## Henley Surf Life Saving Club Inc.

## 71st ANNUAL REPORT

Season 1995 - 1996



AS PRESENTED AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE

**CLUBROOMS, HENLEY BEACH** 

FRIDAY, JUNE 14th, 1996 AT 6.30 p.m.

## **MEMBERS & OFFICE BEARERS 95/96**

Founder

Mr Dan F. Dineen

Patron

Mr Tom Jennings RVM

Vice Patron

Mr John Fletcher Mr John Paech Mr Mike Rathien Mr D Duhne Mr Steve Condous Ms Chris Gallus

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Kevin Fitzgerald

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Top Room Manager
Barry Duhne & Teresa Searcy

**Committee Persons** 

Gary Fazzalari & Scott Robinson

Assistant Secretary Malcolm McInnis

Chief Instructor
Grantley White

Surf Boat Captain Gary Fazzalari

Gear Steward Phil Hogan

Board Captain Andrew Lanyon

Ski Captain
Damien Grant

Radio Officer & Power Boat Captain
Paul Martin

Beach Captain Kelly Mercer

Water Captain
Paul Martin

First Aid Officer Geoff Brennecke

Auxilliary Officer Natasha Fauser

Junior Representative
Meg Ford (resigned)
Marianne Costello & Shelley Nelson

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Life Members

AW Jolly + C Chambers + DF Dineen + CM Yoemans + WJ Zimmerman + CV Fischer + CH Hele + FC Hill + MB Butterfield + CD Fielder OAM FN Tucker TJ Jennings RVM CM Calnan + LG Bailey D Hemsley AF Roberts AA Park JM Doherty BR Duhne GA Anderson GW Duhne RG Hill TG Mulvihill AR Forward + GA Bull RG Williams AB Nelson KB Fitzgerald GR Pavze MW Searcy AS Lanyon

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J "Possim" Baker Peter Brass
"Super Sid" Goodfellow A. Loutit
Ms C. Gleeson J "Tulip" Beugelaar
Glen Cleal Geoff May

## SECRETARY'S OVERVIEW

I would like to express my sincere thanks to all of the dedicated patrolling members and office bearers for their efforts throughout the season. I would also like to thank the social members who continually support the club.

t is my great pleasure and privilege to submit this the 71st Annual Report for the season 1995/96.

This report includes a comprehensive review of the many activities of the Henley SLSC. This season was a difficult one although 95% of the Management Committee stood again and are planning to go on, so things should become easier as the officer's learn more and make necessary changes.

The activities of Henley broadened more and more this season from the traditional patrolling and competition areas onto the mission to make Henley the BEST CLUB IN THE STATE.

Henley S.L.S.C's primary function of patrolling the Beach has been carried out in an excellent manner with "NO LIVES LOST' while patrols have been on duty.

My congratulations are extended to Damien Grant on a brilliant season becoming another Henley member being chosen in the State Team.

I would also like to congratulate Shelly Nelson, Marianne Costello and Mal McInnis for their brilliant effort in the Junior division of the Club. This is were the future of the Club lies and the kids have had a great start to lifesaving with Shelly & crew helping them and showing them the ropes. Good luck for next season

The Top Room has had a brilliant year as you will see in Barry Duhne's financial report. It is the best and most accurate that we have had for many years. I hope that members continue to support our Friday Nights trading. It is a class facility and a great place to relax and socialise with all members, even if it may only be for pre drinks before going elsewhere. The more members that support this social activity the greater the benefit to the Club

As always, it has been a very hectic season for all members and committees'. Other aspects of the Club's activities are covered in reports prepared by other Club officers.

On closing I would like to sincerely thank all the dedicated members and my fellow officers for the past season. My special thanks going to Barry Duhne for all his help. I must also thank my family who have supported me throughout the season and I would like to wish Kevin Fitzgerald all the best for the coming season.

Teresa M. Searcy, Hon. Secretary

#### LIFESAVING SERVICES

GOAL: To provide services that minimise danger & prevent loss of life or injury in the beach & aquatic environment.

#### **Club Captains Report**

his season was again trying for all members. The clubrooms are almost renovated to a standard which is no doubt the best in the State. Our junior ranks are increasing and I am confident all areas of the Club are on the up.

The banding together of all members was shown throughout the year in the renovation work. The strong presence of this comradeship is what we now need to continue on.

With a little effort in increasing membership and some improvement in patrolling attitude. I can see a steady but increasing success over the next few years to see the Henley Club up with the top clubs in South Australia.

My after hours work commitments prevented me from putting in as much time as I believe is warranted of a Club Captain this past season. Next season if you see fit to elect me again I will have alot more time to devote to the Club. You may even become sick of my face.

To all those who competed, gained awards or reached their personal goals, I congratulate you and wish you every success in the future. Those who were not so lucky just remember it doesn't matter if you don't come first as long as you are there and tried your best.

I thank my Vice Captain Greg Fletcher, committee persons and all area captains for their work throughout the year, in fact all members for their efforts. Lets keep the clubrooms in good order for years to come and approach everything we do with enthusiasm and vigor.

Next season will be a test for all, with every area growing but I am sure that the satisfaction gained through the work we do and the company we are with will shine through.

I look forward to working along side you all next season in whatever position I hold. Whether it be managerial, competitive or just on the beach.

Mark W. Searcy, Club Captain



### LIFESAVING SERVICES

#### **Vice Captains Report**

ith a greater number of Juniors this year, more members had to be rostered on each patrol, to help out with Saturday afternoon training. Because of this, members had a patrol every third weekend and my thanks goes to those members who attended everyone of their patrols.

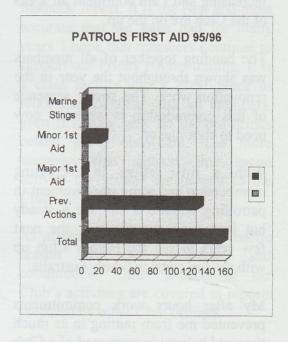
This season was one of extremes. Some days were hot and members of the public flocked to the beach. While others were cold and windy and the beach was empty.

Every one of the 25 rescues this year were performed by Paul Martin and Jody Hall on Australia Day during the Henley to Grange swim. During the year there were 27 people treated for first aid and 2 searches for lost children resulting in them being safely returned to their parents. A total of 125 preventive actions were performed by patrol members.

The Club again was involved in the State Patrol Competition. The result of that competition will not be announced until the state dinner. We have the results of each inspection recorded in the patrol log book and I feel that next year we can perform alot better at the inspections if we have our own internal patrol inspections and training on the rostered patrols. My congratulations go to Bill Hoey who won the Most Outstanding Patrol Member. He won it hands down and also congratulations to Jody Hall for winning the Most Patrol Hours two years running.

Thankyou again to all patrolling members for their patience and understanding during a very trying patrolling season.

Greg Fletcher, Vice Captain



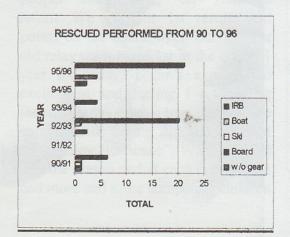
#### **Power Craft Report**

This saw the season IRR maintain it's priceless value on the beach, all due to one day in January. It was the day of the Henley & Grange Swim and the conditions were not good. A 25knot SW wind and low temperatures did not suit the 150 swimmers accustomed to pool conditions. 48 people were rescued that afternoon, 21 in Henleys IRB in the space of 2 hours. Without the use of IRB's that day, there was a possibility of loss of life or serious injury.

I would like to thank Cole Motors for their continued support with the supply of fuel. This contribution is now in its 10th year and hopefully will continue for another 10 year. So if you have an unfortunate accident in your vehicle please support our sponsor.

As this is my last year as IRB Captain I wish the incoming captain all the best.

Paul Martin, IRB Captain



#### Radio Report

his year saw the purchase of a new Maxom handset. This has now increased our radio supplies to three handsets and one base set insuring that we can provide a quick & efficient service to the public, especially in the case of lost children. Unfortunately, towards the end of the season our handsets were stolen.

