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Twenty-ninth
Annual Report
and
Financial Statement

1960-61

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To be presented at the Annual General Meeting,
to be held at the Maranui Surf Club Pavilion,
Lyllall Bay, on Saturday, 29th July, 1961.

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The New Zealand Surf Life-Saving Association



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Kotuku: 130 Blake Street, Blaketown, Westland (ROSS BARNES).

The New Zealand Surf Life-Saving Association

Twenty-ninth Annual Report and Statement of Accounts

SEASON ENDING 31st MAY, 1961.

TO be presented at the Annual General Meeting of the Association to be held at the Maranui Surf Club Pavilion, Lyall Bay, Wellington on Saturday, 29th July, 1961, at 10.30 a.m.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The current year has been particularly noteworthy for the revolutionary changes incorporated in our rescue procedure and competition work as a result of the important decision made to adopt immediately the expired air method of artificial respiration and it is a credit to the efficiency of our organisation that these major changes were conveyed to clubs and placed in full operation at the commencement of the active season.

This result was achieved directly from the valuable work which was carried out by members of the movement, as it was necessary to revise our drill methods and likewise undertake instructional work throughout New Zealand with a view to giving practical demonstrations of expired air methods.

In view of the nature of our work your Council adopted mouth to nose as the preferable method in the application of expired air and it is pleasing to be able to say that overseas opinions which have been received in New Zealand, fully endorse the decision which was made by the Association.

After a period of 11 years we were very pleased indeed to welcome a Surf Team from Australia which toured the Dominion over the Christmas/New Year period and it is pleasing to be able to report that the visit was an outstanding success and the results fully support the proposals put forward by Australia that a fixed programme of the interchange of visits of surf lifesaving teams between both Associations should be covered by a firm arrangement.

The tour was undertaken on a goodwill basis and the results achieved have further consolidated the already firm bond of friendship which exists between us and our sister organisation across the Tasman.

Interest in our activities has been maintained during the year and it is pleasing to report the formation of two new Clubs and to be able to advise that once again our Surf Patrols have rendered valuable service in the guarding of surf beaches where many meritorious rescues have been reported.

The various matters which have been dealt with by your Council during the year under review are briefly recorded under separate headings in this report.

HER MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH II.

We have again been favoured with a copy of a letter forwarded by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth to the R.L.S.S. Central Executive, London, in which good wishes and encouragement in the extension of our work are expressed and we acknowledge with pleasure the interest which Her Majesty displays in our humanitarian objectives.

In reaffirming our loyalty to the Crown we express the hope that Her Majesty will live long to reign over the British Commonwealth of Nations in prosperity and peace.

GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE

Your Council once again has much pleasure in recording our thanks and appreciation for the most generous grant received from the Government of £5,425 to cover our normal programme of activity including the subsidisation of gear and equipment, and the extension of grants to affiliated clubs to assist towards the provision of new buildings.

It is also pleasing to acknowledge a special grant which was made to the Association during the season of £200 representing a pound for pound subsidy on the sum made available to the Council by the J. R. McKenzie Trust for the purchase of Ambu Manikins.

Officials of the Council recently had the pleasure of meeting the Minister of Internal Affairs, the Hon. F. L. A. Gotz, and it is pleasing to record his expressions of appreciation of the work which is being carried out by affiliated clubs throughout the country in the safeguarding of life at the beaches.

The Minister, who was associated with Surf Life Saving in the early history of the movement in the South Island, was well aware of the value of the work which is carried out by Surf Clubs in the provision of active patrols.

The Council would like to take this opportunity of extending congratulations to the Hon. F. L. A. Gotz in his appointment as Minister of Internal Affairs.

NATIONAL WATER SAFETY COMMITTEE

Your Council has been pleased to be associated with the National Water Safety Committee in the active campaign which has again been carried out during the season in emphasising the ever apparent danger of the loss of life through drowning as the desirability of such a campaign has been revealed on numerous occasions where young lives have been needlessly lost in unguarded water.

It is worthy to record that this voluntary organisation which comprises representatives of the three natatorial organisations and certain Government departments, expends the total funds made available by the State in pursuing a very active and well planned drive to bring before the public the need for care not only in enjoying our natural inheritance of splendid beaches and water ways, but of the existing dangers in unprotected waters.

Whilst the Association, through its surf club patrols, has made a very valuable contribution to water safety on the beaches on which we operate, there is a great need for the education of the public, particularly in the inland districts and this function has been forcefully carried out by the National Water Safety Committee in its programme which has been pursued by medium of Press and radio advertising, and in the distribution of appropriate literature.

It is very interesting to record that from the information revealed from the statistics of drownings as compiled by the National Water Safety Committee, that the loss of life at the beaches has reached a very low figure, whilst the persons most vulnerable to drowning are children and boating enthusiasts.

There can be no doubt of the value of the campaign, the nature of which is restricted to the funds made available for its purpose, and it is the opinion of your Council that the time is now overdue for the appointment of qualified officers by the Department of Internal Affairs with the object of carrying the campaign to schools and other active organisations on a personal basis.

In the above it is pleasing to be able to record that in a recent interview with the Minister of Internal Affairs, the Hon. F. L. A. Gotz, he advised that favourable consideration would be given to the above appointment with a view to furthering water safety education.

A lot has been accomplished in the past and in view of the interest of the Minister it is apparent that the opportunity will be given to the Committee to pursue a far more active campaign in the future.

In accordance with past procedure representations in regard to the question of financial assistance, which will be available to the Association in the forthcoming year, which position likewise applies to the N.Z.A.S.A. and R.L.S.S., was given due consideration at a meeting of the National Water Safety Council held on the 23rd May, when it was agreed that recommendations be made to the Minister of Internal Affairs for the following grants to be made in the ensuing season.

	£
Water Safety Committee	7,000
N.Z.A.S.A.	3,500
R.L.S.S.	2,350
N.Z.S.L.S.A.	9,650
	<u>£22,500</u>

It is recorded that in the current year the total grant made available for the purpose of water safety was £18,500.

The submissions made by your Council covering expenditure for the forthcoming season was on the following basis:

	£
Purchase of Gear and Equipment	3,480
Gear Distribution	50
Educational Instruction	125
Printing of Educational Literature, etc.	288
Cost of Surf Medallions and Sundry	90
Cost of Printing Handbooks	135
Grants for Buildings	5,482
	<u>£9,650</u>

SUBSIDY SCHEME

Through the generosity of the Government the Council has again been able to extend subsidies on the purchase of certain items of gear and equipment and to also make financial grants to clubs carrying out new building projects.

For the information of affiliated clubs it is again recorded that under the present system operated by your Council all orders for gear and equipment required in the following season must be in the hands of the Council, together with payment of the net subsidised cost on or before the 30th June in each year.

It is clearly pointed out that orders forwarded after the above date will be supplied only if stocks coming forward from our manufacturers against the bulk quantities placed are sufficient to cover such extra orders.

Likewise all applications for grants for building purposes close with the Council on the 30th June each year, and in this connection the attention of Clubs is drawn to the fact that all such applications must be accompanied by plans and specifications of the proposed building together with an estimate of the total cost and an audited statement setting out the sum held by the Club at the time of the application, which would be available towards the total cost. The Council would also require other detail such as tenure of land and advice of assistance which will be available from the local controlling body.

In the present year all grants approved by the Council were current up till 1st April and in the event of the money set aside against the particular application not being drawn, the grant was automatically cancelled and the sum involved brought back into the general funds for reallocation in the following season.

In such cases where difficulties have been encountered due to delay in allocation of building site or through other contingencies, the club concerned must re-apply prior to the 30th June in order that re-allocation of the grant could be given consideration.

Items of gear which will continue to be supplied under the subsidy scheme are listed hereunder together with details of the present cost of this equipment to the Council and the price Clubs are asked to pay. It will be noted that in many instances the price paid by affiliated Clubs is less than half the actual cost, the balance being met from the Government grant.

Equipment	Present Cost	Subsidised Cost to Affiliated Clubs
Reel, std. new type, chrome fittings, prime coat paint	£48 16 0	£20 0 0
Reel, only portable life line	14 0 0	8 10 0
Portable life line, complete—reel, line, belt	22 14 3	13 0 0
Line, std. $\frac{3}{8}$ " cotton, 500 yds.	13 0 0	5 0 0
Line, $\frac{3}{8}$ " cotton, 300 yds. for portable life line	5 0 0	2 10 0
Life belt, std. 'Ross' Safety No. 4	3 4 0	1 10 0
Life belt, std. 'Ross' Safety Flotation "Portable Line" No. 5	4 0 0	2 0 0
Patrol flag, "Clubhouse"	1 10 0	15 0
Beach marker flag (each)	14 0	7 6
Patrol cap	6 9	5 0
Boat life jacket, H.W. No. 4	3 8 0	2 0 0
Boat life jacket, H.W. No. 5	3 11 0	2 0 0
Boat life jacket, H.W. No. 6	3 16 0	2 0 0
First aid cabinet, complete	9 5 0	4 0 0
Ballot marbles, set and bag	18 0	10 0

In the current year the Council brought forward 10 Ambu Manikins at a cost to the Association of £42 each and the same were made available to District Associations at a price of £21 each, the balance being met directly from our grant.

The Council has also continued the existing arrangement of supplying to new Clubs on affiliation, free of cost, a complete reel, line and belt, patrol indicators and hats and first aid equipment and in addition have continued to extend favourable consideration to applications received from District Associations for reimbursement

expenses incurred in the carrying out of educational work within their districts.

It is of considerable interest to note that in the current year a sum of £3,975 was paid to affiliated Clubs in the form of building grants whilst a net subsidy payment of £837 was incurred in the supply of gear and equipment.

From the above figures it will be noted that the total sum expended in the current year in direct subsidies alone was £4,812, against a total grant received from the Government in the season under review of £5,425.

The following is a complete list of the amounts paid under direct subsidy to District Associations and affiliated Clubs.

	£	s.	d.
Otaki Surf Club	500	0	0
Palmerston North Surf Club	1,000	0	0
South Brighton Surf Club	500	0	0
East End Surf Club	750	0	0
Eastern United Surf Club	225	0	0
Kare Kare Surf Club	500	0	0
Rarangi Surf Club	535	1	6
Taranaki Association	30	4	0
Auckland Association	303	16	0
Bay of Plenty Association	93	3	6
Gisborne-East Coast Association	20	0	0
Western Districts Association	49	15	0
Wellington Association	142	3	0
Canterbury Association	74	14	6
Otago Association	20	0	0
Hawke's Bay Association	33	10	6
Tahunanui Surf Club	35	1	6
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	4,812	9	6
Less grants not uplifted previous year	800	0	0
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	£4,012	9	6

The Council has been advised by the Minister of Internal Affairs that in the forthcoming seasons the sum of £5,500 will be made available to the Association, and whilst this figure is £75 above the amount granted in the current year, it will not cover our requirements, having regard to the heavy demand in respect of our gear.

It has been recorded earlier in the report that to cover all expected applications for building grants a sum of over £9000 would be required and we appreciate that the commitments of the Government from Art Union moneys in the forthcoming year makes it impossible to increase the sum to this figure, from which it is apparent that the Council would not have funds available to cover applications already received for grants for new buildings.

