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Pls register to Tweed Coast Sea Rescue Inc – Peninsula Street, Hastings Point. I will be attaching this to a report so pls let me know the ECM details when done, thanks

Nela

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Dear Nela,

Please add in full these attachments from the Tweed Coast Sea Rescue INC activity records , as a part of your report to the Tweed Council Shire meeting as supporting documentation to renew and approve our licence agreement.

Kind Regards,



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Att: Nela Turnbull
Legal Officer
Tweed Shire Council

To The Members of Tweed Shire Council;

This letter is to clarify the position of Tweed Coast VRA in relation to re- issue of land lease, for ongoing support of squad in current location.

As a community asset, and state co-ordinated support rescue organisation, we have continued to actively be involved with ongoing training and assisting, in local rescue and support to both Tweed district and Brunswick heads.

We have over the last 3 years expanded our marine operations to flood rescue, and now have 6 technicians trained for such events. Recently we had squad members attend the vertical and navigation courses to assist our neighbouring squads.

We have continued to provide a sea rescue assist for all local search and rescue events, and continually attend training days to enhance our skills within this area and have brought specialised people in for training and assessment . Also, we have been there as an ocean support team for paddle out funeral events , ocean water races and surf events .

Our members all are continually updating first aid and CPR skills, with advanced certificates completed and now have defib unit on site.

We strongly support ocean education with the local schools in this area and a small sponsorship off tweed coast surf school to help with maintenance and ongoing cost associated with upkeep of shed and allowing surf school a storage area within. The surf school program also keeps a continual overseeing of creek mouth and waterways and has had to assist with many a incident and basic first aid.

We have had a ongoing relationship with part time life guards' who have used the shed to keep their equipment on site. Due to security of shed and equipment within not being maintained by lack of proper lock up procedures,(Shed left open on numerous occasions) we would like to help set up exterior lockup facility on deck , and ultimately in future expand facility for mezzanine area to be used for council lifeguard and rescue storage.

Please see attached letters from commissioner of VRA , our last 2 years of data submitted , specialist jet ski trainer Anthony king and some recent photos from Training.

Kind regards

Scott Talbot

Tweed Coast VRA



Tuesday 7th March 2017.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to advise that Tweed Coast VRA are vital pin within the network of the NSW Volunteer Rescue Association.

We have four Volunteer Rescue Squads in the far north coast of NSW. Tweed Coast VRA support all those squads and back them up with manpower when required.

They have a close association with Surf Club/s in the region and work with them on the day to day activities during the summer months and school holiday periods.

Tweed Coast VRA are training members in Vertical Rescue as well as Swift Water Rescue to assist other squads in the region as well as other emergency services during times of severe to catastrophic weather conditions.

They are a well-respected squad within the far north coast and should be applauded for taking on the other roles of Vertical Rescue & Swift Water Rescue to support both the VRA & other emergency services in the region.

The continued sponsorship of Tweed Coast VRA by Tweed Council will allow them to maintain their accreditation within the NSW VRA and increase their visibility around the Far North Coast plus have a headquarters to run the associations day to day activities and continue to give a FREE service to the local community of the Tweed Area.

Yours sincerely,

Mark Gibson ESM
Commissioner



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NSW Volunteer Rescue Association
Tweed Coast Sea Rescue

