CLIFTON SURF LIFESAVING IMPACT, PATROL AND EDUCATION REPORT

25/26 SEASON



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FOREWORD FROM LSA PRESIDENT, WINSTON MEYER

It is with deep gratitude and pride that I congratulate Clifton Surf Lifesaving Club for an exceptional patrol season. Your drowning-free season is a powerful testament to the professionalism, selfless commitment, vigilance and compassion of your lifeguards, management, volunteers, and the supportive parent community. The season's statistics speak volumes: Drownings: 0; Rescues: 19; Incidents: 21 (including 2 successful CPR resuscitations); First Aid treatments: 86; Duty hours: 5,079.5; Lifeguards on duty: 139; Duty sign ins: 850. These figures reflect countless hours of training, readiness, and selfless service.

The achievement of 102 retests, 68 new awards (including 28 LA achievements and 29 JLA awards), and sustained IRB capability underscores Clifton's role as a leader in lifesaving excellence. As you enter your 70th year, these results reinforce how sustained collaboration between clubs, families and partners prevents tragedy and strengthens community safety and public confidence in our beaches.

On behalf of Lifesaving South Africa, I salute every member who stood watch, every instructor and examiner who upheld standards, and every volunteer who gave their time. Your dedication embodies the values we champion and makes a real, measurable difference to the bathing community you serve.

Thank you for your unwavering service and exemplary contribution.
Winston Meyer
President Lifesaving South Africa



LETTER FROM LCT CHAIRMAN, DONOVAN BROWN

Lifesaving Cape Town is privileged to serve the community through the lifesaving clubs of the Western Cape in protecting the public from drownings, saving lives and administering first aid when required.

Clifton Surf Lifesaving Club conducts its duty to protect the public on one of the busiest beaches of the Western Cape, with often challenging circumstances in high-season tourist hotspots that rely on proactive lifeguarding and effective Emergency Services communication to be able to prevent incidents and react quickly to rescues or drowning situations.

At LCT we recognise a commitment to a high level of voluntary duty hours at Clifton Surf Lifesaving Club by their 139 duty members, supported by a well structured senior management team, led by the Squad Leaders and guided by the Patrol Officer.

Hosting the Junior & Senior Western Cape Lifesaving Championships in March 2026 was a highlight of the LCT and LWC Sport Calendar where the hosts, Clifton, managed challenging sea conditions and assisting athletes, further demonstrating that the sport of lifesaving and the duty of service in lifesaving go hand-in-hand.

Communication is key in lifesaving, from active duty control and rescues, to documentation and recording of events for mainstream and social media outlets to witness the work of Lifesaving in Cape Town. Clifton Surf Lifesaving Club always provide clear and concise records of duty and competition events for our office to report on both internally and to Lifesaving South Africa.

LCT look forward to many more seasons of excellence in Lifesaving with Clifton Surf Lifesaving Club.

Donovan Brown
Chairman, Lifesaving Cape Town

PARTNER REFLECTIONS

On behalf of Velocity Trade, thank you for another outstanding season with Clifton Surf Lifesaving Club. Your continued commitment to delivering a drowning-free season reflects exceptional professionalism and purpose. This year, once again, demonstrates the full scope of modern lifesaving — from rescues and first aid to prevention, education, and incidents managed beyond the beach. The BeachSafe Tracker continues to be a powerful step forward in capturing this broader impact, alongside new initiatives such as the installation of the clubhouse webcam, which is helping extend awareness of beach conditions and lifeguard activity to a wider online audience.

We are proud to stand alongside you and look forward to continuing this partnership as you grow your impact in lifesaving, leadership, and community service.

Dan Carter
Velocity Trade Director

Congratulations on another drown-free season — an achievement that reflects the consistency and commitment of the Clifton Surf Lifesaving Club community.

This season alone, Clifton members were involved in 19 rescues, 21 major incidents — including two successful CPR resuscitations — and treated 86 first aid cases. In the economic impact report completed with Lifesaving South Africa, interventions of this nature were shown to generate significant societal and economic value through lives saved and long-term harm prevented. PKF is proud to support an organisation that continues to deliver measurable impact on Cape Town's beaches.

Nico Ackerman
PKF Director

As proud partners of Clifton Surf Lifesaving Club, DHL Express extends our heartfelt congratulations on another successful and, most importantly, drown-free season.
It has been inspiring to witness the club's continued growth in both lifesaving excellence and community impact. Your volunteer patrol hours totalling 5,079.5 reflect a strong culture of commitment, training, and development, ensuring greater safety for years to come.

Your outreach and commitment to water safety education are helping build a safer, more informed community. Thank you to every volunteer for the dedication and countless hours invested. You embody our shared purpose of Connecting People and Improving Lives. Congratulations on an outstanding season — you continue to inspire us all.

Megan Collinicos
VP Marketing,DHL

PATROL OFFICERS LETTER, PAUL LASSEN - PART 1

As we enter the 70th year of Clifton Surf Lifesaving Club's history of preventing drownings and developing leaders, we reflect on another season of service delivered by our members and broader community. For seven decades, through commitment and sacrifice, we have safeguarded our beaches, trained lifeguards, and developed leaders who continue to make an impact on and off the beach.

