


New Zealand Surf Life-Saving Association

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38th ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENT for the year ended 30 apr.'70




OVER 8626 LIVES SAVED

To be presented at the Annual General Meeting of the Association to be held
at the Chamber of Commerce Rooms, Commerce House, Wakefield Street,
Wellington, on Saturday, 29th August, 1970.

New Zealand Surf Life-Saving Association

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New Zealand Surf Life-Saving Association

Thirty-eighth Annual Report and Statement of Accounts

SEASON ENDING 31st MAY, 1970

To be presented at the Annual General Meeting
of the Association to be held at the Chamber of
Commerce Rooms, Commerce House, Wakefield
Street, Wellington, 1, on Saturday, 29th August,
1970, commencing at 9.30 a.m.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The past season without doubt has been one of the busiest undertaken by your Council for a number of years which placed considerable strain on the services of voluntary officers and it is with pleasure that we report briefly on the various activities successfully carried out during the season.

We were privileged to welcome and host three representatives from the S.L.S. Association of America who visited the various Association Headquarters and from reports received it is apparent that in addition to increasing the goodwill which exists to our American friends, that the visit was most successful in that information of the rescue techniques adopted from the S.L.S. Association of America were brought first hand to members of our District Associations.

A New Zealand representative team visited Australia for a period of approximately 6 weeks which included competitions in all States of Australia and we do express our appreciation for the many courtesies which were extended to our team during this visit.

Early in the New Year we welcomed a team representing the country districts of the New South Wales State Centre when competitions were held at the various points visited and there can be no doubt whatsoever that the excellent performances recorded by our visitors gave us early warning of the competition strength of the Surf Lifesaving Association of Australia.

The Association has benefited through the extreme generosity of private enterprise and it is very pleasing indeed to be able to report the financial assistance which is being received by our District Associations and affiliated clubs, particularly in relation to essential equipment, and we express our appreciation for this valuable help which is indicative of the public prestige held by the Association and the wish of others to help to lighten the financial burden ever present in maintaining our humanitarian activities.

During the season the Association and its affiliated clubs has continued to play a very important part in the Water Safety Campaign where the most favourable summer season resulted in unprecedented attendances at bathing beaches. This fact coupled with heavy seas which were experienced over the holiday period placed increased strain on surf patrols.

The success of patrol activities in that 526 rescues were carried out during the season is a record figure and it is with pride that we reported no drownings occurred whilst surf patrols were on duty.



JAMES DONALD HUNTER

OBITUARY

JAMES DONALD HUNTER

It is with deepest regret that we record the passing of James Donald Hunter, whose death has deprived the movement of one of its most able administrators.

Don, as he was known to all in the movement, passed away on 11th July, 1970, at Wellington Hospital following a long period of ill health which was responsible for his relinquishing many of the appointments held in the Association which included Chairman of the Council, to which office he was elected in 1962.

Don was a Life Member of the Association and was granted the Service Award Blazer in 1936.

His interest in surf lifesaving commenced in 1922 as a member of the Island Bay Surf Club, and he qualified for his R.L.S.S. Bronze Medallion in 1925 and his Surf Medallion in 1929. He also held the Surf Instructors' Award.

In his service to the Association he represented Auckland on the N.Z. Council for the period 1935/37 and in 1938 became a full member of the National Board of Judges. His greatest service to the movement was as Hon. Registrar, to which office he was appointed in 1945, and as Adjudicator of the London Trophy competition where his wisdom was responsible for many alterations to the points system for the award of the London Trophy. At the time of his passing he still retained this office.

Don was closely associated with the formation of the Association and was among the few stalwarts who have a record of service dating back to 1932.

Don did not spare himself in his services to the movement and despite the commitments involved found time to associate himself most deeply with christian activities.

He was most popular and a highly respected member of the community and indeed we will sadly miss his wise counsel, his mediation in problems arising, his kindly words of encouragement and foremost his great interest in our humanitarian work.

OUR PATRON

Again we were privileged in the acceptance by Sir Arthur Porritt of the office of Patron of our Association and we record with pleasure the interest displayed by his Excellency and Lady Porritt in our humanitarian activities which was indicated by their attendance at our National Championships held at Piha Beach.

Our congratulations are extended to Sir Arthur in the receipt of the honour of the G.C.V.O., which was granted by Her Majesty the Queen following the Royal visit to New Zealand during the current season.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

We do sincerely appreciate the financial assistance received from the Golden Kiwi Board of Control through the National Water Safety Council which sum is expended in maintaining our activities in the interests of water safety and in offering assistance to affiliated clubs in maintaining adequate and up-to-date gear and equipment.

As usual your Council submitted a proposed budget of estimated expenditure to a meeting of the National Water Safety Council held on 22nd March 1969, the sum involved being \$14,350, and it is pleasing to record that the sum made available of \$10,130 showed an increase in the amount which had been received in previous years.

The amount of our budgetted expenditure included a sum to cover part of the purchase cost of American neoprene rescue tubes where an order had been placed with the suppliers for 100 tubes at an estimated cost of \$3300, but in view of the reduced amount received it was only possible to apply the sum of \$1000 against this purchase.

Over the years we have been most fortunate in the receipt of an annual grant from Golden Kiwi Lottery profits and for information purposes we set out hereunder the amounts received for water safety purposes together with the allocations agreed upon by the National Water Safety Council from the season 1065/66:

	1965/66	1966/67	1967/68	1968/69	1969/70
N,Z,S,L,S,A	11,000	12 000	8,880	8,880	10,130
N.Z.A.S.A.	8,000	8,900	6,600	6,600	8,600
R.L.S.S.	5,500	5,600	4,160	4,160	4,910
National Water Safety Committee	25,500	27,500	20,360	20,360	26,360
	<u>50,000</u>	<u>54,000</u>	<u>40,000</u>	<u>40,000</u>	<u>50,000</u>

It will be noted from the above figures which have been shown in dollars for comparative purposes, that the amount of the grant for water safety purposes has not been constant and we record that the additional sum made available in the current season was primarily to meet the cost of a film on water safety which was screened throughout New Zealand as a commercial during the summer season.

It is pleasing to be able to advise that against our budget of expenditure for the forthcoming season of \$17,975 we will receive the amount of \$13,750 where a total grant made available by the Golden Kiwi Board of Control has been advanced to \$55,000.

This opportunity is taken of acknowledging the keen interest held by the Minister of Internal Affairs, the Hon. D. C. Seath, in water safety activities and we express our pleasure in the particular interest which the Minister displayed in the activities of our Association.

SUBSIDIES

Although the assistance which your Council can extend directly to clubs is limited by the amount of the grant received each year, it has been possible to provide a sum from the grant which has been passed on in the form of subsidies on essential equipment and for record purposes we set out hereunder the price list which became operative and will apply from the 1st May 1970 to the 30th April 1971:

	Price	Price to Affiliated Clubs
	\$	\$
Standard Reel	98.00	64.00
Portable Reel	25.00	15.00
Portable Boxline	12.00	8.00
$\frac{3}{4}$ " Standard Line	24.00	16.00
$\frac{3}{4}$ " Cotton Line	11.00	7.00
No. 4 Belts	7.00	5.00
No. 5 Belts	7.00	5.00
Clubhouse Flags	4.00	2.00
Beach Marker Flags	2.50	1.25
Patrol Capts	0.75	0.50
Boat Belts	6.50	5.00
First Aid Kits	20.00	13.00
Ballot Marbles (set and bag)	2.00	1.50
Signal Flags	3.00	1.50
Danger Flags	3.00	1.50

No alteration has been made to the previous arrangement under which a free issue of reel, line, belt, first aid and patrol equipment is made available to new clubs and to the arrangement under which subsidies are available on skis for rescue purposes, alarm and warning systems, portable equipment and the free issue of replacement patrol gear subject to meeting the requirements as laid down by the Council.

Mention has already been made of the fact that a sum from our grant was applied against the cost of American rescue tubes and this together with a grant made by a private company resulted in the cost of the tubes being reduced to clubs from \$33 to \$17 each.

Under the arrangements for grants for educational purposes and the formation of new clubs applications close with the Council on 31st January each year and it is regrettable that the heavy call on our funds as a result of the subsidy scheme left a balance far short of the total sum which would be needed to cover all educational applications in full.

GOLDEN KIWI BOARD OF CONTROL

We express our appreciation of the assistance received from the Golden Kiwi Board of Control in the favourable consideration extended to applications made by affiliated clubs for financial assistance in the construction of new buildings and other projects and have pleasure in recording the following grants made during the current season:

Bethells Beach	\$2000	Clubhouse improvements.
Midway	\$1000	Part cost of Rescue Patrol Jet Boat.
Waihi	\$4600	New Clubhouse.
	<hr/> \$7600 <hr/>	

It is pleasing to record also that the Board of Control approved a grant of \$900 to your Council to assist in the financing of the tour of the New Zealand representative team to Australia. This sum has not yet been received but in due course will be credited to our Overseas and Educational Tours Fund to replace part of the heavy cost associated with the selection, transport and outfitting of our team.

HON. SERVICE AWARD

The annual Conference approved the recommendations made by the Life Membership and Blazer Committee that authority be granted to the following members of the Association to wear the Hon. Service Award Blazer:

MISS J. McGREGOR	—	Gisborne
J. J. McLEAN	—	Gisborne
B. A. LAWSON	—	Taranaki
C. H. WOOD	—	Taranaki.
D. R. BULL	—	Wellington
M. H. MILLER	—	Wellington
A. J. JOHNSON	—	Canterbury
M. B. RESTALL		Canterbury

Our congratulations are extended to the above members and thanks expressed for the valuable work which has been carried out over a long period of years.

NEW ZEALAND INSTRUCTIONAL CONFERENCE

An Instructional Conference was held in Wellington on 13th June 1970 under the chairmanship of Mr. G. E. Perry, with all District Associations represented. The Conference was convened at the direction of the Annual General Meeting to consider new events and a report will be submitted to the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

PUBLIC RELATIONS CONFERENCE

A conference of Public Relations Officers was held in Wellington on 11th October, 1969, and no doubt this meeting together with the information which has been made available for the purpose of publicity during the season in the form of Newsletters has been of importance to the Association in bringing before the public the voluntary contribution made by the movement in the saving of life.

The conference was able to consider various matters of importance to the Association from the point of view of news media and the thanks of the Council are extended to the officers concerned in this most important aspect of the activities of the Association.

INTER-DISTRICT S.L.S. CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Annual General Meeting allocated the conduct of the ninth Inter-District Championships to the Taranaki Association, the event being held at the Oakura Beach, New Plymouth, on Saturday, 7th February, 1970, and contested by teams representing all district Associations with the exception of Otago.

Weather conditions favoured the carnival which was well organised and concluded most satisfactorily.

Our congratulations are extended to the Auckland District Association which was successful in winning the 'Norrie' Trophy with a total of 69 points, Wellington 2nd, 59 points; Canterbury 3rd, 40 points.

In view of the deferment of the decision to hold the Inter-Districts Carnival in conjunction with the National Championships the Annual General Meeting agreed to bring into effect immediately an increase in the membership of teams from 10 to 15 members, including at least two juniors, and to incorporate in the programme of events a surf boat race series, hollow long board race and surf ski race. The above alteration was optional and the three new events could only be contested by those Associations represented by 15 members. Under this new arrangement the Auckland, Wellington, Canterbury, Bay of Plenty and Hawke's Bay Associations were represented by teams of 15 members.

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 1970 series of national surf lifesaving championships was entrusted to the Auckland District Association and the event was conducted at Piha Beach over the weekend Friday/Saturday/Sunday, the 26th/27th February and 1st March 1970. Unfortunately the available beach area at Piha coupled with the long tidal run which necessitated the placement of two sets of swimming buoys in each arena, it was necessary to conduct the craft events at the North Piha beach and this fact was regrettable as, in addition to creating separating the craft from the point of view of spectator interest.

However, the arrangements made by the Auckland District Association were splendid and we express our appreciation to the officials of that Association in the considerable amount of work which was carried out to ensure the success of the carnival.

Poor beach access and doubtlessly unfavourable publicity which was given to the state of the road to Piha definitely affected public attendance where, in addition unfavourable weather conditions were experienced on the final day of the meeting.

We were privileged to welcome to our national championships our Patron, His Excellency the Governor General, the Hon. David Seath, Minister of Internal Affairs, and local dignitaries, and in addition it was pleasing for us to be able to extend a very warm welcome to representatives of the commercial organisations who provided valuable help financially and otherwise.

Special thanks must be extended to the Midway S.L.S. Club in making available their Jet Rescue Craft to the carnival organisation and it can be stated that the operation of this craft in the heavy surf experienced at Piha left no doubt whatsoever of the value of this type of equipment in rescue work. The Midway Rescue Jet Boat effected a number of rescues during the conduct of the Championship carnival.

A full series of events was conducted and we offer our congratulations to the teams and individual winners of the various competitions. We would be remiss if we did not acknowledge the work of the officials who toiled under pressure and under the conditions created by the separation of the carnival events.

The following are the official results of the 1970 National Championships:

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 1970

NEW ZEALAND SENIOR SIX-MAN R. & R. CHAMPIONSHIP

Heat 1:

1st, Waikanae B: (T. McLean, B. McLean, R. Glover, W. Jones, Hamilton). Total 8.00.

2nd, Lyall Bay A: (A. Jamieson, R. Gough, W. Martlew, J. Alnek, C. Balely, C. Gough). Total 10.46.

3rd, East End: (B. Ball, D. Hale, K. Roebuck, D. Emett, D. Smart, T. Corkin). Total 12.42.

Heat 2:

1st, Waikanae A: (T. Barrett, B. Adams, D. Colebourne, M. Pickett, S. Thompson, B. Green). Total 6.06.

