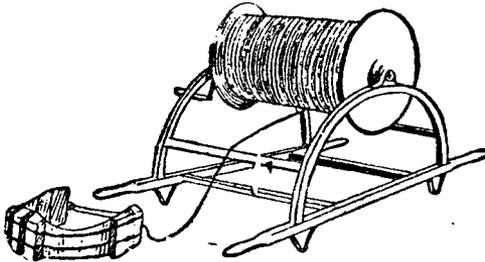


NEW ZEALAND SURF LIFE SAVING ASSOCIATION

Established 1932



Vigilance - Service - Endurance

FIFTEENTH Annual Report AND Statement of Accounts SEASON 1946-47

Over 3,149 Lives Saved

To be presented at the Annual General Meeting to be held in the Wellington Education Board's Building, Abel Smith Street, Wellington, at 7.30 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25th, 1947.

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NEW ZEALAND COUNCIL, 1946-47

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Canterbury: Mr. G. RUNDLE.

Otago: Mr. G. PERRY.

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Delegate to Council N.Z.A.S.A.: Mr. H. S. FEAST.

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Messrs. W. H. GERRIE and H. D. DICKSON.

Delegates to S.L.S. of Australia:

Messrs. C. ADAMS, D. LUCAS, L. DAWKINS.

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Messrs. N. A. INGRAM and B. J. McIVOR.

SUB-COMMITTEES:

Constitution: Messrs. F. Chapman (Convener), W. H. Gerrie and G. Perry.

Gear: Messrs. A. H. Ross (Convener), R. Pelham, R. Perkins, H. Dickson,
W. V. Griffen.

Meritorious Awards: Messrs. F. H. Jackson (Convener), A. Gardner
(Auckland), J. Whisker (Wellington).

Judiciary: Messrs. K. W. Stephens (Convener), W. J. Beveridge, W. H.
Gerrie.

Finance: Messrs. W. H. Gerrie (Convener); R. H. Perkins, F. Chapman,
A. H. Ross, K. W. Stephens, F. H. Jackson.

Fifteenth Annual Report and Financial Statement

To be presented at the Annual General Meeting to be held at 7.30 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25th, 1947.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your Council has pleasure in placing the Fifteenth Annual Report before you for your consideration, and in so doing feels justified in claiming that the past year has been a most successful one and that a considerable advancement has been made in solidifying the post-war activities of the Association.

The record entries received for the New Zealand Championship Meeting, held at New Plymouth, indicated that all was well with the Surf Life-saving movement and that it could be expected to gain further strength in the years to come. Since then word has been received of revival of the movement in such clubs as Kare Kare and North Shore in the Auckland District, whilst in the Wellington District members of the Palmerston North Amateur Swimming Club have taken the first steps towards the formation of a surf club on the Himitangi Beach just north of Foxton, and the members of the Levin Junior Chamber of Commerce are collaborating with the members of the Levin Amateur Swimming Club with a view to forming a surf club at the Waiterere Beach, just north of Levin. It is confidently expected that the movement will gain ground in a similar manner in other districts and areas where the recreation of surf-bathing may be indulged in to the healthy benefit of all mankind.

The various matters dealt with during the year will be shown under separate headings, and the Council takes this early opportunity of expressing its deep appreciation of the services rendered by the District Associations and individual clubs during the past year.

HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE VI

We record with pleasure the continued interest of His Majesty King George VI in the operations of the R.L.S.S. and Surf Life-saving Associations.

In re-affirming our loyalty to the Crown, we pray that Their Majesties King George VI and Queen Elizabeth will be long spared to reign over the Commonwealth of Nations.

PRESIDENT OF THE ROYAL LIFE SAVING SOCIETY

It has been noticed with great pleasure that His Majesty King George VI has seen fit to appoint Admiral the Lord Louis Mounbatten, G.C.V.O., K.C.B., D.S.O., A.D.C., as Governor-General of the State of India, one of the two new Dominion States recently created in India. It is felt that in making this appointment a tangible recognition has been made of the sterling work performed by the Admiral Lord Louis Mounbatten in achieving a settlement to the satisfaction of all parties concerned of what at one time began to appear as an almost unsurmountable difficulty.

