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HENLEY LIFE SAVING CLUB



TWENTIETH
ANNUAL REPORT

SEASON 1944-45

As presented at the ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING held in the Council Chamber,
Henley Beach, on Thursday, 11th October,
1945, at 8 p.m.

HENLEY LIFE SAVING CLUB

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HENLEY LIFE SAVING CLUB

Twentieth Annual Report

Gentlemen,

It is with great pride and pleasure that, on behalf of your President and Committee, I present for your adoption this the Twentieth Annual Report and Financial Statement of your Club.

The past six years have been very trying ones, and we are thankful indeed that peace has once again been restored throughout the world.

While many of our older members have been serving their country it has been left to the younger members to uphold the high ideals and traditions set in the days of peace. This they have done in no uncertain manner, and in doing so have covered themselves with glory by establishing their Club as the premier Life Saving Club in South Australia for the season 1944-45.

Your Executive Committee is proud to announce that once again there were no fatalities at the beach under our care—a fact which speaks volumes for the vigilance and efficiency of all members.

With the continued and added interest of every member, your Club can look forward to the coming season with the confidence and knowledge that the object of any Life Saving Club—the saving of lives on the beaches—will be maintained at the highest possible standard.

AFFILIATIONS.

The Club is again affiliated with the following bodies:—The Royal Life Saving Society (S.A. Head Centre), the South Australian Amateur Swimming Association.

LIFE SAVING.

The following is a summary of the report submitted by the Patrol Captain (T. Barnes):—

Henley was again efficiently patrolled by our members.

A very noticeable feature this season was the increase in patrol hours. The total hours spent on patrol by members was 127 as against 96 last season.

Individual rescues for the season totalled 17 and assistance was given to another 8 persons.

During the season several picnics were held at Henley, and wherever possible a patrol was maintained for their benefit.

That such patrols are necessary was evidenced by the fact that T. Jennings was responsible for saving the life of one of the children from the Lockleys School.

Another instance worthy of mention in this report was that of G. Cleal, who successfully applied his knowledge of resuscitation to a man who had been brought ashore from an upturned boat.

M. Barltrop was credited with 15 hours on patrol, and as a result gained the trophy presented to the member spending the most hours on patrol duty.

MEMBERSHIP.

The membership of the Club in the past season was as follows:—

Active	23
Active Reserve	4
Junior	13
Life	8
Total	48

Once again more of our members have answered their country's call, making the total enlistments from the Club 38. Of this number 4 have been honourably discharged and 3 are again active in Club affairs.

All members joining the armed forces are made honorary members for the duration of their service.

CARNIVALS.

For the first time since the 1938-39 season, the Royal Life Saving Society conducted a series of competitive Inter-Club Carnivals. In each of these carnivals this Club was well to the fore, as will be seen by a perusal of the results below:—

Glenelg (28/12/44)—

March Past	2nd
Surf Rescue	1st
Alarm Belt Race	2nd (A. McDonough.)
Open Surf Race	1st (A. McDonough.)
	2nd (J. Crispe).
	3rd (K. Gubbins.)

Port Noarlunga (20/1/45)—

March Past	1st
Surf Rescue	1st
Alarm Belt Race	1st (A. McDonough.)

Seacliff (3/2/45)—

March Past	1st
Surf Rescue	1st
Alarm Belt Race	2nd (A. McDonough.)
Open Surf Race	3rd (A. McDonough.)

Henley Beach (10/3/45)—R.L.S.S. Championship Carnival—

March Past	1st
Surf Rescue	1st and 3rd (2 teams.)
Alarm Belt Race	2nd (A. McDonough.)
	3rd (K. Gubbins.)
Open Surf Race	3rd (A. McDonough.)

Junior Events—

Alarm Belt Race	2nd (F. O'Connell.)
Open Surf Race	3rd (L. Tucker.)

By gaining the highest aggregate points in Surf Rescue events at carnivals this season, Henley retains the Dudley Angus Shield for a further twelve months. The Gordon Liley Cup was also won by Henley for gaining the highest aggregate points in the March Past events throughout the season. This will also be held for twelve months.

To C. V. Fischer and M. Butterfield, who organised this carnival, and to the Carnival and Gala Day Committee for their assistance, we are very grateful. That the Club did so well in these carnivals reflects great credit

WEEKLY ROUND THE JETTY SWIMS.