I would like to thank Greg Fletcher for his help in radio room duty. Our Club was rostered on three time this season for duties in the Surf Rescue Radio room.

I would also like to thank George Scafe of Power Communications Service for his help and advice in this specialised field.

Paul Martin, Radio Officer

As you can see from the graph the IRB has been the main craft used when performing rescues since 1990. With IRB's being so important on patrols it is crucial that we keep it in good condition and that we also put more members through their IRB Drivers exam. We need at least two Drivers for each patrol to make sure we can use the IRB to its maximum ability and keep the public safe.

## LIFE SAVING SERVICES

#### **Chief Instructors Report**

nce again the 95/96 season has proved a difficult season in the area of new awards gained. There was no shortage of Bronze candidates willing and able but very few members were prepared to take or assist with the training of these new lifesavers. Therefore it was left up to the same people who already have gained their training officers award.

It was great to see some qualies gain their awards and with nippers now at Henley many more will gain their qualies in the upcoming season.

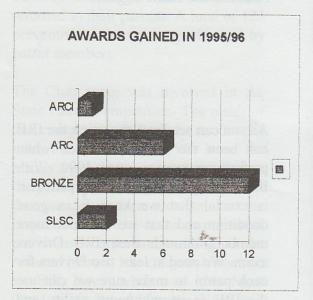
Very few specialist awards were gained and I think we all need to address this next year and further our knowledge in the skills of surf lifesaving.

All the members need to make an effort to make all our new members feel welcome and try to get them involved in training of some form.

Hopefully next year all the members will get behind the Chief Instructor and assist as much as possible as it is a very difficult position and new bronze members are the future of the Club and if we don't train them they will go to another club.

I would like to thank Greg Fletcher, Scott Robinson, Paul "Digger" Martin and Kelly Mercer for all their help throughout the season.

Grantley White, Chief Instructor





#### Junior Report

This season the Henley Juniors have come together dramatically. BUT not without alot of hard work and sheer commitment. Marianne, Mal and myself found learning the fundamentals of Junior training and carnivals very "CHALLENGING". However, this did not come without it's rewards. We started training in October with little equipment, few children and no idea on the direction we were headed.

The season progressed and we organised the delivery of three junior boards, numbered caps, bathers and general training equipment. Marianne started weekly raffles and food for cold juniors after Saturday training's. I along with some parents organised a Trash & Treasure which raised over \$100.00. The numbers of children increased and we were all happening.

We saw ourselves at the 1st carnival with 6 faithful competitors. Even though our numbers were low our presents was greatly felt by many people commenting on Henley's return. We got our 1st results and points on the board when our 11 year old relay team came 1st in the open 11 year old relay. I can't explain the excitement and feeling I felt seeing them cross the line and the commentator saying did you see that an "Henley Hurricane". We continued into the season and at each carnival we had more and more competing children

and more results. The officials at carnivals started congratulating individual performances from the Henley juniors and each time the kids became more enthusiastic, keen and proud to be Henley Clubbies.

Going along the street with a load of kids saying "Henley Rules" and We are the best (we don't see this very often) at the end of each carnival was great to see. By State Titles a real little team had developed.

The first day of State Titles was nearly cancelled due to rough weather. The beach events went ahead and all ages did their extreme best. However, we had alot of bad luck. The 11 year old relay team missed out on 3rd position after a video finish with Grange and just total "BAD LUCK" was seen in all age groups in the flags. Excitement came the next day with Alex Costello getting a silver in the 11 year old boards then again teaming up with Rob Picheta to get a bronze in the 11 year old board rescue.

Again I can't explain the feeling of seeing Henley on the dice. People were crying and the whole carnival seem to stop as Henley received its first medal.

I would like to thank Teresa, Foody & Kelly and all the wonderful parents for their help during the season. A big thank you and a job well done to Marianne & Mal for making it all happen.

#### JUNIORS

Hopefully next season it will be a bigger reflection on this season. We plan to have a AGM and form a committee to help this along.

I think having Juniors this season has proven to the whole Club that things can happen if a few people work together.

In closing I would like to thank the most important people - The HENLEY (HURRICANE) JUNIORS.

See you next season.

Shelly Nelson, Junior Representative





## **ADMINISTRATION**

#### President's Report

nother busy season is coming to a close, the Club is almost back to normal now that the renovations are almost finished.

The Club officers have to be congratulated on keeping their budgets tight, so the Club didn't need to take a loan to finish the building.

Its unfortunate to record in this report of the of the death of a rower in the Australian Titles at Kurrawa Oueensland. This will start some safety stringent standards competition particularly in big surf. It was disappointing to see also that it has been voted in by National Council that the Australian Titles will be at Kurrawa for the next 10 years, because of sponsorship tied up in that region. you can only go to Wally World so many times. Still, the serious competitors will still be there competing for our Club.

State Council is going through a structural review at present. The idea of the new system is to give Club Captains and Competition Officers more say on the State front.

A big area which needs some improvement in the Club is recruiting and the Beach Committee. Members need to be recruited and put through their bronze and then guided into a certain area in the Club. The Beach Committee need to be meeting on a regular basis and planning the future. Club swims and weekly meetings for

all members would bring back the Club team morale.

I would like to thank our Club sponsors especially Carlton United Brewery, Cole Motors, Ramsgate Hotel, Shades Glenelg, Boral Hollostone Masonry and Ron Heath Tyres.

I've decided not to stand for President next season but who ever wins the position I know will have a very good team on the Management Committee. All the committee are standing for their positions and I believe they must be congratulated on being a very professional team. Club member's make sure you get behind them and show them your support.

All the best for the future

Kevin Fitzgerald, President



#### **Building Report**

lthough the Club had \$20,000 approved by the Surf Lifesaving Trust for a loan to complete the building the Club hasn't had to use this service. The main reasons is fundraising was quite good and the bar made a good profit.

The bar is 90% finished and the kitchen in under way. Air Conditioning has been installed in the bar area. The western window is going to be made bigger so there is a good sea view. This was probably the only mistake made in the original plan which wasn't picked up until close to completion.

A structured building maintenance committee is a must and if this is put into vogue the Club can be kept in a tidy state and on top of maintenance, where we are battling the elements of the sea.

Again a good effort was put in by Club members on work completed especially Mark & Teresa Searcy, Barry Duhne and Phil Hogan.

A bit of damage was sustained by vandals and a break-in but unfortunately we have to live with this and try to keep on top of the maintenance.

#### **ENGAGEMENTS & MARRIAGES**

Unfortunately I have no Engagements recorded this year. To any happy couple that I may have missed congratulations and best wishes.

In the marriage stakes we have Sally and Andrew Hatwell. Congratulations and best wishes for a long and fruitful life together.

#### **BIRTHS**

Only one family has recorded an addition this year. Myself and Mark have another beautiful girl - Amber Jane Searcy. Thank goodness she looks like Mark.

#### **OBITUARIES**

We offer condolences to the relatives and members who have passed away during the year and to members who have suffered bereavements.

Life Member - Merv Butterfield OAM

## **ADMINISTRATION**

#### Treasurer's Report

The past twelve months has seen the financial position of the Club again grow and it is now in a position to consider long term projects and to set goals which should enable the Club to claw its way back to being strong on the beach and in competition.

With the Clubroom extensions all but behind us, we are now in a position to concentrate our finances towards the up grading of the equipment which has been neglected over the past several years.

Your elected area officers again acted responsibly during 1995/96 by submitting modest budgets and by being able to survive within the limits set.

Two areas from the financial records should be highlighted, the first being the bar trading. Profit from this area was very pleasing and should increase further once it becomes established not only as a social area but also as a function room for people to hire.

The bar maintained just over 100% trading profit throughout the year and this far exceeds any previous years results.

