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NEW ZEALAND SURF LIFE-SAVING ASSOCIATION  
N.Z. Council Established 1932

*Annual Report  
and Financial Statement  
Season 1963-64*

To be presented at the Annual General Meeting to be held at the Chamber of Commerce Room, Commerce House, Wakefield Street, Wellington, on Saturday, 29th August, 1964.

VIGILANCE  
SERVICE -  
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# New Zealand Surf Life-Saving Association



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# New Zealand Surf Life-Saving Association

## **Thirty-second Annual Report and Statement of Accounts**

**SEASON ENDING 31st MAY, 1964.**

TO be presented at the Annual General Meeting of the Association to be held at the Chamber of Commerce Rooms, Commerce House, Wakefield House, Wellington on Saturday 29th August, 1964, commencing at 10 a.m.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is indeed pleasing to record the successful conclusion of a further seasons activity which has been high-lighted by many stirring rescues carried out by club patrols under dangerous and often hazardous conditions involving personal risk far in excess of that expected by the Association.

As a result of the work of our affiliated clubs a total of 200 rescues were successfully carried out, whilst our proud record of no drownings in patrolled areas has been maintained.

The season has been an extremely busy one and has seen activity in various centres in the installation of portable life saving equipment on long unpatrolled beach areas.

It was indeed a privilege to welcome their Excellencies Sir Bernard and Lady Fergusson at the National Championships held at Muriwai Beach Auckland, and we do express our appreciation of the honour extended to us and likewise for the interest held by their Excellencies in our humanitarian activity.

As a result of a more extensive educational campaign carried out in District Association areas greater interest in our work has been evinced resulting in the formation of two new clubs whilst indications are that in the coming season a further three new clubs will be active.

The total number of awards gained during the season was most satisfactory and indicates the extensive work being carried out by many clubs in training new membership.

### **GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE**

We wish to express sincere appreciation to the Government for the financial assistance received during the season in the form of a grant of £5,000 the bulk of which sum was made available to District Associations and affiliated clubs through the medium of grants for educational work in the formation of new clubs and on subsidies on gear and equipment.

The full amount of the grant was expended during the season as follows:

	£	£
Gear and equipment purchases .....	4755	
Less amount recovered by sales .....	1490	
Amount of subsidies applied from grant .....		3265
Part cost of awards .....		46
Grants to District Associations .....		955
Printing and Stationery .....		177
Costs and grants associated with gear supplied, storage, railages, administration etc. ....		577
		<u>£5000</u>

A budget of estimated expenditure for the forthcoming season is presently being prepared and will include a sum of £3,287 which will be required solely for the purpose of maintaining the present subsidies on life saving equipment, orders for which have already been placed to a value of £4,770 and this budget will be considered in due course by the National Water Safety Council together with requirements of the other natatorial organisations when a deputation will await upon the Minister of Internal Affairs, the Hon. D. C. Seath, when it is hoped that sympathetic consideration will be extended to the granting of moneys to meet the full requirements of the various representatives to cover our activities in the promotion of water safety.

For information purposes we set out hereunder the amounts granted in the current season with the sums applied for to cover activities in the 1963/64 season:

	63/64	63/64
	Amount applied for	Amount granted
	£	£
N.Z.S.L.S.A. ....	5324	5000
N.Z.A.S.A. ....	6284	4000
R.L.S.S. ....	2000	2000
National Water Safety Committee ....	12680	12680
	<u>26288</u>	<u>£23680</u>

It is also advised that the total sum grant for Water Safety purposes under the 1962/63 season was £19,450 and therefore the sum made available in the 1963/64 season was in excess of this figure.

### SUBSIDIES

It must be remembered that whilst the Association has been favoured with a grant from the Government bulk of this sum has been made available to District Associations and individual clubs in the form of subsidies and it has been found over the years that the movement has been through the system of subsidising the cost of necessary lifesaving equipment which has had a twofold effect of keeping gear prices to an absolute minimum and ensuring that all lifesaving equipment on the beaches is up to date and in good condition.

The extent of the grant received allows the Council to extend the scope of the scheme although no alterations have been made to previous subsidies payable and likewise the free issue of essential equipment made to new clubs upon affiliation.

As a result of the decision of the Annual General Meeting consideration was given to the supply of First Aid Replacement Kits and we are happy to report that arrangements were finally concluded for the delivery of replacement kits to District Associations free of charge, the distribution of which is the responsibility of Association Gear Inspectors.

It has been recognised that the call made upon Surf Clubs in rendering first aid on the beaches represents a substantial outlay over the summer season and although the reports received from clubs indicated that a total of 443 cases for first aid were treated during the season, it is considered that this total would be far below the number handled, and it is considered that the cost associated with the treatment of such cases should be met from the grant received from the Government.

The Council likewise agreed to consider the extention of subsidies on the purchase of alarm and public address systems where it was considered that such installations were necessary, having in mind long beach areas and control of bathers at beaches where surf conditions could become dangerous. It was decided that subsidies on such equipment would be considered only on club applications when same would be considered on the individual merits.

The Council likewise has agreed to meet the cost of installations of shark alarm bells for use by surf patrols and also agreed to supply free of cost the necessary shark warning flags. In view of the shark menace which has made it very clear that adequate precautions must be taken by the Association to warn bathers of the presence of sharks in bathing areas, the Council also has taken immediate action in the preparation of boat signal charts both for installation at Clubhouse and in rescue craft, and the necessary boat signal flags the cost of which items will be met from the Government Grant.

Following on the tragedy which occurred at Bethels Beach where the activities of vandals had prejudiced the installation of lifesaving equipment at that beach, the Council agreed to place aside the sum of £500 from the Government Grant to cover an allocation of box-line outfits for installation at recognised un-patrolled danger points.

It will be recalled that in the previous year the Council agreed to a system of subsidy payments on the purchase of surf skis for rescue purposes manufactured to the specifications laid down by the Association and many clubs benefitted by this scheme.

In view of the continual increase in the purchase price of gear and equipment it is imperative that the Council give early consideration to the prices which clubs will have to pay for such items of gear and it is intended that following a general review that district Associations be advised of the subsidies which will apply in the forthcoming season. All orders received up to the date of the review will be accepted on the old basis.

### **GRANTS FOR CLUB BUILDINGS**

It will be recalled that following on the success of the Golden Kiwi Lottery the general principal of the allocation of moneys to Surf Clubs for building purposes was altered in that applications were considered direct by the Recreation and Youth Activities Allocation Committee on behalf of the Minister of Internal Affairs and may we take this opportunity of expressing our thanks and appreciation to that Committee for the sympathetic consideration which has been given to the applications made by Clubs for financial assistance.

Under the present system applications are made direct to the Department of Internal Affairs and in view of requests received from various affiliated clubs for council support of applications made it was decided that as a general policy that where such support is required that requests must be submitted through District Associations and include full information which will allow the Council to become fully acquainted with all aspects of the project.

It was originally intended that grants be made to Surf Clubs for building purposes on the basis of £1 for every £2 raised but at a recent meeting with the Hon. Minister of Internal Affairs we were

informed that due to commitments on the profits of Golden Kiwi Funds and the unprecedented number of applications received for consideration, that in future grants could not be made on the above basis. However, we are aware that the activities of the Association have the full support and approval of the Government and we are confident that all applications for financial assistance for building purposes as made by clubs will receive careful and sympathetic consideration.

In view of the above it is recommended that clubs contemplating forward building programmes should appreciate that the funds available from Golden Kiwi will not provide for substantial grants. It is again pointed out that clubs forwarding applications should ensure that all possible information of the proposal should be submitted particularly in respect of the financing of the cost of the building as applications forwarded incomplete in detail will be subject to extensive delays in finalisation.

The following grants were made from Golden Kiwi funds during the current year:

	£
Tahunanui	100
Piha	500
North Piha	500
Scorching Bay Ladies'	500
Otago District Association	500
Waimairi	500
Wai-iti	500
North Beach	500
Midway	1000
Whangamata	150
Mairangi Bay	800
St. Kilda	650
Otaki	250
Opunake	1250
	£7700

Certain of the above grants are not yet paid and are subject to the particular project being completed within a specified period of time.

#### INSTALLATION OF PORTABLE EQUIPMENT AT UNPATROLLED BEACHES

The pertinent question of the installation of lifesaving equipment at unpatrolled beaches is one which has come before your Council on many occasions in past years and was referred to the Municipalities Association a considerable time ago as it has been considered that whilst the Association has voluntarily accepted the responsibility of patrolling certain beach areas during holiday periods it is considered that the installation of lifesaving equipment at unpatrolled beaches is a direct responsibility of the local body controlling the particular beach.

The tragedy which occurred during the summer season at Bethells Beach Auckland where lifesaving equipment had been removed from the beach due to the activity of vandals has again pointed to the need for a broader outlook on the question of gear installations and in this instance we must record the positive action taken by the Auckland District Association in making arrangements for lifesaving equipment to be available to guard against a similar occurrence.

Your Council called for reports on the subject of the installation of lifesaving equipment at unpatrolled beach areas and from the information received we have a broad picture from which further representations are to be made to the Municipalities Association.

Your Council provided a sum of £536 from the Government Grant to cover urgent and necessary installations of portable life line equipment which permitted the purchase of 33 units which will be installed in the coming season at known danger points throughout New Zealand.

The Council does not wish to assume responsibility for the installation of such units for the safeguarding of life and it is hoped that this action will be an inducement for similar effort on the part of local bodies throughout New Zealand.

It is reasonable to point out that in addition to the original cost these units require general maintenance and weekly inspection to ensure that same are in good working order.

Advice has been received of the effect that certain district Associations have already taken individual action in the raising of funds to cover local installations of lifesaving equipment and it is to be regretted that these units have been subjected to the irresponsible attacks of vandals.

The value of the installations of portable life lines is emphasised by the fact that three rescues were reported involving the use of this equipment and carried out by persons not trained in the art of rescue which indicates the simplicity of these units which may well be termed "Do it yourself outfits".

### **GRANTS TO DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS**

Special representations were made to Government with the object of obtaining a grant for distribution to District Associations and we are happy to say that we received £1000 which sum was mainly to be expended in the carrying out of work associated with the formation of new clubs.

To facilitate the allocation of this sum the Council called for forward budgets of expenditure for the season but in view of the fact that the total sum involved in the estimates submitted far exceeded the amount of the grant available it was necessary to make a distribution to those Associations which made application to cover expenditure considered vital to the welfare of our movement.

It is intended that we again make an approach for a special grant in the forthcoming season in order to assist District Associations to carry out preparatory work in the formation of Clubs at unpatrolled beaches.

### **JUDGING ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

The Annual Conference decided that the National Board of Judges be abolished and that in future the appointment of Judges to officiate at National events be the function of a Judging Advisory Committee comprising the Chief Judges of District Associations under the Chairmanship of the Hon. Chief Instructor.

This decision represented an important change from the previous method where Judges for National and Inter District Championships were appointed from the membership of the National Board, the strength of which was 65, and will be substituted by a system under which competing teams may be assured that the appointed Judges will be the most efficient and capable available to judge R. & R. competition.

Under the National Board control Judges were appointed from the membership which did not guarantee general efficiency as once admitted to the Board there were no stipulations that members should keep up to date in current drill procedure and it is a fact that many members of the Board judged only at National Competitions. However, the Council does appreciate that the National Board of Judges served a very worthwhile function in the earlier years of our existence but in view of the growing strength of the ranks of local Association Boards of Judges the whole system has been out-moded.

The procedure which has now been instituted is in line with that practised by the Surf Lifesaving Association of Australia.

The Council would take this opportunity of expressing to past members of the National Board of Judges thanks and appreciation for the work carried out by them over the years.

### **STANDARDISATION OF METHODS**

Close contact has been maintained with the Surf Lifesaving Association of Australia in the matter of standardisation of competition procedure and we are happy to say that the season has seen further progress in our ultimate object of achieving complete uniformity of a procedure under which future alterations may be controlled.

In accordance with the decision of the last annual meeting an Instructional Conference was held at Wellington on 12 October 1963 for the purpose of considering alterations which were deemed necessary to the current drill methods with the object of referring same to Australia in order that they could be included on the Agenda of the 10th Australian Instructional Conference which was held in Sydney over the Easter period.

Remits to that Conference subsequently were forwarded to Australia and were included on the Agenda, copies of which were received by the Council and subsequently issued to District Associations for prior consideration before again being considered by a 2nd Instructional Conference which was held in Auckland on Thursday 5 March, 1964.

In accordance with the invitation extended by the Australian National Council to send a direct delegate with voting power the Council appointed our Hon. Chief Instructor, H. J. K. Farey, as our representative and we would like to record herein our appreciation of the many courtesies which were extended to our delegate by officials of the Surf Lifesaving Association of Australia.

It is pleasing to record that in the main our recommendations in regard to proposed drill alterations were agreed to by the Conference and at a subsequent meeting of the Council it was decided that the alterations agreed to by the 10th Australian In-

structional Conference be adopted immediately and therefore will come into effect in the forthcoming season. This action is in line with that taken by Australia and therefore it is apparent that again in the coming season both organisations will be operating under the same drill methods.

The adoption of the alterations in drill necessitated immediate consideration of the question of the printing of new handbooks and after due deliberations it was decided that once again we should avail ourselves of the opportunity of obtaining our requirements of handbooks from the Australian National Council and it is hoped that within a short period these handbooks will be available for distribution.

However, whilst uniformity has been maintained the question of the control of future alterations is a matter which will still require finalisation and it was recommended by the Instructional Conference that the current drill be stabilised for a period of 5 years and that future alterations be controlled through an Instructional Conference on which Australia and New Zealand have equal voting power. It is a fact that the Constitution of the Association provides that the next Instructional Conference will be held in 1967 and therefore it is desirable that finalisation should be achieved before that year.

### **INTERNATIONAL DRILL HANDBOOK**

Following on a meeting of the International Council of Surf Lifesaving it was decided that an International Code covering drill methods be drawn up under which all future international Surf Lifesaving Contests will be conducted and at the present time consideration is being given to the compilation of this Handbook which will cover all future International competitions between countries affiliated to the International Council.

### **PROPOSED VISIT OF NEW ZEALAND TEAM TO AUSTRALIA**

The Council was very pleased indeed to accept an invitation sent to us by the Australian National Council to send a team of eleven members to take part in surf lifesaving competitions with the various State Centres and also to approve the following itinerary:

Arrive Brisbane Wednesday December 16, 1964; compete Saturday and/or Sunday December 19/20.

