

Dear Members

Summer is close and it looks like we will have limited restrictions given the fantastic COVID vaccination rates achieved across the country. We look forward to seeing you at Cape Paterson soon.



There is a lot to cover, so please take the time to read this newsletter.

AGM

Whilst it was unfortunate we couldn't hold this year's AGM at our clubhouse in person, thank you to all that logged on and participated.

Disappointingly, we did not have the opportunity to celebrate some fantastic, personal contributions to the club. Most notable, Dean's time as President for well over 10 years, in which time he led the club into the enviable position it is in today.

We are currently planning an event for 27th December following the first Nipper session at which we can personally recognise and celebrate all the great contributions.

NEW COMMITTEE

We are very fortunate as a club to have great stability at the committee level, which reflects the great culture the club enjoys. I am honoured to appointed President and am very excited to lead the club as we transition with our 'new' club facilities. The committee members are:

President	Ray Rust	Vice President	Kate Mcloughlin
Secretary	Nicole Cowley	Treasurer(s)	Keith Bartel
Club Captain	Andrew (Naps) Napoleone		Cathy Tan
Vice Club Captain	Caitlin Westerling	Gear Steward	Darcy Manks
Chief Instructor	Charles (Chaz) Dunnachie	IRB Captain	Aly Schapper
Nipper Delegate	Charlie Crawford	Junior Club Captain	Moara Smith
General Committee	David Brown, Melinda Whitehouse, Fred Pezzimenti, Jesse Sago		

Welcome Aly, Jesse, Moara and Cathy as new members of the committee. Dean Manns, Peter Graham and Riley Manks have stepped down.

UPCOMING SEASON

We will have a full calendar of events and activities this summer. Patrols, Nippers, Training Camps, Aquathon, the Kiosk and several social events. They will all be subject to COVID restrictions in place at the time.

As a teaser, we have an exciting calendar of social events planned between Xmas & Australia Day which will allow all members and guests to experience the best of what the new clubhouse has to offer, so make sure you pack your party clothes.

JENNA & CARLY

We are very excited to have Jenna & Carly onboard to manage functions and events throughout the year. Weddings, birthdays, corporate and community events. Previously, they ran the Kilcunda General Store and bring great experience in event management. In addition, they will be managing our Summer of social activities (...with our help!).

VOLUNTEERS

With an action-packed season ahead, we need volunteers. Lots of them. A community club like ours relies on its members to chip in and help. The more that gets involved, the less each person has to do, so I am asking you all to please contribute to making this season one to remember.

The Seahorse Kiosk. Last season Wendy Graham and Melinda Whitehouse did a fantastic job in establishing & running the kiosk (a huge thankyou). It was a massive task which involved stocking it with goodies & coffee and organising volunteers to run it. This year, Jenna & Carly will be responsible for the food & drink offering. We will still need volunteers to run the kiosk.

Social Functions. We will have several social events at the club over Summer that will require volunteers. A calendar will be released shortly. We will require volunteers for these and will need people with Responsible Serving of Alcohol accreditation to work behind the bar.

We are planning to hold another **Responsible Serving of Alcohol (RSA) at the Club on Saturday 4th December**, and it is free for anyone to attend. This is a great accreditation to have as it is required at any event that serves alcohol, not just at Cape.

Aquathon. We will be hosting the Bass Coast Series aquathon this season. It will be held on Sunday January 16th. Again, we will require many volunteers to make this event a success.

If you are willing to volunteer or wanting to attend the RSA course, please click on this link to register..... <https://forms.gle/ZUjCSW5u96cAKfFE7>

PAID OPPORTUNITY

There will be many events held at our new Clubhouse over the coming years which will require waiters and bar staff. We would love to give our younger members (and older) the opportunity to work and earn some money with Jenna and Carly. If you are interested, please contact Jenna & Carly at events@cpslsc.org.au

WORKING WITH CHILDREN

As I am sure you are aware, everyone involved in activities that includes children are required to have a Working With Children Check (WWCC). Age Managers, helpers, Kiosk volunteers etc. It has become a stipulation of our Lease by the Bass Coast Council. I strongly encourage everyone to apply for it. It is FREE and does not take long. Here is the link <https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/> Make sure you include Cape Paterson Surf Life Saving Club in the application.

MEMBERSHIP

Due to the impact of COVID, we have decided to maintain our membership price at 50% (same as last year). We would certainly welcome any additional contributions to the club in lieu of the discount should you be able to do so.

Whilst it has been for two seasons, this is a temporary reduction. Fees will return to full price in 2023.

We will promoting our associate membership this year to encourage others in the community to participate in club social activities. We have had a lot of interest from Cape residence in the new clubhouse since it opened and enjoyed seeing a lot of new faces at this year's trivia night. We would love to see the club become an exciting, welcoming community space for all members to enjoy.

Membership renewal details <https://www.capepatersonslsc.org/join-or-renew.html>

COVID VACCINATIONS

You should have received communication from Life Saving Victoria (LSV) recently outlining their policy regarding COVID Vaccinations.

Whilst it is an evolving situation and the exact details are developing, it is clear that LSV are requiring all patrolling members (essential workers) to be fully vaccinated before they can participate in any LSV activities. That is, any active patrolling members over the age of 12 will need to be fully vaccinated.

It is also highly likely that only fully vaccinated people will be able to enter any LSV premises or partake in any activity (lifesaving, training or social) held at any LSV premises. It is also highly likely that all LSV members will be required to provide proof of vaccination as part of your membership.

Cape Paterson SLSC will be implementing this COVID Vaccination policy.

As I write this, I can confirm that the entire Committee and Patrol Leadership team are either fully vaccinated or awaiting their second dose.

Please give this serious consideration and I strongly encourage you to get vaccinated so that you and your family can simply enjoy your summer at Cape in the safest environment possible.

As more details becomes available, we will update you. Should you have any questions, or need to raise any specific details regarding this, please email secretary@cpslsc.org.au with your question and your contact details and we will do our best to assist.

PATROLS

The patrol season officially commences on 27th November, and we are very excited to introduce our patrol leadership team. Congrats all.

Club Captain & Vice Club Captain: Andrew Napoleone & Caitlin Westerling

Junior Club Captain: Moara Smith

Patrol Captains: Liam Marangio, Moara Smith, Andrew Napoleone & Charles Dunnachie

Vice Patrol Captains: Jess Manns, Terry Prendergast, Sarah Prendergast & Josh Kentwell

First Aid Officer: Courtney Manks

Attached are the patrol timetable & patrol group details. Please find your details & familiarise yourself with it. Any questions, please contact Naps club.captain@cpslsc.org.au or 0401235804

NIPPERS

Registration and 1st Nipper session is on 27th December with our usual two-week intensive program through to 14th January. Click on the link to register....<https://forms.gle/hSGXinuD4wgMofQGA>

James Langlands and Charlie Crawford are very excited to be running our Starfish Nippers program for the first time. Starfish Nippers provides kids with disabilities the opportunity to participate, supported 1-on-1 by trained helpers. We would love some volunteers to assist. Training will be provided. Please contact Charlie and James if interested or just to learn more.

nipper.delegate@cpslsc.org.au

We will apply a practical approach to any child turning 12 around the time of our nipper program that does not have the opportunity to get COVID vaccinated in line with LSV COVID. If your child is in this situation, please contact Charlie and James to discuss. nipper.delegate@cpslsc.org.au

See you at Cape soon 😊

Cheers from the Committee