Our major sponsor Carlton United Brewery again supplied the Club with donated product and to obtain true trading figures for the bar the product entered the books as a donation and the product costs were raised against bar purchases. This also effected the years donations which has almost doubled from last year.

Similarly, goods supplied at various social functions were allocated to that function thus allowing independent social figures to be obtained and to ensure true bar trading figures were maintained.

While I believe the percentage can be improved still further, the figures for this first year should be used as a yard stick and comparisons made with future years trading.

The social/fundraising figures fail to highlight the tremendous amount of work put in by Natasha Fauser, who was responsible for some excellent and financially successful social evenings. Whilst modest profit was shown through door takings the true result is hidden away in the bar trading figures. I would estimate a further \$2000 was raised in this manner.

With such a diverse area to raise funds there is still much more that can and must be done to raise funds to help the Club carry out its programs. Those members who assisted as barmen, those involved in the \$1000 draws, Natasha's helpers, the top room boys, the members who gave of their time during the building project and to those who maintained and repaired equipment should all be thanked for

## **ADMINISTRATION**

indirectly helping the financial position of the Club.

The disappointment during the year was the loss of momentum towards the building once it was opened late in 1995. New furniture is needed, the completion of the kitchen and a few other finishing off jobs should be completed as a matter of priority. Demands on the Club finances for new equipment is now justified and it would be a shame if this took precedence over the completion of the upstairs facilities.

To the many sponsors and donors who give of their money, their time or their products we are indeed grateful and hope that their support will continue for years to come.

The sponsors of the Club are listed in the Annual Report and members attention are drawn to them so that they can reciprocate and support the businesses that support our Club.

Again I have enjoyed the past 12 months as your Hon. Treasurer mainly because it is a pleasure to have competent people around you all with the same goals.

My thanks to Teresa for her time whenever I requested it and for the many chores she did on my behalf.

To our Hon Auditor Peter Brass who this year was placed under extra pressure because I was overseas during the audit my sincere thanks.

Barry Duhne, Hon Treasurer

## **SUPPORTERS**

SA GOVERNMENT
SA APPEALS TRUSTEES

SLSA - SA

CARLTON & UNITED BREWERIES

HENLEY & GRANGE AID & ADVISORY CENTRE

**GEOFF MAY** 

KW & JM FLINT

**RAMSGATE HOTEL** 

TOM JENNINGS

TREVOR MULVIHILL

D.R. DUHNE

THE GRUNTERS

RT & TL LAMPARD

T SLAOKI

R & M MCFARLANE

**GARY KIRWAN** 

SUPER SID B.E.M.

**COLE MOTORS** 

**RON HEATH TYRES** 

M & M PIES

**CITY OF HENLEY & GRANGE** 

### HENLEY SURF LIFESAVING CLUB INC.

### STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR YEAR ENDING 30TH APRIL 1996

OPENING BALA	NCE		
	Cheque account as at 30/4/95 Balance other accounts	\$ 14,117.24 14,156.98	28,274.22
RECEIPTS			419,349,34
1995 \$		1996	
4,983.95 4,025.00 3,669.55 1,578.00 4,500.00 40,000.00 4,000.00 4,688.20 300.00 475.00 00.00 339.93 77.69 648.99 3,769.59 276,744.73	BAR TAKINGS SUBSCRIPTIONS SPONSORS & DONORS SALE OF CLOTHING STATE GOVT. ADMIN GRANT STATE GOVT. BUILDING GRANT STATE CENTRE DISBURSEMENTS SOCIAL/ FUNDRAISING SALE OF EQUIPMENT ANNUAL DINNER CLUBROOM INCOME MISCELLANEOUS REFUNDS INTEREST CHEQUE ACCOUNT INTEREST OTHER INVESTMENTS TRANSFERS	27,062.42 4,830.00 7,117.15 1,814.00 4,500.00 00.00 3,500.00 7,435.70 2,100.00 00.00 2,027.03 712.00 00.00 132.74 820.00 00.00	
349,800.63			62,051.04
			90,325.26
PAYMENTS			
1995 \$		1996	
1,285.13 275.00 1,063.76 3,309.50 8,098.85 1,498.00 175,668.04 1,805.44 887.40 1,418.30 911.00 160.00 960.07 2,823.57 723.86 276,744.73 00.00 00.00	BAR EXPENSES & PURCHASES BUILDING MAINTENANCE INSURANCE UTILITIES EQUIPMENT PURCHASE CLOTHING PURCHASE BUILDING EXPENSES SOCIAL / FUNDRAISING ANNUAL DINNER TROPHIES & HONORARIA COMPETITION EXPENSES MISCELLANEOUS SUNDRY ADMINISTRATION EQUIPMENT REPAIRS TRANSFERS ROOM HIRE INCREASE TO BAR FLOAT	14,619.58 910.25 3,246.97 2,784.60 9,064.43 1,660.20 22,319.40 6,326.36 00.00 1,521.52 2,052.00 1,801.61 00.00 2,546.49 3,079.69 00.00 905.00 50.00	73,888.10
CLOSING BALAN	CE AS AT 30/4/96		
	CHEQUE ACCOUNT GEAR REPLACEMENT ACC.	2,460.18 14,976.98	
			17,437.16

### HENLEY SURF LIFESAVING CLUB INC.

#### STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDING 30TH APRIL 1996

1995		1996	
3,678.82 4,025.00 3,669.55 44,500.00 4,000.00 3,182.76 (-712.40) 339.93 3,769.59 648.99 77.69 225.00 00.00	PROFIT FROM BAR SUBSCRIPTIONS SPONSORS & DONORS STATE GOVT. GRANTS STATE CENTRE DISBURSEMENTS PROFIT FROM SOCIAL /FUNDRAISING (inc. dinner & allowance for 1995 pay MISCELLANEOUS INTEREST - GEAR REPLACEMENT ACC. INTEREST - CHEQUE ACCOUNT REFUNDS PROFIT FROM SALE OF CLOTHING HIRE OF CLUBROOMS	12,856.84 4,830.00 7,117.15 4,500.00 3,500.00 1,959.10 yment) 712.00 820.00 132.74 00.00 414.80 1,122.03	
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#### EXPENDITURE

1995 \$		1996 \$
275.00 4,373.26 1,418.30 911.00 960.07 2,823.57 723.86 10,183.82 160.00 	BUILDING MAINTENANCE UTILITIES & INSURANCE TROPHIES & HONORARIA COMPETITION EXPENSES SUNDRIES ADMINISTRATION EQUIPMENT REPAIRS DEPRECIATION MISCELLANEOUS	910.25 6,031.57 1,521.52 2,052.00 00.00 2,546.49 3,079.69 9,669.00 1,801.61

#### NET SURPLUS

\$ 45,576.05

TRANSFERRED TO ACCUMULATED FUND

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10,352.53

27,612.13

#### ASSET SCHEDULE

	BALANCE	VALUE ADDED	DISPOSAL	10% DEP	20%DEP	FINAL BALANCE
CLUBROOMS	386,950.04	22,319.40				409,269.44
AMENITIES	3,023.00			302.00		2,721.00
GYMNASIUM	3,701.00			370.00		3,331.00
OFFICE EQUIPMENT	2,844.00			284.00		2,560.00
REG. VEHICLES	1,408.00			141.00		1,267.00
POWER CRAFT	6,935.00	1,655.00	1,600.00	699.00		6,291.00
SURF BOATS	16,916.00				3,383.00	13,533.00
PATROL EQUIP	3,543.00	1,013.47		45,5.00		4,101.47
COMP EQUIP	14,277.00	6,395.96	500.00		4,035.00	16,137.96
	439,597.04	31,383.83	2,100.00	2,251.00	7,418.00	459,211.87

