



DECEMBER 2024

FRESHIE SLSC

All the latest news from your favourite club.



WHAT'S ON IN DECEMBER, JANUARY & FEBRUARY





SAT 14 DEC
Twilight Nippers
last Nippers for
the year


SAT 14 DEC
CLUB
CHRISTMAS
PARTY


SUN 15 DEC
SKILLS
MAINTENANCE
11 AM


SUN 12 JAN
Return to
Nippers from
Christmas Break


SUN 19 JAN
Freshwater
Opens
Carnival


FRI 31ST JAN
FRESHIE ON
FRIDAYS


SUN 9TH FEB
BARNEY
MULLINS SWIM


SAT 22 FEB
SENIOR CLUB
CHAMPS 8AM

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

***Office will be closed from 23rd December and will
reopen on the Monday 6th January 2025.***



— CLUB NEWS

CHRISTMAS DAY SWIM

All members and their families are invited to the annual Christmas Day swim that will be held, rain, hail or shine at 10am on Christmas Day.

Followed by a few nibbles and a refreshment.



CHECK OUT THE REFURBISHED NOTICEBOARD

Thanks to the club's working group including Kev Dyer, Phil Fagan, Eric Middeldorp, and Dave Torvelle who recently refurbished the old Freshwater club sign board in the dunes near the driveway. Just one of the many small projects the team are working on guided by our Caretaker Jamie.



WORLD FOOD MARKET'S

The Northern Beaches Council will hold the annual World Food Markets in the Freshwater Reserve on Friday 3 January and Friday 10 January from 5PM till 9PM.

Your chance to savour all the different foods of the World while listening to some great music in the Park on a great summers night.

Its free.....

— VALE – BRIAN O’CALLAGHAN

Sadly our longest serving Life Member – Brian O’Callaghan, has passed away at the age of 94.

Brian, or “Callo” as he was affectionately known, joined the club in the 1947/48 season, obtaining his Bronze Medallion on 16 May 1948. He came to hold a range of positions including Boat Captain for 3 years, Boat Vice Captain for 3 years, Gear Steward for 1 years, Selector for 6 years, Committee member for 2 years, Building Committee member for 3 years, tour manager and carnival committee member.

He was a highly successful boat sweep, winning medals at Branch, Metropolitan, State and Australian level.

He was selected for the NSW State team in 64/65 and 66/67 and was a member of the Branch team which toured South Africa in 1964/65. He is particularly remembered as the sweep of the club’s Miss Astor boat which he took out in huge surf during the 1963/64 season. Showing no fear he steered his crew on a monster wave which saw the boat famously disappear in a mass of foam and ultimately get smashed to pieces. The stern of the boat adored the club’s wall for many years. In recognition of his services to the club he was made a life member in 1968.

Vale Callo –he will always be remembered!."



1964 Miss Astor Surfboat Wrecks with Callo sweeping and Bill Lucas, Bill Clymer, Don Graham, Zom Knox



1965 Branch team to South Africa. Brian O’Callaghan with Barry Lumsdaine and Col Maclean

— *EDUCATION NEWS*

SKILLS MAINTENANCE

Remaining proficiency dates - you must be proficient before 31 December 2024 to continue to patrol or compete

Sunday 15 December, 11am start - ABSOLUTE LAST

Intensive Bronze and SRC courses

Intensive Bronze and SRC course (must attend all training sessions)

Start Mon 6 Jan 2025, 9am-3pm

Tues 7 Jan 2025, 9am-3pm

Wed 8 Jan 2025, 9am-3pm

Thurs 9 Jan 2025, 9am-3pm

Assessment date to be advised

Email education@freshwaterslsc.com for further information



— INFORMATION

Bluebottle Watch - Understanding and predicting bluebottles along the coast

Did you know that bluebottles (yes, those nasty little buggers that sting) are right-handed or left-handed?

Also known as the Portuguese Man-o-War, bluebottles have stung about 1 in 6 Australians. And some of you have probably been stung 6 times this season already.

The University of NSW has been conducting a study into bluebottle dynamics, pathways and distribution of beachings.

Their object is to develop a risk prediction tool. (Yes, we all know that they come in following a few days of NE winds).