Over recent seasons, we have invested heavily in the long-term development of world-class lifeguards. We are now entering a new chapter focused on helping set the benchmark for professional lifeguarding standards in South Africa. This season, we launched the "BeachSafe Tracker", a first-of-its-kind initiative in Africa designed to measure and record preventative work beyond traditional rescue statistics.

While rescues are often seen as the clearest measure of success, the true impact of lifesaving lies in the incidents that never occur. Behind every safe beach day are countless preventative actions where lifeguards identify risks early, educate the public, and intervene before situations escalate. During the February and March pilot phase of the BeachSafe Tracker, 286 preventative actions were recorded, including 68 public education engagements and 66 direct behavioural interventions preventing dangerous situations from escalating.

This season, Clifton lifeguards contributed 5,079.5 voluntary duty hours in service of the public. Across the season, 19 rescues were performed alongside multiple first aid and medical responses on and off the beach. Each incident reflects the responsibility carried by those who patrol Clifton's shoreline.
This year we also took significant steps towards better understanding the broader social and economic contribution generated through our patrol operations. Over the course of the season, Clifton Surf Lifesaving Club generated an estimated R35,531,305 in measurable social and economic value through volunteer labour contribution, rescue and medical response operations and preventative public safety interventions. By analysing the operating expenditure required to deliver our volunteer lifesaving service, we were then able to calculate a net social benefit value of R33,834,446. This resulted in a Benefit–Cost Ratio (BCR) of 20.94 meaning that for every R1 invested into Clifton Surf Lifesaving Club, approximately R20.94 in measurable social value was returned to our community.

PATROL OFFICERS LETTER, PAUL LASSEN - PART 2

This represents a significant milestone in our Club's history as, for the first time, we are able to quantify and better understand the measurable public safety and community impact generated through our organisation and our volunteer members. Our success is strengthened through close collaboration with the NSRI, Clifton Community Improvement District, City of Cape Town, and Law Enforcement. These partnerships ensure our lifeguards operate in a safe, professional, and well-supported environment.

This season included several significant incidents both on and off the beach. One involved an elderly female who suffered cardiac arrest on the stairs at Clifton 4th Beach. Lifeguards responded immediately, initiating CPR and deploying the club AED, resulting in successful resuscitation before the patient was transferred to hospital by emergency services.

Members also assisted in containing a bungalow fire on Clifton 4th Beach before Fire and Rescue Services arrived, preventing further spread. A Clifton lifeguard completed a rip current rescue at Kurrawa Beach on Australia's Gold Coast, while members returning from the South African National Lifesaving Championships responded to a serious motor vehicle accident outside Robertson, providing emergency care until paramedics arrived.
Additional responses included a serious spiral fracture between Clifton 3rd and 4th Beach, and a non-fatal drowning involving a young boy on Clifton 4th Beach. Each incident highlighted the professionalism, calmness, and readiness of Clifton lifeguards under pressure.

These events reinforce that lifesaving skills extend far beyond the beach. At Clifton, we remain committed to being RESCUE READY at all times.
This philosophy reflects our belief that "Lifesaving is a Lifestyle." We serve our community through beach safety, maintain physical readiness through training and competition, and grow through teamwork, mentorship, and shared purpose.

Thank you to every member, parent, coach, lifeguard, nipper, official, and instructor who contributed this season. We are proud to be part of Clifton's 70-year legacy of service and to continue building a culture dedicated to preventing drownings and saving lives.

Paul Lassen, CSLC Patrol Officer

Paul Lassen

IMPACT REPORT

THE ECONOMIC & SOCIAL VALUE OF SAVING LIVES

Clifton Surf Lifesaving Club Operational Social Value & Benefit–Cost Report 2025/26 Season

Based on the PKF Octagon Lifesaving South Africa methodology

You can access the full report and breakdown on Cliftonsurf.co.za

THE VALUE OF SAVING LIVES

Operational Social Value & Benefit-Cost Report 2025/26 Season

R35.53 MILLION

Estimated Operational & Public Safety Value Generated

R20.94 RETURNED FOR EVERY R1 INVESTED

139 Lifeguards

5,079.5 Patrol Hours

19 Rescues

86 Medical Incidents

2 Successful CPR Resuscitations

286 Preventative Actions

0 Drownings

THE VALUE OF SAVING LIVES

Operational Social Value & Benefit-Cost Report 2025/26 Season

This report estimates the operational social and economic value generated by Clifton Surf Lifesaving Club through volunteer lifesaving services, emergency response, drowning prevention and preventative public safety interventions across Clifton's beaches in Cape Town, South Africa.

The methodology applied is aligned with the principles contained within the PKF Octagon Lifesaving South Africa Report 2025, which quantified the national social and economic contribution of lifesaving operations. A simplified operational valuation model has been adopted for Clifton Surf Lifesaving Club, using a Value of Statistical Life aligned approach, category based incident values, volunteer labour valuation and recorded operating expenditure.

