



Notes from Club Captain Kevin Whelan

I hope you are all well and managing to get a little downtime if you are not involved in IRB's or Pool Comp.

Over the past couple of years, the Brighton SLSC has worked tirelessly to maintain our members from the Juniors to Seniors. We have been extremely successful at doing this, in fact we currently have more members in our Youth Group than any other club in South Australia. A fact we are extremely proud of... The only downside of this is that we are running out of space to store craft, not a bad problem to have..... So, I am putting a call out to our members and asking if you currently have any boards or skis in the club or multiple boards or ski's that you are not using could you look to remove these so we can allocate your space to somebody else.

Thanks in advance!!

Beer and BBQ Fest

The Brighton SLSC Beer 'n' BBQ Fest is on again! The idea is to meet(!) new people and bond with those you know, so we encourage you to bring along a man and get them involved. It's a great way to meet clubbies and bond over a feast of meat!

Date - Saturday, 3 July 2021.

Time - 3.30pm

Details - cost is \$40. This will get you all the meat you can eat and a few refreshing ales to wash the meat down!

Where - downstairs and at the back of the club.

We're excited to announce that we will be sourcing our meat from clubby and champion BBQ'er Adriano Andrade's business Meat Your Needs <http://www.meatyourneeds.com/>

Please respond by COB Wednesday, 23 June to register your attendance you can email functions@brightonsurfclub.com or on the Facebook post in the members group. This will allow us time to coordinate food and drinks. We will send you details for payment from there. If you wish to bring your own smoker/bbq/roisserie along, just let us know. Hope to see as many of you there as possible!



Gin Tasting

We already have the Beer and BBQ now it's time to have a Gin Day! Ginny Pig Distillery will come and do a tasting and show off their local Gins. It will be a great opportunity to catch up and enjoy an evening at the club. Save the date for the 17th July from 4pm. Make sure you bring those gold coins to try your hand at winning a bottle of gin.

Tickets for this event are \$20 and include three tastings. Tickets can be purchase [here](#) .

Diary Dates

Sat 26th June- SLSSA Awards of Excellence Adelaide convention Center

Sat 3rd -Sun 4th July- Pool Rescue State Champs

Sat 3rd July- Beer and BBQ

Sat 10th-Sun 11th July- IRB State Champs

Sat 17th July- Gin Tasting

Thurs 22nd - Sun 25th July- National IRB racing Champs

Sat 31st July- Club Dinner

Fri 6th - Sun 8th Aug- Australian Pool RescueChamps

Sun 22nd Aug- Brighton AGM

Sat Oct 9th- Patrol Season 21/22 Commences



Club Dinner 2021

After missing out last year due to COVID the club dinner is back and will be held on Saturday July 31st from 5.30pm at the club. The awards for both the 19/20 season and 20/21 season will be presented so it's set to be a big night and tickets are selling fast.

Tickets can be booked [here](#) , Don't forget to make your menu choices when booking.

Summer State Champs Medal Winners

A huge congratulations go to Robyn Brown and Laurie Brett for their Summer State Champs Medal wins for the Masters Female Winner and Masters Male winner, respectively, for the 20/21 Season. Coming away from the Master's state titles each with a swag of gold to their name, these awards a certainly well deserved after another season of dedicated training and competition.

Please join us in congratulating these two absolute powerhouses!

Pool rescue Carnivals and State Champs

After several successful Pool Rescue Carnivals at which many of our redcaps, with both youth, nippers and Masters competing for the first time, we now look toward Pool Rescue State Champs on Saturday July 3rd and Sunday July 4th.

For those interested in competing please ensure you have emailed dchappil@bigpond.net.au by 5.00pm Wednesday 23rd June 2021.

Lane space has been booked at SA Aquatic Centre for Brighton SLSC pool rescue training as follows: Wednesday 23rd June 7-8pm (meet outside reception by 6.45pm) Sunday 27th June 3-4pm (meet outside reception by 2.45pm) Wednesday 30th June 7-8pm (meet outside reception by 6.45pm).

