



## President's Update



*What a year of firsts. A virtual AGM who would have thought that possible? Well it was and it happened and yes it was very weird! I would like to thank all members for understanding the need to progress this way. I know many love the AGM as a catch up with friends and club mates and an opportunity to check-in. Those that dialled in were involved via the chat yet it was not the same that was for sure.*

*We celebrated some significant membership milestones of Richard Greenhough and Ian Turner. There has been no Life Members' meeting as yet due to COVID-19 restrictions so there was no Life Member report this year.*

*Our Committee for 2020/21 remains largely unchanged, this stability in the club management is extremely valuable, and sees us well-equipped for the upcoming challenges.*

*So as we move into a new season there is so much to do. The way in which we operate continues to change overnight and we need to be agile and adaptable. Tin rattles, a major source of revenue each year are a thing of the past. Functions have not been held since March again a significant loss of revenue.*

*The operation of the club will not simply be reopening the doors. Like every organisation the way we operate has changed. We are working through a COVID-19 plan and how the operation of the club facilities will change. We want the club operational as much as our members do, however we have to balance the regulations imposed upon us and our roles to provide a safe environment for members, which in the current environment is a huge undertaking.*

*So for now, sadly, the building remains closed. The recent outbreak in Victoria has set everything back further. We are planning a season open/close of last season at the club in October. We are also looking at celebrating the clubs 75th birthday so there is plenty to look forward to.*

*Stay safe and lookout for each other.*

**Tiffany Quinlan, Club President**

## Club News .....

Following the 75th Annual General Meeting of the TSLSC on the 21st of June 2020, the Committee for season 2020/21 was revealed. Congratulations to the returning Committee, and thank you to exiting board member Lanie Conquest for her tireless dedication to the club.

### 2020/21 Committee

- President, Tiffany Quinlan
- Club Secretary, Jodie Gervasoni
- Treasurer, Rebecca Draper
- Club Captain, Cameron Mercer
- Lifesaving Director, William Fleming
- Marketing Director, Sarah O'Dwyer
- Facilities Director, John Mercer
- Membership Director, Scott McCardel
- Competition Director, Peter Quinlan
- Junior Development Director, Matt Henderson



**Do you have your TSLSC bumper sticker?**

Contact [membership.tslsc@gmail.com](mailto:membership.tslsc@gmail.com) to organise.

## For the Calendar

- Memberships due
- Working Bee COMING SOON

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# YOUR CLUB NEEDS *You*

Well it's been an unusual start to our season to say the least. From a membership perspective, the complex and ever-changing public health challenges posed by COVID-19 have meant that we have experienced a number of "firsts" over the past few months.

We would like to thank all those members who have renewed their membership already and remind members that memberships are now due. We understand that this is a very hard time for many families, but as a volunteer emergency service which does not receive any formal government funding, we rely on membership fees, sponsorships and donations to survive.

**Now more than ever, if you are able, we ask that you show your support for the club.**

Behind the scenes, we are working hard on getting everything ready to enable the club to open its doors and provide services to members and the community as soon as we are permitted to do so. This includes preparing a COVID-19 Safety Plan to deal with the staged resumption of club operations and activities in a safe manner and in accordance with government and public health authority directions.

If you need assistance with your membership renewal head to the website (LINK: [bit.ly/TSLSCRenew](https://bit.ly/TSLSCRenew)) and follow the steps. Every member needs to manually renew through the SLSA Portal in addition to making the membership payment.

## WORKING coming soon



Get your work gloves ready! As soon as we have permission we will be scheduling our annual working bee, mainly to address maintenance externally, such as gardens, painting, clearing rubbish and lots more. If you have a specialty skill to contribute, make sure you let us know, [facilities.tslsc@gmail.com.au](mailto:facilities.tslsc@gmail.com.au)

# RUN GROUP

We'd love to get started again with our weekend Club Run Group. Last season we had members of all ages and fitness levels joining in. If you'd like to help get this going for members (within our COVID-19 guidelines), please email [membership.tslsc@gmail.com](mailto:membership.tslsc@gmail.com). This could be your 'one thing' you can do to help!