What Was Measured

- Volunteer labour contribution
- Rescue response value
- CPR resuscitation value
- Medical incident response value
- Preventative intervention value
- Operational expenditure



139
LIFEGUARDS


CLIFTON
SURF LIFESAVING
CLUB
LIFESAVING SOUTH AFRICA
LIFESAVING CAPE TOWN
0 DROWNINGS DURING OUR VOLUNTARY SEASON


CLIFTON
SURF LIFESAVING
CLUB
LIFESAVING SOUTH AFRICA
LIFESAVING CAPE TOWN
5079
VOLUNTEER
PATROL HOURS
R100.07/hour = R508,305 Volunteer Labour Value



19 RESCUES

Total Rescue & Medical Response Value = R34,880,000



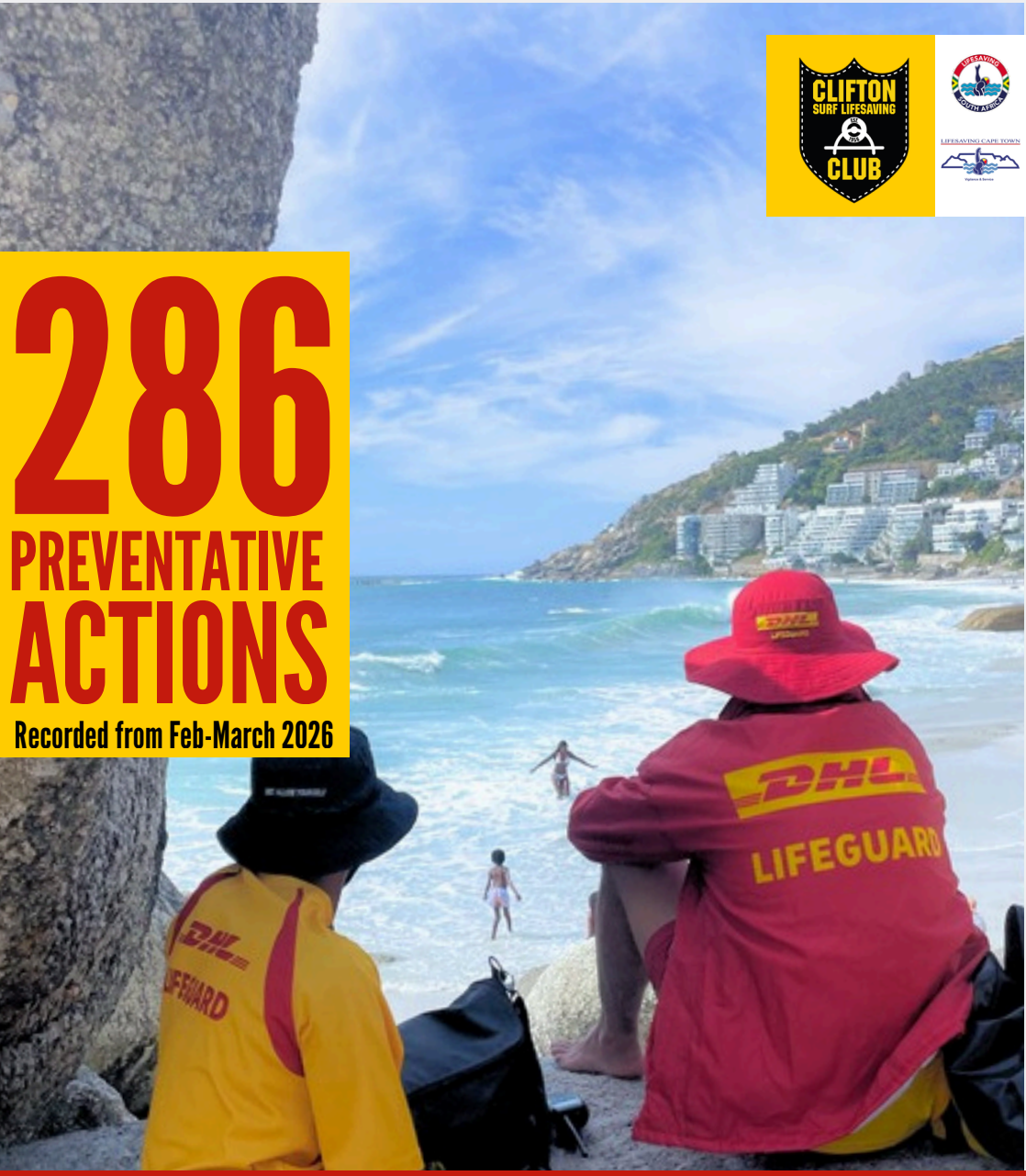
With diligence and care, we assisted with 86 first aid incidents this season. Including: Cuts & Abrasions, Fractures & Sprains, Hypothermia, Sunburn, Heat Stroke and Stings (Marine/Insect).

