



Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association

(Established 29th November 1978)



NEWSLETTER – MAY 2020

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Its On Again
Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Assoc

Car Raffle



Win a
Toyota Yaris
Valued at
\$15,990

\$125 tickets ~ only 199 to be sold

Drawn Sunday 3rd May 2020 at 4pm
Kirra Surf Club Supporters Bar
Marine Parade, Kirra
Complementary drinks for all ticket holders
present for draw from 3pm to 5pm
Vehicle supplied by:

Tickets available now
Phone: Paul Cameron 0418 728 089
Mark Rogers 0411 511 511
Or Direct Deposit
BSB: 084 130
A/c: 448755954
& email your details to

Sci-Fleet Toyota 

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STOP THE PRESS!!
Yes tickets still available!

DRAWN: 3RD JULY 2020
Additional prizes now to be won in the raffle!

Owing to the Government's COVID-19 sanctions on gatherings and closure of licensed clubs, the Kirra Car Raffle draw was re-scheduled. Given that the Committee cannot conduct a Draw Function (definitely a mass gathering) there is now a greater opportunity to **WIN – WIN – WIN.....** with three additional \$500 prizes in the draw!!

✓✓✓ **ONLY 199 TICKETS TO BE SOLD FOR THE CAR RAFFLE**

✓✓✓ **GREAT OPPORTUNITY (GOOD ODDS) TO WIN A NEW CAR**

✓✓✓ **LESS THAN 100 TICKETS REMAINING TO BE SOLD**

✓✓✓ **DRAWN – FRIDAY, 3RD JULY 2020 AT 4:00PM**

✓✓✓ **FIRST PRIZE OF A NEW CAR VALUED AT \$15,990.00**

✓✓✓ **THREE COMPLEMENTARY PRIZES EACH VALUED AT \$500.00**

A special request to our Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association members, and Kirra Surf Club members and supporters..... We need your support to make this raffle a success!! Your assistance in buying a ticket or selling a few tickets amongst your circle of friends and business colleagues, or Surf Club supporters would be much appreciated.

*If you can help, please contact 'Kirra Old Boys' Committee Members' **Paul Cameron (Mobile) 0418 728 089** or **Mark Rogers (Mobile) 0411 511 511** or just Email: kirra@kirraoldboys.com for your 2020 Kirra Car Raffle ticket/s.....*



“Above: The Kirra Beach Pavilion was constructed in 1935 and has been the Kirra SLSC clubhouse for eighty-five (85) years. The Kirra Surf Club at that time (1935) provided significant financial contributions supporting the construction of the Pavilion and its new Clubhouse. The building project was led by Kirra SLSC President SW Winders (also Mayor, Coolangatta Town Council). Since construction of the Pavilion, the Kirra Surf Club has invested in the ongoing upgrade of this building. Year 2020 is the 104th year of the Kirra Surf Life Saving Club (Established 7th January 1916)”

A story from the vault!



Well here is one from the vault for those Rugby League fans..... This Valleys Diehards RLFC squad were the winners of the 1973 President's Cup and Brisbane Premiers. Four of the players were members of our Kirra Surf Club: KSLSC Honorary Life Member Ron Gurnett; Alan Beauchamp; Mick Rathborne; and Ross Strudwick.

On discussing the team's preparation and Grand Final performance, past Kirra SLSC member Ross Strudwick commented: *“One of the best and toughest Grand Finals you could ever play in..... The early morning swims and early afternoon talks in the Kirra pub gave the Valley's boys the edge”.*

During those early years of the 1970s, the champion teams from Valleys Diehards would regularly use the Kirra Surf Club for their winter camps and end of year activities. Yes, a very successful Brisbane Rugby League team of yesteryear were the mighty Valleys Diehards. On encouragement from Kirra Life Member Ron Gurnett and others, several of the Valleys Diehards RLFC players from the 1970s/1980s era joined and were active members contributing to the continuous improvement/success of their Kirra Surf Life Saving Club.

Volunteerism: “The principal of donating one’s personal time and energy through providing support for the benefit of other people and/or an organisation within the community as a social responsibility rather than for any individual gain, reward or financial opportunity”.

2020 – ASSOCIATION CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	VENUE
Friday 3 rd July	Draw – Kirra Old Boys Car Raffle Given the Government's sanctions on gatherings and social distancing, there will be <u>no</u> Draw Function this year. <i>Three additional prizes (Coupons valued at \$500 each) have been added to the draw.</i> Results for the draw will be published in the local newspaper.	Coordinated by the Association Secretary
Sunday 26 th July	Annual Kirra Golf Day 24 player positions available – Tee off from 8:30am Green Fee - \$40 / Cart Hire - \$20/player (if required) Contact John 'Brashie' Bell (M: 0401 172 521) on your attendance	Coolangatta Tweed Heads Golf Club (West course)
Friday 28 th August	Kirra Sports Luncheon 11:30am start and through to 3:30pm <i>(Monitoring Government's sanctions on social distancing – The Committee soon to engage with the Pineapple Hotel to determine if this major annual event for the Association is to continue at this date..... Watch for more information as this becomes available)</i>	Pineapple Hotel
Friday 20 th November	Members Christmas Social Function/AGM 5:30pm arrival for a 6:00pm start	Pineapple Hotel
Sunday 27 th December	Bumpo Freeman Remembrance Day <i>"A special day for all surf club members and families when we come together and remember those Kirra SLSC members and dear family who sadly are no longer with us – Lest we Forget"</i> "Commencing from 3:30pm"	Kirra Beach Surf Club Bar/Bistro