Back in the season 1934-35 this event was inaugurated, as an incentive for each individual member to improve his swimming, and in an effort to maintain the members' interest in the Club. That it has succeeded beyond expectations can be realised by the fact that even on the coldest of Sundays during the season there is always a strong representation to face the starters. To Messrs. R. J. McDonough, R. J. Barltrop, and L. Griggs, who have handicapped and conducted these swims, we have nothing but praise. Results:—

Senior—

1st, A. McDonough	53 points
2nd, J. Crispe	42 points
3rd, W. Fletcher	41 points

Junior—

1st, L. Tucker	64 points
2nd, F. O'Connell	62 points
3rd, B. Tracey	54 points

R. J. McDONOUGH SWIM.

Three excellent trophies were again donated by our very popular President (Mr. R. J. McDonough) for the place-getters in the last swim of the season. The winning of this swim is an honour coveted by every member, and the competition is always very keen. Results:—

1st	W. Fletcher
2nd	M. Butterfield
3rd	C. Fielder

R. T. SANDILANDS SWIM.

In Mr. R. T. Sandilands, a Vice-President of the Club, we have a very staunch supporter, and as is his usual custom, he again donated a trophy to the winner of the last Junior Swim of the season. Result:—1st, I. Alexander.

L. GRIGGS TROPHY.

A new innovation this season was a trophy donated by another very energetic Vice-President, Mr. L. Griggs, for the member who registered the most fastest times in the Senior Swims around the jetty. Result:—1st, A. McDonough.

AWARDS.

Elementary and Intermediate Certificates.

J. Hill.
L. Green.
N. Bergamin.
B. Tracey.
F. O'Connell.
M. Wellington.
I. Alexander.
F. Tucker.
D. Hicks.
R. Gilbert.
J. Leigh.
R. Forester.
B. Aitchison.
G. Lucas.
L. Tucker.

Bronze Medallions.

J. Hill.
L. Green.
B. Tracey.
F. O'Connell.
L. Tucker.
D. Hicks.
R. Forester.
B. Aitchison.
G. Lucas.

Reel and Line Medallions.

D. Hicks.
L. Tucker.
F. O'Connell.
W. Delaine.
B. Tracey.
J. Hill.
K. King.

Bronze Medallion Bars.

M. Oliver (9th).
L. Burton (2nd).
T. Barnes (4th).
D. Hemsley (2nd).
A. McDonough (6th).
G. Johns (2nd).
M. Butterfield (4th).
B. Clift (1st).
K. Gubbins (6th).

Reel and Line Medallion Bars.

K. Gubbins (5th).
M. Butterfield (4th).
A. McDonough (6th).
W. Fletcher (2nd).
G. Johns (1st).
L. Burton (1st).
G. Cleal (1st).
B. Clift (1st).
D. Hemsley (1st).
T. Barnes (2nd).

Award of Merit Medallion Bars.

M. Oliver (11th).
K. Gubbins (6th).
G. Johns (2nd).
M. Butterfield (6th).
D. Hemsley (2nd).
A. McDonough (4th).

1st and 2nd Class Instructors' Certificates.

G. Johns.
T. Jennings.

Reel and Line Instructor's Certificate.

G. Johns.

In view of the fact that the active membership of the Club was slightly less than last season, it is pleasing to note that more awards were gained this season.

DRILLS.

The secret of success lies in continued practice—a truth which was well borne out by the result of the four carnivals.

Our Captain (F. C. Hill) and Chief Instructor (M. B. Butterfield) were ably assisted by G. J. Johns and T. J. Jennings in the conducting of drills throughout the season.

ANNUAL PRESENTATION SOCIAL.

This was the only social function held during the season, and was held in the Masonic Hall, Henley Beach, on Tuesday evening, the 10th June, 1945. The attendance was approximately 120, and a very enjoyable evening was spent by all. Mr. C. V. Fischer presided and introduced Mr. and Mrs. V. Harvey, who presented the senior and junior trophies respectively.

The Secretary of the Royal Life Saving Society (Mr. J. Hardy) presented the awards of his Society to the members gaining them.

The newly elected Mayor and Mayoress of Henley and Grange (Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Northey)) were present, and Mr. Northey commented on the fine work of the Club.

Mr. D. Leonard, a foundation member of the Club, provided fine entertainment with his acts of magic.

The Ladies' Committee as usual rose to the occasion and provided another of their excellent suppers.

Representatives were present from other Clubs, and as members of this Club were present at several of their functions it becomes apparent that the bonds of union are strong.

The attendance of more of the members' parents was appreciated, and we trust that in the future we shall have even more present at these evenings.

To everyone who attended and helped to make this night a success we express our thanks.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS.

The Management Committee met on 19 occasions during the season, and the following is a list of individual attendances:—

Mr. R. J. McDonough (President)	13	L. S. Green.....	2
Mr. R. Barltrop (Vice-President)	14	F. C. Hill	18
M. B. Butterfield	18	T. Barnes	18
R. J. Gubbins	19	G. Cleal	15
K. G. Gubbins	12	G. J. Johns	18
D. Hemsley	19	A. Hallett	19
C. V. Fischer	8	J. E. Crispe	10
		B. J. Clift	3

During the season J. Crispe found it necessary to resign from the Committee, and B. Clift was elected to fill the vacancy, and on Brian's enlistment in the Royal Australian Navy, L. Green was elected in his stead.