The Minister, whilst expressing the hope that the position would change, making it possible to meet the full request of the Association, having in mind increased returns from the new State Lottery, directed that in the coming season no grants be made for building purposes and therefore it is regretted to have to advise that the Council will not be able to take any action in respect of applications received from clubs for which no allocation has already been made.

No doubt this information will be received with profound regret as this assistance has been of special value to clubs and has given the incentive to members to strive to raise the necessary funds to obtain

the finance to cover the cost of new pavilions, and as has been stated on many occasions, it is considered that the assistance received from the State has been an important factor in the strengthening of our movement which has been evident for many years.

It is a fact that adequate club buildings are an important factor in our successful operation, particularly on popular week-end beaches, in which area there is limited resident population and in such cases club membership is drawn from main centres.

Particular evidence of the above is apparent in the Auckland district where there is increasing need for the extension of our movement and unless those interested are able to receive the incentive of a grant towards the cost of providing necessary buildings we can foresee a hold up in our progress towards our ultimate goal of having clubs formed on all popular bathing beaches.

In the current year clubs have been asked to submit applications for building grants prior to the 30th June, and in this connection we would advise that following recording such applications will be returned to applying clubs for re-submission in the following year, subject to funds being available to the Association to meet the requests concerned.

EXPIRED AIR METHOD OF ARTIFICIAL RESPIRATION

Immediately following on the international convention of surf lifesaving techniques which was held in Sydney last year, the annual general meeting was asked to consider the question of the adoption of expired air methods of artificial respiration for incorporation in our patrol and competition work on the basis of recommendations made by the instructional conference and the decision to immediately bring into our methods expired air artificial respiration was made with certain trepidations, having in mind the fact that this alteration would necessitate a general revision of R. and R. drill.

It was agreed that in the current season that the resuscitation section of competitions not be judged, teams only being required to give a demonstration of expired air, and the work involved in making the necessary amendments to our drill was undertaken by a specially appointed sub-committee comprising Messrs. A. B. Pearce, G. Perry and A. Veart, all of the Auckland Association, in conjunction with our hon. chief instructor. The association is considerably indebted to the committee for the outstanding job which was done in the revision of our drill methods, and in this connection it is worthy to note that the alterations made were such that they did not call for great changes and the final decisions of the committee were included in a special drill supplement which was issued by your council, and it is considered that the smoothness, which was particularly noticeable in the adoption of expired air methods into our competitions was a worthy tribute to the work of the committee.

Considerable research is still being carried out overseas in regard to the question of expired air methods of resuscitation, and the Council has been favoured with copies of reports which have been issued from time to time which would indicate that our decision to adopt mouth to nose as our No. 1 method is fully justified.

In this connection reports received suggest that the jaw lift technique as previously advocated is not entirely necessary, and that the mouth to nose method is preferable over mouth to mouth which could be practised according to circumstances.

Overseas opinion is that the natural baffles in the nose prevents the possibility of air entering the victim's stomach during resuscitation and also suggested that when mouth to mouth technique is

applied that the lower lip of the victim should be pulled back and the teeth closed to act as a baffle to prevent over ventilation.

Certain information as received from overseas has been circularised to district associations, as it is considered that same is of extreme value and should be available to clubs through district associations chief instructors.

The rapid changes which have taken place in lifesaving techniques in the present season and the further alterations which are forecast to come into effect next season, reveal the inadequacy of our constitution to cover the changed picture of surf lifesaving and this matter will be a subject for consideration by the forthcoming annual general meeting.

STANDARDISATION OF METHODS

It is very pleasing to record that during the season considerable progress has been made in our efforts towards standardisation of lifesaving methods and in respect thereto it has been of considerable pleasure to learn that our interest in general uniformity has been fully shared by the movement in Australia.

This point was clearly brought forward during the visit of the Australian Surf team when once again it was apparent that the time was opportune for the culmination of our ideas, having in mind the immediate need to adjust our drill methods, in view of the adoption of expired air.

Your Council was exceedingly pleased to receive an invitation from the Australian National Council to send a delegate to the Ninth Australian Instructional Conference which was held at Adelaide commencing on the 5th March, 1961, and expressing the wish that at this conference considerable thought be given to uniformity of procedure between the two countries, and requesting that remits for consideration at this meeting be submitted by New Zealand.

The Council was very capably represented at that Conference by our Hon. Chief Instructor, Mr. H. J. K. Farey, and it was with pleasure that the Council received congratulations from Australia for the valuable contribution to the Australian Conference which was made by Ken Farey.

The Council is also appreciative of the action of the Conference in unanimously granting voting power to our delegate and also for the consideration which was given to the suggestions put forward by us which were adopted and incorporated in the new proposed drill methods.

It is also of interest to note that the Australian Conference adopted the Four Man R. and R. Drill following revision of same which work was undertaken by our delegate following on approval at the Conference of certain drill procedure which would automatically be brought into Six Man R. and R.

In the attendance of our delegate the Australian National met all internal transport and accommodation, and this kind gesture was greatly appreciated and has been appropriately acknowledged.

It would appear that the stage is now set for general uniformity with Australia and if this objective is achieved consideration will have to be given immediately to the question of controlling future alterations which doubtlessly will come forward as improvements to current methods, and likewise the question of interesting other countries practising Surf Lifesaving on a voluntary basis to follow the lead already set, which unquestionably will result in the strengthening of our movement.

INSTRUCTIONAL CONFERENCE

The 1961 Instructional Conference was held in Wellington on Saturday and Sunday, 15/16th April, at which delegates from all District Associations were present, whilst the individually affiliated clubs were represented by a delegate from the Tahunanui Surf Life-saving Club.

Arising from the attendance of our Hon. Chief Instructor, Mr H. J. K. Farey, at the Ninth Australian Instructional Conference, the Agenda for consideration by the meeting included the very important question of the adoption of R. and R. drill methods which were agreed on at that Conference and matters relating thereto came forward for priority discussion.

In view of the absence of printed information in regard to the proposed changes which require the consideration and recommendation of the Conference, prior arrangements had been made by the Hon. Chief Instructor to train a demonstration team in the new proposed methods and it was by this medium that delegates were able to view the new drill and appreciate the extent of the alterations involved.

The Conference agreed to recommend to the Annual General Meeting that the R. and R. drill as amended by the Ninth Australian Instructional Conference be adopted and that the Constitution of the Association amended to allow these new methods to be brought into force in the forthcoming season. The Conference also agreed to recommend the adoption of the Australian Points Deduction Schedule as amended by the Ninth Australian Instructional Conference with the exception of the swimming time deduction.

The meeting discussed the question of the future alteration in drill methods and recommended to your Council that representations be made to the Australian National Council with a view to considering questions relating to the composition of future Instructional Conferences, having in mind the possibility of the holding of a joint Conference comprising Australian and New Zealand delegates with a view to retaining uniformity of drill procedure and the production of an appropriate drill manual.

In view of the nature of the recommendation made to the Annual General Meeting in regard to the adoption of the new drill methods it was agreed that no action be taken in respect of recommendations appertaining to suggested alterations to present drill methods.

AMBU MANIKINS

It has been most obvious that with the adoption of expired air methods of artificial respiration in to our patrol and competition work, that it was of immediate importance that all members of our movement should have had practical experience in the application of these methods, having in mind the question of the resuscitation of the apparently drowned, which after all is the primary function of our organisation.

Following an examination of available equipment your Council placed an order for 10 Ambu Manikins which were received during the season, and were supplied under subsidy to district associations with the stipulation that arrangements be made to instruct all active members of the movement in the various areas in expired air methods, and a report be submitted to the Council of the instruction which was entrusted to the Chief Instructor of the various associations.

The work which has been carried out within the movement in the use of the Manikins has been of extreme value as it has given the opportunity to members to carry out practical application of expired air methods, and as a result all will be trained in the art of this method and would be able to apply same successfully to victims taken from the surf.

It can be said without fear of doubt that the decision to bring forward the Manikins was a very important one and it is intended to bring into our work compulsory demonstrations of the ability of our members to apply expired air by means of this Manikin.

It is very pleasing to be able to say that a further 10 Manikins will be arriving shortly as a result of the generosity of the J. R. McKenzie Trust and the Minister of Internal Affairs.

McKENZIE TRUST

During the year your Council made an approach to the McKenzie Trust Board for a grant towards the purchase of 10 Ambu Manikins at a cost of approximately £410 and it is indeed pleasing to be able to advise that as a result of consideration to this application the Association was advised that a sum of £200 would be available from the Trust Board which amount had been subsidised by the favour of the Hon. the Minister of Internal Affairs, F. L. A. Gotz.

This gesture is greatly appreciated and acknowledged on behalf of the movement and on arrival arrangements will be made for the Association to formally receive the Manikins from the McKenzie Trust Board in conjunction with the Minister, following which units will be distributed to District Associations.

AWARDS

Last season we were able to report a record number of awards gained but regret to say that in the current year our figures are far from complete due to the fact that returns are very late in coming forward and at the time of going to press a total of 159 Surf Bronze Medallions had been recorded but it is felt that this number will be substantially increased when final returns are to hand.

From the returns received only 13 Surf Instructors have been gained.

Whilst the number of awards gained would appear to be below our previous totals we are aware that many clubs are experiencing difficulty in recruiting new members and in this connection according to returns received from clubs the total of new members in the current year was 336.

Compared with this figure the total of Surf Medallions gained would appear to be quite satisfactory. In view of the high qualifications necessary for membership and the onerous tasks of Surf Patrol duties, the movement is experiencing difficulty in maintaining membership and it is hoped that in the new season District Associations will promote membership campaigns, more especially in areas where clubs are having trouble in maintaining normal patrols.

The Council offers full co-operation in carrying out an active campaign and would welcome the thoughts of District Associations having in mind the launching of a membership drive on a national basis.

RESCUES

It is pleasing to record that according to advice received from District Associations all affiliated clubs have maintained surf patrols during the week-ends and holiday periods and the vigilance of members is indicated by the fact that a total of 142 rescues were effected during the season.

In view of the fact that the Council is still awaiting a number of returns this figure doubtlessly will be substantially increased when completed details are at hand, and this fine record is a tribute to the efficiency of our surf club members.

We are pleased to be able to report that once again we have maintained our record of no drownings on patrolled beaches which is an achievement of which we are justly proud.

The Council wishes to thank clubs which forwarded immediately reports on rescues effected and in respect thereto it is noted that many rescues were carried out under difficult and dangerous circumstances.

No recommendations have been received for the issuing of meritorious awards, and in this connection it is reported that under the new Constitution adopted by the last Annual General Meeting, District Associations appoint local meritorious award committees, and any recommendations for recognition must be submitted to the Council by those Committees.

As has been mentioned in previous reports two awards are made by the Royal Life Saving Society each year for the most meritorious rescues, namely the Mountbatten and the Kingsland Medals, and in view of the number of rescues effected by the Association each year it is vital that the details of same be submitted to the Council without delay to allow same to be passed on to that Society for consideration in the making of awards each year.

The following is the details of rescues effected:—

With line and belt	32
Without line and belt	73
With surf ski, etc.	37
Total	<u>142</u>

Of the persons rescued a total of 16 required artificial respiration which was successfully applied.