2nd, Muriwai A: (Thomas, Harvey, Taylor, Jarvis, Dallimore, Laery). Total 8.04.

3rd, South Brighton: (K. Lanyon, P. Ward, K. Laugesen, R. Bliss, R. Wilson, J. Moses). Total 8.60.

Heat 3:

1st, Taylor's Mistake A: (P. Goldsmith, D. Neate, C. Reade, LeCren, McQuire, P. Carpenter). Total 5.80.

2nd, Titahi Bay: (A. Barrat, D. Steele, B. Stanton, M. White, B. Grace, R. Renouf. Total 8.98.

3rd, Eastern United: (N. Kay, R. Boyce, M. Warnock, D. Ritchie, J. Sneyd, I. Given). Total 9.62.

Final:

1st, Waikanae A: (K. Barrett, B. Adams, M. Pickett, D. Colebourne, G. Thompson, B. Green). Total 5.20.

2nd, Taylor's Mistake: (C. Read, W. Maguire, D. Neate, P. Goldsmith, J. LeCrew, P. Carpenter). Total 6.60.

3rd, Waikanae B: (R. Glover, R. McLean, J. Hamilton, W. Jones, B. McLean, J. McLean). Total 6.84.

NEW ZEALAND SENIOR FOUR MAN ALARM CHAMPIONSHIP

Heat 1:

1st, Taylor's Mistake: (D. Neate, P. Goldsmith, W. McGuire, P. Carpenter). Total 1.62.

2nd, Eastern United: (A. Warnock, J. Sneyd, I. Given, D. Ritchie). Total 2.00.

3rd, East End: (D. Hale, T. Corkin, B. Schicker, D. Emett). Total 2.22.

Heat 2:

1st, Waikanae: (M. Pickett, B. Adams, G. Thompson, B. Green). Total 2.88.

2nd, Red Beach: (G. Campbell, R. Harker, P. Dalton, C. Curley). Total 4.00.

3rd, Titahi Bay: (D. Steele, A. Burrett, R. Renouf, B. Stanton). Total 4.68.

Heat 3:

1st, Muriwai: (R. Taylor, N. Harvey, R. Dallimore, J. Thomas). Total 2.70.

2nd, Kiwi: (F. Harbottle, B. Wilson, K. Bennett, G. Larsen). Total 3.80.

3rd, Worser Bay: (D. Coulter, J. Dinnison, R. Verry, C. Billing). Total 4.40.

Heat 4:

1st, Fitzroy: (N. Earley, R. Fraser, B. Velvin, R. Johns). Total 2.62.
2nd, Maranui: (P. Broad, R. Fitzsimmons, R. Gallagher, J. Gallagher). Total 3.00.
3rd, Westshore: (A. Christie, C. Williams, B. Quirk, J. Bastreeter). Total 6.12.

Heat 5:

1st, N.P.O.B.: (K. Wood, J. Paul, T. Taylor, N. Cameron). Total 3.80.
2nd, North Piha: (T. Gibson, G. Mickalick, S. Twigden, B. Isbey). Total 4.72.
3rd, Midway: (W. Gordon, B. Hays, P. Benson, S. Benson). Total 5.46.

Final:

1st, Waikanae: (M. Pickett, B. Adams, G. Thompson, B. Green). Total 2.00.
2nd, Muriwai: (R. Taylor, M. Harvey, R. Dallimore, J. Thomas). Total 3.64.
3rd, East End: (D. Hale, T. Corkin, B. Schicker, D. Emett). Total 3.70.



Jubilant Auckland team members Rob Laery, Rod Taylor and Mike Harvey congratulate champion Reg Harker on his win in the Beltman's Race at the New Zealand Inter-District Championships at Oakura.

Picture courtesy Taranaki Herald.

NEW ZEALAND SENIOR BELTMAN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

Heat 1:

- 1st, Red Beach (R. Harker).
- 2nd Fitzroy (R. Fraser).
- 3rd, Taylor's Mistake (C. Read).

Heat 2:

- 1st, Waikanae B (B. Adams).
- 2nd, Piha B (C. Hurdley).
- 3rd, New Brighton B
(C. Richardson).

Heat 3:

- 1st, East End A (T. Corkin).
- 2nd, Eastern United B
(D. Ritchie).
- 3rd, East End B (K. Roebeck).

Heat 4:

- 1st, Sth. Brighton B (B. Ward).
- 2nd, Island Bay A (M. Sheriff).
- 3rd, Maranui A (P. Fitzsimmons).

Heat 5:

- 1st, Sth. Brighton A (J. Moses).
- 2nd, Nth. Brighton A (M. Hindle).
- 3rd, Pacific (E. Brown).

Heat 6:

- 1st, St. Clair B (D. Kilpatrick).
- 2nd, Worser Bay A (W. Billings).
- 3rd, Lyall Bay A (C. Blakeley).

Heat 7:

- 1st, Waikanae A (R. Bonke).
- 2nd, Murawai A (R. Dallimore).
- 3rd, Island Bay B (P. Cameron).

Heat 8:

- 1st, Muriwai B (J. Jarvis).
- 2nd, Maranui B (C. Metcalfe).
- 3rd, Waimairi B (M. Pope).

Final:

- 1st, Red Beach (R. Harker).
- 2nd, Sth. Brighton (B. Ward).
- 3rd, Sth. Brighton (J. Moses).

NEW ZEALAND SENIOR SURF CANOE CHAMPIONSHIP

(Teams of 4).

Heat 1:

- 1st, Waihi.
- 2nd, East End.
- 3rd, Orewa.

Heat 2:

- 1st, Sumner.
- 2nd, Paekakariki.
- 3rd, Bethells Beach

Heat 3:

- 1st, St. Clair.
- 2nd, Taylor's Mistake B.
- 3rd, Waimairi B.

Heat 4:

- 1st, Muriwai.
- 2nd, Waimairi A.
- 3rd, Taylor's Mistake A.

Repechage Heat:

- 1st, Kiwi.
- 2nd, New Brighton A.
- 3rd, Whakatane.

1st Semi-final:

- 1st, Waihi.
- 2nd, Sumner.
- 3rd, New Brighton.

2nd Semi-final:

- 1st, Muriwai.
- 2nd, Bethells Beach.
- 3rd, Waimairi B.

3rd Semi-final:

- 1st, Taylor's Mistake.
- 2nd, Kiwi.
- 3rd, Waimairi A.

Final:

- 1st, Muriwai.
- 2nd, Waihi.
- 3rd, Sumner.

NEW ZEALAND SENIOR TEAMS (of Four) AND INDIVIDUAL SURF TEAMS RACE CHAMPIONSHIP

Teams

1st, Muriwai; 2nd, Piha; 3rd, Fitzroy.

Individual

Heat 1:

1st, Fitzroy (R. Fraser).
2nd, Piha (D. Gerrard).
3rd, Island Bay (M. Sherriff).

Heat 3:

1st, Sth. Brighton (B. Ward).
2nd, Muriwai (R. Taylor).
3rd, Piha (C. Hurdley).

Heat 2:

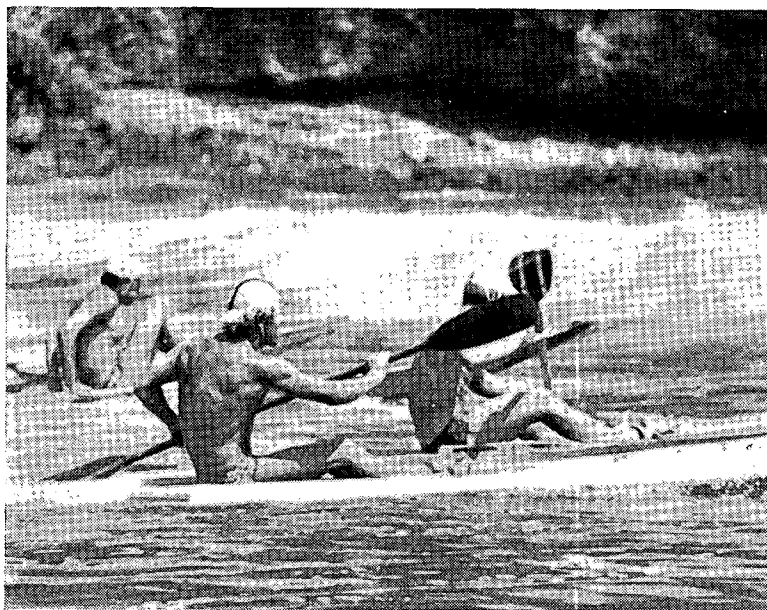
1st, Eastern United (J. Sneyd).
2nd, St. Clair (B. Smith).
3rd, Red Beach (R. Harker).

Heat 4:

1st, West Shore (A. Christie).
2nd, Muriwai (R. Dellimore).
3rd, St. Clair (Killpatrick).

Final:

1st, Red Beach (R. Harker).
2nd, Eastern United (J. Sneyd).
3rd, Fitzroy (Frazer).



Start of a surf ski race at the 1970 New Zealand Championships at Piha.
Foreground: D. Jackman (Muriwai), B. Grace (Titahi Bay), partly obscured.

Picture—Courtesy N.Z. Herald.

NEW ZEALAND SENIOR SURF BOAT CHAMPIONSHIP

Heat 1:

1st, Titahi B.
2nd, Port Waikato.
3rd, Worser Bay A.

Heat 3:

1st, Muriwai C.
2nd, Westshore.
3rd, Waikanae.

1st Semi-final:

1st, Waipu Cove.
2nd, Whakatane.
3rd, South Brighton.

3rd Semi-final:

1st, Westshore.
2nd, Muriwai B.
3rd, Waikanae.

Heat 2:

1st, Titahi Bay A.
2nd, Muriwai A.
3rd equal, Island Bay A and
Lyllall Bay A.

Heat 4:

1st, Muriwai B.
2nd, Waikanae B.
3rd, Lyall Bay B.

2nd Semi-final:

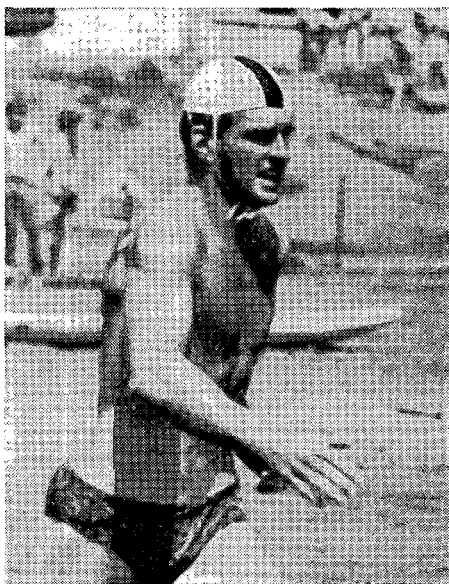
1st, Titahi Bay A.
2nd, Muriwai A.
3rd, Titahi Bay B.

Final:

1st, Whakatane.
2nd, Muriwai A.
3rd, Titahi Bay A.

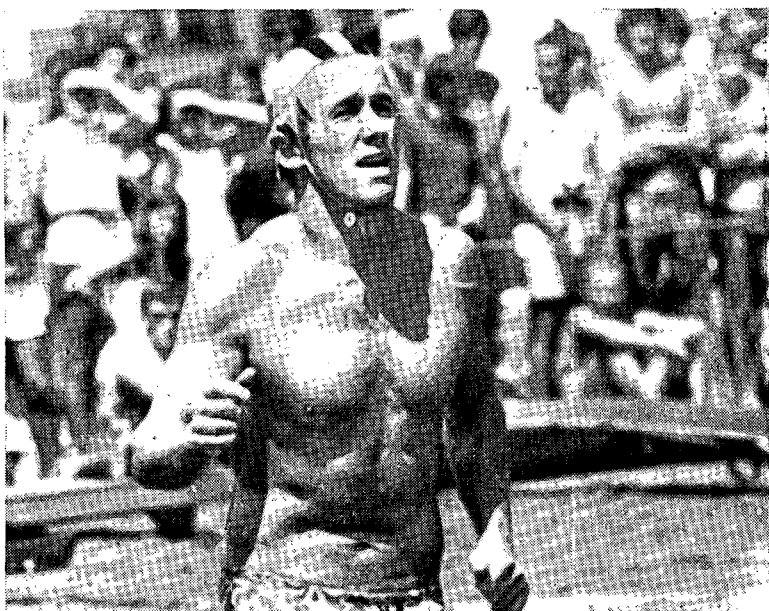
NEW ZEALAND SENIOR MARCH PAST CHAMPIONSHIP

1st, Worser Bay, 29.2; 2nd equal, Sumner and Eastern United,
32.2.



B. GRACE (Titahi Bay), New Zealand Iron Man Champion.

Picture courtesy N.Z. Herald.



**DAVE JACKMAN (Muriwai), runner-up in the New Zealand Iron Man
Championship at Piha.**

Picture—Courtesy N.Z. Herald.

NEW ZEALAND JUNIOR SIX-MAN R. & R. CHAMPIONSHIP

Heat 1:

1st Fitzroy: (R. Philp, N. Robertson, G. Manning, P. Davey, G. Florence, B. Johns). Total 11.06.

2nd, Worsley Bay: (J. Morrison, D. Read, M. Meyers, A. Barriball, C. Phipps-Black, C. McDonald). Total 13.40.

3rd, Kiwi: (W. Arnott, T. Bristoe, M. Wilson, Larsen, Shaw, Ludbriesen). Total 13.48.

Heat 2:

1st, Paekakariki A: (Derbidge, R. Harvey, T. Waterson, Macey, B. Harvey, Carpenter). Total 31.20.

2nd, Westshore: (R. Smith, T. Miles, P. McGill, B. James, M. Pinneen, S. King). Total 31.20.

