



**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING REPORT
2023 – 2024**

**WEDNESDAY 24 JULY 2024 7.30PM
VIA ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE**



**Mornington Life Saving Club
2023 - 2024 Annual General Meeting**

Held Via Zoom Video Conference

On Wednesday 24th July 2024 7.30PM

Agenda

- 1. Minutes:**
 - a. 2023 AGM – Wed 12th of July 2023**
- 2. Financial Report for the year ending 31st March 2024**
 - a. Auditors Report**
 - b. Treasurers Report**
 - c. Questions/Answers**
- 3. Presidents Report**
- 4. Club Captains Report**
- 5. Senior Captains Report**
- 6. Nipper Captains Report**
- 7. Membership Report**
- 8. Chief Instructors Report**
- 9. Elections**
- 10. Any Other Business**



MLSC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2023

Annual General Meeting

Minutes

MLSC Committee Meeting Minutes

Date:	Wed 12/July 2023	Time:	7.30pm
Location:	Zoom meeting - Electronic	Minutes:	Kelly Parrish
Present:	Kelly Parrish, Damian Brice, Nicole Warner, Jeremy Warner, Kate Neath, Ange Seaburge, Naomi Linssen, Chris Linssen, Stewart Lockie, Simon Williams, Mark Cornish, Michael Degg, Nicole MacKinnon, Keiran McAuley, Kerry McAuley, Reagan Morel, Richard Morel, Jo Morel, Adel Peterson, Deiny Petterson, Duncan Short, Tash Carah, Richard Moreton, Mal Rosewarne, Jon Miles, Tria Lynch, Adrian Lynch, Jill McIver, Wes Roach, Bec Brice, Tonette O'Brien	Apologies:	Tim Schaefer

Minutes of the previous AGM meeting Please read through the previous AGM minutes from 2022 (season 2021/22).

Passed:	Second:
Mark Cornish	Stewart Lockie

Correspondence:	Email from Tim Schaefer with apologies. Gives his Proxy vote (if required) to Simon Williams.
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Agenda Item:	Discussion /Action
1. AGM report	Agenda AGM Report



<p>2. Treasurer's report</p> <p>Wes Roach</p>	<p>Treasurer's financial report for 2022/23 <u>Financial report for 2022/23</u> Read - Adel Peterson <u>Auditors report 2022/23</u> Read - Richard Morel</p>
<p>3. Presidents report</p> <p>Damian Brice</p>	<p>As per attached report</p>
<p>4. Club Captains Report</p> <p>Terry Shrimpton</p>	<p>As per attached report</p>
<p>5. Senior Captains Report</p> <p>Simon Williams</p>	<p>As per attached report</p>
<p>6. Nipper Captain Report</p> <p>Ange Seaburgh</p>	<p>As per attached report</p>



<p>7. Membership Report</p>	<p>Membership: Total \$82,622</p> <p>Nippers - (5-13yrs) - 383 Cadet - (13-15yrs) - 42 Active - (15-18yrs) - 38 Active - 18 plus - 87 Associate Members - 468 Life Members - 17 Other - 39</p> <p>TOTAL - 1074</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This was a 20% increase on last season. Note also, membership income in 2011 was \$28,340 demonstrating the significant growth in our membership. • Special thanks to Nicole Warner who provides enormous support club-wide on registrations, all grant applications, equipment purchase fulfilment, payment approvals amongst a long list of other activities.
<p>8. Chief Training Officer Report</p> <p>Stewart Lockie</p>	<p>As per attached report</p>
<p>9. Committee Nominations</p> <p>Kelly Parrish</p>	<p><u>Executive Committee</u></p> <p>President - Damian Brice Vice President - Adel Peterson Vice President - Richard Morel Club Captain - Nicola MacKinnon Treasurer - Duncan Short Secretary - Adam McCrow Chief Training Officer - Stewart Lockie</p> <p><u>General Committee</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mick Degg 2. Ange Seaburgh 3. Simon Williams 4. Adrian Lynch



	<ol style="list-style-type: none">5. Liz Lancia6. Jon Miles7. Jeremy Warner8. Liz Bailey 9. Reagan Morel10. Terry Shrimpton <p>Outgoing members - Kelly Parrish - 6 years on the committee (2 general Com, 4 years Secretary). Wes Roach - 2 years on the committee (2 Treasurer)</p>

Next meeting:	MLSC Committee meeting Monday 7/Aug 2023 in Clubrooms
Items to Discuss:	



AUDITOR'S REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED MARCH 2024

The Auditor's report is appended at the end of this report.