Arrive Sydney December 23: compete Saturday and/or Sunday December 26/27.

Arrive Adelaide December 30; compete Saturday and/or Sunday January 2/3, 1965.

Arrive Melbourne January 6; compete Saturday and/or Sunday January 9/10, 1965.

Depart for New Zealand Monday January 11, 1965.

The Council has already received nominations from District Association for the appointment of team members and arrangements for the Selection of the Team will be in the hands of K. W. Mitchell (convenor), J. Ferguson (Auckland) and S. D. Tarrant (Canterbury), and it is intended that a final trial be held at Wellington over the Labour Day Weekend when the New Zealand Team will be announced.

Arrangements are in hand for the outfitting of the New Zealand Team and for the procuring of the latest type Australian Board and Ski to be available for use by members of the New Zealand Team in preparation for contest in forthcoming events for this equipment.

A decision in respect of the personnel of the team will be made at subsequent meeting of the Council.

## INTER DISTRICT SURF CARNIVAL

It will be recalled that in the previous season an Inter District Surf Carnival was held at Mount Maunganui on the occasion of the Royal Visit but the decision to hold this contest between district representative teams only applied for the one season, and accordingly the Annual General Meeting gave consideration to adopting this carnival as a permanent fixture in our competition programme.

Based on the success of the royal carnival the Conference had no hesitation in agreeing that the contest be held annually and the competition this year was conducted at Lyall Bay Beach Wellington on Saturday 1st February 1964 when excellent competition resulted.

The Carnival was covered by live telecast and the resultant siting of the two arenas to a certain extent deprived the carnival of spectator interest, no doubt to the disappointment of our official guests and members of the public who favoured the meeting with their attendance.

The Auckland, Bay of Plenty, Gisborne, Hawke's Bay, Western Districts, Taranaki, Wellington and Canterbury Associations were represented at the Carnival with teams of ten members comprising 8 seniors and 2 juniors, whilst the events contested were the same as those which have previously applied in international fixtures.

The competition resulted in a victory for the Auckland District Association and the Council expresses congratulations to that Association on the splendid performances recorded by its team members.

Overhead conditions on the day were excellent but with little surf and we are indeed indebted to the Reserves Department of the Wellington City Corporation for the most necessary work which was carried out in the clearing and grading of the arena area.

The trophies for the events were again generously donated by the A.P.A. Life Association and acknowledgement of the gift is expressed in a separate section of this report.

The following are the official results:

### INTER DISTRICT 6 MAN RESCUE AND RESUSCITATION

- 1st Wellington 5.1.
- 2nd Gisborne 10.5.
- 3rd Auckland 10.7.

### INTER DISTRICT BEACH SPRINT

#### Heat 1:

- 1st Gisborne (K. Twigley).
- 2nd Canterbury (A. McDonald).
- 3rd Auckland (M. Bray).

#### Heat 2:

- 1st Taranaki (R. Johns).
- 2nd Wellington (C. Billing).
- 3rd Gisborne (G. Thompson).

#### Final:

- 1st Wellington (C. Billing).
- 2nd Taranaki (R. Johns).
- 3rd Gisborne (A. Twigley).

### INTER DISTRICT SENIOR BELTMAN FINAL

- 1st Auckland (R. Harker) 2.31.
- 2nd Canterbury (G. Dann) 2.39.
- 3rd Wellington (B. Crowder) 2.48 1/5.
- 4th Gisborne (B. Adams) 2.49.
- 5th Taranaki (J. McLean) 2.57 2/5.
- 6th Bay of Plenty (R. Edwards) 3.3.
- 7th Western Districts (M. Saxton) 3.5.
- 8th Hawke's Bay (P. Turner) 3.7 3/5.

### INTER DISTRICT MARCH PAST

1st Auckland 4.37.                      3rd= Canterbury 5.38.  
2nd Taranaki 4.75.                    3rd= Wellington 5.38.

### INTER DISTRICT SENIOR 4 MAN R. AND R.

1st Wellington 3.0.                    3rd Auckland 5.40.  
2nd Gisborne 3.75.

### INTER DISTRICT SENIOR TEAMS AND INDIVIDUAL SURF RACE

#### Individual:

1st R. Harker (Auckland).  
2nd N. Corbett (Auckland).  
3rd M. Harvey (Wellington).

#### Teams:

1st Auckland 21 points.  
2nd Wellington 22 points.  
3rd Canterbury 52 points.

### INTER DISTRICT JUNIOR BELTMAN

1st Taranaki (N. Penwarden).      3rd Auckland (R. Alnuth).  
2nd Wellington (D. Henderson).

### INTER DISTRICT PADDLE BOARD RACE

1st K. McDonald (Canterbury).      3rd M. Bray (Auckland).  
2nd D. Dalton (Canterbury).

### INTER DISTRICT JUNIOR TEAMS AND INDIVIDUAL SURF RACE

#### Individual:

1st D. Henderson (Wellington).  
2nd R. Dallimore (Auckland).  
3rd G. Sutton (Gisborne).

#### Teams:

1st= Auckland 7 points.  
1st= Gisborne 7 points.  
3rd Taranaki 13 points.

### INTER DISTRICT BEACH RELAY

1st Taranaki 5 points.                3rd Auckland 1 point.  
2nd Bay of Plenty 3 points.

### FINAL SUMMARY OF POINTS

1st Auckland 29.                      3rd Taranaki 14.  
2nd Wellington 23½.

## NEW ZEALAND SURF LIFESAVING CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 1964 National Surf Lifesaving Championships were conducted by the Auckland District Surf Lifesaving Association, the venue being Muriwai Beach and were held on the 7/8/9 March.

This was the first occasion since 1939 that the National event has been held in the Auckland area and the decision to hold the competition at Muriwai was prompted by the wish to stage the event at a beach where reasonable surf conditions could be anticipated. However, on the days preceding the commencement of the championships unfavourable conditions prevailed and as a result heavy seas made it necessary to transfer the Friday's events to Orewa Beach, which necessitated the moving of all teams and gear a distance of some 40 miles from the west coast to the east coast beach where the first day's programme was successfully concluded.

This move was one of considerable magnitude and the efficient manner in which it was accomplished indicated the excellent forward arrangements which had been made by the Auckland Association in providing for such an eventuality.

On the Saturday and Sunday the events were held at the Muriwai Beach where confused surf conditions provided a real test of the ability of competitors. The long tidal run experienced at Muriwai made it necessary for the placement of low and high water sets of swimming buoys but irrespective of the difficulties which arose which can be attributed mainly to the heavy surf conditions the Carnival concluded on a high note with credit to the officials of the Auckland District Association.

**Lord Fergusson presenting trophies to L. Harrow (Taylor's Mistake) and J. Clark (North Beach) at 1964 National Championships.**



We express to members of that Association and the Muriwai Surf Lifesaving Club our congratulations on the organisation of the carnival and arrangements concluded for the entertainment of visiting surfers which would be unequalled in the history of our National Championships.

The highlight of the Carnival was the attendance of their Excellencies Sir Bernard and Lady Fergusson on the Saturday afternoon and we did appreciate the honour which was given us on this occasion.

Sir Bernard, as our Patron, presented trophies to the winning teams in the Ladies events and it is pleasing to record the interest which is shown in our movement by their Excellencies.

On the Sunday the meeting was favoured in the attendance of the Minister of Internal Affairs, the Hon. David Seath and again we express our appreciation for the privilege accorded us and for the sincere interest which the Minister holds in our activities. We were also favoured with the attendance of His Worship the Mayor of Auckland, and other local dignitaries.

Your Council extends to the winners of the various events both individual and teams our sincerest congratulations.

The following teams were represented with entries:

**Senior and Junior:**

- Castlecliff
- East End
- Eastern United
- Fitzroy
- Island Bay
- Karekare
- Levin/Waiterere
- Lyall Bay
- Mairangi Bay
- Maranui
- Mount Maunganui
- Muriwai
- New Brighton
- New Plymouth Old Boys
- North Beach
- North Piha
- Opunake
- Orewa
- Otaki
- Pacific
- Paekakariki
- Patea
- Piha
- Port Waikato
- Red Beach
- Riversdale
- Ruakaka
- St. Clair

- South Brighton
- Sumner
- Taylor's Mistake
- Titahi Bay
- Waihi
- Waimairi
- Wainui
- Waipu Cove
- Westshore
- Whakatane
- Worser Bay

**Ladies**

- East End
- Fitzroy
- Island Bay
- Moana Rua
- Mount Maunganui
- New Plymouth Old Boys
- North Beach
- Pacific
- Paekakariki
- Scorching Bay
- South Brighton
- Taylor's Mistake
- Titahi Bay
- Waimairi
- Waitemata
- Wellington Ladies

The following are the official results:

### N.Z. SENIOR SIX-MAN R. & R. CHAMPIONSHIP

#### Heat 1:

1st, Lyall Bay (M. Harvey, C. Simonds, K. Ryan, A. Griffen, C. Blakeley, P. Griffen). Total 7.60.

2nd, Muriwai B (J. Young, J. Stayton, J. Weston, B. Chrystal, J. Thomas, R. Thomas). Total 9.25.

3rd, Island Bay (M. Aston, J. Jenkinson, B. Shannon, D. Smith, K. Hancox, J. Grace). Total 10.95.

#### Heat 2:

1st, Waikanae A (B. Adams, B. McLean, M. Pickett, J. McLean, G. Thompson, D. Green). Total 6.80.

2nd, South Brighton A (Lee, Russ, Feilding, Campbell, McAlister, Richards). Total 7.90.

3rd, Paekakariki (Brinlon, Jollop, Down, Cameron, Varcoe, Coshe). Total 10.80.

#### Heat 3:

1st, North Beach (D. Dalton, L. Whittle, G. McKenzie, J. Vesey, L. Macintosh, D. Cutting). Total 7.40.

2nd, Lyall Bay B (P. Fitzsimmons, T. Watson, R. Dixon, R. Purchas, G. Mace, P. Coltart). Total 9.30.

3rd, Titahi Bay (G. Caddie, G. Brown, E. Laing, M. White, I. Nolan, R. Quaid). Total 10.80.

#### Heat 4:

1st, Eastern United A (J. Sneyd, R. Busing, N. Kay, I. Given, B. Phillips, J. Jenkins). Total 5.60.

2nd, Worsler Bay A (B. Davenport, C. Billing, T. Christie, I. Greenwood, G. Dickie, D. Lowe). Total 8.80.

3rd, New Brighton A (G. Dann, M. Stott, B. Moore, N. Chamberlain, G. Williamson, J. Tierney). Total 9.95.

#### Heat 5:

1st, Fitzroy (P. Grace, R. Webster, W. Papers, H. Vallentine, R. Johns, D. Webster). Total 8.20.

2nd, Taylor's Mistake A (J. Turpin, B. Turpin, G. Le Cren, P. Hatchwell, W. Gilchrist, W. McGuire). Total 8.45.

3rd, Maranui A (B. Crowder, R. Gallagher, K. Mark, M. Haxton, K. O'Malley, H. Steven). Total 9.20.

#### Final:

1st, Eastern United A (B. Phillips, J. Sneyd, J. Jenkins, R. Busing, N. Kay, I. Given). Total 6.20.

2nd, Lyall Bay A (P. Griffin, C. Symonds, A. Griffin, M. Harvey, K. Ryan, C. Blakeley). Total 8.35.

3rd, Waikanae (J. McLean, B. McLean, P. Adams, B. Green, G. Thompson, M. Pickett). Total 9.40.

### N.Z. SENIOR FOUR-MAN ALARM CHAMPIONSHIP

#### Heat 1:

1st, Eastern United (N. Kay, J. Sneyd, I. Given, B. Phillips). Total 2.20.

2nd, Waikanae (M. Pickett, B. Adams, G. Thompson, B. Green). Total 4.65.

3rd, New Brighton (G. Williamson, G. Dann, N. Chamberlain, M. Scott). Total 5.30.

**Heat 2:**

1st, North Beach (Cutting, McIntosh, Vessey, W. Little). Total 4.20.

2nd, Lyall Bay (K. Purchas, M. Harvey, G. Mace, P. Griffen). Total 4.70.

3rd, N.P.O.B. (P. Powell, McLean, R. Titcombe, K. Wood). Total 5.15.

**Heat 3:**

1st, Paekakariki (Brinck, Cameron, Varcoe, Parsons). Total 5.15.

2nd, Orewa (A. Lewton, P. Yock, N. Kelloway, F. Thompson). Total 6.40.

3rd, Maranui (B. Crowder, K. Mark, K. O'Malley, M. Haxton). Total 6.60

**Heat 4:**

1st, Sumner (B. Monk, H. Moore, M. Cousins, B. Stanton). Total 4.60.

2nd, West Shore (N. Booth, K. Anderson, K. Scott, B. Dennehy). Total 5.85.

3rd, North Piha (Roman, Corbett, Salter, Pullen). Total 5.85.

**Heat 5:**

1st, Red Beach (J. Purdon, R. Harker, R. Woodall, R. Warman). Total 4.70.

2nd, Piha (C. Wright, P. Jack, M. Bray, G. Barker). Total 5.80.

3rd, Taylor's Mistake (Harrow, Le Cren, Bradley, Turpin). Total 6.10.

**Final:**

1st, Eastern United (N. Kay, J. Sneyd, I. Given, B. Phillips). Total 4.50.

2nd, Red Beach (J. Purdon, R. Harker, R. Woodall, R. Warman). Total 6.10.

3rd, Waikanae (M. Pickett, B. Adams, G. Thompson, B. Green). Total 6.15.

**N.Z. SENIOR BELTMAN'S CHAMPIONSHIP****Heat 1:**

1st, Sth. Brighton A (J. A. Lee).  
2nd, West Shore A (Anderson).  
3rd, Orewa A (P. R. Yock).

**Heat 5:**

1st, Lyall Bay B (M. Harvey).  
2nd, Sumner A (H. Moore).  
3rd, Mt Maunganui A (Edwards).

**Heat 2:**

1st, Nth. Piha A (N. Corbett).  
2nd, Sth. Brighton B (P. Ross).  
3rd, Eastern United B (I. Given).

**Heat 6:**

1st, Maranui (B. Crowder).  
2nd, Red Beach A (R. Harker).  
3rd, Taylor's Mist. A (Le Cren).

**Heat 3:**

1st, New Brighton A (G. Dann).  
2nd, Waikanae B (B. McLean).  
3rd East End A (T. Corkin).