3rd, East End: (G. Glossan, D. Williamson, D. Lans, K. Ball, A. Marychray, Allen). Total 33.00.

Heat 3:

1st, N.P.O.B.: (R. Thomson, I. Blackmore, W. Paul, A. White, A. Flett, Noddern). Total 29.60.

2nd, Eastern United B: (J. Payne, R. Burce, M. Webb, C. Adams, R. Alnutt, D. Hopkins). Total 30.80.

3rd, Muriwai: (R. Tapsell, D. Burke, M. Vesey, L. Hibbs, L. Morgan, D. Brown). Total 31.40.

Final:

1st, Paekakariki, 8.96; 2nd, N.P.O.B., 8.20; 3rd, St. Kilda, 9.98.

NEW ZEALAND FOUR-MAN ALARM CHAMPIONSHIP

Heat 1:

1st, N.P.O.B.: (N. Hodder, A. Flett, G. Jans, G. White). Total 3.30.
2nd, Sumner: (M. Simms, D. Barton, R. Ramsay, G. Reed).
Total 5.00.

3rd, St. Kilda: (D. Corley, D. Allen, B. Robertson, B. Daniels).
Total 5.80.

Heat 2:

1st, Eastern United: (G. Jones, G. Payne, G. Allnutt, K. Pirie).
Total 4.40.

2nd, Worser Bay: (M. Meyers, J. Morrison, D. Read, G. McDonald). Total 6.80.

3rd, Paekakariki: (C. Derbridge, B. Harvey, W. Macey, D. Carpenter). Total 6.94.

Heat 3:

1st, Bethells Beach: (R. Gardner, G. Martin, M. Thomas, P. Worley). Total 4.80.

2nd, Waikanae: (Sampson, A. Kerr, A. McNabb, B. Adsett).
Total 5.36.

3rd, Fitzroy: (B. Johns, R. Philp, G. Florence, G. Manning).
Total 5.94.

Heat 4:

1st, Mt. Maunganui: (G. Francis, A. Price, S. Turnbull, P. Rutherford). Total 3.60.

2nd, East End: (A. Machray, G. Crossan, D. Laing, P. Allen).
Total 6.90.

3rd, Kiwi: (W. Arnott, M. Wilson, S. Larsen, R. Shaw).
Total 7.92.

Final:

1st, Bethells Beach: (R. Gardner, G. Martin, N. Thomas, P. Worley). Total 4.40.

2nd, Fitzroy: (B. Johns, R. Philp, G. Florence, G. Manning).
Total 4.58.

3rd, N.P.O.B.: (N. Hodder, A. Flett, G. Jans, G. White).
Total 5.32.

NEW ZEALAND JUNIOR BELTMAN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

Heat 1:

1st, Mt. Maunganui (A. Price).

2nd, Eastern United B.

(G. Payne).

3rd, Waihi B (G. Clark).

Heat 3:

1st, N.P.O.B. A (A. Flett).

2nd, Castlecliff B (P. Bullock)

3rd, Kiwi A (W. Arnott).

1st, St. Kilda A (D. Allen).

2nd, Sumner (D. Barton).

3rd, Fitzroy B (R. Philp).

Heat 7:

1st, Fitzroy A (G. Florence).

2nd, Mt. Maunganui B

(T. Bolland).

3rd, Muriwai A (D. Brown).

Final:

1st, Bethells Beach (Nevin).

2nd, St. Kilda (Allen).

3rd, Castlecliff (Hope).

Heat 2:

1st, Castlecliff A (N. Hope).

2nd, Waikanae A (A. Kerr).

3rd, Worser Bay A (J. Morrison)

Heat 4:

1st, Bethells Beach A (M. Nevin)

2nd, Eastern United A.

(D. Hopkins).

3rd, Waihi A (G. Horan).

Heat 6:

1st, Westshore A (S. Tynan).

2nd, East End B (G. Crossan).

3rd, East End A (P. Allen).

Heat 8:

1st, Ruakaka A (D. Fergusson).

2nd, Paekakariki A (B. Harvey).

3rd, Waipu Cove A (D. Kokich).

NEW ZEALAND JUNIOR TEAMS of Four) AND INDIVIDUAL SURF RACE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Teams

1st, Bethells Beach; 2nd, New Brighton; 3rd, Waikanae.

Individual

Heat 1:

1st, Waikanae (A. Kerr).
2nd, Bethells Beach (M. Niven).
3rd, Waipu Cove (J. Cole).

Heat 2:

1st, Fitzroy (R. Philp).
2nd, Mt. Maunganui (A. Price).
3rd, Bethells Beach (I. Harding).

Heat 3:

1st, Bethells Beach (G. Martin).
2nd, St. Kilda (C. Allen).
3rd, Castlecliff (I. Hope).

Heat 4:

1st, Paekakariki (B. Harvey).
2nd, Midway (B. Campbell).
3rd, New Brighton (R. Tweedie).

Final:

1st, Waikanae (A. Kerr).
2nd, Mt. Maunganui (A. Price).
3rd, Bethells Beach (G. Martin).

NEW ZEALAND JUNIOR SURF BOAT CHAMPIONSHIP

Race 1:

1st, Titahi Bay A.
2nd, Muriwai.
3rd, New Brighton.

Race 2:

1st, Worser Bay.
2nd, Titahi Bay A.
3rd, Muriwai.

Race 3:

1st, Titahi Bay A.
2nd, Worser Bay.
3rd, New Brighton.

Final:

1st, Worser Bay, 8 points.
2nd, Titahi Bay A, 7 points.
3rd, Titahi Bay B, on count-
back, 5 points.

NEW ZEALAND SURF CANOE CHAMPIONSHIP

(Teams of four).

First Race Series:

Heat 1:

1st, New Brighton A.
2nd, Sumner.

Heat 2:

1st, Waimairi.
2nd, New Brighton B.
3rd, Paekakariki.

Second Race Series:

Heat 2:

1st, Waimairi.
2nd, New Brighton B.
3rd, Paekakariki.

1st, Sumner.
2nd, New Brighton A.
3rd, Palmerston North.

Third Race Series:

Heat 1:

1st, New Brighton A.
2nd, New Brighton B.
3rd, Paekakariki.

Heat 2:

1st, Waimairi.
2nd, Sumner.
3rd, Palmerston North.

Final:

1st, New Brighton A, 15.
2nd, Waimairi, 15.
3rd, Sumner, 12.

NEW ZEALAND JUNIOR MARCH PAST CHAMPIONSHIP

1st, Eastern United, 36.6; 2nd, Sumner, 38.8; 3rd, Titahi Bay, 44.6.

NEW ZEALAND LADIES' SIX-MAN R. & R. CHAMPIONSHIP

Heat 1:

1st, Paekakariki: (Millar, Brock, Hodge, F. Quirk, Cheesman, C. Quirk). Total 10.40.

2nd, East End: (Hannah K., B. Firth, L. Mahray, P. Walker, K. Winstanley, M. Drautzki). Total 11.02.

3rd, Island Bay: (F. Watt, Hadand, Ranudfased, Cameron, Morpath, M. McFarlan). Total 15.58.

Heat 2:

1st, South Brighton: (L. MacKenzie, R. Gibson, J. Harhwich, J. Ancell, C. Symons, K. Harhwich). Total 8.66.

2nd, Scorching Bay: (S. Gardner, J. Rothell, P. Bullock, B. Smith, B. Phipps-Black). Total 14.00.

3rd, Wellington: (L. Smith, J. Newport, K. Burns, L. Watson, C. McGuinness, S. Morgan). Total 15.28.

Final:

1st, Moana Rua: (E. Boberg, B. McKenzie, R. Ellison, R. Howie, L. Murry, J. Gunn). Total 11.00.

2nd, Island Bay: (J. Randerson, J. Watt, L. Morpeth, S. Cameron, M. McFarlane, V. Harland). Total 17.52.

3rd, South Brighton: (K. Harliwich, R. Gibson, J. Harliwich, J. Ansell, L. McKenzie, Cy Symonds). Total 26.40.

NEW ZEALAND LADIES' FOUR-MAN ALARM CHAMPIONSHIP

Heat 1:

1st, East End A: (L. Machray, K. Hannan, K. Winstanley, M. Drayitzki). Total 2.60.

2nd, South Brighton: (J. McAlister, K. Harliwich, J. Ancell, L. MacKenzie). Total 3.38.

3rd, Taylor's Mistake: (S. Neale, N. Tinga, C. Duckmantion, L. Hunter). Total 4.66.

Heat 2:

1st, Waitemata A: (J. White, K. Leitch, H. Gillespie, F. Bowsie). Total 6.20.

2nd, Central Brighton: (L. Connor, M. Richardson, B. Rudkin, A. Dynes). Total 5.92.

3rd, Titahi Bay: (G. Zimmerman, B. Wheeler, E. Timbs, J. Timbs). Total 6.06.

Heat 3:

1st, Waimairi B: (A. Johnstone, J. Monat, A. Davies, J. Selman). Total 4.84.

2nd, Paekakariki A: (C. Quirk, P. Brock, J. Hodge, E. Stewart). Total 5.20.

3rd, Wellington Ladies B: (A. Myjer, L. Watson, K. Burns, I. ???). Total 5.34.

Final:

1st, Paekakariki A: (C. Quirk, P. Brock, J. Hodge, E. Stewart). Total 5.80.

2nd, Waitemata: (J. White, K. Leitch, H. Gillespie, F. Bowsie). Total 8.38.

3rd, Waimairi: (A. Johnston, J. Mouat, A. Davies, J. Selman). Total 9.14.

NEW ZEALAND LADIES' BELTMAN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

Heat 1:

- 1st, Wellington B.
- 2nd, Gisborne A.
- 3rd, East End B.

Heat 2:

- 1st, Paekakariki.
- 2nd, Sumner A.
- 3rd, Island Bay.

Heat 3:

- 1st, Wellington A.
- 2nd, Pacific.
- 3rd, Titahi Bay.

Heat 4:

- 1st, Moana Rua A.
- 2nd, Moana Rua B.
- 3rd, Central Brighton.

Final:

- 1st, Wellington, Smith.
- 2nd, Wellington (Hatchwell).
- 3rd, Moana Rua (Donaldson).

NEW ZEALAND LADIES' TEAMS (of Four) AND INDIVIDUAL SURF RACE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Teams

- 1st, Moana Rua, 18; 2nd, N.P.O.B., 27; 3rd, Paekakariki, 30.

Individual

Heat 1:

- 1st, B. Boberg (Moana Rua).
- 2nd, L. Smith (Wgtn Ladies).
- 3rd, B. Shepard (Waihi).

Heat 2:

- 1st, G. Donaldson (Moana Rua).
- 2nd, S. Cheeseman (Paekak.).
- 3rd, K. Hodder (N.P.O.B.)

Final:

- 1st, Moana Rua (G. Donaldson).
- 2nd, Moana Rua (B. Broberg).
- 3rd, Wgtn Ladies (S. Hatchwell).

NEW ZEALAND LADIES' MARCH PAST CHAMPIONSHIP

- 1st, Waitemata Ladies, 32.4; 2nd, East End, 34.2; 3rd Wellington Ladies, 35.2.

NEW ZEALAND IRON MAN CHAMPIONSHIP

- 1st, Titahi Bay (Wellington), B. Grace; 2nd Muriwai (Auckland), D. Jackson; 3rd, Taylor's Mistake (Christchurch), D. Neate.

NEW ZEALAND TAPLIN RELAY CHAMPIONSHIP

- 1st, Taylor's Mistake (Canterbury); 2nd, Muriwai (Auckland); 3rd, Waikanae (Gisborne).

NEW ZEALAND SURF SKI RESCUE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Heat 1:

- 1st, Piha A (G. Mauger).
- 2nd, Taylor's Mistake
(R. Hopkins).
- 3rd, Orewa B (P. Ward).

Heat 2:

- 1st, Mt. Maunganui (B. Magee).
- 2nd, Bethells B. (H. Merritt).
- 3rd, East End B (B. Rattray).

Heat 3:

- 1st, Piha B. (M. Bray).
- 2nd, Mt. Maunganui (T. Dell).
- 3rd, Wainui (J. Mazengarb).

Heat 4:

- 1st, Waimairi B (R. Davies).
- 2nd, Midway (W. Gordon).
- 3rd, Waihi A (D. Harris).

Heat 5:

- 1st, Sumner M (G. Teear).
- 2nd, Titahi B (B. Grace).
- 3rd, Westshore A (B. Dennehy).

Final:

- 1st, Piha (G. Mauger).
- 2nd, Mt. Maunganui (Magee).
- 3rd, Sumner (Tear).

NEW ZEALAND INDIVIDUAL SURF SKI CHAMPIONSHIP

Heat 1:

- 1st, Muriwai (G. Butt).
- 2nd, Mt. Maunganui (T. Dell).
- 3rd, Piha H (R. Curtice).

Heat 3:

- 1st, Muriwai E (D. Jackmon).
- 2nd, Red Beach B (P. Way).
- 3rd, Bethells Beach B
(H. Merritt).

Heat 5:

- 1st, Titahi B (B. Grace).
- 2nd, Piha B (M. Bray).
- 3rd, Piha A (G. Mauger).

Heat 7:

- 1st, Muriwai B (K. Riley).
- 2nd, Waimairi C (R. Mouat).
- 3rd, Sumner A (G. Teear).

Heat 9:

- 1st, Waimairi B (P. Davies).
- 2nd, Sumner B (B. Marshall).
- 3rd, Muriwai C (P. Von Zalinski)

Heat 2:

All competitors in this heat were disqualified.

Heat 4:

- 1st, Orewa B (B. Ward).
- 2nd, Waikanae A
(G. Colebourne).
- 3rd, Piha C (E. Cox).