In addition Surf Clubs rendered first aid on the beaches to a total of 176.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR AND ADJUDICATOR FOR THE LONDON TROPHY AND THE GUDSELL CUP SEASON 1960-61

As has happened for the last two seasons incomplete returns make it necessary for me to indicate that it is not possible to announce at this date the results of this year's competition for the London Trophy. It is hoped that the decision will be able to be announced at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

However, I have pleasure in recording the result announced at the last General Meeting that last year's competition for the London Trophy was a tie between Gisborne and Taranaki Districts with

Western Districts in third place. Congratulations were extended to these two districts and once again the Association thanks the Royal Life Society of London for the substantial monetary gift that is shared by these two districts. The Association President made the presentation of the Trophy with due ceremony.

Also for the purpose of the records I indicate that the Gudsell trophy winner last year was the Taylor's Mistake Club which gained the grand total of 23 Surf Awards for that season. This was the highest number of Awards ever gained by any one club in any one season. In 1944 Island Bay and in 1948 Opunake each gained 22 Surf Awards and they thus came close to this total.

On the rather inadequate returns to hand it would appear that New Plymouth Old Boys are well in the running for the Gudsell Trophy this year for they have 13 Surf Awards and no other club has reached that total.

In the past years I have complained that the District Secretaries are to blame for their failure to see that the returns reach our Secretary in time for him to prepare his report but I am beginning to realise that they too are just as frustrated as is our Association Secretary in that they cannot persuade the Club Secretaries to fill in the return forms. Just in case it may be said that I have any club bias I have to record here, to my chagrin, that my own club has not as yet sent in its return.

Without these returns we are unable to present a correct factual picture of our work to the Government which makes us a very necessary grant each year. They are therefore vital and not just an annoyance to the Clubs.

District Association will need to give some thought as to how the Association may best obtain these returns within the prescribed time and may like to forward suggestions to the Association.

J. D. HUNTER.

Adjudicator, 6/7/61.

NEW CLUBS FORMED

The progress which has been recorded in previous reports has been continued during the year with the formation of two new Clubs, namely Kotuku, operating at Cobden Beach, Greymouth, and the Wai-iti Club with its headquarters in the New Plymouth District.

The formation of the above Clubs has been the result of very valuable work undertaken by persons interested in the extension of our work and we trust that the enthusiasm which has brought these Clubs into the folds of our organisation will be maintained and the Clubs will prosper in future years.

NATIONAL LIFESAVING DAY

The Annual Meeting agreed that Sunday, 18th December, 1960, be set aside for activities in respect of National Lifesaving Day and once again we have to express our appreciation to the National Water Safety Committee for the assistance offered by medium of radio advertising.

The Council has been favoured with reports from District Associations from which it is apparent that the activities undertaken on this day are most important in the instruction of the public in the application of artificial respiration and in saving life.

Many Clubs have maintained a very active part in organising instruction in expired air methods throughout the year by use of the Ambu Manikins, and the Council wishes to acknowledge the assistance which is being rendered to our cause by the Clubs concerned.

	Rescues		Other Gear	Resus- citation	First Aid	Bronze	Surf	Instructors	Active		Other	Gear Value
	With Line	Without Line							Members	Members		
AUCKLAND—												
Eastern United	—	6	6	—	14	—	—	—	54	46	—	178
Kare Kare	1	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	11	5	—	148
Muriwai	3	—	—	1	—	2	4	1	18	68	—	67
North Piha	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	36	25	—	175
Orewa	—	—	—	—	20	4	3	—	30	52	—	425
Piha	—	5	5	1	5	6	10	—	47	153	—	800
Red Beach	—	3	—	1	20	17	6	—	49	—	—	500
Waitemata Ladies'	—	—	—	—	3	4	4	1	13	—	—	60
Waipu Cove	No Return											
Bethells Beach	In Recess											
Mairangi Bay	No Return											
Milford	No Return											
Milford Girls'	In Recess											
Port Waikato	No Return											
Ruakaka	No Return											
R.N.Z.N.	In Recess											
BAY OF PLENTY—												
Mt. Maunganui	4	15	1	—	—	14	5	—	30	50	—	350
Omanu Pacific	8	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	31	5	—	95
Waihi	3	5	2	4	27	4	6	—	44	44	—	200
Whakatane	—	2	1	—	—	4	—	—	26	10	—	140
Whangamata	5	1	2	2	23	—	—	—	20	10	—	90
Maketu	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	9	14	—	—
GISBORNE EAST COAST—												
Gisborne Ladies'	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	21	—	—	200
Midway	—	10	—	—	29	—	—	—	29	44	—	300
Waikanae	—	—	5	2	—	10	8	1	38	22	—	160
Wainui	—	3	—	1	1	—	—	—	18	8	—	105
Wairoa	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	8	5	—	60

TARANAKI—

East End	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	30	43	—
Fitzroy	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	49	37	200
Ohawe	No Return										
N.P. Old Boys'	1	3	1	—	3	7	13	—	42	30	450
Opunake	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	16	158	357
Patea	No Return										
Waitara	In Recess										
Wai-Iti	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	23	46	—

WESTERN DISTRICTS—

Castlecliff	—	2	—	2	3	6	4	—	30	30	450
Castlecliff Ladies'	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	11	1	—
Foxton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	150
Levin-Waitarere	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	3	100
Otaki	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	14	109	100
Palmerston North	4	—	—	—	1	2	2	—	17	25	150
Palmerston N. Ladies'	In Recess										

WELLINGTON—

East Harbour	No Return										
Island Bay	No Return										
Lyll Bay	No Return										
Maranui	No Return										
Paekakariki	No Return										
Pukerua Bay	In Recess										
Raumatī South	No Return										
Riversdale	No Return										
Titahi Bay	No Return										
Titahi Bay Ladies'	—	—	—	—	—	9	5	—	22	8	—
Worser Bay	No Return										
Scorching Bay Ladies'	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	25	5	30
Wellington Ladies'	No Return										

CANTERBURY—

South Brighton	—	4	—	1	4	1	3	—	57	—	240
New Brighton	—	—	—	—	5	—	1	—	146	183	850
North Beach	—	3	—	—	—	—	6	1	32	165	358
Sumner	—	2	3	—	—	—	7	1	223	17	267
Taylor's Mistake	2	1	—	—	3	3	8	1	46	525	450
Waimairi	—	—	—	—	4	—	10	1	85	29	160
Kaiapoi Pines Beach ...	No Return										

OTAGO—

Brighton	—	2	4	—	—	—	1	—	22	33	250
Kaka Point	No Return										
Moana Rua	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	12	22	—
Ocean Grove	(In Recess)										
Oreti	—	—	—	—	—	7	10	2	33	—	300
St. Clair	—	1	—	—	—	—	6	1	98	56	140
St. Kilda	—	—	2	—	—	6	4	1	18	21	400
Taramea Bay	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	—	9	5	150

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INDIVIDUAL CLUBS—

Tahunanui	—	—	—	—	—	1	7	—	26	17	200
Rarangi	No Return										
Kotuku	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	12	8	200

HAWKE'S BAY—

Pacific	1	—	—	—	1	5	5	1	20	42	320
Waimarama	No Return										
Westshore	—	—	—	—	8	8	3	—	18	39	180
Te Awa	In Recess										

Totals	32	73	37	16	176	124	146	12	1676	2218	£10,523
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NEW ZEALAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 1961 National Surf Lifesaving Championships were allocated to the Otago Surf L.S. Association and were conducted on Friday-Saturday-Sunday, 19th-20th-21st February, at the Warrington Beach.

This was the first occasion on which a National Championship meeting was held at a beach on which a Surf Club was not active which greatly added to the responsibility of the Otago Association Officials in making adequate arrangements for the conduct of the Championships. Without the usual Surf Club facilities which are available at patrolled beaches the Otago Association had to provide buildings and dressing accommodation, and it is pleasing to report that despite the distance involved in travelling to Warrington most satisfactory arrangements were completed and despite unseasonable weather conditions the championships were very successfully completed and the Council expresses appreciation to the Otago Association for the excellent work accomplished under the difficult conditions created through holding the event at a beach some distance from the nearest active club Headquarters.

It is of interest to record that had the meeting been held at St. Clair or St. Kilda the heavy surf conditions prevailing at those beaches would have prevented the holding of the Championships.

Entries were very small, being about half those received for the 1960 Championships at Gisborne and this could be explained primarily to the decision of the A.G.M. in restricting entries for the Senior and Junior R & R events to three teams where a District Association had 5 or less affiliated clubs and 5 teams from Associations with six or more affiliated clubs.

The success of the Championships was a fitting result for the work carried out by the Otago Association and this opportunity is taken of expressing thanks and appreciation to the key officials for their valuable work in the smooth running of the various events.

Congratulations are extended to the winning teams and individuals of the various events.

The following clubs were represented with entries:

Gisborne Ladies'	Titahi Bay
Wellington Ladies'	Maranui
Scorching Bay Ladies'	Taylor's Mistake
Moana Rua Ladies'	Sumner
Eastern United	South Brighton
North Piha	New Brighton
Piha	North Beach
Red Beach	Waimairi
Mount Maunganui	Kaka Point
Waikanae	Taramea Bay
East End	Brighton
Westshore	St. Clair
Island Bay	St. Kilda
Paekakariki	Oreti
Lyall Bay	Palmerston North
Worser Bay	

NORRIE TROPHY

1st, Canterbury, 8½ points	2nd, Wellington, 5 points
	3rd, Otago, 2 points

ALAN GARDNER MEMORIAL TROPHY

1st, South Brighton, 20 points	2nd, Lyall Bay, 18½ points
	3rd, St. Clair, 15 points

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

1st Heat:

1st, New Brighton: (Graham, Robertson, McGee, Scott, Chamberlain, Chambers). Total 9.60.

2nd, Red Beach: (R. Warman, P. York, R. Turnbull, R. O'Brian, S. White, R. Harper). Total 10.90.

3rd, St. Clair B: (D. E. Ruhen, E. G. Pope, P. E. Morete, W. J. Jones, G. A. Paape, E. J. Wilson). Total 12.00.

2nd Heat:

1st, South Brighton: (R. Pocock, A. Lee, N. Roake, J. Fielding, R. Blair, G. Silvester). Total 7.00.

2nd, St. Clair A: (G. Jacobson, J. Cousins, H. Mason, G. Nisbet, D. Byers, G. Gardener). Total 8.20.

3rd, Lyall Bay: (D. Clark, A. Beatly, D. Norris, R. Jacobson, J. Wakelin, K. Ryan). Total 10.10.

3rd Heat:

1st, Waikanae: (R. McLean, R. Glover, D. Lamont, B. McLean, B. Adams, G. Thomson). Total 8.00.

2nd, Waimairi: (T. Stephens, R. Ironside, Leaske, I. Greig, J. Hughes, I. Gaskell). Total 8.15.

3rd, Maranui: (M. J. Haxton, F. C. Woodford, R. E. Maltby, R. H. Parkin, G. R. Hall, R. H. Dining). Total 9.0.

Final:

1st, South Brighton: (Blair, Fielding, Roake, Pocock, Lee Silvester). Total 7.45).