MLSC TREASURERS REPORT 2023 - 2024 SEASON

I would like to give thanks to the many members who have taken on roles to support and grow the many facets of the Mornington Life Saving club.

A quick summary of our financial position as at 31 March 2024:

CASH POSITION: Balance of \$297,866 as at 31st March 2024 up from \$270,651 last year.

INCOME: for the year was \$340,541 – a \$40k increase on the \$300k from last year.

Membership income was \$5k lower than last season, mainly due to slightly lower numbers.

Membership: Total \$77,056

- This was a 6% decrease on last season. Numbers dropped mainly in the Associate members (60 members) and Nipper's categories (24). However, this is still a substantial increase of 18% from our pre-covid membership in 2019 (\$65,196).
- Special thanks to Nicole Warner who provides enormous support club-wide on registrations, all grant applications, equipment purchase fulfilment, payment approvals amongst a long list of other activities.

Grant Income: received \$67,917 compared to \$34,259 last season, if a significant uplift due to the VESEP grant.

- Thank you to Life Saving Victoria, SLSA, Bendigo Bank Mt Eliza, Mornington Peninsula Shire, and the Victoria State Government.

Kiosk & BBQ: Income of \$5,305 down from \$53,205 last year (please note there were some adjustments carried over from prior year of approx. \$5k which negatively impacted the current year)

- We trailed an outsourcing arrangement for canteen operations this year – while this has resulted in a significant drop in revenue it has substantially reduced the pressure and distraction on the club. We are currently identifying a new provider for the coming season.
- Special thanks to John and his growing team, Anthony, Kristy for their continued efforts to source produce, run setup and pack up and provide support (and the delicious sausage sangers!).

Schools Program: Income of \$57369, up from \$40,612 last season.

- Thank you to Jac Morrow, Angie McGough, Kate Quinn, Mark Cornish, Kelly Parrish, and all the team for coordinating the Program.

Water Training Fees: Income \$8,786 was down from \$15,600 last season due to lower numbers and a variation in how transactions were recognised within PayPal.

- Thank you to Ange Seaburgh, Adrian Lynch, Jeremy Warner, Travis Sutton, Simon Williams, Damian Brice, Adam McCrow, Michael Egan and especially Matt & Lisa McConnell for all your coaching support. The results speak for themselves.



- Thanks also to the youth instructors. It was great to see our teenagers continue to help train the nippers. For many of them this is their first job, and they did a fantastic job overall.

Uniform: Income of \$38,032, up from \$13,708 last season.

- A fantastic effort in her first year by our merchandise manager Liz Bailey, who managed all the purchasing, inventory and sales on behalf of the club.

EXPENDITURE: Year End \$282,585 compared to \$275,280 last season.

- A great job by the team to controlling expenses given the increase in income and activity at the club this season.

NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) for Year: \$57,955

- We are a not-for-profit club and aim to put all earnings back into the club to enhance our members' experience and provide a valuable service to the community. The current year surplus allows the club to build our resources to undertake some longer-term investment in facilities, equipment and capabilities to deliver a better member experience and community service.

Duncan Short

MLSC Treasurer



MLSC PRESIDENTS REPORT 2023 – 2024 SEASON

As we conclude another exciting year at the Mornington Life Saving Club, it is my pleasure to present the Presidents end of year report for the last time. This year has been filled with remarkable achievements, new challenges and significant progress for our club. I would like to take this opportunity to reflect on our journey and highlight the key events and accomplishments that made up another great summer at the Mornington Life Saving Club.

Firstly, I would like to take the opportunity to acknowledge the outgoing committee for their fantastic efforts, hard work and support in a productive season – Adel Peterson, Rich Morel, Nicola McKinnon, Duncan Short, Adam McCrow, Stewart Lockie, Simon Williams, Jeremy Warner, Liz Lancia, Adrian Lynch, Ange Seaburgh, Michael Degg, Terry Shrimpton, Liz Bailey, Reagan Morel and Jon Miles.

I would also like to thank our Club Admin Nicole Warner who continues to provide tremendous support to the committee and all members alike, while securing financial grants to assist with the club's growth and equipment.

