



ANNOUNCEMENT

TO:	Club Presidents, Club Secretaries, Club Captains, Surf Sports and Youth & Junior Development Teams CC: BOM, SSC, LSRSC and YJDC
FROM:	Director, Member Services
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SUBJECT:	SLSS 2026 Senior and Youth Awards of Excellence Nominees & Winners
OVERVIEW:	Surf Life Saving Sydney congratulates all our Senior and Youth Awards Nominees and our 2025/26 Winners.

Congratulations to all our nominees and winners announced and presented on Saturday 4 July 2026 at The Brighton Hotel, Brighton Le Sands. To our wonderful hosts Sarah Teitler, South Maroubra SLSC and Aimee Charles, Coogee SLSC, thank you.

Award Name	Nominee	Club	Highly Commended / Winner
Young Athlete of the Year			
	George Messiter	Coogee	
	Thomas Giles	Cronulla	
	Christopher Kondilios	South Maroubra	Highly Commended
	Dane Sutton	Wanda	Winner
Athlete of the Year			
	Noah Steiner	Wanda	
	Rory Muldowney	South Maroubra	Winner
Masters Athlete of the Year			
	Michelle Donoghoe	Coogee	
	Edel Dickson	South Maroubra	
	Sophie Thomson	North Bondi	
	Jeanette Brits	Bondi	Winner

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Coach of the Year			
	David Smith	Coogee	
	Jeffrey (Charlie) Brown	Wanda	
	Nicole (Nixy) Krite	Bondi	Winner
Official of the Year			
	George Alexiou	South Maroubra	
	Andrew Bloxsom	Coogee	
	Morgan Harris	Wanda	
	Michael (Mick) Hobbs	Bondi	
	Steven Brown	Maroubra	
	Ronald Hegarty	Elouera	Highly Commended
	Philip Cole	Cronulla	Winner
Surf Sports Team of the Year			
	Cronulla Beach Long Distance Duo	Cronulla	
	Coogee U17 R&R Team	Coogee	
	The Great Men	Elouera	
	Under 23 March Past	Maroubra	
	U17 Male Beach Relay	South Maroubra	
	130 years Male Surf Teams	Bondi	
	Wanda Weapons - Open Male Surf Boat Crew	Wanda	Winner
Rescue of the Year			
	September 2025 - 25/09/2025	North Cronulla	
	October 2025 - 31/10/2025	Garie	
	January 2026 - 24/1/2026	Bronte	
	March 2026 7/3/2026	North Cronulla	
	April 2026 - 12/04/2026	RWC Operators (Ski 1 & 2) & Duty Officers	
	December 2025 - 14/12/2025	Bondi & North Bondi	Winner



Rescue Services Member of the Year			
	Tony Graham	Garie	
	James McLennan	Bronte	Winner
Duty Officer of the Year			
	Thomas Small	Clovelly	
	Benjamin Heenan	Coogee	Winner
RWC Member of the Year			
	Daniel Rosado	Bondi	
	Gordon Manuel	Clovelly	
	Tony Graham	Garie	Winner
SR30 Member of the Year			
	Bradley Taylor	Garie	Winner
UAV Member of the Year			
	Ben Liqueite	South Maroubra	
	Craig Howie	Coogee	Winner
Betty's Burgers Young Surf Lifesaver of the Year			
	James Peate	Coogee	
	Lawrence Scanlon	Wanda	
	Cynthia Baker-Barden	North Bondi	
	Tyler May	Maroubra	
	Nate Schembri	South Maroubra	
	Micah Esra	Bondi	
	Sarah Eliasson	Clovelly	Highly Commended
	Caitlin Smith	Elouera	Winner
Patrol Captain of the Year			
	Madeleine Bald	Coogee	
	Mic Conroy	Wanda	
	Annette Tasker	Cronulla	
	Cameron Simpson	Elouera	
	Daniel Fell	Bondi	
	Yasmin Grivell	Maroubra	
	Lisa Morgan	South Maroubra	
	Tony Nolan	Bronte	
	Jodie Salmon	North Bondi	Winner



