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The Royal Life Saving Society UK

***RLSS Wessex Branch***

***Annual Report 2008***



**ROOKIE**  
**LIFEGUARD** RLSS UK

## *Chairman – Stuart Bailey*

In this year's Annual Report you may again discern an emphasis on youth; as it should be. Your Branch Management Committee encouraged two young ladies to join the BMC and whilst they have their University studies, they have been working on club development and a Wessex Branch website. The latter will be on show at the 2009 AGM.

The new Rookie programme has come on during the year and whilst it was a little slow to begin with, it was featured at our 2008 AGM as it is again this year. Bournemouth LGC has been assisting Elouise Greenwood, staff member from River House, with the development of Rookie Festivals. The Branch continues to encourage people to become Rookie Lifeguard Instructors offering cost free training for those who have no teacher/trainer qualifications. I urge all who are involved with this programme to become Rookie Instructors; it is a requirement for all delivering the Rookie programme, in other words everyone on the pool side.

You will note a comment regarding the reduction in awards, however as the report highlights, far more programmes are now administered centrally, and for a number of reasons it is difficult for the Branch to have an accurate view of the awards taken. Quite correctly the report notes the knock on effect to the award of Branch Trophies and this will increase as more awards are administered from the centre. I would ask the membership to consider the future allocation of the trophies, taking note of the current criteria. Please forward any suggestions to the Hon Secretary.

We have had a reasonable exposure regarding "Public Relations" but we could always do with much more. This is where you can really have an impact. Please, please - as soon as you know of an incident or an event let the PR Officer know of it. On a recent visit to a Club Presentation evening, I heard that actions taken by two Rookies had saved a friend's life. This had occurred early in 2008 and if it had been reported at the time then the Rookies' actions could have been recognised **NATIONALLY** and the resultant publicity would have made more of the general public aware of the value of RLSS UK Lifesaving Programmes.

Congratulations to the Branch's competitors who did so well at the National Championships. We could do with more entries at the Branch level heats. Pam Oddy would be very willing to advise you and possibly visit your club to introduce Lifesaving Competition to your members.

Finally, I would again like to thank all those involved with the Branch Management and also offer my sincere thanks to all those people beavering away, delivering the aims of the Society, but PLEASE let's hear back from you.

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## *Hon Treasurer – Sonia Hughes*

A full copy of the accounts prepared by Society's auditors appears elsewhere in the Annual Report.

Income and expenditure for awards shows an increase. This may be a natural re-cycling of 2-year awards but the figures are also affected by when invoices are presented or paid. We do get a rebate for some awards. This year we managed to get staff at Headquarters to recognise that they had failed to arrange a rebate on the NRASTC. We were refunded for some past orders and the amount added to Goods. Current payments are now included with Bronze Medallion so will skew that figure this year. Interest was steady but plummeted at the end of the year.

Postage receipts are down and this is reflected in expenditure. People are ordering direct from Enterprises. We only get a discount on goods ordered through the Branch.

Competition expenditure includes costs of running the Branch competition, and a contribution to the Regional competition. It also includes financial assistance given to any Wessex member who gets through to the National level of the Lifesaving Championships. The increased income on these accounts includes Thames Valley's repayment of their contribution to the 2007 Region competition.

We supported our volunteer Trainer Assessors by offering two Life Support Seminars and the opportunity to renew their compulsory Life Support 3, at the Branch expense. A total of 35 TAs took up the offer.

We offered a Rookie Trainer Pack, free of charge, to one TA per club when they qualified. Ten clubs took up the offer.

We have continued to offer Save a Baby's Life courses as a service to the community. We invite donations but do not charge a fee. Costs are absorbed in Sales and the generosity of the trainers in not claiming expenses.

All those who travel to support RLSS activities are offered travel expenses but many decline.

We do have a very good financial situation. If you have a good case to request financial help for development, ask any member of the Branch Management Committee to support you and pass your request forward.

I should like to thank Roger Harris for his support in the past and for helping Brenda Palk as she took on the Awards and Sales Officer duties. She has absorbed a lot of information and the transfer has been smooth.

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## *Awards & Sales Officer – Brenda Palk & Roger Harris*

The stark fact is that the total of 718 Awards recorded in Wessex Branch in 2008 is 30% down on last year. Why?

The main reason is that the total numbers of awards gained was once based on all the awards that went through the Awards & Sales Officer in a year. Nowadays, many of the awards (such as Rookie, Bronze Medallion, and NRASTC) are sold to trainers or clubs by Lifesavers Direct. The majority of these awards will remain unrecorded by the Branch. As an example, according to RLSS Headquarters, 217 Bronze Medallion packs were sold to persons in Wessex in 2008, yet only 131 (60%) of the Bronze Medallion lilac coloured copy forms were sent in to the Branch after the assessment had been completed.