Lastly to our members. I would like to thank you personally for being part of the Mornington Life Saving Club and the passion and support throughout this season.

Financial

We welcomed a new Treasurer in Duncan Short for the 2023-24 season who has provided great financial guidance and helped to deliver another strong result for the club,

- Income - \$340,541
- Net Result - \$57,955
- Cash Position - \$27,215
- Cash on Hand - \$297,866

Membership

The club continues to be in a strong position with 1,028 members including 138 active patrol members. Our nipper program continues to flourish with 364 Nippers for the season and our senior program continues to grow with 84 Seniors.

Patrol

We welcomed Nicola McKinnon as the new Club Captain for 2023-24 season taking over from Terry Shrimpton who had led the club for 5 years. This season saw a change in structure with 4 patrol groups created to streamline awards and provide cover for our vital volunteer network. Key statistics for the year include.

- 138 team members patrolled Mills Beach over the summer
- Averaging 24.6 hours per patrol member
- 40,297 people attended Mills Beach through 3,410 patrol hours in a summer that was late to show up
- 365 preventative actions occurred
- 16 Minor First Aids were attended to
- 3 major rescues occurred through the season
- 51 days on patrol



I would like to thank and acknowledge our dedicated team of patrol captains who manage our core responsibility at the Morningson Life Saving club – patrolling Mills Beach to provide a safe environment for our community.

- Group A – Captain Terry Shrimpton – VC Jess Shrimpton
- Group B – Captain Amy Veale – VC Robert Sampson & Kevin Quinn
- Group C (Sea) – Captain Rich Morel – VC Dale Hendy
- Group D (Rockstars)– Captain Nicola McKinnon – VC Jarrod Cowling & Jade Cheasley

A couple of special mentions for their dedication include Mark Cornish (120+ hours), Sebastian Lancia (70+ hours) and the Quinn Family (Kevin, Anne & Caitlyn) who completed over 60 hours each. Thank you for your contribution.

Training

Stewart Lockie and his training team continued to deliver the best training on the Morningson Peninsula. Thank you for dedicating your time and effort to support our youth in pursuing Life Saving, and for upskilling our members who have completed their Bronze Medallion, allowing them to patrol Mills Beach and continue their journey. A notable highlight was the significant number of new Drivers and Crew, who took the step to become a key part in the life saving operations of the club thereby enhancing our patrol groups with additional resources.

15 Surf Rescue Certificates completed

- 13 Bronze Medallion
- 8 Resus
- 5 First Aid
- 8 IRB Crew
- 2 IRB Drivers
- 6 SBS Drivers

Please keep an eye out for upcoming courses, and if you've been considering obtaining a qualification, seize the opportunity, as there's a role for everyone in Life Saving.

Nippers

Jeremy Warner began his journey as Nipper Captain in 2023-24 taking over from Angela Seaburgh who was in the role for the previous 3 seasons. Our Nipper program for under 6-13 commenced in November, engaging 364 participants across 16 sessions until March, delivering enjoyable beach activities and essential water safety skills to the next generation. We had a solid competition team with 117 Nippers representing the Green Machine at carnivals throughout the season including 47 at the LSV State Junior Carnival held at Warrnambool in hot conditions over the March Long Weekend.

Many thanks to the 34 Age Managers and Administrators who did an outstanding job in delivering another successful Nipper program, and to the parent helpers each week whose assistance ensured the sessions ran smoothly. Congratulations Jeremy on your first season as Nipper captain and delivering a successful program.

I would also like to thank Liz Bailey who came onboard this season to run our uniform store, open every Sunday with a team of helpers delivering our uniform needs for the whole club.



Seniors

The Senior program, led by Senior Captain Simon Williams, continues to go from strength to strength, offering a dynamic blend of summer training and events that both our youth and senior members enthusiastically participated in. This year our senior program grew again with 84 seniors with a mix coming from our strong junior program and new arrivals to the club.

Thanks to the Hendy family who again managed the difficult task of fitting senior mals and ski's into the limited storage space we have available.

We were also thrilled to acquire three new Race One adjustable skis, offering enhanced opportunities whilst providing the best equipment on the market for our expanding senior group.

We now have 7 competition quality single ski's and two doubles to continue to build the momentum of our ski team.