SURF LIFE SAVING ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA

At the last Annual Conference we were honoured by the presence of Mr. Jack Cameron, Chief Superintendent. During the Conference opportunity was taken to discuss many matters affecting the two Associations'

methods of drill, and as a result of the discussions and practical demonstrations, the following resolutions were passed:—

1. "That this Annual Meeting of the New Zealand Surf Life Saving Association, after viewing the whole matter of the desirability of uniformity of drill methods as operated by the A.S.L.S.A. in so far as it affects all drill methods with the exception of Artificial Respiration, approves of the principle that a standard set of rules and conditions be arranged for to be applicable to both organisations, providing that dispensations shall be granted to both organisations to permit of operating under local conditions.

"The matter of Artificial Respiration methods be one for future conferences as between the two organisations.

"This meeting further considers that the foregoing decisions will permit of the possibility of the much-desired interchange of visits.

"Should this overture for uniformity be adopted, that it will be clearly understood that before any alteration be made in the drill section of the R and R series, that approaches be made to each organisation by the other."

2. "That this Annual Meeting of the N.Z.S.L.S.A. empower the Chief Instructor and Board of Judges in conference with Mr. J. Cameron as representative of the A.S.L.S.A. to draft a set of R and R rules for consideration by both organisations. With the proviso that the individual methods of resuscitation at present used by each organisation be retained until such times as agreement on this subject be mutually arranged.

"This resolution to override any previous remit or resolution adopted or approved by this Annual Meeting."

Both motions were carried unanimously.

Since returning to Australia, Mr. Jack Cameron has done all he possibly can to see these objectives of both Associations fully achieved, and at the last Australian Championships held in Queensland a junior team instructed by Mr. Cameron most ably demonstrated the New Zealand method of pick-up and carry. It is by efforts such as this that converts to the ideal of uniformity of drill are gained.

In addition, an invitation was extended to the Australian Association to appoint two representatives to sit on the New Zealand Council with the same rights and privileges as other delegates elected under the existing constitution. The Association was pleased to act on this suggestion, and they nominated Messrs. N. A. Ingram (President) and B. J. McIvor as their representatives. We congratulate them upon their choice of delegates and extend our congratulations to these gentlemen.

It was further decided that the eligibility of the Australian Surf Award be recognised, provided Australia prepared to reciprocate. Australia has since intimated that they will be glad to reciprocate in this matter.

PATROL DUTIES

Once again the Association places on record its appreciation of the long hours of patrol undertaken by our members, of all clubs, to ensure the safety of bathers on the beaches. To these clubs and members the Council extends its appreciation and thanks for a job of work well done.

With the indications that there will be several new clubs functioning this year, it is reasonable to expect that the pre-war record figure for patrol work will be eclipsed, and thus members voluntarily carry out their motto of VIGILANCE—SERVICE—ENDURANCE in giving that necessary protection to bathers, swimmer and non-swimmer alike.

Hours of Patrol 45,897

SURF LIFE-SAVING MEDALLIONS

The test of all-round efficiency in surf life-saving work is the candidate's ability to pass the surf medallion test, and every effort is made by the controlling authorities and by the local examiners to see that there is no diminution of the standard required of candidates. In their endeavours to keep this standard on a high plane, the controlling authorities have from time to time added further requirements to the medallion test, the latest addition being the swimming test of 440 yards in still water, the swim to be completed in not more than 9 minutes for men and 10 minutes for women. By being able to fulfil such conditions, the candidates prove that they may be relied upon to act in any emergency that may arise upon their beaches or elsewhere. Congratulations are here extended to the successful candidates during the past season; to the unsuccessful ones we would urge continuance of study and practice until recognised efficiency is attained.