2nd, Waikanae: (G. Thompson, B. Lamont, B. McLean, B. Adams, R. Glover, R. Payne). Total 8.00.

3rd equal, Lyall Bay: (D. Clark, R. Jacobson, F. Wakelin, D. Morris, A. Beatty, K. Ryan). Total 9.45.

3rd equal, St. Clair A: (G. Gardiner, G. Jacobson, D. Byers, J. Cousins, G. Nesbit, H. Mason). Total 9.45.

N.Z. SENIOR FOUR-MAN ALARM CHAMPIONSHIP

1st Heat:

1st, Maranui B: (R. Maltby, M. Haxton, F. Woodford, B. McPherson). Total 3.55.

2nd, St. Clair A: (G. Gardener, G. Jacobsen, G. Nisbet, E. Moreti). Total 4.80.

3rd, Waikanae A: (D. Lamont, M. McLean, R. McLean, R. Glover). Total 5.15.

2nd Heat:

1st, Red Beach: (O'Brian, Parker, Turnbull, Warman). Total 4.80.

2nd, Waimairi: (J. Gray, T. Gaskell, J. Freeborne, I. Hayes). Total 5.20.

3rd, St. Clair B: (D. Ruben, E. J. Wilks, J. Jones, E. Pope). Total 5.85.

3rd Heat:

1st, Maranui A: (A. Robinson, B. Crowder, L. Eagle, R. Cherriton). Total 3.80.

2nd, Taylor's Mistake: (I. McDonald, G. Doyle, B. Prebble, B. Turpin). Total 5.60.

3rd, Lyall Bay A: (J. Wakelin, D. Norris, J. Newport, D. Clarke). Total 6.30.

Final:

1st, Taylor's Mistake: (I. MacDonald, G. Doyle, B. Prebble, B. Turpin). Total 4.70.

2nd, Maranui B: (R. Maltby, M. Haxton, F. Woodford, B. McPherson). Total 5.60.

3rd, St. Clair A: (G. Gardener, G. Jacobsen, Nesbit, E. Moreti). Total. 5.65.

N.Z. SENIOR BELTMAN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

1st Heat:

- 1st South Brighton B, 2.2 3-5
- 2nd Palmerston North, 2.10 1-5.
- 3rd Taylor's Mistake, 2.10 3-5.

3rd Heat:

- 1st St. Clair B, 2.7.
- 2nd New Brighton, 2.9 4-5.
- 3rd Waikanae A, 2.15 1-5.

2nd Heat:

- 1st South Brighton A, 1.58.
- 2nd St. Clair A, 2.5.
- 3rd Taylor's Mistake, 2.6 1-5.

4th Heat:

- 1st Red Beach B 2.3.
- 2nd Waikanae B, 2.5 4-5.
- 3rd Lyall Bay A, 2.9 3-5.

Final:

- 1st South Brighton A: (R. Blair) 1.58 2-5.
- 2nd Red Beach: (R. Harker) 1.58 4-5.
- 3rd South Brighton: (A. Lee) 2.5 4-5.

N.Z. SENIOR INDIVIDUAL SURF RACE

1st Heat:

- 1st R. Blair (South Brighton).
- 2nd B. Crowder (Maranui).
- 3rd R. Harker (Red Beach).
- 4th R. McLean (Waikanae).
- 5th J. Gregg (Waimairi).

3rd Heat:

- 1st B. Adams (Waikanae).
- 2nd C. Lake (Lyall Bay).
- 3rd T. Stevens (Waimairi).
- 4th R. Pocock (South Brighton).
- 5th R. Nichol (Titahi Bay).

2nd Heat:

- 1st J. McKerras (Palmerston N.)
- 2nd M. Haxton (Maranui).
- 3rd R. Turnbull (Red Beach).
- 4th B. Robertson (New Brighton).
- 5th E. Leask (Waimairi).

4th Heat:

- 1st A. Lee (South Brighton).
- 2nd W. Penny (Maranui).
- 3rd J. Hughes (Waimairi).
- 4th W. Pasley (Sumner).
- 5th J. Turpin (Taylor's Mistake).

Final:

- 1st R. Blair (South Brighton).
- 2nd B. Crowder (Maranui).
- 3rd R. Harker (Red Beach).
- 4th W. Penny (Maranui).
- 5th A. Lee (South Brighton).

N.Z. SENIOR SURF TEAM'S RACE CHAMPIONSHIP

1st—Maranui:

- B. Crowder 2
- M. Haxton 2
- R. Maltby 8
- W. Penny 2

2nd—South Brighton:

- R. Blair 1
- G. Silvester 9
- R. Pocock 4
- A. Lee 1

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3rd—Waimairi:

- J. Grigg 5
- E. Leask 5
- T. Stevens 3
- J. Hughes 3

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N.Z. SENIOR MARCH PAST CHAMPIONSHIP

1st, South Brighton—7.50. 5th equal, Waimairi, 9.00.
2nd, St. Clair—8.00. 7th, Oreti—9.50.
3rd equal, Sumner—8.50. 8th equal, Waikanae—10.50.
3rd equal, Lyall Bay—8.50. 8th equal, Red Beach—10.50.
5th equal, New Brighton—9.00. 10th, Taylor's Mistake—11.00.

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

1st Heat:

1st, South Brighton: (P. Stewart, R. Gray, M. Richards, C. Milne, J. Crookston, T. Macalister). Total 7.45.

2nd, North Beach: (L. MacIntosh, D. Cutting, K. Bird, D. Dalton, S. McKinley, J. Vossey). Total 9.80.

3rd, Maranui: (M. Clark, J. Stephens, K. O'Malley, E. Morrison, J. Gallaher, R. Gallaher). Total 10.35.

2nd Heat:

1st, Sumner: (R. W. House, H. D. Moore, A. R. Paterson, J. K. Pearson, A. R. Turner, R. H. Duncan). Total 10.80.

2nd, Taylor's Mistake: (P. K. Hatchwell, J. P. Steed, W. I. McGuire, A. B. Donaldson, P. R. Horrod, R. W. Reid). Total 11.45.

3rd, Waikanae: (N. Webster, J. McLean, P. Grant, L. Ledler, P. Rogers, R. Carmichael). Total 13.45.

Final:

1st, Lyall Bay A: (G. Harvey, P. Griffin, C. Blakeley, J. Tonks, D. Norman, A. Griffin). Total 9.45.

2nd, Taylor's Mistake: (R. Reed, P. Hatchwell, P. Harrow, A. Donaldson, J. Stead, W. Doyle). Total 10.80.

3rd, South Brighton: (T. Macalister, J. Crookston, R. Gray, C. Milne, M. Richards, P. Hewitt). Total 11.45.

N.Z. JUNIOR 4-MAN ALARM CHAMPIONSHIP

1st Heat:

1st, Lyall Bay B: (A. Perkins, A. Griffin, Rowell, Norman). Total 4.50.

2nd, East End: (B. Coleman, T. Corkin, D. Armett, R. Wildermoth). Total 5.30.

3rd, Island Bay: (M. Aston, W. Rowntree, J. Jenkinson, B. Coleman). Total 5.50.

2nd Heat:

1st, Lyall Bay A: (C. Blakeley, M. Harvey, J. Tonks, P. Griffin). Total 4.25.

2nd, St. Clair: (L. Jordan, G. Flockton, I. Quigley, T. Marskell). Total 5.65.

3rd, Sumner: (H. Moore, L. House, E. Paterson, A. Turner). Total 5.75.

Final:

1st, Lyall Bay A: (C. Blakeley, G. Harvey, J. Tonks, P. Griffin). Total 4.60.

2nd, East End.

3rd, Lyall Bay B: (A. Perkins, A. Griffin, G. Rowell, D. Norman). Total 5.25.

N.Z. JUNIOR BELTMAN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

1st Heat:

- 1st East End.
- 2nd Maranui B.
- 3rd North Beach.

3rd Heat:

- 1st New Brighton.
- 2nd St. Clair A.
- 3rd Waikanae.

2nd Heat:

- 1st Waimairi A.
- 2nd Eastern United B.
- 3rd Sumner B.

4th Heat:

- 1st Waimairi B.
- 2nd Taylor's Mistake A.
- 3rd Lyall Bay A.

Final:

- 1st New Brighton (G. Dann) 2.24.
- 2nd East End (T. Corkin) 2.28 1-5.
- 3rd Waimairi A (R. Gaskell) 2.28 3-5.

N.Z. JUNIOR INDIVIDUAL SURF RACE CHAMPIONSHIP

1st Heat:

- 1st L. Olds (St. Clair).
- 2nd T. Griffin (Lyll Bay).
- 3rd A. McDowell (Waimairi).
- 4th P. Harrow (Taylor's Mis.)
- 5th A. Halswell (North Beach).

3rd Heat:

- 1st J. Dann (New Brighton).
- 2nd J. McLean (Waikanae).
- 3rd R. Gaskell (Waimairi).
- 4th A. Perkins (Lyll Bay).
- 5th W. McGuire (Taylor's Mis.)

2nd Heat:

- 1st C. Blakeley (Lyll Bay).
- 2nd R. Busing (Eastern Utd.)
- 3rd P. Hatchwell (Taylor's Mis.)
- 4th M. Clark (Maranui).
- 5th D. Cutting (North Beach).

4th Heat:

- 1st G. Harvey (Lyll Bay).
- 2nd L. McIntosh (North Bch.)
- 3rd R. House (Sumner).
- 4th R. Wildermoth (East End).
- 5th J. Jenkins (Eastern Utd.)

Final:

- 1st L. Olds (St. Clair).
- 2nd G. Harvey (Lyll Bay).
- 3rd J. McLean (Waikanae).
- 4th R. Gaskell (Waimairi).
- 5th G. Dann (New Brighton).

N.Z. JUNIOR SURF TEAM'S RACE CHAMPIONSHIP

1st—Lyll Bay:

- T. Griffin 2
- C. Blakeley 1
- A. Perkins 4
- G. Harvey 1

2nd—North Beach:

- A. Halswell 5
- D. Cutting 5
- D. Dalton 6
- L. McIntosh 2

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3rd—Taylor's Mistake:

- P. Harrow 4
- P. Hatchwell 3
- W. McGuire 5
- J. Stead 7

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N.Z. JUNIOR MARCH PAST CHAMPIONSHIP

- 1st equal, Taylor's Mistake.
- 1st equal, Eastern United.
- 3rd, North Beach.
- 4th, Lyall Bay.

N.Z. LADIES' MARCH PAST CHAMPIONSHIP

- 1st, Moana Rua—5.50.
- 2nd, Taylor's Mistake—6.50.
- 3rd, South Brighton—7.00.
- 4th, Wellington—10.00.

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

Finals:

- 1st, South Brighton A: (Blair, Taylor, Warner, Holland, Smith, Plaston). Total 9.40.
- 2nd, Taylor's Mistake: (B. Breward, Mason, G. Cormack, M. Hart, Gilpin, Harrow). Total 11.55.
- 3rd, Gisborne Ladies: (V. Grimmett, L. Pickett, P. Mockford, J. Tai, D. Hastie, B. Odams). Total 11.90.