Sporting Success

The season began with 5 weeks training leading into the annual Mooloolaba pre-season camp in September. We had 184 members in attendance with over 110 training made up of Nippers, Seniors and Masters.

Our competition team had another successful year, with Nippers and Seniors participating in all carnivals, including the Victorian Junior State Championships at Warrnambool and the Victorian Senior Championships event at Ocean Grove. It was another fantastic outcome by our Nipper States team of 47 athletes that finished 4th in the State and only a handful of points off 3rd. It was also an impressive performance by our Senior team of 32 athletes finishing 5th in the State without the addition of Boat Crew points. Well done all.

Our coaching team, led by Harriet Brown as Club Coach and Youth Mentor, provides support and guidance for both our Junior and Senior programs. Harriet designed all mid-week training sessions and is present at Mills Beach throughout the season.

Matt McConnell led our senior coaching group again with sessions throughout the week across Ski, Board, Swimming, Iron and Running. He was well supported by Simon Williams and Adam McCrow who ran a number of sessions each week including a number at Gunnamatta to improve our surf skills. Open water swimming was well attended with Lisa McConnell, Jeremy Warner and Ange Seaburgh at the helm. We welcomed Carly Platt as our Beach and Running coach for the season who took our beach athletes to the next level which was testament by the strong results through carnivals and at states. Shane Tatham supported Carly and provided great guidance with the Belt & Reel which also saw strong results throughout the season. Travis Sutton continued as our Nipper Coach and did a fantastic job preparing our Juniors throughout the season and Adrian Lynch continued in the role of Competition Coordinator assisting with mid week coaching and making sure the Nipper Competition team was ready to perform at every event.

Thanks also to our Senior Administration Kelly Parrish and Nipper Program Admin Michael Egan who fulfilled the important task of organizing all roles through a full competition season.

One standout moment of the year was witnessing 27 of our Senior team elevate their performance and compete at Aussies on the Sunshine Coast. It was an incredible event with over 8,000 competitors showcasing their skills. Congratulations to all our athletes who represented the club admirably in challenging conditions across various events. It was particularly rewarding to see several competitors reach national finals— a sensational effort and testament to the hard work and months of dedicated training.

- U15 Male Board Race Final - Oscar Skehan
- U14-15 Male Beach Relay Final - Will Warner, Lachie Parrish, Seb Jaspers, Jack Matthews
- U14-15 Male Cameron Final - Owen Cooper, Oscar Skehan, Seb Jaspers, Jack Mathews



- U17 Male Taplin Final - Charlie Farrell, Kyle Brice & Callum Rosetto
- 45-49 Male Ironman Final - Travis Sutton
- 45-49 Male Ski Final

We also had some fantastic individual performances throughout the season that resulted in representatives in the Victorian State Teams.

Victorian Surf Life Saving Team

- Mae Lynch
- Charlie Farrell

Victorian Pool Life Saving Team

- Oscar Skehan
- Milla Skehan
- Massimo Lancia
- Sebastien Lancia

It is also a testament to the Morningsong Life Saving Club, with a number of programs making the final of LSV State Awards this season including Nipper Program of the Year, Innovation Award - Youth Instructor Program and Schools Program Education Award. Outcome to be determined in August 2024.

Schools Program

This season, Jacqui Morrow managed our school's program fantastically, demonstrating great skill in handling challenges such as inclement weather and water quality issues arising from nearby council amenities issues. Her adaptability ensured the continued success of this highly regarded program. Even with these challenges a successful program was delivered with all schools rebooking for next season at the completion of their session. Some key statistics include;

- Mon – Fri Program running Term 4 and Term 1
- 20 Schools participated
- 50 days scheduled
- Number of Students attending the program – 3,196
- Revenue delivered - \$40,340

Thank you, Jacqui and team, for delivering another fantastic schools program this season.

Fund Raising

In order to maintain equipment and keep vital programs running within the club fundraising continues to be an important function of the club. Our BBQ was led by Anthony Sacker and BBQ John, assisted by all age groups on a rotation basis to keep the hungry Nippers fed after a big Sunday morning on the beach. The team delivered a fantastic result this year with \$14,802.50 generated through this initiative. Thank you, Anthony, John and team.

The Twilight Swim was another great success, this season led by Rich Morel. We had a record 348 swimmers on a great night at Mills Beach where the weather was kind with the event contributing \$19,720 via registrations. A big thanks to Rich and the army of helpers that make the event a key date on the calendar with great feedback from participants.



