburge, Wes + Halina Roach, Andrea Greaves, Deiny Mason, Adel Petersonm Mark Cornish, Keiran + Kerry McAuley, Dale + Lee Hendy, Naomi + Chris Linssen, Adam McCrow, Terry Shrimpton, Jac + Ash Morrow, Jill McIver, Tash + Rich Moreton, Troy Saunders, Rich + Jo Morel, Mick + Jane Degg, Tanya + Simon Williams, Stew Lockie, Sophie Velae, Lisa Kelly, Tim Schaefer	Apologies:	Nil

Minutes of the previous AGM meeting Please read through the previous AGM minutes from 2020 (season 2019/20). Mon 3/Aug/ 2020 AGM Minutes

Passed:		Second:	
Sophie Veale		Adel Peterson	
Correspondence:			
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Agenda Item:	Discussion / Action	Accountable Person:	Target Due Date:
1. AGM report	Annual General Meeting report Season 2020/2021		
2. Treasurer's report	Financial report for the year ending 31st March 2020  Auditors report - Passed -  Treasurers report - Passed -		
Adel Peterson	Suggest to keep current auditors ROCG in Mornington as they have been working with MLSC for many years.		



	Paid for All Terrain vehicles (the other half was a grant we were awarded).  No outstanding bills to be paid from the past committee.  The year was cut short which reduced revenue however the club has been able to maintain a cash profit.  Just under \$40K sitting in cash in the trading account and a little over \$100K in the investment account. The Club has re-invested the investment account into a term deposit.  The P&L was affected by the committee making the decision to write down a debt owed to Bloody big swim from years ago.	
	Will look at Tin rattles next season.  Consider our insurances and what they are worth.  Kiosk takes down due to weather on the weekends/days it is usually open.	
	\$200K has been spent on new equipment in the last few years. This should give us a further 2-3 years without needing to purchase anything else.	
	Read - Deiny Mason and Terry Shrimpton  Auditors report Read - Adel Peterson and Damian Brice	
3. Presidents report	As per attached report	
Damian Brice		
4. Club Captains Report Terry Shrimpton	As per attached report	
5. Senior Captains Report	As per attached report	
Mick Degg		



6. Nipper Captain Report Ange Seaburgh	As per attached report	
7. Membership Report	• This was a great result after the previous seasons disruptions, and the late start to our nippers season. Being able to retain similar membership numbers is a solid indication of the fantastic membership base we have at MLSC.  Nippers - (5-13yrs) - 318 Cadet - (13-15yrs) - 54 Active - (15-18yrs) - 23 Active - 18 plus - 85 Associate Members - 346 Life Members - 17 Other - 28  TOTAL - 871  The attendance of our Nippers program stayed consistent right throughout our season at around 70% each week.	
8. Chief Instructors Report Stewart Lockie	As per attached report	
9. Liquor Licence information add to Constitution  Kelly Parrish	Addendum to Club rules to comply with Schedule 1 of the Liquor Control Reform Act 1998  Amendment to MLSC constitution for Liquor licence application This will need to be added to the constitution.	
10. New Committee for season ] 2021/22	Executive Committee  President - Damian Brice Vice Presidents - Sophie Veale Vice President (Operations) - Naomi Linssen Club Captain - Terry Shrimpton Treasurer - Wes Roach Secretary - Kelly Parrish	



Chief Instructor - Stewart Lockie	
General Committee	
Mick Degg	
Ash Morrow	
Tash Carah	
Andrea Greaves	
Keely McKenzie	
Ange Seaburgh	
Simon Williams	
Adel Peterson	

Next meeting:	MLSC Committee meeting 12/July 2021
Items to Discuss:	



# **AUDITOR'S REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED MARCH 2022**

The Auditor's report is appended at the end of this report.



#### MLSC TREASURERS REPORT 2021 - 2022 SEASON

In a season that was initially interrupted by COVID restrictions, I would like to give thanks to the many members who have taken on roles to build the community, sport, and business performance of the Mornington Life Saving club.

A quick summary of our financial position as at 31 March 2022:

CASH POSITION: Balance of \$222,479 as at 31st March 2022 up from \$148,128 last year.

**INCOME:** for the year was \$284,022 - a significant increase on the \$204k from our covid impact season last year.

This is due to kiosk, training, donations, and grants obtained.

Membership: Total \$67, 237

• This was a 10% increase on last season.

**Grant Income:** received \$81,996 up from \$52k last season.

• Thank you to Life Saving Victoria, SLSA, Bendigo Bank Mt Eliza, South East Water, DHL, AMP, Mornington Peninsula Shire, and the Victoria State Government.