For this reason, there seems no point in comparing the award totals with last year, or the average of 'x' number of years. What can be said with certainty is that the number of awards gained in Wessex is under-recorded, and that the work put in by Trainers, Assessors and Candidates is not being properly recognised.

Interestingly, awards which still have to be processed through the Branch (Award of Merit, Distinction, Life Support and Life Support 3, Bronze Cross, Silver Cross, TA and Assistant Teacher, etc) show a 14% increase over 2007 records. One can speculate that, in the not too distant future, the processing of these awards will be direct with RLSS HQ rather than through the Branch.

The current recording methods makes the allocation of Wessex Branch Trophies somewhat of a lottery; presently depending mainly on whether copy forms have been sent to the Branch, rather than the throughput of candidates by a club. Who knows how, or if, the Branch Trophies will be allocated in the future?



## Trophy Winners - 2008

<b>K W Baker Trophy for Clubs</b> <i>is presented to the Club gaining the highest number of awards during the past year</i>	Romsey Lifesaving Club
<b>K W Baker Trophy for Schools</b> <i>is presented to the School or College gaining the highest number of awards during the past year</i>	Ridgemede School Swimming Association
<b>Southampton Lifesaving Trophy for Pools/ Recreation Centres</b> <i>is awarded on the basis of points gained by Sports/ Recreation Centres and Swimming Pools</i>	Durrington Swimming and Fitness Centre
<b>Hawkins Trophy for Lifeguard Clubs</b> <i>is presented to the Lifeguard Club gaining the highest number of awards during the past year</i>	RLSS Boscombe Lifeguards
<b>Fernhill Trophy for all Affiliated Organisations</b> <i>is awarded to the organisation which has the highest percentage increase of points in the year over the preceding year</i>	RLSS Boscombe Lifeguards
<b>Christopher Trenchard Plate for Resuscitation</b> <i>is awarded to the most meritorious attempt at saving life by resuscitation or to the Club gaining the highest number of Life Support awards during the past year</i>	William Ayres RLSS Poole Lifeguard

**Will** and his friend Ben Detheridge were walking in the pedestrian area of Bournemouth when he saw a small crowd gathered around a male lying on the floor. Will approached the group to see what was happening, and saw that the male had been placed in a form of recovery position. He asked if any of the people were first aid trained; no-one was. He explained that both he and Ben were qualified lifeguards and that he was also first responder trained. He ascertained that the man had been seen to clutch his chest prior to collapsing to the ground. Will checked the casualty to ensure he was still breathing. From the information he had gained from those present, he believed the man had sustained a heart attack and therefore should not be in the recovery position.



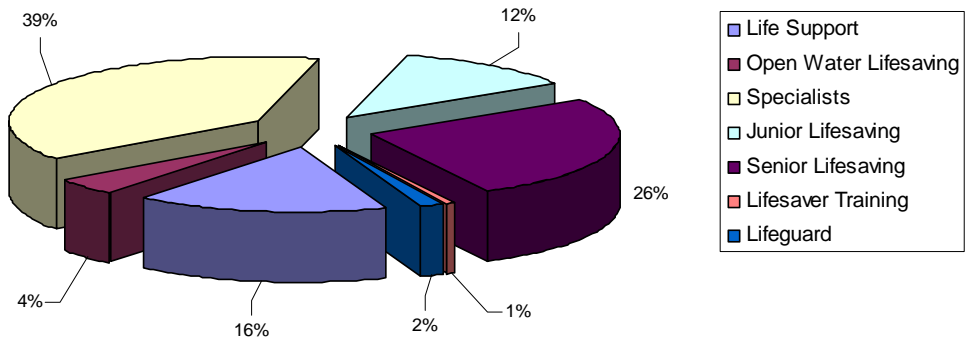
On checking Will found the man was no longer breathing. He rolled him carefully onto his back to open the airway; the casualty remained unconscious and not breathing. Will ensured an ambulance had been called. Having assessed the situation, and having undergone extensive resuscitation training (he was used to being assessed for up to 20 minutes whilst completing CPR), Will made the following decisions. He was aware an ambulance was on route but did not know how long it would be before it arrived. Being aware that the male had only just had his cardiac arrest, Will was able to provide early access to CPR. Will also knew that about half a mile away was a beach lifeguard station and that they had a defibrillator. He sent Ben to run to the beach lifeguard station to ask one of the beach lifeguards to attend with the emergency pack which would include oxygen and the defibrillator. Will was trying to ensure the earliest access to defibrillation for the casualty.