We were able to secure \$67,917 in grants for the year that enabled us to upgrade vital life saving equipment for the patrol team. We were also able to secure a grant to purchase an Isuzu DMAX 4x4 vehicle to assist with patrol operations as well as towing equipment to competitions around the state and country. The visibility with the club logos on the vehicle also assists in driving awareness of the Morningsong Life Saving Club in the local community and beyond.

I would like to thank all our sponsors for the 2023-24 season and look forward to partnering again in 2023-24. Please reach out if there is a way you can help support the club for the season ahead.

Summary

In closing, I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to our members, volunteers, patrol teams, trainers, coaches, athletes and sponsors. Your unwavering support and dedication are the pillars of our success. As the club looks forward to the future, I am confident under new leadership that we will continue to achieve great things and be the inclusive and welcome environment that makes the Morningsong Life Saving Club the special place that it is.

I would like to acknowledge the effort and commitment of our committee who work tirelessly to enable all members to enjoy the best of what Life Saving has to offer. I would like to thank them for supporting me and hope they feel satisfied with all that was achieved this season.

This is my last report as the President of the Morningsong Life Saving Club. It is a position that I have held with great pride for the last 4 seasons and a role that has delivered great personal growth through the challenges and opportunities the position brings. It has been inspiring to watch our members perform their duties on patrol selflessly, give their all at training and representing the Morningsong LSC at competitions and just being involved to make the club the great place it is to be involved in.

It has been an honour to serve the club in this position and one I will look back on with great pride of what we have achieved together as a club.

Lastly – thank you to my family - Bec, Kyle and Ella for supporting me and making sacrifices to enable me the time to be the President.

I would like to thank everyone at the Morningsong Life Saving Club for your support over the journey and I wish the club every success into the next chapter and long into the future. I am very proud of who we are, what we do and what we stand for at the Morningsong Life Saving Club.

Damian Brice
MLSC President



MLSC CLUB CAPTAINS REPORT 2023 - 2024 SEASON

Dear Patrollers,

I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to each of you for contributing to yet another incredible season. Your dedication and support, especially in my first year as Club Captain, have been invaluable. Together, we achieved an outstanding 3410 volunteer patrol hours, ensuring our community's safety throughout the summer months.

A special thank you goes out to our patrol group leaders—Captains and Vice-captains—who led their teams with excellence. Their commitment to meeting LSV standards, conducting training, and scenario role plays during patrols ensured we were prepared for any situation and enabled us to achieve new milestones.

Patrol Captains & Vice Captains 2023/2024

Patrol Group A 'The A Team'

Captain: Terry Shrimpton

Vice-Captain: Jess Shrimpton

Patrol Group B

Captain: Amy Veale

Vice-Captains: Robert Sampson & Kevin Quinn

Patrol Group Sea Patrol

Captain: Richard Morel

Vice-Captain: Dale Hendy

Patrol Group Rockstar Crew

Captain: Nicola Mackinnon

Vice-Captains: Jarrod Cowling & Jade Cheasley

I would also like to express my gratitude to specific individuals whose support was crucial to my role:

Terry Shrimpton – IRB Officer

Charlee Cook – First Aid Officer

Stewart Lockie – ATV Officer & Chief Training Officer

Nicole Warner – Administrative Support

Adel Peterson – Administrative Support for ensuring accurate patrol hour records with LSV

This season, reducing our patrol teams to 4 proved effective in maintaining a strong core team for each patrol without issues in shift coverage. Well done and thank you for your dedication.



Season Summary:

Patrol days: 51
Volunteer Hours: 3410
Total beach attendance: 40297
First Aids: 16
Preventative actions: 365

LSV Peninsula Statistics:

Total beach attendance: 208,401
Rescues: 67
First Aid incidents: 89
Preventative Actions: 40,253

A special mention goes to Jarrod Cowling and Simon Perry for their volunteer efforts during the Search & Rescue at Sorrento, and heartfelt thanks to our IRB Drivers & Crew for supporting junior and senior carnivals.

To our SRCs, your transition from nippers to patrollers was commendable. Your commitment to upskilling and joining patrol teams was exemplary. Congratulations to Seb Lancia for achieving over 70 hours this season—a remarkable feat.