Heat 6:

- 1st, Waimairi A (J. Hughes).
- 2nd, Midway (W. Gordon).
- 3rd, Waikanae B (J. McLean).

Heat 8:

- 1st, Sumner C (J. Simms).
- 2nd, Muriwai A (R. Goodman).
- 3rd, East End A (D. Emett).

Heat 10:

- 1st, Waihi B (D. Harris).
- 2nd Taylor's Bay A (R. Hopkins)
- 3rd, St. Clair (B. Leask).

Final:

- 1st, Muriwai (D. Jackman).
- 2nd, Muriwai (G. Butt).
- 3rd, Waimairi (P. Davies).

NEW ZEALAND PADDLE BOARD CHAMPIONSHIP (Hollow).

Heat 1:

- 1st, Piha A (M. Bray).
- 2nd, Muriwai (D. Jackman).
- 3rd, Taylor's Mistake C
(P. Goldsmith).

Heat 2:

- 1st, Taylor's Mistake B
(J. McDermott).
- 2nd, Titahi Bay (B. Grace).
- 3rd, Taylor's Mistake A
(Q. Neate).

Final:

- 1st, Titahi Bay (Grace).
- 2nd, Muriwai (D. Jackman).
- 3rd, Taylor's Mistake
(McDermott).

NEW ZEALAND MALIBU BOARD CHAMPIONSHIP

Heat 1:

- 1st, Island A (B. Broughton).
- 2nd, Waikanae B.
- 3rd, West Shore B.

Heat 2:

- 1st, Piha B (G. Mauger).
- 2nd, Waipu B (G. Adams).
- 3rd, Muriwai D.

Heat 3:

- 1st, St. Clair A (B. Benfall).
- 2nd, Bethells B (M. Worley).
- 3rd, Piha G (B. Clark).

Heat 4:

- 1st, Titahi B (B. Grace).
- 2nd, Waipu C (I. Hill).
- 3rd, Maranui A (R. Newport).

Heat 5:

- 1st, Piha A (M. Bray).
- 2nd, Wainui C (D. Williams).
- 3rd, Ruakaka A (D. Fergusson).

Heat 7:

- 1st, Waipu A (Frazerhurst).
- 2nd, St. Clair B (S. James).
- 3rd, Muriwai A (D. Jackman).

Heat 9:

- 1st, Ht. Maunganui
(G. McDonnell).
- 2nd, Red Beach (P. Way).
- 3rd, Kiwi B (G. Percy).

Heat 6:

- 1st, Taylor's Mistake A
D. Neate).
- 2nd, Piha C (E. Cox).
- 3rd, Lyall Bay A (W. Martlew).

Heat 8:

- 1st, Red Beach B (J. Hoysted).
- 2nd, Maranui B (P. Fitzsimons).
- 3rd, Piha E (D. Cox).

Heat 10:

- 1st, Paekakariki B (K. Macey).
- 2nd, Taylor's Mistake D
(D. Hunter).
- 3rd, Sumner B (J. Sims).

Final:

- 1st, Waipu (Frazerhurst).
- 2nd, Island Bay (Broughton).
- 3rd, Titahi Bay (Grace).

NEW ZEALAND 100 YARDS BEACH SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIP**Heat 1:**

- 1st, Bethells B (G. Sorrell).
- 2nd, Waihi B (B. Heath).
- 3rd, Island Bay (Jensen).

Heat 2:

- 1st, Red Beach A (C. Curley).
- 2nd, Taylor's Mistake A
(P. Carpenter).
- 39rd, Waipu Cove B
(G. Shannahan).

Heat 3:

- 1st, Muriwai A (K. Riley).
- 2nd, North Piha B (T. Twigden).
- 3rd, New Brighton (W. Faass).

Heat 4:

- 1st, Worser Bay A (C. Billing).
- 2nd, Piha A (C. Wetzell).
- 3rd, Piha B (P. Collis).

Heat 5:

- 1st, Waipu Cove A (G. Dearlove).
- 2nd, Muriwai B (T. Tarlos).
- 3rd, Mairangi Bay B
(N. Brookes).

Final:

- 1st, Waipu Cove (Dearlove).
- 2nd, Red Beach (Curley).
- 3rd, Worser Bay (Billings).
- 4th, Muriwai (Riley).

NEW ZEALAND BEACH RELAY CHAMPIONSHIP**Heat 1:**

- 1st, Bethells Beach.
- 2nd, New Brighton
- 3rd, Sumner

Heat 2:

- 1st, Muriwai.
- 2nd, Worser Bay.
- 3rd, North Piha.

Heat 3:

- 1st, Taylor's Mistake.
- 2nd, Waihi.
- 3rd, Red Beach.

Final:

- 1st, Muriwai.
- 2nd, Taylor's Mistake.
- 3rd, Bethell's Beach.

THE ALLEN GARDNER MEMORIAL TROPHY

1st, Muriwai, 27 points; 2nd, Waikanae, 19 points; 3rd equal, Bethell's Beach, Titahi Bay, 12 points.

1971 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Applications for the conduct of the 1971 National Championships were received from the Canterbury and Western Districts Associations, the event being allocated by the Annual General Meeting to the Canterbury Association.

Following receipt of a recommendation from that Association the Council approved the holding of the event at the Waimairi Beach over the weekend of Friday, Saturday, Sunday, the 5/6/7th March.

RESTRICTED NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

It will be recalled that the 1968 Annual General Meeting, on the recommendation of an instructional conference, adopted a plan under which entries for national championships would be restricted and would allow the combined holding of the Inter-Districts and National Championships over a three-day period to incorporate style board riding, in addition to the Iron Man and Taplin Relay.

Following on this decision a suggested three-day programme was circulated and approved but since that time District Associations have given further consideration to the whole question of restricted entries and the matter came forward again for consideration at the last Annual General Meeting when it was finally decided that the new system be introduced in the 1970/71 season.

Under this decision restricted entries will apply at the forthcoming national championships, although the whole matter will come forward again at the forthcoming annual conference when a motion to rescind decision of the 1968 conference to institute restricted championships will come forward for debate.

VISIT OF N.S.W. COUNTRY TEAM

During the season we were pleased to welcome a team of 15 members accompanied by Max Sabien as team manager and Bill Singleton as team instructor, which arrived at Auckland on Friday, 9th January and following an extensive three weeks' tour, returned to Sydney from Christchurch on Monday, 2nd February.

Following a most successful carnival held in Auckland the team travelled by bus to Mount Maunganui, Gisborne, Napier, Himatangi, Wellington and Christchurch, in which areas carnivals were arranged, and the tour included a sightseeing visit to Rotorua and other opportunities were provided to view New Zealand from the scenic angle, including travel to the South Island via Picton with a stay-over in that area.

The team proved most popular and registered excellent team and individual performances at the various carnivals. Your Council expresses thanks to the various District Associations which received the visitors and for the hospitality which was extended.

SHARK PROTECTION

We refer again to the tragic loss of life at the St. Clair and St. Kilda beaches which is still fresh in our mind and to the apparent lack of action to renew the confidence of the public in those areas where the Association accepted the challenge and despite the expense involved sponsored meetings in Dunedin which subsequently resulted in a donor being found to meet the cost of providing shark meshing for the particular beaches, which is considered the only satisfactory method of providing against shark attack.

The purchase and preparation of the nets was arranged by your Council and the first shark net was laid at St. Clair beach just prior to the Christmas holiday period.

Despite outspoken criticism the success of the venture has been proved in that five man-eating white pointer sharks ranging from 10ft. to 16ft. in length have been caught in the one net and it is pointed out particularly that under the sponsorship received four nets will be available for setting next season. It is intended that one net be set at Moanarua, St. Kilda and St. Clair beaches, with one net held in reserve, although in the above the problem will be faced of setting and lifting, which has to be carried out regularly.

Except for the action of your Council based on the above results, it is not beyond possibility that further attacks could have taken place and we feel justified in recording that the meshing of St. Kilda beach has proven the value of this system of shark control. However, little response has been received from local bodies in regard to meshing of other beaches and it is intended that the whole matter be brought forward for general discussion at the annual conference, as it is apparent that the Association is not in a position to carry out the work and meeting any costs associated with beach meshing.

ROTHMANS INSURANCE

Once again we express our deep appreciation to Rothmans Foundation for their sponsorship of the insurance scheme under which all active members of affiliated clubs are covered against death or accident whilst engaged in the activities associated with the Surf Lifesaving movement.

All members should be aware of this valuable cover and once again we would ask that all members give individual publicity to our sponsors.

We report that special declaration forms have now been prepared by the Council and will be issued to affiliated clubs to simplify the question of the declaring of active membership for the purpose of the insurance scheme.

It is pleasing to report that associated with the insurance scheme Rothmans Foundation agreed to meet the cost of membership cards and it is most regrettable to have to advise that the package in which the folders were consigned was lost in transit, which was most unfortunate in view of the cost involved in the preparation of the plastic covered folders.

It is pleasing to report that Rothmans have already commenced the preparation of further membership cards and these will be available shortly for issue to all financial members of the movement through their local clubs.

GENERAL FOODS CORPORATION N.Z. LTD.

It is very pleasing to be able to report that advice was received from General Foods Corporation N.Z. Ltd., to the effect that it had been decided to extend financial support to the Association for the conduct of our National Championships for a further period. This assistance has been in the form of a grant of \$1000 to the Association conducting the National Championships, which sum has been expended in the provision of free lunches for competitors and meeting the cost of other essential expenditure directly relating to club attendance at our national fixture. Our appreciation is extended to General Foods for this very valuable help.

DOMINION LIFE ASSURANCE OFFICE OF N.Z. LIMITED

We acknowledge unreservedly the most valuable financial assistance received from the Dominion Life Assurance Office, the sum involved being expended to off-set part of the cost of the rescue tubes imported from the U.S.A. following the successful demonstration of this equipment by the representatives of the S.L.S. Association of America, who visited this country during the current season.

The rescue tubes were suitably stencilled in acknowledgment of this most appreciated assistance.



Representatives of the Surf Life Saving Association of America.

Left to right: Logan Lockabey, Phil Stubbs, Max Bowman.

NEW ZEALAND BREWERIES LIMITED

It is with pleasure that we record that following discussions held with the management of New Zealand Breweries at the time of the National Championships a grant has been received from that organisation of \$500 and our most grateful thanks are extended to that company for their generosity. The question of the expenditure of the grant has been passed over to the Subsidies Committee of the Association.

KINDRED ORGANISATIONS

We acknowledge the assistance and co-operation which has been received from the Royal Life Saving Society, the New Zealand Amateur Swimming Association, and the National Water Safety Committee in our active campaign to reduce the loss of life through drowning.

This work has been assisted through our reciprocal representation arrangement with the Royal Life Saving Society and the New Zealand Amateur Swimming Association and we take this opportunity of expressing our thanks to our delegates to the respective organisations.

PAID ADMINISTRATOR

The question of the employment of a paid administrator was considered by your Council and it was decided to proceed with the object of making an appointment before the 1st May and regret to have to record that following the interview of apparent suitable applicants the person selected was not able to accept the appointment for domestic reasons.

In view of the expansion of the work of the Association coupled with the demands made on voluntary officers, it has been apparent that the employment of paid assistance is essential and whilst the matter of the appointment of an administrator has been deferred temporarily your Council has proceeded in the obtaining of Association Headquarters and it is intended to take early action in the employment of a part-time clerk/typist to provide more expeditious handling of the day-to-day affairs of the Association.

The above action is in line with that in Australia, where the employment of a female clerk/typist has proved of considerable value.



1970 TEAM ARRIVING IN AUSTRALIA

ASSOCIATION HEADQUARTERS

Since the question of the obtaining of adequate Headquarters came forward many years ago, the special committee appointed has considered the purchase of various properties and we are extremely indebted to our Hon. Architect, Mr. W. E. Lavelle, for the considerable time which he has given in his guidance of the Committee and for his comprehensive reports, on which have been based the decisions of the committee.

Following on the recommendation of our Hon. Architect the attention of the Committee was directed to rental property and it is pleasing to be able to state that the Association concluded a most satisfactory arrangement for the occupancy of an excellent room conveniently situated in the R.S.A. Building, Victoria Street, which is sufficiently large to provide for the holding of the meetings of the Management Committee and the New Zealand Council.

The re-investment of the funds held in our Building Account will more than provide finance to cover the rental involved and although the present arrangement will not provide storage accommodation for gear and equipment, same will be of extreme value in consolidating the control of our activities.

APPRECIATION

Over many years past the generosity extended to us by the business community has played a most important part in the welfare of the Association and we acknowledge the assistance which has been extended to the Association and also the support which our District Associations have received locally. In particular we would like to refer especially to the following assistance received:

Union Steam Ship Co. N.Z. Ltd.

Our appreciation for the concessions granted to us in the carriage of gear and equipment in club attendance at our national championships.

Wellington Harbour Board:

For the concessions granted in the payment of wharfage on lifesaving gear carried by our teams to and from our national championships.

Lyttelton Harbour Board:

We acknowledge the assistance which has been received in the remission of wharfage charges on lifesaving gear carried to and from the venue of our national championships.

Intellectually Handicapped Children's Society :

We sincerely appreciate the facilities extended to us in the provision of accommodation for meetings of the Management Committee of the Association.

During the last 12 months we have received help from many of our affiliated clubs in providing accommodation for meetings of the Association, the Press in the publicity received, and the N.Z. Broadcasting Corporation for radio and television coverage of our activities, and many other companies and individuals and we would like to make it known that we sincerely appreciate this assistance, which has played an important part in the conclusion of a further successful season.