Will then commenced full CPR on the casualty until the ambulance arrived. Ben returned at the same time as the ambulance. The ambulance crew assessed Will's CPR and advised him to carry on as he was doing an excellent job while they prepared their equipment. The ambulance crew then took over the care of the casualty from Will and placed him in the ambulance. Will was able to hear the defibrillator in the ambulance being used.

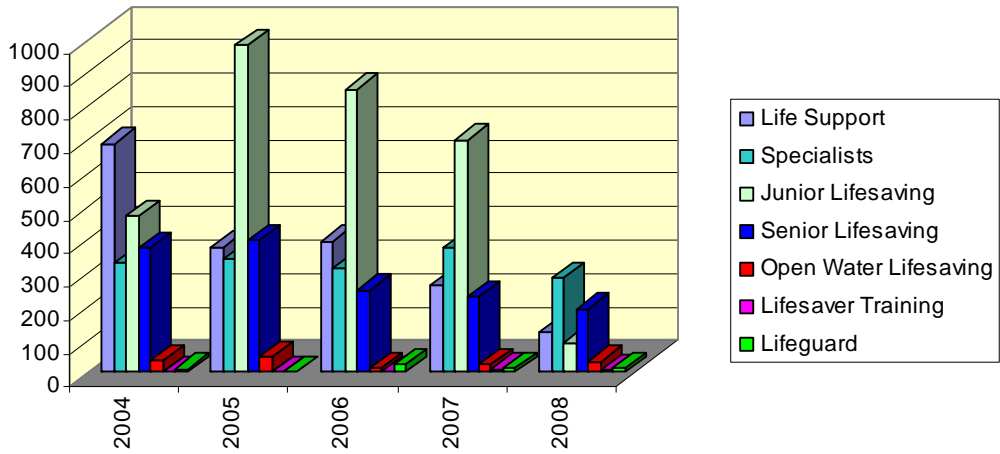
## Awards Taken in the Branch – 2008

<b>Life Support</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>
Life Support (formerly Life Support 1)	46	39	55	42	54
Life Support 2	n/a	n/a	37	39	54
Life Support 3	71	60	107	69	104
Community Life Support	0	0	0	0	0
Rescue Breathing	0	0	0	24	20
Save a Baby's Life (No. of sets of materials provided)	0	158	191	200	450
	<b>117</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>683</b>
<b>Open Water Lifesaving</b>					
Bronze Cross	17	14	7	27	19
Silver Cross	14	9	4	19	16
	<b>31</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Junior Lifesaving</b>					
Lifesaving 1	41	147	130	217	138
Lifesaving 2	18	88	55	183	73
Lifesaving 3	27	49	69	67	74
Rookie Awards	0	410	569	510	182
	<b>86</b>	<b>694</b>	<b>846</b>	<b>977</b>	<b>467</b>
<b>Senior Lifesaving</b>					
Bronze Medallion	131	172	201	343	328
Award of Merit	52	44	34	43	36
Distinction	6	8	9	5	8
Diploma	0	0	0	0	0
	<b>189</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>372</b>
<b>Lifeguard</b>					
Assistant Beach Lifesaver Award	11	11	23	1	9
	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Specialist</b>					
Rescue Test Supervisors of Open Water Activity Centres	0	0	0	0	0
Rescue Test Supervisors of People with Disabilities	0	0	9	0	9
Emergency Response (Pool)	0	0	0	0	1
Emergency Response (Open Water)	0	0	0	0	0
National Rescue Award for Swimming Teachers & Coaches	279	372	299	337	314
	<b>279</b>	<b>372</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>324</b>
<b>Lifesaver Training</b>					
RLSS UK Tutor	0	0	0	0	0
RLSS UK Adviser	0	0	0	0	0
RLSS UK Examiner	0	0	0	0	0
RLSS UK Teacher	0	0	0	0	0
RLSS UK Trainer Assessor (Lifesaving)	0	0	0	0	0
RLSS UK Assistant Teacher	5	9	0	0	0
	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>TOTAL AWARDS</b>	<b>718</b>	<b>1590</b>	<b>1822</b>	<b>2128</b>	<b>1890</b>