**Heat 7:**

1st, Lyall Bay A (K. Ryan).  
2nd, Piha A (D. Ritchie).  
3rd, St. Clair A

**Heat 4:**

1st, Worser Bay A (C. Billing).  
2nd, Waikanae A (R. Turnbull).  
3rd, East United A (J. Jenkins).

**Final:**

1st, Maranui (Crowder).  
2nd, Lyall Bay B (Harvey).  
3rd New Brighton A (Dann).

**N.Z. SENIOR TEAMS (OF FOUR) AND INDIVIDUAL  
SURF RACE CHAMPIONSHIP**

**Heat 1:**

1st, Red Beach (R. Harker).  
2nd, Waikanae (J. McLean).  
3rd, New Brighton (G. Dann).

**Heat 3:**

1st, Lyall Bay (M. Harvey).  
2nd, North Piha (N. Corbett).  
3rd, Worser Bay (C. Billing).

**Heat 2:**

1st, Eastern United (J. Sneyd).  
2nd, Waikanae (R. Turnball).  
3rd, Piha (F. Lucas).

**Heat 4:**

1st, Lyall Bay (K. Ryan).  
2nd, N.P.O.B. (J. McLean).  
3rd, Eastern United (B. Philips).

**Teams Surf Race Final:**

1st, Eastern United 16.  
2nd, Lyall Bay 16.  
3rd, Waimairi 24.

**Individual Surf Race Final:**

1st, Crowder (Maranui).  
2nd, Harker (Red Beach).  
3rd, Harvey (Lyall Bay).

**N.Z. SENIOR SURF BOAT CHAMPIONSHIP**

**Heat 1:**

1st, Muriwai.  
2nd, Maranui.  
3rd, Island Bay.

**Heat 4:**

1st, Titahi Bay.  
2nd, Muriwai.  
3rd, Lyall Bay.

**Heat 2:**

1st, Lyall Bay.  
2nd, Piha.  
3rd, Titahi Bay.

**Heat 5:**

1st, Piha.  
2nd, Maranui.  
3rd, Lyall Bay.

**Heat 3:**

1st, New Brighton.  
2nd, Piha.  
3rd, Island Bay.

**Heat 6:**

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

**Final:**

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

## N.Z. JUNIOR SIX-MAN R. & R. CHAMPIONSHIP

### Heat 1:

1st, Maranui A (W. Warwick, J. Robinson, L. Gallagher, M. Mentiplay, J. Winter, J. Gallagher). Total 12.95.

2nd, Waimairi A (M. Jamieson, R. Forbes, T. Marr, B. Leith, B. Spear, M. Yorstan). Total 13.80.

3rd, Eastern United (G. Allnott, D. Hawkes, C. Metcalf, H. Wade, R. Litchwarch, J. Longley). Total 14.55.

### Heat 2:

1st, Waikanae A (J. Bean, G. Sutton, D. Holeborn, T. Burn, K. Barrett, C. Blumfield). Total 11.80.

2nd, New Brighton (S. Warner, B. Moore, G. Finch, C. West, J. Faulkner, B. Scott). Total 18.70.

3rd, Fitzroy (R. Johns, D. Parker, J. Velvin, V. Velvin, J. Mitchell, E. Lawrence). Total 19.00.

### Heat 3:

1st, South Brighton (T. O'Keefe, A. Harris, G. Lee, P. Brixton, C. Gurr, R. Johnston). Total 8.20.

2nd, Taylor's Mistake B (B. Ericsson, D. McDonald, D. Neat, D. Johnstone, W. Newton, R. Hunter). Total 15.95.

3rd, North Beach (J. Kemp, N. McGirr, A. Donaldson, P. Davis, P. Caulton, I. Dunthorp). Total 17.10.

### Heat 4:

1st, Taylor's Mistake A (G. McNaught, A. Harrow, J. Stead, J. Powell, P. Carpenter, P. Goldsmith). Total 8.60.

2nd, South Brighton B (I. Gurr, L. Richards, J. Allen, M. Palmer, N. O'Keefe, M. Pocock). Total 18.85.

3rd, Orewa (S. Carson, A. Clark, D. Holdsworth, C. Booking, W. Proctor, P. Wilson). Total 24.75.

### Heat 5:

1st, Muriwai B (R. Neill, G. Butt, T. Butt, K. Seward, K. Riley, R. Seward). Total 13.95.

2nd, Waimairi B (S. Carruthers, P. Stevens, P. O'Donnell, B. Leask, D. Johnston, R. Ettrick). Total 15.80.

3rd, Castlecliff B (G. Law, G. Lynsky, M. Scott, N. Bullock, J. Bullock, R. Goldsmith). Total 21.85.

### Final:

1st, South Brighton (R. Johnstone, N. Brixton, T. O'Keefe, G. Lee, C. Gurr, A. Harris). Total 9.35.

2nd, Taylor's Mistake A (A. Harrow, P. Goldsmith, P. Carpenter, J. Powell, G. McNaught, J. Stead). Total 10.10.

3rd, Pacific (D. Kempton, G. Heiferman, B. Wilson, R. Lee, J. Goodall, P. Kempton). Total 10.45.

## N.Z. JUNIOR FOUR-MAN ALARM CHAMPIONSHIP

### Heat 1:

1st, Worser Bay (R. Harnson, R. Arnold, R. Ransome, R. Aislabie). Total 5.70.

2nd, West Shore (A. Martin, W. Williams, T. Simmonds, M. Gudgeon). Total 6.60.

3rd, Taylor's Mistake (W. Newton, P. Goldsmith, B. McDonald, G. McNault). Total 7.05.

**Heat 2:**

1st, New Brighton (P. Moore, G. Bacon, C. West, B. Scott). Total 8.30.

2nd, North Piha (McIntosh, Dallimore, Lynch, Smythe). Total 9.20.

3rd, Lyall Bay (J. Hardie, D. Smith, K. Tedoy, T. Brace). Total 14.85.

**Heat 3:**

1st, North Beach (M. McGirr, I. Gumthorp, P. Davis, I. Donaldson). Total 6.40.

2nd, Maranui (L. Gallagher, W. Warwick, T. Smith, J. Gallagher). Total 6.70.

3rd, Waimairi (Jamieson, McDonald, Yorstar, Spear). Total 7.20.

**Heat 4:**

1st, Waikanae (K. Barrett, Y. Sutton, J. Carmichael, T. Byrne). Total 6.30.

2nd, South Brighton (N. Brixton, R. Johnston, N. Pocock, C. Gurr). Total 8.60.

3rd, Mairangi Bay (B. Shorthouse, W. Lee, M. Shepher, T. Cheer). Total 11.50.

**Heat 5:**

1st, Eastern United (D. Hawkes, G. Allnut, H. Wade, R. Lichtwark). Total 4.00.

2nd, N.P.O.B. (S. K. Watkins, N. H. Penwarden, R. D. Benton, R. J. Hawker) Total 7.00.

3rd, Paekakariki (T. Allen, D. Wills, R. Dunlop, D. Jarvis). Total 10.35.

**Final:**

1st, Eastern United (S. Hawkes, G. Allnut, H. Wade, R. Lichtwark). Total 6.60.

2nd, N.P.O.B. (S. K. Watkins, N. Penwarden, R. D. Benton, R. K. Hawker). Total 7.40.

3rd, New Brighton (P. Moore, G. Bacon, C. West, B. Scott). Total 7.90.

**N.Z. JUNIOR BELTMAN'S CHAMPIONSHIP****Heat 1:**

1st, Eastern United (G. Allnut).

2nd, Waimairi B (A. McDonald).

3rd, Riversdale B (N. Ballantine).

**Heat 5:**

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

2nd, New Brighton B (G. Finch).

3rd, Waihi (T. Lunn).

**Heat 2:**

1st, Muriwai B (R. Taylor).

2nd, Westshore A (C. Williams).

3rd, St. Clair B (M. Jordan).

**Heat 6:**

1st, Fitzroy (R. Johns).

2nd, Sth. Brighton (K. O'Keefe).

3rd, Piha A (A. Secula).

**Heat 3:**

1st, Worser Bay A (Henderson).

2nd, North Beach B (Gunthorp).

3rd, Whakatane (G. Macintosh).

**Heat 7:**

1st, Waikanae B (T. Byrne).

2nd, Lyall Bay A (D. Smith).

3rd, Patea B (B. Rangi Heatea).

**Heat 4:**

1st, Worser Bay B (R. Arnold).

2nd, Nth. Piha A (R. Dallimore).

3rd, Patea A (J. Jackson).

**Heat 8:**

1st, Red Beach (W. Pritchard).

2nd, Waikanae A (G. Sutton).

3rd, Maranui A (W. Warwick).

**Final:**

1st, Eastern United A (G. Allnut) 3.21.

2nd, Red Beach (W. Pritchard) 3.45 2/5.

3rd, Waikanae B (T. Byrne) 3.46 4/5.

**N.Z. JUNIOR TEAMS (OF FOUR) AND INDIVIDUAL  
SURF RACE CHAMPIONSHIP**

**Heat 1:**

1st, A. Narrow (Taylor's Mist.).  
2nd, R. Delmore (North Piha).  
3rd, A. McDonald (Waimairi).

**Heat 3:**

1st, N. Penwarden (N.P.O.B.).  
2nd, D. Hudson (Worser Bay).  
3rd, M. Jordan (St. Clair).

**Heat 2:**

1st, G. Sutton (Waikanae).  
2nd, G. Allnutt (Eastern United).  
3rd, D. Smith (Lyll Bay).

**Heat 4:**

1st, T. Byrne (Waimari).  
2nd, R. Taylor (Muriwai).  
3rd, B. McNaughton (Nth. Piha).

**Individual Surf Race Final:**

1st, D. Henderson (Worser Bay).  
2nd, G. Sutton (Waikanae).  
3rd, N. Penwarden (N.P.O.B.)

**Teams Surf Race Final:**

1st, Waikanae.  
2nd, North Piha.  
3rd, Waimairi.

**N.Z. JUNIOR SURF BOAT CHAMPIONSHIP**

**Heat 1:**

1st, Titahi Bay.  
2nd, Island Bay.

**Heat 4:**

1st, Island Bay.  
2nd, Titahi Bay.

**Heat 2:**

1st, New Brighton.

**Heat 5:**

1st, Titahi Bay.  
2nd, New Brighton.

**Heat 3:**

1st, New Brighton.  
2nd, Taylor's Mistake.  
3rd, Lyll Bay.

**Heat 6:**

1st, Island Bay.

**Final:**

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

**N.Z. LADIES' SIX-MAN R. & R. CHAMPIONSHIP**

**Heat 1:**

1st, Scorching Bay (H. McKay, K. Bullock, V. Bullock, D. Frizell, P. Brown, D. Taplin). Total 11.55.

2nd, Wellington Ladies (B. MacHarper, L. Watson, J. Butler, J. Newport, D. Sleep, D. Grint). Total 11.70.

3rd, Waimairi A (Edwards, Baigent, K. Leask, Hulme, M. Leask, Johnstone). Total 12.80.

**Heat 2:**

1st, South Brighton A (L. McKenzie, A. Harlwich, R. Parkinson, M. Sloper, B. Ross, A. Downes). Total 8.80.

2nd, Taylor's Mistake (Breward, Monk, Hart, Campbell, Anderson, Cormack). Total 9.10.

3rd, N.P.O.B. Ladies (J. Barkley, R. Dryden, B. Dryden, S. Molan, G. Wallace, S. Beattie). Total 11.60.

**Final:**

1st, South Brighton A (R. McKenzie, A. Harlwich, L. McKenzie, B. Ross, A. Downes, M. Sloper). Total 8.25.

2nd, Titahi Bay (L. Hassell, V. Hassell, E. Timms, D. Cayliss, J. Timms, S. Kettlewell). Total 13.60.

3rd, Taylor's Mistake (J. Campbell, B. Billings, R. Anderson, M. Hart, J. Monk, G. Cormack). Total 16.90.

## N.Z. LADIES' FOUR-MAN ALARM CHAMPIONSHIP

### Heat 1:

1st, Scorching Bay A (B. Withers, L. Bullock, D. Patterson, P. Rowell). Total 6.30.

2nd, Taylor's Mistake A (J. Campbell, B. Breward, R. Anderson, M. Hart). Total 6.85.

3rd, N.P.O.B. Ladies (J. Barclay, R. Dryden, S. Nolan, G. Wallis). Total 10.00.

### Heat 2:

1st, South Brighton A (L. McKenzie, R. McKenzie, A. Downes, B. Ross). Total 7.25.

2nd, Taylor's Mistake B (A. Palmer, L. Harrow, G. Tong, C. Palmer). Total 8.55.

3rd, Fitzroy (L. Knapman, M. Clow, L. Cleland, J. Cleland). Total 9.25.

### Heat 3:

1st, Waimairi A (B. Davies, R. Leask, J. Leask, E. Edwards). Total 7.10.

2nd, North Beach (L. Sturrock, M. Dasler, D. Gillespie, D. Dasler). Total 7.45.

3rd, Paekakariki (D. Bly, M. Brint, S. Northcote, M. Brint). Total 13.30.

### Final:

1st, Taylor's Mistake B (A. Palmer, L. Harrow, C. Palmer, G. Tong). Total 6.80.

2nd, South Brighton (R. McKenzie, L. McKenzie, A. Downe, B. Ross). Total 8.75.

3rd, N.P.O.B. Ladies (J. Barclay, R. Drydon, S. Nolan, G. Wallace). Total 9.10.

## N.Z. LADIES' BELTMAN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

### Heat 1:

1st, North Beach A (W. Dale).

2nd, N.P.O.B. A (J. Barclay).

3rd, Sth. Brighton B (A. Boelee).

### Heat 3:

1st, Waimairi B (R. Leask).

2nd, Taylor's Mist. (L. Harrow).

3rd, East End (D. Roebuck).

### Heat 2:

1st, North Beach B (J. Clark).

2nd, Westshore (R. George).

3rd, Titahi Bay (L. Hassell).

### Heat 4:

1st, Patea (K. Quickenden).

2nd, Waimairi A (C. MacDonald).

3rd, Titahi Bay (V. Hassell).

### Final:

1st, Taylor's Mistake (L. Harrow).

2nd, North Beach B (J. Clark).

3rd, Waimairi B (R. Leask).

**N.Z. LADIES TEAMS (OF FOUR) AND INDIVIDUAL  
SURF RACE CHAMPIONSHIP**

**Heat 1:**

1st, North Beach (W. Dale).  
2nd, Scorching Bay (L. Bullock).  
3rd, Fitzroy (L. Knapman).