SURF LIFESAVING ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH AFRICA

Advice has been received to the effect that the Surf Lifesaving Association of South Africa has accepted an invitation extended by the Surf Lifesaving Association of Australia to send a team of 15 competitors accompanied by two officials to visit Australia and tentative arrangements have been made for the team to arrive in Brisbane about the 23rd February 1971 for a progressive tour extending over a period of 4/5 weeks.

Your Council has received a letter from the Surf Lifesaving Association of South Africa advising that they would welcome the opportunity for their team to visit New Zealand prior to competing in Australian States, it being suggested that the team could arrive in New Zealand about the 11th February, finally departing on the 23rd February.

The visit of the team would give the opportunity for a renewal of the competitive association with our sister organisation and could result in an improvement in our rescue techniques which has been so apparent following our recent associations with the Surf Lifesaving Association of America.

Should an invitation be extended to visit our country we would be obliged to meet all accommodation and travel costs within New Zealand and in view of this fact and other matters arising it has been decided that the whole question be referred to the forthcoming Annual General Meeting for final consideration.



**National Selectors K. Farey, D. Tarrant, and I. Wilson
deliberating at trial at Piha.**

EXTERNAL CARDIAC MESSAGE

Whilst the question of the adoption of external cardiac massage into our examinations and drill methods was a subject of discussion at the last Australian Instructional Conference at which our Association was represented by S. D. Tarrant and H. J. K. Farey, no action was recommended in view of the technical aspects of application and recognition of cardiac arrest, but this whole question together with other matters which have come forward in the application of artificial respiration were referred to a Medical Advisory Panel called by the Surf L.S. Association of Australia.

This meeting was held in Sydney on the 15/16th May 1970, at which the various State centres of the Australian Association were represented by highly qualified members of the medical fraternity, with particular reference to heart lung resuscitation, and we were most grateful to receive an invitation to be represented at this conference and were most fortunate in that Dr. Stuart Peddie was able to represent the Association, having in mind his extensive knowledge of the subjects for consideration.

The most comprehensive report received from Dr. Peddie indicated the value of the meeting and in view of the recommendations contained therein a meeting of the Australian Board of Reference was held in Sydney on 31st July, at which our Hon. Chief Instructor, H. J. K. Farey, was present by invitation, representing our Association, when the question of the augmentation of the decisions of the panel could be placed into effect.

Every facility was extended to our District Associations to express their views on the subject matter coming before the Board of Reference meeting and we can advise that it was decided that external cardiac massage be incorporated into competition and drill procedures in the forthcoming season.

At the present time the Australian Association is giving urgent attention to the preparation of a supplement for inclusion in the new Australian Handbook, relative to cardiac massage, and it is anticipated that same will comprise approximately 12 pages and will include visual aids together with competition deductions.

It is apparent that the new drill procedures will have to be included in our four-man competition drill and it is intended that the many subjects resulting from the meeting of the Medical Panel be brought forward for discussion at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

The immediate problem of training surf patrol members in the application of external cardiac massage prior to the commencement of the new season will place heavy responsibilities on the movement and arrangements have already been concluded to bring forward the necessary training aids.

RESCUES

During the season a total of 526 rescues were reported by affiliated clubs which has almost doubled the number recorded for the previous year and in fact is a record number for any season in the history of the Association. The fact that no drownings occurred in patrolled areas when surf patrols were on duty coupled with the

high number of reported rescues fully justifies the work of the Association and is indicative of the devotion and skill of members of surf patrols.

It is interesting to note that from the total reported rescues 86 were carried out with trailerised equipment, which indicates the value of such gear which can be transported to the scene of the rescue with a minimum of delay. It is also interesting to report that of the total rescues successfully carried out only 135 were actually effected in patrolled areas and the disturbing total of 391 were actually performed in unpatrolled sections of beaches.

For statistical purposes we record details of the rescues, setting out the method in which same were effected:

Rescues with line and belt	136
Rescues without line and belt	268
Rescues with surf ski	60
Rescues with paddle board	32
Rescues with surf canoe/boat	9
Rescues by other means	21
	<hr/> 526 <hr/>

From the persons rescued 7 required the application of artificial respiration and rescue reports reveal that first-aid was applied in 795 cases.

ROTHMANS TRAILER GRANT

It is very pleasing to report the success of the negotiations carried out by representatives of the Canterbury District S.L.S. Association with Rothmans Sports Foundation under which the cost of materials for the construction of five rescue trailers based on the plans submitted by the Sumner Surf L.S. Club, will be available annually and our congratulations are extended to the particular committee and to the Rothmans Sports Foundation for this assistance.

The following is the report received from the special committee appointed by the Council in respect of the allocation of the grant in the inaugural year:

"We have been most fortunate in receiving from Rothmans Sports Foundation sponsorship of Rescue Trailers.

The sponsorship was arranged by Mr. J. Derbyshire of the Canterbury S.L.S.A., and power was given to that Association to conduct its administration. To this end a sub-committee comprising Messrs. Derbyshire (convenor), I. A. Craig and G. J. Silvester, was appointed to carry out this task.

The sponsorship consists of a grant of \$750 per year for five years with an allocation of \$150 per club on the completion of a rescue trailer as designed by the Sumner S.L.S.C.

Applications for sponsorship were called in November 1969 and May 1970. Applications from the November call totalled nine from which the following clubs were successful:

Balclutha S.L.S.C.
Oreti S.L.S.C.
Wainui S.L.S.C.
Kare Kare S.L.S.C.
Sumner S.L.S.C.

Applications from the May 1970 call are still being received and will be considered shortly along with the unsuccessful November applicants."

SUMMARY OF MEMBERSHIP AND GEAR

It is very pleasing to be able to report a substantial increase in the active membership of the Association and no doubt the above most satisfactory position can be attributed in part to the interest affiliated clubs are extending to the junior section of club activity, and in view of the success which has been apparent in the "nipper" scheme we can look forward optimistically to further increases in later years.

The following is a summary of membership compared with the three preceding seasons:

	1966/67	1967/68	1968/69	1969/70
Active membership	2353	2374	2323	2853
Other classifications	2547	2024	2700	2333
	<u>4900</u>	<u>4398</u>	<u>5023</u>	<u>5186</u>

The value of surf lifesaving gear and equipment owned directly by affiliated clubs totals \$93,818, which is substantially higher than the figure of last season, which was \$75,395, and is indicative of the more sophisticated equipment being purchased by clubs in the form of surf boats, jet rescue craft, and trailerised rescue gear.

The above figure does not take into consideration the cost of buildings owned and maintained by affiliated clubs.

AWARDS

Unfortunately it is not possible to state the total number of awards gained during the season and individual details will be submitted to the Annual General Meeting. According to annual returns of clubs a total of 310 surf Bronze Medallions were gained but of course this figure is subject to check.

The returns indicate that 26 members gained Instructors' Awards. Through the efforts of club instructors 269 members gained the R.L.S.S. Bronze Medallion, which is a pre-requisite for our Surf Medallion.

PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT 1969/70

This year's public relations activities have continued at a satisfactory level and the District Public Relations Officers have done much to improve the coverage given by the various media.

With the visit to New Zealand by the three American instructors there has been a definite shift in the emphasis given to our movement by the Press and Broadcasting authorities. This was one of the aspects which affected the coverage given to the National Championships. The media's interest in new equipment and techniques has made it easier for many of our patrols to approach sponsors and whilst a major sponsorship for the whole movement was not unfortunately successful, the overall support given by the business community and private sponsors has increased to the benefit and efficiency of our patrols.

The competitive side of our activities did not, however, become completely overshadowed and the District Public Relations Officers can feel more than satisfied with the support they gained through the local media.

One factor which can be said to have been major in the poor coverage given in some areas to the New Zealand titles at Piha, was the counter attractions of the New Zealand Athletic and Rowing championships, both of which had the added glamour of Commonwealth Games representation as a prize for good performances. The two Auckland newspapers, the New Zealand Herald and the Auckland Star, provided copy to the New Zealand Press Association and this was used by the newspapers in many areas, whilst in some districts very little of information was used.

The tour of Australia by the New Zealand team received scant notice in much of the Australian Press and therefore with the exception of Queensland and South Australia, the Australian Associated Press did not release much information through the overseas wire services. It has been recommended that if we are to get full publicity value from these tours, then it is essential that we have someone travelling with the team who is accredited by the Press Association and can send back regular reports for release by the media in New Zealand. This is being done by other sports and they have shown that the expense involved has been more than recompensed by the good coverage gained.

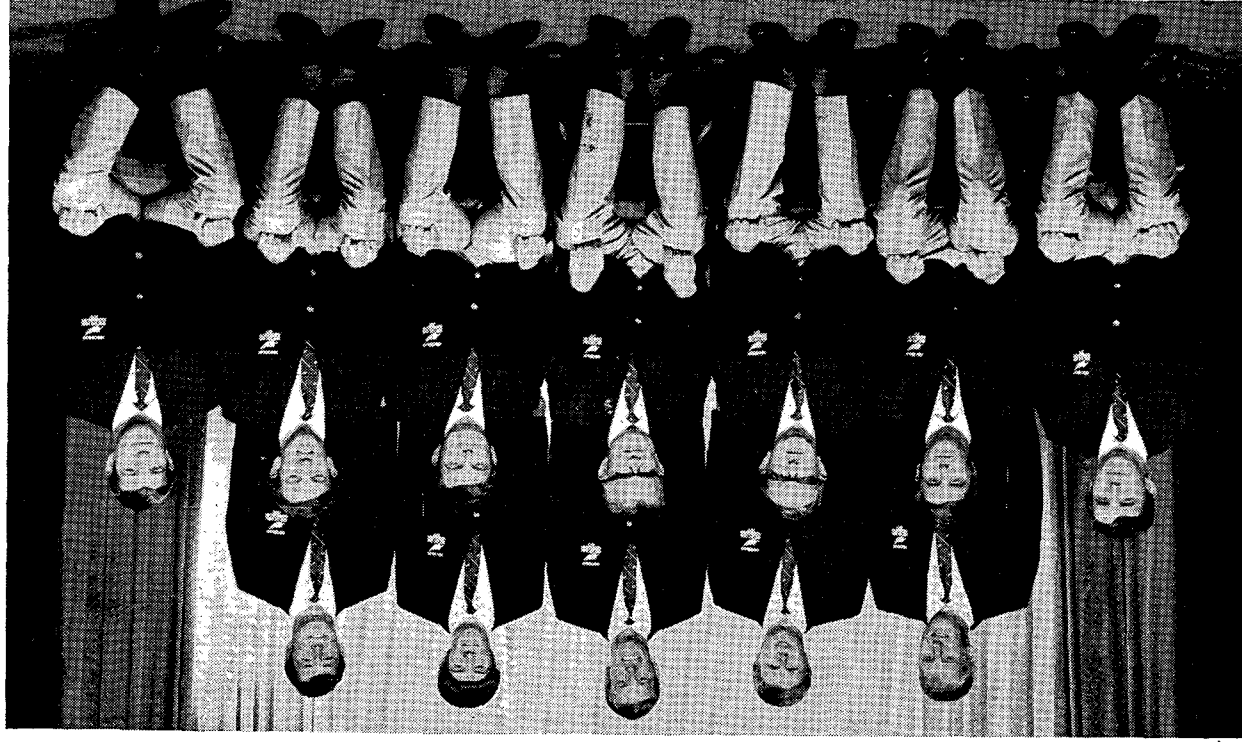
The Public Relations Officers' conference held in October last did much to get the various districts operating along similar lines and already three areas have asked for a further conference this year to review the past year's activities and to plan further progress.

RESCUE MAGAZINE is becoming consolidated and with a second issue each season the value of the publication will increase. However, it will require a greater assistance from all members of the movement if we are to make RESCUE a great publication. Before leaving this subject I wish to acknowledge and thank Mr. Cedric Mentiplay for his very great assistance over the past season in preparing and sub-editing the majority of the copy used in the last two issues. His professional knowledge of journalism has helped materially in giving the publication a professional appearance.

Finally I would like to thank all district public relations officers as well as national and district officers for their assistance in my first year as without their help I would have been unable to carry out my office.

BOB ROGERS,
National Public Relations Officer.

THE REPRESENTATIVE TEAM WHICH VISITED AUSTRALIA 1970.



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HAWKE'S BAY—

Kiwi	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12	2	3	—	28	22	1500
Ocean Beach	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	—	—	—	17	20	330
Pacific	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	57	12	500
Waimarama	—	11	—	—	—	—	2	1	20	5	12	1	36	98	500
Westshore	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12	7	2	4	44	35	500

TARANAKI—

East End	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	9	—	58	36	1000
Fitzroy	29	8	—	1	—	—	—	—	3	7	3	—	207	185	1000
N.P.O.B.	23	4	1	—	—	—	—	1	6	6	6	—	45	57	1400
Ohawe	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	—	12	2	300
Opunake	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	69	750
Patea	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	300
Waitara	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	17	9	1	16	13	500

WESTERN DISTRICTS—

Castlecliff	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	4	—	4	1	23	23	2700
Castlecliff Ladies	—	—	—	In Recess.				—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Palmerston North	4	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	6	1	1	—	33	33	2300
Foxton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	4	350
Levin-Waitarere	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	—	—	—	10	10	900
Otaki	—	12	—	6	—	—	—	—	6	—	—	—	18	18	240

WELLINGTON—

Island Bay	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	6	16	1	40	31	800
Lyall Bay	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Maranui	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	52	31	2000
Paekakariki	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	8	8	1	47	82	2000
Riversdale	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Scorching Bay Ladies	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	2	—	7	8	200
Titahi Bay	6	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	34	20	8	1	89	56	3500
Titahi Bay Ladies	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	6	3	—	18	8	100
Wellington Ladies	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	10	10	215
Worser Bay	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	24	1	5	1	82	89	2500

CANTERBURY—

Cen. Brighton Ladies ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	20	—	272
Kotuku	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
New Brighton	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	4	6	8	—	254	86	1500
North Beach	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	9	—	30	35	1950
Pegasus	—	23	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	2	—	21	10	500
South Brighton	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	6	1	215	3	5450
Spencer Park	2	40	—	—	—	—	—	2	11	8	—	40	6	100
Sumner	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	5	13	1	65	6	752
Taylor's Mistake	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	9	1	40	—	1200
Waimairi	1	15	1	—	1	—	—	10	3	6	—	64	40	600

OTAGO—

Balclutha	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	12	4	1	31	15	600
Brighton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	—	14	—	2000
Oreti	—	—	—	No Return.										
Moanarua Ladies	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	9	2	22	10	820
St. Clair	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	—	—	34	49	2920
St. Kilda	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	3	6	1	42	33	3000
Kaka Point	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Individual Clubs —

Rarangi	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	6	30
Tahunanui	—	—	—	No Return.										