## extra hands needed!

Each section is currently seeking expressions of interest of volunteers to take on subcommittee roles. These roles are designed to be small and contained, because let's face it, everyone is busy!

Depending on the role, most include helping with just one area at the club, whether that is getting one fundraising event off the ground or helping to manage the website. We have such a diverse range of skills in the club, we'd love for everyone to find their way to contribute.

Some of the roles we hope to fill this season include,

- Patrol Manager
- First Aid Officers
- Radio Officers
- Website Manager
- Uniform Officer
- Senior/Youth Team Managers
- Grant Seeker
- 75th Anniversary Event Manager
- Newsletter co-ordinator
- And many more...

If you'd like to help in any of these roles, or find out what else is needed, email [info@torquayslsc.com.au](mailto:info@torquayslsc.com.au)



## RE-DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Members would have read our recent spread in the Surf Coast Times about our ongoing re-development plans, and it would come as no surprise as these ideas span decades with many passionate members involved over the years.

Many areas of our club remain in overwhelming and expensive dis-repair, and the fact is, it no longer demonstrates a fit-for-purpose facility for our members and the community.

We continue to liaise with both the Federal and State government representatives to try and secure additional funding for the club redevelopment plans. In May, Darren Cheeseman requested a Redevelopment Proposal for him to circulate within the government. It was a considerable amount of work done over a couple of days, but we got there and it's now with Minister Merlino, as the Minister responsible for Emergency Management Victoria. With the government continually making announcements looking for opportunities to stimulate the economy, this is a perfect opportunity in a regional area and we are hopeful we will hear something in the coming months.

In the meantime, there is a lot of work to do. We have received a portion of \$500,000 promised by the Morrison government and we have appointed fjmt Studio architects. This team led by Geoff Croker and their consultants have extensive experience in developing surf clubs in Victoria. They will bring a lot of experience of what they learnt to the table and will advise us through the whole process.

In the coming months we will work with Geoff and his team to confirm our design brief, taking into consideration all the requirements relating to each section of the club and members more broadly. We will commence with a series of workshops which we encourage you to participate in.

Look out for these coming soon.



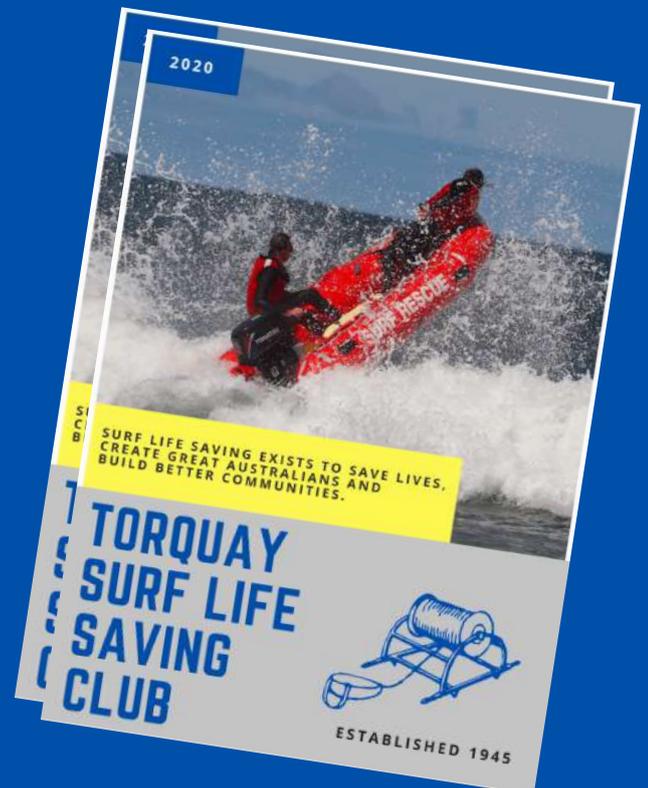
## SPONSORSHIP NEWS

July and August are traditionally the Sponsorship Roadshow months, where we re-visit with existing sponsors and reach out to new partners, to support our education programs, competition teams and lifesaving service. This year is different. We don't have season start dates yet for our competition teams and education may look different this season.