Kiosk & BBQ: Income of \$45,986 up from \$27,557 last year

- Our appreciation goes to Kelly Parrish and the team for their commitment and time in the Kiosk this year, overseeing ordering, looking after the young staff, coping with restrictions, closures, reopening at short notice and all the other hours we do not see. Thank you.
- Special thanks to John's BBQ team also with \$5,960 in sales.

**Schools Program:** Income of \$7,958 with most revenue coming in this current year from programs runs last season.

 Thank you to Chiara McAuley, Jac Morrow, Kelly Parrish and all the 18-person strong team for coordinating the Program.

Water Training Fees: Income \$23,655 up from \$20,127 last season

• Thank you to Liam and the youth instructors. It was great to see our teenagers continue to help train the nippers. For many of them this is their first job, and they did a fantastic job overall.

**Uniform:** \$13,476 up from \$9,776 last season.

• A fantastic effort by our merchandise manager Tash Carah who managed all the purchasing, inventory, and sales on behalf of the club.

#### **EXPENDITURE:** Year End \$287,849 compared to \$202,700 last season

• Expenses were well controlled given the significant increase in income and activity at the club this season.



Admin costs: \$19,215 down from \$20,349 last season

Thank you to the significant time and effort by Nicole Warner this past season.

**Building Works:** \$48,219

Works were carried out on the kiosk roof and external painting.

**Coaching**: \$15,800

This was to support the mid-week training provided to the nippers.

**Equipment purchases:** \$15,800

Investment in additional first aid training equipment, new nipper boards & marquees

#### NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) for Year: (\$3,827)

• We are a not-for-profit club and aim to put all earnings back into the club to enhance our members' enjoyment and experience. The community has done that this year.

Wes Roach MLSC Treasurer



#### MLSC PRESIDENTS REPORT 2021 - 2022 SEASON

I would like to start by thanking all the hardworking volunteers for their efforts over the 2021-22 season - Mornington Life Saving Club's 107<sup>th</sup> year. The year has been a success in trying conditions and while we overcame many challenges, there are always opportunities for improvement.

Following an uncertain and interrupted 20-21 season with the Covid-19 pandemic resulting in unseen restrictions in Victoria, there were high hopes that the 21-22 season would provide more opportunities and an ability to return to normal operations. Unfortunately, things went the other way with tighter restrictions across the state and new LSV Covid protocols to manage at the beginning of the Life Saving season.

To navigate the LSV protocols, the new Covid Committee consisting of Club Captain Terry Shrimpton, new Senior Captain Simon Williams, Nipper Captain Ange Seaburgh and Chief Instructor Stewart Lockie attended at times, weekly LSV meetings to develop the club's plan to ensure a safe environment for all members. I thank the team for the large amount of time and effort required to ensure we could start our season as planned in November. A big thanks also to all our members for the patience and understanding shown as we implemented the new rules under the LSV activity guidelines.

While the Covid restrictions were challenging and resulted in the cancellation of our preseason camps and Twilight swim, it did enable us to complete a number of projects in the downtime including a new coat of paint on the club rooms with external signage and sponsorship board updates. Works were completed on the kiosk to create a more usable space to this important fundraising area of the club and an upgrade was completed to the balcony upstairs to create a safer space for members to enjoy. We have introduced our first side by side vehicle that delivers more efficiency for our patrol teams while creating greater visibility to the public to know we were on patrol. The need for extra storage has been an ongoing battle for a number of years, as our club continues to grow, and we continue to supply the best equipment we can for our members. In early November we installed our temporary storage solution — a 40ft container which provides an ability to manage our space at the club more effectively. It also begins our first step in the process of planning our club redevelopment.

With our primary role to provide a safe water environment to the community through patrolling Mills Beach, it is always impressive when members of the Mornington Life Saving Club go above and beyond outside of patrol hours to rescue those in need. I would like to acknowledge two incidents that occurred outside of this season resulting in the safe return to the beach of individuals in trouble. The first was out of season in September when Remme Mason and Jess Shrimpton rescued an inexperienced kayaker who had overturned well out past the poles at Mills, ably supported by Terry Shrimpton from the beach. The other incident was during a senior mid-week training session in January when David Rosetto rescued an elderly gentleman, a daily swimmer at Mills Beach, caught in the rip along the blue stone wall and making no ground to get back to the beach. With the alarm raised by nippers Luca Rossetto, Campbell Snow and Vincent Dejong in the water and support from Lotte Lynch and Tria Williams on the beach, a great team effort resulted in the safe return of the gentleman who was extremely grateful.

Time and time again, in and out of season, members of our club jump to action to assist those not as skilled in the waters around Mills Beach, without giving it a second thought through the training they have had and the confidence they have gained. The courage that our Junior, Senior and Patrol members show is something to be very proud of as a club.