Our Patrol Champs this season, organized by Rich, were a great success, with 'Rockstar Patrol' emerging as the winners—congratulations to all participants.

Thank you to everyone who attended our Presentation Night. It was wonderful to celebrate our achievements together. Congratulations to **Patrol Group A, aka 'The A Team,'** led by Terry Shrimpton and supported by Vice-Captain Jess Shrimpton, for being named Patrol Group of the Season.

Lastly, a round of applause to our Patrollers of the Season and Junior Patrollers of the Season for their outstanding contributions.

Patrol Group The A Team - Sam Shrimpton & Charlotte Gow
Patrol Group B - Stewart Matthews & Oscar Jedyak
Patrol Group Sea Patrol - Reagan Morel & Kate Lambourne
Patrol Group Rockstar Crew - Jayden Cowling & Olivia Mackinnon

I will be sending out a survey before the season starts, if you can please take the time to complete it, your feedback is very important.

Thank you once again for your commitment to keeping our community safe. Your contributions, no matter how big or small, make a significant difference.

Thank you,
Nicola Mackinnon
MLSC Club Captain



MLSC SENIOR CAPTAINS REPORT 2023 – 2024 SEASON

The members at our club that come under the Seniors banner have had great season on the beach at Mills. Whether it be the great numbers we get to training with our coaches, to those undertaking their own training, either in small groups or on their own, we love to see our Seniors at the club patrolling, training and hanging out with their friends.

This season was the longest in some years, with training getting underway at the start of August in preparation for enduros in early October. The season then finishing on the Sunshine Coast with the Aussie Titles in April. Our State Carnival season was outstanding, seeing our club podium at most carnivals. There were both great individual and team results during the season. The standout for our season was the development of our athletes in the ski discipline with our club generating fantastic results at the State and Aussie titles. Our numbers have blossomed in this discipline, and we look forward to growing on this as it opens so many options in competition.

With a long season comes extra time and dedication from our athletes and coaches. I would like to congratulate our athletes on their season and thank our coaches Harriet Brown, Matt McConnell, Lisa McConnell, Adam McCrow, Damian Brice, Travis Sutton, Carly Platt and Shane Tatham. It was a great team effort, that saw our athletes have a successful season.

There is always a lot of information and requirements to fulfil as part of our Seniors program and the contribution of Nicole Warner, Kelly Parish and Adam McCrow shows the great dedication our members have. All your work is greatly appreciated.

I'd like to thank the MLSC Committee for their support of our Seniors and our Seniors program. We are lucky to have a committee that shows so much support for its junior members.

I'd also like to thank Stewart Lockie, Nicola Mackinnon, Mark Cornish and their training team for the time they put in to get all our Seniors qualified to patrol, undertake additional skills training and compete.

Work is already underway for our Seniors 2024-2025 Season which looks to be another big one. This next season will finish, with what looks to be another big MLSC team heading to Aussies on the Gold Coast. Ski training sessions have already begun, and we will begin board training in August in preparation for Enduros and for those who wish to undertake some general fitness.

I'd like to acknowledge the outstanding contribution of Damian Brice to our club. Damian has been a great architect and has been instrumental in the success of the MLSC. From Age group manager to Nippers Captain to President, his dedication, vision and ability to build a team has put our club in a great position. The passion and dedication you have given the MLSC and Lifesaving is second to none. Thank you, Damian, for all that you have given to the MLSC family.

Looking forward to the return of Summer and seeing all the MLSC crew back at Mills Beach.

Regards,
Simon Williams
MLSC Senior Captain



MLSC NIPPER CAPTAINS REPORT 2023 - 2024

Our Nipper Program commenced on November 12th with an Open Day. It was a fun day for new nippers/families to visit, tour the club, and participate in a nipper's session. They gained an understanding of the program and a feel for what lifesaving means.

This year we had two dates for the compulsory swim assessment. The day before the open day Saturday 11th November & Saturday 18th November the day before the first Nipper Session. This year we ran 15 weekly nipper sessions. Most were on Sunday mornings with 2 Friday twilight nights. We also offered an intensive holiday program between Christmas & New Years.

This season we had enhanced engagement with the local Community through the Emergency Service Visits. We had Sunday visits by the local fire crews.

Our littlest nippers loved climbing in the fire truck and were even allowed to assist with spraying the fire hoses out into the water. Nippers often do not understand that lifesaving is an emergency response – Just like the police or Fireman and Firewoman. It was a great fun way to teach this. Having the Fire truck was a highlight of the season.