Auckland District Association	10
Canterbury District Association	10
Otago District Association	15
Taranaki District Association	Not supplied
Wellington District	29
Individual Clubs	Nil
Total	64

INSTRUCTORS CERTIFICATES

Auckland	2
Canterbury	1
Otago	Nil
Taranaki	Not supplied
Wellington	3
Individual Clubs	Nil
Total	6

REPORTED RESCUES DURING SEASON 1946-47

Rescues with line and reel	28
Rescues without line and reel	55
Rescues with surf ski	13
Rescues with surf boat	Nil
Rescues with surf canoe	2
Total	98
Resuscitation treatment	8
First-aid treatment	97
Total	105

NEW MEMBERS SECURED

It is pleasing to report that during the past year clubs record the enrolment of new members totalling 287.

ANNUAL RETURNS

Thirty-three clubs have furnished their Annual Return Forms. This can be regarded as fairly satisfactory, and it would appear that most clubs have now solved their post-war problems in regard to secretarial duties.

AFFILIATIONS

Auckland, Canterbury, Otago, Taranaki, Wellington District Associations are affiliated. Total 5.

Castlecliff Ladies, Castlecliff, Foxton, Gisborne, Greymouth, Rungata, Palmerston North Surf Club, and Wainui are Individual Clubs affiliated with the Council. Total 8.

ROYAL LIFE-SAVING SOCIETY—LONDON TROPHY COMPETITION

The result of this year's competition shows Wellington Association as the winner, with Canterbury 2nd, Auckland 3rd, Otago 4th. Congratulations are extended to the winners and all other districts on their fine showing. It is to be regretted that the Taranaki entries were not received. Extracts of the report of the adjudicator for the competition (Mr. D. Hunter), and the details of the competition, are here shown.

London Trophy

Herewith my report for the District Association Competition for this trophy for the season 1946-47. This is the first year I have acted as adjudicator, and also a new points system had been decided on at the last Conference. It is therefore impossible for me to compare the results with previous years.

The new basis for awarding points for this trophy is as follows:—
New Clubs, 5 points; New Members, 1 point; Bronze Medallions, 1 point; Surf Medallions, 2 points; Instructors' Certificates, 3 points.

No new clubs were registered, though there are some in prospect.

Returns for the year show the following results:—

	New Members	Bronze Medallions	Surf Medallions	Instructors' Certificates
Auckland	46	22	10	2
Wellington	62	32	29	3
Canterbury	80	7	10	1
Otago	44	12	15	0
Individual Clubs	55	7	—	—
Total	287	80	64	6

With the points allocations as set out above, this means that Wellington wins with 161 points, followed by Canterbury with 110, Auckland with 94, and Otago with 86.

Unfortunately no returns were received from Taranaki.

It is worthy of note that what constitutes an "active member" obviously varies in qualification from district to district. In some centres active membership is more closely linked up with the obtaining of the Surf Award than in others. For instance, the percentage of new members gaining Surf Awards in the various centres is as follows:—Wellington, 47%; Otago, 34%; Auckland, 21%; Canterbury, 12%.

Active members in each centre are returned as follows:—

Auckland, with 11 clubs, 176 active members.

Wellington, 7 clubs, 277 active members.

Canterbury, 5 clubs, 493 members.

Otago, 5 clubs, 99 members.

A comparison, for instance, of Auckland with Canterbury, shows that the former have approximately 16 members per club, while the latter have 99 active members per club. In the former case the majority would of necessity for entry into competitions be Award holders, but in the latter it is reasonable from returns to assess that only a fairly low percentage would have gained their Surf Award. This means that for the purpose of this competition, where a point is given for each "new active member," some unification of qualification for active membership should be arrived at in order that the competition may be on a fair and equitable base. I have to intimate that (excluding Taranaki) we have some 1169 active life-savers from 33 clubs.

During the year a total of 64 Surf Awards were obtained (again excluding Taranaki).

We are most appreciative of the fact that with the London Trophy the London Head Centre of the Royal Life-saving Society makes an annual grant of £25 to be allocated to the placed Centres, and the London Head Centre is assured that not only is this of great value to the winning Centres, but also that these amounts will be wisely spent for the furthering of efforts to see that more are effectively trained to save life from loss by drowning.

(Signed) J. D. HUNTER,
Adjudicator and Registrar.

GEAR

The supply of life-saving gear has been maintained during the year covering most requirements; the season ended with very few outstanding orders, although the supply position was extremely acute.