I would like to take the opportunity to acknowledge the outgoing committee for their fantastic efforts and support in another challenging season — Naomi Linssen, Terry Shrimpton, Sophie Veale, Wes Roach, Kelly Parrish, Stewart Lockie, Simon Williams, Ange Seaburgh, Adel Peterson, Michael Degg, Ash Morrow, Andrea Greaves, Tash Carah and Keely McKenzie. I would also like to thank our Club Admin Nicole Warner who continues to provide tremendous support to the committee and all members alike, while securing financial grants to assist with the club's growth and equipment.

Lastly to our members. I would like to thank you personally for being part of the Mornington Life Saving Club and the patience and support you have shown through another challenging start to the season.

#### **Financial**

This season we welcomed a new Treasurer in Wes Roach to manage the club's finances. The P&L resulted in a deficit of \$3,827 due to some invoice timings, however we had a strong result with our cash balance positive by \$74,351 vs the previous financial year with a cash on hand result of \$222,479. The bank accounts remain in a positive position as we managed expenditure closely while still investing to maintain services for our membership and maintaining our equipment. Thank you, Wes, for all your hard work and guidance over the last year. Please see further details in Wes's Treasurer's Report.

#### **Patrolling**

Five patrol groups managed the ever increasing numbers spending the weekends and public holidays at Mills Beach in season 2021-22 with 51,442 of the public attending over the seasons patrol hours – an increase of 13,925. Terry Shrimpton led an amazing group of patrol captains who continued to deliver under ever changing restrictions, team members absent due to Covid and the pressure that situation put onto having the required awards for patrol, especially through March. Thanks to Stewart Mathews, Amy Veale, Rich Morel, Adrian & Tanya Pinnock and Nicola McKinnon. Also, a big thanks to all members who have patrolled in season 2021-22 and to those who have jumped in to fill vacant patrol positions and ensure we meet our requirements – your efforts do not go unnoticed. Ongoing training throughout patrol group sessions helped to maintain skill levels, while refreshing and introducing new initiatives for patrol members. The introduction of the Patrol Club Championships was well received and attended and a great launch pad for future events. Thank you, Terry and team, for your hard work delivering another patrol season.

#### Training

Our training team lead by Chief Instructor Stewart Lockie worked under restrictions to deliver skills maintenance and new courses. Course numbers were capped resulting in more time and sessions needing to be executed by Stewart and his dedicated team of trainers. Even with this challenge and extra workload, the team was able to complete SRC, Bronze Medallion, Resuscitation and First Aid. With the addition of the Side-by-Side vehicle into our fleet of vehicles, three courses were held qualifying members to traverse the sands of Mills Beach. All these elements are vital in enabling the club to fulfill our obligations on patrol and at carnivals. There are still opportunities to increase skills within patrol groups, so important awards and roles are not left to a vital few. I encourage all members to consider completing their Bronze Medallion and becoming part of a patrol group and enjoy all that Life Saving has to offer. The training lead by Stewart and his team is of the highest quality and paid for by the club. Thank you, Stewart and team, for your dedication, effort and the time you put in to deliver training for the season.

#### Membership

We had a great membership result in the 2021-22 season with 8% growth in our member base seeing our total number increase from 871 to 938 members. I would like to thank all our



members for their engagement, support and for being part of the Mornington Life Saving Club. We will continue to strive to provide new opportunities for our members to enjoy and participate in.

#### Communication

There continues to be a number of social media platforms the club have used and will continue to communicate to MLSC members and the wider community.

- Team App Direct Age Group and Patrol Group information
- Closed Facebook Mid week training and Patrol Group information
- Mornington LSC Facebook Communication from MLSC to the general community
- Mornington LSC Instagram Communication from MLSC to the general community
- Mornington LSC Newsletter Bi Annual newsletter providing all up to date information

At any time you are communicating via these means, please be aware of the club code of conduct and be respectful and patient that all comms will be delivered as soon as possible. Thanks to Kelly Parrish who manages our communication platforms.

#### **Nippers**

Another big season for our Nippers led by Nipper Captain Ange Seaburgh as a level of normality kicked into place with carnivals for U9 and up and states at Warrnambool for all applicable age groups. With new LSV activity guidelines in place the preparation and effort Ange and the Age Manger teams put to deliver a Nipper program was amazing. We had growth in our Nipper ranks for the season with 346 from Under 6 to Under 13 hitting Mills Beach with Green & White Caps every Sunday starting in December. Starfish Nippers was again part of the program and will continue to be a focus into the future and we thank Jo Morel, Clare Hendy and Jess Pinkett for their involvement. Thank you to Ange and the team of 32 Age Managers and Admins for the enormous effort and also to the parent helpers each week that enabled the season to progress so positively. I would also like to thank Tash Carah who did a tremendous job running our uniform store in house this season keeping all our members uniform requirements up to date.