The University is looking for assistance from the public. In particular, they are requesting that we take photos and provide information on the size of the float, length of the tentacles, and the time, date and location the bluebottle was found.

More information is available at <https://www.unsw.edu.au/science/our-schools/bees/our-research/bluebottlewatch>

You can submit data here: <https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/bluebottles-in-australia-physalia-physalis>

FRESHWATER SLSC



SAVE THE DATE

TWILIGHT NIPPERS

2.30PM SAT 14 DEC



SUNDAY SURF RACES

Every Sunday, 11AM on the beach

**CAROLINE'S DYNAMIC
TAI CHI**
Classes at Freshwater SLSC

*Tai Chi is a form of mindfulness exercise.
All movement begins in the inner stillness of our minds.
The core of Tai Chi training is the unison of mind and body.*

Teacher: Caroline Wang Noble
Mobile: 0400480713
Website: www.carolinestaichi.com

CLASSES AT FRESHWATER SLSC
Tuesdays at 6.00 – 7.00pm starting 7th January 2025
Wednesdays at 6 – 7pm starting 12th February 2025



Yoga for Male Surfer's and non – Surfers!

Check out our Yoga Sessions with Celeste on Wednesday nights at 7 - 8 PM in the Freshwater Room.

Bring a mat or towel, water bottle and wear comfortable shorts and t-shirt or singlet.

All Blokes over 50 are encouraged to join for some deep stretching and the occasional beer afterwards at the Harbord Hotel.

*Contact Mike on 0416 339 654 if you have any questions.
All beginners are totally welcome!
Come for a free trial session.*



BUYER ENQUIRY PEAKS DURING THE SUMMER HOLIDAY PERIOD

COMPARISONS	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
Views per listing	1,532	2,419	1,971	1,892
Enquiries per listing	10.55	24	19	16.92
Properties for sale	654	678	1,010	944

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CHRISTMAS SPECIAL

Merry Christmas

SUPA PRICE

IGA Half Leg Christmas Ham

\$7.50 kg

CHRISTMAS SAVINGS

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Ends Tuesday 31st December 2024 or while stocks last & no trade supply

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Deals

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Buy a Mustang Mach-E by 31 December and we'll include the first three general services, a \$500 charging voucher, and we'll cover the cost of 6 months of premiums if you take out a 12-month Ford Insure policy (eligibility criteria & T&C's apply).*

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HARBORD HOTEL

What's on at your local



SALTY SANTA PHOTOS

Wed 11 - Sun 15 December

Santa's coming early to Freshie this year and he's dropping by Harbord Hotel. Grab your mates, kids or fur-baby and book in for a Salty Santa photo with the rad dude in red. One booking of \$50 includes the whole family. Each booking includes one print and digital pics.

Limited spots remaining! Book via our website.

DON'T FORGET TO SHOW YOUR CLUB CARD

Show your Club Card on the Harbord App and receive:

- 15% OFF SELECTED HOUSE BEVERAGES 7 DAYS A WEEK
- 15% OFF FOOD MONDAY - FRIDAY
- SPENDS FROM CLUB MEMBERS GO TOWARDS CLUB REBATES

HARBORD HOTEL

What's on at your local



NEW YEAR'S EVE

Tuesday 31 December | 5pm

COSMOS MIDNIGHT (DJ set) are dropping in to help say see-you-later to 2024. We have a sensational lineup of local DJs to help you send the year off the right way.

First release: \$35 tickets + free Belvedere cocktail on arrival

Get tix via our website



CHRISTMAS DAY FEAST

Wednesday 25 December

Kick your feet up this year and let us do the cooking! Bring your family along for a delicious shared feasting menu in our Harbord Dining Room.

\$240 pp | Kids \$50pp

Book a spot via our website.

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YOUR FRESHWATER PROPERTY EXPERT



*Thank you for trusting us in 2024.
Wishing you a happy holiday and we look forward to
seeing you next year.*

If your own trajectory for 2025 involves a new direction and you're thinking of selling, we'd love to get you moving and help you to take advantage of the strong prices currently unfolding in your area. Get in touch with me using the details below, or scan the QR code for a confidential chat or to find out more about the movements in your market.

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FRESHWATER PROPERTIES SOLD IN 2024

\$70m+

TOTAL SALES VALUE IN FRESHWATER IN 2024

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