Owing to the pressure of business our President was unable to be present at all of our meetings, and we are very grateful to Mr. R. Barltrop, who acted as chairman in his absence.

To Mr. and Mrs. J. Gubbins, who made their home available for all these meetings during the winter months, we express our sincere thanks.

NINETEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The Nineteenth Annual Meeting was held in the Council Chamber, Henley Beach, on Thursday, the 5th October, 1944.

The President (Mr. R. J. McDonough) was in the chair, and thirty-two persons were present. Apologies were received from two members. Among

those present were the Chairman and Secretary of the Royal Life Saving Society, Messrs. R. Allin and J. R. Hardy respectively.

The nineteenth annual report, prepared by G. J. Johns, and the financial statement prepared by B. Barnes were received.

CAPTAIN.

Much of the success that the Club has enjoyed this season can be attributed to the conscientious efforts of our Captain, Fred Hill. It is unusual to see a life member taking such a prominent part in the activities of the Club, and Fred has proved to be the right man in the right job.

LADIES' COMMITTEE.

To this fine band of ladies who even in these times of stress find time to continue their good work for the Club we are sincerely grateful.

GEAR AND EQUIPMENT.

This season has seen a further increase in Club equipment, and it is gratifying to note that the majority of it has been as a direct result of the efficiency of the members.

The Lockleys School Committee and Mr. J. Risley both donated a pair of blankets in recognition of the actions of Club members.

For winning the Surf Rescue event at the Championship Carnival the Club received an oxygen apparatus which was donated by the Western Oxygen Company.

During the season the Management Committee saw fit to purchase a typewriter, and while it is not strictly life saving equipment, it has been invaluable to the Secretary.

JUNIOR SECTION.

At the beginning of the season the Junior membership was very small, but by the concentrated efforts of the members this important section of the Club was increased until at the end of the season we now have 13 Junior members. These lads are the Club of the future, and judging by their performances to date, they will be worthy successors to the past and present Senior members.

CONGRATULATIONS.

To the following members and supporters we offer our congratulations:—
A. Pearce, D. Reid, J. Carpenter, and R. Lucy, on the occasions of their marriages.

A. McDonough, who announced his engagement during the season.

L. R. Calnan on becoming a father.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Harvey, who recently resigned after eight years' continuous faithful service as Mayor and Mayoress of Henley and Grange.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Northey on their recent election as Mayor and Mayoress of Henley and Grange.

SYMPATHY.

The sympathy of all members of the Club is extended to the following members and their families:—

Mrs. D. Fielder and family on their sad bereavement of a husband and father.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Hele on the sad loss of a devoted mother.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

For over fifteen years our highly esteemed patron, Mr. A. W. Jolly, has given us unfailing support, and we are extremely fortunate to have as our patron a gentleman such as him. His interest has done much to place the Club in the position it holds today.

To our President, Mr. R. J. McDonough, we convey our thanks and gratitude for the fine work he has done throughout the season.

To the Henley and Grange Corporation for an annual grant, besides other assistance, we also express our appreciation.

To the following many supporters (and any who may have been inadvertently omitted) who have aided us both by donations and assistance, we are grateful:—His Worship the Mayor of Henley and Grange (Mr. V. Harvey), Messrs. A. W. Jolly, R. J. McDonough, E. W. Forwood, W. T. Martin, L. Gehlert, J. Abbott, A. W. Barnfield, V. Bergamin, A. E. Northey, J. R. Lawrie, L. Leo, L. E. Crispe, G. Gurner, W. R. Badenoch, L. Griggs, E. W. Mitton, H. Hicks, H. Lucas, R. T. Sandilands, A. Johnson, C. C. Crump, R. Barltrop, S. G. Johns, J. R. Hardy, C. V. Fischer, F. C. Hill, J. Risley, A. Tiver, A. L. Wheatley, W. Tucker, F. Tucker, J. Norman, G. Lawrie, J. Stocks, W. Stiller, Sir W. G. Duncan, Mesdames K. Coulter, W. Fidler, Lockleys School Committee, Payneham Methodist Church, Western Oxygen Co., Henley and Grange Gala Day Committee, the Ladies' Committee.

ENLISTMENTS.

The Club is proud of the percentage of enlistments from its ranks, and we are looking forward to having them all back with us in the very near future. We are very thankful that during the six years of warfare none of our members were called upon to make the supreme sacrifice.

