

DROWNING PREVENTION AND PUBLIC EDUCATION COMMISSION

Purpose and Tasks of the Commission

The Drowning Prevention and Public Education Commission will contribute to the ILS Strategic Goals by seeking to provide leadership in the global effort to prevent drowning with an emphasis on reducing drowning of children, indigenous and other marginalised and at-risk communities, in developing countries, regions and populations with high drowning mortality and drowning as a result of aquatic disasters. The Commission is intended to provide guidance, decision making and perform tasks within the area of drowning prevention. The Commission's responsibilities include, but are not limited to, drowning prevention research and reports, child drowning prevention strategies, the World Conference on Drowning Prevention and global campaigns to promote drowning prevention. The Commission supports the Board of Directors in the facilitation of relationships with organisations collaborating in areas within its area of responsibility.

Composition of the Commission

| Title | Name | Nation | Gender |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Chair | Justin SCARR | Australia - Royal | Male |
| Secretary | TBA | | |
| Member & Acting Secretary | Dr Catarina QUEIROGA PhD | Portugal - ASNASA | Female |
| Member | Amy PEDEN | Australia - Royal | Female |
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| Member | Dr David SZPILMAN MD | Brazil | Male |
| Member | Barbara BYERS | Canada | Female |
| Member | Michael LINNAN | TASC | Male |
| Member | Dr. Aminur RAHMAN MD | Bangladesh | Male |

Committees

Child Drowning Committee

The Child Drowning Committee will provide leadership in the global effort to prevent drowning in children – defined as ages 0 - 17 years by the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. The Committee will achieve this by providing evidence and information about child drowning and its prevention, advocating for the issues that globally reduce child drowning using a range of targeted communication strategies and leading collaborations aiming to reduce child drowning.

Aquatic Disasters Committee

The Aquatic Disasters Committee shall provide leadership in the global effort to understand the scope and impact of aquatic disasters related to drowning. Approaches to achieve this include, but are not limited to: collecting, analysing and disseminating aquatic disaster related evidence, furthering ILS understanding of mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery factors in aquatic disasters, and facilitating collaboration that aims to extend the drowning knowledge base with an emphasis on aquatic disasters.

Drowning Epidemiology Committee

The Drowning Epidemiology Committee shall provide leadership in the global effort to prevent drowning with an emphasis on the epidemiology of drowning mortality and morbidity, on the identification of drowning risk factors essential for guiding the development of effective prevention strategies and on the evaluation of the effectiveness of prevention intervention methods.

Swimming and Water Safety Committee

The Swimming and Water Safety Committee will provide leadership in the development of definitions and guidelines for programmes teaching swimming and water safety, to be achieved through the development and improvement of collaborations, regionally and internationally, with swimming and water safety bodies.

Low- and Mid-Income Countries (LMICs) Drowning Committee

The Low- and Middle-Income Countries (LMICs) Drowning Prevention Committee shall provide leadership for drowning research and interventions with an emphasis on LMICs by increasing awareness, understanding and support for issues of LMICs drowning.

Drowning Prevention in Communities At-risk Committee

The Drowning Prevention in Communities At-risk Committee shall provide leadership in the global effort to prevent drowning in communities at risk in developed countries and high drowning regions. The Committee will achieve this by providing evidence and information about drowning of targeted communities and its prevention, advocating for the issues that globally reduce drowning using a range of communication strategies and leading collaborations aiming to reduce drowning in tourists, migrants, indigenous and older people, as well as other identified communities at-risk.

RESCUE COMMISSION

Purpose and Tasks of the Commission

The ILS Rescue Commission seeks to enhance the quality of lifesaving and drowning prevention activities throughout the world through identification of best practice, development of recommended minimum standards, promoting and encouraging adherence to these standards, and dissemination of lifesaving information in the areas of medical care, rescue, and lifesaver education. The Commission's responsibilities include, but are not limited to, rescue, operation and training, education, water safety, disaster prevention, risk assessment, certification, medical and research. The Commission supports the Board of Directors in the facilitation of relationships with organisations collaborating in areas within its area of responsibility.