Inspection of teams' equipment competing at the New Zealand Championships was carried out and showed that, in general, the equipment was in very good condition, showing great credit on the various clubs. The Report on Equipment was this year circulated to the affiliated clubs through District Associations.

Life-saving Lines.—A supply of new lines has just arrived, and the Association are extremely lucky to have these, as the supply of cotton is still most difficult the world over. The Association's thanks is extended to our suppliers for making these lines available.

Surf Life-saving Belts.—Modifications were made during the year to the "Safety Belt," which has proved very successful. Great difficulty was experienced in obtaining supplies as promptly as required, due to shortages of labour and materials. The S.L.S.A. of Australia are very interested in the Association's safety belt and have forwarded a sample Australian belt, with the request that our safety release be fitted and returned to them.

Life-saving Reels.—A limited supply of reels was obtained during the year, but only by accepting the material available. A further order for reels has been placed, and it is hoped these will be completed in time for the commencement of the season.

Increased Costs of Equipment.—The Association, in common with other organizations, is faced with risings csts of gear and equipment. Your Committee has been very concerned during the year with the upward trend in costs, and has done its utmost to have gear supplied to District Associations at the lowest possible price. The rise in costs this year, as compared with last season, shows an average increase of approximately 30% covering the most important items, reels, lines and life belts. It will be necessary therefore for District Associations and Clubs to keep these increased costs in mind when making application for assistance.

Surf Skis.—The Council's surf ski during the year was loaned to District Associations in the South Island and to Wellington and Taranaki. Considerable interest in this item of life-saving equipment has resulted, and in the coming season surf skis will make their appearance on most beaches controlled by the Association.

Surf Canoes and Hollow Surf Boards.—Drawings and particulars of these have been supplied to Associations and Clubs.

Rocking Stretcher Method of Artificial Respiration.—Considerable research in this method has been carried out by the Association and District Associations, and particulars of the type of stretchers used were obtained from England.

Rocket Life-line Equipment.—During the year your Committee attended a demonstration of this life-saving equipment, covering all types, ship and beach rescue sets, flares, etc.

Championship Equipment.—New types of swimming buoys were made and used with success at the National Championships.

MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL

During the year, twelve meetings have been held, and with one or two exceptions the attendances have been up to the usual high percentage of members.

During the year Mr. R. H. Perkins relinquished the position of delegate for Taranaki to enable him to undertake the duties of Treasurer for the Association.

Mr. C. S. Redmond was appointed as a Taranaki delegate in his stead.

WORK OF SUB-COMMITTEES

During the year the various sub-committees met and dealt with matters of importance that came under their jurisdiction. In addition, a special sub-committee was set up to deal with the organisation, control and the reviewing of the championship events to be held in each section. The committee met on several occasions, and a great deal of work was accomplished. Most of the proposed suggestions will come before Conference for their consideration.

Appreciation of the work of the various sub-committees is herewith extended to all concerned. It is felt, however, that in the case of the Gear Committee, their invaluable work during the past year could not be allowed to pass without special mention and thanks.

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Senior Men, Junior Boys' and Ladies' Championships

The 1947 series of National Surf Life-saving Championships were entrusted to the Taranaki District Surf Life-saving Association to conduct on behalf of the Council.

The Opening Ceremony was performed in perfect weather by the Hon. W. E. Parry, M.P., Minister of Internal Affairs, who was emphatic in his expressions of appreciation of the good work done by Surf Clubs throughout New Zealand.

The following Clubs competed:—

Ladies.—St. Clair, Fitzroy, Waitara, Wellington Ladies', Island Bay. Total, 5 clubs.

Senior Men.—Opunake, St. Clair, Maranui, Paekakariki, Fitzroy, South Brighton, North Beach, New Brighton, Waitemata, Foxton, Island Bay, Takapuna, Piha, St. Kilda, Old Boys, Castlecliff, Waitara, Lyall Bay, Sumner, Titahi Bay, East End. Total, 21 Clubs.