Below are the names of the members who enlisted:—

M. Butterfield, R.A.N. (discharged)	W. Fletcher, R.A.N.
L. Calnan, A.I.F. (discharged)	B. Christian, R.A.A.F.
C. Fielder, A.I.F. (discharged)	J. Doherty, R.A.A.F.
R. Gubbins, A.I.F. (discharged)	A. Bannister, R.A.A.F.
M. Gebert, R.A.N.	D. Medwell, R.A.A.F.
J. Carpenter, R.A.N.	D. McGarry, R.A.A.F.
K. Coulter, R.A.N.	P. Sandilands, R.A.A.F.
A. Pearce, R.A.N.	J. Manning, R.A.A.F.
D. Reid, R.A.N.	H. McKenzie, R.A.A.F.
R. Lane, R.A.N.	M. Clode, R.A.A.F.
A. Lucy, R.A.N.	R. Patterson, R.A.A.F.
R. Lucv, R.A.N.	R. Strang, A.I.F.
R. Lawrie, R.A.N.	I. Ellis, A.I.F.
A. Roberts, R.A.N.	W. Miller, A.I.F.
G. King, R.A.N.	H. Healey, A.I.F.
C. Reynolds, R.A.N.	L. Northey, A.I.F.
R. Holton, R.A.N.	R. O'Connell, A.I.F.
B. Clift, R.A.N.	H. Penhall, A.I.F.
D. Green, R.A.N.	C. Hele, A.I.F.

CONCLUSION.

On reading the above, which after all is only a resume of the Club's activities during the past season, it is apparent that this, the Henley Life Saving Club, has maintained or even surpassed the great reputation it has held over the past fifteen years or so.

We would consider this report incomplete unless we recorded our thanks to each and every member, who by their untiring efforts in all aspects of Club work have made possible this report.

In conclusion, we would assure you that, just so long as we have the members and supporters, ready and willing to give of their best, whether it be by service, finance or assistance, then the Club can look forward to the coming seasons with the confidence born of success.

R. J. McDONOUGH, President.

R. J. GUBBINS, Honorary Secretary.



HENLEY LIFE SAVING CLUB.

Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ending 31st July, 1945.

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Cash in Hand, 1/8/44—						
Cash in Bank	409	7	5			
Cash in Hand	1	14	2			
One £20 War Bond	20	0	0			
One £5 War Savings Certificate	4	7	6			
One £1 War Savings Certificate	0	18	0			
				436	7	1
Subscriptions—						
Senior	7	0	0			
Junior	1	15	0			

Donations				8	15	0
Henley and Grange Corp Grant (Season 1943-4)				53	5	6
Henley and Grange Corp. Grant (Season 1944-5)				7	7	0
Profit Presentation Night				7	7	0
Rebate of Carnival Trophies (money orders)				1	6	6
Exam. Fee Refunds (Season 1943-4)	2	2	6	4	4	0
Exam. Fee Refunds (Season 1944-5)	4	1	6			

Refund of Carnival Expenses				6	4	0
Miscellaneous				5	19	0
Sundry Sales—				0	16	6
Bather Badges	0	12	6			
Coat Badges	0	10	0			
Handbooks	1	1	9			

Bank Interest	8	18	1			
Interest War Bond and Certificates	0	13	0			
				9	11	1

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Audited and found correct with vouchers produced.
Existence of War Bond and Certificates verified.
Prepared by K. G. GUBBINS, Hon. Treasurer.

PAYMENTS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Royal Life Saving Society—						
Affiliation Fees	0	10	6			
Registration Fees	0	17	6			
Examination Fees	8	2	6			
Hand Books	2	2	0			
				11	12	6
South Australian Amateur Swimming Association Affiliation Fees	1	1	0			
Honorarium to Secretary (Season 1943-4)	2	2	0			
Postages (see Secretary's book)	2	14	9			
Annual Reports (Season 1943-4)	5	3	2			
Stationery	2	5	8			
Invitations Annual Presentation Night	1	5	0			
Trophies and Engraving (Season 1943-4)	3	0	0			
Trophies and Engraving (Season 1944-5)	6	17	0			

Surf Boat Expenses	9	17	0			
Fire Insurance Premium	0	16	2			
Club Shed Expenses and Gear	1	3	9			
Typewriter	21	18	3			
Carnival Expenses	10	0	0			
Donation to V. Harvey Testimonial Fund	10	6	6			

Six Dozen Bather Badges	0	10	6			
Sundries	3	12	0			
Cash in Hand 31/7/45—	4	10	5			
Cash in Bank	428	6	11			
Cash in Hand	0	12	10			
One £20 War Bond	20	0	0			
One £5 War Savings Certificate	4	10	0			
One £1 War Savings Certificate	0	18	6			
	454	8	3			

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Hon. Auditor, A. L. WHEATLEY, A.F.I.A.
Hon. Assistant Auditor, M. B. BUTTERFIELD.
31st July, 1945.