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Junior R & R

The team competed in only four carnivals prior to the State titles, reducing their 32 point drill in the first competition to 24 points in the fourth. At the State championships each team member gave of their best to drill 17 points in the heats and they advanced to the final as fourth qualifiers. Their drill of 18 points in the final was one of their best but did not place them in medal contention.

At the Australian Championships the team's preparation prior to competing was hampered by a clash of events, a significant factor in their not making the finals.

Their sponsors, Golden Fruit and Vegetable Suppliers and Chapstick, are to be thanked for their support and the same gratitude is extended to Ted Larsen and Ian Goode who shared their knowledge and experience as judges and coaches with us during the season.

Golden Fruit supplied a team uniform — bright lime green t-shirts emblazoned with "Cronulla Junior R &R Team" and shorts (black for the girls, black and white for the boys). The girls were also outfitted with striking costumes in the Club colours.

Congratulations and thanks to the team of Heath Giles (beltman), Dale Rigney (patient), Tina Cairns, Kirsten Duffey, and Adrian Maso, (the three beach positions) for a job well done.

Karen Roach and Kim Roach

Shark Island Swim Report

The Strathfield Car Radios/Cronulla S.L.S.C. Shark Island Swim was conducted on 17th December, 1989. The organising committee was satisfied with the success of the event and is confident of the establishment of a permanent fixture which will continue to grow in numbers and stature as an annual event for Cronulla Surf Club.

For an event of this type to be successful many things must occur. Firstly, you require an active working committee which is prepared to share the many tasks to ensure success on race day. You need a planned programme for the committee to work towards to enable the many tasks to occur on time. You need strong support from Club members on race day. You need strong back up by the Management Committee through to the Social Organiser and his people. You need "huey" to be kind on the day to provide decent sea conditions and perhaps most importantly you need a good sponsor whose financial assistance makes the whole thing possible.

We were very fortunate this year in all of these areas, particularly having the support of Strathfield Car Radios who provided the major prizes and the entry forms, posters and commemorative tee shirts. In addition we had the Spank Sportswear Company which provided rubber caps for competitors and swimming costumes as prizes for the age category winners.

The race was conducted over a 2.5km course which proceeded out to sea from Cronulla Beach to a turning buoy 600 metres from shore. The course then continued in a westerly direction for 300 metres which brought the swimmers in to the shore line near Shelly beach. A further turn took the swimmers in a north easterly

direction for a further 500 metres back to the original marker buoy. The final leg to the beach being another 600 metres.

The race began with a massed start and 118 competitors finished the course with the first placed swimmer completing the swim in 29 minutes and 48 seconds whilst the last swimmer to finish recorded 68 minutes and 12 seconds.

Bruce Breadner, Organiser

Kurranulla Swimming Club

The 1989/90 season again sees Kurranulla in a strong position both socially and competitively. Membership remains virtually constant in numbers but stronger in enthusiasm.

Once again we would like to thank Cronulla Surf Club for their hospitality and use of the Monro Room for our after swim activities and also the Sports Complex for their help and the excellent condition of the pool water.

I am very pleased to report that at our recent Annual Meeting Mick Fitzgerald was unanimously elected to Life Membership of Kurranulla Swimming Club.

Mick has been a member almost since day one. He was Social Secretary for the 1976/77 season and Handicapper from 1976/77 to 1986/87 and Committeeman from 1988 and currently holds this position. He is always in attendance to record the swimming heats and to help at all social functions (and has, on occasions, been known to keep us at the Club till 4.00 a.m.).

A very deserving elevation to Life Membership.

Allan Metti — President

Long Service Awards

We extend our congratulations to Vice President Roy Gilkes and Veteran member Leo Mayhew who join that select group who have completed 50 years association with the surf movement. Roy joined Cronulla on 9th October, 1939 as an active member and has been a great supporter of the Club since that date.

Leo joined us on 2nd October, 1939, transferred to North Bondi in 1947 where he was a member for 28 years before he rejoined Cronulla in July, 1975.

Members who achieve 25 years' membership of Cronulla this year are Life Member Ken English (28.9.64), Country member Wayne Reilly, whose original joining date was 19th December, 1955, but who had a break in his membership, and Veteran member Geoff Todd (4.10.64). We offer these three members our congratulations.

200 Club

An excellent result was achieved from the conduct of this year's 200 club with a profit of \$2495.00.

Our thanks are extended to John Bentley and his hard working committee of Graham Giles, Ray Hitchenson and Jeff Steer who formed a great team, with a special thank you to Peter Day who, as always, gave his total support to the selling of tickets.