Juniors.—Titahi Bay, Maranui, Old Boys, Lyall Bay, South Brighton, Paekakariki, Sumner, Piha, St. Kilda, Worsler Bay, New Brighton, Waitara, Fitzroy, Waitemata, Opunake. Total, 15 clubs.

This represents an increase of 100% in the case of senior teams and 50% for juniors over the previous year, a remarkable effort and a true indication of the extent to which clubs are rehabilitating themselves.

The following are the Championship results:—

LADIES

N.Z. Ladies' March Past Championship

Wellington Ladies'	.....	1
St. Clair	.....	2
Island Bay	.....	3

N.Z. Ladies' 6-Man Rescue and Resuscitation

Wellington Ladies (V. Deavoll, M. Ritchie, E. Hyder, M. Thompson, M. McMahon, A. Seagar)	.....	1
St. Clair (V. Brown, P. Anderson, S. Simonsen, S. Payne, B. Stewart, Casteron)	.....	2
Island Bay (J. Ayres, B. Dellow, V. Harvie, R. Johnson, E. Pointon, J. Ritchie)	.....	3

JUNIOR BOYS

N.Z. Junior March Past Championship

Lyall Bay	.....	1
Maranui	.....	2

N.Z. Junior 4-Man Alarm Championship

1st Heat: 1st—South Brighton (N. McDonald, N. O. Schou, J. H. Thompson, Smith). 2nd—Maranui A (N. Avery, F. Jacobsen, S. Bellamore, G. Hughes). 3rd—St. Clair (N. McGregor, G. Daglish, T. McAuliffe, R. McGregor).

2nd Heat: 1st—Lyall Bay B (R. Matthews, J. A. Ryan, J. A. Edwards, W. McLaughrie). 2nd—New Brighton (J. Tucker, J. Taylor, D. Till, R. Flaus). 3rd—Worser Bay (J. Cornish, R. Pollock, R. Jones, S. Bridge).

3rd Heat: 1st—Maranui B (W. Lidstone, F. Cooke, B. Oliver, R. Hatchwell). 2nd—Waitara (L. Leier, D. Laing, R. Laurent, S. Watty). 3rd—Fitzroy (G. Johns, B. McKenzie, R. Dumbell, Kirkland).

Final: 1st—Maranui B; 2nd—South Brighton; 3rd—New Brighton.

N.Z. Junior 6-Man Rescue and Resuscitation Championship

1st—Maranui (W. Lidstone, R. Hatchwell, F. Cooks, B. Oliver, N. Avery, F. Jacobsen). 2nd—Worser Bay (J. Cornish, W. J. Fox, R. Jones, G. Hitchings, R. Pollock, R. Elvy). 3rd—Old Boys (K. James, I. Russell, C. Woods, B. Brown, J. Nodder, P. Barnes).

N.Z. Junior Individual Surf Race Championship

1st—J. A. Ryan (Lyall Bay); 2nd—L. Munt (New Brighton); 3rd—N. Schou (South Brighton).

N.Z. Junior Beltman's Championship

1st Heat: 1st—O. Cullington (Waitemata); 2nd—W. Lidstone (Maranui); 3rd—K. Seagar (Lyall Bay B).

2nd Heat: 1st—N. Schou (South Brighton B); 2nd—J. A. Ryan (Lyall Bay A); 3rd—I. Windley (Titahi Bay).

3rd Heat: 1st—R. Hatchwell (Maranui C); 2nd—T. W. Johnson (Sumner); 3rd—P. Bevin (Piha B).

4th Heat: 1st—B. Oliver (Maranui A); 2nd—D. Laing (Waitara); 3rd—G. Jenkins (St. Kilda A).

5th Heat: 1st—L. McLeod (St. Kilda B); 2nd—L. Munt (New Brighton A); 3rd—J. Taylor (New Brighton B).

Final: 1st—N. Schou (South Brighton); 2nd—L. McLeod (St. Kilda); 3rd—O. Cullington (Waitemata).

