

PRIME MINISTERPRESS RELEASESURF LIFE SAVING CLUB GRANTS

SURFERS PARADISE  
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The Prime Minister said today he was concerned to read of the Gold Coast City Council's decision to restrict daily patrols of beaches during the peak school holiday period. He hoped the Council's appeal to the Premier would succeed.

Mr Whitlam was speaking at Surfers Paradise where he held a press conference this morning.

Mr Whitlam said that the first ever federal grants for life saving had been allocated by the Australian Labor Government. While not involving vast amounts of money, the current grants represented an important first step towards growing Australian Government willingness to get involved in such funding.

The previous Liberal/Country Party Government had never taken any action in this area.

Details of the grants for Queensland are as follows:

Arcadia	\$ 300
Ayr	802
Alexandra Headlands	227
Bribie Island	1,429
Broadbeach	150
Bilinga	252
Burleigh Heads - Mowbray Park	1,712
Coolum Beach	248
Coolangatta	315
Currumbin Beach	243
Emu Park	160
Forrest Beach	610
Kirra	997
Kurrawa	254
Mermaid Beach	277

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