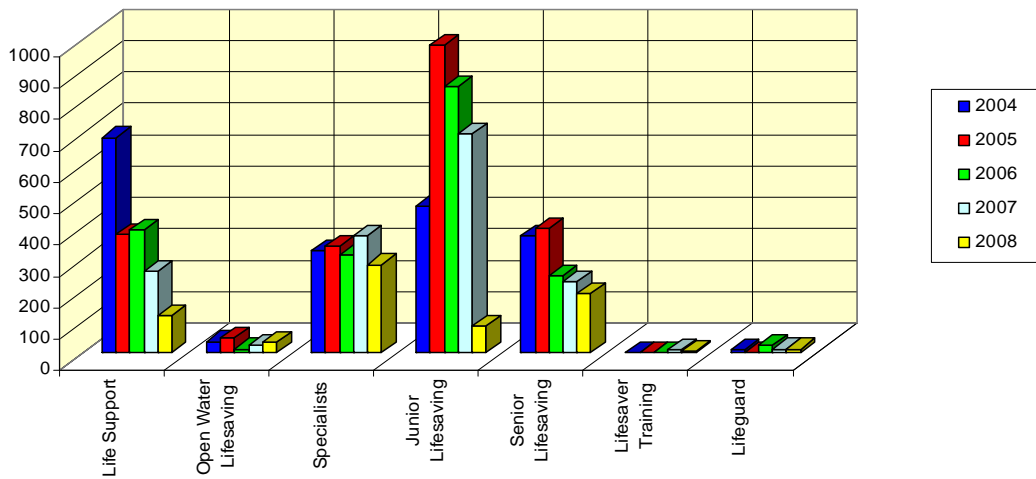
### Branch Awards 2008



### Comparison 2004 to 2008



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## Awards Gained by Affiliated Clubs, Schools etc – 2008

Andover Swimming Club		Littledown Leisure Centre	<b>9</b>
Applemore Health & Leisure	<b>35</b>	Locks Heath Swim School	<b>10</b>
Aqua-Duck Swim School	<b>3</b>	Lucy William Swim School	<b>6</b>
Beaminster Community Pool	<b>12</b>	Lymington Health & Leisure	<b>4</b>
Boscawen Lifesaving & Rescue Club	<b>5</b>	Milton Abbey School	<b>9</b>
RLSS Boscombe Lifeguards	<b>29</b>	New Forest	<b>1</b>
Boundary Oak School	<b>4</b>	Portsmouth & Southsea Lifeguards	<b>24</b>
Bournemouth Lifeguards	<b>33</b>	RLSS Poole Lifeguards	<b>3</b>
Bridport Leisure Centre	<b>7</b>	Poole Swimming Club	<b>8</b>
Bryanston School	<b>5</b>	Red Lodge Community Pool	<b>7</b>
Calleva Life Saving Club	<b>9</b>	Ridgemedede School Swimming Association	<b>18</b>
Care Management Group	<b>32</b>	Romsey Lifesaving Club	<b>25</b>
Dorchester & District Swimming Club	<b>8</b>	Sandroyd School	<b>9</b>
Durrington Swimming & Fitness Centre	<b>34</b>	Southampton Lifesaving Club	<b>3</b>
Farnborough Hill School	<b>3</b>	Southampton University Lifesaving Club	<b>26</b>
Farnborough Swimming Club	<b>33</b>	Southern Lifeguard Training	<b>25</b>
Ferndown Leisure Centre	<b>1</b>	St Mary's School, Dorchester	<b>13</b>
First Class First Aid	<b>39</b>	St Swithun's School	<b>14</b>
Fleming Park Lifesaving Club	<b>7</b>	Stroud School	<b>10</b>
Forest Edge Rookies	<b>8</b>	Totton Health & Leisure Lifesaving Club	<b>30</b>
Girl Guiding UK	<b>1</b>	Treloar College	<b>7</b>
Hart Leisure Centre	<b>31</b>	West Dorset Swimming Club	<b>35</b>
HMS Collingwood Lifesaving Club	<b>2</b>	Westhill Park School	<b>4</b>
Horizon Leisure Centre, Waterlooville	<b>11</b>	Weymouth Canoe Lifeguards	<b>4</b>
Hounslow School, Totton	<b>9</b>		

### *Public Relations Officer – Jill Bailey*

A number of events were organised, or attended by Branch members during the year, all of which continue to promote the range of activities and opportunities we can provide.

The Branch was again asked to provide a water safety and basic life support training to 125 Year 7 students at Oakdale Middle School in Poole. Stuart and I, together with Emily Ayres and Neil Hamp, two youth members from RLSS Poole Lifeguard spent a day at the school before the end of the Summer Term. RLSS Poole Lifeguard again hosted the Brownsea Island Swim, not only raising funds for the club, but its profile locally. The swim attracted over 100 swimmers from far and wide – all now more aware of the RLSS. Janet Hewitt – Branch Local Manager for Dorchester once again had a stand at the Dorchester Show to promote lifesaving, water safety and community life support.

I am sure many there are many more events throughout the Branch, however I am not aware of these. Can I ask that if you do have an event that you let me know so I can keep a record of this vital activity. Also, please don't forget that the Branch has display banners for loan to help promote the RLSS and your club.

