

STOCKTON SURFERS

Less Fees for Juniors

SHARK TOWER NEEDED

With a view of encouraging young swimmers, the Stockton Surf Club at its annual meeting last night, decided to make the fee for juniors 3s a year. Associated members will pay 15s, and active members 7s 6d.

IN suggesting the reduced charges the secretary (Mr. J. Bourke) said that the positions of many lads, in consequence of the financial depression, was such that they could not afford to pay high fees. The club was on a solid foundation and could afford to give young swimmers every encouragement to join up and become active members.

The necessity for a shark lookout was stressed by Mr. Norman Hudson, and on his motion the club decided to ask the council to erect one in time for the forthcoming season.

The condition of the council's lifeline was also the subject of comment. Members claimed that during the early part of last season three hundred yards were taken by boys and there was only 100 yards left. Mr. Hudson pointed out that the line should be at least 400 yards to be of any service on the Stockton beach, and Alderman Hodges promised to mention the matter at the council meeting on Tuesday night.

Messrs. Green Bros., jewellers, of Newcastle, offered a silver cup for

competition among the members of the club, and the committee was directed to draw up rules for a competition.

The following officers were elected:—Patron, the Mayor of Stockton (Alderman H. L. Soper); president, Alderman V. G. Hodges; vice-presidents, Alderman N. Wyne Opie, Messrs. J. Scott, W. Wilson, A. Purdon, R. C. Vidal, and L. Winkgrove; secretary, Mr. J. Bourke; assistant secretary, Mr. K. Williams; treasurer, Mr. C. Dawson; boat captain, Mr. George Preston; club captain, Mr. Ken Asher; vice-captain, Mr. G. Johns; instructor, Mr. Norman Hudson; committee, Messrs. H. Leslie and J. Bailey; delegates to association, Messrs. N. Hudson and J. Bourke; beach inspectors, Messrs. Bourke, Preston, K. Asher, Hudson and Johns; auditor, Mr. C. H. Cunningham; representatives on council, Alderman Hodges; medical officers, Drs. Annetta and MacLaughlin.