Enhanced Sustainability practices were achieved through our visit from Matt from MMF Marine Litter Project. This was a fun and interesting opportunity to demonstrate long-term protection and conservation of marine mammals and their environment. Matt and team started with the Under 6's and worked their way up the beach to the Under 13's providing a hands-on discussion around connection to the environment, via appreciation of our amazing marine mammals.

The MLSC nipper program this season had over 350 participants, making the program needing an army of volunteers to succeed.

Our Volunteers for U7 to U13 groups consisted of:

- Age Manager (Parent)
- Age Assistant x 2 (Parents)
- Admin (Parent)
- Water safety Personnel (Parents/Seniors)
- SRC x 2 (Age 13)
- Youth Instructor x 2 (Age 14/15)

Our Volunteers for the U6 group consisted of:

- Age Manager (Senior)
- Age Assistant x 4 (Age 15-25)
- Admin (Parent)

I would like to personally thank all these volunteers for their help with the program this year. Their dedication to helping nippers learn & develop surf lifesaving skills was outstanding and so important for the success and enjoyment of the program.

Parents were actively encouraged to join training sessions to increase fitness and progress to Bronze certification.

The BBQ was again a great success playing a vital part in raising money to put back into the club with Nippers Parents being rostered on each week.



Each nipper session started with me giving a presentation with a summary of the past week's events and information on what would be coming up in the following week.

Each nipper group had their own team app group with notification about upcoming events, info Facebook groups with notifications and achievements were posted.

There were 6 new admins that joined the teams this year who did an outstanding job informing and passing on info when signing nippers in and out each week. Also ensuring that the BBQ rosters were filled.

This season a preventing injuries seminar took place at the club.

This workshop involved nippers from u8 to Under 13's, seniors, with their parents. We had several medical personnel including Physiotherapists, Nurses, a Podiatrist, a Nutritionist and an Orthopaedic surgeon, who each presented a short session on injury prevention, in relation to their field of expertise.

It was great to hear from experts who spoke in age-appropriate terms, that the kids could relate to and learn from.

The club was unfortunately hampered by the South East Water Sewage spills into Tanti creek and subsequently into Mills Beach. Despite the beach being closed due to poor water quality, our teams did an amazing job of running land only activities where required and used the time for alternative training instead of cancelling the Sunday sessions & mid-week training.

The last day of nippers was a special day for the club seeing out our outgoing U13 group. Every nipper from u6 to U12 and the age managers, assistants and coaches formed a guard of honour at the beach entrance. The u13's then entered the beach for their last session. Kids cheering all the way down the line and quite a few teary-eyed parents, an extremely fitting way to include every nipper in a grand send off for the u13's.

Presentation night for our u9 to u13 occurred in May at Gravity Zone with over 200 attending. It was a great way to have fun while also acknowledging the great nipper's season. This is also where the year's awards were handed out.

Our Under 8 to Under 13 Nippers that competed at carnivals this year really did do the club proud. Coming away with a 4th overall for the year is an outstanding achievement and should be an indication of not only how hard working and skilled our Nippers are but how dedicated the huge team of coaches and parents are to make the program the success it is, in turn enabling our young Nippers to achieve their dreams and goals within this sport.

I'd like to thank Ange Seaburgh for her ongoing support this year, her knowledge of the nippers program is immense and she has been invaluable to me in my role.

I would also like to thank Damian Brice for his support and guidance this year and would like to acknowledge the tremendous amount of work he has done to help make the club what it is today.

Looking forward to seeing you all on the beach again next year for another great season.

Jeremy Warner
MLSC Nipper Captain



MLSC MEMBERSHIP REPORT 2023 - 2024 SEASON

It has been another successful year with our Memberships at MLSC for the 2023/2024 season. I would like to thank everyone on our Club committee for their support this season. I would also like to thank our members at the Mornington Life Saving Club. I have loved assisting you and helping you throughout the year with your journey at our club. Whether it be for Nippers, Seniors, Masters, Carnivals, Aussies or our Patrol season. I am very proud to be apart of such a great club.

Our Membership total for the season was 1028 members, with many new families joining the club. This year we had 61 transferring in members from other clubs, which has been the most we have had in the one year.