**Heat 3:**

1st, Taylor's Mist. (L. Harrow).  
2nd, North Beach (J. Clark).  
3rd, Sth Brighton (R. McKenzie).

**Heat 2:**

1st, Wgton. Ladies (L. Watson).  
2nd, North Beach (S. Pittmers).  
3rd, South Brighton (Boelee).

**Heat 4:**

1st, Waimairi (I. Baigent).  
2nd, Westshore (R. George).  
3rd, North Beach (D. Dasler).

**Surf Teams Race Final:**

1st, North Beach 8.  
2nd, Taylor's Mistake 14.  
3rd, South Brighton 26.

**Individual Surf Race Final:**

1st, North Beach (J. Clark).  
2nd, Taylor's Mist. (L. Harrow).  
3rd, South Brighton (B. Lee).

**MARCH PAST**

**Senior:**

1st, Mairangi Bay  
2nd, Taylor's Mistake  
3rd, Waimairi.

**Junior:**

1st, Orewa.  
2nd, Taylor's Mistake.  
3rd, Maranui.

**Ladies:**

1st, Taylor's Mistake.  
2nd, South Brighton  
3rd, Wellington Ladies

**N.Z. INDIVIDUAL SURF SKI RESCUE CHAMPIONSHIP**

**Heat 1:**

1st, Sumner A (D. Lyons).  
2nd, Eastern United A (Ingram).  
3rd, Muriwai B (J. Gray).

**Heat 3:**

1st, Waimairi A (E. Leask).  
2nd, North Beach B (R. Dalton).  
3rd, Piha B (C. Wright).

**Heat 2:**

1st, Waimairi B (N. Stevens).  
2nd, Titahi Bay (I. Glen).  
3rd, Westshore A (B. Dennehy).

**Heat 4:**

1st, Piha A (D. Wright).  
2nd, Eastern United B (Longley).  
3rd, Waihi B (I. Robinson).

**Final:**

1st, Waimairi B (M. Stevens).  
2nd, North Beach B (R. Dalton).  
3rd, Sumner A (D. Lyons).

**N.Z. 100 YARDS BEACH SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIP**

**Heat 1:**

1st, Waipu Cove B (G. Western).  
2nd, Titahi Bay A (B. Readman).  
3rd, Waikanae A (G. Thompson).

**Heat 5:**

1st, Nth. Beach B (R. Dalton).  
2nd, Whangamata A (R. Braun).  
3rd=, Piha A (P. Shepherd).  
3rd=, Pt. Waikato (G. Barker).

**Heat 2:**

1st, Fitzroy A (R. Johns).  
2nd, Waihi B (B. Heath).  
3rd, Taylor's Mist B (Hatchwell).

**Heat 6:**

1st, Worser Bay B (E. Mautner).  
2nd, Whangamata B (Donovan).  
3rd, Island Bay A (D. Smith).

**Heat 3:**

1st, Muriwai A (J. Stanton).  
2nd, Mairangi Bay B (B. Peer).  
3rd, North Beach A (R. Patrick).

**Heat 7:**

1st, Waihi A (B. Hill).  
2nd, Taylor's Mist. A (LeCren).  
3rd, Piha B (B. Kent).

**Heat 4:**

1st, Worser Bay A (C. Billing).  
2nd, Waikanae B (R. Glover).  
3rd, Orewa A (R. Weavers).

**Final:**

1st, Muriwai (J. Stanton).  
2nd, North Beach (R. Dalton).  
3rd, Worser Bay (C. Billing).

## N.Z. BEACH RELAY CHAMPIONSHIP

### Heat 1:

- 1st, Waipu Cove.
- 2nd, North Beach.

### Heat 2:

- 1st, Fitzroy.
- 2nd, Titahi Bay.
- 3rd, South Brighton.

### Final:

- 1st, Worser Bay.
- 2nd, Taylor's Mistake.
- 3rd, Fitzroy.

### Heat 3:

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

### Heat 4:

- 1st, Taylor's Mistake.
- 2nd, Waikanae.
- 3rd, Lyall Bay.

## N.Z. OPEN CANOE CHAMPIONSHIP

### Heat 1:

- 1st, Sumner.
- 2nd, Wainui.
- 3rd, Waimairi.

### Heat 2:

- 1st, North Beach.
- 2nd, Sumner.
- 3rd, Waimairi.

### Heat 3:

- 1st, Wainui.
- 2nd, Sumner.
- 3rd, North Beach.

### Final:

- 1st, Waimairi.
- 2nd, Sumner.
- 3rd, North Beach.

## N.Z. SURF SKI RACE CHAMPIONSHIP

### Heat 1:

- 1st, Waimairi (E. Leask).
- 2nd, Muriwai (R. Lewton).
- 3rd, Sumner (D. Lyons).

### Heat 2:

- 1st, North Beach (R. Dalton).
- 2nd, Waimairi (P. Davies).
- 3rd, St. Clair (E. Smaill).

### Final:

- 1st, North Beach (R. Dalton).
- 2nd, Muriwai (R. Goodman).
- 3rd, Red Beach (P. Way).

### Heat 3:

- 1st, Muriwai (R. Goodman).
- 2nd, Sumner (N. Cousins).
- 3rd, Red Beach (P. Way).

### Heat 4:

- 1st, Piha (D. Wright).
- 2nd, Orewa (F. Thompson).
- 3rd, Muriwai (N. Grey).

## N.Z. PADDLEBOARD CHAMPIONSHIP

### Heat 1:

- 1st, Waimairi (P. Stevens).
- 2nd, Piha (M. Bray).
- 3rd, Piha (E. Cox).

### Heat 2:

- 1st, Mt. Maunganui (B. McGee).
- 2nd, New Brighton (W. Crow).
- 3rd, St. Clair (T. Clark).

### Heat 3:

- 1st, South Brighton (P. Ross).
- 2nd, North Beach (D. Dalton).
- 3rd, New Brighton (J. Falconer).

### Heat 4:

- 1st, South Brighton (A. Johnson).
- 2nd, Waikanae (J. McLain).
- 3rd, North Beach (B. Dobson).

### Heat 5:

- 1st, Sumner (H. Moore).
- 2nd, Muriwai (N. Seewood).
- 3rd, Sth. Brighton (M. Priest).

### Heat 6:

- 1st, Sumner (B. Stanton).
- 2nd, Castlecliff (M. Glenn).
- 3rd, St. Clair (D. Patrick).

### Heat 7:

- 1st, Waimairi (T. Joy).
- 2nd=, Mt. Maunganui (Cochran).
- 2nd=, Muriwai (T. Butt).

### Final:

- 1st, North Beach (D. Dalton).
- 2nd, New Brighton (M. Craw).
- 3rd, Mt. Maunganui (Cochran).

### **CAMBRIAN SHIELD**

- 1st, Miss A. Downes — South Brighton A.  
2nd, Miss K. Leask — Waimairi B. Miss J. Leask — Waimairi A.

### **W. D. & H. O. WILLS TROPHIES**

- 2 Surf Skis (One for North Island Club — One for South Island Club)  
North Island — Waikanae.  
South Island — New Brigtaon.

### **NORRIS TROPHY**

#### **District Association with Highest Aggregate Points**

- 1st, Auckland — 6½.  
2nd, Canterbury — 5½.  
3rd, Wellington — 3.

### **ALLAN GARDINER MEMORIAL TROPHY**

#### **Club with Highest Aggregate Points**

- 1st, Eastern United — 20.00.  
2nd, Lyall Bay — 15.00.  
3rd, Waikanae — 13.33.

### **1965 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

The Annual Conference approved the allocation of the 1965 National Championships to the Canterbury District Surf Lifesaving Association and the fixture will be held at New Brighton Beach on Friday/Saturday/Sunday 19/20/21 February with Hayes Bay as the alternative venue.

The occasion will mark the Fiftieth Contest for the Nelson Shield which was first competed for in 1915 although under the control of the Royal Life Saving Society.

We regret that our Patron his Excellency Sir Bernard Fergusson has informed us that due to a prior engagement during that period he will not be able to attend our National Championships at New Brighton.

### **A.P.A. ASSOCIATION LTD.**

For some years past we have been favoured with donations of lifesaving equipment from A.P.A. Association Limited and again in the current season the Association received from these benefactors three completely equipped standard reels which were offered by your Council as Trophies for contest at the Inter-District Surf Carnival held at Wellington on February 1, 1964.

The above reels were won by the Auckland, Wellington and Taranaki Association teams, and in making the presentations our President expressed to the A.P.A. Association Limited, which company was represented at the fixture by their Joint General Manager Mr. G. S. Shuttleworth, our grateful appreciation of the worthwhile assistance made to the movement in the form of lifesaving equipment.

### **W. D. & H. O. WILLS**

Again it is pleasing to record the practical interest in our humanitarian activities which has been shown by W. D. and H. O. Wills, which company indicated that they would make available a total of 12 Rescue Surf Skis for contest in the various district Association areas, including one for individually affiliated clubs and two to go forward as Trophies at the National Championships held at Muriwai.

Unfortunately due to difficulties in manufacture delivery has been considerably protracted and as a result it has not been possible for us to make the Skis available in the current year, but District Associations were informed accordingly and requested to include in their next years programme contest for the "Wills Rescue Ski".

However, at the wish of the donors two skis were available at the National Championships for presentation to the two club teams both in the North and South Islands finishing in the highest position in the final of the Nelson Shield Contest. Under this arrangement the North Island Ski was won by the Eastern United Club and the South Island Ski by the Waimairi Club.

In view of the high cost of manufacture the donation represented a substantial gift to the Association and we would like to assure W. D. and H. O. Wills that their continued assistance is much appreciated and that without doubt the skis which they have made available and manufactured purely to rescue specifications will be responsible for the saving of life in patrol work in the future.

### **HON. LIFE MEMBERSHIP**

The Council extends heartiest congratulations to N. St. C. Berge who was unanimously elected an Hon. Life Member of the Association at the Annual General Meeting.

The service rendered by Mr. Berge goes back to the early days of the Association and he is still an active worker for the movement in the Taranaki District Association.

### **HON. SERVICE AWARD BLAZER**

The Annual General Meeting granted authority to wear the Hon. Service Award Blazer of the Association to the following members who have rendered very valuable service to the movement over a long period of years both at District Association and Club level.

- J. Hatchwell (Taranaki).
- B. M. Dennehy (Hawke's Bay).
- C. G. Way (Western Districts).
- V. C. Simonsen (Otago).
- A. D. Tompkins (Otago).
- J. K. Chapman (Canterbury).
- H. G. Goldsmith (Canterbury).

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ASSOCIATION**

In accordance with a decision made at the last Annual Conference future Annual Meetings of the Association will be held in the last weekend of August each year instead of the last week of July.

The decision to alter the above date was prompted by the fact that the holding of the meeting at the end of August would give District Associations the opportunity of holding their own general meetings prior to the date of the Association meeting and allow incoming officials to deal with questions which would come forward for decision at our Annual Conference.

## RESCUES

It is again pleasing to be able to record that no drownings occurred at patrolled beaches whilst the activities of surf patrols were responsible for a total of 200 rescues being effected and of this number three persons required the application of artificial respiration.

In addition to the above reports received from affiliated clubs indicated that a total of 443 persons were treated for first aid at the beaches.

It is interesting to note that figures issued by the National Water Safety Committee indicated that from a total of 112 drownings recorded during the year only 18 of this number occurred at open beaches.

The number of rescues recorded shows a substantial drop as compared with the total of the previous season and we hope that this reduction reflects the value of the campaign carried out in the education of the public in the dangers associated with bathing at surf beaches.

The following is the detail of rescues effected during the season:

With line and belt	....	....	40
Without line and belt	....	....	87
With Surf Ski etc.	....	....	73
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			200
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## AWARDS

The number of awards gained during the season showed a decline and although the return of clubs indicates that a total of 393 surf medallions were gained, report on examination forms received to date only cover a total 366.

In view of the returns made it is evident that further report on examination forms are still to come forward to the Council and the final figure for the season may be much greater than that at present indicated.

The number of surf instructors awards gained is namely 31 is considered to be satisfactory and here again it is evident that this figure may be increased when all returns are to hand.

The Council would extend congratulations to all members gaining their awards which no doubt has been responsible for the increase in active membership which has been revealed in the current season.

## NEW CLUBS

Congratulations are extended to the Auckland Association in the formation of the Mangawhia Heads Surf Club and to the Canterbury Association in the formation of the Central Brighton Ladies' Club.

Both clubs have been active during the current season in carrying out beach patrol work.

## MEMBERSHIP AND GEAR

The total number of clubs affiliated to the Association is 71 and with the exception of the Rarangi (Blenheim) and Tahunanui (Nelson) clubs which are affiliated directly to the Council the balance of this total operate directly through our nine District Associations namely: Auckland, Bay of Plenty, Gisborne, Hawke's Bay, Taranaki, Western Districts, Wellington, Canterbury and Otago.

It is pleasing to note that the return of clubs shows an increase in active membership.

Details are as follows:

	1962/63	1963/64
Active	2346	2696
Other members	3209	3246
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The value of gear and equipment owned by affiliated clubs and used solely for the purpose of maintaining patrols shows an increase from £19,814 to £21,060.