CLIFTON SURF LIFESAVING CLUB

LIFESAVING CAPE TOWN

52 IRB PATROL HOURS





CLIFTON SURF LIFESAVING CLUB

LIFESAVING CAPE TOWN

286

PREVENTATIVE ACTIONS

Recorded from Feb-March 2026

R500/Intervention = R143,000 Preventative Value

PREVENTION BEFORE RESCUE: THE BEACHSAFE TRACKER



Preventative intervention formed a major component of Clifton Surf Lifesaving Club's operational contribution. These interventions reduced the likelihood of incidents occurring before emergency response became necessary.

Clifton Surf Lifesaving Club piloted its BeachSafe Tracker during February and March 2026. Only two months of preventative intervention data were included in this report, making the estimated preventative value conservative.

286 PREVENTATIVE INTERVENTIONS RECORDED

PUBLIC EDUCATION & ENGAGEMENT – 68
WATER & HAZARD MONITORING – 48
BEHAVIOURAL INTERVENTIONS – 66
SIGNAGE & COMMUNICATION – 58
SUPERVISION & PRESENCE – 24
ENVIRONMENTAL & GENERAL SAFETY – 22

MEASURING THE INVISIBLE IMPACT OF LIFESAVING:THE BEACHSAFE TRACKER

The BeachSafe Tracker is a first-of-its-kind initiative designed to measure the invisible impact of lifesaving beyond rescues.While rescues remain visible outcomes, the majority of lifesaving work occurs through prevention, including public education, risk identification and early intervention.

BEACHSAFE TRACKER | PREVENTATIVE ACTIONS REPORT

PERIOD MONITORED:

PREVANTIVE ACTION	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
PUBLIC EDUCATION AND ENGAGEMENT	**CATEGORY TOTAL**	**68**
Safety Briefing	*Gave general beach and water safety guidance to the public*	13
Flags and Signs	*Explained patrol flags and safety signage*	7
Rip Current Warnings	*Advised swimmers not to enter rip currents*	9
Alcohol Risk Education	*Explained dangers of alcohol use while swimming*	7
Hazard Awareness	*Warned about rocks, submerged hazards or uneven seabed*	2
Safe Water Entry	*Advised safe water entry such as feet first*	0
WATER AND HAZARD MONITORING	**CATEGORY TOTAL**	**48**
Rip Identification	*Observed and identified active rip currents*	5
Condition Monitoring	*Observed swell, tides and changing conditions*	5
Early Risk Intervention	*Intervened early when swimmers showed risk signs*	6
Rock Hazard Control	*Prevented people entering hazardous rock zones*	8
Area Closures	*Restricted access to unsafe areas*	5
BEHAVIOURAL INTERVENTIONS	**CATEGORY TOTAL**	**66**
Rock or Cliff Jumping	*Stopped people from jumping from rocks or cliffs*	14
Between the Flags Swimming	*Moved swimmers into patrolled areas*	14
Unsafe Swimming Behaviour	*Stopped risky or dangerous behaviour in water*	4
Alcohol-Related Swimming	*Prevented intoxicated persons entering the water*	2
Unsafe Equipment Use	*Stopped inflatables or toys in unsafe conditions*	3
SIGNAGE AND COMMUNICATION	**CATEGORY TOTAL**	**58**
Signage Checks	*Ensured safety signs were visible and correct*	6
Signage Updates	*Replaced or repositioned safety signage*	2
Whistle or Verbal Warnings	*Used whistle or voice to gain compliance*	23
SUPERVISION AND PRESENCE	**CATEGORY TOTAL**	**24**
At-Risk Swimmers	*Identified and advised swimmers at risk*	8
Child Supervision	*Encouraged supervision of children*	4
Buddy System	*Advised swimmers not to swim alone*	0
ENVIRONMENTAL AND GENERAL SAFETY	**CATEGORY TOTAL**	**22**
Beach Hazards	*Cleared glass, debris or dangerous objects*	2
Sun and Heat Safety	*Encouraged hydration and sun protection*	4
Unsafe Play	*Stopped unsafe play near structures or hazards*	3
	TOTAL PREVENTATIVE ACTIONS	**286**

BUILDING OPERATIONAL LEADERSHIP PATHWAYS

Since 2022, Clifton's Lifeguards have hosted an annual Squad Leader Leadership Workshop and Patrol Induction Day for all Squad Leaders and lifeguards. Now in its fourth year, it has become a key foundation for setting expectations, aligning squads, and strengthening leadership ahead of the patrol season.
The workshop focuses on leadership development, operational standards, season goals, and reflection on previous patrol periods. It provides a platform to refine squad culture, improve systems, and reinforce expectations for duty operations and beach setup.

A key component is the development of squad manifestos, where each team defines its culture, expectations, and goals to build ownership, accountability, and identity within patrol groups.
For the season ahead, clear objectives were set:

- Zero drownings at our beaches
- Highly skilled lifeguards
- No AWOLs
- Positive, engaged duty culture

The workshop continues to play an important role in building leadership and consistency across Clifton Lifeguards, strengthening both operational performance and team culture each season.





OUR SQUAD LEADERS

Servant leadership is at the heart of our lifesaving organisation.
We are proud of this team for delivering on a drown-free season.
Their ability to lead by example & stay vigilant ensured this success.