Temporary closure – Kirra Beach Surf Club 'Bar & Bistro'

Given the National/State Governments imposed sanctions, it was a sad duty for the Committee of the Kirra Surf Life Saving Supporters Association to temporarily close the Kirra Beach Surf Club 'Bar & Bistro' on Monday 23rd March 2020. Our staff has been supported through both the Government's Job Keeper and Job Seeker Programs during this time.



Since this temporary closure of full trading, our Club Manager (Patrik) and Head Chef (Ben) are providing a **TAKEAWAY SERVICE** for members with drinks and packaged meals with some success. This COVID-19 enforced down period has permitted maintenance and improvements to be undertaken of the licensed Club facilities and equipment. A new and improved facility waits for when the doors are finally reopened for the licensed Kirra Beach Surf Club 'Bar and Bistro'.

With the Queensland Government's recent announcement of a staged reduction of sanctions, the Committee for the Kirra Supporters Association in consultation with the Club Manager are targeting **Friday 10th July 2020** as the day to reopen the licensed Kirra Beach Surf Club 'Bar and Bistro'. Social distancing rules will apply but the venue can cater for up to 100 members and supporters.

Watch this space for further details on the REOPENING OF OUR LICENSED KIRRA BEACH SURF CLUB that will be also posted in the Kirra Chronicle and the Kirra Surf Club website.



BY SUPPORTING YOUR LICENSED KIRRA BEACH SURF CLUB 'BAR AND BISTRO' YOU CONTINUE TO SUPPORT YOUR KIRRA SLSC

NOTE YOUR CALENDAR AND JOIN THE FUN WITH MATES AT THE LICENSED KIRRA BEACH SURF CLUB 'BAR AND BISTRO' ON FRIDAY 10th JULY... A GREAT PLACE TO BE!

Kirra ‘Historical Project’ and other financial goals

The Project Business Case was submitted by the Committee, Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association to Kirra SLSC Management in May 2018 and endorsed at the Kirra Surf Club’s 2018 Annual General Meeting. The Business Case for the **Kirra Historical Project** is available to read on the Kirra Surf Club’s Webpage | Old Boys... www.kirrasurfclub.com.au

“Revenue raised by the Association is used to support the Kirra Historical Project in reinforcing the proud history of our Kirra SLSC spanning over 104 years”

In such a short period of time since August 2018, the following have been sponsored and achieved by your Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association for the Kirra Historical Project:

- Researched, designed and constructed the Kirra SLSC Life Members ‘Honour Board’;
- Coordinated a generous donation offsetting the cost of the Life Members ‘Honour Board’;
- Researched, designed and constructed the Kirra SLSC Patrons ‘Honour Board’;
- Coordinated and sponsored the Kirra SLSC ‘Life Members return to Kirra’ event;
- Presented a unique Kirra SLSC Life Member’s cap to each Life Member;
- Designed and presented the IRB Champions (2018) ‘Photo Display’;
- Researched, designed and constructed the Kirra SLSC Australian Champions ‘Honour Board’;

The following tasks for the Kirra Historical Project are currently being finalised, including:

- Researched and submitted a ‘Grant Application’ to the Australian Government, Canberra to construct a memorial at Kirra Beach (near and/or in front of the surf club) recognising the heroic service of Kirra SLSC members in defence of our great Nation during WW1 and WW2 (awaiting advice on the application); and
- Finalising the research and design for the Photographic Gallery of Kirra SLSC ‘World and Australian Champions’.

In addition to the above recent initiatives, the Association has also provided financial support to the Kirra Surf Club over the past eighteen months for the following:

- New carpet for the licensed Kirra Beach Surf Club ‘Bar & Bistro’ in partnership with an anonymous donor (Kirra Old Boys Association and long serving active Club member);
- Provided a grant to the Kirra Junior Activities (Nippers);
- Coordinated a generous donation from Association members towards the reconstruction of the Surf Club’s downstairs showers and toilets; and
- Coordinated generous donations from Association members and a grant from the City of Gold Coast towards the costs to finalise the Kirra Master Plan – Kirra Redevelopment Project.

The outstanding success of the annual Kirra Car Raffle and the Kirra Sports Luncheon assists your Association in financially supporting these new initiatives for the benefit of all members, families and supporters of our Kirra Surf Life Saving Club.



Hope you enjoyed this read..... Please share the Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association – May 2020 Newsletter with your circle of friends and work colleagues connected with and supporting our Kirra SLSC.....

Many thanks for your continuing support of the Committee, your Association, and our Kirra Surf Life Saving Club.
Committee – Kirra Surf Club Old Boys Association
(Peter, Adam, Paul and Mark)

***“Once a Kirra member –
Always a Kirra member!”***