#### **Seniors**

We welcomed Simon Williams into the role of Senior Captain for the 2021-22 season who brought great enthusiasm and energy to the group of 65 senior members and supported by Senior Admin Jane Degg who fulfilled the important task of organizing all roles through a full carnival season. Thanks to Simon and the senior team for delivering an engaging summer of training and events as our youth and senior ranks continue to grow.

One of the highlights of the season was Emily McGough being awarded the LSV Champion Junior Lifesaver. Champion Junior Lifesaver recognises excellence in a young member, someone who has gone above and beyond throughout the season, showing fantastic leadership in lifesaving and local community and open to age 13 & 14 members. A number of steps are completed in the process including written components, followed by selection to attend the Champion Lifesaver Development Day to compete against other impressive youth across the state in leadership, first aid and technical lifesaving skills. An honor to win such an award - Congratulations Emily.

#### **Sport & Coaching**

Harriet Brown continued in the position of Club Coach and Youth Mentor providing support and guidance for our Junior and Senior programs while writing all mid week training sessions and attending Mills Beach over the Christmas period and Junior States at Lorne. Our Junior Coach Liam Hemingway executed the program extremely well supported by Ange and the team of Youth instructors. Mid week training was again well attended through what was a great summer at Mills Beach. I would like to thank Liam Hemingway for the tremendous effort



he has put in over the last 3 years as our junior coach, as he leaves us to move into the work force.

Matt McConnell again did a tremendous job preparing our seniors with many sessions across Ski, Board, Iron and Running through a mix of afternoon and morning sessions. He was well supported by Simon Williams and Adam McCrow who ran a number of sessions each week to share the load. Open water swimming was well attended with Lisa McConnell and Jeremy Warner at the helm. Shane Tatham's multiple sessions across a mid week senior paddle and his magic with the Belt & Reel again saw enthusiastic numbers maintaining their skills or improving their craft.

Post Christmas the competition season was more consistent with both Junior and Senior carnivals being completed covering all age groups. Junior States were held at Lorne with 61 athletes pulling on the Green & White to finish 6<sup>th</sup> in the state. Seb Jaspers was awarded the Boys Champion Beach Athlete at the state carnival after a great performance across all events, including a heart stopping win in the beach sprint final. Our Seniors were represented well with over 30 athletes competing at a sun drenched Warrnambool in some of the most favourable conditions we have seen at the bool on the March long weekend. An exciting weekend was had by all with many first time medallists and personal best performances seeing the Senior team finishing 6<sup>th</sup> in the state.

Thank you to all our coaches who put in a massive amount of work to bring our sport team together and prepared for the competition season and Kelly Parrish who manages the large task of allocating all our volunteers at junior level.

#### **Schools Program**

Chiara McAuley again led our Schools Program for the 21-22 season. This year we had more schools participate in the program than before with many new schools on board eager to provide an outdoor activity for their students. The extra engagement required extra sessions and resources to be scheduled to accommodate. Thank you to Chiara for your hard work and Sophie Veale and Kelly Parrish for your support as well as all the members who assisted with Water Safety and the Kiosk to bring the program to life. The School's Program is important to the club financially but also as a function for schools in the local community and will continue to be focus into the future.

#### **Fund Raising**

We had limited opportunities to participate in all our fund raising activities which are extremely important in providing vital funds to support our programs. No ability to hold tin rattles and having to cancel the Mornington LSC Twilight Swim was disappointing after a lot of work by Kieran McAuley with plans to bring back for the 2022-23 season. In order to supplement some of the lost funding, Andrea Greaves developed sponsorship packages for local business to support the club and managed the upgraded sponsorship boards at the club to add visibility. We also created a trade registry for local trades, so members know where to go when you need that tap or light fixed. An area we will continue to develop next season. The Kiosk continues to be a vital source of funds for the club and big thanks to Kelly Parrish, Adel and Deiny Peterson who took on the redeveloped space delivering a fantastic outcome for the summer and refreshing the large crowds that visited Mills Beach. BBQ John was back and firing with his famous Sunday BBQ again delivering a great result and well supported by all our members. I would like to thank all our sponsors for the 2021-22 season and look forward to partnering again in 2022-23.