Email has become our main means of communication across the Branch. If you have an email address, then please let us have this, but do remember to keep both the Branch and the Membership Department at River House updated of any changes. If you do not have email, please let us know as you may be missing out.

**New for 2009 !!**

The Branch website will be live shortly following the AGM. Emily Ayres, one of the Branch's youth members has been working on its development.

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***Branch Lifesaving Co-ordinator – Sonia Hughes***

We supported our volunteer TAs by offering two Life Support Seminars and the opportunity to renew their compulsory Life Support 3, all free of charge. A total of 35 TAs took up the offer.

Several TAs helped at the Tesco/RLSS Roadshow in Andover; the only one within Wessex. Some TAs went to Reading and/or Slough. Their help was welcome as there were shortages of local TAs attending.

The new Rookie Lifeguard Instructor qualification was introduced. For TAs there is a simple process available online with payment for the Pack. We offered training for those who had teaching qualification and lifesaving experience, but were not TAs, at the Wessex AGM and four extra people qualified.

We did try hard to set up courses for Lifesaving Trainer Assessors and Assistant Teachers but could not find sufficient potential candidates.

I have been saddened to receive messages from several long serving TAs who would love to be more involved but there are fewer clubs and fewer assessments. Some people have decided to look for other activities. We live in changing times.

This is my last year as Branch Lifesaving Co-ordinator. I took on the role when it was invented in 1996. It has been a mixture of fun and frustration. I thank the many people who have supported me.

I have completed over 50 years of service for RLSS and am gradually persuading others to take over some of my roles!

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***Local Area Manager – Salisbury, Andover & District***  
***Chris Durnford***

I am pleased to report that activities still exist in and around Salisbury. Save a Baby's Life sessions are very popular in the town as well as outlying villages.

I was a little disappointed with the response following a request sent out to all the pools, requesting details of those qualified in teaching Rookie. Only two pools sent in very brief details, insufficient to forward to the Branch Management Committee for analysis.

Durrington Pool, under John Martin remains the most active in all fields. My congratulations to the team of volunteers there, but thanks also go to the unseen volunteers in other pools who continue to train Lifesavers.

## *Outreach Co-ordinator – Simon Port*

What a busy year! Firstly, I would like to thank all the volunteers who have supported the SABL programme within the Wessex branch, delivering an amazing number of training courses to the general public. It is not always easy to see the benefits of training but I am sure you will all agree that one life saved is worthy of all the time and effort put in.

Once again the RLSS has partnered with Tesco to run 10 national SABL events; unfortunately the nearest event was Guildford, a bit of a trek for those living in the South West of the region; however in true Wessex fashion a number of our TAs attended and made the event a great success – many thanks. As a result of the lack of a Wessex SABL national event I proposed to the Branch Management Committee in late 2008 that we set aside a budget to support a number of events at location across the region. This was agreed and the first event took place here in Salisbury on the 7<sup>th</sup> February 2009 with fantastic support from Five Rivers Leisure Centre.

Karen Crowther took the lead for the centre and even managed to get regional coverage of the event via a Spire FM interview and a section in the Salisbury Journal. Over 70 people attended on a very snowy and cold Saturday afternoon raising £95 through donations. A number of attendees approached me after the event asking for additional courses to be run for parent and baby clubs in the Salisbury area. Mind out I will be looking for TAs!



Jackie Hoyle and the Medsin group have been particularly busy running SABL courses. Jackie ran the initial training of the Southampton Medic who have now gone out and are running SABL courses around the Wessex region. A wonderful article was presented in the Lifesaver magazine – well worth a read; the pictures show Jackie in full teaching mode!

I am actively looking for venue for future SABL courses; Romsey Rapids and Ferndown Leisure Centre are two future events planned for the next few months. If you can offer a venue and sometime please let me know.

Over the past year April 2008 to March 2009 SABL has been delivered to well over 250 people in the Wessex region! I would like to thank all the trainers for their sterling efforts. Can I ask that if you are running a SABL course please can you let me know how many people attended so I can keep a record of this excellent work.



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With your help we can make 2009 an even safer one  
with more parents and families trained in SABL .....

*Happy lifesaving!.....*

## Competitions Officer – Pamela Oddy

The Branch Life Saving Championships were again held at Stokewood Road Leisure Centre, Bournemouth. Thank you to everyone who entered. As always the top three in each age group went on to the South Region competition.

