



**SHIRE OF CHRISTMAS ISLAND
PUBLIC NOTICE**

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MISUSE OF COVE LIFESAVING EQUIPMENT



The Shire has become aware of the misuse of Surf Lifesaving equipment located at the Cove. The Surf Rescue Skis (Boards) were kindly donated by the Cottesloe Surf Life Saving Club to provide added Life Saving capabilities at the Cove in case of an emergency.

The Surf Skis are not to be used for any other reason other than Life Saving or Surf Life Saving Training. Damage has occurred also to one of the Surf Rescue Skis due to Kayak and Leisure Craft being placed on top resulting in cracks in the fibreglass.

Craft found placed on top of the Rescue Skis may be impounded by the Shire.

Christmas Islanders enjoy an aquatic environment which also poses risks. It was the quick thinking of a community member and the availability of a Rescue Board that resulted in the Rescue of a distressed swimmer caught in a current.

Consideration should be taken should anybody let alone a loved one be caught in difficulties in the Cove that Emergency Equipment be respected.

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Chief Executive Officer