N.Z. Junior Surf Teams' Championship

South Brighton (N. Schou, N. McDonald, J. H. Thompson, Smith)	1
New Brighton (L. Munt, J. Taylor, J. Tricker, R. Flaus)	2
Old Boys (I. Russell, J. Nodder, C. Woods, P. Barnes)	3

SENIOR MEN

N.Z. 4-Man Alarm Championship

1st Heat: 1st—New Brighton (A. Cocks, G. Harris, R. Henry, A. Archer). 2nd—Maranui A (A. R. Pritchard, J. Pauling, J. E. Hatchwell, D. McCartney). 3rd—Waitemata (J. Walsh, J. Scholes, G. Moyses, S. Riddler).

2nd Heat: 1st—Paekakariki (M. Harris, O. Smith, D. Smith, M. Millar). 2nd—Takapuna (J. K. Chapman, H. S. Spear, T. W. Thompson, D. L. Knight). 3rd—East End.

3rd Heat: 1st—St. Clair A (E. Toase, C. Adams, N. Brownie, H. Gillies).
 2nd—Lyll Bay B (J. Polkinghorne, W. Cole, K. Farcy, O. Vaughan). 3rd—Fitzroy B (R. McFarlane, F. Clow, C. Travers, R. Aisop).

4th Heat: 1st—Fitzroy A (G. Kora, T. Logan, N. Elmes, D. Weir).
 2nd—Island Bay A (R. Casey, B. Janson, G. Perry, L. Swindale).
 3rd—Paekakariki B (M. McGill, G. Fox, G. Crawley, K. Smith).

5th Heat: 1st—Maranui B (N. Gray, L. Jackson, I. Ball, D. O'Rourke).
 2nd—South Brighton A (D. W. Inder, M. C. Fearon, K. Rothwell, L. E. Schou). 3rd—South Brighton B (K. McKenzie, T. Burrell, R. A. Ayling, K. Duncan).

6th Heat: 1st—North Beach A (S. Nicholes, N. Davison, E. Bodger, R. O'Neill). 2nd—Lyll Bay A (J. Williams, G. Williams, L. McKeeman, J. Watt). 3rd—Waitara (W. Clare, A. Barnett, S. Goffe, R. Osborne).

Final: 1st—North Beach; 2nd—Fitzroy; 3rd—Maranui.

N.Z. Senior Men's March Past Championship

Lyll Bay	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Maranui	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
Waitemata	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3

N.Z. Resuscitation Championship (Cambrian Shield)

H. J. Spear (Takapuna)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
D. O'Neill (Lyll Bay)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2

N.Z. Senior Individual Surf Race Championship

C. Chambers (New Brighton)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
R. Kennedy (North Beach B)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
N. T. Davison (North Beach A)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3

N.Z. Senior Surf Teams Championship

Lyll Bay (D. O'Neill, A. Main, J. Watt, J. Williams)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Maranui (J. Hatchwell, P. R. Malthus, J. T. Clarke, D. K. Evans)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
New Brighton (C. Chambers, W. Hart, G. Harris, R. Henry)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3

N.Z. Senior Beltman's Championship

1st Heat: 1st (equal)—N. J. Davison (North Beach), C. Chambers (New Brighton).

2nd Heat: 1st—N. Gray (Maranui); 2nd—O. Smith (Paekakariki A);
 3rd—M. Harris (Paekakariki B).

3rd Heat: 1st—J. T. Clarke (Maranui); 2nd—K. Duncan (South Brighton);
 3rd—G. W. Harris (New Brighton C).

4th Heat: 1st—T. Logan (Fitzroy); 2nd—F. G. Ryan (Lyll Bay C).

5th Heat: 1st—D. O'Neill (Lyll Bay B); 2nd—A. Naulls (Piha D).

Final: 1st—C. Chambers (New Brighton); 2nd—T. Logan (Fitzroy);
 3rd—D. O'Neill (Lyll Bay).

N.Z. Surf Ski Championship (Open)

- 1st Heat: 1st—F. Clow (Fitzroy); 2nd—H. Way (Piha B); 3rd—O. Smith (Paekakariki).
- 2nd Heat: 1st—R. Davison (Piha D); 2nd—D. Wright (Piha C); 3rd—R. E. Evans (Foxton).
- Final: 1st—D. Wright (Piha C); 2nd—F. Clow (Fitzroy); 3rd—H. Way (Piha B).

