

# NARROWNECK LONGBOARD CLUB

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## NEWSLETTER – November 2008

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**Next Club Contest: Sunday 14 December 2008 at  
Narrowneck 7:00 start**

**Committee Meeting: Thursday 18 December 2008  
At the Presidential Palace,  
10 Cameron Crt, Ashmore 7:00PM**

## The Prez Report:

G'day fight fans.

O.K. this is going to be sweet and short as I am laid up in bed with some bloody viral infection so here goes.

I would have to say just about the whole club turned up for the last comp of the season and we were met by a howling southerly with wind chop as far as you could see, after much wise debating it was no surf, no comp, no barby. Some of the boys went south and found a wave at Duranbah otherwise everywhere was stuffed.

Onto the Xmas party/Presso, as usual it will be held at the Ashmore Tavern at 12.30 p.m. on the first Sunday of December which is the 7th. Its still only \$5.00 per head so bring your spare cash for the raffle as there are some great prizes to be had. On that note I would like to thank our sponsors for their

generosity throughout the year and also to wish them and everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

All from me hope to see you in the green room soon.

Normie Da Prez.

## **November Comp? Ha!**

25 to 30 knots of southerly saw a very quick decision (!) made about the last comp of the season. Actually it took the best part of an hour to get a decision out of the useless pack of tits that we call a committee. I for one can't wait until the new committee is elected.

### **The year at a glance.**

What a year it has been, we've had it all, some mind numbing wipe outs, some classic dummy spits, numerous drop ins and snakings, dings, broken boards aplenty, blood and gore and all manner of other humour, shit and corruption.

The ever dependable ~~Angiotome, Angus~~ Angus didn't let us down and the tallying is up to shit big time, so expect lots of surprises at the Presso. If I don't win after what I've paid, there will be big trouble.

Actually this year Mr T, Grunta, Coombsie, Migaloo, Scotty Newman, Barnacle Bob, Waz, Taipan and Dirty Dave Cottle all went hard and lifted the standard of surfing across the Club

We have had more oldies (Over 55s) surfing than Open blokes this year, with some rounds having three full heats of old fellas.

Due to the incessant southerly winds blowing on contest Sundays we have had to range a bit further afield and Tugun was christened "Narrowneck South" early in the year and was the scene of several memorable rounds and a few that are better left unmentioned to protect the guilty.

To my mind, one of the more memorable occurrences was in the February round when Patto and Angus tossed a coin for last place as neither caught a wave during their heat.

One of the good things that happened was that we inherited a you beaut trailer from the now defunct Palm Beach Club which was not such a good thing.

At the July round we had a massive 39 surfers competing. Outstanding.

Da Prez turned 60 and celebrated. And celebrated.

The club managed to bung together \$120 for Big Patto for the Leukaemia Foundation Run.

Numerous browneyes were unleashed at fellow members, none more horrible than an unnamed ginger ninja who assailed our senses as we travelled through Burleigh, although the louts that nearly caused Lil' Patto to drive off the road at Broadbeach were also apparently pretty crook. Especially the little furry fella.

Skydiver scored 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Wrecks and Relics at Noosa real old blokes (Methuselah) division, Grunta won the Old Mal at Alex, Coombsie got 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the O35s, Barnacle Bob got 3<sup>rd</sup> in the O55s

Kev K1 got his board pinched out of his garage, Waz got his wettie and towel pinched at Evans Head, Taipan got his car, board and clothes all knocked off from Currumbin.

Mike A had his board fed into a Council compactor.

There were too many wipe outs to recall but K1, Skiddo, Skydiver and James Patto all featured but I got a gift voucher from the Evans Head comp for my efforts.

Mumbles name came out of the hat to win a board at Evans but as he was absent it was eventually won by the Skydiver who donated the proceeds from the sale to the Club. We had 18 Surfing members at Evans Head comp with Grunta scoring third in the Old Mal event and Philthy got sixth in the O55s

The old tent was donated to Trinity Lutheran College who now think NLC are wonderful, little do they know!! And Normie sold the old trailer for a motza.

The NLC website still is attracting excellent numbers of hits and generating queries and our webmistress (?) is doing a mighty job of keeping me in line and informed.

### **And now for something completely different, a serious bit.**

There are a number of members who surf the club comps for a bit of fun but some of the crew do take it seriously and it is only fair that the comps are run properly and the scoring and tallying is consistent from month to month. I know that some fellas like to keep their own scores and keep tabs on how the competition is shaping up around them.

During the year, some heats were pulled up short and some ran overtime by more than a few minutes on occasions. It was the human factor, after all we are just a bunch of local surfers and this is not the ASP Tour.

If there are issues with the scoring and there undoubtedly will be at some stage during the year, then we the committee would hope that all members feel they are able to approach any of us to question the scores at the end of

the day. Obviously we all aim to be as consistent as possible, but please remember there is a human factor in the scoring and tallying and we would all like to think that the dramas are simple mistakes and not done with any malicious intent.

Remember, at the end of the day it isn't for sheep stations and while we appreciate there is a need to be as accurate as possible, sometimes we all make mistakes.

At the end of the day, hopefully it all evens itself out. (The serious stuff finishes here).

**OTHER CRAP.** What's been doing around the beach? All the rubbish that's fit to print (and a fair bit that isn't).

"Rebecca Gibney is a Hottie" according to Greg Aird or was it Grant Davies?

**The Christmas Party/Annual General Meeting/Presentation of Trophies** is on at the Ashmore Tavern this **Sunday 7 December at 12:30**. Cost is only **\$5 per person**. If you haven't already let the Committee know if you are planning to come you will need to do it real soon so we can arrange the catering.

**Loud shirts are essential.**

## **CLUB SURFING CALENDAR**

Sun 7 December	The legendary NLC Ashmore Tavern Presentation of Trophies	I'm not sure I am ready
Sun 14 Dec	Regular club round 7:00 AM	At Narrowneck. First round of the 08/09 season
Thursday 18 Dec	C'ttee meeting	Presidential Palace

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