N.Z. LADIES FOUR-MAN ALARM CHAMPIONSHIP

1st Heat:

- 1st, Wellington Ladies A: (R. Richards, J. Blakeley, G. Story, P. McColl). Total 5.05.
- 2nd, Moana Rua: (M. Arthur, M. Searle, R. Nesbit, B. Fox). Total 5.45.
- 3rd, Taylor's Mistake B: (Campbell, Cormack, Luke, Hart). Total 5.85.

2nd Heat:

- 1st, Kaka Point: (J. A. Hennessy, B. Hollows, K. Coxon, P. Farrow). Total 4.20.
- 2nd, South Brighton A: (A. Taylor, A. Blair, A. Peaston, B. Smith). Total 4.65.
- 3rd, Taylor's Mistake: (J. Harrow, L. Mason, B. Breward, J. Gilpin). Total 4.90.

Final:

- 1st, South Brighton A: (H. Taylor, A. Blair, A. Peaston, B. Smith). Total 4.70.
- 2nd, Taylor's Mistake A: (J. Harrow, L. Mason, B. Breward, J. Gilpin). Total 5.00.
- 3rd, South Brighton B: (J. Warner, C. Manifold, L. Lanyon, S. Holland). Total 5.40.

N.Z. LADIES' INDIVIDUAL SURF RACE CHAMPIONSHIP

- 1st D. Roberts (Island Bay). 3rd Monk (Taylor's Mistake).
- 2nd A. Blair (South Brighton). 4th J. Blakeley (Wgtn. Ladies).

N.Z. LADIES' SURF TEAM'S RACE CHAMPIONSHIP

1st—Taylor's Mistake	2nd—Wellington Ladies:	
Monk	3 J. Blakeley	4
B. Breward	6 Buttle	8
L. Mason	11 R. Richards	9
J. Harrow	13 G. Storey	28
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	33	49
3rd—South Brighton:		
A. Blair	2	
C. Manifold	5	
H. Taylor	16	
B. Smith	30	
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N.Z. BEACH RELAY CHAMPIONSHIP

1st Heat:

- 1—North Beach.
- 2—North Piha.
- 3—Maranui.

2nd Heat:

- 1—New Brighton.
- 2—St. Clair.
- 3—Sumner.

3rd Heat:

- 1—Waikanae.
- 2—Paekakariki.
- 3—Brighton.

Final:

- 1—New Brighton.
- 2—St. Clair.
- 3—North Beach.

N.Z. BEACH SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIP

1st Heat:

- 1st R. Dalton (North Beach).
- 2nd J. Newport (Lyall Bay).
- 3rd R. Glover (Waikanae).

2nd Heat:

- 1st B. Dasler (North Beach).
- 2nd A. Hourigan (West Shore).
- 3rd R. Roman (North Piha).

Final:

- 1st B. Redmond (New Brighton).
- 2nd D. Byers (St. Clair).
- 3rd R. Dalton (North Beach).

3rd Heat:

- 1st L. Foubister (New Brighton).
- 2nd G. Conway (Maranui).
- 3rd D. Ruhen (St. Clair).

4th Heat:

- 1st B. Redmond (New Bghtn).
- 2nd D. Byers (St. Clair).
- 3rd K. Boyd (South Brighton).

N.Z. INDIVIDUAL SURF SKI RESCUE CHAMPIONSHIP

1st Heat:

- 1st Sumner A (D. Quaine).
- 2nd Lyall Bay A (N. Rush).
- 3rd South Brighton B (P. Ross).

2nd Heat:

- 1st North Beach (R. Dalton).
- 2nd Waimairi B (R. Elam).
- 3rd Sumner B (K. McDonald).

3rd Heat:

- 1st New Brighton (E. Carbines).
- 2nd Waimairi A (J. Hughes).
- 3rd South Brighton A (R. Pock).

Final:

- 1st Sumner (D. Quaine).
- 2nd North Beach (R. Dalton).
- 3rd Waimairi B (R. Elam).

N.Z. INDIVIDUAL SKI RACE CHAMPIONSHIP

1st Heat:

- 1st D. Dasler (North Beach).
- 2nd N. Truscott (Sumner).
- 3rd P. Ross (South Brighton).
- 4th M. Cousins (Sumner).

2nd Heat:

- 1st R. Dalton (North Beach).
- 2nd C. Quaine (Sumner).
- 3rd K. Bird (North Beach).
- 4th D. Smail (St. Clair).

Final:

- 1st B. Dasler (North Beach).
- 2nd N. Truscott (Sumner).
- 3rd P. Ross (South Brighton).
- 4th M. Cousins (Sumner).

3rd Heat:

- 1st R. Elam (Waimairi).
- 2nd K. McDonald (Sumner).
- 3rd W. Earsman (North Beach).
- 4th E. Pope (St. Clair).

4th Heat:

- 1st B. Monk (Sumner).
- 2nd R. Dalton (North Beach).
- 3rd E. McLeod (Brighton).
- 4th D. Ruhen (St. Clair).

N.Z. SURF CANOE CHAMPIONSHIP

1st Race—Heat 1:

- 1st—North Beach.
- 2nd—St. Clair A.
- 3rd—Kaka Point.

2nd Heat:

- 1st—Oreti
- 2nd—Sumner.
- 3rd St. Clair C.

2nd Race—Heat 1:

- 1st—St. Clair A.
- 2nd—Kaka Point.
- 3rd St. Clair C.

3rd Race—Heat 1:

- 1st—North Beach.
- 2nd—Oreti.
- 3rd—Brighton.

Final:

- 1st—Oreti.
- 2nd—Sumner.
- 3rd—St. Clair A.

2nd Heat:

- 1st—Sumner.
- 2nd—North Beach.
- 3rd—Brighton.

2nd Heat:

- 1st—Sumner.
- 2nd—Kaka Point.
- 3rd—Taylor's Mistake.

N.Z. SURF BOAT CHAMPIONSHIP**1st Race:**

- 1st—New Brighton A.
- 2nd—New Brighton B.
- 3rd—Taylor's Mistake.

2nd Race:

- 1st—New Brighton A.
- 2nd—New Brighton B.
- 3rd—Taylor's Mistake.

3rd Race:

- 1st—New Brighton A.
- 2nd—Taylor's Mistake.
- 3rd—New Brighton B.

Final:

- 1st—New Brighton A.
- 2nd—New Brighton B.

N.Z. PADDLE BOARD CHAMPIONSHIP**1st Heat:**

- 1st T. White (Titahi Bay).
- 2nd K. McDonald (Sumner).
- 3rd R. Warman (Red Beach).

2nd Heat:

- 1st G. McDowell (Waimairi).
- 2nd T. Griffin (Lyll Bay).
- 3rd P. Way (North Piha).

3rd Heat:

- 1st C. Blakeley (Lyll Bay).
- 2nd B. Monk (Sumner).
- 3rd W. Paisley (Sumner).

Final:

- 1st B. Monk (Sumner).
- 2nd P. Way (North Piha).

ROSS TROPHY**1st—North Island:**

- J. McLean
- G. Harvey
- C. Blakeley
- T. Griffin

2nd—South Island:

- 2 L. Olds
- 3 R. Gaskell
- 4 J. Dann
- 6 P. Hatchwell

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1962 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 1962 National Championships have been allocated to the Wellington District Surf Lifesaving Association and will be held at Lyall Bay Beach on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, the 9th, 10th, and 11th March, with the alternative beaches Worsler Bay and Scorching Bay.

In the event of bad weather being experienced at Lyall Bay the Organising Committee intend to rearrange the programme with R. and R. events at Worsler Bay and Boat and Board events at Scorching Bay.

The Wellington Association is already very active in making arrangements for the successful conclusion of the Championships and circulars in respect thereto have already been forwarded to affiliated clubs.

REPRINT OF DRILL MANUAL

In view of the adoption of expired air methods of artificial respiration certain alterations to our drill procedure had to be made and same were covered by the issue of a drill supplement, it being intended that based on the experience gained in one season's operations, that the following Instructional Conference give consideration to drawing up a more permanent drill which could be published in the form of a new Drill Manual.

However, as has been recorded elsewhere in this report the moves made towards standardisation of drill methods with Australia have resulted in a recommendation being made to the forthcoming Annual Conference suggesting the adoption of the drill methods decided on by the 9th Australian Instructional Conference and arrangements have already been made for the obtaining of supplies of handbooks covering this new drill from Australia and it is hoped that advance copies will be available for distribution prior to the Annual General Meeting.

At the present time the Council awaits receipt of the proof copy from Australia which will be made available for the purpose of checking prior to publication of the Handbook.

GEAR AND EQUIPMENT.

Over the past four years the supply of standard lifesaving gear has been extremely difficult with the equipment stored not only under one roof, but in several places throughout Wellington, it requiring a considerable amount of time travelling from one place to another to organise and supervise the dispatching of gear to the various district Associations. This also forms a problem in maintaining an accurate record of equipment in stock. In spite of this inconvenience the supply of gear and equipment, with the exception of standard reels, was forwarded to the various Districts on time.

We would again like to take this opportunity of expressing our sincere thanks to the firms and manufacturers that have made storage space available to us and have helped with the dispatching of equipment at considerable inconvenience and cost to themselves.

Because of the difficulties of storage and delivery over the past few years, the supply of standard reels has not been satisfactory. Last year the Council prepared plans and specifications of the improved standard reel and arranged with the various Districts to call for Tenders throughout New Zealand for their manufacture and dispatch. A Wanganui Engineering firm was the successful tenderer. This firm set aside a certain time in its extensive production programme for this task to be completed by December of that year but due to a delay in the delivery of the pattern and jigs from the previous manufacturer of the metal parts, the Wanganui firm filled in the production gap with other work. With the arrival of the parts the firm was faced with extra work on an already tight schedule, which resulted in a considerable delay to the final delivery date. We feel certain that the supply of reels in the future will be far more satisfactory than it has been lately.

Portable life lines and similar equipment were discussed at the last Instructional Conference and certain District Associations had some very good ideas in respect of equipment which they use on their beaches. Of these the most promising came from the Bay of Plenty Association in the form of a boxed line on top of a short pole placed at intervals along the beach. These are easily accessible to the public in cases of emergency. The advantage of the metal box can be seen in the excellent preservation of the line and belt. Because the box is on a three to four foot high post they are easily inspected at

intervals and also quickly noticed if one is removed. The plans and specifications of these should be available to District Associations very soon.

We would greatly appreciate it if any District Association with any ideas on equipment and gear could let us know of them and submit plans and details so that others may find a use for them.

The Association has placed an order for twenty-five Portable reels of the present pattern which should be available shortly.

Two years ago an English type Belt made of lighter canvass and webbing than the N.Z. one, was displayed and adopted at the Annual Meeting. This was found to be weak in the webbing holding the dees to the canvas of the belt and the line passing over the webbing resulted in bad fraying. Last year the webbing was replaced by stainless steel on the one end where the line was found to wear the canvas and proved expensive to produce. The section concerned has now been replaced by a new type of Dee which it is hoped will eliminate the wear on the webbing and also reduce the cost of manufacture. The new type of belt will be available later in the season.

The standard $\frac{3}{4}$ " and 5/8" surf lifesaving lines will again be in plentiful supply this season.