	Rescues		Other Gear	Resus- citation	First Aid	Bronze	Surf	Instructors	Active		Gear Value	
	With Line	Without Line							Members	Other		
<b>AUCKLAND—</b>												
Eastern United .....	—	2	2	—	1	6	5	—	49	67	425	
Kare Kare .....	3	2	1	—	2	4	8	1	26	27	165	
Mairangi Bay .....	—	—	—	—	25	—	2	—	15	20	75	
Moananui Ladies' .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	20	20	153	
Muriwai .....	3	—	1	—	12	11	12	2	45	30	350	
North Piha .....	2	—	—	—	—	2	13	3	32	74	130	
Orewa .....	—	2	2	1	24	6	10	1	48	70	500	
Piha .....	1	10	8	—	15	—	15	—	48	184	760	
Ngaranui .....	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	18	—	—	
Port Waikato .....	1	10	10	—	9	2	5	—	44	109	81	
Red Beach .....	—	1	2	—	21	9	9	1	38	9	320	
Ruakaka .....	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	21	19	170	
Waipu Cove .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	35	4	230	
Waitemata Ladies' .....	—	—	—	—	6	—	1	—	8	8	60	
Mangawhia Heads .....	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	29	—	100	
<b>BAY OF PLENTY—</b>												
Maketu .....	No Return.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Mt. Maunganui .....	1	4	—	—	20	3	10	2	39	25	285	
Omanu Pacific .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	21	4	100	
Whakatane .....	2	4	—	—	—	—	2	1	34	—	690	
Whangamata .....	—	1	1	—	10	6	6	1	44	149	585	
<b>GISBORNE EAST COAST—</b>												
Gisborne Ladies' .....	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	14	17	330	
Midway .....	—	4	2	—	45	—	—	—	29	28	350	
Waikanae .....	—	—	3	—	8	7	11	—	32	10	275	
Wainui .....	—	—	—	—	40	1	1	—	14	44	180	
Wairoa .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	50	

### HAWKE'S BAY—

Clifton .....	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	11	16	130
Pacific .....	—	—	—	—	—	4	16	1	68	9	75
Waimarama .....	—	—	—	—	3	—	6	1	26	8	650
Westshore .....	—	—	1	—	5	5	11	1	33	30	325

### TARANAKI—

East End .....	—	—	—	—	—	9	4	1	25	32	150
Fitzroy .....	4	6	2	—	—	4	8	—	76	78	400
N.P. Old Boys' .....	2	6	—	—	3	4	7	—	28	100	500
Opunake .....	4	—	3	1	4	5	5	—	14	161	300
Patea .....	—	—	1	1	—	6	6	—	17	3	100
Ohawe .....	—	—	—	—	2	3	—	—	18	24	150
Waitara .....	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	11	—	65
Wai-Iti .....	—	—	1	—	3	6	6	—	12	10	60

### WESTERN DISTRICTS—

Castlecliff .....	—	—	6	—	10	1	6	—	53	126	1150
Castlecliff Ladies' .....	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	—	14	6	100
Levin-Waitarere .....	—	—	—	—	4	5	6	1	21	3	146
Foxton .....	—	4	2	—	2	4	4	—	11	—	160
Palmerston North .....	—	8	—	—	—	11	9	1	31	40	940
Otaki .....	3	5	12	—	7	—	2	—	32	187	400

### OTAGO—

Balclutha .....	—	—	—	—	—	13	4	—	20	—	297
Brighton .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	1	29	60	425
Moanarua Ladies' .....	—	—	—	—	—	2	5	1	22	25	—
Oreti .....	—	—	—	—	6	—	6	1	28	11	342
St. Clair .....	—	1	1	—	1	6	13	1	80	40	—
St. Kilda .....	2	3	2	—	—	8	8	1	30	2	400
Taramea Bay .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	13	6	140

**WELLINGTON—**

East Harbour .....	In Recess.										
Island Bay .....	—	—	—	14	3	1	—	31	9	250	
Lyall Bay .....	—	—	—	10	15	13	2	105	37	1400	
Maranui .....	—	—	—	—	14	9	2	62	47	950	
Paekakariki .....	—	—	3	4	8	5	—	44	84	370	
Pukerua Bay .....	In Recess.										
Raumati South .....	—	—	—	8	—	—	—	23	—	250	
Riversdale .....	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	17	30	200	
Scorching Bay Ladies' .....	—	—	—	6	—	1	—	9	16	125	
Titahi Bay .....	—	—	—	44	15	8	1	65	68	451	
Titahi Bay Ladies' .....	—	2	—	10	—	1	—	21	19	150	
Wellington Ladies' .....	—	—	—	22	3	3	—	31	24	225	
Worser Bay .....	—	—	—	17	4	4	1	75	67	350	

**CANTERBURY—**

29 Central Brighton Ladies .....	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	23	1	—
Kotuku .....	2	1	—	—	3	—	—	25	6	340
North Beach .....	—	1	—	—	2	22	1	58	30	500
New Brighton .....	—	—	—	—	8	11	3	172	157	300
South Brighton .....	—	—	—	4	20	16	—	58	4	—
Sumner .....	1	6	4	—	12	2	1	178	154	260
Taylor's Mistake .....	2	—	—	—	4	12	1	54	452	750
Waimairi .....	—	—	—	—	4	20	2	178	29	400

**INDIVIDUAL CLUBS—**

Rarangi .....	No return.		
Tahunanui .....	No return.		

Totals .....	40	87	73	3	443	260	393	37	2696	3246	£21060
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**COMBINED R.L.S.S. BRONZE & N.Z.S.L.S.A.  
SURF AWARD**

It will be recalled that in the previous season a most satisfactory arrangement was concluded by your Council with the Royal Life Saving Society N.Z. Council under which it was made possible for candidates for the awards of both organisations to be gained at the one examination and the conditions relative to the combined examination were circulated.

As all members are aware it is a requirement of our own Surf Medallion examination that candidates hold the Bronze Medallion of the Royal Life Saving Society and where previously two separate examinations were necessary the arrangement entered into allowed for the combining of the various examination conditions and provision was also made in respect of examiners to take tests to be approved examiners of both organisations.

On enquiry it was found that throughout our district centres the necessary provision for examiners could be fulfilled, but it would appear that affiliated clubs are not taking advantage of the concession obtained and in fact there appears to be a general lack of information throughout the Royal Life Saving Society Branches and with our District Associations.

Accordingly we feel that we should again draw attention to this facility which has been granted and itemise the conditions of the combined award hereunder:

Candidates already holding the Bronze Medallion of the R.L.S.S. will not be re-examined in tests 4 to 8 of the Award.

The new award is in two sections—the first section to be held for preference in a swimming pool and the second section to be held on a surf beach. The tests for the two sections are to be held within one week of each other. The general conditions attaching to the present Surf Award are still to apply.

The candidate for the new award must pass in the following tests:

**First Section:**

1. Expired Air Resuscitation using manikin or mask.

2. Silvester-Brosch Resuscitation.

These two tests to be carried out as a drill procedure in accordance with the present R.L.S.S. resuscitation drill.

3. 440 yards swim (in under 9 minutes).

4. Search and Retrieve.

Perform a surface dive in 6-7 feet of water and proceed with an underwater search over an area approximately 10 feet by 20 feet, retrieve an object from the bottom, bring this object to the surface and land at nearest point.

5. Jump feet first from a height of 5-9 feet into water, making the shallowest entry possible.

6. Tread water for 4 minutes continuously, using legs only for 2 minutes and arms only for 2 minutes.

7. Swim to a patient about 10 yards away, surface dive, re-surface and approach from the rear (having kept the subject in view when under water), use the hip-carry tow, tow for 50 yards, and land patient on side of pool.

Tests 5, 6, and 7 are continuous.

8. Make a shallow dive entry, release from any clutch or grip specified by the examiner and tow patient at least 20 yards using any other method than that in "7".

9. Oral questions on (a) Resuscitation. (b) Surf Rescue and Release Drill.

### Second Section:

10. Surf Rescue and Release drill as required at present except that no expired air resuscitation need be done other than correctly positioning patient.

We take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation to the Royal Life Saving Society, N.Z. Council for their ready co-operation in agreeing to this combined examination which has revealed the close liaison which exists between the Association and the Royal Life Saving Society.

### AMATEUR STATUS

During the year we made representations to the New Zealand Amateur Swimming Association with the object of obtaining extensions and amendments to the amateur definition under which valuable concessions are granted to the Association to permit paid beach patrols and baths attendants who are professionals by reason of the above occupations to take part in purely surf lifesaving competitions without endangering the status of other competing amateurs.

However, it has been revealed that an anomaly exists in that the amateur definition does not include paid swimming teachers, who as professionals are able to take part in surf patrol work, but not in surf lifesaving competitions.

A statement on the general position has been drawn up and subject to the approval of the New Zealand Amateur Swimming Association same will be submitted to a meeting of the F.I.N.A., which will be held in conjunction with the Olympic Games at Tokio.

The statement asks that consideration be given to the extension of the amateur definition to include all persons who are professionals by reason of receiving payment for services to natatorial sport and for a reduction in the reinstatement period from 90 to 30 days.

The Council would take this opportunity of extending our appreciation to the New Zealand Amateur Swimming Association for their co-operation in this matter and to acknowledge the assistance received from that organisation in our allied activities.

## **HEADQUARTERS FOR THE ASSOCIATION**

Due to the extreme difficulties which have been apparent over past years in the handling of supplies of lifesaving equipment on behalf of the movement it has long been realised that Association Headquarters are essential to the well-being of our organisation and the question of acquiring suitable Headquarters was brought forward to the Annual Conference and it was recommended that the Council take early action to finalise this matter.

It is very pleasing to be able to advise that after due consideration and examination of the position by the Committee appointed to look into this question that the finalisation of the construction of a building is assured and we can advise that the project received very sympathetic consideration in a recent approach made to the Hon. D. C. Seath, Minister of Internal Affairs.

Under the present scheme it is proposed that a site in the outer circle of the city area be acquired on which a suitable building will be constructed to take care of the requirements of the Association and also provide revenue producing space with the object of making the building self-supporting.

However, there is still many matters to receive consideration before the Council is in a position to proceed, but it is hoped that our long awaited Headquarters will be completed within a period of two years.

## **OFFICIAL OPENING AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS**

We extend our congratulation to the Australian National Council in completion of their National Headquarters and were very happy indeed to be represented by our President at the official opening of "Surf House" which was celebrated in November last year in conjunction with the Annual General Meeting of the Australian Association.

We did appreciate the cordial reception which was extended to our President who was privileged to meet the Prime Minister of Australia, Sir Robert Menzies, and Dame Pattie, prior to the official Dinner which was held to celebrate the occasion.

The Council is well aware of the work and planning which was undertaken by officials of the Australian National Council headed by Secretary Ken Watson, in the provision of adequate Headquarters which will stand as a monument to the vigorous enthusiasm of all those associated with the project.

The opportunity was taken by our President to extend the congratulations of the New Zealand Association on the achievement and we acknowledge with pleasure the kindly references which were made to the Movement in New Zealand by Judge Adrian Curlewis and other speakers on that occasion.

We do appreciate our cordial relationship with the Australian National Council and the goodwill which exists in our allied activities and we hope that in the near future we will be able to welcome representatives of the Australian Association to New Zealand to celebrate the opening of our own National Headquarters.

It is worthy to record that the Australian National Council were favoured with financial assistance from the Federal Government and the generosity of the local business community was responsible for the complete furnishing of the building.

Your Council was very pleased indeed to accept the opportunity of preparing a plaque for adornment in the Recreation Room of "Surf House" and it is hoped that same will be available very shortly and will be presented on the occasion of the visit of the New Zealand team.

### **THE SURF LIFESAVING ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH AFRICA**

The Council has maintained contact with the Surf Life Saving Association of South Africa through its Hon. Secretary Gabbie Botha who will be remembered by members of the New Zealand Team which took part at the International Surf Carnivals held in conjunction with the 1956 Olympic Games, as Manager of the South African Surf Lifesaving Team, and we were indeed pleased to receive from that organisation an invitation to send a team to take part in competitions and displays which were to be held at various points in South Africa during the period December 1964. However, the cost associated with sending a team to South Africa precluded the final acceptance of the invitation which was likewise extended to the Surf Lifesaving Association of Australia.

The Council has received copies of the Drill Handbook of the South African Association in which connection their methods differ considerably from those practised by both Australian and New Zealand.

The Council is keen to maintain contact with the South African Association and it is hoped that at some future date we may be able to welcome a team from that Association to this country.

### **JAPANESE INTEREST IN SURF LIFESAVING**

Advice has been received through the Department of External Affairs that there is considerable interest in Japan in the formation of surf lifesaving clubs on a voluntary basis for patrolling surf beaches and that consideration is presently being given to a proposal under which a team of Japanese swimmers would visit New Zealand for the purpose of receiving instruction in lifesaving methods and studying the operation of the Association.

The Council was quite happy to extend an invitation for the visit which would be purely instructional, subject of course to the Association not being called upon to meet any costs which may be associated with the visit.

It is understood that beaches in Japan are not patrolled and it was noted from a Press report that approximately 90 persons lost their lives at surf beaches in Japan during a recent holiday weekend.

### **LIFESAVING IN WEST AFRICA**

The Council has received correspondence from the Citizen and Leadership Training Centre seeking information in regard to the surf lifesaving training which has been instituted at the centre as part of the training course of the school.

The Council has supplied handbooks and other detail designed to assist the Centre in gaining as much information as possible in respect of the activities of the Association.

## **SURF LIFESAVING ASSOCIATION OF GREAT BRITAIN**

Correspondence has been maintained with the Surf Lifesaving Association of Great Britain and we are indeed grateful for the information which has been received in regard to surf lifesaving activities carried out in England and also to receive copies of the programme covering the conduct of the last Championships which were held in the South of England.

In return the Council has endeavoured to supply as much information as possible regarding our activities to our sister organisation in England.

### **OBITUARY**

It was with extreme regret that we learned of the passing of Leslie Jordan following a shark attack which occurred at St. Clair Beach on the morning of 5th February, 1964. The news of his passing came as a profound shock to members of the movement as Leslie Jordan was known to all officers of the Association in his capacity as Hon. Secretary of the Otago District Association which office he had held for a period of over two years, in which time he had displayed a keenness and interest in our activities which had reflected to our benefit in the Otago District.

The passing of Leslie Jordan has left a deep gap in the ranks of our keen administrators as his enthusiasm was evidenced through the activities of the Otago Association and we do express our sincere sympathy to his family in the tragic loss which has been suffered.

The interest which Leslie held in our activities was inherited from his parents who have both rendered long and valuable service to our movement, and in fact are still keenly interested in the welfare of the movement, Alan as President of the Otago Association, and Anne as President of the Moanarua Ladies' Club.

We grieve deeply with them in the loss they have sustained.

Also we regret to have to record the passing of Dr. Derek Syme an Hon. Medical Advisor of the Association, who has acted in this capacity for a considerable number of years.

Dr. Syme rendered very valuable service to the movement in the West Coast area. He will be remembered as a member of the 1938 team which was the first to visit Australia for the purpose of taking part in competitions.

Our sympathies are extended to his family.

We regret also to record the passing of Peter McNally who lost his life in a motor accident and extend to his relatives our sincerest sympathy in the loss they have suffered.

Peter represented the Association as a junior in surf lifesaving tests held in New Zealand on the occasion of the visit of the Australian team in 1950 when we were victorious and no doubt all members will remember the stirring performance which was recorded by Peter in winning all three inter-Dominion junior surf races and particularly his performance at Piha when he rode a broken wave from the buoys to the beach.

Peter continued his keen interest in the movement and his loss is one which we can ill afford.

It is also with regret that we record the passing of Mr. H. H. Henderson a stalwart of the Otago District Association, who has been their Patron since the formation of the Association in 1933 and one of the foundation members of the St. Clair club which can trace its history back to 1910.