### Results – Wessex Competition

Junior Girls		Junior Boys	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Amy & Francesca – Bournemouth LGC	1 <sup>st</sup>	Ciaron & Edward – Totton LSC
		2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jacques & Joshua – Bournemouth LGC
		3 <sup>rd</sup>	Alex & Luck – Totton LSC

Senior Girls		Senior Boys	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Danni & Billie-Jo – Bournemouth LGC	1 <sup>st</sup>	Adam & Jonathon – Bournemouth LGC
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Rosy & Tasmin – Totton LSC	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Nick & Jude – Collingwood LSC
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Rebecca & Laura – Totton LSC	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Zak & Ben – Bournemouth LGC

Ladies		Men	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Kelly Chizlett	1 <sup>st</sup>	Ben Bishop
		2 <sup>nd</sup>	Harvey Yules

Masters Ladies			Masters Men	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Melanie Yates	(40 – 49)	1 <sup>st</sup>	Chris Grant (30 – 39)
1 <sup>st</sup>	Dorothy Fox	(50 – 59)		
1 <sup>st</sup>	Janet Taylor	(60 +)		

I would like to say a big “THANK YOU” to everyone who helped me run the competition. It was lovely to see some new faces attend the competition and I look forward to more people entering in 2009.

The South Region Competition was held in September. South Region is made up of Thames Valley, Jersey and Isle of Wight branches. Again, it was lovely to see a team over from Jersey. Everyone had been training following the Wessex competition and everyone did very well. The first places of each age group from the South Region competition go on to represent South Region at the National Lifesaving Championships.

The following people from Wessex Branch were members of the South Region team: Amy Burton and Francesca Dean, Danni Burton and Billie-Jo Fielder, Adam Proudley and Jonathon Goodbourn, Kelly Chizlett, Ben Bishop, Melanie Yates and Dorothy Fox.



The results from the National Championships are below and as you will see everyone did really well and returned some good results for South Region.

### Team Incident

The team for this event was from Southampton University – Lauren Dyson, Ben Bishop, Dominic Robertson and Christian Wood. They were drawn second out, but had a brilliant result coming second overall. A great achievement – well done!

### Junior Girls

**Amy Burton & Francesca Dean – Wessex**

Aquatic Incident – 1<sup>st</sup>; Life Support Incident – 9<sup>th</sup>;  
Line Throw – 4<sup>th</sup>; Swim and Tow – 5<sup>th</sup>

Overall – 2<sup>nd</sup>

*Well done girls. Excellent for your first year at Nationals*

### Senior Girls

**Danni Burton & Billie-Jo Fielder – Wessex**

Aquatic Incident – 7<sup>th</sup>; Life Support Incident – 6<sup>th</sup>;  
Line Throw – 11<sup>th</sup>; Swim and Tow – 10<sup>th</sup>

Overall – 9<sup>th</sup>

### Senior Boys – Adam Proudley & Jonathon Goodbourn – Wessex

Unfortunately, Adam and Jonathon had to withdraw from the competition on the day due to illness. It is a shame as their incident results were good and they were on the way to a good finishing position.

### Ladies

**Kelly Chizlett – Wessex**

Aquatic Incident – 14<sup>th</sup>; Life Support Incident – 15<sup>th</sup>;  
Line Throw – 10<sup>th</sup>; Swim and Tow – 16<sup>th</sup>

Overall – 16<sup>th</sup>

### Men

**Ben Bishop – Wessex**

Aquatic Incident – 14<sup>th</sup>; Life Support Incident – 3<sup>rd</sup>;  
Line Throw – 8<sup>th</sup>; Swim and Tow – 8<sup>th</sup>

Overall – 10<sup>th</sup>

### Masters Ladies (40 – 49)

**Melanie Yates – Wessex**

Aquatic Incident – 4<sup>th</sup>; Life Support Incident – 3<sup>rd</sup>;  
Line Throw – 4<sup>th</sup>; Swim and Tow – 8<sup>th</sup>

Overall – 5<sup>th</sup>

### Masters Ladies (50 – 59)

**Dorothy Fox – Wessex**

Aquatic Incident – 3<sup>rd</sup>; Life Support Incident – 4<sup>th</sup>;  
Line Throw – 3<sup>rd</sup>; Swim and Tow – 1<sup>st</sup>

Overall – 3<sup>rd</sup>

The other members of the South Region Team from Thames Valley and Jersey Branches also did very well and got good results, taking medals home to their respective Branches as well. As a Region, it was one of the best years we have had at the National Lifesaving Championships and gave a great boost to the team. Well done everyone!

### Other Competitions

Southampton University held a Junior Competition on 17<sup>th</sup> August 2008. The idea of the competition was to give people a feel of University style competitions. Due to the time of year, only a few teams entered, but I think everyone who did had a great day. The results of this competition were:

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Poole LGC
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Bournemouth LGC 1
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Bournemouth LGC 2
- 4<sup>th</sup> – Collingwood LSC

If anyone wants any information about competitions or there is anything I can help with, please feel free to contact me – [lifesaver\\_pam@yahoo.com](mailto:lifesaver_pam@yahoo.com) or 02392 553672.