Waxed cotton lines have also been discussed at the Instructional Conference. It is preferred by some clubs to have lines waxed to preserve the cotton and to give more floatation. The waxed lines will not absorb as much water as untreated lines. A waxed cotton line weighs about thirty-four pounds.

Before waxing a new line should be soaked for at least twenty-four hours and then thoroughly stretched and dried ready for waxing. An old line should be soaked clean of sand and other particles before waxing.

A simple method of waxing a line is to obtain a new four gallon kerosene tin, cut off the lid and smooth down rough edges. Make a hole about 1" in diameter on opposite sides for the line to pass through making sure the edges are smoothed down in the direction through which the line passes. Cut four lengths of dowel rods or broom handles to fit tightly inside tin. Nailing from the outside place two rods about 2" from the bottom of tin and 2" from sides. The other two placed opposite the 1" holes so as the line passes over these without touching sides of tin. Make sure of tight fit to prevent wax seeping through nail holes.

The wax (Bees or Paraffin) should be boiled down so that it is as thin as possible then pour into tin. Attach a wire to the end of line and pass it through one hole, over top of first dowell under bottom dowells up over second top dowell and through second hole before pouring wax into tin. A piece of clean cloth can be used to pass the line through to ensure no surplus wax is left on line. The line should then be suspended above ground for drying.

At the National Championships the condition of reels lines and belts was, on the whole, good, but there were a few clubs with some very neglected equipment. At least six belts were in use where safety pins could not be removed except with pliers. Clubs are reminded in particular, that the 'Ross' safety belt was designed and produced for the safety and protection of the beltman and patient in the event of the line becoming fowled on a protruding rock or snag. With the safety pin not in good working order this could happen and prove fatal.

The pin should be pulled at least once a week during the season and greased before replacing.

The instructions are quite clear regarding the use of safety life saving belts—Check safety release before using, making sure that the safety pin goes through each stud and is properly clipped to the top stud. All this section is made of brass and stainless steel so so that it will not rust. These instructions are quite simple and if carried out the safety pin will be easily withdrawn from the belt in an emergency. Keeping the pin clean and free from verdigris, is important, as a life may depend on its operation.

STOCK AT END OF SEASON—31st MAY, 1961.

2 Reels—Standard (Samples)	48	16	0
28 Lines—Standard $\frac{3}{4}$ " Cotton	374	10	0
20 Lines—Standard $\frac{5}{8}$ " Cotton	100	0	0
2 Lines—Standard $\frac{3}{4}$ " Terylene	40	0	0
12 Belts No. 4 Ross Safety	40	16	0
1 Belt No. 5 Ross Safety	3	11	9
100 Patrol Caps	40	0	0
25 Patrol Flags	37	10	0
58 Beach Marker Flags	43	10	0
1 Ambu Manikin	41	0	0
3 Sets Buoys	85	2	6
Reel Parts (19 reels)	636	10	0

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VISIT OF AUSTRALIAN TEAM TO NEW ZEALAND

During the season we were very pleased indeed to extend a welcome to a Surf team from Australia which visited our shores over the Christmas-New Year period, arriving in Auckland on the 23rd December and finally departing from Christchurch on Wednesday, 11th January, 1961.

This team, which was managed by Mr Bob Brydon, Hon. Chief Superintendent of the Australian National Council, proved very popular and our congratulations are extended to Australia for the excellence of the team, which registered many outstanding performances during the tour.

Our visitors comprised as follows:—

- K. Wiles, Kirra Club, Queensland.
- H. Kenny, Alexandra Headlands, Queensland.
- J. Donohoe, North Bondi, N.S.W. (captain).
- D. Williams, Freshwater, N.S.W.
- W. Chipchase, Newcastle, N.S.W.
- W. Knott, Anglesea, Victoria.
- R. Smith, Hobart, Tasmania.
- H. Park, Henley, South Australia.
- R. Baker, Bunbury, Western Australia.
- J. O'Rielly, Assistant Secretary-Registrar, Australian National Council.

The team was officially welcomed by officers of the Council accompanied by Auckland representatives, and following a period of training in New Zealand methods under the capable control of Mr George Perry, took part in an extensive tour which covered all district Association areas with the exception of Hawke's Bay and Otago.

Under the arrangements made for the tour all costs were met by District Associations receiving the team, and the Council takes this opportunity of expressing thanks and appreciation to officers of those Associations concerned for the excellence of the work which was carried out to ensure the success of the visit.

Under the arrangements made for the selection of team members by the Australian National Council all States were represented and despite preceding adverse Press reports it is pleasing to be able to say that the team registered splendid performances and proved worthy representatives of the movement in Australia.

By mutual arrangement with the Australian National Council, the tour was conducted on a basis of goodwill and therefore no provision was made for the holding of tests which in fact removed the heavy competition atmosphere.

However, the informal nature of the tour covered, gave the New Zealand surfers the opportunity to meet our visitors and to compete against them and likewise to view at first hand the Australian interpretations of drill methods.

NATIONAL BOARD OF JUDGES

It is pleasing to record that continued interest is being shown by members of local Boards of Judges to qualify for appointment to the National Board and in the season under review your Council was pleased to approve the recommendation made by the National Board Executive covering the admission of the following nominees to the National Board of Judges:

- A. J. Preist (Taranaki).
- W. G. Richards (Wellington).
- J. Green (Western Districts).
- N. Hewinson (Canterbury).

With the addition of the above members the strength of the Board has reached a total of 64, of which number 25 were present and judged at the 1961 National Championships held at Warrington Beach, Dunedin.

Your Council learned with regret of the retirement from the Board of J. Whisker, who has been a member for a period of 21 years, during which time he has officiated at all National Championships.

Mr Whisker has been a member of the National Board of Executive for a period of 12 years, and during his term of service to the Board was recognised as its most efficient Judge and whilst extending our thanks for his long period of service we regret his decision to relinquish his membership on the Board.

The Annual General Meeting was pleased to grant authority for the wearing of a special Black Blazer with the Association Badge bearing the word "Judge", to those members of the National Board who had judged at two or more National Championships, subject to same being authorised by the Council on recommendation of the National Board Executive.

Your Council was pleased to authorise the wearing of the Association Blazer and Judge's Badge to the following members of the National Board:

- F. Mitchell, Canterbury.
- W. Davidson, Otago.
- I. Mitchell, Otago.
- A. L. Jordan, Otago.
- H. J. Wootton, Wellington.
- J. MacDonald, Wellington.
- P. J. Anderson, Wellington.
- J. Campbell, Wellington.
- C. Way, Western Districts.
- R. Spooner, Western Districts.
- W. Gorely, Hawke's Bay.
- B. Dennehy, Hawke's Bay.

The Council is perturbed in the fact that certain members have not attended National Championships for the purpose of judging competitions, which is the sole function of the Board, and it is apparent that such members are not carrying out their obligations, and further under the present rules no provision is made for enforcing retirement or for re-appointment to the Board.

Accordingly this matter has been referred to the National Board with a request that a recommendation be made in order to cover this vital question to allow the Council to clear an apparent anomaly.

The affairs of the National Board are being capably handled by its Hon. Secretary, Mr H. J. Wootton, to whom the Council expresses appreciation of his services.

HON. SERVICE AWARD BLAZER

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

- A. N. Staples (Canterbury).
- J. A. Whisker (Wellington).
- C. R. Mentiplay (Wellington).
- A. Jones (Dunedin).
- F. H. Jackson (Christchurch).

All have served the Association over a long period of years and the granting of this award is considered to be a suitable acknowledgment of their valuable assistance.

The Council wishes to express thanks and appreciation to the members concerned for the work which they have rendered to the movement and at the same time expresses the hope that they will continue to maintain their enthusiasm in furthering our humanitarian cause.

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

The Annual General Meeting unanimously approved a recommendation made by the Life Membership and Blazer Committee in the appointment of L. J. Sutherland as an Hon. Life Member of the Association.

Mr Sutherland has been connected with the movement in Canterbury over a long period and has rendered extremely valuable work on behalf of the local Association to the benefit of the movement generally.

REGIONAL COMMITTEES

It is pleasing to report that the Northern Regional Committee, comprising representatives from the Auckland, Bay of Plenty, and Gisborne Associations, continues to take active interest in surf life saving in that area, and that during the year a second Regional Committee was formed in the southern half of the North Island and comprises representatives from the Taranaki, Western Districts, Hawke's Bay and Wellington Associations.

Provision for the formation of three such Committees was made by the Association some years ago as a means to co-ordinate and control activities of adjacent District Associations and we hope that in the not too distant future similar action will be taken in the South Island.

RESIGNATIONS FROM THE COUNCIL

Following on the retirement of Alex Ross from the Council last year, we received with considerable regret notification to the effect that Norman Ingram had also decided to relinquish his asso-

ciation with the Council, which has been maintained since the formation of the Association, and also due to a transfer to Auckland the Council has lost the valuable services of B. J. McIvor, who has acted as Chairman of the Council continuously for a period of 15 years.

In view of the long and valuable service rendered to the Council by the above members a function was held when presentations were made of Bronze Statuettes suitably engraved.

The presentation of Surf "Oscars" in recognition of long and outstanding service is a new innovation, as far as the Council is concerned, and is considered to be a fitting tribute to those members concerned.

MEETINGS OF N.Z. COUNCIL

During the season 11 meetings of the New Zealand Council were held, attendances being as follows: J. Whisker, B. J. McIvor, K. Farey, C. T. Jones—11, H. Dickson, H. C. Stoddart, M. Haxton, R. Fyfe—10, W. Griffin, W. D. McCloughry—9, E. B. Hughes—8, K. Hancox (appointed 11/11/60), C. Mentiplay, J. D. Hunter, W. Mason (appointed 15/8/60)—7, N. A. Ingram (resigned 3/5/61)—6, R. Maltby (resigned 23/3/61)—5, K. Cooke (appointed 2/2/61)—4, D. McPherson (appointed 2/2/61)—3, E. Cornish (resigned 29/7/60)—1, K. Randerson (resigned 26/10/60)—1, J. Holden (resigned 2/2/61) nil.

AFFILIATIONS

The control of our organisation is now being carried out through the activities of nine District Associations, namely Auckland, Bay of Plenty, Gisborne-East Coast, Taranaki, Western Districts, Hawke's Bay, Wellington, Canterbury and Otago, whilst the Tahunanui (Nelson) Rarangi (Blenheim) and Kotuku (Greymouth) Clubs are active as individual clubs affiliated direct to the Council.

It is pleasing to report that during the season the Hawke's Bay District Association was formed controlling the activities of the Pacific, Westshore, Wairoa and Waimara Clubs, and this move is welcomed and as a result we foresee the general strengthening of the movement in that district.

Certain District Associations have forwarded a resume of their seasons's activity same being reprinted in this report for information purposes.

The Council considers that the important work being carried out by District Associations is conveyed by these reports, and we take this opportunity of acknowledging the assistance which is being rendered by all District Officials in maintaining and extending our work.

NATATORIAL ORGANISATIONS

Once again we wish to express our appreciation of the co-operation received from the N.Z. Council Royal Lifesaving Society and the New Zealand Amateur Swimming Association during the Season under review.

In matters relating to the adoption of expired air methods of Artificial Respiration, we have received the full assistance of the R.L.S.S., and were associated with them in the issue of appropriate instruction charts in respect of the new method.

