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Subject: National Events 2014/15 – Call for Expressions of Interest

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Purpose of this Document

The purpose of this paper is to seek expressions of interest from clubs for the following four events for the 2014/15 season:

Ref	Event	Date	Apx No. Entrants
1	BP Surf Rescue North Island Championships	6-7 December 2014	200
2	Eastern Regional Championships	24-25 January 2015	800
3	Surf Life Saving New Zealand Championships	12-15 March 2015	1700
4	BP Surf Rescue New Zealand Championships	28-29 March 2015	350

Background

The 2013/14 season is the third and final year of a three year event cycle set in 2011. Over this time there has been an evolution of the process for deciding the dates and hosts for events, and compared to 2011 the responsibility for most events has now passed to local sport committees. However, for a small number of events, there is still a need to use a wider bidding process co-ordinated by SLSNZ.

The process is only for one year (2014/15) this time as there are still plans to undertake a 'Blue Sky' review of the overall sport programme within the next nine months and this will confirm the longer term event programme, and when this is completed a multi-year bidding process will take place for the events where this is appropriate.

Two other points to note:

- The Eastern Regional Championships are included in this process at the request of the Eastern Region Sport Committee who will make the final decision. SLSNZ is simply assisting by providing the up-front collection of bids.
- The Oceans 2015 event (Under 14 National Championships) has not been included at this point, as it is subject to the negotiations with the Tauranga City Council. Only if these are not successful would this be put up for alternative options.

What is expected of a host club and a venue?

Host club(s) are simply required to assist and support the SLSNZ in event management to deliver the event. This may include providing facilities and services on a contracted basis, assistance with contacts for supply of local goods and services, work with the local council(s) and other support that will help the event be a success.





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Please note several clubs can work together to submit a bid and work in consortia with local councils or other partners.

The events will be managed by SLSNZ, either by Regional or National teams. SLSNZ will pay the host club for services provided and support and advise the club on any activities that will undertake for the event.

Event Specifications

The attached file contains the specifications of the venue, environment and supporting infrastructure that is relevant for each event.

You should comment on the ability of your club(s) to meet each individual requirement as part of your bid document. Ideally all of the criteria specified will be met, however if you believe you can satisfy the requirement(s) you presently don't meet in another way this will still be considered.

Expressions of Interest

Expressions of interest for any of the above events should be sent to:

Bradley Simpson
Sport Manager - SLSNZ
PO Box 39-129
Wellington Mail Centre
Lower Hutt 5045

Or by email to bradley.simpson@surflifesaving.org.nz

The deadline for submissions is **3pm Thursday 14th November 2013.**

Your expression should contain:

- Contact details for your club(s) and key persons involved. This should include identification of all partners involved in a consortia if that approach is being taken.
- Identification of which event(s) your club(s) want to host.
- Confirmation that your club/ venue is able to meet the Event Specifications for the event(s) – as above this requires a commentary on each individual requirement listed in the Event Specifications document.
- Commentary on the capability/ capacity of your club(s) and partner(s) to deliver such an event(s). References to previous or similar events hosted will be very relevant here, along with the experience of key personnel.



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- Confirmation that you can deliver the event(s) on the dates specified. Due to season scheduling unfortunately there is no flexibility in these dates.
- Commentary on what extra value your club(s)/ partner(s) will bring to the event, whether that be in areas of finance/ revenue, event infrastructure, event atmosphere or other capabilities or enhancements. A major driver is to keep costs and entry fees down for events so local partners who can provide funding or equipment/ services for free or reduced costs are particularly valuable. Another major driver is having events that will appeal to and attract large numbers of competitors and supporters so any features of your venue(s) and event(s) from that perspective should also be mentioned.

If you have any questions on what information to provide please contact Bradley Simpson.

Timetable

The timetable we are working to is:

- Expressions of interest close: 3pm Thursday 14th November.
- Evaluation process complete: Friday 6th December.
- Signoff by National Sport Committee and SLSNZ Board: 15th December
- Announcement: 18th December

Bids will be assessed on the basis of the written expressions of interest, but if further information is required there may be additional dialogue with SLSNZ.

If there are any questions please get in touch, and thanks in advance for your interest in hosting any of these events.

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