## *Honours 2008*

The following Branch members were recognised for their service and/or meritorious contribution to the RLSS UK in 2008.

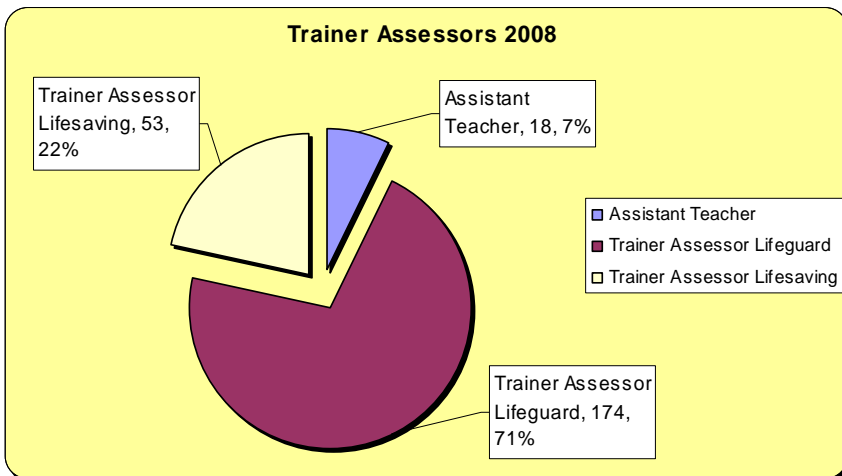
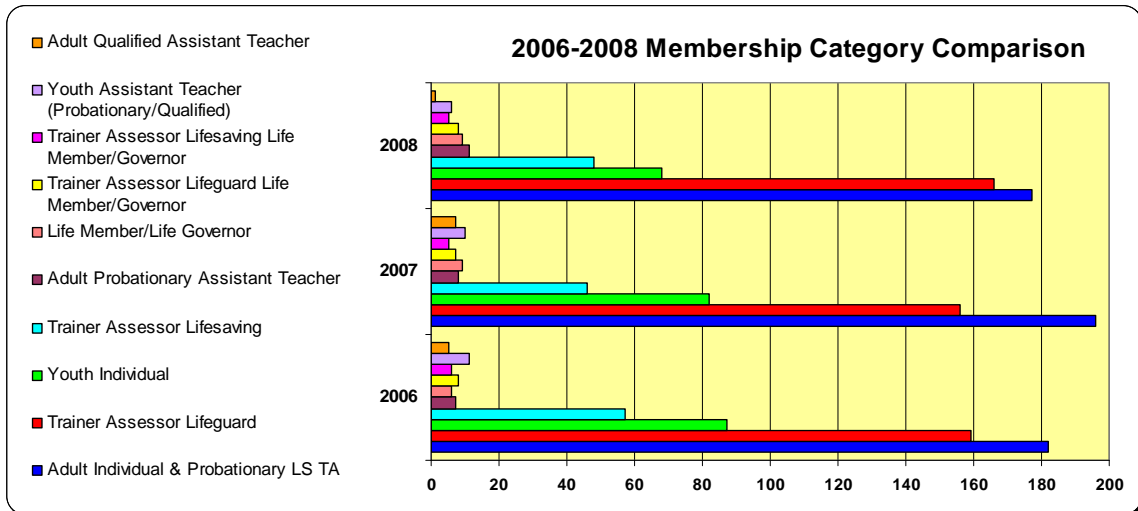
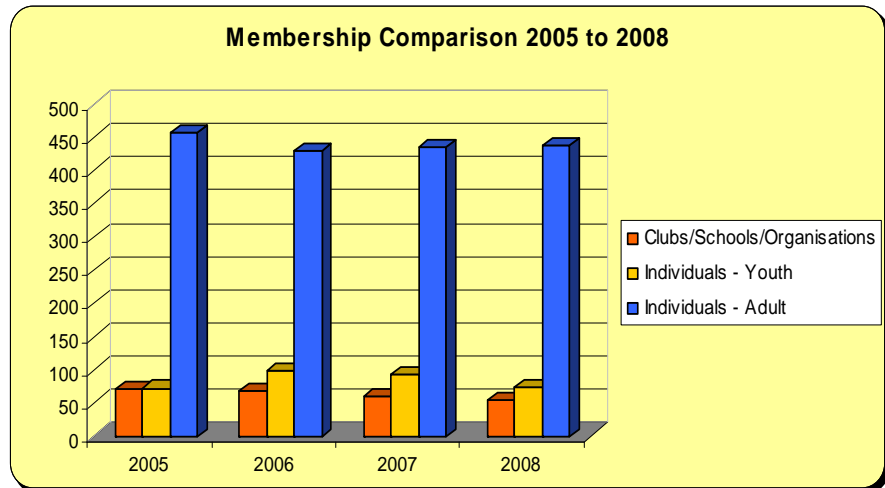
<i>Service Honours</i>	
<p><b>UK Long Service Medal</b> <i>For 50 years or more service</i></p> <p>Sonia Hughes John Howes MBE BEM</p>	<p><b>Honorary UK Life Member</b> <i>For at least 35 years service</i></p> <p>Elaine Lewis Janet Taylor</p>
<p><b>2<sup>nd</sup> Bar to Service Cross</b> <i>For those who have given at least 30 years service</i></p> <p>Trevor Linkins</p>	<p><b>1<sup>st</sup> Bar to Service Cross</b> <i>For those who have served for at least 25 years</i></p> <p>David Foulis John Martin</p> <p>Hazel Millman Kenneth Pink MBE</p>
<p><b>Service Cross</b> <i>At least 20 years service</i></p> <p>Norman Hughes Michael Levett</p> <p style="text-align: right;">John Williams</p>	<p><b>Bar to Service Medal</b> <i>With at least 16 years service</i></p> <p>Deby Sturgess</p>
<p><b>Service Medal</b> <i>For at least 12 years service</i></p> <p>Alex Banks Ann Broad Fahed Dinawi</p>	<p><b>Certificate of Thanks</b> <i>For at least four or eight years service</i></p> <p>Matthew Arnold Paul Barker Carolyn Evans Erica Gamblin Rachel Giles Judith Hill James Irvine</p> <p>James Marsh Irene Pemberton Susan Randles Christopher Read Andrew Smart Joseph Williams</p>