CLIFTON SURF LIFESAVING CLUB

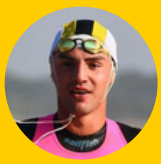
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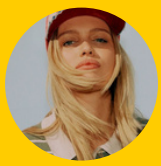

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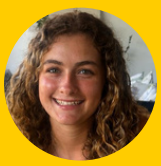
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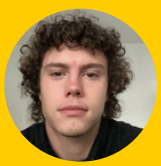

Andile


Ellen


Jack

GLEN


Sylvie


Tyler


Imani

HOTEL


Buntu


Sebastian


Jessie

VOLUNTEER LEADERSHIP

CSLC Patrol Hours Leaderboard (Top 10) - 25/26



Darryl Lindt
145.5 Hours



Ellen Hodgkinson
122.25 Hours



Luke Meyer
112.45 Hours



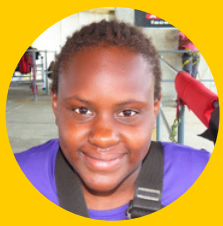
Kendra Beresford
109.5 Hours



Milena Pugliese
93 Hours



Jack Allot
78.45 Hours



Imani Magotsi
74.45 Hours



Italia Pugliese
74 Hours



Teagan Thompson
74 Hours



Jessie Allot
72 Hours

FRONTLINE SAFETY AT NIPPER LIFESAVING COMPETITIONS





Clifton Surf Lifesaving Club supported four local Lifesaving Cape Town Nipper competitions, the Western Cape Nipper Championships, and the South African Nipper Championships in Nelson Mandela Bay by providing dedicated water safety teams across the season.

At each event, Clifton deployed 8–10 volunteer lifeguards per day, working in rotational shifts to provide continuous safety coverage for every race and activity. Collectively, this represented a significant volunteer contribution towards creating a safe and enjoyable environment for the next generation of lifesavers.

Supporting youth development and growing future lifeguards remains an important part of what we do as a club. Thank you to Lifesaving Cape Town, event officials, and all Clifton lifeguards for their continued commitment and support throughout the season — and of course, for the hot chocolates that kept the teams warm on those crisp Atlantic ocean days.



YOUNG LIFEGUARDS MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THEIR SCHOOLS

Deutsche Internationale SK | Rondebosch Boys' HS | Westerford HS | Rustenburg Girls' HS | St. Cyprians HS

Our lifeguards are trained to respond to emergencies, administer first aid and CPR, work effectively in teams, and make calm decisions under pressure. These skills extend far beyond the beach and into everyday life. Many Clifton members now serve as trained first aiders at their schools, applying the skills developed through lifesaving to support and protect others within their communities.

Instead of scanning the shoreline for people in need of assistance, they're watching over school sports fixtures and responding to incidents on the field, astroturf, or tennis courts. The training received through lifesaving helps develop capable young people who are prepared to act wherever they are needed, not only on the beach, but throughout their daily lives.



Milena Pugliese
DSK



Helena Molnar
DSK



Mila Netto-Heydenrych
WHS



Ella Dorrington
SCS



Ellen Hodgkinson
RGHS



Imani Magotsi
RGHS



Robbie Scott
RBHS



Sebastian Steer
RBHS

RESCUE REPORTS FROM THE 25/26 SEASON

EMILY ROFF, TYLER ERNSTZSEN, BAILEY SENEKAL, JENNA LOUBSER, TANNER GORILLE, SYLVIE GORILLE & JAY SAMUELS

CLIFTON 3.5RD BEACH - 9 NOVEMBER 2025



Sunday, 9th November 2025 - At approximately 10:30, lifeguards at Clifton 4th Beach responded to an incident between 3rd and 4th Beaches involving a 19-year-old male who had sustained a suspected spinal injury after jumping from rocks into shallow water. The patient was found lying on the sand unable to move.

Lifeguards Emily, Tyler, Bailey, Jenna, Tanner, Jack, Sylvie, and Jay responded immediately. Under Sylvie's supervision, the team performed full spinal immobilisation on the sand before carefully carrying the patient to the medical room. Oxygen was administered and the patient was continuously monitored while awaiting emergency services.

Metro EMS arrived on scene and took over care. The patient remained conscious throughout and was transported to Groote Schuur Hospital for further treatment.

RESCUE REPORTS FROM THE 25/26 SEASON

NAOR LOMBARD

KURRUWA BEACH, GOLD COAST - 12 DECEMBER 2025





Friday, 12th December 2025 - At approximately 18:30 at Kurrawa Beach, Gold Coast, Clifton lifeguard Naor Lombard was alerted to a male in his early 40s caught in a rip current approximately 70 metres offshore. The patient was panicking and being swept further out to sea.

Naor entered the water and reached the patient, securing him and assisting with flotation. The patient was fatigued and had swallowed seawater but remained conscious and breathing. Naor guided him out of the rip by swimming parallel to shore before returning safely to land.

