

ABOUT VOLUNTEERING WITH MARINE RESCUE LAKE MACQUARIE

Thank you for your interest in joining Marine Rescue Lake Macquarie. This brochure will give a very brief overview of our volunteering opportunities. More information will be provided during our information nights, where you'll also have an opportunity to ask questions.

Marine Rescue Lake Macquarie has around 150 volunteers in a variety of roles in 3 streams: radio, boat and unit support.



Radio operators work in our brand new Head Quarters and radio base on Swansea Heads. Overlooking the bar they answer some 2,500 calls a month and coordinate assistance for around 400 boats a year.

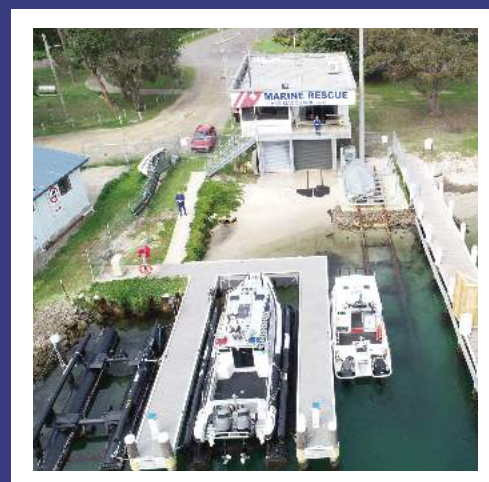
Our radio base is staffed 24/7.

There are a number of ratings to achieve in the radio stream from Radio Operator to Search and Rescue Officer.

When you join the boating stream, you'll be working from our boat base at Pelican. We have 2 vessels and 1 jet ski that are completely staffed by volunteers.

In the boat stream you'll first work towards your Competent Crew rating and you can work your way up to Coxswain.

Boat crews are on standby at Pelican every day and on call-out at night.





Our Unit Support team are the life-blood of the unit, without them we couldn't keep our boats rescue ready and fuelled-up to go!

Unit Support members work at markets, our Open Day, sausage sizzles and much more.

For many people they are the first point of contact with our unit and you'll have some great conversations!

WHAT'S NEXT?

Your next step is to come to an Information Night. You'll receive an invitation via email closer to the date.

That will be your opportunity to learn more about how we train volunteers, what we expect of you and what you'd be doing in the various streams. Make sure you bring all your questions along!

In the meantime, join our Facebook Page to stay updated on what's happening with Marine Rescue Lake Macquarie.

Hope to see you soon!

PS. You can find our Facebook page here: <https://www.facebook.com/marinerescue.lakemacquarie> and a recruitment video here: <https://youtu.be/lm7mMitzdh0>