Activity report 1 July 2014 to 30 July 2016

REFERENCE NUMBER	RESCUE UNIT	DATE	Total time (hours)	Incident Description	Incident Comments
14013	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	07-Jul-14	2:00	912 - Training	Training Jet Ski launch and retrieve
14014	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	17-Sep-14	2:40	912 - Training	Training Jet Ski Launch and Retrieve, Radio Communications
14015	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	19-Nov-14	2:16	912 - Training	Training Chart Reading and GPS Plotting
14016	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	21-Dec-14	3:00	912 - Training	Training - Boat and Ski Launch pick up patient from water
14017	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	31-Jan-15	0:00	912 - Training	No training this month
14018	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	10-Feb-15	1:55	912 - Training	Chart reading - GPS work
14019	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	31-Mar-15	0:00	912 - Training	No training this month or incidents
14020	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	12-Apr-15	1:32	912 - Training	boat safety
14012	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	15-May-15	2:40	912 - Training	Training Radio Communications
14021	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	23-May-15	2:00	912 - Training	Launch and retrieve jet ski procedure and practice
14022	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	22-Jun-15	8:00	499 - Other	Water safety for Johnny Depp movie
14023	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	23-Jun-15	10:00	499 - Other	Water safety for Johnny Depp movie
14024	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	31-Jul-15	0:00	912 - Training	No training this month or incidents
14025	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	27-Aug-15	1:20	912 - Training	Equipment check - Radio procedures
14026	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	22-Sep-15	60:00	524 - Standby	On standby to assist with incident
14027	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	03-Oct-15	6:39	912 - Training	First Aid Training
14028	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	02-Nov-15	10:00	912 - Training	Training bar crossing
14029	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	02-Dec-15	12:00	912 - Training	First aid review - assist elderly woman fell on rock near shed - minor cuts and grazes
14030	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	15-Jan-16	5:00	912 - Training	Training bar crossing - test boat
14031	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	26-Jan-16	40:00	906 - Fund Raising	Fund raiser at shed - sold boat
14032	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	13-Feb-16	12:00	524 - Standby	Stand by missing person Brunswick
14033	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	28-Mar-16	14:00	912 - Training	Jet Ski training and radio procedures
14034	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	14-Apr-16	0:45	585 - First Aid	Assist first aid with child cut foot near rescue shed
14035	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	02-May-16	21:00	912 - Training	Surf skill training (currents and rips) Swam through creek back of break
14036	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	02-Jun-16	25:00	524 - Standby	flood stand by - remove equipment from shed - waves down creek
14037	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	03-Jun-16	24:00	532 - Water Safety Patrol	Water safety in big swell (high seas) 5-6 metres pick up 6 or 7 surfers in trouble
14038	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	05-Jun-16	6:00	532 - Water Safety Patrol	to in jet ski - big swell - water safety

B. Moon



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Tweed Coast Sea Rescue

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REFERENCE NUMBER	RESCUE UNIT	DATE	Total time (hours)	Incident Description	Incident Comments
14039	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	06-Jun-16	20:00	532 - Water Safety Patrol	Water patrol - large swell - Trainer assessor - by team change over
14040	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	12-Jun-16	20:00	577 - VRA Squad De-Brief	Breakdown of event - ski clean up - scenarios of happened - board meeting
14041	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	21-Jun-16	120:00	585 - First Aid	Child fell from rocks - first aid required
14042	Tweed Coast Sea Rescue	30-Jul-16	0:00	950 - Cancelled	No incidents this month
		Total Hours	433.47		

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Hello Sasha,

Thanks for inviting me down to go through some Jet Ski water craft rescue training techniques on Saturday 28 February 2017. It was great to catch up with some of the crew and meet some of the other members of the Tweed Coast Sea Rescue Team – VRA.

I've listed for you below what we went through on the training day so as you can utilise the list for future training days.

- Pre operations check of all rescue equipment, communications, jet Ski and trailer
- Driving and reversing of vehicle with jet ski on trailer on beach
- Launching techniques of Jet Ski on beach and boat ramp
- Jet Ski operator and crewperson boarding of craft on waters edge
- Techniques for crewperson whilst on rescue sled
- Precision approach driving within the break with and without crewperson
- Rescue procedures
 - Single man conscious patient pick up (patient left arm raised)
 - Single man unconscious patient pick up (tea bagging)
 - Crewperson assist conscious patient pick up – (patient & crewperson left arm raised)
 - Crewperson assist unconscious patient pick up – (prone leg locking position)
 - Crewperson assist unconscious and conscious patient pick up – (utilising rescue tube)
- Emergency procedures
 - Capsized Jet Ski
 - Submerged Jet Ski
 - Surfing Jet Ski to beach
- Beaching of Jet Ski clear of inshore waves
- Use of snatch strap and vehicle to get Jet Ski clear of shore break
- Winching of Jet Ski back onto trailer
- Exiting beach with Jet Ski on trailer
- Post operations check of all rescue equipment, communications, Jet Ski and trailer
- Debrief

Thanks again for the opportunity to come down. Always keen to do more training.

Regards,



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