



**SWANBOURNE NEDLANDS
SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB**

PATROL MEMBER OF THE YEAR

DETAILS

First awarded: Saturday, 9 May 1998
 Times awarded: 22 times (consecutive)
 22 Recipients
 18 Individual Recipients
 7 Female Recipients



ENGRAVING



SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

PATROL MEMBER OF THE YEAR

Surf Lifesaving Reel

'Surf Life Saving Club' and Reel elements appear to have been reused from another trophy.

HISTORY

Prior to 1997 the By-Laws provided for a "Champion Patrol Competition (conditions as laid down by the Beach Committee each year)". It was proposed to replace this with the "Best Patrolling member (as decided by the Lifesaving Manager)" during changes to the Constitution when the Club operational structure was updated in the July 1997. The actually wording adopted during this changes was "Patrolling Lifesaver of the Year (as decided by the Lifesaving Manager)".

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Subsequently in August 1998 the wording was amended to “Best Patrol Member (as selected by the Lifesaving Manager)”. In May 2020 it is proposed to update the By-Laws to reflect the actual name as engraved on the trophy “The Patrol Member of the Year (most recent patrol season) trophy, as selected by the Lifesaving Manager each season.”

Patrol Member of the Year

This award was first presented in 1997/98 to recognise the best patrolling member at the Swanbourne Nedlands SLSC. Several criteria are considered when deciding on this award,

Firstly, the number of patrol hours that are carried out is an important component, but by itself, means relatively little. It is easy to clock up a huge number of hours by signing on patrol on Sunday morning, putting on a patrol cap and then spending all morning doing Points Races. To be the Patrol Member of the Year, an individual is expected to do most of their rostered patrols, regardless of the time of day, weather conditions or other factors, sometimes even missing carnivals or other events to do their allotted hours. If they cannot make a patrol, they find a substitute and try to repay that substitute at a later time. In addition, they often substitute for others when asked.

They are the sort of member who turns up early and helps set up before the patrol starts, and stay until the end and help pack everything away. During patrol, they do their share of all the duties required - tower duty, water safety for Nippers and Points Races, doing mobile or foot patrols, moving surfers from between the flags, and will often miss their own races to get the job done. Lastly, they frequently (but not always) take on a leadership role within the patrol - Captain, Vice Captain, IRB driver or First Aid or resuscitation specialist in case there is a rescue. The winners below have demonstrated over the course of a season outstanding dedication to the primary role and function of the Swanbourne Nedlands SLSC.

Extract from Striving to Serve Part 1½, Swanbourne-Nedlands S.L.S.C., The next 25 years, 1982-2007, Chapter 9, Club Awards, page 74 by Peter Brigg.

BY-LAWS

2.5.7 Best Patrol Member (as selected by the Lifesaving Manager)

PROPOSED

2.5.7 Patrol Member of the Year

The Patrol Member of the Year (most recent patrol season) trophy, as selected by the Lifesaving Manager each season.

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RECIPIENTS

Season	Recipient	Season	Recipient
1997/98	Carl Dyde	2015/16	Emma Dunning
1998/99	Elizabeth Fitzhardinge	2016/17	Lloyd Green
1999/2000	Carl Dyde	2017/18	David Parsons
2000/01	Mark Gherardi	2018/19	Peran Bishop
2001/02	Helen Gatt	2019/20	
2002/03	Helen Gatt	2020/21	
2003/04	Kareena Preston	2021/22	
2004/05	Andy Symonds	2022/23	
2005/06	Julian Gibbings	2023/24	
2006/07	Yan Mahoney	2024/25	
2007/08	Yan Mahoney	2025/26	
2008/09	Yan Mahoney	2026/27	
2009/10	Brendon Williamson	2027/28	
2010/11	Nicholas Hudson	2028/29	
2011/12	Amie Montefiore	2029/30	
2012/13	John Garnett	2030/31	
2013/14	Sophie Edgar	2031/32	
2014/15	Robert Lavis		

STATISTICS

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Inaugural Recipient

Carl Dyde, Saturday, 9 May 1998

First Female Recipient

Elizabeth Fitzhardinge, Saturday, 29 May 1998

Multiple Recipients

3

Yan Mahoney

2

Carl Dyde and Helen Gatt

Consecutive Recipients

3

Yan Mahoney

2

Helen Gatt

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