

Nippers 2017-2018

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Water Safety Coordinator		
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Age Managers

Under 6's

Under 7's

Under 8's

Under 9'S

Under 10'S

Under 11's

Jane Lynch

Under 12's

Under 13 & Under 14's

AGE GROUP	DATES	EDUCATION
U/6	1 October 2011- 30 September 2012	Surf Play 1
U/7	1 October 2010- 30 September 2011	Surf Play 2
U/8	1 October 2009- 30 September 2010	Surf Aware 1
U/9	1 October 2008- 30 September 2009	Surf Aware 2
U/10	1 October 2007- 30 September 2008	Surf Safe 1
U/ 11	1 October 2006- 30 September 2007	Surf Safe 2
U/12	1 October 2005- 30 September 2006	Surf Smart 1
U/13	1 October 2004- 30 September 2005	Surf Smart 2
U/ 14	1 October 2003- 30 September 2004	Surf Rescue Certificate

AGE GROUPS

Age groups are determined by SLSNSW and are as follows;

AIM OF JUNIOR ACTIVITIES

- To provide an enjoyable experience for the children.
- To teach and develop basic surf safety skills.
- To provide competition for children at various levels, i.e. Club, Branch, State.
- To have fun and encourage junior members and their families to become active members of the club.

PLEASE NOTE: *It is not an aim of the Club to teach children to swim. All children from U/8's onwards must complete the preliminary evaluation before participating in any water activities. Swimming lessons are recommended for those who do not meet this proficiency.*

****PRELIMINARY SKILLS EVALUATION:**

Must be completed to participate in TOB SLSC Nippers.

For under 8's and over this will be conducted at the Manning Aquatic Centre prior to nipper beginning and signed off by Age Managers. Times will be advised and competition signed off by TOB qualified members.

For 6 & 7's this will be conducted at Old Bar Pool on the first day of Nippers.

****COMPETITION EVALUATION:**

These can be completed during the season and is only for 8+years wishing to compete at carnivals

Junior Preliminary Skills Assessment

	Preliminary Evaluation	Competition Evaluation
Under 6 Surf Play 1	From a standing position in waist deep water perform a front glide and recover to a secure position. Perform a back or front float holding a buoyant aid and recover to a secure position.	
Under 7 Surf Play 2	From a standing position in waist deep water perform a front glide, kick for 3m and recover to a secure position. Perform a back or front float for a few seconds and recover to a secure position.	
Under 8 Surf Aware 1	25 metre swim (any stroke) 1 minute survival float	Nil (no water competition, except for wade which takes place in waist deep water)
Under 9 Surf Aware 2	25 metre swim (any stroke) 1 minute survival float	Minimum 150m open water swim (competition course as per competition manual)
Under 10 Surf Safe 1	25 metre swim (freestyle) 1 1/2 minutes survival float	Minimum 150m open water swim (competition course as per competition manual)
Under 11 Surf Safe 2	50 metre swim (freestyle) 2 minutes survival float	Minimum 288m open water swim (competition course as per competition manual)
Under 12 Surf Smart 1	100 metre swim (freestyle) 2 minutes survival float	Minimum 288m open water swim (competition course as per competition manual)
Under 13 Surf Smart 2	150 metre swim (freestyle) 3 minutes survival float	Minimum 288m open water swim (competition course as per competition manual)
Under 14 SRC	200 metre swim (freestyle, in less than 5 minutes) 3 minutes survival float	Minimum 288m open water swim (competition course as per competition manual)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

REGISTRATION

- Registration for nippers per member is \$60. This is a one off fee and no weekly fees are payable. The membership category is Junior Activities.
- One parent/ guardian or carer must also register with each family. This is an Associate membership and is also \$60. We ask that one family member registers to help us ensure that we have adequate parental support to conduct nipper's activities. Membership also insures adequate insurance coverage when conducting club activities.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

- Nippers will begin at 9:30am and conclude by 11- 11:30am. Activities begin with a weekly briefing to all parents and nippers. Nippers are asked to assemble in their age groups on the club house lawn each Sunday.
- One parent/guardian must remain on the beach and be prepared to assist every week. There is something everyone can do e.g.: marking off names, recording results, packing up equipment or water safety.
- As a risk minimisation procedure we have implemented the requirement that all parents/ guardians must sign their children INTO and OUT OF WEEKLY ACTIVITIES.
- **AGE MANAGER-** we are required to provide 2 age managers for every 20 children in Nippers. Being an age manager doesn't mean you need to be in the water, but you do need to undergo specific training provided by the club. We would relish any help from parents.
- Before each day, a water safety risk assessment is conducted. For all water activities, age group managers will ensure that a minimum ratio of 1 qualified lifesaver to 5 children is in the water during activities.

UNIFORM REQUIRMENTS

- During Nippers activities, all Nippers **must wear club caps and a fluro vest.** (Available for purchase at \$15 each). This is for identification, safety and insurance purposes and a national requirement.
- Nippers must remove their caps at the completion of activities. This is to signify that the nipper is no longer under the care of the age coach/manager.

COMPETITION

- We encourage all nippers who are interested to compete to do so. When carnivals arise though we need lots of help. Each carnival entry requires a specific amount of water safety and officials to also take part. We are also required to provide our own equipment. Please keep this in mind and consider completing an officials course.
- We are aiming this year to conduct a range of mini carnivals during the season to help encourage our nippers to compete in larger Branch & State competitions.
- We have included any known carnival dates into our draft calendar. These are not 100% confirmed but we will advertise all known opportunities on our website.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

- Nippers includes a component of Junior Education, where members are taught a variety of skills and lessons. AT the beginning of the season (before DEC 31) during unsavoury condition or dangerous seas, we will conduct this education. Towards the back end of the season, should conditions be unfavourable we will cancel Nippers. This will be communicated to all members via our facebook, website and sms messages.

DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITES.

- Our branch & SLSNSW operate a number of junior development opportunities. These include development camps with other branches (for ages 12-15) and other SLSNSW opportunities such as LifeSaver exchanges and Youth Opportunity Makers. As details for these become available- they will be advised via our website.

CONTACTS:

All nippers questions are queries can be directed to the Director of Member Services who can escalate any issues or ideas to the TOB executive team.