#### **Club Redevelopment and Facilities Upgrade**

Our sub-committee has continued to make steps towards redeveloping our facility to deliver the right venue to cover all the needs of a growing club. The temporary storage solution has



been delivered and fit out with further adjustments being made within the club to house our equipment requirements. Various members of council, government and LSV have been engaged and as we are finding, there are a lot of steps to go through in this process. There will be member consultation in season 2022-23 as we develop plans and continue this journey and any support would be welcomed. Thanks to Michael Degg, Kieran McAuley and Stewart Lockie for their ongoing work on this important project.

#### **Summary**

2021-22 was another season that threw up new challenges as we traversed the stop start nature the pandemic delivered. As president, I am extremely proud of what we achieved including growth in membership and our ability to provide many opportunities to participate in life saving as the season opened up. The can-do attitude of the committee is what drives these outcomes and engagement within the membership is what helps the club to keep moving forward. I would like to thank everyone at the Mornington Life Saving Club for their support of me and am really looking forward to season 2022-23 with the new committee excited for the future. Please consider how you can help and provide support to continue to make the Mornington Life Saving Club the great place it is. The smallest assistance goes a long way and will ensure the club continues to grow and be successful.

Damian Brice MLSC President



#### MLSC CLUB CAPTAINS REPORT 2021 - 2022 SEASON

Another great season of patrolling at Mills Beach this year. Our main challenge this year has been less about government imposed COVID restrictions and more about managing absences due to COVID cases or those in isolation as a close contact. Despite this we've had great attendance for the patrols, and I would like to thank you all, especially those that have stepped in at short notice to ensure we could run a full patrol – thank you.

Thanks as always to the patrol group leaders both captains and vice-captains who lead their patrols so well, teaching, motivating, practicing, and keeping the beach-goers safe.

Patrol Group 1

Captain- **Tanya Pinnock** Co-Vice-Captains – Sienna Pinnock & Jess

Shrimpton

Patrol Group 2

Captain- Stuart Matthews Vice-Captain- Kevin Quinn

Patrol Group 3

Captain- Amy Veale Vice-Captain- Robert Sampson

Patrol Group 4

Captain- Richard Morel Vice-Captain- Dale Hendy

Patrol Group 5

Captain- Nicola MacKinnon Vice-Captain- Jarrod Cowling

All patrol members are thanked for their attendance, enthusiasm and tenacity in a season that was much improved from the previous one but still not quite back to what we would call 'normal'.

It's been great to see the newly appointed SRC's involvement in the patrols, quickly becoming part of the team. Once again, we have looked to encourage leadership and undertaken training scenarios during our patrols using the more experienced of our patrollers to share their knowledge with the newer members.

I am so very proud of everyone's commitment to ensuring we carry out each patrol to the best of our shared experience and abilities. Everyone brings something unique and valued to our patrols.

As a patrolling team we completed 52 patrols, patrolling over 3,050 hours at Mills beach this season.

The beach attendance was 51,442 up from last year's 37,517. There were 3 rescues, 1 marine incident where MLSC assisted LSV search and rescue team looking for a shark off Fisherman's beach Mornington, 477 preventative actions along with 17 minor and 0 major (thank goodness!) first aid incidents that took place at Mills beach over this season.

Every year we are lucky enough to have some terrific patrollers contributing over and above their regular patrols and this year is no exception. My heartfelt thanks to ALL our patrollers.

<u>Special mention to:</u> - Mark Cornish for completing over 150 patrolling hours that is awesome. Jess Shrimpton, Kevin Quinn, Stuart Matthews, Tanya Pinnock, for patrolling over 60 hours in a season of unprecedented times, that's a remarkable achievement.



<u>Over 40 hours: -</u> Lisa Hepworth, Amy Veale, Ann Quinn, Caitlin Quinn, Jade Cheasley, Jarrod Cowling, Mick Degg, Mithran Doraisamy, Natalie Sampson, Nerissa Crombie, Nicola Mackinnon, Rich Morel, Rob Samspon, Stewart Lockie, Wes Roach, Will Harmelin

<u>Over 30 hours: -</u> Adel Peterson, Adrian Pinnock, Austin Degg, Charlotte Gow, Dale Hendy, Jon Dark, Kate Bron, Kerry McAuley, Lindsey Veale, Richard Moreton, Rodney Apps, Sam Shrimpton,

That's a lot of hours – thank you all so very much!

The Club thanks you all for everything you do and as a special thanks to all those who have patrolled in excess of 30 hours, your club membership for next season will be reduced to \$10. Pay as normal when you sign up and the treasurer will action any reimbursement due.

Naomi Linssen and Ash Murrow made sure the season got off to a great start. Thanks for managing the restocking of the first aid equipment Naomi and Ash for making sure we had all the equipment we would need for the coming season. We couldn't operate safely and efficiently without you both!