We trust that this close liaison will continue in the future to our mutual advantage.

BATHING BEAUTY CONTEST

The Council was associated with the Tauranga 30,000 Club in the organisation of a New Zealand Bathing Beauty Contest which was concluded over the Christmas holiday period, and we wish to express thanks to those Associations and Clubs which arranged local contests and sent finalists to Tauranga.

It is hoped that in meeting an obligation entered into by the Council, that those Associations and Clubs concerned were rewarded with a satisfactory financial return from the venture.

APPRECIATION

The Association acknowledges the valuable assistance rendered to us by all concerned and would particularly like to extend thanks to our Hon. Officers and delegates to the various organisations for their help during the year.

Appreciation is also extended to the Press of New Zealand and the Radio Broadcasting Service for their ever ready co-operation to assist us.

To the Maranui, Wellington Ladies' and Lyall Bay Clubs, we express thanks for the use of their clubhouse facilities.

To Mr J. D. Hunter we offer thanks for his valued service as Adjudicator of the London Trophy Competition.

OBITUARIES

It is with sincere regret that your Council records the passing of one of our Hon. Medical Advisers, Dr Harold Pettit, who has been actively associated with the movement for many many years.

Dr Pettit was extremely interested in the application of artificial respiration and his advice in respect of this important phase of our work has always been appreciated.

He was a great worker for the Association in Auckland and we deeply regret his passing and extend to his relatives our sincerest sympathy.

The Association received a further heavy blow during the season in the passing of Jack Cameron, who has acted in the capacity of Liaison Officer to the Australian National Council in which position he has given valuable service to the Association.

Jack Cameron has always maintained considerable interest in the movement in New Zealand and first visited this country as manager of the Australian Surf Team in 1938, following which he was an ardent supporter of the movement in New Zealand.

To Mrs Cameron and near relatives we extend our deepest sympathy in the severe loss they have sustained.

CONCLUSION

The season just concluded has been an extremely busy one for our organisation and has been particularly noteworthy, not only for the major changes which have taken place in lifesaving techniques; but has clearly indicated our versatility in the adoption of alterations in our lifesaving methods.

In view of the recommendations which are coming forward to the Annual Conference, it is apparent that in the forthcoming season once again our competition drill will undergo extensive changes, and therefore we visualise a further busy season ahead of us in communicating to clubs details of the new methods.

The establishment of common methods with Australia appear to have been realised, and it is hoped that as a result endeavours can

be made through the International Council of Surf Lifesaving to standardise procedure throughout all member countries of that organisation and stabilise future alterations.

As a result of humanitarian work which has been carried out by clubs during the year, the Association has maintained public prestige and it can be said that the Community service which is offered by medium of our clubs is becoming appreciated and respected which augers well for the future of our movement.

Your Council wishes to acknowledge the valuable assistance of those many members interested in our welfare and takes this opportunity of likewise acknowledging the valuable work rendered to our cause by Surf Club members in the patrolling of beaches on which we operate in the true tradition of our motto, Vigilance—Service—Endurance.

F. H. JACKSON (President).

C. T. JONES (Hon. General Secretary).



District Association Reports

SURF LIVING SAVING ASSOCIATION (AUCKLAND).

The 1960/61 season has been a quiet one in the Auckland area, with the exception of the visit of the Australian Touring team. Regrettably the timing of this visit was most unfortunate as the visitors were in Auckland on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day and the Association was therefore forced to hold their Carnival on Christmas Eve. As a result many people who would normally have attended this Carnival at Muriwai were, due to family commitments unable to do so. The weather for this and the other carnivals in the Bay of Plenty was perfect but at Muriwai the surf built up to one of the biggest seen there for some time and this disrupted the carefully prepared plans. However the International events were held and Australia narrowly beat the Auckland Team by 16-14 on the aggregate points. The Auckland team travelled together with the Australian and Bay of Plenty Teams to carnivals at Waihi, Whakatane and Gisborne and Australia beat Auckland for first place by 27-15 at Waihi, 24-21 at Whakatane and 25-20 at Gisborne. The members of the Auckland team were R. Harker, R. Turnbull, R. Warman and A. Anderson (Red Beach), J. Sneyd and K. Candy (Eastern United), R. Gardiner and P. Way (North Piha), D. Ritchie and P. Jack (Piha) and the team was managed and coached by A. B. Pearce and A. Bonnici. Over the four carnivals Reg Harker had the distinction of being undefeated in Beltman's races, and the Auckland and Australian 6 Man R. & R. teams shared the contests 2 each.

The local championship scene saw the Eastern United Club take most of the major teams events and the Red Beach Club the Beltman's and surf race events. Once again Reg Harker won the Beltmans and Surf Race double.

Due to the very heavy expense involved few Auckland Clubs travelled to the New Zealand Championships but of those who did make the trek we are pleased that they acquitted themselves and their Clubs so well. Our congratulations go to the Eastern United Junior team for their first equal placing in the Junior March Past and to Reg Harker in the Individual Events. Also congratulations to all winning teams and members at these Championships.

October will see the retirement of the Association Secretary due to pressure of business and we trust that the New Secretary will receive the some co-operation from Associations that Mr Rogers received in the past.

To all members of the movement in New Zealand and Australia the Auckland Association extends its best wishes for a happy and successful 1961/62 season.

BAY OF PLENTY SURF LIFESAVING ASSN.

Again a most busy season for all the Bay clubs, the beaches over this way seem more popular than ever, and club officials report much patrol activity both within and without the patrolled areas. Four clubs are now equipped with strong and efficient loudspeaker systems, and these are used extensively for beach control, thus keeping swimmers in most cases away from dangerous swimming areas, and at times being used to direct patrol members to potential trouble spots. Limited use of the loudspeaker systems do much it is felt, to make the public more Surf Club Minded and conscious of the constant watch being maintained in their interest.

Perhaps it is due to this increased Public Awareness that the sea can be dangerous and the fact that patrols are increasingly vigilant that this season we can be thankful that the tally of rescues here on our coast is the lowest for some seasons. Although 2 drownings are recorded away from patrolled areas for the season. Certainly at the beginning of the season it didn't look so bright . . . the rude awakening that summer was here with its problems was an alarm rousing the Mount Maunganui club members from their winter's rest on 9th October '60 to answer a call some miles or so down the beach, fortunately the rescue, a successful one, proved to be more or less a false awakening, for rescue work in earnest didn't get under way till the end of December. However constant patrols were maintained throughout the district right through to Easter when gradually the crowds began to tail off, with the hardy veterans finally admitting defeat about the end of May.

Both the Mount Maunganui and Omanu Pacific Clubs featured in mass rescues during the holiday period, the former rescuing some fifteen persons over a two-hour period on the 21st Jan '61, and the latter accounting for ten persons in one hectic period on the 29th December '60, quite an unusual way of winding up the old year!

Without a doubt though, the work of the Whangaamta Club, the northernmost member of our Association cannot go unmentioned. A most notable rescue was affected by members of the Club in most adverse weather and sea conditions on the 17th Jan '61, this involved a Line and Belt team, two members on skis, and spotter aircraft from Hamilton and Mt. Maunganui. Unfortunately one of the persons rescued failed to respond to Artificial Respiration but his son was fortunate to survive, as was one of the Club juniors, who swept out to sea for at least a mile when his ski was swamped in the heavy seas and was rescued by his clubmate by direction of spotter aircraft. In this latter case the ski was also lost and it was only after a meritorious swim that he was brought to shore, all members of the club maintained the highest standards of the movement in their performance, and congratulations are due to all concerned. Derek Sommerville-Belt: Gordon Skinner-Ski: Doug McLeay-Ski: John Freed-Reel, and Zane Jacobs-Line: and Alan Somerville-Line, well done!

The new Maketu Club though short on members, did an excellent job mainly at the mouth of the river, and right over the Christmas-New Year period were constantly hauling youngsters out of the strong current, before they could be swept on to the bar. Unfortunately a log book was not kept over this period but this will be rectified in the coming season, and will doubtless record the excellent performance of all concerned.

Waihi also had a busy season having been required to resuscitate four patients out of the ten rescued. Waihi the first Bay of Plenty Club to sponsor the Touring Aussie Team have good reason to be satisfied with their club's performance this season for as well as carrying out efficient patrols they have ensured that next season is well provided for by a really solid spell of training both for the Association's awards and competition. Whakatane too are well to the fore in inter-club competition though bowing to Waihi when it came to the Bay of Plenty Championships, the club reports an almost trouble free season, and with two patrols out on the Ohope Beach, the Ohope Ladies maintaining a holiday period patrol, a most successful season for all concerned.

The Bay of Plenty Championships were this year held at Omanu Beach, the Northern Regional Carnival involving Auckland-Bay of Plenty and Gisborne East Coast at Mt. Maunganui, and of course two International meetings one at Waihi and the other at Whakatane. To all the host clubs we offer our thanks for the co-operation shown and the help given, all functions were highly successful, competitively if not financially, and all competitors and officials contributed to some really spectacular surfing during the season. To the Auckland and Gisborne teams who are becoming regular visitors to our beaches we extend our best wishes for another successful season and trust we see you here again next year, you have contributed much to making our carnivals a success.

Club Instructors report a healthy interest and a more active membership generally and this is indeed a good sign, it is pleasing to see that more members are gaining their surf awards then following up by entering competitions, winter activity is on the increase and some clubs report regular training is being kept up, and with the new methods being taught all clubs should be away to a flying start when the sun breaks through.

GISBORNE-EAST COAST SURF LIFESAVING ASSN.

The past season was highlighted by the visit of the Australians, which was most disappointing when, as usual, our Southerly storm arrived just in time for the March Past. Otherwise the visit was a great success, and every one of the visitors proved to be likeable, as well as a fine surfer and bath swimmer.

Right at the start of the season we had our first rescues and use of mouth-to-mouth resuscitation when J. McLean, not on Patrol, made two rescues in one day, and in one case had to use his newly acquired knowledge of mouth-to-mouth. The Royal Humane Society recognised his feats with the award of a Bronze Medallion. Several further rescues were carried out during the season, and the new method of resuscitation proved most effective. It is hoped that by next season all Surfers will be highly proficient through practice with the Ambu Manikin.

Rescues at 18 for the District showed a considerable increase on previous seasons the average for the previous three years being 7.33. The majority of these, however, were performed outside Patrol areas and in some cases at considerable distances. Midway performed the highest number of rescues this season, having 10 to their credit.

Active Membership of Clubs at 114 shows an increase on last year of 7, gains being shown in all Clubs with the exception of Midway.

Awards of 10 Surf Bronze and 1 Instructors is very disappointing after last years record of 33 and 5 respectively. Waikanae Club in producing this years figures have maintained their average but all the other Clubs with no awards obtained need to look to their laurels as this is where their future strength lies.

Competition between Clubs was keen, and in the Local Championships Midway caused some upsets to the long record of performances by Waikanae Club. Wainui too, has improved and registered good points in all Team events. The Gisborne Ladies lack competition due to being the only Ladies Club in the District and seems to be going through a transitional period. As well as the Championships, Clubs attended the Northern Regional Championships and returned some good performances. This Anniversary Weekend Carnival is proving of great benefit to members of this Association in securing pre-National Championship competition. Clubs also travelled to the Bay of Plenty Championships, Midway Club gaining some of the Titles.

