



Maranui Surf & Life Saving
Club

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The Maranui Current

WHAT'S COMING UP

Mark your diary NOW

Lifeguard Award Course

Date: Tuesday, Oct 8th—27th Nov,
For all matters related to Lifeguard training, please contact Club Chief Instructor, Marc Pulepule

Club Training Season

Season start: Sunday, 10th Nov
Club nights are Wednesday nights from 6pm – 7pm starting Wednesday 13th Nov

Nippers Starts

Date: Sunday, Nov 10,
Times for age groups:
10am - 11am, age 6-9years,
11am - 12pm, age 10-13years
Location: Maranui Clubhouse

Worser Bay Carnival Junior #1. The start of the Surf Season at Worser Bay Lifesaving Club. This is a fun event for the whole family

Date: Sunday, Nov 24, 2013

National competition dates:

NZ Pool Championships:

Date: 11th Oct 2013 – 13th Oct 2013

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Clubrooms floors are to be re-sanded and polyurethaned in early October.

This means the Clubrooms will be **OFF LIMITS** throughout this period:

**Monday 30th September to
Sunday 13th October**

This includes the foyer, the kitchen and the Club Lounge.

Thank You

Our Lifeline to our life guards, life members, members and families

PAULA'S PIECE FROM THE CHAIR

With the days getting longer and the sun getting stronger, Summer is definitely on it's way and planning for the new season is well under way.

We have just taken delivery of some new surf skis so some of our members will be getting used to those over the coming months.

Having watched the Interzone School Swimming competitions on 10 September it was great to see so many of our nippers competing and doing well and I would like to congratulate them all.

As I was elected as Chair at our AGM I would like to thank Peter Clark for his time as Chair and look forward to doing my bit for the club going forward.

It is great to see our club continuing to do so well and the high levels of time and energy so many give to achieve this.

I look forward to seeing you all on the beach as the weather warms up!

Cheers *Paula*



REPORT FROM THE AGM: 18 AUGUST 2013

The Management Committee for 2013 / 2014 elected at the 102nd AGM of Maranui SLSC is:

- Patron – George Gallagher – *confirmed*
- President – Jim Warwick – *nominated and re-elected unopposed.*
- Chairperson – Paula Wood - *nominated and elected unopposed.*
- Club Captain – Marc Pulepule – *nominated and elected unopposed.*
- Treasurer – Frances Russell – *nominated and re-elected unopposed.*
- Committee – Chris Mark, Wayne Wickens, Jason Reid, Rhys Speirs, Sue Tuia - *nominated and elected.* The incoming committee have the ability to appoint a further member.
- Hon Solicitor – Graeme Reeves.
- Audit Review – Mark Vallance

Awards:

The following members were presented with **Distinguished Service Awards** to recognise outstanding service given to the Club as volunteers: **Peter Clark, Jason Reid, Marc Pulepule, Paula Wood, Wayne Wickens and Chris Mark.**

The winner of the most prestigious **Murray Haxton Cup** for Club Spirit was **Wayne Wickens.**

Financial Position:

The Club finished the year with a net surplus for the year of almost \$26,500 and a total equity of \$1,743,448. The Treasurer noted that due to the maintenance required for a building of this size and its challenging site, a building maintenance fund of \$50k would be the ideal. It would be the goal to reach this figure by the end of the 2014 financial year.

Subscriptions:

The AGM resolved that the subscriptions for the 2013/2014 year should be raised to ensure members appreciated the value of the education and mentoring supplied by the coaches. The sub for the 2013-2014 summer season will be \$75 for all categories of membership, and the Nipper membership category be capped at \$200 per family. Invoices to current members will be sent out this month. *(Please see related story on page 3)*

Ron Simpson – Life Member

On the day of the AGM Ron Simpson LM died. The meeting had delayed its start time for 15 minutes waiting for Ron and Fred Woodford LM to attend but they did not arrive. It transpired that Ron had failed to collect Fred to attend the AGM as agreed and Fred therefore phoned the Police to visit Ron's home as he was concerned.

The flags on the Clubhouse flew at half mast for the following week.



MARANUI PRE SEASON SWIM SQUAD

The Maranui Surf Life Saving Club pre season swim squads are well under way with 36 children swimming under the watchful eye of Lynn and Lauren from Aquazone.