Lisa Hepworth deserves a special mention for sorting out our first aid and resuscitation kits to ensure a consistent layout making it much easier to find equipment quickly and efficiently. I get the feeling we will need this checking at regular intervals during the patrolling seasons but it's so much better to know where everything is, thanks Lisa!

Also, a big thanks to all the people that worked behind the scenes obtaining grants that resulted in new patrol equipment to keep Mills Beach safe. I know it can take a lot of time and patience and your skills in that area are very much appreciated.

#### Summary for this season: -

Total hours patrolled - 3050

Team App & Facebook –Thanks to the admin team who keep this up to date and pass on the relevant news to each group within our club.

New SRC's and Bronzes – We were pleased to have some new faces join the patrols this year. Most have come up through the nipper and seniors programme which is always great to see and one or two joined from outside the club, all very welcome additions.

Thanks to Stewart Lockie for organizing and his team of trainers (as well as Stewart) for facilitating the courses that keep our high standards at the club and the assessors for playing their important part.

Patrol Champs and Presentation night for patrollers- What a great "first"! This was our first patrol championships that rolled on to an evening of celebrating all that we do and represent. Hopefully word has got out about how much fun it was and we look forward to seeing even more of you at next year's event. As always huge congratulations to everyone on a season well done but a particular mention goes to Patrol 4 group being awarded "Best Patrol Group" for the season for consistently meeting the LSV protocols.

Our team of patrollers are full of great people that give their time, commitment, and support to the club. Thanks to each and every one of you for everything you do and for being part of MLSC. I hope you are as proud of this as I am.

I look forward to seeing you and patrolling with you on the beach next season.

Terry Shrimpton MLSC Club Captain



#### MLSC SENIOR CAPTAINS REPORT 2021 - 2022 SEASON

Our season began as soon as we were allowed back out to play. Our Seniors numbers were strong at the start, and it was great to watch them grow over the summer period, culminating with the large number of Seniors we had competing at states.

We had great results in team and individual events for both beach and water events, demonstrating that the training schedule set by Harriet Brown and Matt McConnell continues to get great results.

I would like to thank the following members for their contributions to supporting me and our Seniors

Matt McConnell, Damian Brice, Harriet Brown, Lisa McConnell, Adam McCrow, Jane Degg, Nicole Warner and the whole MLSC Committee.

Moving forward we are looking towards a clean start this coming season, with Super Sunday training sessions under way already.

We have a great new group of under 14 kids who are keen and enthusiastic about our club.

We encourage all Seniors and Master's to come down and be a part of this great group. Come down to work on your health and fitness, enjoy training with friends or help with the bacon and egg rolls.

Everyone is welcome.

I encourage all our Seniors to Patrol with their mates, train with their mates and utilise all the great opportunities the club has to offer.

Simon Williams MLSC Senior Captain



#### MLSC NIPPER CAPTAINS REPORT 2021 - 2022

What another brilliant year for the Mornington Life Saving Club. Congratulations to everyone on what was a great season, with minimal disruptions due to COVID.

#### **Training**

Our comprehensive training program was scheduled to begin on Monday 4th October, but COVID restrictions delayed our start date. So, training kicked off on the 8th of November when restrictions were lifted, providing our nippers with training 6 days a week, and covering all disciplines required for life saving.

We were fortunate to again have Harriet Brown in the role of Water Coach and Youth Mentor, creating programs for swimming, board, and iron. Our swimming sessions were in open water swimming, this season run by Lisa and Jeremy. We also had five pool sessions at Mornington Secondary College.

All training was paid in full upfront, and parents had to register their nippers for training each week. This proved to be a successful way to organise groups and water safety. Each session required five Bronze Medallion holders, along with board handlers to distribute and wash the boards. Everyone chipped in and worked together. We had **65** nippers participate in our training program which is an increase from last season.

#### Coaching

Although covid made it difficult for Harriet to visit us again this season, she did make a special appearance at our Junior States competition in Lorne. This was a brilliant experience for our nippers to have Harriet there on race day and a great opportunity for Harriet to see our nippers compete.

Junior Coach Liam Hemingway shared his knowledge and expertise, executing Harriet's programs with the assistance of our 14 youth instructors. This season our youth instructors worked with a set age group to develop continuity and rapport with the nippers. This worked well.

We also introduced youth instructors to our Sunday nipper's sessions. We had 6 Under 15's working with the Under 9's - Under 12's age group. This assisted age managers and worked well for water safety numbers. The youth instructors had 1 hour of paid work and then 1 hour towards their competition hours. This was a valuable experience and introduction to coaching for these youth instructors. They did an amazing job working with our nippers and age managers.