Composition of the Commission

| Title | Name | Nation | Gender |
|--------------|----------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Chair | Martin O'SULLLIVAN | Ireland | Male |
| Secretary | Peter GEORGE | Australia - Surf | Male |
| Member | Dr Peter WERNICKI MD | USA - USLA | Male |
| Member | Ortwin KREFT | Germany - DLRG | Male |
| Member | Dr Shayne BAKER OAM | Australia - Royal | Male |

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| Member | Pamela SIMON | Australia - Surf | Female |
| Member | Adam WEIR | Australia - Surf | Male |
| Member | Job KANIA | Kenya | Male |
| Member | Maryam SAHEB AL ZAMANI | Iran | Female |
| Member | Prof Dr Joost BIERENS MD | Netherlands | Male |
| Member | Erik BECH | Denmark | Male |
| Member | Thomas RIPPEL | Germany - DLRG | Male |
| Member | Abby TSOI | Hong Kong | Male |
| Member | Daniel GRAHAM | United Kingdom | Male |
| Member | Mark STREET | British Virgin Isl. | Male |
| Member | Adrian MAYHEW | Great Britain-Surf | Male |

Committees

Education Committee

The purpose of the ILS Education Committee is to bring together leading international practitioners and subject matter experts on lifesaver education to enhance the quality of lifesaving and drowning prevention activities throughout the world through identification of best practice, development of recommended minimum standards, encouraging adherence to these standards, and dissemination of lifesaving information in the area of lifesaver education, thereby assisting in positioning the ILS and Member Organisations as the world authorities on lifesaver education.

| Title | Name | Nation | Gender |
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| Chair | Pamela SIMON | Australia - Surf | Female |
| Member | Peter Agnew | Australia - Surf | Male |
| Member | Lt-Colonel Everton da SILVA TUSI | Brazil | Male |
| Member | Dr Shayne BAKER OAM | Australia - Royal | Male |
| Member | Abby TSOI | Hong Kong | Male |
| Member | Daniel GRAHAM | United Kingdom - Surf | Male |
| Member | Maryam SAHEB AL ZAMANI | Iran | Female |

Medical Committee

The ILS Medical Committee seeks to reduce the impact of drowning and other aquatic injuries throughout the world by providing leadership on related medical issues and by assisting in positioning the ILS and Member Organisations as the world authorities on drowning and aquatic injury prevention and management.

| Title | Name | Nation | Gender |
|--------|------------------------------|-------------------|--------|
| Chair | Dr Peter WERNICKI MD | USA - USLA | Male |
| Member | Prof Dr Joost BIERENS MD PhD | Netherlands | Male |
| Member | Dr Robin SAGGERS MD | South Africa | Male |
| Member | Dr David SZPILMAN MD | Brazil | Male |
| Member | Dr John PEARN MD | Australia - Royal | Male |
| Member | Dr Natalie HOOD MD | Australia - Surf | Female |
| Member | Dr Zaid CHELVARAJ MD | Malaysia | Male |
| Member | Dr Andrea FELICI MD | Italy | Male |
| Member | Dr Angela VERIC MD | New Zealand | Female |
| Member | Dr Patrick MORGAN MD | UK - Surf | Male |
| Member | Dr Phil DICKINSON MD | UK - Royal | Male |
| Member | Prof. Dr Jonathan STRETCH MD | Australia | Male |

Rescue Operations Committee

The purpose of the ILS Rescue Operations Committee is to bring together leading international practitioners and subject matter experts on lifesaver rescue operations to enhance the quality of lifesaving and drowning prevention activities throughout the world through identification of best practice, development of recommended minimum standards, encouraging adherence to these standards, and dissemination of lifesaving information in the area of lifesaver rescue operations, thereby assisting in positioning the ILS and Member Organisations as the world authorities on lifesaver rescue.

| Title | Name | Nation | Gender |
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| Chair | To be advised | | |
| Member | Mark STREET | British Virgin Islands | Male |
| Member | Ortwin KREFT | Germany | Male |
| Member | Major Rodrigo DUTRA | Brazil | Male |
| Member | Job KANIA | Kenya | Male |
| Member | Thomas RIPPEL | Germany | Male |
| Member | Adrian MAYHEW | Great Britain - Surf | Male |
| Member | Adam WEIR | Australia - Surf | Male |

RipSafe Committee

The purpose of the ILS Rip Current Safety Alliance (RipSafe) Committee is to bring together leading international practitioners, researchers, scientists and subject matter experts on rip currents to exchange and increase the body of knowledge, experience and research into rip currents and their impacts on safety and behaviours of people that will contribute to improved awareness, education, training and related programmes and services, which will in turn lead to a reduction of drowning death and injury as a result of rip currents.