To his relatives we likewise extend our sincerest sympathy.

## APPRECIATION

The Council would be remiss if expressions of thanks and appreciation were not extended to officials and executive members of the various District Associations for the valuable services which have been rendered in the furtherance of our movement.

We also offer our thanks to the New Zealand Press, and to the N.Z. Broadcasting Corporation for their assistance and co-operation.

Our thanks are also expressed to the U.S.S. Company for their favours in handling gear and equipment conveyed to and from National Championships free of charge and to the Wellington Harbour Board for their action in remitting wharfage charges on such gear.

We also are indebted to the Port Line Limited for the free carriage of lifesaving equipment between New Zealand and Australia.

The Council likewise extends appreciation for the use of club-house facilities for meetings by the Maranui, Island Bay and Lyall Bay Clubs, and to the ladies of the Island Bay and Wellington Ladies' Clubs for their assistance in providing afternoon team on official occasions.

We also acknowledge the assistance which has been rendered to the movement by L. J. Sutherland our delegate to the Royal Life Saving Society and G. Pratley our representative on the Council of the N.Z. Amateur Swimming Association, and also to M. Haxton and W. D. McClaughry we express our thanks for their assistance on the National Water Safety Committee.

We also appreciate the splendid services rendered by B. Trotter who has acted as our Liaison Officer to the Australian National Council during the current season.

We appreciate to the full the valuable services which have been rendered by Association Officers without whose assistance it would not be possible to present this favourable report.

The Council has been unable to include all members who have assisted by name, but would assure all that the special favours which have been bestowed upon the Association are greatly appreciated and we trust that we will benefit by this continued assistance.

## CONCLUSION

The success which has been recorded by the Association during the past year could not have been achieved without the full support and enthusiasm which has been evinced by officials of the various district Associations operating throughout New Zealand and the Council acknowledges the work which has been achieved and is well aware that in the forthcoming season even greater effort will be made to extend our humanitarian work.

Clubs affiliated to the Association have likewise rendered a most valuable service to the community and it is a fact that without strong clubs the movement would not have recorded the progress which has been evident year by year.

The new season promises to be one of full activity for the Association in that for the third time in our history a New Zealand team will leave these shores to visit Australia and furthermore clubs will be asked to adopt new drill procedure which will apply in life-saving competitions.

Likewise greater vigilance will be necessary at patrolled beaches in view of the prevalence of sharks which duty will be carried out in the true tradition of our movement.

In conclusion may we say that it is very pleasing for us to include in this report brief summaries of the work carried out by our District Associations within the various areas.

S. B. MASON, President.

C. T. JONES, Hon. General Secretary.

### **REGISTRAR'S 1963-64 REPORT ON THE "LONDON TROPHY" AND THE "GUDSELL TROPHY"**

The year under review has been a very good one as far as members gaining their Surf Awards has been concerned. As we can regard these award winners as keen beach patrol members it speaks well for the increased care bathers may expect on New Zealand beaches.

According to my record some 366 gained their "practising certificate" as life savers and there are still some further 20 Surf Awards in doubt.

As like last year there were a good number (31) who gained their Instructors Certificates.

As you know the Royal Life Saving Society kindly provide a good cash prize that goes with their "London Trophy" for the best District Association in New Zealand as far as Awards are concerned, and subject to my being satisfied as to some of the returns received this trophy will go to Otago (219 points) with Hawke's Bay (210) second, followed by Taranaki (164) and Auckland (163). Otago were greatly helped by an upsurge in the St. Clair club.

When we turn to the award for the Club gaining the largest number of Surf Awards — The Gudsell Trophy — we see close competition between two Canterbury clubs North Beach (22) winning narrowly from Waimairi (20). A word of praise is due to these two clubs for consistency for while North Beach also gained 22 awards the previous year they were only second to Waimairi whose average over the last three years has also been 22. There must be enthusiastic oversight in these two clubs.

I am glad to report that few clubs failed to send in their returns though some of them were received very late.

All told the year — as far as awards are concerned — indicate a healthy state of continuing activity by the Clubs.

J. D. HUNTER,  
Registrar.

## REPORT OF CHIEF INSPECTOR OF GEAR

The supply of gear has been much the same this year as last. The difficulties with storage arrangements were improved towards the end of the season with the hiring of a garage, in Newtown. This is used for the storage of reels and surf skies. The latter being donated by W. D. and H. O. Wills. The ideal situation would still be to have storage space for all gear under one roof.

One thing which perturbs me is the lack of co-operation by some of the District Associations over the payment for gear delivered. During the season I have received urgent requests for gear to be delivered immediately for competitions and presentations. Whenever possible I have dispatched these requests — mainly reels, lines and belts — the following day. As with the bulk orders it is understood that cheques are sent at the same time. This is not possible with these urgent orders, but the payment should be made at the earliest opportunity. Unfortunately this has not always been done and in some cases payment has not been made as promised. Unless this situation improves, no orders will be accepted without payment, which could result in unfortunate delays.

This year the Gear Committee has done a considerable amount of research on the gear used by the Association. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. K. Farey for the information, mainly on lines, belts, patrol alarms and surf boats, brought back by him from the last Instructional Conference held in Australia. We would also like to thank the manufacturers and suppliers of our gear for their co-operation in the storage dispatching of our gear.

At the National Championships this year the gear, on the whole, was in excellent order, but there is still the hardy annual with the Ross Safety Belt Pins. These should be checked at least once a week and correct maintenance given for smooth working in an emergency. There was a noticeable increase in the use of waxed lines. About 98 per cent. of the lines used at the Championships this year were waxed compared with 70 per cent. last year and possibly 47-50 per cent. the year before.

**BELTS:** This year we are having some belts made with an  $\frac{1}{8}$ in. diameter stainless pin compared with the  $\frac{1}{16}$ in. diameter pin. used previously. There will also be a  $\frac{1}{2}$ in. diameter ring at the top of the pin to make it easier for the beltman to pull the pin. The holes in the studs are now in line and with the larger pin will help in the quicker assembling of the belt. In the new drill there is a time limit for this task. These belts will also have longer neck straps as requested by many of the competitors.

We are also having some belts made with an angled pin at approximately 20 degrees. Now that the belts are worn lower around the hips instead of around the chest the natural pull is now across the body instead of straight up. Some of these belts should be on view at the A.G.M. for the members to comment on.

With the new angled pin there is less tendency to jam in the top stud, as has been the case with the present pin. Another new pin has four small arms which slide into the belt studs and by pulling the pin about  $\frac{3}{4}$ in. the belt will now fall apart, compared with a pull of  $4\frac{1}{2}$ in. at present. Because of the need for more precise workmanship required on this type of belt manufacturing charges would be much higher. This year the studs in the belts will be chromium plated in an effort to resist any vertigrease forming around the pin area, and thus helping to prevent the pin from jamming through lack of attention.

**LINES:** After a survey of the experiments and expenses, both here and in Australia it has been found that the waxed cotton line is more satisfactory and is preferred to the synthetic type lines. Some synthetic lines tend to deteriorate under strong sunlight. Synthetic lines have not proved satisfactory under heavy surf conditions. With strong rips and a strong wind causing surface drift, these lines are carried away and therefore are much harder to drag to the buoys than the cotton or waxed cotton lines, which don't float and are not effected so much by surface disturbances. The advantages of synthetic lines are proved in a smooth surf where their lighter weight gives an easier swim. These lines are also stronger than the cotton.

Cotton  $\frac{3}{4}$ in. circumference, 30lb. dry, absorbs 20 per cent., 950 lb. breaking.

Cotton waxed  $\frac{3}{4}$ in. circumference, 34lb. dry, absorbs 6 per cent, 950lb. breaking.

Nylon  $\frac{3}{4}$ in. circumference, 23lb. dry, absorbs 4.1 per cent. sp/grv., 1.14 per cent, 1500lb breaking.

Terylene  $\frac{3}{4}$ in. circumference, 25lb. dry, absorbs 0.4 per cent. sp/grv., 1.38 per cent, 1120lb breaking.

Corralene  $\frac{3}{4}$ in. circumference, 20lb. dry, absorbs no water, sp/grv. 0.94 per cent., 1280lb. breaking.

Nylon and terylene are effected by sunlight.

Corralene needs to be  $\frac{3}{4}$ in. circumference to make for easy handling.

$\frac{3}{4}$ in. cotton waxed line, if properly waxed, the water absorbed can be reduced to about 2.3 per cent.

**PATROL FLAGS:** The patrol flags have been changed this year from red and yellow quarters to red and yellow halves for two reasons. (a) The old flag resembled the danger flag too closely. (b) The new flag brings us into line with Australian Patrol flags, which most other surfing nations are also using. The size has been increased to 30in. x 30in. to make it more easily seen from the sea.

A danger flag has also been instituted. This is a 30in. x 30in. red and white quarter flag. A Signal flag 30in. x 30in. orange, with a 4in. blue stripe across will be in use this season also. The new flags will be issued at no charge to all clubs at the beginning of the season. Extra signal flags will be sent to clubs with boats and canoes. Pamphlets will be printed with all standard signals which will be included with the flags.

**REELS:** The reel situation should be the same as last year. These reels had all brass bolts, the winding pin was stainless steel and the main winding shaft has been chromium plated. There are plenty of portable reels and box lines available.

**BOATS:** The Australian specifications for surf boats found in the brown handbook and amendments have been adopted by New Zealand. There is a further move in Australia to have a minimum weight for these boats to stop clubs having a light racing skiff made which would not be safe in heavy surf conditions. It is felt that the life jacket at present approved by the N.Z.S.L.S.A. is not entirely satisfactory. Experiments are being carried out to improve on these.

**SHARK ALARMS:** The N.Z.S.L.S.A. has adopted a hand bell or similar object as a danger signal on N.Z. beaches. There are several reasons for this.

- (a) Not affected by power cuts.
- (b) Not affected by sand or salt corrosion (as in sirens).
- (c) Can be carried on beach to patrol tower or enclosure.
- (d) No need to run from patrol point to club to switch on a siren thus a saving in time.

This is also following the Australian lead.

M. J. HAXTON.

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## **REPORT OF CHIEF INSTRUCTOR**

Reports received of rescues performed by our members during the past season indicate that the main function of our Association, the saving of life from drowning on our beaches, is being efficiently carried out. Press reports reveal, unfortunately, that there are many popular beaches, unpatrolled by Surf Clubs, where many lives were lost by drowning. It is important that District Associations do all possible to encourage the formation of Clubs in these areas and so extend the aims of our Association to make our beaches safe for the public.

The importance of having all Clubs fully equipped to combat the shark menace which now threatens our beaches, cannot be stressed too strongly. Your Council has agreed to standardise on the alarm gong system and to meet the cost involved by Clubs. It is the duty of all Clubs to have this equipment installed before the commencement of the coming season.

## **NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

The preparation of the competition area and facilities provided for officials and competitors reflected credit on the organising Committee. It was unfortunate that it was necessary to transfer events to the alternative beach on the first day of the championships. With co-operation of officials and competitors and preparations made by the Organising Committee, the transfer was successfully carried out and the days programme completed in reasonable time.

The uniform standard of drill displayed by competing teams was a credit to Instructors and team members.

The official results booklet produced by the Auckland Association, and available shortly after the conclusion of the final event, was greatly appreciated by Officials and Competitors and thanks are due to those responsible for its production.

## **JUDGES ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

The appointment of Judges to act at the National Championships and Inter-district Carnivals were made by this committee. Meetings were held to make these appointments and to renew cards marked at these carnivals. Two judges per team were used at the Inter-District Carnival and it is pleasing to report that a very uniform standard of judging was evident. Three judges per team were used at the National Championships. While out of step judging was an improvement on previous years, there is still a considerable improvement required before a reasonable standard is reached.

## INSTRUCTIONAL CONFERENCES

Following the decision of the N.Z. Council to accept the invitation of the S.L.S.A. of Australia for N.Z. to be represented by a delegate at the 10th Australian Instructional Conference and to forward remits to be included on the agenda paper. A N.Z. Conference was convened in October 1963 to prepare remits to be submitted. Upon the receipt of the Australian Conference agenda a further meeting of delegates was held at Auckland in March, 1964 to instruct the N.Z. delegate in respect to the various remits.

It is pleasing to report the success of the Australian Conference, a full report of proceedings has been submitted to N.Z. Council. The outstanding co-operation of all Australian State delegates, the excellent Chairmanship of Mr. Bob Brydon, a most efficient Conference Secretary, Mr. Jack Winders "Queensland", excellently prepared agenda paper and conference arrangements, the effort of Mr. K. Watson, Australian National Secretary, together with the very friendly atmosphere insured the success of the Conference.

The following are some of the drill changes agreed to by the Conferences.

1. Ballot for six man R and R to be conducted in the marshalling arena.
2. Beltman to give the six quick breaths in waist depth water.
3. The work up by linesmen for take over eliminated.
4. Carry and lower of patient modified.
5. Patient's head is now turned left for examination of mouth and it is optional to use first and or second fingers for this operation.
6. No. 6 now moves into position to commence six quick breaths immediately the lowering of patient is completed.
7. The patient's lower lip is to be pulled during both the expiration phase of the six quick breaths and main resuscitation.
8. A complete new deduction schedule was produced on the bases of one error, more than one error and major errors making three separate deductions only, namely, point two, point four and two points and swimming time deduction of point naught two per second. It is considered that this system of deduction simplifies the judging system considerably. The Conference also recommended that future Conferences be held at a period of not less than five years unless major changes in resuscitation and rescue would deem it to be necessary.

Advices from Australia indicate that new drill manuals should be available by mid-September, 1964, proof copies are presently being checked.

Following advices from District Associations your Council has decided that the six section, six man R and R, three section, four man R and R judging system will operate for the coming season.

It is indeed pleasing to report that the S.L.S.A.'s of Australia and New Zealand will continue to operate using the same drill methods.

## APPRECIATION

Expressions of thanks and appreciation are extended to Mr. D. Hunter, Chairman, Mr. C. T. Jones, Hon Secretary, all Officers and Delegates of National Council, Mr. H. J. Wootton, Hon. Secretary and all members of the Judges' Advisory Committee for their ready help and co-operation during the past season.

During the year frequent correspondence has been exchanged with Mr. Ken Watson, National Secretary, and Mr. Bob Brydon, Hon. Chief Superintendant of the S.L.S.A. of Australia on matters of our Associations mutual interest, my sincere thanks and appreciation are expressed to these two gentlemen for the wealth of information regularly received.

H. J. K. FAREY,

Hon. Chief Instructor.