Lynn is well known for her excellent technique coaching and along with Lauren are refining the squads strength, speed, endurance and skills.

Our groups are divided into two time slots on a Sunday afternoon with ages ranging from 7 -13. Two lanes are used in the Freyberg pool and each training session runs for 45 minutes. At present they are swimming between 1 and 2 kms.



The squad runs for 11 weeks and currently at week five Lynn is very impressed with the progress of our Maranui nippers.

Our objective for the children is to build their confidence and fitness for the up and coming 2013/2014 season of ocean swimming.

A big thank you to Sascha for our admin work, Lynn and Lauren and all our supporting parents.

I am looking forward to another great season ahead.

Wayne Wickens
Junior Head Coach.

MARANUI NEW IRB PROGRAMME

Maranui's new Power Craft Officer, Marc Pulepule believes that 'IRB Training is best done through the winter where surf conditions are ideal; they are unpredictable and testing, providing IRB crews' opportunities to explore IRB limits'.

With the help of Kieran O'Sullivan (Paekakariki IRB Instructor), a comprehensive IRB programme was formulated for this winter. This would be the platform for Maranui candidates to gain IRB qualifications.

Marc also sought help in the Capital Coast region and forged a collaborative IRB exercise with Foxton SLSC (Hellen Windley - Club Captain).

The idea of sharing local surf conditions, knowledge, training methods and skills to promote IRB in their respective Clubs. As a result, the IRB programme incorporated a visit to Foxton SLSC where Maranui candidates could train with peers from other Surf

Clubs. Foxton hosted the first exchange in July (6-7) and was reciprocated at Maranui in August (24-25). Local neighbouring clubs were also invited. During the first exchange Himatangi SLSC became involved, this allowed the Chief IRB Examiner, Dr David Pontin to see first-hand how an exchange of this nature benefited Clubs.

In August, Maranui hosted Foxton and Himatangi, inviting Lyall Bay and Worsler Bay Clubs to participate in flat water exercises. A training race was born modelled from the Ninety Mile beach format to be run in lieu of an IRB Crewperson Exam on that Sunday. It proved to be very successful.

Maranui SLSC gained a lot from this exchange; three candidates Matthew Davies, Anna McDonnell and John Tuia passed their IRB Crewperson exams. In

September all three will be attending a regional IRB weekend held in Riversdale to sit their IRB Operators Certificate. The IRB programme is scheduled to end on this weekend in September. Maranui hopes to gain 3 crewpersons and 3 IRB Operators and an IRB Instructor in preparation for the season.

Marc Pulepule
Power Craft Officer



PHOTOS :

Left: Anna in Foxton filling fuel bladders (July 6-7)
Above: Kieran explaining the Hull at Maranui (24-25 August)
Right: Anna, John & Matthew in Foxton first to prep their boat (July 6-7)



SUBSCRIPTIONS

Invoices for subscriptions for 2013 / 2014 will be sent out in the next week.

Following the AGM a change in subs was approved. They are **\$75** for all levels with a **cap of \$200 for a family**. Note: a family is defined as a household with a Nipper or two.

If you receive invoices for each family member and you are eligible for the family cap please pay the \$200 and include each invoice number in the reference with your payment.

Payments must be by internet banking or a cheque. NO CASH please.

Please email me if you wish to check before you pay and remember that donations are always welcomed.

Patricia Kelly
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MARANUI PRE-SEASON TRAINING PROGRAMMES

After last years great season with Maranui SLSC being the top Club of Under 14s in Capital Coast for the first time, it has been important to prepare for this coming season.

We have started the pre-season programme for last years Ocean team, Under 16s and Under 19s with paddling on the harbour once a week. With the arrival of 6 new paddle skis the under 16 and under 19s will also be learning to use them.

Maranui want to especially thanks Maia Crossfit for providing pre-season conditioning programmes for our athletes which the athletes are finding hard but enjoyable.

We are looking forward to the start of the new season so keep up the swimming and fitness.

Chris Mark
Head Coach

ANOTHER IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR NIPPERS

November the 10th is not far away! Hooray for Summer! We hope all you nippers have been swimming over the winter and improving your water skills.

Refreshment of 200m badges

All nippers from **9 to 13 years** **MUST** refresh their 200m badges **prior** to the season beginning, except those involved in swim squads i.e. Capital, Pirates or the Sunday Maranui squad.

