



ROYAL

LIFE

NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2011



Royal Life Saving Queensland

IMPORTANT DATES

- 12-14 January 2011 Australian Pool Lifesaving Champs. Adelaide
- 23 March 2012 RLSSQ Gala Ball Customs House, Brisbane, 7:00pm
- 24 April 2012 Primary/Secondary School Champs. Caboolture/Burpengary
- 15 May 2012 Queensland Pool Rescue Champs. TBA
- August 2012 Queensland Short Course Champs. TBA
- 7-12 Nov. 2012 Rescue 2012 Lifesaving World Champs Adelaide

REMOTE WATER SAFETY - ROYAL LIFE SAVING ARRIVES BY CHOPPER TO COBBOLD GORGE

Cobbold Gorge is unique, hidden away within the rugged sandstone formations of North Queensland. The overall length of the gorge is about six (6) kilometers and consists of a series of water-holes and rock falls, however only the last 500 metres is accessible by a flat bottom boat.

The gorge is located approximately six (6) hours north west of Townsville. Carolyn Asher and Colleen Freeman set out from Townsville at 6.00am on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2011 and drove to the Lynd Junction, which is a three (3) hour drive, sorted out the gear, which was then taken out to the gorge by road. Carolyn & Colleen bordered a very small helicopter provide by The Salvation Army Outback Flying Service Chaplain Simon, and flew over the amazing country side to the cattle property, that is home to ten thousand (10,000) head of Brahman cattle on Robin Hood Stations, an area of 1284 square kilometers. Its history dates back to early gold rush days.



After a forty five (45) minute helicopter flight, the Trainers were straight into the water safety program, which was taught in an above ground pool at the side of the gorge. These children are educated through the school of the air. Seventy five (75) children (ageing from 6 months to 14 years) from surrounding properties, attended an extensive five (5) day program of Swimming, Life Saving & Water Safety.

June Cotter from Mareeba joined the group on the second day to help with the program. For a lot of these children, their only place to swim is in animal troughs, the creek or river. The children enjoyed the challenges that the Royal Life Saving Trainers set for them and there was obviously lots of fun. Royal Life Saving Queensland provided water bottles, lunch bags and caps for the children, and they appreciated this support.

Carolyn Asher  
North Queensland Regional Director - Townsville

2010/2011 Trophy Winners

Trophy	Winner	Runner Up
Grigson Shield	Yeronga Park Swimming Complex	Sam Riley Swim Schools
JJ Betts Trophy	Brisbane Grammar School	Toowoomba Grammar School
Soden Shield	Brisbane Girls Grammar School	St Rita's College
Worfold Shield	Southern Cross Catholic College	Manly West State School
Murray Hine Trophy	Trinity Bay State High School	Chancellor State College
GL Jones Shield	Neptune RLSC	Ithaca Caloundra LSC
J McClelland Trophy	Gail Smail	Brian Povey
Victory Press Cup	Sunshine Coast Institute of TAFE	Barrier Reef TAFE
Trustees Shield	Yeronga Park Swimming Complex	Sam Riley Swim Schools
Jack Spender Shield	Gail Smail	Brian Povey



2011 - 2012 Queensland SHARKS



- Ann Glenn
- Pamela Hendry
- Alicia Kirk
- Rebecca Pegg
- Wonka Astrid
- Sam Bell
- Ryan Chapman
- James Maguire
- Annabelle Anderson
- Rebecca Campbell
- Alisha Ellwood
- David Elliot
- Kurravi Piggott
- Josh Stone
- Alexandra Knesi
- Rosie Lennoz

Coach - Jeannie Baxter Reid  
Assistant Coach - David Lush  
Manager - Ashley Gordon  
Assistant Manager - Lynda Barry



Alex Nolan

2011 Team Member



Dear Members

Welcome to our first newsletter following the Annual General Meeting. The AGM was a huge success and we wish to thank all of those members who took the time to attend.

With an extra ordinary and record number, of participants registering in our programs last year, we look forward to eclipsing one hundred and twenty thousand (120,000) registered participants during the coming summer months.

As part of our ongoing organisational review, the Board of Directors wish to invite all members to contribute to the review of the constitution. You can receive a copy of the constitution electronically by e-mailing the Executive Director, Mr Michael Darben at michael@rlssq.com.au. We request that all feedback be provided to the Society by 31 December 2011.

Thank you again for your continued support and I look forward to a safe summer ahead.

John McClelland  
State President

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RLSSQ GALA BALL

ROYAL LIFE SAVING QUEENSLAND GALA BALL

Monarch Music Mischief

FRIDAY 23RD MARCH, 2012  
CUSTOMS HOUSE  
THE LONG ROOM  
399 QUEEN STREET,  
BRISBANE, QLD 4000

7PM FOR 7:30PM  
COST: \$150.00  
INCLUDES THREE COURSE DINNER, BEER/WINE/SOFT DRINKS AND ENTERTAINMENT.  
DRESS: BLACK TIE/ FORMAL  
NO ON SITE PARKING.



# WATER SAFETY WEEK

## **Water Safety Tips #1**

**Children must be supervised around aquatic environments at all times.**

**Backyard pools must be fenced and have a self latching gate.**

**Do not leave a child unattended in a bath tub.**