136	268	60	32	9	21	86	7	795	269	310	26	2853	2333	\$93818
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VISIT OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SURF LIFESAVING ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

Following on a most successful visit of five representatives of the New Zealand Association to the West Coast of America in the previous season, an invitation was extended to the S.L.S. Association of America to send three instructors to New Zealand for the purpose of bringing to members of the movement first-hand, instruction in rescue methods adopted in U.S.A., and we were most pleased indeed to welcome Phil Stubbs, President of that Association, Max Bowman, Vice-President, and Logan Lockabey, Secretary, the party arriving in Auckland on 23rd December, 1969. The problem of arranging an itinerary to ensure that all areas were visited was successfully overcome by the splitting of the party, the three members being brought together at Rotorua for sightseeing, at Wellington and Christchurch, and subsequently at Auckland, from which point members departed on 11th January, 1970.

The visit was an outstanding success and we are indebted to the Surf Lifesaving Association of America for the high standard of the representatives sent to us who were fully conversant with lifesaving techniques and were able to impart most valuable information to affiliated club members at all points visited.

It is pleasing to be able to say that the reports received from District Associations indicated the great value of the visit and we sincerely hope that this exchange of members can be repeated at some future time.

The publicity accorded the visit of our American friends was excellent and there can be no doubt whatsoever that the outspoken and glowing comments made in respect of the voluntary work of the movement in New Zealand did bring to notice generally the self-sacrifice of members of our Association who provide patrols for which no reward was sought other than the satisfaction of saving human life.

May we offer our congratulations for the excellent report which was prepared by the representatives of the American Association which was prepared in booklet form and whilst one copy was forwarded to each district with a copy to your Council, we do regret that further copies were not available for submission to Government and local bodies.

Whilst in Wellington a welcome function was arranged by your Council at which His Worship the Mayor of Wellington, Sir Francis Kitts, the American Deputy Chief of Missions, Mr Emiel Van Os, together with other dignitaries when suitable presentations were made which we trust will remain as a memento of a very special occasion in the history of our Association.

The Council expresses thanks to all District Associations and clubs for the excellent manner in which they received our distinguished visitors.

REPORT HON. CHIEF INSTRUCTOR

The 1969-70 season was indeed a very busy one for National Council District Associations and Clubs alike, for as well as carrying out the very necessary Beach Patrols, it was also necessary to implement new drill procedures. The new 'Visual Aid Handbook of Instruction, Examination and Competition' produced in colour was made available by the Surf Lifesaving Association of Australia. It is considered to be the most comprehensive and easy to follow handbook ever produced and a great improvement on previous books. We express our appreciation to those responsible for its production.

During the season we were favoured with a visit by three top instructors of the Surf Life Saving Association of America. These instructors visited District Associations giving lectures and demonstrations of the methods of rescue practised in America, and much was learnt as a result of their actions.

Shark Meshing Nets:

The first shark meshing nets were set off St. Clair Beach during the season. The value of these nets in protecting the beach was clearly demonstrated. In all six sharks were trapped by the nets, the largest being a 16ft. White Pointer shark.

We express our appreciation to the President and members of the Otago Association for their efforts in bringing the project to fruition.

To the sponsors of the nets, Messrs. A. Barnett & Co., Ltd., the local bodies and Mr. L. Waters, Dunedin fisherman, we extend our sincere thanks and appreciation, for without these people this project would not have been possible.

Inaugural Meeting S.L.S.A. of Australia Medical Advisory Panel:

Your Council was invited to be represented at this most important meeting. It was indeed fortunate that our Medical Adviser — Dr. Stuart Peddie — was able to attend this meeting. The recommendations of this meeting are now being considered with a view to their implementation into rescue and resuscitation procedures in the coming season, and are of the utmost importance in the saving of life.

Inter-District and National Championships:

The Inter-District Championships held at Oakura Beach, New Plymouth, were the responsibility of the Taranaki Association, while the National Championships were held at Piha Beach, and were organised by the Auckland Association.

The Committees are to be commended for their work and excellent organisation. It is regretted to report a marked decline in entries in 6 Man R & R National Championship events. However, there is a notable increase in craft events entries and the general high standard of performance in these events in testing conditions. There was much favourable comment by officials and competitors in regard to the excellent work carried out by the Midway Club's jet boat and crew. Their efforts assisted materially in the successful conducting of the carnival.

Judges' Advisory Committee:

Appointment of Judges for the National Carnivals was made by the Committee on the basis of three (3) judges per team. Action has been taken by the Committee which it is considered should further improve and assist in the appointment of Judges for future Championships.

Appreciation:

Expressions of sincere thanks and appreciation are extended to all National Council Officers and Members, Hon. General Secretary and members of the Judges' Advisory Committee for their continued assistance and co-operation during the past season.

To Messrs. Harry Brown and Jack Dearlove, Hon. Secretary and Chief Superintendent respectively of the Surf Life Saving Association of Australia, we extend a very sincere thank you for their continued help and assistance in so many matters.

H. J. K. FAREY,
Hon. Chief Instructor.

New Zealand Surf Life-Saving Association

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th APRIL, 1970.

1968/69

\$		\$	\$
	We received the following income:		
8880	Grant from National Water Safety Council	10130.00	
50	Grant from Royal Lifesaving Society	50.00	
500	Donations	631.10	
198	Interest	89.71	
145	Affiliation Fees	142.80	
9713			11043.61

	Our Expenses were as follows:		
2604	Educational Expenses General	1840.39	
—	Educational Expenses American Visit	1331.12	
665	Conferences	1115.15	
50	London Trophy Awards	50.00	
244	General Expenses	587.45	
912	Secretarial Expenses	1013.63	
674	Printing and Stationery	709.24	
123	Awards, Certificates, Medal, etc.	190.18	
1487	Subsidies of Lifesaving and First Aid Equipment	1408.52	
495	Cost of Gear Supply, including storage, cartage, freight, etc.	591.32	
252	Travelling Expenses	637.42	
—	Ppn. Cost of N.Z. Team Tour of Australia	597.86	
90	Depreciation	152.50	
9	Net cost of National and Inter-District Championships	204.56	
—	Affiliation Fee International Council	100.00	
150	Grant Establishment South Regional Committee		
7755	Our Total Expenses were		10,529.34
3000	Transfer to 'Eden House' Building Fund Account		
(982)	Excess of Income over Expenditure Transferred to Accumulated Funds		514.27

New Zealand Surf Life-Saving Association

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th APRIL, 1970.

ASSETS

1969	1970
\$	\$
Fixed Assets:	
25 Furniture	20.00
563 Gestetner	500.00
200 Typewriter	170.00
10 Starting Guns	10.00
20 Stop Watches	15.00
150 Trophies	180.00
400 Medallion Die Sets	375.00
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	1270.00
Trust Accounts:	
Building Fund:	
12196 At P.O.S.B.	18560.45
6000 In Auckland Harbour Board 5% Stock	—
Overseas Tour Fund:	
4590 At P.O.S.B.	1842.75
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	20403.20
Current Assets:	
1074 Sundry Debtors	447.77
2628 Stock of Gear	4573.25
148 Blazer Pockets	101.51
1164 Medallions	832.50
656 Handbooks	1558.85
147 Carnival Rules Handbooks	147.20
2400 Provision for Gear	2400.00
276 Current Account National Bank of	
Australia	186.36
26 Savings Account National Bank of N.Z.	
Ltd.	27.32
435 Current Account National Bank of N.Z.	
Ltd.	—
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	10274.76
33108	<hr/>
	31947.96

LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities:	
— Current Account National Bank of N.Z.	497.80
— Inter-District Equalisation Fund	211.30
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	709.10
Special Funds:	
4670 Overseas Tour Fund	1922.50
18196 Building Fund 'Eden House'	18560.45
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22866	20482.95
Accumulated Funds:	
11223 Balance as at 30.4.69	10241.64
(981) Add Excess of Income over Expenditure	514 27
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	10755.91
33108	<hr/>
	31947.96

I have examined the books, vouchers, etc., of the New Zealand Surf Life Saving Association and in my opinion the above Balance Sheet sets out a true and fair position of the Association's affairs.

J. C. BLAKELEY, A.C.A.,

Hon. Auditor.

New Zealand Surf Life-Saving Association

GEAR STOCK FOR YEAR ENDED 30th APRIL, 1970.

		\$			\$
To Stock on Hand 30.4.69	.....	2627.75	By Sales	.....	859.25
„ Purchases	.....	4213.27	„ Subsidies	.....	1408.52
		<u>6841.02</u>	„ Stock on Hand 30.4.70	.....	4573.25
To Stock on Hand 30.4.70	.....	4573.25			<u>6841.02</u>

OVERSEAS TOUR ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th APRIL, 1970.

40 To Part Cost of N.Z. Tour of Australia	.....	4000.00	By Balance 30.4.69	.....	4670.07
„ Balance	.....	1922.50	„ Levies	.....	1146.00
			„ Interest	.....	106.43
					<u>5922.50</u>
		<u>5922.50</u>	By Balance 30.4.70	.....	1922.50

‘EDEN HOUSE’ BUILDING FUND ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30.4.70

To Balance	.....	18560.45	By Balance 30.4.69	.....	18196.07
			„ Interest	.....	364.38
					<u>18560.45</u>
		<u>18560.45</u>	By Balance 30.4.70	.....	18560.45

REPORT HON. CHIEF INSPECTOR OF GEAR

The supply of life saving gear has been maintained during the year with the exception of the standard reel. The reason for the hold-up of reels was due to the fact that we cancelled our existing contract and re-called tenders for supply, which upset the continuity of delivery, and then with the unavailability of suitable made bows, which has now been remedied, and the delivery of reels from our suppliers is expected before the new season is under way.

Greater advantage of the issue of standard gear and equipment under the subsidy scheme was taken by clubs. There is no doubt that the assistance rendered to lifesaving by the subsidy on gear and equipment has proved its worth in the keeping up of the high standard of efficiency set by the Association. With the increased supply of this gear and equipment comes the increased requirement in the organisation of supply, together with the administration which becomes a necessary responsibility. In the past few seasons with this growth it has become apparent that the Association cannot continue accepting the favour of the storage premises and offices of friendly business people to house and carry gear and equipment on its arrival, prior to dispatch to the various Associations and Clubs. It is a great relief to the Committee that the Association now has a place to carry out the necessary routine office work and to provide a meeting place for the Council and its Committees, and I am sure that the Clubs and Associations will benefit from this with more prompt replies to all requests. The only thing still outstanding is suitable premises for the storage of all gear and equipment.

At this stage I would like to thank all the manufacturers of our gear and equipment for their prompt attention in the general delivery and to their generosity in helping with the storage and dispatch.

The $\frac{3}{4}$ " and $\frac{5}{8}$ " surf lines are now being made in New Zealand and after one season they appear to be as good as if not better than the lines manufactured overseas. Also the delivery of lines to us is a lot better as we have no delay in shipping and no problem in applying for import licences.

At this stage I would like to remind Clubs who have boats that one of the specifications laid down requires synthetic lines in boats. This is in the 1968/69 and 1969/70 Gear Specifications sent out to all Associations. In the 1969/70 Specifications Book it is on Page 6, Section 5. The decision concerning surf boats was approved in 1965. This section with synthetic lines was introduced in conjunction with the Surf Lifesaving Association of Australia. In a surf boat with the line continually wet and never given a chance to dry out, a cotton line will rot very quickly. A synthetic line will greatly outlast cotton by at least six times. If required these lines can be supplied by New Zealand Surf Lifesaving Association, but they can be bought at most hardware shops or ships' chandlers. The amount required is a minimum of 125 yards of $\frac{5}{8}$ " CIR line.

This season it was decided at the Annual General Meeting to call for new tenders for the supply of Surf Reels and it was in November before a tender was finally accepted by us and an order was placed. Everything was going along according to plan until the sudden retirement and closure of a firm (due to illness) which manufactured the wood work for the surf reels. Unfortunately we

were unable to find somebody who could make a satisfactory bow, and we have decided to have the next shipment of reels, which will be due soon, fitted with laminated bows. There will also be one more alteration in the incorporation of the Australian type brake clip.

After the visit of the New South Wales Country Team to New Zealand, there was considerable interest shown in the alloy type reels and to date we have received one firm tender for the manufacture of a stainless steel reel which is very competitive compared with the wooden one, and we are still waiting for some prices to arrive.

We still have a good stock of portable reels in stock, also box type reels.

This year at the National Championships at Auckland saw another record broken in the number of craft being used and the inspection of these was difficult due to the amount of beach which had to be covered from the R. & A. arena to the boat arena. This task would be a lot easier if clubs would have boats, canoes, skis and boards ready at the correct time for inspection and at this stage I would like to thank Mall Sharples for the assistance he gave me. Without his help I think I would still be measuring.

