

## **IT'S ALL FOR THE FUN OF IT**

There have been two memorable milestones happened in Sandy Point this past week. Firstly, and arguably the most important, the defibrillator outside the shop is now up and running. Phil Cornwell has overseen the calibrating of the defib. But even he is mystified as why it has suddenly decided to work. He credits Santa for bringing extra communication bars for Xmas! Whatever the reason, it is working, and everyone is crossing their fingers that it will continue to do so.

The second event happened this last Sunday, 13 January, and was the annual Fun Run from Waratah Bay along the beach to Sandy Point. Unfortunately, the 420 participants had to contend with a strong easterly wind blowing into their faces as they battled to complete the run. It must have made the going very difficult with not only the wind but also the sand it brought with it which would have got into every nook and cranny. However, as far as I know, all competitors completed the run which was a victory in itself.

As usual, Bendigo Bank was the main sponsor but there were also eighteen other sponsors who all helped to make it such a great event. In the male section the fastest runner was Kieran Hessey with a time of 31.42 while the fastest female was Catherine Wilson with a very creditable time of 39.33. The oldest competitor was 78-year-old Rowan Ireland who has competed in the Fun Runs since the 1990's. Not a bad effort by any means.

The event is organized by the Fish Creek Football Club, but they are always supported by the Waratah Beach Surf-Lifesaving Club who allow them to use their facilities, provide any first aid that might be needed as well as putting on the BBQ and drinks at the finish of the race. Altogether it demonstrates great collaboration between the two clubs in order to promote health and wellbeing in the community.

If you're looking for something to do next Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> January, then come along to the Centre for Swiperight. This is the latest act brought to you by the Sandy Point Music Club. You can book your tickets at <https://www.trybooking.com/book/search?keyword=Sandy%20Point&date=19%2F01%2F2019>

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