We have set aside 2 dates for completing the refreshers:

29th October and **5th November** at the **Kilbirnie pool**, starting at **6pm**.

Pop it in your diaries parents and we'll see you there!

Jason Reid
Nippers Coach

MARANUI SHINES IN "SHOW ME WELLINGTON"

Funding is getting more difficult for Surf Clubs and so are good ideas for funding. Maranui came up with an innovative idea that during the off season, it would hire out the Clubrooms to the corporate sector and market it as the "Club Lounge".

After the fire in 2009, the Clubrooms were specifically renovated to cater for Club needs; to exploit the full panoramic view of the beach, to facilitate teaching, and provide a venue for Club meetings and catering.

Our Club Administrator, Patricia headed a campaign to promote the Club Lounge to Wellington in 'Show Me Wellington' which showcased venues and gadgets for use in the corporate world. With her trusty sidekicks, Frances Russell (Club Treasurer), Bronwyn Kelly (Maranui Café) and myself, we presented Maranui SLSC Club Lounge to the Corporate market of New Zealand.

The plan was simple, be ourselves...

As Club members, we enjoy the Clubrooms because it houses the joys of being at the beach and it promotes an enthusiasm for learning and helping others. Getting this message across to the corporate sector in corporate "speak" was the key.

The Maranui Club Lounge has several points of difference as a venue: its close proximity to the airport making it accessible for out-of-towner who fly in for meetings, it is away from the office environment, has access to catering from Maranui Café, and its panoramic views are breathtaking. By hiring the Club Lounge this helps Maranui SLSC to provide a community service. We also described it as a venue having fresh air, free sand, free swims and free parking and to sum up, all these points of difference help to make this venue, unique.

Much like another Wellington iconic landmark, Maranui Café...

Since our promotional gig at Show Me Wellington, we have had lots of enquires to hire the venue for daily meetings, for small intimate gatherings, for sessions aimed at improving corporate efficiency and now the word is out!

It is anticipated that this promotional venture undertaken by Maranui SLSC will benefit the Club and establish the Club Lounge as a viable venue for corporate use.

Marc Pulepule
Club Captain





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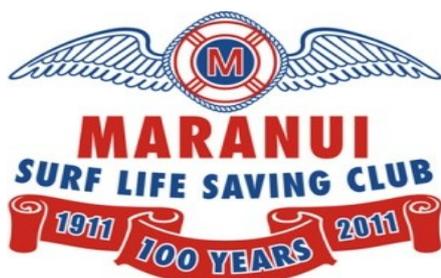
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APPRECIATION

Thanks to those who have provided the stories and photos for this edition—some were unsolicited which is always welcomed!
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OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS

The screen in the foyer could work for you for **FREE!**

It is available to members—**FREE**— and to friends of Maranui to promote their business or event. We will help with wording and layout.

Be in first and talk to us to **promote your business**

Enquiries welcomed at accounts@maranui.co.nz

MEMBER'S PROFILE

Each Newsletter we will introduce a member of the Management Committee. Leading from the front is our Chairperson Paula.

Name/ Nick names: **Paula Wood**

Time at Maranui: **2005 to present**

Current Role / other roles: **Chair / Patrol Captain**

Family members: **Matthew (Husband) Josh, Olivia & Isaac**

Have you been involved in a rescue? **No**

When you are not wearing your wetsuit what do you do? **Mortgage Adviser**

If you could have a super power what would it be and why? **Teleporting so I didn't have to sit on planes/trains/automobiles to go to interesting places**

If you could learn any language fluently what would it be? **French**

What's your favourite food? **Anything that isn't good for me!**

What is your favourite tool? **My husband!**

Describe your relationship with your I Phone; smart phone or significant electronic gadget? **Permanently attached**

At long last "THEY" have caught up with you and you've been quarantined on Somes Island – for life! Who would you take with you? – Poor sods! **Matthew (my husband), Lucy (my sister)**

You can smuggle three things that you will need to keep you sane – what do you take? **Chocolate, Alcohol & Books**

You can have access to any one TV show - which one? **Greys Anatomy**

Who would you not want as a neighbour on Somes Island? **First time flatters**

And finally: Is the glass half full or half empty?...of what? **Half full of red wine**