The main fault found with boats was rowlocks. Clubs have to again be reminded that 'oar' must be able to be released through the rowlock in the rowing position and slip out when pulled in inboard past the leathers. Also the way that rowlocks are secured in the rowlock fittings, some with nails, some with split-pins, leaving some very nasty sharp edges, could be very dangerous. The ideal thing is a split key-ring. Also a lot of boats still have cotton lines and about 20% of belts in the boats — the safety pin could not be released until a lot of work was done on them.

Many of the canoes are going in for rudders. These should not have any sharp edges or parts protruding past the outside of the boat; also skegs must be made of wood or fibreglass. I would strongly suggest to all boat and canoe captains to read the Gear Specifications to make sure that their craft comes up to the standard as adopted by the New Zealand Surf Lifesaving Association. This also applies to ski boards and Malibou boards. Nine Malibou boards did not comply and some hasty alterations had to be done with a saw. If the owners of these boards had read the specifications and checked their craft, this could have been done before the National Championships.

While at Auckland the Gear Inspectors from all districts had a meeting which proved very valuable to all present. A lot of discussion re delivery and design of gear and equipment and some very good ideas were put forward, some of which have already been implemented. Our main problem at the meeting was the lack of time and the meeting was cut short and everybody present was in agreement that consideration should be given to having a meeting at some time other than the National Championships, so more time could be devoted to having a good constructive discussion.

The introduction of the American type neoprene one-man rescue tube this year is thought by most as being a very valuable piece of lifesaving equipment.

M. J. HAXTON,
Hon. Chief Inspector of Gear.

STOCK OF GEAR 30th APRIL, 1970.

	\$
—Standard Reels	—
18 Portable Reels	450.00
18 Boxline Reels	216.00
22 $\frac{3}{4}$ " Lines	528.00
7 $\frac{5}{8}$ " Lines	77.00
14 No. 4 Belts	98.00
1 Clubhouse Flag	4.00
1 Beach Marker Flag	2.50
65 Patrol Caps	48.75
6 Sets Ballot Marbles	12.00
19 Signal Flags	57.00
100 Torpedo Buoys	3000.00
N.Z. Council Ski and Paddle	40.00
N.Z. Council Paddle Board	40.00
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District Association Reports

WESTERN DISTRICTS

The past season has been one of decline for the Western Districts Association as far as membership is concerned. All Clubs have suffered extensively and of the five Clubs within the Association, only two can boast a reasonable membership.

The number of new Surf Awards gained during the year was a considerable drop on the previous season, and although some Clubs appeared to have qualified some extremely good members, there are not sufficient numbers of new recruits to stabilise our membership into a more workable footing. The imbalance between young and older members seems to be widening and with many of our Clubs lacking experienced surf lifesavers little incentive is gained by any new recruits to further their experience by learning from more experienced club mates.

We are finding new members extremely difficult to obtain, but it is hoped the ensuing season will see a marked improvement, especially to Clubs who have only a total membership of five or six persons.

The highlight of the season would undoubtedly be the visit of the American Lifeguard, Mr Logan Lockabey. We feel sure that his visit benefited all Clubs within the Association and we are indeed indebted to him for a most interesting and informative visit.

We also were hosts to the visiting New South Wales Country team who competed at the annual Hackshaw Shield on Castlecliff Beach.

The Association held four Club Carnivals, all of which were reasonably well attended. Two Clubs also attended the 1970 National Championships held in Auckland.

Our representative team competed at both the Inter-Districts and Central Districts Regional Carnivals with limited success, but we would consider the team to be one of our better teams selected to represent the Association. This is probably due to promising juniors within the Association from Palmerston North and Castlecliff Clubs.

In conclusion we trust that the 1970-71 season will see a marked improvement in the affairs of all Clubs within our Association, and hope our cause will benefit the public generally.

We take opportunity in thanking the New Zealand Council for their support and convey best wishes to all Associations for an enjoyable 1970-71 season.

BAY OF PLENTY

Five Surf Medallion tests were held throughout the season. Each test being held on a different day and beach. The number of successful Surf Medallion candidates for the past season is 66, and the number of persons successful in qualifying for their Surf Medallion Instructor's Certificate is 6.

It has been pleasing to note that almost every Club in the Association has enjoyed the success of some of their members becoming qualified. This indicates a general build-up of qualified life-savers throughout the Bay of Plenty which of course is the prime concern of the Association.

The three Association carnivals held in the past season were keenly contested and competitors showed a marked improvement in life-saving skills. This was further illustrated at the New Zealand Championships by the performances of the team from the Bay of Plenty which competed.

A visit from Mr Max Bowman of the U.S. Life Guards during the Christmas holiday period proved to be quite popular. It was interesting to learn methods of life saving used by the U.S. Life Guards and in particular the extensive use of the torpedo tube rescue buoy. It does certainly appear that this piece of equipment will become an essential item to be used by life savers in the future.

Progress has also been made by the Association judges, some of whom are now qualified New Zealand judges, and others have improved their standard to become qualified Association judges.

Surf canoes have now been introduced to many of the Bay of Plenty Clubs and these craft provide an interest for members as well as forming a valuable part of the Club's life saving equipment.

During the year Beach dates by 1ZD were arranged at Omanu/Ohope/Waihi/Mount Maunganui. Through this media good publicity was had by the Clubs and the movement.

Live air interviews on board the shark patrol plane were handled by P.R.O.'s from Omanu/Mount and Waihi Clubs and again public awareness of the surf movement was kept to the fore.

The Mount Council, Tauranga, and Hauraki Plains Counties have been contacted about erecting of signs portraying "dangerous beaches" and these are under action at present.

The first Bay Clubs Sponsorship was able to be arranged and \$210 was handed to the Bay President for purchase of 6 rescue buoys to be distributed to all Bay Clubs on behalf of the Matamata Lions Club. Through this gesture we hope other service organisations will come to the fore and maybe help on an Association basis.

Awards gained and rescues effected by Clubs overall during the past season are detailed below:—

		Rescues effected	Surf Medallion	Awards gained. Bronze Instructor's Certificate
Maketu	....	6	6	—
Mount	....	2	19	2
Omanu	....	34	11	1
Waihi	....	2	14	2
Whakatane	....	2	16	1
Whangamata	....	6	—	—
		52	66	6

A Judges' Advisory Board was established providing examiners for the many examinations held and for the continuity of judges at carnivals. This measure has partly filled the paucity of officials at carnivals. Perhaps some of the non-active members of Clubs could see their way to lend a hand as officials at carnivals in future.

The Association held three carnivals at Whakatane, Mount Maunganui and Waihi beaches respectively while sending a representative team to participate in the Inter Districts Championships. Congratulations must go to Whakatane Surf Club in winning the Surf Boat race at Piha — a National title.

Once again the Bay was host at the Northern Regional Carnival to teams from Auckland and Gisborne Clubs — an ever-popular contest.

GISBORNE

Once again we are thankful to be able to report a successful season free of drownings on our patrolled beaches, due to both the vigilance of those who gave so generously of their time during the weekends and the co-operation of the bathing public with regard to the directions and restrictions imposed by our patrols.

The District Championships were held in fine weather at Waikanae on 21st February, 1970, and saw good representation from clubs. This was possibly due to the fact that it was close to the date set for the Nationals and this gives rise to the thought that it may be a good idea to set the date for the District Championships near to the Nationals in future. Waikanae again annexed the Aggregate Points Trophy. Other club carnivals were held showing a reasonable response to invitations issued to other clubs.

The highlight of local events would undoubtedly be the visit by the New South Wales team early in January when a Carnival was staged at Midway. The N.S.W. team proved too strong for local clubs who did, however, manage to score a few individual successes. This shows, once again, just how important it is to have all-round top line swimmers. On the social side a well organised function was held on the evening prior to the Carnival, and another equally successful short gathering in the Midway Club House at the conclusion of the Carnival. It was regrettable that their stay was limited to a day and a half, thus limiting their sightseeing of the district.

An interesting and instructive visit from Logan Lockabey, of the Surf Lifesaving Association of America for four days during the Christmas period was another highlight of the season. He spent the first two days of his visit with the secretary's family, where due to the fact that Christmas and Boxing Days are of necessity family holidays, his activities were restricted to sight-seeing of the district interspersed with swimming, etc. The second two days Logan spent with Phil Benson, who as an active competitor and instructor was able to indulge in an interchange of ideas and demonstrations. This type of visit by overseas lifesavers are to be encouraged as there is much to be gained on both sides in broadening of outlooks.

After considerable debate it was again decided to send a team to the Inter-Districts Carnival at New Plymouth, in spite of the fact that the cost of this trip does not seem to be fully justified. However, it seems that in the future this difficulty may be overcome. The team sent did reasonably well in spite of the fact that a number of our top-line members were unavailable.

We record with sadness the passing of one of the stalwarts of the movement, Don Hunter. In spite of the fact that he rose to one of the highest positions in the movement he never lost sight of the fact that there are difficulties to be met at patrol level.

Patrol membership has remained constant at 94. This figure does not include cadets or nippers. However, the overall position is

satisfactory for four clubs, with a back-up of 17 junior-juniors and 14 plus non-patrolling seniors.

Club-house facilities have been maintained and equipment kept to a fairly high standard with replacements where necessary. The acquisition by the Midway Club of a Surf Jet Boat has, despite prior criticism, proved to be an outstanding success, and will no doubt prove of great impetus to the movement. Midway Club, under the command of their chairman, Jack Griffin, are to be commended for their foresightedness and initiative.

To sum up, all Clubs have been trying hard to carry out our purposes of vigilance, service and endurance, to the benefit of the bathing public. To patrol members and administrators alike we must extend our thanks for a job well done. It is to be hoped that we enter the seventies with determination to increase our active membership and extend patrol areas. This **can** be done with the right approach and determination as has been proved over the past.

In conclusion, our thanks to our retiring Delegate, Gary Mace, for an excellent job on our behalf and our best wishes for the future.

To the New Zealand Council and many sponsors our thanks for making our job that little bit easier. The best of wishes to fellow associations and clubs for the coming season.

K. C. MORSE,
Hon. Secretary Gisborne S.L.S.A.

TARANAKI

The 1970 surf life-saving season has been one of solidity in the Association and the Clubs without anything spectacular in the results. There must always be the period of rebuilding teams where many of the previous members have given way to young swimmers, and this period has been notable this season with the increase in cadet membership. Taranaki clubs view this age-group as the most successful recruiting age, and this has paid dividends for the three town clubs this season.

Education of the swimmer to heed the warnings given by surf lifesaving clubs advising them of conditions at the beach where they want to swim has been most ably supported by both Press and radio throughout the season. Editorials have featured advice to swimmers, the increased number of rescues, and the pleasures to be had from swimming. They have also said that a genuine and continuing tribute should be paid to the selflessness and dedication of our life-savers. Up-to-the-minute radio releases have also resulted in greater public awareness of our movement.

Weekend patrols were efficiently maintained throughout the season, with many hours spent effecting rescues. Both Fitzroy and New Plymouth Old Boys carried out many rescues, with the latter club expressing concern at the number of people swimming outside the patrol area. Surf life-saving clubs in Taranaki have never been over-endowed with members and the Old Boys Club has had trouble in maintaining a fatality-free season on account of swimmers using the full length of Oakura beach. This stretched the club's patrols to the utmost.

In general, clubs have performed their life-saving patrols most efficiently and regularly throughout the season.

Competitively this has been a big season for Taranaki. It opened in fine style with the Stanley Bridger Memorial carnival in conjunction with the opening day of the East End Club on December 7. With a New Zealand team to be picked later in the season, the form swimmers were watched with interest, and Warren Clow led Graeme Dempsey home in the first surf race of the season. The following weekend Clow, Dempsey, Trevor Corkin, John Velvin, Ross Fraser, David Knapman, and Alistair Flett competed in the central regional trial for the New Zealand team at Wanganui. It is all past history now, but very satisfying history that all our Taranaki trialists made the final trial, with Clow, Velvin, Dempsey, and Flett making the team. The unfortunate medical failure by Alistair Flett to make the team let in David Knapman, also of Taranaki.

Taranaki clubs competed in the Hackshaw Shield carnival at Castlecliff on 24 January along with the visiting New South Wales Country team. Although the carnival was dominated by the visiting New South Wales team, Taranaki clubs carried off all the titles with the exception of two.

With months of preparation behind them, the Taranaki Association eagerly awaited the staging of the Inter-District and the Central Districts Regional carnivals. That both of these carnivals proceeded without any hitch is a tribute to the organising ability of the Association and the support given by the host club, New Plymouth Old Boys, and their helpers. Certainly a highlight of this carnival was the brilliant performance in the belt race of Reg Harker. Another to impress was David Cleverley of Wellington, winner of the surf race on both days. The Taranaki Association was well rewarded for its efforts to stage this New Zealand Inter-Districts carnival for the first time by the standard of the competition and the support from followers of the surf life-saving movement.

Over 100 competitors and officials from the three city surf clubs attended the National Championships at Piha. Competition was obviously up to standard judging by the results. Local clubs only managed to share in the minor placings. The very little publicity received by the local newspapers was disappointing to followers of teams and of life-saving. For a National championship the coverage for local papers was poor.

OTAGO

The major event on this Association's programme this year was the laying of the first shark net off St. Clair beach in early December. Although some initial problems were experienced these have since been corrected and by the end of the season when the nets were finally lifted, we had caught six sharks (White Pointers). We wish to express our sincere thanks to the N.Z. Council for the great interest and help which has been given to us in this venture. We would especially like to thank Ken Farey and Doug Tarrant. We realise that the task of looking after these nets is too big a task for a Surf Association to take on, and are grateful for the stated national policy of local body and/or Government control.