Shane Tatham provided beach training – belt and reel, running and flags. Shane worked with our Under 13's all season and shared his knowledge and expertise with the group. He also gave our Under 13s mal training in preparation for next season.

Matt McConnell, Simon Williams, and Adam McCrow continued to work with our Seniors, building a strong youth team for the future.

Lisa McConnell and Jeremy Warner ran open water sessions at Mills Beach and pool sessions at Mornington Secondary College.



#### **Sunday Nippers**

This season we were guided by LSV as to when we could begin our nipper's season due to covid restrictions. Our Sunday nipper's sessions began on Sunday 28th November. We had 346 nippers enrolled (U6–U13) – an amazing number considering the disruption over the past 2 years due to COVID. Many of the younger age groups had more than 45 nippers in their group.

Our program was delivered by a team of 32 age managers, assistant managers, and admins. They did an outstanding job teaching our nippers new skills and how to stay safe at the beach and in the water, all while encouraging participation and team spirit. Participation numbers remained constant throughout the 18 sessions. The holiday program wasn't as busy this year due to families finally being able to get away. The season saw perfect weather conditions, with only one session being interrupted with poor water quality. Our season finished on Sunday 20th March.

#### **Contribution by Seniors**

A group of seniors again introduced our U6s to the fantastic sport of life saving. It is a real asset having our seniors give back to the club and pass on their vast knowledge and skills. Thanks to Keely, Remme, Amy and Reagan for delivering a great program in 2021/22.

#### **Parent involvement**

Thanks to all the parents who assisted with beach setup, water safety, covid supervising, board handling, BBQ duties and helping with the age groups on the beach and in the water. If you would like to be involved next season, please contact me directly.

#### **Covid Team**

Our brilliant covid team worked endlessly for MLSC to ensure we followed all guidelines set by LSV and the Victorian Government and were able to deliver a safe and successful nipper's program to our community.

#### **Starfish Nippers**

The Starfish Nippers program continues to grow. It is a fantastic initiative that promotes participation for individuals with special needs. Thanks to Jo Morel, Jessica Pinkett and Clare Hendy for running the sessions again this season.

#### **Junior carnivals**

LSV carnivals were back in full swing this season with all age groups (Under 9's - Under 13's) able to compete. There were 5 LSV nippers carnivals this season. Unfortunately, Cosy Corner was cancelled.

Mount Martha	54 nippers
Ocean Grove	34 nippers
Mordialloc	63 nippers
Point Leo	68 nippers
Lorne - States	61 nippers



#### **State Championships**

The Junior Victorian State Life Saving Championships were held in Lorne from Friday 25th Feb - Sunday 27th Feb. The Green Machine were well represented with **61** nippers from Under 9's - Under 13's. Along with Harriet and Liam to guide them through the big 3 days of competition. It was a big weekend and one that will be remembered for the high energy, great team spirit and brave and inspiring efforts by all competitors.

#### **Carnival Support**

Behind every carnival is a large contingent of MLSC volunteers who do water safety, IRB crewing/driving, first aid, officiating and who transport equipment to and from beaches all over Victoria. This season we had several members complete various awards, which meant we could meet all LSV requirements, including filling gaps from other clubs. Thanks to Kelly Parrish who coordinates all roles required for us to compete at carnivals and to Chief Instructor Stewart Lockie and Mark Cornish for facilitating Bronze and Officials courses. Thanks also to Liz Johnson who did a fantastic job of managing carnival registrations.

#### **Surf Rescue Certificate**

This season we also had a significant number of U13s and U14s complete their Surf Rescue Certificate, enabling them to begin patrolling Mills Beach, often as a family unit, which was great to see.

#### **Club Champs**

Our annual Club Champs was held on Sunday 20th March. Unfortunately, there was heavy rain in the lead up to the morning which resulted in no water events being held for Club Champs. This year our Club Champs were beach activities and fun events for our age groups. Following the Acknowledgement of Country and our National Anthem, our nippers formed a guard of honor for our U13s, many of whom will continue as seniors and patrollers next year and some families who have now finished their nipper's journey.

#### **Presentation Night**

Our presentation night for U9–U13s was held on 7th May at Gravity Zone. 100 of our nippers joined in the celebrations. It was a successful night that included a slideshow from each age group with highlights of the season. A great way for nippers and parents to unwind and catch up after another successful season.

#### Thank you

As Nipper Captain, I am very proud of what we achieved in the 2021/22 season at MLSC. I am extremely proud of all our age teams and can't thank them enough for the time, energy, and enthusiasm they put into their sessions and the support they provided to me during this season.