N.Z. 6-Man Rescue and Resuscitation Championship (Nelson Shield)

- 1st Heat: 1st—Maranui A (J. T. Clark, P. R. Malthus, D. K. Evans, J. E. Hatchwell, N. Gray, A. R. Pritchard). 2nd—Paekakariki (O. Smith, M. Harris, D. Smith, K. Smith, G. Crawley, G. Fox). 3rd—St. Clair (C. Adams, E. Toase, R. Dowland, E. Dowland, H. D. Gillies, G. O'Sullivan).
- 2nd Heat: 1st—New Brighton (R. Henry, A. Archer, F. Mitchell, J. Hulme, A. Cocks, G. Harris). 2nd—North Beach (R. Kennedy, I. Bathhurst, E. Badger, S. Nicholes, C. Rhodes, J. Moere). 3rd—Waitemata (J. Walsh, W. Martin, G. Reber, S. Savage, O. Cullington, H. Burleigh).
- 3rd Heat: 1st—Lyal Bay (J. Williams, L. McKecman, G. Williams, K. Farey, J. Watt, D. O'Neill). 2nd—Island Bay (W. Anderson, P. Anderson, R. Casey, J. Roberts, B. Janson, L. Swindale). 3rd—Takapuna (T. W. Thompson, H. J. Spear, C. R. Meyle, J. K. Chapman, A. J. Crowe).
- Final: 1st—Maranui; 2nd—New Brighton; 3rd—North Beach.

1948 CHAMPIONSHIPS

These have been allocated to the Otago District Association to conduct on behalf of the Council. Correspondence from that Centre indicates that the Otago Centre is all set to make their Centenary Championships an outstanding success.

N.Z.A.S.A. AND N.Z. COUNCIL R.L.S.S.

Your Council records its appreciation of the continuance of the spirit of goodwill and co-operation as between the three national bodies during the past year.

It is desired to take this opportunity of recording a special vote of thanks to the R.L.S.S. for their assistance and readiness to help our endeavours to arrange a visit of delegates to the Australian Surf Life-saving Association Conference on matters of vital interest to both Associations.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF SWIMMING AND LIFE-SAVING

The report of the Committee will be placed before the Annual General Meeting by your delegates (Messrs. W. H. Gerrie and H. D. Dickson), who attended the meetings held, and are thanked for their services.

Special mention should be made of the work of the National Committee Secretary, Mr. N. A. Ingram. During the year every endeavour has been made by Mr. Ingram to bring to a successful conclusion such

matters as the obtaining of swimming costumes and instructional filming of the various phases of the three natatorial bodies' work. In regard to the latter, opportunity will be given to further discuss this subject when considering the National Committee Annual Report.

APPRECIATION OF SERVICE OF DELEGATES

The Council takes this opportunity of expressing appreciation of the services rendered by the following delegates during the year:—

Surf Life-saving Australia.—Messrs. D. Lucas, L. F. Dawkins and C. C. Adams.

N.Z.A.S.A.—Mr. H. S. Feast.

N.Z. Council R.L.S.S.—Mr. L. J. Sutherland.

N.Z. Council of Sport.—Mr. W. V. Griffen.

APPRECIATIONS

Your Council desires to place on record its appreciation of the following services rendered to the Association during the past year:—

To the Government of the Dominion for its continued practical interest.

To the Hon. W. E. Parry, M.P., for his personal interest in our activities.

To the Press of the Dominion for furthering the interests of the organisation throughout the Dominion.

To the Hon. Officers of the Association: Sir J. S. Elliott, Dr. H. T. Pettit, Messrs. W. E. Lavelle, W. J. Beveridge and O. J. Mullins.

To Mr. J. D. Hunter for his services as Adjudicator of the London Trophy Competition.

To the Physical Welfare Department for the use of rooms for meetings.

To the Wellington Education Board for use of Board Rooms for Annual General Meetings.

To the National Broadcasting Service for their radio talks and publicity at the National Championships.