| Title | Name | Nation | Gender |
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| Chair | Matthew THOMPSON | Australia - Surf | Male |
| Member | Dr Shauna SHERKER | Australia - Surf | Female |
| Member | Dr Rob BRANDER | Australia | Male |
| Member | Dr Jamie MCMAHON | USA | Male |
| Member | Erik BECH | Denmark | Male |
| Member | Dr Wendy CAREY | USA | Female |
| Member | Dr Tim SCOTT | UK | Male |
| Member | Bob PRATT | USA | Male |
| Member | Bruno CASTELLE | France | Male |

SPORT COMMISSION

Purpose and Tasks of the Commission

The Sport Commission oversees all aspects of lifesaving sport in ILS. The Commission's responsibilities include, but are not limited to, sports rules, championships, sport management, anti-doping, athletes, team and technical officials, sport development and sport research. The Commission supports the Board of Directors in the facilitation of relationships with collaborating sports organisations.

Composition of the Commission

| Title | Name | Nation | Gender |
|-----------|---------------------------|----------------------|--------|
| Chair | Dave THOMPSON | Australia - Surf | Male |
| Secretary | Jelle MEINTSMA | South Africa | Male |
| Member | Greg ALLUM | Australia - Surf | Male |
| Member | Perry SMITH | Canada | Male |
| Member | Anni GARDINER | Australia - Royal | Female |
| Member | Jolanda VAN DALEN | Netherlands | Female |
| Member | Andrew BYATT | Great Britain - Surf | Male |
| Member | Wim NUYENS | Belgium | Male |
| Member | Giorgio QUINTAVALLE | Italy | Male |
| Member | Marta CUETOS | Spain | Female |
| Member | Carsten SCHLEPPHORST | Germany | Male |
| Member | Mark WEATHERALL | New Zealand | Male |
| Member | Stephanie ANDREWS | UK - Royal | Female |
| Member | Rebecca BOYD | Canada | Female |
| Member | Ian FULLAGAR (legal adv.) | Australia - Surf | Male |

Committees

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| 1 | Olympic Games: Set up the Working Group to conduct a feasibility study of the inclusion of lifesaving sport in the Olympic programme and other Multi-sport games. | Dave Thompson Alan Whelpton, Phil Coles, Graham Ford, Harald Vervaecke, John Martin | Dialogue been opened to discuss criteria for participation in the Olympics. ILS is the owner of Lifesaving Sport. ILS needs to do all submissions to any games and ILS President and Secretary General needs to be present. Group determine priorities. |
| 2 | Review Events: Set up the Working Group to review the events, their format and conduct in ILS. | Perry Smith Brian Velvin, Bob Dekkers, Carsten Schlepphorst, Greg Allum, Detlev Mohr | Draft report has been prepared. Still to be included is the economic impact, the European situation and format of the Championships. Final report expected in August 2013 |
| 3 | Sanctioning Process: Review the sanctioning process with particular emphasis on risk management processes. | Ian Fullagar Detlev Mohr, Dave Thompson | Process is in place and working. The current Sanctioning documents are being reviewed and risk management is being looked at. |
| 4 | Operational Manual: Create a Master plan/operational manual for future host organisers. | Dave Thompson Marnie Lock, Harald Vervaecke, Greg Allum | This plan is currently in development by the Rescue 12 Local Organising Committee. Need to be reviewed and made usable for future Rescue hosts. |
| 5 | Protocol Manual: Create an event protocol manual. | John Fitzgerald | Protocol Plan drafted and reviewed by Rescue 2012 Team. Draft plan with Secretary General for comment. Need to be reviewed and made usable for future Rescue hosts. |
| 6 | Members Survey: Update the member organisations survey data. | Jelle Meintsma and John Martin Harald Vervaecke, Karin Obus | Questionnaires were sent out to all Full Members, Associate Members, Corresponding members and Contact Members. 41 questionnaires were returned. Analysis to be undertaken |