## REPORT OF HON. PUBLICITY OFFICER

It may not have been the custom in the past for your publicity officer to present a report, but in view of remarks at the last A.G.M., I have tried to remedy this.

The past year has been a trying one in endeavouring to establish lines of communication with the different associations, while supplying information of general interest to the Press and to a minor extent, the N.Z.B.C. I have been fortunate that my job has been made easier by reason of a long experience in a similar position elsewhere.

In general, news has been published in Christchurch and forwarded on to the Press Association without let or hindrance. It appears that from here on there does appear to be a lack of comprehension of what is newsworthy.

Some newspapers will publish a news item in full, while others select those sections which to them have the most appeal. Availability of space, time of arrival of news, all play an important part.

It is difficult to combat this system; however, perseverance with factual items and persistence in following up news angles must surely bring results, even though it may take time to break through more fully.

I must record my thanks for the co-operation of the daily Press for results achieved. As a matter of information many may wonder why reports of Council meetings emanate from Christchurch. This is because meetings invariably finish too late for early morning publication in Wellington, while I as a Christchurch resident am on the first plane back home next morning arriving between 9 and 9.30 a.m. From here I go straight to the office of the evening paper with a copy of the news for the P.A. and one for the paper itself. This seems to work well.

Other news items are culled from minutes and other known facts which come to my knowledge. The greatest attribute a P.O. can have, is enthusiasm, as on occasions news can be put aside or not considered newsworthy. You then try again.

I must thank those associations who regularly forwarded their minutes of meetings. Much useful information can be culled from these although I feel that most of the information would be of benefit to District Associations publicity officers.

News to be of value must be given to the Press at the earliest possible moment. An item published locally and then passed on to me as your national officer, even a day or two later, is of no use nationally from a newspaper angle. The fact has already been established and is no longer news. It has been my experience that if a newspaper considers a local news item of importance outside of its district, it would be forwarded on through the Press Association. It may or may not then become an item of news which some other paper picks out in its perusal of outside papers, at a later date.

I trust that this report will give some background to the year's work which I hope has been satisfactory.

L. J. TOINTON.

#### ATTENDANCE MEETINGS N.Z. COUNCIL

During the year 13 meetings of the N.Z. Council were held attendance being as follows:—

E. HUGHES, H. STODDARD, J. D. HUNTER, C. JONES (13), H. DICKSON, K. MITCHELL, H. J. K. FAREY, M. HAXTON, P. ANDERSON (12), W. MASON, W. GRIFFIN (11), J. WHISKER, K. HANCOX (10), D. BULL, B. READMAN (8), D. McCLAUGHRY (7), L. TOINTON (6), W. LIDSTONE (4).

#### STOCK OF GEAR AS AT 30.4.64

12 Standard Reels	....	....	....	462	15	0
15 Portable Reels	....	....	....	225	0	0
50 No. 5 Belts	....	....	....	175	0	0
Patrol Gear (Flags etc.)	....	....	....	73	0	0
14 sets Marbles and Bags	....	....	....	10	10	0
Reel and Miscellaneous Spare Parts				141	5	10

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# N.Z. Surf Life-Saving Association

## INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th APRIL, 1964.

1962/63

1963/64

**We received the following income:—**

£4500	Grant from Government	5000	0	0
25	Grant R.L.S.S.	25	0	0
910	Donations	811	3	3
209	National Championships	195	11	9
119	Interest	99	1	10
28	Affiliation Fees	71	15	0
—	Proceeds Sale of Royal Carnival Programmes	135	9	0

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£5791	Therefore our total income was	£6338	0	10
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**Our Expenses were as follows:—**

333	Educational Expenses	1079	18	10
114	Educational and other Conferences	346	1	6
270	Handbooks	—		
104	Awards	93	5	3
25	London Trophy Awards	25	0	0
121	General Expenses	121	6	2
239	Secretarial Expenses	235	0	0
85	Printing and Stationery	159	16	8
1251	Royal Visit Carnival	—		
53	Depreciation	75	0	0
3040	Subsidies on Life Saving and First Aid Equipment supplied, including free issues to new Clubs	3265	17	6
632	Cost of Gear supply including rent for storage, cartage, freight and general costs	567	15	1

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£6267	Therefore our total expenses were	£5969	1	0
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£476	Dr. Therefore Surplus Income over Expenditure was	£368	19	10
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# N.Z. Surf Life-Saving Association

## STOCK ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th APRIL, 1964.

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# **District Association Reports**

## **AUCKLAND SURF LIFE SAVING ASSOCIATION**

This being the 31st year of organised Surf Life Saving in the Auckland District, we have to report that the 1963-64 season has been one of progress and development. One new Club, namely Mangawhia Heads, affiliated last season bringing our total to fifteen Clubs, this incidentally makes our District the largest in the Country. With the increasing popularity of some of our unpatrolled beaches there seems to be no reason why we cannot continue to expand for some years yet. Our Association's primary object of preserving life has been sufficiently executed, all of our affiliated Clubs have carried out their duties of patrolling their respective beaches efficiently and faithfully our boast that "No fatalities where a Patrol is on Duty" is again applicable.

National Championships in the presence of His Excellency The Governor-General Sir Bernard Fergusson, G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., D.S.O., O.B.E., Patron of the New Zealand S.L.S.A. and the Hon. D. C. Sheath, Minister of Internal Affairs. We were indeed honoured to be the host District and trust that all who journeyed to Auckland enjoyed their stay. To all who gained New Zealand titles we extend our sincere congratulations.

The Association can never express its thanks and appreciation for the generosity shown by those who so readily support us in both financial and material ways, special mention must be made of our substantial and regular donors namely the Auckland Savings Bank, W. D. & H. O. Wills Ltd. and A.P.A. Assurance Co. We hope we can justify the faith our donors have in our Association and sincerely thank them.

To the members of our District team we extend our congratulations and hope that this form of competition will prosper over the years. Club competition was once again up to a very high standard as was indicated by the results at the championships.

To the Officers and Members of the Council we extend our hearty greetings and sincere thanks for the assistance, guidance and favours afforded us during the season.

We are indeed most fortunate to have as our resident Council Delegate Harry Dickson to him we offer our sincere thanks for his efforts on our behalf.

Although we have had such a successful season we are unfortunately ending on a sad note. George Perry who has been such a tower of strength to our Association over the past fourteen years has been transferred to his home town Wellington. What is our loss will be undoubtedly their gain for we feel sure that when ever possible George will devote some of his time to Surf.

## **THE GISBORNE SURF LIFE SAVING ASSOCIATION**

Once again this Association has had a satisfactory year with a good record of safety on Patrolled beaches. Patrolling by Clubs has been maintained as in the past with the usual efficiency as the later recording of rescues effected shows. No drownings occurred in the city and adjacent areas covered by clubs. The body of one person, J. West, aged 31, drowned on 26th December, 1963, at Pouawa (20 miles from Gisborne) whilst crayfishing was located by a member of the Underwater Club, Mr. J. Pitcher, and recovered by members of this Association and police some 14 days later using Association skis.

A non-swimmer, Mr. M. Turei, aged 40, was drowned at outer Wainui on January 2nd, 1964, whilst attempting to assist his child who had been swept out to sea on an inflated rubber raft. It is unfortunate that no call was made through the emergency 111 system for Association members, as owing to the relative proximity of the disaster to Wainui area, help for the resuscitation of the patient could have been rapidly on the spot.

Once again authority was given to designate Board areas by the Gisborne Harbour Board, but owing to the co-operation received by members of the public in complying with regulations applied, no prosecutions were necessary.

Instruction in resuscitation by both manual and expired air methods was carried out by members of this Association and affiliated clubs and covered towns over the whole of the district, as well as at the A. & P. Show, Lifesaving Week, St. John Health and Safety Week, and at the Clubs.

Installation of Box Line Lifesaving equipment was extended to areas further removed from the City's 30 mile sea frontage, so that now the area covered would be approximately 60 miles. It is intended to cover further areas as funds come to hand, if this is considered practicable and warranted. Further additions were made to the Association's Lifesaving Trailer, for which vehicle would be a more appropriate term. This trailer has proved its worth on more than one occasion, some exceptionally hazardous and meritorious rescues being performed in the "off-season" as well. It is considered by the Police Department that other Associations could well institute a similar set-up in their areas.

Rescues at 11 tally with those of the 1958-59 season. As in the previous season most were performed in or adjacent to Patrol Areas. Of the 5 effected away from patrolled areas two concerned boating accidents, one a poor swimmer trying to negotiate a dangerous channel, and two caught in a rip and rescued by persons using Association Box Line equipment. The Club tally of rescues is as follows:—  
Midway 6, Waikanāe 3.

The membership at 90 is the lowest within memory, and this is the cause for much concern as to the reason for the drop from last year's return of 104. Waikanāe and Gisborne Ladies with an increase of two each, stand at 32 and 14 respectively, Midway 29, Wainui 14 and Wairoa 1, show decreases of 7, 10 and 2. These last mentioned Clubs would be well advised to start recruiting campaigns especially for Juniors. The only apparent reason for the decrease in membership would seem to be the advent of the paddle board large numbers of which are to be seen on our local beaches these days.

With only 14 Surf Medallions and no Surf Instructors gained during the season no progress has been made in that direction. The average for the last three years of 18.66 and 2.66 shows a marked decline over the past two seasons and is cause for concern. With Midway nil, and Wainui 1, a marked improvement from them would rectify this deficiency.

R. & R. Competition again was not very keen. Waikanāe club emerging clear winners from Midway and Wainui. The drift from R. & R. to individual events and board events was experienced last year, and was evident again this season. The fact, that Midway did not travel but concentrated their efforts on their new building programme could be a reason for their poorer showing in this respect.

Judging under our Chief, Leo Clark, and later under Dick Glover who replaced the former upon his leaving this District in February, was continued with the usual shortages required to give three per team.

Financially this Association has had a good year, and all Clubs, it would appear are sound in this respect. The assurance given at the Annual General Meeting in 1962 by the then Minister for Internal Affairs, of £1 for £2 raised by Clubs up to a maximum of £2500 it would appear is not now to apply in that Midway were only allocated £1000 on a £12000 project, and Westshore £1500 on a £10000 project last year. This is disappointing for Clubs who now have to find the difference between the actual and the previously promised, or cut their projects accordingly. This latter course would seem undesirable in view of the competition for members from other sports and activities. It is disappointing also to find the Educational Grant cut down from that proposed by our Council to the Golden Kiwi Allocation Committee, in that this grant covers a very important phase of our activities. It is very gratifying to again receive the support from A.P.A. Assurance and W. D. & H. O. Wills Ltd., and this is much appreciated.

For the future it would seem that the further advancement of our movement would depend on the amount of financial backing received from all sources, especially Government. The advent of the Surf Board it would seem is being partially absorbed by and within the Surf Lifesaving movement and with understanding and co-operation could possibly remain so. Perhaps now is the time for encouraging the formation of a new Club as further areas near to the city are being patronised by increasing numbers of swimmers and it is now 12 years since the last club was formed.

In conclusion, once again our thanks to all who have rendered assistance to our movement especially our Resident Delegate, E. B. (Ted) Hughes, and members of the New Zealand Council. Our best wishes to them and members of fellow Associations and Affiliated Clubs for the coming season.

#### **TARANAKI S.L.S.A.**

It is with pleasure that we can once again record a most successfully concluded season. Clubs have again carried out their beach patrols with a high degree of efficiency and although 30 rescues were recorded it is gratifying to be able to report that our patrolled areas were again free from drownings.

Hand in hand with patrols of course goes the training of teams for competitions and awards and in this respect it is pleasing to note that there is a steady influx of new blood being maintained.

This season club members were awarded 28 R.L.S.S. Bronze Medallions, 36 Surf Medallions and 1 Instructors Certificate.

To the clubs that have conducted their patrols and training so efficiently we say thank you.

The second Inter-District Club Carnival conducted at Lyall Bay proved to be as successful as that of the previous year and although the problem of having teams held up for an unnecessarily long time before events, it was obvious that the day was enjoyed by all. Wellington's idea of a second arena and using local teams to fill in the gaps between the Inter-District events is a good one and we would commend this idea for future carnivals. As to the result of the year's carnival — congratulations go to Auckland on a fine win, and although Taranaki were pleased to be placed third this year we shall be looking for better results in the future.

The Central Districts Regional Carnival held at Titahi Bay the day following the Inter-District event also turned out to be most successful after what has almost become the usual bad start, in this Taranaki were placed a not very good second.

Once again the Taranaki Surf Championships proved a great success, the programme being the biggest ever. We have for some years now been accepting entries from clubs outside of the Taranaki District in an endeavour to make these championships one of the countries major carnivals and in this respect we think this stage has now been achieved, so remember other Associations — your Clubs are always welcome as competitors at the Taranaki Championships.

One of the new events at the Taranaki Championships was the introduction of a canoe event held as a series of three races and although there were only two entrants this year, Fitzroy and New Plymouth Old Boys, the races turned out to be very spectacular. As another of our clubs, East End, have a canoe on order we can expect this particular event to be very popular.

It would of course be impossible to run any surf carnival without the assistance given by our officials, be it at District or National level, to these worthy gentlemen go our sincere thanks.

During the year a grant was made available by the Council to cover the installation of portable lifesaving gear on unpatrolled beaches, of which this Association has many. Our thanks must go to the Council for allocating seven portable boxline outfits to us and we feel that with the co-operation of the local authorities concerned a number of hazardous swimming spots will be adequately protected.

The New Zealand Surf Championships once again drew a record crowd and although our clubs did not manage to bring back any titles, the carnival was enjoyed by all concerned, congratulations to Auckland on their efforts — it proved well worthwhile. To Canterbury who will be conducting next year's championship programme we say best wishes for success in your efforts.

Again clubs and instructors throughout the country are faced with major changes in drill which we understand will be in order for some time, there will be a major effort required of all concerned in order to have the new procedures assimilated in time for next year's competitions. Judges too will find it necessary to start swotting again to catch up with the new deduction schedules.

To the members who will be chosen to represent New Zealand on the Australian tour we offer our congratulations and best wishes for a highly successful trip.

A number of clubs within this Association are at present engaged on building projects, Opunake have just received news of a grant made to them of £1250 by the Golden Kiwi Board of Control and have called tenders for major additions to their clubhouse; Waititi are nearing the completion of the first stage of their new building and Old Boys are at present completing plans for a proposed new clubhouse on the seafront at Oakura.