Please note that Brighton are required to provide the following volunteers for this 2 day carnival Sat 3rd July - 3 Officials (including Richard Crowe) 2 more required Sun 4th July - 3 Officials (including Richard Crowe) 2 more required If you can assist as an Official or Pool Setter please email dchappil@bigpond.net.au , 2 x timekeepers are also required for the duration both days. This can be rostered between spectators on the day.



IRB Racing

Brighton is having another successful racing season, with many carnivals already completed and just the State Champs to go before Nationals. A high-light so far of the season has been the return of the Robe Carnival over the June Long weekend, with our teams making the trek



Thank you to all the members who continue to volunteer behind the bar. You can add your name to the roster [here](#).

Contact Burgo at the club for Bar or Duty manager training.

Interested in Supporter membership? Contact Ted Clark supportermembers@brightonsurfclub.com

Social Media

If you haven't already discovered it, now is the time to jump on board with our social media.

You can keep up to date with current news and all the action as well as support your favourite club by following BSLSC on Facebook ([@brightonsurfclub](#)) and Instagram ([@brighton.slsc](#)).

To contribute to social media or newsletter please contact Sam Verri verricharmed@gmail.com



to the SE for some great fun (despite a few injuries!!) and an excellent weekend of racing. Chris Parsons took some great photos over the weekend too.



New State President for Surf Life Saving SA

We wish to congratulate Kevin “Brakey” Watkins on his recent appointment as the new President of Surf Life Saving SA. Our community is thrilled about this new appointment and extremely proud that we now have Brighton Members as both the SLSSA president and The SLSA President. Please read the announcement from Surf Life Saving South Australia recognising both Brakey and J.B. earlier this month.

“ANNOUNCEMENT // We are thrilled to announce that at our State Council meeting tonight, Kevin ‘Brakey’ Watkins was elected as our new State President for Surf Life Saving SA. Kevin has served on our board for the last 3 years, and has most recently been our Vice President, representing the interests of Surf Life Saving in SA at both a state and national level.

Brakey has been an active Surf Life Saving member for 54 years, having gained his Bronze Medallion in 1967, and has immersed his life in the movement. He continues to patrol at Brighton SLSC and is very active in Surf Boat competition as both a sweep and coach.

Kevin is also a successful business leader in the RTO world in his professional life. He was the founder & CEO of SA Health Education Centre (SAHEC), and is currently the State Manager SA and National VET Manager for Endeavour College of Natural Health. He has served on a number of local and national boards, brings with him strong relationships from businesses and government, and importantly, is exceptionally well respected by our members and clubs. These mix of professional skills, and personal passion position him well as we work towards our vision of zero preventable deaths in South Australian waters.

Congratulations, Brakey!

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All other general enquiries can be sent to Katrina Meehan at
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We also wish to take this opportunity to thank our outgoing State President, John Baker ESM, who was earlier this year elected to the role of President of Surf Life Saving Australia.

JB has been our President for 10 years, since being elected in 2011, and has seen our incredible organisation move from strength to strength in this time. JB, a lifelong surf life saver, has a long list of achievements during his tenure. On top of remaining an active patrolling member both on the beach and in the Westpac Life Saver Rescue Helicopter, he oversaw the delivery of 2 Lifesaving World Championships here in 2012 and 2018 (the largest ever held). He also established exceptionally strong bipartisan relationships with both sides of Government, which saw our core funding grow significantly to ensure our financial sustainability into the future, including the Surf Life Saving Clubs rebuilding program. He has represented our movement at the highest levels of Government and in the corporate sector both here in Australia and overseas, and continues to champion our vision and mission. We are thrilled to see him continue his amazing work as the President of Surf Life Saving Australia.

Thank you, JB'



SLSSA 20/21 Awards of Excellence

The 20/21 SLSSA Awards of Excellence are set to be held this coming Saturday night and we are thrilled to have several finalists again this year.

Please join us in congratulating Steve Collaton (Collo) finalist for the Coach of the Year, Sarah Matkovic finalist for Life Guard of the Year and Ingrid Cobiac as finalist for Assessor of the Year. The nominations and subsequent selection as finalist for each of these individuals is extremely well deserved and we look forward to cheering them on this coming weekend.