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| 7 | Information sharing: Set up platforms for athletes, technical officials and coaches to share information and provide input. | Jolanda v Dalen Carsten Schleppehorst, Bob Dekkers, Rick Wright, Giorgio Quintavalle | This can be put on the ILS website. TO been taken care off by means of the Rescue TO newsletters, Athletes Carsten dealing with. Coaches are not addressed. Jolanda to report back in May. Also to include the maximising use of media (including social networking media) in the communication of issues |
| 8 | Sport Development: Targeting a number of countries and offering appropriate capacity development and mentoring support. | Dave Thompson Bob Dekkers, Rick Wright, Perry Smith, Norman Farmer | Draft planning papers being prepared, this to include the how, what, where and cost of carrying out the tasks involved. Note that to achieve this outcome an investment of time, money and resources will be required by ILS. |
| 9 | Satisfaction survey: Post Rescue Series. | Carsten Schleppehorst Wim Nuyens, Mark Weatherall | Survey is out. Need to be repeated after every Rescue series. Carsten to write up final report. Need to expand in future – like include accommodation. |
| 10 | Athletes Data Base: Create a high-profile athlete database. | Carsten Schleppehorst Karen Obus, Kisty Munoe, Mark Weatherall | Carsten has been collecting data. Need to address who, how long and discuss rules of the data base. Profile of athletes on the ILS Website. Agree to have only National Team members. |
| 11 | Rescue Series Data: Update and compare the Rescue Series data. | Harald Vervaecke Jelle Meintsma, John Martin | Harald reported that the data of 2012 should be available with info on names, gender, clubs and nations. Need the information to do planning of future events. Interesting to look at trends, e.g. northern hemisphere vs. south etc. participation numbers. |
| 12 | Non Attending members at Rescue Events: Target research with those nations that have not participated in recent Rescue Series. | Jelle Meintsma and John Martin Dave Thompson | To be done after survey of members is complete. |
| 13 | Revise Bid Documents: Re-write the bid documents to show the added value and economic impact of hosting ILS events. | Harald Vervaecke and Dave Thompson Brett Williamson, Ian Fullagar | Has been done. In 2014 will do Rescue 2018 documents. Have some time to refine the documents. Contract is also included. To be amended and handed over to the Business Commission. |
| 14 | College of Referees: Revisit the College of Referees concept. | Wim Nuyens Rick Wright, Anni Gardiner, Rebecca Boyd, Stephanie Andrews, | Need to look at talent available, the top tier of Technical Officials – Chief Referees, Deputy Chief Referees and Event Director. Need to look at an international protocol, guidelines and framework. What are the expectations and duties. To start with the top officials. Need to set criteria for each level. Set out what the entry level should be. Like level “A”, “B” and “C”. There is a document (Auckland 98). Also look at an assessment process – talent identification. Also mentoring. Report back by August 2013. |
| 15 | Tolerance Levels of Equipment: Review the tolerance levels on standardised equipment. | Perry Smith Greg Allum, Detlev Mohr | Equipment needs to be re-evaluated. Look at disqualifications and see if it as a result of the equipment, e.g. facial |

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| | | | features or say thickness of the neck. Perhaps need to look at equipment to reduce disqualifications. Perhaps look at making the equipment a competition tool, rather than making it “real life”. Should be bold and move forward with design to assist the event. Must be innovative and not afraid to have a new design. Need implementation period. Need to get it right and fair to very one. Must also look at the “mini” manikin. Time frame: |
| 16 | ILS Competition Manual: Review the Competition Manual – 2013 edition. | Perry Smith Carsten Schleppehorst, Mark Weatherall, Giorgio Quintavalle, Anni Gardiner, Greg Allum, Ian Fullagar, Stephanie Andrews. | Manual to be split from Rules and Championship rules. Produce rules for World Championships and then ILS Competition manual. Also to include the Code of Conduct. |
| 17 | Personal Protection Equipment: Look at vests, lifejackets, helmets, personal flotation devices etc. | Dave Thompson Wim Nuyens | Need to look at vests, lifejackets, helmets, personal flotation devices etc. ILSE has discussed this. Need to be mandatory at all events in Europe |
| 18 | Rescue 2014: Event Management. | Dave Thompson Jelle Meintsma and Greg Allum. | Liaise with Local Organising Committee. Give guidance on the event. |
| 19 | Rescue 2016: Event Management. | Dave Thompson Jelle Meintsma, Jolanda van Dalen and Greg Allum | Liaise with Local Organising Committee. Give guidance on the event. |
| 20 | Risk Management: | Ian Fullagar Rebecca Boyd, | |
| 21 | World Games | Harald Vervaecke Martha Cuetos, Jelle Meintsma and Giorgio Quintavalle | Rules are completed. |
| 22 | ILS Manikin Review | Rebecca Boyd Perry Smith, Greg Allum, Anni Gardiner, Carsten Schleppehorst. | Should look at different manikins – like Junior. |
| 23 | ILS Rescue Tube Review | Rebecca Boyd Perry Smith, Greg Allum, Anni Gardiner, Carsten Schleppehorst. | |