One element we know is a constant is the service we are committed to on the beach, and we can't do that alone. Each of our existing sponsors will be invited to be involved in our unique season this year, in whatever capacity they can manage. If any members have any additional contacts for businesses and brands who can offer sponsorship support, please forward details to [marketing.tsllsc@gmail.com](mailto:marketing.tsllsc@gmail.com) – all ideas welcome!

Similarly, our club will be very reliant on the support of grants to cover the additional COVID guideline costs that will inevitably incur when we have the permission to re-open our club to members and the community. If your business or employer has a community grant program available to suit our club, let us know!

For a copy of this season Sponsorship Prospectus, email [sponsorship.tsllsc@gmail.com](mailto:sponsorship.tsllsc@gmail.com).



# the PEOPLE OF TSLSC



## How did you become involved with TSLSC?

A good friend of our family, Jenny Coulson, had her girls involved in the nipper program and my daughter, Liv, thought that she would like to give it a go.

## What do you love most about TSLSC?

TSLSC has been a great place for our family to be involved in a community based club. It has provided training for me and the girls to extend our knowledge of the ocean, lifesaving and general first aid skills. The people involved at the club are willing to give up their personal time to help out the town and surrounding areas. A culture like that is something that I am happy to be part of.

## Tell us about how you got involved in the Starfish program?

The Starfish program was something that I saw as an integral part of the nipper program. It allows children who don't fit the "normal" structured program to still be involved with surf skills and water safety. I strongly believe that all children need to have an understanding of the ocean and if Starfish is a way of delivering that to some of them, then I am all for it.

## Water or land?

As a landscaper, I would have to say land.

## Best memory at TSLSC?

I've had many great memories. From watching the tangible camaraderie of Liv and her age group, to watching Cleo catch her first wave on a nipper board. Looking forward to making more memories over the next coming seasons.



Curt  
O'TOOLE

NICK  
thomas

## When did you join TSLSC?

I think about 2006, I did my s-badge so some time around then. My Dad had been a member for quite a number of years and competed back in the day so I suppose that's how I became involved. I started the summer holiday program and never looked back – I have raced every season since then.

## Share a TSLSC memory!

I don't see myself as much of a funny guy, but I sure copped a bit of heat for nosediving in my board heat at Lorne last season, was a nice little recovery swim to the beach, I guess. You could probably tell the Senior team to do as the coach says not as the coach does after that one.

## Biggest achievement?

Completing the Molokai to Oahu paddleboard race in Hawaii last year and finishing 6th in stock division is probably my best achievement to date. I never thought I'd enjoy paddling for hours on end, but I sure have the bug for it now. Not being back there this year due to COVID sucks a bit though!

## Something people may not know about you?

I was born 8 weeks premature, I listen to death metal music, although some people may know that if they have ever been in the gym with me! I love to cook!

## What do you love about TSLSC?

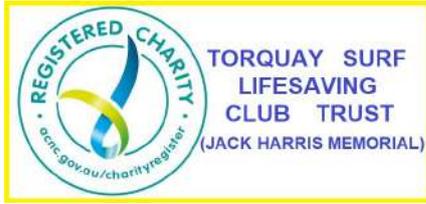
I think it's just a super friendly place with so many different cogs in the machine that make it the great club that it is with a rich history. There are many reasons to join a surf club whether it be to compete, patrol, be on a committee or a nipper parent, but once we all come together, we are one big family and share the same love for the club. Starting friendships is also a huge part of a surf club and I have made many of them over the years, and even though some may not be members anymore those friendships are lifelong.





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