#### HENLEY SURF LIFESAVING CLUB INC.

#### BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH APRIL 1996

#### CURRENT

CURRENT				
1995			1996	
14,117.24 14,156.98 977.00 100.00 100.00 2,215.00 300.00 500.00	CASH AT BANK GEAR REPLACEMENT A BAR STOCK BAR FLOAT PETTY CASH CLOTHING FUNDRAISING STOCK PRE-PAYMENTS	ACC.	2,460.18 14,976.98 1,391.00 150.00 100.00 2,476.00 1,649.76 00.00	
32,466.22				23,203.92
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NON CURRENT				
1995			1996	
386,950.04 3,023.00 3,701.00 2,844.00 1,408.00 6,935.00 16,916.00 3,543.00 14,277.00 	CLUBHOUSE AMENITIES GYMNASIUM OFFICE EQUIPMENT REG. VEHICLES POWER CRAFT SURF BOATS PATROL EQUIPMENT COMPETITION EQUIPMENT	IENT	409,269.44 2,721.00 3,331.00 2,560.00 1,267.00 6,291.00 13,533.00 4,101.47 16,137.96	459,211.87
TOTAL ASSETS				
\$ 472,063.26 =======				482,415.79
REPRESENTED BY				10,352.53
426,487.21 45,576.05	H.S.L.C. EQUITY SURPLUS FROM I & E		472,063.26 10,352.53	
\$ 472,063.26 ========	d Paper			\$ 482,415.79 =======

#### STATEMENT BY COMMITTEE

"The attached financial statement of the Henley Surf Lifesaving Club Inc. being the Balance Sheet, Statement of Income and Expenditure and statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ending 30th April 1996 are, in our opinion, properly drawn up so as to present fairly the financial position of the club as at the 30th April 1996, and its result for the year then ended."

DATED AT Henley Bch THIS 9th DAY OF May 1996

SIGNED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMITTEE.

K.B. FITZGERALD
President

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#### AUDITOR'S REPORT TO MEMBERS

"I have examined the books, accounts and records of the Henley Surf Lifesaving Club Inc., and the attached financial statements, being the Balance Sheet, Statement of Income and Expenditure and Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 30th April 1996, is in accordance therewith."

DATED AT HENREY BEACH THIS 9th DAY OF MAY 1996

P.R. BRASS, B.Ec., ASA Honorary Auditor

#### Water Report

The Water Area now boasts a number of events. R&R, Surf Teams, Surf Races, Board Rescue, Belt Swims, Ironman,, Ironwoman, Tube Race and Taplin Relay all give the opportunity for swimmers to show their talents, whether they are a junior, senior or master competitor specialising in either sprint or long-distance swimming.

This season Henley gained 8 medals in the swim area at State Titles all in the Masters. Congratulations to Marianne Costello, Barry Duhne and Andrew Lanyon for this great achievement. These three were winning medals in their younger days and have proven they haven't lost any of their talent.

Congratulations also to Alex Costello winning a silver at the Junior State Titles. Obviously good swimmers run (or swim) in the Costello family.

Well done to all that competed and contributed to Henley's best season in the water for sometime.

Paul Martin, Water Captain

#### Ski Captains Report

eason 1995/96 has been another successful season for the Henley Ski team. With numbers in the area growing we have seen a new wave of enthusiasm hit. This has shone through with large numbers attending regular training sessions on Tuesday & Thursday nights.

The females in the area doubled this season and with another year training and experience we will see some great results from our women.

The Henley Ski Relay Team again had another fantastic year winning all but one regular carnival. The only disappointment of the year was the clash of Kayak Nationals and State Titles.

A special mention must go to those who competed at State Titles, again Henley were well represented in many finals with Greg Fletcher, Scott Robinson, Grantley White, Andrew Lanyon, Jason Nejman and Karen Hansen all competing in several finals.

On New Years Day a long distance race was held in Victor Harbour near Granite Island. We again were well represented with Natasha Grant (4th women), Damien Grant (2nd), Bennett Maxwell (4th), Greg Fletcher (6th), David Foureur (7th) & Scott Robinson (16th). All winning some prize money for the first time in their careers.

It was an extremely testing race and everybody who competed on the day deserved congratulations.

The entire Ski Team headed to Kurrawa Qld for the National Titles. The first day of competition was cancelled due to 15 foot surf pounding down on Kurrawa Beach. The officials did try to move the carnival, however smallest surf along the coast was 10-12 foot and competition was dangerous.

## COMPETITION

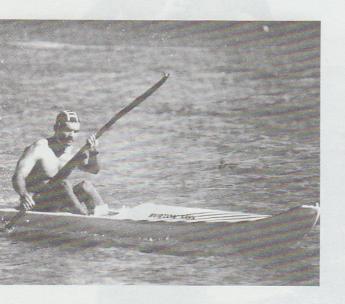
Due to the loss of the first day of competition the carnival began at 6am on Saturday morning. The surf had dropped to about 12 foot with a regular 15 foot wave rolling through.

Henley had four people through to the 1/4 finals, they were Grantley White, Greg Fletcher, David Foureur & Damien Grant.

The conditions unfortunately stopped several races being run, one of them was the Ski Relay.(our best chance of a final at the Titles)

My sincere thanks must go to the committee who passed new equipment purchases to the area. Thanks must also go to everybody who competed and helped out the ski area, we hope to see everybody again in season 96/97.

Yours in Surf Lifesaving Damien Grant, Ski Captain



## **National Titles Report**

s many of you are aware this years Nationals were full of drama and tragedy. Due to a cyclone 170km of the coast of southern Queensland a very large & powerful surf was produced. Some of the biggest waves we experienced were on the Tuesday before the titles. Our ski paddlers decided to so some training in these tricky conditions. Even though we can boast some of the best ski paddlers in Australia only Greg Fletcher made it out the back. He was one of very few paddlers who actually achieved this task.

The following day was time to see if the experience of the masters could combat these treacherous conditions in the National Masters Titles. The organisers decided that due to the age of some of these competitors it would be alot safer to move to North Kirra Beach. The surf was alot cleaner and a little bit smaller but still 8 - 10 ft sets coming through dumping heavily on a sand bar 50 metres off shore.

We had two competitors in the Masters myself and David Foureur. David paddled well to complete the course but unfortunately missed out by one to make the final in the 30-34 years single ski race. I was dragged by a strong drift current down the beach and did not complete the course.

Friday was the first day of the National Titles and once again was to North Kirra (where the surf had picked up). After holding one Ironman heat organisers decided to cancel the days events.

## COMPETITION

Already one day behind, organisers were left with a huge task to reschedule the days events. The surf had dropped off, still big, so events were kept to Kurrawa. All team events were cancelled to accommodate other cancelled events.

Although not familiar with these conditions our paddlers did well, with four out of 6 ski paddlers making it through to the quarter finals of the Open Ski.

Unfortunately myself and Aaron Lewis did not make it through to the next round of the Open Board.

On Sunday the surf had dropped off quite considerably but still quite large by our standards. Organisers decided to run the double ski much to the pleasure of our paddlers, but they did not make it through to the next round. Confident we had done our best, although disappointed there was no ski relay one of our best events. We continued to watch the remaining events. This was very entertaining until tragedy struck. A 15 year old boatie from the Kurrawa SLSC was missing after his crew was involved in a heavy collision with another. After two hours search there was no trace and organisers cancelled the remaining days events. His body was found three days later 12 kms away. We extend our deepest sympathy to his family and friends

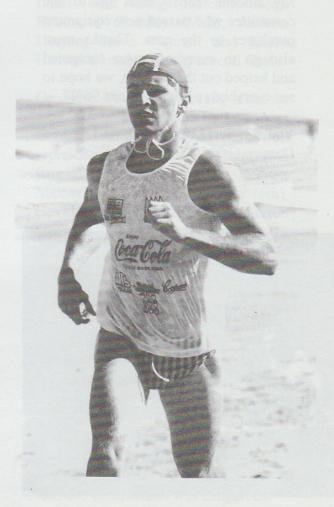
One minute the media where saying it was the most entertaining titles, and

then they where sledging the organisers.

I do not agree with the attitude of the media in regard to the death of young Robert. They suggested that the whole titles should of been cancelled. Surf life savers have competed in larger surf and trickier conditions.