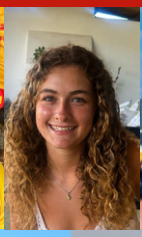
Once ashore, Naor monitored the patient as he recovered and remained with him and his wife until he was stable and chose to seek further medical assessment.

RESCUE REPORTS FROM THE 25/26 SEASON

ELLEN HODGKINSON, MOUNE ILLDERTON, TANNER GORILLE, TEAGAN THOMPSON & ZACK WATERS

Clifton 4th Beach - 14 December 2026








Sunday, 14th December 2025 - At approximately 15:12, lifeguards at Clifton 4th Beach responded to a report of an elderly female who had collapsed on the stairs. The patient was found unresponsive, pale, and initially presenting with weak breathing and a faint pulse.

Lifeguards Ellen Hodgkinson and City of Cape Town lifeguard, Bronson Shaw, arrived with medical equipment while Moune Ilderton retrieved oxygen and a BVM. The patient deteriorated quickly and stopped breathing, with no pulse detected, CPR was immediately commenced. Additional lifeguards including Tanner Gorille, Teagan Thompson, and Zack Waters assisted with ongoing resuscitation efforts.

An AED was applied and a shock delivered as advised. Emergency services including CSO, Law Enforcement, Netcare911, ER24, and Taurus Medical arrived and continued advanced care. The patient regained a pulse, was stabilised, and transported to hospital.

RESCUE REPORTS FROM THE 25/26 SEASON

PETER HODGKINSON, JACK ALLOT, EDMOND TOUHY, LAUREN ALLOT & VARIOUS LIFEGUADS AT TRAINING





Clifton 4th Beach - 21 December 2025







Sunday, 21st December 2025 – At approximately 07:10, lifeguards and club members observed smoke coming from a bungalow at Clifton 4th Beach. Emergency services were contacted immediately as the team moved to assess the situation.

Peter Hodgkinson and Jack Allott retrieved fire extinguishers and alerted security. On arrival, six residents confirmed all occupants were safe and evacuated. The fire was identified in the basement, with heavy smoke and heat preventing direct access.

Working with CID and support personnel, power to the building was isolated. A water relay was established using buckets from the pool while waiting for fire services. The City of Cape Town Fire and Rescue Services arrived at approximately 07:45 and took over the scene.

RESCUE REPORTS FROM THE 25/26 SEASON

ALEXA HELDSINGER, JESSIE ALLOT, LEN BRANDES, JAY SAMUELS, MOUNE ILLDERTON, DEVON WESTON, KONRAD JEHLE, DARRYL LINDT & SEBASTIAN ILLDERTON



CLIFTON 4TH BEACH - 4 JANUARY 2026

Sunday, 4th January 2026 - At approximately 16:10, lifeguards observed a young boy playing in the shorebreak near the lifeguard tower at Clifton 4th Beach. His behaviour changed as he remained submerged for longer periods and failed to resurface normally.

Jay Samuels entered the water and located the boy unconscious and not breathing. He was brought to shore where Jessie Allot assisted in removing him from the water. CPR was immediately commenced with support from additional lifeguards, including Moune Ilderton, Devon Weston, Konrad Jehle, Darryl Lindt, and Sebastian Ilderton, who provided BVM ventilation and AED support.

After two cycles of CPR, the patient regained breathing and consciousness, expelling a significant amount of water. He was stabilised, placed on oxygen, and transferred to the medical room before being handed over to emergency services and transported to hospital in a stable condition.

RESCUE REPORTS FROM THE 25/26 SEASON

JORDAN ROMAN, CASEY BRUWER & GARTH BRUWER

N2 NEAR ROBERTSON - 2 APRIL 2026






2nd April 2026 - Clifton lifeguards Jordan Roman, Casey Bruwer, and Garth Bruwer came across a recent motor vehicle accident just outside Robertson while travelling home from the SA National Lifesaving Championships in Gqeberha. The team stopped immediately after identifying multiple injured patients at the scene.

Four patients were assessed with injuries including shock, lacerations, and possible spinal trauma. Using their first aid training and equipment, the lifeguards stabilised all patients on scene. They were later assisted by a doctor who arrived and supported ongoing care.

The lifeguards remained on scene until paramedics arrived and took over treatment. All patients were subsequently transported to hospital for further care.

THE VALUE OF SAVING LIVES

Operational Social Value & Benefit–Cost Report 2025/26 Season

BENEFIT–COST ANALYSIS

R35,531,305 Total Economic Benefit

R1,696,859 Operational Expenditure

R33,834,446 Net Social Benefit

20.94 Benefit–Cost Ratio

Clifton Surf Lifesaving Club continues to deliver substantial operational and public safety value to the Cape Town community through volunteer lifesaving services, emergency response capability and preventative coastal risk management. During the reporting period, the club generated an estimated **R35.53 million** in measurable operational and public safety value.

Every **R1 invested** generated approximately **R20.94** in measurable social and operational value.