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| 24 | SERC | Anni Gardiner Norman Farmer, Wim Nuyens, Perry Smith, Doug Ferguson, Bob Dekker, Doug Ferguson, Janet Castro | Review documentation around the SERC templates and guides. Score sheets. |
| 25 | Athletes | Carsten Schlepfforst | Decide to engage athletes on a project basis. IOC require Athletes committee |
| 26 | Anti-Doping | Ian Fullagar, Karen Obis, Detlev Mohr, Peter Wernicki | Karen to be the administrator. |
| 27 | Sanctioning: | Dave Thompson, Rebecca Boyd, Anni Gardiner, Jelle Meintsma | Need education for federations |
| 28 | World Records | Detlev Mohr | Manual needs to include category of World Records for Youth + Masters |
| 29 | Equipment – Accreditation | Greg Allum Paul Schott. | Establishing specs for equipment. So can register manufactures can be registered. |
| 30 | Technical Officials | Jelle Meintsma Wim Nuyens, Rick Wright, Anni Gardiner. | Also look at diversity. Look at number of officials required for champs. Also look at criteria – i.e. Age. Look at criteria. Look at cost of and length of officiating. Look at exit strategy. Also to include a detail description of TO duties |
| 31 | Medallists Data Base | Jelle Meintsma | Establish a data base of previous medallists. |

BUSINESS COMMISSION

Purpose and Tasks of the Commission

The ILS Business Commission will contribute to the ILS Strategic Goals by seeking to enhance the business management of the ILS. The Commissions' responsibilities include, but are not limited to financial management, marketing revenue generation and business development, sponsorship and bid oversight of ILS events. The Commission will review the recommendations received from the Committees and make recommendations to the Board of Directors.

Composition of the Commission

| Title | Name | Nation | Gender |
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| Chair | Norman FARMER ESM | Australia - Surf | Male |
| Secretary | TBA | | |
| Member | John MARTIN MBE | Great Britain - Surf | Male |
| Member | Graeme CULLEN | New-Zealand | Male |
| Member | Dylan TOMMY | South Africa | Male |
| Member | Esther PEARSON | Great Britain - Surf | Female |
| Member | Diane STANDLEY | UK – Royal | Female |

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| Member | Sandy NG | Hong Kong | Female |
| Member | Reza SAMAD | Pakistan – PALS | Male |
| Member | Doug FERGUSON | Canada | Male |
| Member | Clive HOLLAND | UK - Royal | Male |
| Member | Dr. Tibor KOZSLA, PhD | Hungary | Male |

Committees

Finance Committee

| Title | Name | Nation | Gender |
|--------|---------------------------|------------------|--------|
| Chair | Graeme CULLEN | New-Zealand | Male |
| Member | Diane STANDLEY | UK – Royal | Female |
| Member | Doug FERGUSON | Canada | Male |
| Member | Peter GEORGE | Australia - Surf | Male |
| Member | Norman FARMER ESM | Australia - Surf | Male |
| Member | Dr. Harald VERVAECKE, PhD | Belgium | Male |
| Member | Karin OBUS | Belgium | Female |

Marketing and Revenue Generation Committee

| Title | Name | Nation | Gender |
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| Chair | Esther PEARSON | Great Britain - Surf | Female |
| Member | Diane STANDLEY | UK – Royal | Female |
| Member | Clive HOLLAND | UK - Royal | Male |
| Member | Doug FERGUSON | Canada | Male |
| Member | Reza SAMAD | Pakistan – PALS | Male |
| Member | Mrs Sandy NG | Hong Kong | Female |
| Member | Dylan TOMMY | South Africa | Male |
| Member | Norman FARMER ESM | Australia - Surf | Male |
| Member | Dr. Harald VERVAECKE | Belgium | Male |
| Member | Karin OBUS | Belgium | Female |

Bid and Oversight Committee

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| Member | Dave THOMPSON | Australia - Surf | Male |
| Member | Jelle MEINTSMA | South Africa | Male |
| Member | Justin SCARR | Australia - Royal | Male |
| Member | Norman FARMER ESM | Australia - Surf | Male |
| Member | Dr. Harald VERVAECKE | Secretary General | Male |
| Member | Graeme CULLEN | New Zealand - Surf | Male |
| Member | Karin OBUS | Executive Director | Female |