It was an unfortunate incident but it could have happened at any carnivals. It was the first death in a National Titles and hopefully the last.

Paul Martin, Touring Team Manager



## **Boat Captains Report**

hree Henley Crews competed this year. The Veteran Crew/A Grade, B Crew and the Female Crew.

All crews were quite competitive but unfortunately failed to bring home any medals at the States. A special mention must go to two rowers.

Andrew Hatwell juggled rowing with the B Crew and sweeping the Female Crew extremely well and at times under difficult circumstances. Kevin Fitzgerald as usual Fitzy puts his heart and soul into everything he does. The amount of work this man does behind the scene is amazing. He will be sadly missed this coming season. Kevin has decided to row for Christies Beach who are the only SA Crew competing in the Uncle Tobys competition.

We can only hope Fitzy brings the knowledge and experience he gains back to Henley one day.

To all rowers and sweeps who competed this year remember the boat area is continually getting stronger so please be fair to yourself and your crew members and train hard, be disciplined and focused and we can make Henley a feared Club in the boat area again.

Gary Fazzalari, Boat Captain

#### **CREWS**

#### A Crew & Veteran Crew

Sweep: Gary Fazzlari
Kevin Fitzgerald, Stephen Crouch,
Mark Shuttleworth & Scott Mather

#### **B** Crew

Sweep: Rob Langford Andrew Hatwell, Jamie Butterfield, Shane Thomas & Lee McNeil

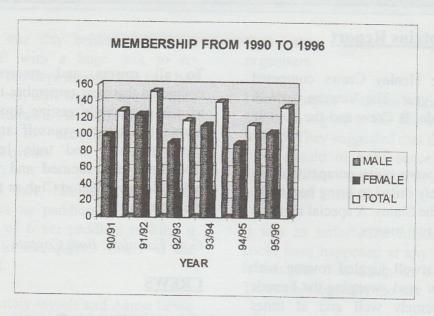
#### **Female Crew**

Sweep: Andrew Hatwell
Meg Ford, Rebecca Comerford,
Natasha Fauser & Sioban Byrne

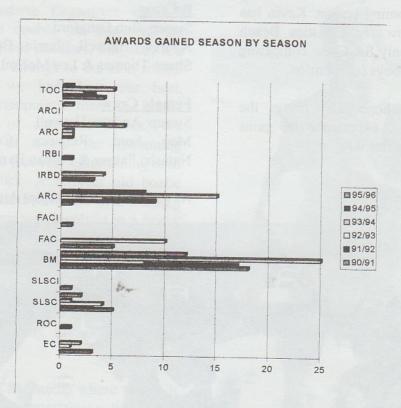
As pictured below (except Andrew)



Below I have drawn up a few graphs to show you how the Club has gone over the past few years with membership and also with awards members have gained.



As this chart shows our membership has gone up and down over the last few seasons. Our best season was 93/94 when we gained 25 new bronze members. We as a Club need to join together to gain more members both male & female so we can have a larger membership and with that we would become a more financial Club also.



#### **Auxiliary Officers Report**

It has been an enjoyable exciting year for my first in Surf Lifesaving at Henley.

Being a competitor in surf boats and on the Management Committee as Auxiliary Officer has given me a better understanding of the roles and expectations involved in a surf lifesaving club.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members who have supported and encouraged me through the 1995/96 season. It has been a learning experience for me and I have realised a few important factors from which I will take note of in the future.

November 18th we began the season with the Mexican Night drawing a reasonable crowd who we made sure enjoyed their night (proven by the photos) Barry Duhne worked hard continuously behind the bar mixing up his famous margaritas.

The warmer weather attracted a few more members and friends for the Toga Party on January 13th. An excellent night was had by all with the majority in with the Roman theme and dressed in Togas.

The Gidget & Moondoggie show with superb band "Tongue n Cheek" proved to be a success with everyone, it was great to see more of a variety of the members come along and jam in. State Titles night was a good one with the hype of the beer skulling competitions and if you don't mind me saying so I thought the female boat crew did exceptionally well against the guys!

Finally and only recently we had the Madhatters BBQ at Collins Reserve. Despite the cool weather we had a few junior families who came along and a few from the senior members. I'm sure those who came and participated enjoyed themselves. The egg throwing and three legged races proved to be favourites with both the children and adults.

A special thankyou to Mark & Teresa Searcy, Karen Hansen and Grantley White for their support with different shows. Thanks to all of you wonderful people who helped out behind the bar when it was busy and the raffle ticket selling, your help was greatly appreciated.

Thankyou!!

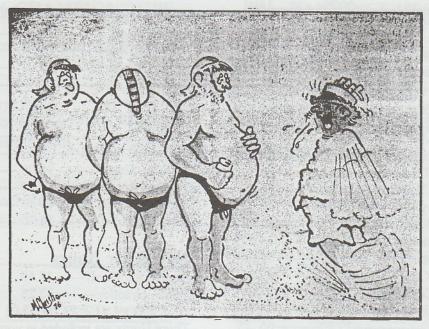
I'm looking forward to an even greater 96/97 season with you all again.

Cheers!

Natasha Fauser, Auxiliary Officer



"Four laps around the henley top Room Bar each day is not my idea of staying in condition"



#### Top Room Report

his year was a great challenge and we both enjoyed it. With the fantastic effort that Natasha Fauser put in with the shows she organised throughout the season all that was needed to be done was to make sure that the Club was opened on Fridays and Sundays.

For that to take place Barry and I had great support with the members who were on the bar roster. Approximately 99% of the members did their rostered night/afternoon or if they were not able to they organised someone to do it for them.

Tulip, Geoff May and Darryl Carruthers had Sunday mornings down pat so the Club was opened every week and still is. My thanks must go to all the members who drank up there on those days whether they stayed for the night or just popped in for a drink. You can honestly say that you helped finance the Club this year. A special thankyou to Barry who made sure there was plenty of stock available.

Well I hope that members continue to support the Club and remember the Top Room is still open on Friday nights so come and have a drink. If anyone has any ideas about how to attract more people just sing out.

Once again I thank all who helped us throughout the season because you made our job alot easier and enjoyable.

Teresa Searcy, 1/2 Top Room Manager

#### **Patrol Hours**

Name	95/96	Total
Name Bishop. Grant	20.65	20.65 -
Brennecke, G	24.45	312.95
Bull. Cathy	28.40	145.10
Butterfield. Jamie	29.10	301.55
Bryne, S	17.30	21.00
Cole. Barrie	38.15	465.60
Comerford. Rebecca		
Costello. Marianne		
Crouch. Stephen		
Cunneen. Terry		
Davidson. Tracey		
Davis. Gary		
De Heus. Kate		
Djipalo. Tania		
Fauser, Natasha		
Fazzalari. Gary		
Fletcher, Carolyn		
Fletcher, Greg		
Ford. Meg	29.00	65 . 75
Foureur. David	19.10	389.75
Foueur, Lindy	10.30	10.30 —
Grant. Damien		
Grant, Natasha		
Hall. Jody		
Hannaford. Steven		
Hansen. Karen		
Hatwell. Andrew		
Hoey. William		
Hogan. Phil	26.55	254.30
Jennings. Simon		
Johns. Shane	47.75	353.75
Kemp. John	10.30	10.30
Kerslake. Naish	4.00	NA
Langford, Robert	33.85	299.85
Lewis. Aaron	34.50	508.55
Martin. Craig		
Martin. Paul		
Mather. Scott		
Matta. M		
Maxwell. Bennett		
McInnis. Malcolm		
McNeil, Lee		
McIntrye. James		
Mercer. Kelly		
Nejman. Jason		
Nelson. Shelley		
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Pierson. Mark 22.80 NA
Robinson. Scott99.00
Robinson. Shane59.0059.00
Sammon. Lesley9.59.5 -
Searcy. Teresa 17.00 262.10
Shuttleworth. Mark 37.40 360.50
Stallard. Brady 11.10 11.10 -
Suvantola. Jaakko 5.00 5.00 -
Thomas. Shane 38.00 122.05
Tunney. Kenneth 14.30 14.30
Van Den Broek. Craig 9.30 9.30
White. Grantley 21.90 433.25