<i>Merit Honours</i>	
<p><b>Certificate of Merit</b></p> <p>Christine Burns David Gale James Irvine</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vivienne Salem Andrew Smart Patricia Tarry</p>	<p><b>Certificate of Recognition</b></p> <p>Paul Barker David Bradley Michael Broad</p> <p>Robin Bugg James King Brian Pemberton</p>
<p><b>Medal of Distinction</b></p> <p>Trevor Linkins</p>	

## Branch Membership

The total membership of the Branch membership as at the end of December 2008 was 554.  
 55 Clubs, Schools or Organisations; 425 Adult Member; 74 Youth Members

A 7.5% decline in total membership has been seen between 2005 and 2008. The highest reduction has been in the number of registered Clubs, Schools and Organisations which has fallen by 23% in the past four years. A breakdown by category of membership can be seen below



As a Branch we have 245 Assistant Teachers and Trainer Assessors – Lifesaving and Lifeguard (Beach and/or Pool), many of whom train and assess in more than one discipline.

As can be seen from the graph, 71% of our Trainer Assessors are Lifeguard TAs (the majority of which are vocational Pool TAs).

## Branch Management Committee 2008-09

President.....	Jackie Hoyle
Chairman.....	Stuart Bailey
Vice Chairman.....	Julia Passingham
Hon Secretary .....	Roger Harris
Hon Treasurer .....	Sonia Hughes
Branch Lifesaving Co-ordinator.....	Sonia Hughes
Chief Assessor .....	Elaine Lewis
Awards & Sales Officer .....	Brenda Palk
Public Relations Officer.....	Jill Bailey
Club Development Officer (co-opted) .....	Lauren Dyson
Child Protection Officer .....	Julia Passingham
Competitions Secretary.....	Pam Oddy
Elected Member (co-opted) .....	Emily Ayres
Outreach Programmes Co-ordinator (co-opted).....	Simon Port

## Branch Local Managers

Aldershot & Farnborough.....	Tony Ridler
Alton & Petersfield.....	Sharon Wood
Basingstoke.....	Mike Levett
Bournemouth, Christchurch & Ringwood .....	Jackie Hoyle
Dorchester.....	Brian Hawkins
Dorset North, Dorset West, Blandford, Wimborne & Ferndown.....	Andy Ackroyd
Eastleigh .....	Dennis Arnold
Fareham.....	Pete Hockley
Gosport .....	Joanne Young
Lymington & New Milton .....	Barbara Walton
New Forest & Southampton .....	Sheila Pearce
Poole.....	David Rainbird
Portsmouth.....	Cathie Toft
Romsey .....	Brenda Palk
Salisbury & Andover.....	Chris Durnford
Wareham & Swanage .....	Mandy Hobbs
Weymouth & Portland .....	Janet Hewitt
Winchester .....	Julia Passingham