In conclusion we would like to offer our thanks to our resident delegate Mr. Johnny Whisker and also the Council for their assistance and guidance over the past year. Also to all Associations and clubs we offer our best wishes for the coming season and what it may bring.

## WELLINGTON DISTRICT SURF LIFE SAVING ASSN.

With the full co-operation of all officials and club members, the season has been very busy calendar-wise, with Inter-Districts, Central-Districts and National Championships, apart from the extremely well controlled local championships and carnivals.

This year has once again proved to be very successful in respect of membership for clubs, many of whom have been successful with candidates securing the Royal Life Saving Society's Bronze Medallion, and the New Zealand Surf Lifesaving Association's Surf Bronze Medallion. Instructors of these candidates can feel confident that all the hours of training and tuition will perhaps mean the saving of one or more lives.

The strengthening of junior membership was early apparent in the number of juniors taking part in local competition. Although the New Zealand Championships Carnival at Muriwai was a long distance from Wellington, our junior entries were a record.

Ancillary to this, was the work done in the Surf Cadet field. The importance of obtaining the interest of the youngsters and of giving them something worthwhile to work for, is not yet realised by some Wellington Clubs; and somewhat surprisingly, is hardly recognised outside this district.

The first "Cadet Carnival" was held at Lyall Bay during March, proving very successful, and it is hoped that it is the fore-runner of many more. Incidentally, it was the first "Cadet Carnival" to be run in New Zealand.

On Saturday 16th November, a television carnival was held at Lyall Bay; this being a live telecast, and to the best of our knowledge the first live telecast of surfing in New Zealand.

An excellent job was done by the Association's Publicity Officer this season, both with local press and television, two carnivals being televised, and all surfers looked forward to the weekly column in the Evening Post.

Our congratulations go to Keith Hancox of the Island Bay Club, for his fine swim: Cook Strait is no easy task, and the fine concerted effort by the Island Bay Club and all concerned in this venture, was well rewarded.

Wellington Clubs were not as successful this year as in previous years at the New Zealand Championships. The beach at Muriwai proved to be a long distance from the City of Auckland where the majority of teams were accommodated, transport problems and changeable surf conditions being difficulties experienced by many competitors.

Taking all things into consideration, we are sure all competitors and officials enjoyed their short stay in Auckland.

The four clubs in the Association with surf boats, Titahi Bay, Maranui, Lyall Bay and Island Bay, were all seen in action this season, at both local carnivals and also at the National Championships, Lyall Bay winning this event at the National Championships.

The Wellington District Association hereby extends congratulations to those individuals and teams who won National honours at the 1964 National Championships, and would like at this point, to wish all clubs, officials and individuals best wishes for the coming season.

## THE OTAGO SURF LIFE SAVING ASSOCIATION

This season could not be termed as one of our best. Bad weather was one of our major difficulties. The seven clubs in the district maintained a high standard of patrols and as a result no drownings were reported on patrolled beaches. Twenty people were brought to safety after either being caught in rips or finding themselves out of depth due to the changing tides.

Our new association building has been completed at Moana Rua, this together with construction now underway on St. Kilda Club's new clubhouse should benefit us next season. Difficult sea conditions prevailed at some of our carnivals and resulted in the cancellation of a number of events at the Otago Championships which were held at Kaka Point. The competitive spirit was very high and should manifest itself in a good representation at next year's National Championships.

The death of association Secretary and keen surfer Leslie Jordan resulting from his having been attacked by a shark shocked us all. Tribute must be given to Messrs. R. A. McDowell and I. V. Graham of Waimari Surf Club for their gallant rescue of Leslie Jordan. Consequently the presence of sharks stopped any training in the surf by our members and very few people were seen in the water during the latter part of the season.

A new surf club has been formed at Waikoaiti and will be affiliated to this Association in the near future. This brings the total to eight clubs in our district.

The death of our patron Mr. H. H. Henderson is indeed a loss. He has held this position since the formation of this Association in 1933 and for a longer period has been Patron to the St. Clair Club. In 1918 he was President of the St. Clair Club having been a foundation member when the club was first formed in 1910.

## CANTERBURY ASSOCIATION

We were able to maintain our record of no drownings in patrolled areas through the vigilance of our Club patrols. Our past season was noted for:—

1. A reduction in rescues.
2. Some 92 surf bronze awards gained.
3. The formation of a new Club.

With 51 rescues the previous year and 36 the one before that, there has been a substantial decline in rescues for this past season as only 17 were reported, with three of these effected by the West Coast Club, Kotuku, which was a splendid achievement for this young Club.

Although we gained 99 Surf Bronze awards the previous year we almost managed to equal this record with 92 awards this past season and six Instructor's awards. With a result our numbers of team and patrol members increased to 406. It is interesting to note that total membership of all our affiliated Clubs is close to 1,500.

This season saw the formation of a new Club on our Christchurch beach of New Brighton. It is the first Ladies' Club in this district and will be known as the Central Brighton Ladies. Next season we hope to be able to report the further establishment of another new Club in our area. Surf Lifesaving is thriving in the Canterbury district.

After a full season of rearranged Local Carnival programmes we have decided to continue these programmes with some modifications this coming season. The main alteration was the introduction of considerable more R. & R. events which have definitely improved R. & R. drill standards among our teams.

The Taylor's Mistake Club won the local championship for the 1963/64 season both in the male and female sections.

This Association is well advanced in its arrangements for the 1965 National Championships.

The various sub-committees are already hard at work, at least trying to equal the high standard set at previous Nationals. We, in Canterbury are certainly looking forward to having you all here, for some South hospitality.

Finally, may we wish all Districts and the N.Z. Association our best wishes for a successful fatality-free season.

### **BAY OF PLENTY SURF ASSOCIATION**

With no drownings reported again this past season, and 18 rescues effected, our Association records now total 345 rescues for its nine years of operation.

Mild weather and calm seas for most of the summer probably were the major factor in the low number of reported rescues in the Bay of Plenty district. The only occasion when surf would have been dangerous was Anniversary Weekend when all our beaches experienced heavy swells with surf up to the 10ft. mark for most of the long weekend. In fact the Waihi S.L. Carnival held on the Sunday of this weekend was perhaps the most "interesting" for some years as conditions were extremely testing — with a shore-break starting some 250 yards from shore!

During the season six successful carnivals were held. Omanu Pacific starting the season with a highly contested meeting with excellent surf on the 7th December 1963. This carnival was to celebrate the occasion of the opening of their new clubhouse—by the Rt. Hon. Mr. Goetz the retiring Minister for Internal Affairs. During the March Past ceremony he pledged his departments assistance to providing more clubs of a similar nature at the less populated beaches on our shores.

Whilst Whakatane and Waihi fought out the lead at the minor carnivals it was the Mount Maunganui club who gained a clear lead in the Bay of Plenty Championships in the main meeting of the season.

A fine effort on the individual performances, by R. Edwards, M. Webb, and B. Magee enabled Mount Maunganui to conquer by a margin of 8 points from Waihi who won the Senior 6 R. & R., and Whakatane who won the Junior 6 R. & R. and Senior 4 Alarm.

During the season 27 surfers gained the Surf Bronze Award, 4 their Instructors Certificates and two members were approved as R.L.S. and Surf Association examiners.

The Chief Instructor was disappointed at the poor standard offered at one examination, only one award being gained, and it was pointed out to Clubs that a high standard must be reached in training by prospective candidates before offering them for examination.

The Bay of Plenty team which competed at the Inter District Carnival, not very successfully, did benefit from the competition—and it was heartening to see the competition now being shown in gaining selection. Congratulations to the members: B. Bryant (Whg), D. Franklin (Om), D. Butler, T. Lunn (Wai), R. Edwards, M. Webb (Mt M), and J. Anderson, J. Beamish and R. McIntosh (Whak).

**Obituary—Ron Kennedy:** It is with extreme regret that we record the passing of Mr. Ron Kennedy the foundation and current President of the Maketu S.L.S.C. After being pre-deceased by his wife a mere 12 months ago, Ron suffered from indifferent health and finally succumbed to a heart attack during May 1964. Held in high regard by surfers of the District Ron's loss will be felt not only by Maketu but throughout the Bay, and we hope that his memorial will be a stronger and fine Maketu Surf Life Saving Club—it would be his wish.

**Waihi:** The Club apart from normal activities on their popular beach, spent hundreds of hours "fund raising" for their proposed new clubhouse and having almost reached their target are bringing the plans nearer to completion and next summer should see the new building under way. Sparing time for training and instruction Dennis Butler managed to coach eight members through to gain their Surf Awards—and Hank Postma was passed as an R.L.S. Examiner as well as a Surf Award examiner.

A most successful Anniversary Carnival was run under atrocious surf conditions and the visiting teams including one from Orewa had an unforgettable time, and it is of interest to note that the "Bay Team" had a run as a team in this carnival.

**Whangamata:** Following extensive alterations and re-decorating of the Clubhouse — the Club effected its incorporation and was proud to see its veteran President Matt Whyte and Past Secretary Laurie Munro awarded the first "Service Awards" of the B.O.P. Assn., Matt was also elected Patron of the Association, at its A.G.M. an honour well deserved. Bruce Bryant as Instructor gained his Instructors Certificate in having seven members presented pass their N.Z.S.L.A. Bronze examination.

**Mount Maunganui:** Highlight of this Club's season was its effort in winning the Bay of Plenty Championships held at Omanu. Training has progressed efficiently resulting in two female and eight male members securing their Bronze Medallions, while Ross Paterson, Gail Holmes gained their Instructors Certificates. D. Walpole was also accepted as an Examiner for Royal L.S. Awards and N.Z.S.L.A. Awards.

Total rescues during the season amounted to four all effected on one day due to a strong out-going tide.

Of interest is the participation by several members with the "Search and Rescue Organisation" in the two day search for bodies of two local men drowned off Matakana Island.

A feature of this Club's activities was the institution of an Inter Patrol competition — this was based on points gained by Patrols over the season's activities and final competition where all Patrols competed as teams at a Club Surf Carnival.

**Omanu:** With 5 Seniors, 3 Juniors and one lady of a club membership of 45 available for Patrol, it will be realised from the fact that no rescues were recorded that the past season saw very little in the way of dangerous surf conditions on this ocean beach. To those few members who constantly patrol the beach the Club expresses its thanks. To those other members of the Club and supporters who worked exceedingly well on the project which culminated in the opening of our new Clubhouse on 7.12.63 the residents of Omanu district must be extremely grateful. Certainly the retiring President Mr. W. Funnell who has been the leading figure in the promoting of the project, must feel well rewarded in the satisfaction of seeing the new Clubhouse completed and with a season to its credit. It now remains for the Community and Members to benefit by its attraction as a magnet for new members prepared to train and patrol in the tradition of Surf Life Saving.

Apart from our opening Carnival held in ideal Surfing conditions we also hosted an excellent Carnival in the B.O.P. Championships—both functions being concluded by notable social evenings.

**Maketu:** This young club constantly handicapped by a total lack of Senior Surfing Members was hard put to it this past season to patrol its two beaches. The Club's late President assisted by R. Tapsell performed creditably in guiding the activities of the few youngsters available for patrol. It is noteworthy that no serious incidents were reported at this usually busy beach. Despite their lack of members a few managed to perform well at Bay Carnivals during the season.

**Whakatane:** Again patrolling proved fruitful on Ohope Beach when during the holiday season no less than 6 rescues were effected. Apart from our highly successful fund raising efforts of our Xmas Gala, an interesting Surf Carnival on 23rd February 1964 was enjoyed by all Bay teams in easy surf conditions. A shortage of new members was responsible for only two passes for Surf Medallions—to B. Woods and R. Young the Club's congratulations. Congratulations also to our 3 Club representatives selected for the Bay Team—Messrs. Anderson, Beamish and McIntosh.

Now entering its 10th year of service this Association is still a young member of the organisation yet maintains its aims with a competence out of proportion to its size and age. The Executive thanks go to the members and committees of Clubs for their continued success in maintaining our records of safety. All our surfers join in a bond of sympathy to the parents of young Les Jordan who was tragically killed and to his Club mates who answered his call for aid. To all Surfers we extend the best wishes for a successful season ahead and the best of competitions to all.

## WESTERN DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION

Clubs within the Association have, during the past season, progressed steadily if not spectacularly. The recruiting of new members, especially in the Otaki and Foxton areas is becoming increasingly difficult. This problem for Clubs working in low density population areas is becoming more acute as potential members are confronted with more exciting ways of spending their leisure hours and many are compelled or enticed to seek employment in the larger city areas.

Our total number of rescues last summer, was not high, but nevertheless shows the definite value and necessity for continual vigilance on our coast.

The Otaki Club in particular, has played a major part in rescue statistics, having recorded a total of 20—6 of these being with the "RESTA-SAFE" Torpedo Buoy. Incidentally, John Hausiaux, stalwart of the Otaki Club and district Gear Inspector, has made improvements to the original design and it was with this modified version that the rescues were made.

Shark sightings were again common and during the month of February both the Palmerston North and Foxton Clubs initiated aerial surveys of our coastal waters. Contact between the aircraft and beach patrols was made by the dropping of messages written on paper streamers.

Unfortunately, the Regional Committee has gone into temporary recess, but it is hoped that it will be functioning again prior to the commencement of the coming season. If only as a committee for the co-relating of all Carnival dates in the lower North Island, its existence is justified and indeed essential.

Our Representative team was again entrusted to the able direction of sole-selector-coach Colin Way, and although it didn't record any notable successes, the experience and enjoyment gained by its members, completely warranted its formation. We had three official carnivals, namely, Otaki's new Clubhouse opening day "Trophy Carnival", the Hackshaw Shield Carnival at Castlecliff and again at Otaki, the Western Districts Championships. Our thanks go to the host clubs and to the visiting teams and officials whose constant support guarantee the success of our "meetings". In addition to these carnivals, teams and individual members from Castlecliff, Levin-Waitarere and Otaki attended the National Championships at Muriwai.

In the latter part of the season, Clubs conducted a survey of the unpatrolled but popular beaches within our District and a number of requests for portable gear were forwarded to the N.Z. Council.

Mr. Dan Ellwood, a past member of the Foxton Club has offered to donate a trophy for an annual Manawatu river swim. Investigations re distance and tidal effects etc., are at the moment being made but it is hoped to conduct the first race this Christmas.

In conclusion, it was with regret that we were obliged to accept the resignation of two of our stalwarts, Treasurer Brian Sutcliffe in March and Secretary "Bonnie" Meyer in April. To these two, we thank them for their past services to the Association and to Lifesaving generally and wish them well for the future.



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