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SURF LIFE SAVING
NEW SOUTH WALES

Menu

Entree

Seared Riverina rump of lamb nicoise style with green beans, kipfler potatoes, cherry tomatoes, fresh oregano & mustard dressing

Oven baked potato gnocchi with ricotta clouds, sweet pepper confit & smoked tomato jus (v)

Main Course

Riverina beef tenderloin cafe de Paris on garlic crostini, spring onions, asparagus, horseradish & potato puree

Oven roasted honey & mustard chicken breast, bacon & onion rosti, caramelised pear & ginger chutney with broccolini

Dessert with tea, coffee & chocolates

Magical Dark Chocolate Dome with Crème Brulee Flavour
Gold dusted with Crème Brulee centre (Flourless)

Wild Strawberry Pillow
Light wild strawberry mousse on a Breton shortcrust
with chocolate feather

beverages

Beer

James Boags on Tap
Hahn Premium Light on tap

Sparkling

Chain of Fire Sparkling Brut Cuvee

White

Chain of Fire Semillon Sauvignon Blanc

Red

Chain of Fire Shiraz Cabernet

Various soft drinks and orange juice

WELCOME

A message from our sponsor

On behalf of Port Authority of New South Wales, it is a pleasure to be the major sponsor of the 2018 Surf Life Saving NSW Awards and to welcome you all this evening.

Tonight, we recognise the immense achievements of the volunteer surf lifesavers who dedicate their time to keeping the communities of New South Wales safe. These everyday heroes performed around 5,000 rescues last year, with each rescue representing a life saved. Each member of Surf Life Saving New South Wales is deserving of accolade but tonight we will celebrate those who have gone above and beyond to prevent people coming to harm.

Australia is an ocean-loving nation and, just like you, Port Authority of New South Wales understands the challenge of keeping our shores safe.

Responsible for the navigation, security and operational safety needs of commercial shipping in Sydney Harbour, Port Botany, Port Kembla, and the ports of Newcastle, Eden and Yamba, Port Authority also plays a central role in responding to marine incidents such as marine pollution, fire, oil spills or vessels needing assistance.

While we may do it in different ways, we share a common goal with Surf Life Saving NSW — to keep those who use our waters safe from harm.

Enjoy your evening and take this opportunity to reflect on your immeasurable contributions to our communities.

Philip Holliday

Chief Operations Officer Sydney, Port Kembla, Eden and Harbour Master, Sydney Port Authority of New South Wales

A message from our President

Good evening and welcome to the 2018 NSW Surf Life Saving Awards of Excellence, this most fantastic of nights where we come together to celebrate the very best of the movement.

It has been another challenging, busy, yet rewarding season for everyone who pulled on the red and yellow shirt and gave countless hours of their time to our great organisation.

Tonight is about celebrating the achievements of all aspects of Surf Life Saving, and while not everyone can win an award, know that your efforts are just as important to the success of the movement as those who do take the stage here at Dockside this evening.

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge our new naming rights sponsor Port Authority of NSW for their commitment and support to Surf Life Saving in NSW. It's pleasing that organisations want to be associated with our brand and this reflects the hard work everyone in the movement does as well as the esteem in which our volunteers are held in the wider community.

Thanks to all for your ongoing dedication to Surf Life Saving. Enjoy the evening.

David Murray

Surf Life Saving NSW President



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LEE JELOSCEK

Master of Ceremonies

Lee Jeloscek is well known Australian journalist and television presenter who has recently made the switch from TV to the dark side corporate communications.

A native South Australian, Jeloscek began his career in print at *The Advertiser* working there for nearly five years.

In 2003 he shifted to television, joining Channel 7 where he worked in courts, politics and sport... covering the Rio Olympics, Football World Cup in South Africa and Glasgow Commonwealth Games.

Throughout his time at CH7 he covered politics extensively and was part of a small team of reporters who won a prestigious Walkley Award for excellence in television reporting.

He's such a fan of the beach that in 2015 he was married on the sand at Killcare before having a reception upstairs in the surf club.



ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS

- 6:30** Welcome drinks on balcony
- 7:00** Commencement of proceedings, official welcomes, entrees
- 7:35** Presentation of Surf Sports & Member Services Awards
- 8:15** Dinner served
- 8:35** Presentation of Education & Lifesaving Awards
- 9:15** Dessert, tea & coffee to be served
- 9:30** Presentation of Overall Awards
- 9:50** Official conclusion of formal proceedings
- 10:00** The Baker Boys to commence
- 11:30** Function closes



SURF SPORTS

For over 100 years lifesavers have stayed fit and healthy by engaging in friendly competition at a club, state, national and even international level. Each season surf stars battle to add their names to the roll call of legends past, with surf athletes continuing to make their mark on an international level.

The Surf Sport Awards honours athletes, coaches and officials who have made their mark on the beach and in the surf throughout 2017/18.