Patrol of the Year			
	Patrol 11	Coogee	
	Tamarama Patrol 11	Tamarama	
	Patrol 07	Elouera	
	Patrol 7	Clovelly	
	Patrol 5	Maroubra	
	Santos Patrol	Bondi	
	Patrol 13	Wanda	
	Patrol 11	North Bondi	Winner
Assessor of the Year			
	Vaughn Keena	Coogee	
	David Freedman	North Bondi	
	Nicole Krite	Bondi	
	John Restuccia	Maroubra	
	Stewart Wells	Clovelly	Winner
Trainer of the Year			
	Pippa Jokhan	Wanda	
	Codie Wem	South Maroubra	
	Sarah Flynn	Coogee	
	Prue Lynch	Tamarama	
	Rebecca Cocks	Clovelly	
	Ambar Maddox	North Bondi	
	Jonathan Potts	Bondi	
	Will Stawell	Bronte	
	Michelle Carter	Maroubra	Winner
Facilitator of the Year			
	Jodie Salmon	North Bondi	
	Chris Thompson	Clovelly	
	Phillip Carter	Maroubra	
	Rodd Sanchez	Cronulla	Winner
Community Engagement of the Year			
	Yellow Fins Inclusive Nippers Program - Leah Byrne	Elouera	



	Giant Steps - Roslyn Manuel	Clovelly	Winner
Administrator of the Year			
	Emily Miers	Coogee	
	Uri Teitler	South Maroubra	Winner
Young Volunteer of the Year			
	Edie Molesworth	Coogee	
	Jade Derwin	North Bondi	
	Ffyon McCabe	South Maroubra	
	Emma Murphy	Maroubra	
	James Young	Clovelly	Highly Commended
	Zoe Fletcher	Bondi	Winner
Services Team of the Year			
	Coogee Education Team	Coogee	
	South Maroubra Education Team	South Maroubra	
	Tamarama Education Team	Tamarama Education Team	Winner
Branch Member of the Year			
	Rodd Sanchez	Cronulla	Winner
President Medal			
	Pam Vallis	South Maroubra/Brondi	Winner
Club of the Year			
	South Maroubra	South Maroubra	
	Wanda	Wanda	
	Clovelly	Clovelly	
	Coogee	Coogee	Winner
Volunteer of the Year			
	Helen Murphy	Coogee	
	Kasey Diver Tuck	Cronulla	
	Khristina Verstraete	Elouera	
	Andrew McCabe	South Maroubra	
	Anthony Graham	Garie	
	Blake Hatton	Bondi	



	Anne DeGroot	Bronte	
	Roslyn Manuel	Clovelly	
	Chris Harrap	Maroubra	
	Amy Hanna	North Bondi	Winner
Surf Lifesaver of the Year			
	Paul Nelson	Coogee	
	Harrison Stein	North Bondi	
	Khristina Verstraete	Elouera	
	Sven Bolomey	Bronte	
	Alex Newman	Maroubra	
	Ashleigh Breden	South Maroubra	
	Jonathan Potts	Bondi	
	Dominic Winkle	Clovelly	Winner

On Surf Life Saving Sydney's Facebook and Instagram pages, be sure to check out all the great photos from the celebration, courtesy of Glenn Duffus Photography.

If you have any questions, please reach out to the Branch Office admin@sls.sydney or 9019 0722

Thank you.

Kind regards,

Doug Hawkins
Director, Membership

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**SLS Sydney Life Member Induction
Andrew McKellar - Elouera SLSC**

**Club of the Year
Coogee SLSC**



**Volunteer of the Year
Amy Hanna - Nth Bondi SLSC**

**Lifesaver of the Year
Dominic Winkle - Clovelly SLSC**



**Rescue of the Year
Bondi SBLSC
& North Bondi SLSC**