ACCESS THE OPERATIONAL SOCIAL VALUE & BENEFIT–COST REPORT | 2025/26 SEASON

The complete document, including methodology, detailed analysis, and references, is available at cliftonsurf.co.za

CLIFTON LIFESAVING EDUCATION REPORT

25/26 SEASON



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HEAD INSTRUCTORS LETTER, TEAGAN THOMPSON

The 2025/26 season has been another defining year for Clifton Lifesaving Education, marked by consistent delivery, strong growth, and sustained impact across every level of training. Lifesaving education at Clifton continues to operate year-round, with instructors and mentors committing extensive time on the beach across both peak summer operations and demanding winter training cycles. This consistency remains central to sustaining operational excellence, readiness, and the ongoing growth of the club.

The season began in August with the annual Junior Lifeguard (JLA) and Lifeguard (LA) courses following the late conclusion of the previous season. A total of 16 new JLAs and 7 new LAs were qualified. The JLA programme was led by Club Captain Tanner Gorille and his team, while the LA course was directed by Daniel Lubbe, who also achieved his Surf Instructor qualification during this period.

The retest programme, led by Teagan Thompson, delivered another strong block of work with 102 lifeguards requalifying over a six-week period. A successful collaboration with Llandudno Surf Lifesaving Club supported shared venues and resources, improving efficiency while maintaining independent assessments. Three international retests were also completed for members based in Australia.

In October, Jay van Tonder led a pre-season intake course introducing 11 new JLAs and LAs across a wide age range, strengthening early-season duty squad depth. This was followed by an LA upgrade course led by Teagan Thompson, which successfully transitioned 8 JLAs into full Lifeguard status ahead of the season.

November and December saw the delivery of the first IRB course of the season, instructed by Teagan Thompson under the mentorship of Tanner Gorille. Eight candidates participated, resulting in 3 drivers and 5 crew members qualifying, while also supporting Teagan's progression toward IRB Instructor status.

January featured the 4-week Sprint Course led by Ridhaa Kuys under the guidance of Tanner Gorille. The programme qualified 15 lifeguards (including upgrades) and saw Ridhaa achieve his Surf Instructor qualification, marking another positive step in instructor development within the club.

The season concluded in March with a second IRB course, producing a further three qualified crew members and confirming Teagan Thompson as the club's second IRB Instructor.

Across the 2025/26 season, the Education Team has delivered consistently strong outcomes across all areas, while continuing to grow instructor capacity and strengthen collaboration with partner clubs. The sustained delivery of courses, retests, and qualifications has ensured ongoing operational readiness and reinforced Clifton's commitment to excellence in lifesaving education and member development.