Official of the Year

Anthony Lanyon, Wollongong City SLSC
Darren Williams, Catherine Hill Bay SLSC
Dave Thompson, Ocean Beach SLSC
David Love, Maroubra SLSC
Jenny Kenny, Cudgen Headland SLSC
John Wake, Coffs Harbour SLSC
Kaz Marks, Bilgola SLSC

Masters Athlete of the Year

Colin Mustoe, Byron Bay SLSC
John De Mestre, Freshwater SLSC
Laura Thurtell, Bondi SBLSC
Paul Lemmon, Terrigal SLSC
Valoria Crick, Bellambi SLSC

Coach of the Year

Damian Daley, Queenscliff SLSC
Jim Walker, North Bondi SLSC
Neil Innes, Batemans Bay SLSC
Rachelle King, Terrigal SLSC
Scott Jones, Bulli SLSC
Scott McCartney, Cudgen Headland SLSC

Youth Athlete of the Year

Anthea Warne, Cudgen Headland SLSC
Jemma Smith, Umina Beach SLSC
Darci Air, Thirroul SLSC
Noah Havard, North Bondi SLSC
Zach Morris, Newport SLSC
Nicholas Stoddart, Swansea Belmont SLSC

Surf Sports Team of the Year

Open Male Boat Crew, Bulli SLSC
Open Female Boat Crew (Elouera Wilko), Elouera SLSC
Open Female R&R Team, Freshwater SLSC
U17 Female Team, Redhead SLSC
Masters Female Boat Crew (Phoenix), Batemans Bay SLSC
U19 Female Team, Umina Beach SLSC
Masters Male Board Relay Team, Byron Bay SLSC

Athlete of the Year

Daniel Collins, Redhead SLSC
Kendrick Louis, Manly LSC
Luke Chaffer, Cudgen Headland SLSC
Morgan Clarke, Woonona SLSC

After three years, the
Envirobank Country
Championships were
held at South West
Rocks for the final time
before they move to
Kingscliff in 2019

MEMBER SERVICES

At the heart of the Surf Life Saving movement are our members, with each and every one a vital cog in the machine that helps save lives, creates great Australians, and builds better communities. Since 1907 Surf Lifesavers have proudly stood guard on NSW beaches and have become a trusted and respected part of the summer landscape.

In 2018 the Member Services Awards will honour the Administrator, Services Team, and for the first time a Young Volunteer of the Year as well as the efforts of our junior Surf Lifesavers.

Administrator of the Year

Belinda Eshman, Garie SLSC
Cheryl McCarthy, Bermagui SLSC
Christiana Mergan, Toowoomba Bay SLSC
Christine Gibbs-Stewart, North Steyne SLSC
Gabrielle Bow, Woonona SLSC
Maxine Cook, Tea Gardens Hawks Nest SLSC
Neil Hosick, Camden Haven SLSC
Sam Sunderland, Red Rock Corindi SLSC
David Sly, Evans Head-Casino SLSC

Services Team of the Year

Wamberal Whales, Wamberal SLSC
Far North Coast Duty Officers,
Evans Head-Casino SLSC
Mid North Coast Member Services Team,
Wauchope Bonny Hills SLSC
Meritorious Awards Committee,
Coledale SLSC
Duty Officer Team, Sydney Branch
Tathra, Bermagui, Pambula Call Out Teams
Traumatic Incident Peer Support (TIPS),
Sydney Northern Beaches

Young Volunteer of the Year

Jasmine Georgas, Maroubra SLSC
Liam Drake, Ocean Beach SLSC
Liam Russell, Bermagui SLSC
Matthew Tapping, Ballina Lighthouse &
Lismore SLSC
Sophie Rothery, Whale Beach SLSC
Stella Moore, Camden Haven SLSC
Tegan Robertson, Bellambi SLSC
Zac Thompson, Fingal Beach SLSC

Junior Lifesaver of the Year (winners)

Sophie Burns, Elouera SLSC
Oscar Crowe, MacMasters Beach SLSC



The largest ever State
Conference was held in
Sydney in July with 350
members attending this
fantastic networking
opportunity

EDUCATION

Volunteer lifesavers are universally recognised for their outstanding skills and knowledge. To ensure that they have access to the best information and are able to develop their skills in a supportive environment requires a huge effort.

The Education awards category is for those Trainers, Facilitators, and Assessors who play such a significant role in ensuring our members are prepared. An additional honour is for the year's best Community Education Initiative.

Initiative of the Year

Albert Training Team, Cudgen Headland SLSC
Patrol Support & Cooperation,
North Palm Beach SLSC, Palm Beach SLSC
Clean Oceans Australia, Bondi SBLSC
Exercise Stringray, Bellambi SLSC
Michelle Garvan, Camden Haven SLSC
Honouring our First Female Lifesavers,
Terrigal SLSC

Trainer of the Year

Anthony Vella, Batemans Bay SLSC
Jonathan Golan, North Bondi SLSC
Maxwell Hoste, Caves Beach SLSC
Paul Ellem, Evans Head-Casino SLSC
Sandra Slattery, Tacking Point SLSC
Scott Gordon, Bulli SLSC
Tim Cuthbert, Manly LSC
Tim Pittolo, Terrigal SLSC