Helicopter Hours
Brennecke. Geoff----- 37.50 White. Grantley----- 33.25

These Hours are included in your total hours

#### PATROL CAPTAIN, VICE CAPTAINS & IRB DRIVERS

Captain	Vice Captain	IRB Driver
G. White	S. Robinson	P. Martin
J. Butterfield	L. McNeil	S. Crouch
B. Maxwell	C. Fletcher	D. Grant
B. Hoey	B. Cole	S. Mather
G. Fletcher	A. Lewis	M. Shuttleworth

# JUNIOR OVERALL POINT SCORE FOR 96 CHAMPIONSHIPS

Henley came 12th with 22 points

#### Boards

11 year Boys Board	6 points
11 year Board Relay	4 points
11 year Board Rescue	6 points

#### Beach

11 year Beach Relay	5 points
11 year Boys Flags	1 point

Total 22 Points

# MOST IMPROVED POINT SCORE FOR 96 SEASON

Henley came 3rd with 22 points

## RESULTS OF JUNIOR STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR 96

### **Team Events**

11 Year Board Rescue 3rd Place Alex Costello/Rob Picheta

#### **Individual Events**

11 Year Boys Board Race 2nd Place
Alex Costello

WELL DONE TO ALL JUNIORS WHO COMPETED DURING THE SEASON

### OPEN SINGLE SKI RANKINGS 1996

Over the 95/96 season a point tally was kept by the Ski Competition Panel for competitors who entered the Open Single Ski race at carnivals and State Championships. The Henley results are below.

5th	Damien Grant	388 pts
9th	Bennett Maxwell	290 pts
11th	Greg Fletcher	277 pts
31st	Andrew Lanyon	176 pts
38th	Scott Robinson	136 pts
49th	Mark Searcy	112 pts
53rd	David Foureur	98 pts
60th	Grantley White	71 pts
79th	Karen Hansen	31 pts

## GRANITE ISLAND RESULTS

Boat Area	1	
Henley's A	A grade	5th
Womens I	Boat	3rd
Ski Area		
Open	Damien Grant	2nd
Open	Bennett Maxwell	5th
Open	Greg Fletcher	6th
Open	David Foureur	· 8th
Womens	Natasha Grant	4th
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Womens	Kelly Mercer	6th

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# RESULTS OF THE SENIOR & MASTERS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP 1995/96

Water Area Surf Teams 120+	Barry Duhne Marianne Coste Andrew Lanyon	
Tube Race 50 - 54 Yrs	Barry Duhne	2nd
Surf 35-39 Yrs Surf 50-54 Yrs Ladies Surf 30 -39 Yrs	Andrew Lanyon Barry Duhne M. Costello	3rd 1st 2nd
Board Area Ladies 30-39	M. Costello	2nd

# SENIOR OVERALL POINT SCORE FOR 96 CHAMPIONSHIPS

Henley came 12th with 73	points
Swim Events Womens Surf Race	3 points
Boat Area Womens Surf Boat Race	3 points
Ski Area Mens Double Ski Womens Double Ski Mixed Double Ski	4 points 4 points 3 points

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FOR 96 SEASON

Henley came 9th with 820.5 points

WELL DONE TO ALL MEMBERS WHO COMPETED DURING THE SEASON

## TROPHY WINNERS 95/96 Competition Trophies

Senior Club Champion AW Jolly Trophy Scott Robinson

Female Club Champion Jan Duhne Trophy Kelly Mercer

Junior Club Champion Amy Forward Trophy Jody Hall

Veteran Club Champion Teresa Davoren Trophy Scott Mather

Most Outstanding Male Carnival Competitor Fazzalari's Bargain Center Shield Damien Grant

Most Outstanding Female Carnival Competitor Fulham Funerals Trophy Marianne Costello

Most Enthusiastic Competitors: Beach Area - Tom Jennings Trophy Scott Robinson, Bennett Maxwell, Steven Hannaford & Greg Fletcher

**Craft Area - CD Fielder Trophy** Greg Fletcher

Water Area - Dave Hemsley Trophy Andrew Lanyon

**Boat Area - James Doherty Trophy** Andrew Hatwell **RS McDonough Memorial Swim** Kevin Fitzgerald

Harold Pliess Memorial Swim Marianne Costello

## **Lifesaving Service Trophies**

Most Outstanding Patrol Member Carlton & United Trophy Bill Hoey

Most Patrol Hours Super Sid Trophy Jody Hall

Club Member of the Year Award The Grunters Trophy Teresa Searcy

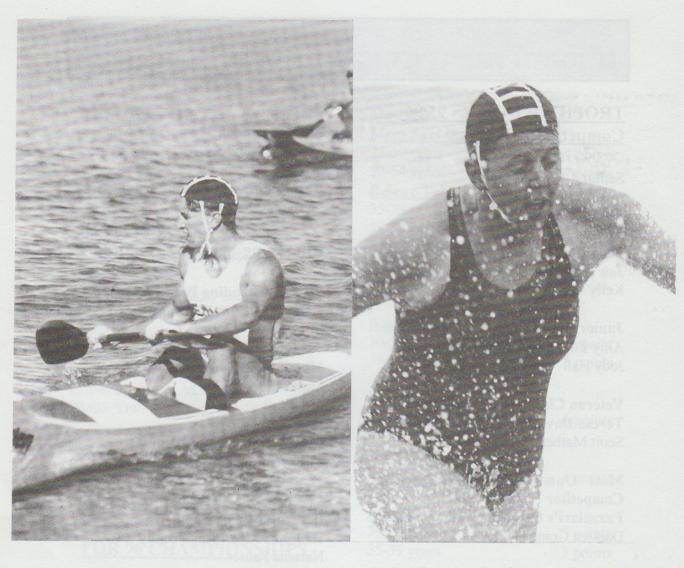
Best First Year Member H. Johns Memorial Trophy Natasha Fauser

President's Trophy Phil Hogan

Special Recognition Awards
Shelly Nelson
Marianne Costello
Malcolm McInnis

**200 Hours Club** Scott Mather Jody Hall

> CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL TROPHY WINNERS





Life Membership is the greatest honour you can receive as a member of any association. The Henley Surf Life Saving Club has been established for 71 years and in that period of time we have honoured 31 members with life membership. On the following pages you have a chance to read about a few of our life members and why they received the highest honour of the Club. Some you know others I wish I knew.

#### **CD Fielder OAM**

C.D. "Chook" Fielder obtained his bronze under the R.L.S.S. in 1936. He won the Henley to Grange Long Swim in that year.

He was the State under 16 years 400 metres Champion in 1939.

1940 saw him in the position of Treasurer, but mainly he is remembered for his contribution to the Club as Secretary from 1948 to 1954 during which time the Clubhouse was completely destroyed by the elements and the transposition from Royal Life Saving Society to S.L.S.A. of A. took place. Both of those events requiring high skills as a negotiator, with the end result of coming out in front.

Both Chook and Merv Butterfield where responsible for the building of the old hall in 1954 and in 1956 they were responsible for the additional construction of the current centre portion of the present day Clubhouse.

In 1955 he was recognised for his untiring efforts in the bringing the good name of the Club to the fore, and was conferred with LIFE MEMBERSHIP of the Club.

He continued on Committee and remained as the publicity Officer and Co-handicapper of the swim-round the jetty for several years there-after.

He proceeded to keep a watchful eye on the happenings of the State Centre. For his forthrightness, his attention to management responsibilities together with the fact that he had part to play in the formation of the SA State Centre, he was conferred with LIFE MEMBERSHIP in 1965.

In 1985 he was recognised for his efforts in the Club and at State level that he gained the Medal of the Award of Australia.

