



COMMUNITY RECOGNITION STATEMENT

TERRIGAL SLSC TEAM RESCUE OF THE MONTH

Mr ADAM CROUCH (Terrigal) — Mister Speaker, today I would like to recognise Patrol Team 9 from Terrigal SLSC who were recently celebrated by Surf Lifesaving NSW for Rescue of the Month.

The team consisted of Patrol Captain Glenn Bowles, Peter O'Malley, Paul Quick, Toni Jones, Deb Barnes, Chayse Coleman, Jill Heaton, Nigel Heaton, Ric Morrey, and Adam Brierley.

This award is utterly deserved, for their outstanding teamwork. The rescue itself took place during the recent storm systems; despite the evidently rough conditions, debris in the ocean, and hazardous surf warnings, 5 people decided to risk a swim.

By early afternoon, 4 swimmers were battling a newly formed rip that extended about 100m out to sea. It was thanks to the team that today I do not report any fatalities.

It was through their well-practiced coordination and honed skills that rescue tubes and an IRB were used to perform an exemplary rescue. Multiple oxygen bags, a first aid kit and a defibrillator were transported to the rescue site to ensure the health of all those rescued.

I am proud to congratulate the teamwork and expertise of Patrol 9 from Terrigal SLSC recognised by this award.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Adam Crouch', written over a faint circular stamp.

ADAM CROUCH MP
Parliamentary Secretary for the Central Coast
Member for Terrigal