Assessor of the Year

Ashley Capps, Copacabana SLSC
Craig Walker, Coledale SLSC
Darren Williams, Catherine Hill Bay SLSC
Ian Everingham, South West Rocks SLSC
Paul Hotton, North Bondi SLSC
Steven Perris, Ballina Lighthouse &
Lismore SLSC
Frank Traugott, North Steyne SLSC

Facilitator of the Year

Glen Clarke, Clovelly SLSC
Jamie Caldwell, Bulli SLSC
Justine Ellis, Cabarita Beach SLSC
Mike Le Geyt, South Curl Curl SLSC
Ramzy Fawzy, Wamberal SLSC
Shauna Abrahamson, Redhead SLSC

Community Education Program of the Year

Broulee Canberra Nippers,
Broulee Surfers SLSC
SRC Blended Delivery Program,
Port Macquarie SLSC
Kyogle High School Bush to Beach Program,
Evans Head-Casino SLSC
**Member Services Youth Networking
Program**, Sydney Northern Beaches
Migrant Beach Safety Days, Tamarama SLSC
Surf Lifesaving Central Coast, Central Coast
**Woonona High School Year 8 Promotion of
Surf Awareness Project**, Woonona SLSC

Almost 30,000
individual surf awards
were processed and
achieved by members
this season

LIFESAVING

The Lifesaving awards honour those who have made outstanding contributions in the field of lifesaving. In 2018 two new awards in this category have been introduced with the crowning of the first Patrol Captain and Patrol Team of the Year.

With over 21,000 active patrol members on duty from September-April each year the efforts of our lifesavers form a key and appreciated part of what we do.

Young Lifesaver of the Year

Aidan Yourell, Evans Head-Casino SLSC
Alisha Cooper, Camden Haven SLSC
Lachlan Steffner, Redhead SLSC
Matthew Calbert, Ocean Beach SLSC
Riley Van Anen, Coledale SLSC
Ryley Spoelder-Hanlon, Moruya SLSC
Trae Hare-Boyd, North Steyne SLSC
Yasmin Grivell, Maroubra SLSC

Patrol Captain of the Year

Daren Weidner, Coledale SLSC
Darren Hutton, North Avoca SLSC
Paul Lardi, Coogee SLSC
Tracey Hare-Boyd, North Steyne SLSC
Sue Eke, Cudgen Headland SLSC

Patrol of the Year

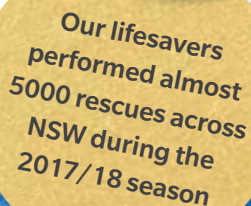
Crabs, Cudgen Headland SLSC
Patrol 7, Wollongong City SLSC
Patrol One, Umina Beach SLSC
Patrol Team 6, Wanda SLSC
Romily Madew, Bilgola SLSC

Lifeguard of the Year

James Turnham, ALS
Jacob McGoldrick, ALS
Angus Knox, ALS
Callum Fry, ALS
William Brighton, ALS
Ty McCartney, ALS
Danielle McKenzie, ALS
Alistair Sinclair, ALS
Alex Lakeman, ALS
Gerard Crowe, ALS

Rescue of the Year

July/August 2017, Shelly Beach SLSC
September 2017, Copacabana SLSC
October 2017, Burning Palms SLSC
December 2017, Whale Beach SLSC
January 2018, North Steyne SLSC
February 2018, Burning Palms SLSC
March 2018, Broulee Surfers, Moruya and
Batemans Bay SLSCs Support Operations
April 2018, Bondi SBLSC



Our lifesavers
performed almost
5000 rescues across
NSW during the
2017/18 season

OVERALL

The final awards of tonight will recognise the efforts of the Club and Branch of the Year as well as honour two individuals who have made an outstanding contribution to Surf Life Saving with the Volunteer and overall Surf Life Saver of the Year awards.

Branch of the Year

Central Coast
Sydney
Far South Coast

Club of the Year

Cudgen Headland SLSC, Far North Coast
Camden Haven SLSC, Mid North Coast
Umina SLSC, Central Coast
Avalon Beach SLSC, Sydney Northern Beaches
Elouera SLSC, Sydney
Bulli SLSC, Illawarra
Mollymook SLSC, South Coast

Volunteer of the Year

Andrew Holt, Pambula SLSC
Ben Hosick, Camden Haven SLSC
Brent Jackson, Bondi SBLSC
Cathy Cole, Terrigal SLSC
David Cowell, North Steyne SLSC
Dean Boyton, Shellharbour SLSC
Keith Caldwell, Bulli SLSC
Narelle Blick, Nobbys SLSC
Nigel Della, Woolgoolga SLSC

Port Authority Surf Lifesaver of the Year

Andrew Holt, Pambula SLSC
Anthony O'Donoghue, Coledale SLSC
David Price, Freshwater SLSC
Jackson Towns, Elouera SLSC
John Mayo, Cooks Hill SLSC
Les Pepper, Woolgoolga SLSC
Matt Slattery, North Avoca SLSC
Michael Pontefract, Evans Head-Casino SLSC
Tony Worton, Camden Haven SLSC

Presidents Award

This prestigious award will be presented to a Surf Life Saver who has embodied the spirit of the movement through a sustained level of service throughout the 2017/18 season.

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