Yours in Lifesaving Education,
Teagan Thompson, CSLC Head Instructor

Teagan Thompson

FOUNDATIONS: TRAINING NEW LIFEGUARDS

57 NEW AWARDS

Lifeguard Awards: 28
Junior Lifeguard Awards: 29





SUPPORTING LIFEGUARD RETESTING

CLIFTON SURF LIFESAVING CLUB

LIFESAVING SOUTH AFRICA

LIFESAVING CAPE TOWN



102 RESTESTS

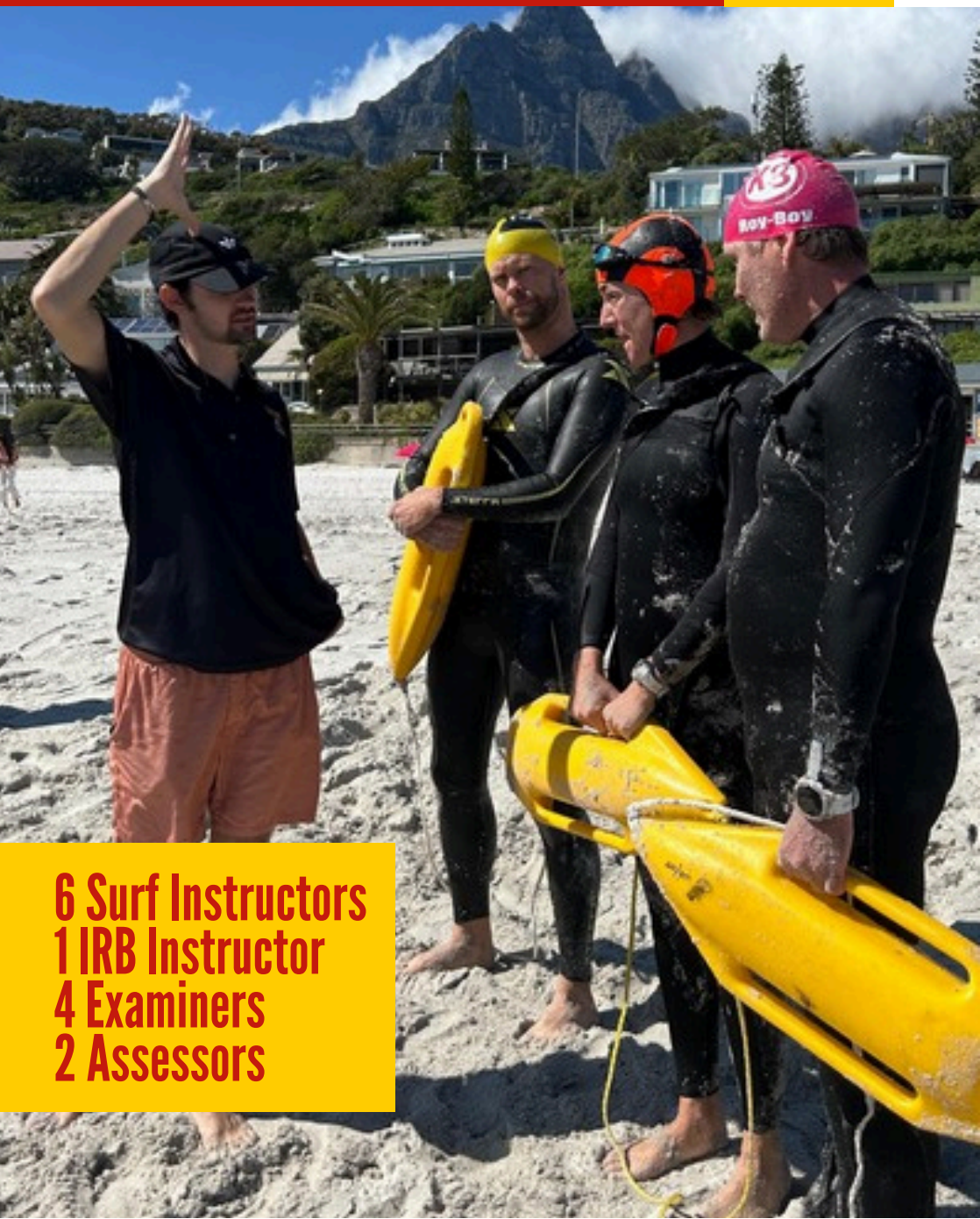
GROWING THE IRB TEAM EACH SEASON



IRB Crew: 8 new, Club Total of 19
IRB Driver: 3 New, Club Total of 11



BUILDING DEVELOPMENT PATHWAYS IN OUR CLUB



6 Surf Instructors
1 IRB Instructor
4 Examiners
2 Assessors

OUR TEAM OF PASSIONATE LIFESAVING INSTRUCTORS

The Instructing Team is a vital part of our education portfolio and at the core of our lifesaving organisation. We're proud of this team for their dedication and skill in helping deliver a drown-free season. Their commitment to servant leadership, leading by example, & maintaining vigilance has been key to this success.



Teagan

- Head Instructor
- Surf Instructor
- Nipper Surf Instructor
- Surf Examiner
- IRB Instructor
- Assessor



Tanner

- Surf Instructor
- IRB Instructor
- Surf Examiner



Jay

- Surf Instructor
- Surf Examiner
- Assessor



Ridaah

Surf Instructor



Sylvie

Surf Instructor



Daniel

Surf Instructor



Ross

Nipper Surf Instructor



Luke

Nipper Surf Instructor



Richard

Nipper Surf Instructor



Moune

Surf Instructor (In-Training)



Imani

Surf Instructor (In-Training)

CLIFTON COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
ONE SHARED MISSION, SAFER BEACHES



Hello from the Clifton CID!

CID work in the public spaces of Clifton requires a combination of routine actions and activities, overlaid by the need for a high level of situational awareness, programme adaptability and flexibility, all underpinned by a commitment to serving the community and visitors to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for all.

Season for the CID started in October 2025, as the usual pre-exam party calls went out. We lobbied hard for an integrated operational plan to be put in place by the enforcement agencies to prevent a repeat of past years - anti-social behaviour, massive disruption to residents, unsafe beach conditions, fights, stabbings and sexual assaults.

Between October and March, a total of 6 200 units of alcohol were prevented from being consumed in the public open spaces and on the beaches.
These interventions contributed significantly to safer beaches and took pressure off the CSLC members as well as City lifeguards on duty.

We're proud to be a partner of Clifton Surf Lifesaving Club and look forward to many safe summer seasons together!

Amanda Kirk
Clifton CID Manager

NATIONAL SEA RESCUE INSTITUTE
CELEBRATING A STRONG RESCUE PARTNERSHIP



The partnership between Clifton Lifeguards and NSRI Station 2 Bakoven continues to be one built on trust, professionalism, and a shared commitment to public safety. Throughout the season, our teams have worked closely together during both emergency incidents and preventative operations.

The strong communication and mutual support between our stations play an important role in ensuring fast and effective responses when assistance is needed. Whether during high-traffic beach days, training exercises, or rescue callouts, the dedication and teamwork shown by both crews have consistently reflected the highest standard of service to the public.

We value the ongoing relationship with Clifton Lifeguards and extend our sincere appreciation to all members for their commitment, cooperation, and professionalism throughout the season.

David Rosenberg
NSRI Station 2, Coxswain



A FINAL THANK YOU

To our community of voluntary lifeguards, thank you for your commitment and service throughout the season. Every patrol hour, preventative action, rescue, and first aid response plays a role in keeping Clifton's beaches safe and drowning free. Your dedication to protecting both our club and the public who visit our coastline is deeply appreciated.



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