During the season two new clubhouses were opened, one at Oreti Club in Invercargill, and the other at the Dunedin club of St. Kilda. These new facilities will be a great asset to these clubs, but do not appear to be helping these clubs solve the problem that is facing all of the Otago Association clubs, and that is declining membership. Only three of the six clubs had any members gain their Surf Bronzes.

Another cause of concern for the Association is the lack of nominee judges to replace those either retiring or leaving the district, and unless more judges are obtained the standard of drill is likely to slip.

In our first Regional Carnival this year we found it to be of great benefit in preparing for the National Championships, and think it will be a valuable addition to the carnival programme, whether or not the entries to the National Championships are restricted.

We are very happy with the showing of those of our teams that attended the Nationals, especially Moana Rua Ladies, who secured three National titles.

Once again our beaches were patrolled successfully without loss of life, and quite a number of rescues were performed. We are hopeful that a new club will be formed at Oamaru next season, and the Association held a Craft Day near Oamaru to help promote this aim. Mr Gillies was instrumental in promoting this carnival, and we are grateful for his tireless work in our Association.

During the season we lost one of our Life Members, Doug Lattimore, who was until the time of his death President of the Kaka Point S.L.S.C. He is sadly missed in this Association.

In conclusion we express our appreciation to the New Zealand Council for the assistance given to us, and to our Resident Delegate Perry Cameron for all he has done for us.

CANTERBURY

Another eventful year has passed in Canterbury and we are again pleased to report that 'no lives were lost while patrols were on duty.' During the season club patrols were called upon to perform 93 rescues, of which 42 were carried out by the Spencer Park Club and 23 by Pegasus.

The patrol efficiency competition for the Tom Champion Trophy, which has done much to raise the standard of our patrols, was won for the second year by the Sumner Club.

Eighty-three surf awards, 39 R.L.S.S. Bronzes and two Instructors' Certificates were gained by Canterbury clubs during the season.

A Canterbury championship carnival was held at Greymouth for the first time during the season, which involved the Association in extra organisation in transport of competitors etc. The carnival gave the Kotuku Club an excellent opportunity to open their new clubhouse and it was a very successful occasion.

Taylor's Mistake won the overall championship this year and also won the Senior. The Junior and Ladies' Championships were won by North Beach and South Brighton respectively.

Other highlights of the season were the visits of the United States Lifeguards and the New South Wales Country team. We were also honoured to be asked to take part in the official welcome to the Royal Family in Christchurch.

In conclusion we thank the N.Z.S.L.S.A. for their work during the season and wish all Associations a successful 1970-71 season.

Suddenly — too suddenly in fact another year has passed and it now becomes necessary to pause and attempt to record the events that have literally flashed past in this short space of time.

The Administrator came, the Americans, the New South Wales team, and the National Championships. Now it's all over. Yes, it was a very busy year, but now straight into a positive planning for a regular source of income which will prove successful if all members pull together. In only this way will we succeed.

After a year of settling in the employment of an Administrator has moved along the lines envisaged, but with the election of an Association Secretary the task of fund raising must take precedence as real progress cannot be made unless capital is available to implement the new concept as envisaged.

Of considerable concern is the vast amount of time and expenditure necessary to communicate to clubs what is happening and requesting information from them. This process unfortunately has to be repeated in several cases more than once. Evidence of this can be found in the financial report.

I have often wondered whether the public stop and think of the planning and research, the vast volume of administration work that lies behind the success of the Association, more particularly does this apply to those who have actually been rescued over the last 37 years.

This being my last year as Chairman of the Association, let me say that it has been a privilege to have worked with such a team who, some for a few years, some for many years, have sacrificed much in the cause of saving life. In each instance their voluntary help and advice has been of great assistance to the wellbeing of the Association.

To the Club Officers, Delegates and Members thank you one and all for your co-operation. It is very pleasing to see many of the younger generation now starting to take up office within the Association. This is most gratifying indeed and indicates the very healthy state of the Association. To the Chairman, Officers and Council members go my best wishes. I know that with their vigour and enthusiasm the Surf Movement must prosper.

W. W. WILLIAMS.

AUCKLAND

The 1970's are here with their extreme challenges to us as a voluntary organisation.

How have we fared in our first year?

1. We have won the Inter-Districts Trophy.
2. We had our first church parade and dedication of gear.
3. We have employed an administrator for 12 months.
4. We received another bequest of \$2,000.00.
5. We ran a very good National Carnival.
6. Some of our local clubs gained prominence hitherto unavailable to them. The third placing of Bethells overall due to the great strength of their juniors, the wins of Waipu in two events. 1st and 2nd placings for Waitemata Ladies, and the old Master Club Muriwai again top of the tree.

7. Introduction of Nippers programmes to three clubs.
8. Sub-committee work on Surf Bronze revision.
9. Introduction of training camps as membership drives.
10. Greater P.R. exposure than ever before.
11. Mairangi Bay and Sunset Beach now named patrol instead of club.
12. More extensive recording of public services.

What are we doing to meet the challenge of the future?

1. We are planning a fund raising programme with which to finance legitimate patrol expenses.
2. We are producing a manual for clubs on administration, fund raising, membership, etc.
3. We are planning to reorganise council and institute a management committee — hopefully this will be completed at the A.G.M.
4. We are producing a five-year plan of action and guidelines for the future.
5. We are planning a positive entry into high schools starting with a Surf Carnival.
6. We have tested helicopters on our beaches and at the time of writing are awaiting a decision as to whether a sponsor will produce a substantial amount of air time on the West Coast this coming season.
7. We are in the process of incorporating the Association.
8. Our contact and liaison with local bodies is greatly enhanced and bodes well for our future developments.

All this has been achieved in the past year — in spite of the difficulties we have all experienced such as stormy meetings, unanswered correspondence, poor communication, and too many commitments.

My feeling today is that we are gaining tremendous momentum and are about to branch out with greatly extended services and consequent growth in public esteem. I believe that the Surf Movement in the North has arrived at the Age of Aquarius, ready and able to meet the challenges of the future.

C. W. MEEHL,
Secretary/Administrator.

HAWKE'S BAY

Rather a lean year was experienced by our Association as club spirit was not high and this was reflected in the officers as their whole heart was definitely not in their work.

After an extremely hectic competitive season in the 1968-69 season, an effort was made to reduce the number of carnivals held in our district and although this was achieved, it also reflected badly in the team spirit of most of the clubs. In the forthcoming season it is hoped that more carnivals will be held on Saturday in an effort to reinstate the number of carnivals and at the same time maintain strong patrols on our beaches when the public most frequently want them.

On the patrol and rescue side of things, Waimarama Club has shown a way by instituting a new telephone alarm system which incorporates small telephone boxes at intervals along the beach. These in turn are connected to the main patrol tower and a bystander need only lift the telephone and their rescue unit can be despatched immediately to points along the beach that are normally out of the patrol area.

They now have two rescue vehicles, one being used strictly as a beach patrol vehicle and the other as a transport vehicle for members and equipment. All this was brought about with the advice and assistance of John Martin following his return from the West Coast of California.

The Waimarama Club effected about 11 rescues during the year and was unsuccessful in saving the life of the young girl who was drowned at a river mouth about half a mile north of the patrol area.

The Ocean Beach Surf Club, that has now amalgamated with the Kiwi Surf Club, looks in a strong position and it is hoped that they will grow into an extremely efficient patrol unit for Ocean Beach. Over the past season they performed two rescues and with the increasing population at the beach, this total may well grow.

The Pacific Surf Club is still experiencing difficulty with progress in their building programme and this has reflected in the strength of their club.

The Westshore Surf Club, while still being strong competitively, has had a lean twelve months, and are all out to make an extreme effort to strengthen the ranks of their club in the coming season.

Our Association is eagerly looking forward to the coming season with much enthusiasm and hopes to be able to report next year on a much brighter note.

WELLINGTON

This year we can look back on one of the most fruitful seasons the Association has had for some time. These were:

1. The visit of the U.S. Lifeguard.
2. Increased patrolling activity with one Club entering the powered craft field.
3. The participating of an Australian team in the Cook Strait boat race.
4. The visit of the N.S.W. team.
5. The very successful running of the Saturday afternoon carnivals.
6. The selection of four local Club members for the New Zealand team.

There is no doubt that this has been a busy season for the Association and Club members. The Association was responsible for the running of no less than twelve carnivals, ranging from the Saturday half-day, to the finals of the New Zealand Trials. The weather was with us on all days, and there is no doubt that the increased activity in competition for members was greatly appreciated by all.

The Association is rightly proud that four members: Brian Crowder (Captain), David Cleverly, Tony Griffin, and Neil Penwarden, were selected for the New Zealand team which travelled to Australia in February and March. Wellington has always provided strong participation in trials and teams.

In National competition the Wellington team gained a clear win in the Central Districts Carnival, and second in the Inter-Districts Carnival, both held in New Plymouth this year. At the National Championships individual members gained the Iron Man, Hollow Board, and Ladies' Belt Titles, and Club teams won the Non Championship Junior Canoe, Ladies' Four Place, Junior Six Man, Non Championship Junior Boat, Senior March Past, and Junior Boat titles. Again the Senior R. & R. titles eluded the Wellington teams.

Recently our Secretary for the past six years was transferred to Auckland, Garry Mace, who has served the Association well during this time is our loss and Auckland's gain.

We take this opportunity of thanking the New Zealand Surf Life Saving Association for their work and wish all Associations a very successful season in 1970/71.

AUSTRALIAN VISITS

Under the reciprocal arrangements for the interchange of visits we were pleased to accept the invitation extended by the Surf Life Saving Association of Australia to send a representative team to tour that country. The visit of our team of ten members was one of the highlights of the extended season.

After exhaustive trials selectors Messrs H. J. K. Farey, S. G. Tarrant, and I. Wilson named the following team to represent the New Zealand Association: Messrs. B. Crowder (captain), G. Allnutt, D. Cleverley, W. Clow, G. Dempsey, A. Griffin, N. Penwarden, J. Velvin and juniors P. Ryan and D. Knapman.

The team was coached and managed by our National President, Mr F. G. Ryan, with Mr. S. G. Tarrant as instructor.

The tour was arranged by the Australian Association, to all States where competitions were conducted and terminated in an Australia v. New Zealand test which was held at Ocean Groves Beach in Victoria, on Friday, March 27th.

The team left New Zealand by air on Tuesday, 17th February and returned Monday, 30th March, 1970.

Our representatives registered many excellent times in each provincial performance, but found competition in Australia very strong and we congratulated the Australian Association on the clearcut win recorded in the test. Australia won the test by 26 points to our 12 points.

We offer our sincerest thanks to the Surf Life Saving Association of Australia and the respective centres for the hospitality and effort made to ensure that our team was well cared for and particularly the various officers of the Australian movement who were associated in any way in the welfare and reception of our team.

Particular reference is made to the work of the appointed liaison officers who were able to extend valuable help to the team management.

OBITUARY.

It is with sincere regret that we record the passing of P. D. Edwards, who was associated with the formation of the Association in 1932 and performed very valuable work in the early history of the movement.

He was one of the first councillors appointed to act until delegates were elected by the respective associations. In 1934 he was appointed honorary auditor of the Association, which position he held until 1936.

He was an original member of the National Board of Judges which was formed in 1935, of which body he was chairman for a period of eight years.

Phil Edwards has acted in other spheres of the Association and was honorary chief instructor for the period 1935-1944.

He has always maintained an interest in Surf Lifesaving and we express our regrets at his passing.

CONSTITUTION REPRINT

It is pleasing to be able to record that the Constitution of the Association has been reprinted, incorporating the considerable amendments which have been offered since the Constitution was published some years ago.

We extend our thanks and appreciation to the special committee which was appointed to carry out this work.

RESCUE MAGAZINE

Our congratulations and thanks are extended to our Public Relations Officer, Bob Rogers, for the work carried out in the publication of Rescue Magazine.

The current issue maintains the excellence of previous issues and includes complete information of rescues carried out, the team visit to Australia, our national district championships, the American representatives' visit, and other activities of the Association.

We thank also the many subscribers who have supplied material for Rescue and to Cedric Mentiplay for his assistance in publication. Those members who have not had the opportunity to read the current issue of Rescue are advised to buy a copy through their district association.

CONCLUSION

With the passing of each season we acknowledge the marked increase in the activities of the Association and the additional calls on the service of our voluntary movement which has been made in the true traditions of our Association.

Your Council is fully aware of the excellent work which is being carried out by our District Associations in the administration of local activities which fact is indicated by the excellent reports which have been received of the season's work.

We are ever mindful of the activities of our affiliated clubs which are the backbone of our organisation, and, we express our thanks unreservedly to our Surf controls, without which our movement would not function.

The most pleasing feature of the past season is the increase in active members and we can only offer our encouragement in the hope that this position can be maintained through the advent of the "nipper scheme" and the offering of other incentives to attract youth into our organisation.

The challenge of the increased responsibility of surf beaches has been met in the use of more sophisticated life saving equipment and we feel that all can be justifiably proud of the excellent rescue figures which have been recorded in the season just closed.

We expect heavier calls on the movement in the opening of new beach areas in the considerable land development which is now taking place and we feel that this challenge will be met through the dedication of our members in the protection of life.

Closing this report we acknowledge the help and assistance we have received from our sister organisations overseas, particularly from the S.L.S.A. of Australia and the S.L.S.A. of America where the help which has been extended has been freely offered.

Our appreciation is also extended to the honorary officers of our local Associations whose efforts no doubt have been responsible in no small way for the increase in the prestige enjoyed by our organisation.

We look forward to the new season with confidence and trust that the same goodwill and assistance will be extended to us by business interests and that we can continue to serve the public in offering a complete community service.

For the New Zealand Council,

S. G. RYAN, President.

COLIN JONES, Hon, General Secretary.

