

RESCUE OF THE MONTH.

SURF LIFE SAVING
NEW SOUTH WALES



OCTOBER 2020

Club: Lower North Coast Support Operations

Lifesavers and Lifeguards involved: Jerrad Allen

At 10:30am, 3 October 2020, Lower North Coast Duty Manager Jerrad Allen, noticed a large group swimming at South Bluey's Beach. Only upon arrival did Jerrad realise that all 11 swimmers were caught in a rip, and in trouble.

Whilst this was a mass rescue, Jerrad calmly and professionally assisted each person, returning them to shore, before returning to collect the others.

After single-handedly returning all 11 swimmers safely, Jerrad evaluated all patients and deemed that first aid was not required.

Jerrad then spoke to the group and advised them on better swimming locations, and educated the group on how to identify a rip, and the best way to get out of one.

Without the skill, training and calm manner demonstrated by Jerrad, a day at the beach could have ended in tragedy for a large group of swimmers.



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Joel Wiseman
Director of Lifesaving
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George Shales
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