CONCLUSION

In concluding this report recording the fifteenth year of operations of the New Zealand Surf Life-saving Association, the Council of the Association reviews with pleasure the continued steady growth and progress of the Association. The Council feels confident that it may look forward to an era of progress and success such as the organisation has not known since its inception. To those older members who have helped the movement through the difficult years we give our sincere thanks and ask you not to relax your efforts during the coming season.

F. H. CHAPMAN, Chairman.

F. G. RYAN, General Secretary.

ADDENDUM

May I take this opportunity as President of the Association for the current term to place on record personal appreciation of the work of the officers of the organisation during the past year, and the continued interest of the members of the Council to ensure a successful year of operations.

During the past year matters of importance to the Association have been considered and, in many cases, have been acted upon by your Council.

Due consideration has been given to the matter of National Championships and considerable time and thought has been given to the aspect of our operations.

The decision of the last annual general meeting to appoint a chairman of the Council at its first meeting operated and the election of Mr. F. Chapman to this high office was a recognition of long years of excellent services to the Association and his courtesy at all times and his knowledge of chairmanship is here accorded an expression of thanks and appreciation.

Desire to again place on record appreciation of the excellent services rendered to the Association by the General Secretary, Mr. F. G. Ryan, who carried out the functions of this very important office with great credit.

To Mr. R. Perkins, as Hon. Treasurer, appreciation is expressed for his services to the Association, and as the years go on the work of this office materially increases.

Once again it is my personal pleasure to record sincere appreciation of the excellent services rendered by Mr. A. H. Ross as *Chairman of the Gear Committee*, and the members of that very important body. There is abundant evidence on the beaches of the Dominion of the importance of the work of the Gear Committee.

To Mr. J. D. Hunter, as Registrar and Publicity Officer appreciation is expressed for his services to the Association.

Though, this year, we have not had the pleasure of the personal appearance at the meetings of the Council of Mr. F. H. Jackson, Hon. Chief Instructor, I am well conversant with his continued interest and excellent work in his department of our operations and to him and the Board of Judges appreciation is extended.

(Signed) N. A. INGRAM,

President, N.Z.S.L.S.A.

NEW ZEALAND SURF LIFE-SAVING ASSOCIATION.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st AUGUST, 1947.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Surf Stock on Hand, 1/9/46	174	7	6	Surf Stock on Hand, 31/8/47	17	18	9
Purchases of Stock	408	3	11	Stock Sales	564	14	5
Handbooks on Hand, 1/9/46	23	7	0	Handbooks on Hand, 31/8/47	17	12	0
London Trophy Awards	16	0	0	Handbook Sales	14	6	6
Printing and Stationery	53	14	9	Championship Entry Fees	58	12	3
Honoraria	36	15	0	Championship Gate	32	12	2
Affiliation Fee, R.L.S.S.	1	1	6	Loss on Championships	20	19	6
Educational Tour	22	1	3	Government Grant	300	0	0
General Expenses	49	19	0	Affiliation Fees	14	2	6
Depreciation—Typewriter	2	0	0	London Trophy Grant	25	0	0
Buoys	6	0	0				
Championship Expenses	112	3	11				
Balance, being Excess of Income Over Expenditure	160	4	3				
	<u>£1,065</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>1</u>		<u>£1,065</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>1</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st AUGUST, 1947.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
London Trophy Grants			16	0	288	13	3
Educational Conference Reserve			25	0	154	4	11
Championship Reserve	51	18	0		12	15	0
Less Loss on Championships	20	19	6		39	9	0
				30	18	6	
Wellington Surf Association			10	0	17	18	9
Credits for Gear as per Meeting, 11/6/46			60	0	17	12	0
Excess of Assets over Liabilities, 1/9/46	228	10	2				
Add Excess of Income over Expenditure for year, 31/8/47	160	4	3				
				388	14	5	
				£530	12	11	
					£530	12	11

R. H. PERKINS,

Hon. Treasurer.

I hereby certify to having examined the books and accounts of the New Zealand Surf Life Saving Association and consider the above is a true statement of accounts.

O. J. MULLINS,

Hon. Auditor.