#### **Tom Jennings RVM**

Tom Jennings gained his Royal Life Saving Society bronze in 1942 and the Surf Bronze of the same oraginsation the following year.

He was 4th in the Annual "Wall to Wall" swim around the Glenelg Jetty, with one of the coastal freighters moored at the end in 1943.

From 1944 to 1951 he held a number of responsible positions including

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committeeman and delegate to the swimming association.

1946 he is recorded as having the most number of fastest times for "swim around the jetty"

In 1950 he was one of 32 who gained their Surf Association Surf Bronze at Chiton. In 1951 he took on the responsibilities of Surf Boat Captain and took his Surf Instructors Certificate. 1952 he was appointed Chief Instructor.

1953 he was the first member of the Club to be included in a Surf Association International Team which toured to Hawaii.

In 1954 he was State Coach to Southern States Carnival at Torquay. In 1955 he took up the position as Club Secretary and again in 1977.

His employment brought him in close contact with VIP dignitaries that visited SA and on his retirement in 1986 was presented to the Queen aboard the HMY BRITANNIA where she conferred upon him the Royal Victorian Medal.

In 1985 saw him as President and 1986 back as secretary and again in 1989. He filled in as Treasurer in 1986 and again in 1991. he has been Patron of the Club since 1993.

Tom still after all these years is involved heavily in the Club. He was on the Building Committee which gave us the new part of the building and still

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gets into council on subjects about the Club and its future.

#### **Grantley Anderson**

GA gained his Surf Bronze in 1957 and his Instructors Certificate in the following season. In 1961 saw Grantley in the State Team which was held at Moana and also again in the season 1963 which competed at Scarborough in WA.

In 1978 he was appointed State Coach for two years in a row which took him to Kinscliffe (NSW) and then to Trigg Island (WA).

In competition there was none better than GA in the Beach Area. GA not only won medals at the States running but the members he coached also won medals.

Open Beach Sprint:

1960-61 Gold Open Beach Relay:

1958-59 Gold 1959-60 Silver

1960 to 1962/63 Gold

1963-64 Silver 1968-73/74 Gold

1974-75 Silver

Over 30 Beach Sprint 1974- 76 Silver

As Coach GA also has the results for Henley:

Junior Beach Sprint:

2 Golds

Cadet Beach Sprint

2 Golds 1 Silver 2 Bronze Junior Beach Relay:

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1 Gold 1 Silver U15 Beach Relay

2 Golds 1 Silver 2 Bronze

Open Beach Flags

1 Silver

Cadet Beach Flags

1 Gold 3 Silver

GA Anderson was indeed a brilliant competitor and coach when it came to athletics. Being a runner of some repute with the SA Athletic Association he devoted a considerable amount of time in training our Club and the State Team in the Beach events with great results. A true Life Member. GA received his Life Membership in August 1974.

#### **Barry Duhne**

A prominent member who filled the position as Captain, equaled that of Fred Hills five year tenure. He had the natural ability to promote the objects of the Club and live up to the expectations that office held.

This ability outshone by his proficiency in the competition field. Apart from many successes in State Championships he represented the State at the Australian Championships continuously from 1963 to 1977. The highlight of his competitive career would have been his selection in the 1966 All Australia Team to New Zealand.

Having retired from the competitive arena he could not keep away from the Surf Association, assisting our Club and others by his fund raising enterprises with State Centre.

1973 saw him conferred with Life Membership of the Club. Barry is also a Life Member of Surf Lite Saving SA. He must have got itchy feet for he gained a Gold medal at the Masters Championships this year at Moana. Barry has been our Treasurer for the past three years and looks like holding the position for quite some time to come.

Open Surf Belt:

1965-66/67 Silver 1967/68 Gold 1968-69 Bronze 1970-71 Bronze

Senior Surf Race

1963-1969 Silver (6 medals)

Restricted Surf Race 1973-74 Silver

Over 36 Surf Race

1980-81 Silver 1981-82 Gold 1982-83 Silver

Veteran Surf Race

1974-75/76 Gold 1976-77 Bronze 1978-79/80 Bronze

I have no doubt that Barry also was involved in the many medals that Henley gained in the Surf Team events in all age groups.

#### **Geoffrey Bull**

Geoff Bull gained his Surf Bronze in year 1959 and ever since that year he has devoted his time year after year to the Club. His is a familiar face down the Club.

Geoffs ability in the boat area shone through. He represented Henley in the State Teams from 1972 to 1974 which took him interstate to compete against the best in Australia.

Geoff raised thousands of dollars for the Club when he introduced beer tickets to the Club. He always had the Club at heart and he knew how important patrols where so he made sure that he was always there for the Club when it came to making sure the beaches where safe for the public.

#### Rodney G. Hill

If any member came up through he ranks of the junior section of the Club Rodney Hill was always down there devoting all his spare time to teaching the younger members of the Club.

Being a teacher Rodney (Ram) knew exactly what younger members needed.

He held the position of Vice Captain for two years 1972-73/73-74 then once he gained more knowledge he went onto being the Club Captain for the following three seasons.

For all his fine and hard work that Rodney did around the Club from his younger years into his senior years he was given Life Membership in 1976.

#### **David Hemsley**

David Hemsley joined the Club as a junior. He gained his bronze in 1941. His interest was such that he gained the Award of Merit a year later and in 1944 became a committeeman, a positions he held in intermittent periods until 1951. He also tried his hand at Vice Captain for two years. Dave was a permanent fixture on the Building committee for years and was in part responsible for the magnificent rooms we have today.

Following the conclusion of some years as a member of the undefeated R&R Team he became prominent in the position as Coach of the Senior Team. His ability to be able to bring out the best in the team members, his patience when confronted with their many antics, non-attendance and tardiness in drill programs rewarded by the continued successes of charges. His abilities were recognised by State Centre and 1956 saw him as the State Coach. His intiring efforts in enhancing the good name of the Club in the competitive arena and in the local community earned him the respect of fellow Club members who fully endorsed the proposition that he was conferred with Life Membership in 1960. He will undoubtedly be remembered as the most outstanding R&R Coach this Club has produced.

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Senior R&R

1952-53/54 Gold

1957-58 Gold

1959-60/72-73 Gold

1974-75 Gold

Total of 18 Golds - 9 Silver - 4 Bronze

A fantastic performance in the R&R area I can only hope that Henley one day get another R&R team together that will stay together for a few years.

#### Frank N. Tucker

As a junior member he showed an early interest in the Club's activities by holding a few positions such as committeeman, gear steward and vice captain. In 1950 he gained his Bronze medal and in 1953 he was Captain of the Club and a member of the State Team who went to Torquay who competed against the Southern States and New Zealand. He remained as the managerial power of the Club as secretary until 1955, the same year that saw him as the Club Champion.

He was a very prominent member of the Ampol Shield R&R teams responsible for the Club's 20 years of undefeated competition for R&R events. Frank became an Examiner for the State Centre and for years was the Clubs Honorary Auditor. He was given Life Membership in 1961.

#### Trevor G. Mulvihill

Mulchy gained his Bronze in the 1957/58 season.

In the many years that Trevor has been involved in the Club he has held many

committee position from Chief Instructor to President which he held

for three years. Trevor also did endless hours training and assisting in the junior division of the Club.

Trevor represented Henley in the State Team in the years 1972,73,81,82 and 1987 which took him all around Australia competing against the best boat crews in Australia

Trevor is a very outspoken person who has always had the Club at heart. All his fine efforts were rewarded in 1976 when he was nominated as a Life Member.

Trevor has since retired from the competition area although he still is involved with the boats as a referee at carnivals and he is also on the SA Boat Rowers Committee.

#### **James Doherty**

Our first surf boat captain was a youth who gained his bronze in 1936 and the following year was voted as the Most Improved Member. In 1938 James was a member of the first R&R team from SA to compete in Sydney.