We held our Open day in November. This was a very successful day. We had our team of Volunteer parents, Coaches and Nippers who came along to demonstrate the program. We had our registrations/information desk setup upstairs for any inquiries with a “How to register guide” available with all need-to-know information, including key season dates for the diary. This resulted in a busy few weeks of finalising registrations.

We also had our Uniform shop set up by our wonderful team. Thank you to Liz, Miranda, Tash and Jo who were available to assist anyone requiring information on uniform and processing purchases for the season.

The table below summarises the number of members in specified categories over the current and previous season:

Membership Categories

Category	2023/2024 Members Total	2022/2023 Members Total	Member Retention
Nippers (5-13yrs)	364	383	95%
Cadet (13-15yrs)	41	42	98%
Active (15-18yrs)	40	38	105%
Active 18 plus	84	87	97%
Associate Members	408	468	87%
Life Members	17	17	100%
Other	74	39	190%
TOTAL	1028	1074	96%



This result must be attributed to the great program MLSC offers due to all the levels of wonderful volunteers the club has, who are constantly engaging with parents, coaching, educating, and encouraging the kids and always striving to make the club the best it can be.

Yet again, the program was also aided and therefore improved by many parents helping out where they could, from Officiating and Water Safety roles at carnivals to just helping with the setup, pack up and BBQ duties and helping assist our regular Sunday sessions at Mills Beach.

Thank you to all those parents.

Looking forward to another great result with memberships and a successful season at MLSC.

Nicole Warner
MLSC Admin



MLSC CHIEF INSTRUCTOR'S REPORT 2023 – 2024

The training in the 2023/2024 season was outstanding, thanks to our dedicated group of trainers who delivered high-quality sessions for MLSC members. Their commitment and expertise ensured that every session was engaging, informative, and beneficial for all participants.

Our trainers went above and beyond to provide personalised guidance and support, helping each member to reach their full potential.

During the 2023/2024 season the team delivered 150 hours of new accreditation training for 54 candidates and delivered 11 skills maintenance sessions to 133 candidates. Well done to the team for their commitment to the safety and well-being of our members and the community.

Course ID	Course Type Name	Start Date	Finish Date	Candidates
1961832	Side-by-Side Vehicle Operator Certificate	06/10/2023	07/10/2023	6
1961837	Surf Rescue Certificate	10/11/2023	12/11/2023	15
1961839	Bronze Medallion	10/11/2023	19/11/2023	7
1977585	Surf Rescue Certificate	10/11/2023	12/11/2023	2
1980592	Resuscitation	23/11/2023	23/11/2023	8
1961840	Bronze Medallion Bridging	24/11/2023	26/11/2023	6
1992856	Inflatable Rescue Boat Crew	01/03/2024	03/03/2024	8
1992858	Inflatable Rescue Boat Driver	01/03/2024	03/03/2024	2

2024/2025 Season

We are planning to run the following courses.

We will also be publishing a training calendar well in advance to make planning easier for everyone.

Course Type	Number Courses	Course Type	Number Courses
Advanced Resuscitation Techniques and First Aid	1	Inflatable Rescue Boat Driver	1
Bronze Medallion	1	Resuscitation*	2
Bronze Medallion Bridging	1	Surf Rescue Certificate	1
Inflatable Rescue Boat Crew	1		



Congratulations to everyone who requalified or obtained new qualifications.
We are excited to continue training our members and building on this success in the upcoming season.

Looking forward to another great year of growth and achievement!

Stewart Lockie
MLSC Chief Instructor



MLSC ELECTIONS FOR 2024 - 2025 SEASON

Executive Committee Positions 2024 - 2025 Season

1. President – Richard Morel
2. Vice President – Sophie Veale
3. Secretary – Adel Peterson
4. Treasurer – Duncan Short
5. Chief Instructor - Stewart Lockie
6. Club Captain – Nicola MacKinnon

General Committee Positions 2024 - 2025 Season

- Simon Williams
- Jeremy Warner
- Terry Shrimpton
- Adrian Lynch
- Ange Seaburgh
- Liz Lancia
- Liz Bailey
- Clare Sacker



ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Next Committee Meeting

Date to be nominated by the Incoming Committee



APPENDIX 1 – AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORTS

Association Report

Mornington Life Saving Club Inc

ABN 57 520 697 089

For the year ended 31 March 2024

Prepared by ROCG Mornington