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Friday 1 May 2026

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# TRUE BLUE WEEKLY

The official newsletter of Coogee Surf Life Saving Club

*Coogee SLSC respectfully acknowledges the Traditional Owners of Koojay, the Bidjigal and Gadigal people of the Eora Nations. We pay respect to the Elders, past and present.*



We marked the last day on patrol for the 2025/26 season on Monday, with our final volunteer patrol group seeing the season to a close. While the extent of successes this season will be shared in time, we had over 900 members patrol Coogee Beach this season, contributing a combined total of 24234 hours keeping beachgoers safe. With your assistance, we performed 17 rescues and conducted countless preventative actions.

We also hosted our annual ANZAC Day Commemoration in the Ocean Room. Throughout the Commemoration, we heard from a number of Members, including LTCOL (Ret'd) James Campbell and Karly West, and welcomed various dignitaries, including LTCOL Julian West CSM. We thank Karly, James, Julian and all Members who are or have been part of our armed forces for their service to our country and Club.

Before we move into the offseason, we invite everyone to join our End of Season Awards and Party next Friday (8 May 2026). It will be a great way to celebrate the season, no tickets or RSVP needed. We have several other social events throughout the offseason, including 'The Biggest Morning Tea' on 31 May 2026.

Have a good weekend.  
Emily Miers  
Honorary Secretary

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## What's on around the Club?

- Friday 1 May: Committee Thank You evening
  - Sunday 3 May: Penguins Winter Swimming Club starts
  - Friday 8 May: Awards Presentation & End of Season Party
  - Friday 15 May: Golden Rowlock
  - Friday 29 May: Annual Dinner
  - Sunday 31 May: Biggest Morning Tea
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## Seddon Shield POSTPONED

Due to the whale carcass & increased shark activity in the Royal National Park, beaches are closed, including at Burning Palms & Era.

This has forced us to postpone this weekend's Seddon Shield to 5th September



The Penguins winter swim season is fast approaching with the first swim on **Sunday, 3rd May**. Come along and dive into the Ross Jones Memorial pool, which is only 17.83 m in length and is too short to get cold in. The Penguins cater for swimmers of all abilities and welcome members of the surf club and minnows to join us each Sunday, as the Penguins were founded in 1947 by members of Coogee SLSC and in 2027 will celebrate the 80th anniversary.

The season runs from May to September, and members compete in handicap races over two and four laps, an individual medley, and a relay. A 20-lap nominated time event is held before the start of events at 10am. Put it into your diary and come down at 9am to register for events.

The Penguins can be contacted via email at [penguins@coogeeslsc.com.au](mailto:penguins@coogeeslsc.com.au) or by contacting Emperor Penguin Mick McMahon on 0405 336 169 or our Treasurer, Tim Green 0412 158 185. See you at the pool on 3rd May



2026 Award Presentation & End of Season Party Friday 8 May 2026

2025 Annual Presentation & End of Season Party Friday 8 May 2026

Join us on Friday, 8 May 2026, to celebrate the end of the 2025/2026 season and present the annual Lifesaving, Education, Minnows & Competition awards. Light refreshments will be provided.

Members can sponsor the awards via this link. Patrol Person of the Year and Rookie of the Year are awarded at the Annual Dinner, Friday 29 May 2026. The remaining awards will be presented at the Awards Presentation night.



The Annual Dinner celebrates the end of another successful season at Coogee Surf Life Saving Club. Join us in honouring our Australian Gold Medallists, the Singer-Yeo Rookie of the Year, Patrol Person of the Year, Australian Mutual Bank Scholarship and Honour Blazer recipients.

Tickets:

- Over 18: \$130 (Inclusive of the meal, wine, beer & soft drinks. Excludes spirits.)
- Under 18: \$90 (Inclusive of the meal & soft drinks. Excludes alcohol.)

Tickets on sale now. When purchasing your ticket, please indicate which group/table you wish to be seated with. Each table seats 10 guests only, no exceptions.

[BOOK YOUR TICKETS FOR ANNUAL DINNER HERE](#)

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# OFFICE OPENING TIMES

The Coogee SLSC office is open at the following times (subject to change if additional room bookings are received). Members are reminded that access to the Ocean Room is not permitted during an event. Members are also reminded that the office is staffed by youth Members from 9am to 12pm every Sunday.

- Sunday 3 May 2026: OPEN 9am - 12pm
- Monday 4 May 2026: OPEN 8am - 12pm
- Friday 8 May 2026: OPEN 9am - 10am
- Sunday 10 May 2026: OPEN 9am - 12pm
- Monday 11 May 2026: OPEN 8am - 12pm
- Friday 15 May 2026: OPEN 9am - 10am

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