James has held many committee positions from Chief Instructor to Boat Captain which he held for four years in a row. James is also a Examiner and Instructor for the State. His attachments to surf boats still remains with him being a boat judge at State and Australian Titles.

James was Club President in 1956/57 and gained his Life Membership in 1963. James is also a Life Member of Surf Life Saving SA. His services to the Surf Association and the Club have been unfailing. I have no doubt that those services can always be expected of him.

### Alan F. "Sam" Roberts

There has been some brilliant Captains in the Club none more so than he who joined as a junior at a very early age and became Junior Club Champion in 1940 & 41. His expertise in management skills earned him a position on the Committee in 1942, the same year that he attained his Award of Merit. Sam Roberts held many position in the Club and was the Club Captain for four years.

He was a great swimmer who ran second in the 1947 Henley to Grange swim. He was also Club Champion for three years. He not only worked hard at Henley but he was also an Examiner and Instructor for State Centre.

His many years of dedicated service to the Club culminated in 1960 when he was conferred with Life Membership.

#### Alan Nelson

Alan joined the Club at a young age. He was one of the many members the Henley Swimming Club introduced to the beach. Alan was a keen & brilliant swimmer and when he first joined the Club he did the swimming events and was also involved in R&R.

As time went on the boat area got the better of Alan were he went on to row in the Open Boat crew and represented Henley in two State Teams in 1981 and 1982.

Alan was a quiet achiever. He held committee positions which included Top Room Manager. If there was something that Alan thought needed to be done he would do it. He never had to be asked. It was this attitude that won him the respect of his peers and was granted with Life Membership in 1980.

#### Mark Searcy

As a young man in 1972 Mark came over from the juniors at West Beach to join the Henley Club.

In that same year he competed in the ski area and was coached by Leroy Bang. In the following season 1973/74 Marks hard work paid off when he won the Cadet Single Ski at the State Titles in the big surf at South Port.

1974/75 Mark gained his Bronze medallion. Mark stayed in the ski area until he became a Senior which saw him venture into the Boat area were he won a medal of each colour.

Mark has held nearly every committee position including the past few seasons as Club Captain. While he was Top Room Manager Mark raised a large amount of money which helped the Club out tremendously. In 1990 Mark gained his Life Membership. During his time as a lifesaver he has also been awarded with his 10 and 15

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year National Patrol Service Award. He also has gained nearly every certificate possible including Helicopter crewman award.

#### **Andrew Lanyon**

Andrew joined the Club in 1973 as a young man of 16. He has been at the Club ever since and has made his presence felt in the competition area since then.

Andrew has represented Henley three times in State Teams once in 1982 and twice in 1983. Andrew as won numerous medals at State Titles. Andrew's most rewarding medals are his two gold medals which he won in 1980-81/81-82 in the Senior Surf Race. Andrew has also won a total of five medals in the Open Iron Man race 2 silver in 1977-78 and 1981-82 and three bronze medals in 1978-79/79-80/80-81.

Henley was also very strong in the Surf Teams event and Andrew was a part of the teams. Not only in the sea was Andrew a fine swimmer put he was also a champion in the pool who won State Championships in the 100m & 200m Open Butterfly at the age of 20.

Andrew has won the Open Club Champ award 11 times which is a great performance.

Andrew is still involved in competition and competes in the open section and also the masters age group, When not competing he has always held the position of either Board or Ski Captain and coaches young members in the Board section where he holds the level 2 coaching accreditation

For Andrew fine performance as a competitor for Henley he was given Life Membership in July 1991.

#### Kevin Fitzgerald

Kevin joined the Club as a 15 years old and gained his bronze in 1977. He was to become the youngest Club Captain that Henley had seen. Kevin took the job on with alot of pride and made sure that he did his job. The year was 1979/80 and he went on again the next season to do it again.

Kevin held a number of committee positions which included three years as Club Captain and he has just finished a long session as Club President. Kevin was on the Building Committee which helped make this Club the best looking one in the State.

Anything that Kevin has put his mind to he has done with alot of pride. His rowing career has proven that. He has represented the State twice once in 1981 the other in 1987.

Kevin has won alot of medals in the boat area including a gold medal for the A crew in 1980. Another highlight would be winning a medal in the Junior & B Grade boats at the same State Titles.

Kevin who undoubtedly deserves his life membership received the honour in 1990.

### Mervyn B. Butterfield OAM

Meryn Butterfield was born 1920 and took his Royal Life Saving Society Bronze Medallion in 1937 as a member of the Henley Life Saving Club. This was to be a forerunner of many events in which took place to better his achievements as a member of the Club and to make the Club a fitting place for other members.

Mervyn's attitude was that near enough wasn't good enough. If it was worthwhile doing it was worthwhile doing properly. The best had to be attained from each of the members in making the Club the strongest Club on the coast. To this end he was seen to be leader and was elected to Committee in his second year. He went through the various stages promotion from Committeeman to Vice Captain, to Club Captain, to Chief Instructor

His swimming ability did not put him in the category of an Olympian, but he was always a trier. He gained all the R.L.S.S. awards up to the Award of Merit and took several bars to that award. He entered many a Long Swim but the honour of winning one slipped him by. He swam to 4th in the Henley to Grange in 1945, and 3rd in both the Rosewater and Port Adelaide swims in 1946, but he did show his all over ability as a confident, practical life saver by winning the Club Championship in 1946 and again in 1947. He was noted for his patience and tolerance as the Instructor of the unbeaten "A" R&R Team for many

years leading up to the Ampol Shield period.

Being the dedicated member that he was, Mervyn stood as the Club's delegate to the R.L.S.S. until 1951 and from that time devoted his time to the Surf Life Saving Association of Australia.

Mervyn's ability to get the essence of a subject across and score a point or two reflects on a course in Personnel Management by Dale Carnegie he took in his youth. He learned that with proof of the subject matter in hand and the correct manner in which to present it, almost anything could be achieved. With that ability he obtained the irrefutable proof that the waters of the Gulf St. Vincent were in fact "open Water", and thus, ably assisted by the "Chook" Fielder, then secretary, convinced the "Royals" of that fact and successful in addressing the National Council of the S.L.S.A. of A. in Perth in 1950, by having the kindred Clubs on our coast admitted to membership of that Australia wide body of dedicated Life Savers. He had successfully carried out the aims that the Club with the Surf Association in 1929, only to have that affiliation cancelled by the "Royals".

Merv gained respect that is rarely achieved when again, ably assisted by "Chook" Fielder, who managed the paper work, and with Club Captain, Fred Hill, they organised the construction of the 1954 and 1956 sections of the Clubhouse on the pool

site. For his commitment towards the Club and its members he was conferred with Honorary Life 1953. The Membership in same commitment to the S.L.S.A. of A. earned him the coverted Life Membership of that Association. His lifetime of expended energies in the name of the Henley SLSC and the formation of the State Centre of Surfing Australia earned him the honour of being invited aboard the HMY "Britannia" to be received by the Oueen and invested with the Medal of the Order of Australia in March 1986.

Mery retired from active membership of the Club, but remained keenly interested in the Club and took the honoured position of Patron which he held for twenty years.

In 1966 he joined the SA Royal Yacht Squadron to become engaged in the more placid pastime of yachting. His unquenchable energies again came to the fore and he rose through the ranks of management of the Squadron to become Commodore from 1985 to 1987.

Merv will always be remembered by those who had the pleasure of enjoying his company as a member, a coach, a captain, and an organiser with the ability to get things done. Respect has been paid to him by the Club, the Surf Association and the people of Australia. The Club has risen to the high standard it has reached today through the foundations that have been laid by those such as Merv and a few other such dedicated members.

Mery was always in the habit of exercising and keeping fit. Even after major surgery he believed he had mastered the problem and commenced light exercise, but the ways of life are difficult to understand for Merv passed away peacefully at home on 26th July, 1995. Sincerest condolences from those members who knew for him his powerful contribution to the Club was extended to his wife Lauriel and son John who are both past members.

Vale... Mervyn B. Butterfield OAM