Wairoa Club still lacks sufficient qualified members due in the main to lack of population, and distance (30 odd miles) to their Patrol Beach. A Carnival organised in March by this Association to stimulate Public interest was both successful and otherwise.

A Swimming Carnival was held in Wairoa on the Saturday in perfect weather conditions, but by the Sunday no events could be held at the beach owing to a complete change of weather from the South.

Judging has been maintained at a high standard under Chief Instructor, I. Wilson, the members turning out for competition and examination when called on as well as coaching teams.

The past twelve months have again been very busy ones with Public lectures and showing of *Mouth-to-mouth resuscitation film*, as far as 300 miles being travelled to give these in some cases.

Financially the Association has not had a good year owing to the loss sustained on the Australian Visit, we therefore look forward to the coming season in the hope of recouping some of our losses.

In conclusion, our thanks to all who have assisted in our many activities and best wishes for the coming season.

HAWKE'S BAY SURF LIFE SAVING ASSOCIATION.

During the past season the three clubs have continued their activities but under rather more difficult conditions than in the past due to a slight decline in active members overall. A poor season for weather meant less active patrol duty, although one club had a busy few weekends assisting twenty swimmers from the water after they had got into difficulties. Several Junior-juniors move up to the ranks of Juniors next season so this should assist the numbers available for patrols, once they attain their Surf Bronze Medallions early in the season.

Competitive surfing received due attention with three Carnivals being held—two half day and one weekend. The major Carnival

was held in rather unpleasant weather, and entries were fewer than in past years but we do appreciate the attendance of those surfers from outside Hawke's Bay who competed. A Junior-junior competition was held for the trophy donated especially for these boys. For the National Championships, only one Club travelled to Warrington. A team representing Hawke's Bay travelled to Castlecliff for the Inter-provincial Carnival in January and performed creditably.

The major achievement in the district over the past 12 months was the formation of a District Association. The Combined Committee of two representatives of each of the clubs active in the district worked hard to prepare a Constitution which was approved by N.Z. Council early this year. Once the clubs had given their unqualified approval to the proposed Association, a General Meeting was called to elect the first Officers of the Association. We were honoured to have Mr. B. J. McIvor in attendance to Chair the Meeting, and we are most grateful for his long journey up, and also to Mr M. Haxton for accompanying him.

An excellent meeting resulted on the 27th May for the election of Officers, and a Management Committee of hard working men now face the first year of Association work with a good background of experience to put into the guiding of the movement locally and the extension of Surf Life Saving. The older surfers have not been forgotten and they hold the Honorary positions within the Association in recognition of their efforts in earlier days.

For the future, the Association intends to press for the National Surf Life Saving Championships to be held in Hawke's Bay in the season 1962/63, which is the fiftieth anniversary of the presentation of the Nelson Shield by the late William Nelson of this district.

As the youngest Association in New Zealand, we look forward to making our mark Nationally and helping to forward the Movement and sport we all love so well. We thank all those who have assisted us so much in the past and trust we will have many occasions on which we can meet them both at home and away in the years to come.

OTAGO SURF LIFE SAVING ASSOCIATION.

A very successful season was enjoyed by all during the year, with the N.Z. Surf Champs being the highlight of the season.

Some time ago an article in one of the local papers appeared under the heading "The sportsmanship is going out of sport," this certainly did not apply to "Surfers", we have seen how well everybody got behind the wheel to make the N.Z. Surf Champs a success. And our thanks is due to all those who gave so much of their time, even older Members who we have not seen for years came out of hibernation and put their shoulders to the job. It was a pleasure to have had those Champs. Although the Saturday was a rainy day, the Sunday certainly made up for that, and the crowds present, certainly showed that this beach is excellent for the N.Z. Champs, and also for the surfer point of view it is an ideal beach for such an event. The financial side of it would have been good, but for the rain on the Saturday, although we are on the right side through raising some finance prior to the championships.

To those Clubs who missed these N.Z. Champs for various reasons, they have missed a fine sporting event, and from comments from Clubs who attended they were certainly satisfied with the arrangements, and we hope to see you all some other time, to see for yourselves.

Although no Clubhouse or facilities were available before on this beach, this was fastly transferred over the last week before the Champs, with prefabricated buildings and facilities, and those were sold shortly after the Champs.

The Champs have brought Clubs and Association closer together and it was an eyeopener to see all Clubs giving their best.

The season got to a close with fewer rescues than in previous years, and the proud record of no drowning on the patrolled beaches was maintained.

The St. Clair Club had an unfortunate fire, shortly after it was completely redecorated, and some valuable records and trophies were burned. Luckily they were partly insured. But it was a blow after just having celebrated their 50th Jubilee.

We may again take to record the way Oreti travels to Carnivals in and around Dunedin, although it must work out quite expensive, it certainly will foster comradeship amongst this Club.

It is now a yearly event to see our Association take part in Festival Week and enter a float and hold a Carnival.

It is with regret that we have heard that our resident-delegate Mr B. McIvor is leaving Wellington—to go to Auckland—we wish to thank him sincerely for the way he has represented Otago at the N.Z. Association.

Although Dunedin's loss, we hope it will be Auckland's gain.

We wish all Clubs and Associations in New Zealand a good and happy season.

TARANAKI SURF LIFE-SAVING ASSOCIATION.

The Taranaki Association had a very good season this year, with the main highlight being the visit of the Australian surfers. What fine ambassadors for their country they were, and how fortunate they were in having as their managers Bob Brydon and Jack O'Reilly. Two carnivals were staged during their visit, with the provincial carnival at Opunake a very keen contest, with the Taranaki team registering one of the lowest points deductions of any team put against the Australians in the 6-man R&R event, and being defeated very narrowly. Altogether, this was an occasion that will not be forgotten.

For the first time, this Association held a carnival prior to Christmas to select teams to represent Taranaki against the Australians, and for the inter-provincial Carnival with Western Districts and Hawkes Bay at Wanganui, and it was perhaps one of the best one-day carnivals held so far.

The inter-provincial contest at Wanganui saw Taranaki win every event except one, and return with a magnificent trophy donated for the occasion. We feel sure that both Western Districts and Hawke's Bay, along with Taranaki, will be looking forward to the next carnival to be held in the Bay next year.

The District championships this year were recognised as being the best ever held, even though adverse weather conditions necessitated nearly all events being held in one day. It was here that co-operation between Officials and Competitors was outstanding. After hasty negotiations for the use of an alternative beach; arranging for the Broadcasting of the pending change; and the re-arranging of the programme, everything went off very smoothly. Trophies were shared evenly, and it was very pleasing to have our neighbours Castlecliff with us again.

This season saw the introduction of a new Club, Wai-iti. The

Executive had been concerned for some time over the large number of people using the beach, which had no life-saving gear. After negotiations with the very keen residents in the area, this new club is now formed, and we wish them well. Town clubs will be visiting them on a roster system in the coming season, to train members for medallions and the basic fundamentals of rescue work.

Lastly, a few words about "Horace", our Ambu Manikin.

He has travelled extensively since coming to Taranaki, with numerous people receiving instruction in its use. It is indeed an asset in making the mouth-to-airways method of resuscitation well known.

We conclude with our thanks to the Council for its usual guidance, and our appreciation to all who have assisted this Association in any way.

WESTERN DISTRICTS SURF LIFE SAVING ASSOCIATION.

Once again it is pleasing to report that no lives were lost on beaches patrolled by our clubs. Several rescues were made, of which only one required medical attention.

There are still some clubs who are experiencing difficulty in keeping their membership at a reasonable level, and if the present trend continues it is possible that one club may be forced into recess. Naturally we are reluctant to allow this to happen, and steps are being taken to advertise the need for members in all clubs.

The highlight of the year was the two day visit of the Australian team. The team arrived from Taranaki on the morning of January 4th, and competed against a Western Districts Team at Castlecliff that afternoon. The Castlecliff Club acted as hosts, at a Dance and Social that evening. The following day the team travelled to Otaki, where they competed against individual club teams. The tour will be long remembered by those who were fortunate enough to be associated with Bob Brydon and his team, and the goodwill created can do nothing but to further the already good relations that exist between Australian and New Zealand surfers.

Two major carnivals were held at Castlecliff last season. The annual Hackshaw Shield, as usual provided us with the worst conditions in which it is possible to run a carnival, and both officials and competitors had a most trying time.

The Castlecliff Club celebrated its 50th Jubilee this year, and to mark the occasion, the first Inter Provincial Contest between Taranaki, Hawke's Bay and Western Districts was held. Our congratulations to the Taranaki team in taking home the Interprovincial Trophy.

Large entries were received for our District Championships which was again a success. Teams from Wellington, Taranaki and Hawke's Bay were represented, and we extend our thanks for their support. To those judges and officials who travelled from Wellington and Taranaki to our carnivals, we say thank you for your valued assistance.

The Palmerston North and Otaki Clubs received Building Grants during the year, and it is pleasing to see the use the money has been put to. Both clubs now possess Club Houses equal to any in the country.

Our Resident Delegate to N.Z. Council, Mr John Holden, was transferred during the year, and the vacancy he created has been filled by Mr Keith Cooke. Our special thanks to these two for their efforts on behalf of the Western Districts Association.

N.Z. SURF LIFE-SAVING ASSOCIATION

STOCK ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th APRIL, 1961

Stock on hand 30th April, 1960	1013	7	6	Sales	599	8	6
Purchases	1702	9	3	Subsidy to Clubs on Stock Sold	625	2	0
				Stock on hand 30th April, 1961	1491	6	3
			£2715 16 9				£2715 16 9

TOURS ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th APRIL, 1961

£s Balance 30th April, 1961	1659	8	0	Balance 30th April, 1961	1333	1	5
				Levies on Clubs	211	17	0
				Interest	94	3	7
				Australian Tour	20	6	0
			£1659 8 0				£1659 8 0

BUILDING ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th APRIL, 1961.

Balance 30th April, 1961	2592	19	11	Balance 30th April, 1960	2528	19	3
				Interest	64	0	8
			£2592 19 11				£2592 19 11

N.Z. Surf Life-Saving Association

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th APRIL, 1961.

EXPENDITURE			INCOME.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Instructional Expenses:			Government Grant	5425	0 0
(Expired Air Methods)			Grant R.L.S.S., London	25	0 0
Attendance Australian Conference	133	8 10	National Championships	45	12 1
New Zealand Conference ..	79	10 10	Affiliation Fees	29	18 6
Travelling and General	107	1 11	Interest	42	15 3
	320	0 9			
Annual Conference	61	3 9			
London Trophy Awards	25	0 0			
General Expenses	68	5 8			
Medallions	50	0 0			
Secretarial Expenses	320	0 0			
Printing and Stationery	119	4 8			
Depreciation	14	0 0			
Subsidies Paid:					
Buildings	3975				
Less Grants Not Uplifted Previous Years	800				
	3175	0 0			
Reels, Lines, etc.	837	9 6			
	4012	9 6			
Excess of Income over Expenditure	578	1 6			
	£5568	5 10		£5568	5 10

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