Thank you to MLSC President Damian Brice who is always thinking of how we can make our club even better. He has a great vision for our club and works tirelessly to achieve everything. Thanks also to the MLSC Committee for their support and guidance throughout the season. Our coaches and age manager teams drive the success of our season and influence our participants to make life saving their chosen sport and become patrollers of Mills Beach.

I would also like to thank all the parents of our nipper program, all of whom have participated, volunteered, and encouraged our nippers throughout the season.

I will be back again next season and I am excited to see what we can achieve together. See you in Mooloolaba.

Angela Seaburgh
MLSC Nipper Captain



#### MLSC MEMBERSHIP REPORT 2021 - 2022 SEASON

Once again, leading into our 2021 – 2022 year we were still facing many uncertainties of how the season would run due to the ongoing Covid-19 based restrictions.

This meant we had to make the following changes to our usual program again this year compared to previous pre-pandemic years.

- No come and try out day available this introduction was successfully held via Zoom correspondence instead.
- No Open day/Registrations available onsite prior to the Nipper program commencement.

Despite these changes and many more restrictions hampering our program, this did not have a huge impact on our membership numbers coming in at just under 940 members. Our new membership interest pre-season start and during the season was remarkably high and we also had many new families join our club.

This result must be attributed to the great program MLSC offers due to all the levels of wonderful volunteers the club has, who are constantly engaging with parents, coaching, educating, and encouraging the kids and always striving to make the club the best it can be.

The program was also aided and therefore improved by many parents helping out where they can, from Officiating and Water Safety roles at carnivals to just helping with the regular Sunday sessions at Mills Beach. Thankyou to all those parents.

The table below summarises the number of members in specified categories over the current and previous season:

#### **Membership Categories**

	2021/2022	2020/2021	Member
Category	Members	Members	Retention
	Total	Total	
Nippers	346	318	109%
(5-13yrs)			
Cadet	40	54	74%
(13-15yrs)			
Active	25	23	109%
(15-18yrs)			
Active	79	85	93%
18 plus			
Associate	410	346	118%
Members			
Life	17	17	100%
Members			
Other	21	28	75%
TOTAL	938	871	108%



The participation numbers of our Nipper's program also remained consistent throughout our season.

Looking forward to another great result with memberships and a successful season at MLSC.

Nicole Warner MLSC Admin



#### MLSC CHIEF INSTRUCTOR'S REPORT 2021 – 2022

It was another challenging training season with COVID restrictions still in place, the training team were able to deliver skills maintenance and new courses to a very high standard.

I'd like to thank the team for their professional attitude and for making a positive impact on the MLSC members. For the first time in MLSC history we were able to offer side by side vehicle training with 17 people going through the training. See below for more training information.

#### 2021/2022

Course ID	Course Type Name	Start Date	Finish Date	Candidates
1638144	(VT) Side-by-Side Vehicle Operator Certificate	16/10/2021	16/10/2021	6
1683368	(VT) Bronze Medallion	8/10/2021	17/10/2021	12
1701853	(VT) Surf Rescue Certificate	5/11/2021	7/11/2021	6
1739705	(VT) Side-by-Side Vehicle Operator Certificate	19/11/2021	20/11/2021	10
1711688	(VT) Bronze Medallion	26/11/2021	11/12/2021	14
1820032	(VT) Resuscitation	8/01/2022	8/01/2022	13
1870672	(VT) Side-by-Side Vehicle Operator Certificate	14/03/2022	14/03/2022	1
1831349	(VT) Bronze Medallion	18/03/2022	2/04/2022	4

# 2022/2023 Season

We are planning to run the following courses next season,

- SRC
- Bronze
- CPR
- First Aid
- ART
- IRB Crew

We will also continue to collaborate with Pt Leo and Mt Martha for future training.

Congratulations to everyone who requalified or obtained new qualifications and we look forward to training our members in the upcoming season.

Stewart Lockie MLSC Chief Instructor



## MLSC ELECTIONS FOR 2022 - 2023 SEASON

#### **Executive Committee Positions 2022 - 2023 Season**

1.	President - Damian Brice
2.	Vice President – Adel Peterson
3.	Secretary - Kelly Parrish
4.	Treasurer – Wesley Roach
5.	Chief Instructor - Stewart Lockie
6.	Club Captain – Terry Shrimpton

#### Other Positions 2022-2023 Season

Adam McCrow

Michael Degg

- Adrian Lynch
- Ange Seaburgh
- Tash Carah
- Simon Williams
- Richard Morel
- Liz Lancia



# **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

## **Next Committee Meeting**

Date to be nominated by the Incoming Committee



# **APPENDIX 1 – AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Association Report

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For the year ended 31 March 2022

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