



BP North Island IRB Championships Entry Memo

This year sees the BP North Island IRB Championships heading back to the West Coast of the North Island, to the surf beach of Oakura. In this entry memo you will find a large amount of information that will assist you with your entries into the first major IRB based sports event of the season, and it is sure to be a great weekend of fast and exhilarating racing from some of the best IRB racers in the country.

At all times the latest information for this event will be available on the SLSNZ Events Calendar section of the SLSNZ website [www.surflifesaving.org.nz/North Island IRB Champs](http://www.surflifesaving.org.nz/North_Island_IRB_Champs)

Date	11th February 2017
Venue	New Plymouth Old Boys SLSC, Oakura, Taranaki, Link to Map
Entries open	9th January 2017
Entries close	Wednesday 3 rd February 2017
Entry fees	\$46.00 per crew, per event (GST Inclusive)

Event Entry Process

This season we will be using a new online entry system called EnterNow for the BP Surf Rescue North Island IRB Championships. Please ensure you familiarise yourself with the system by watching this online tutorial - [SLSNZ Event Entry System Video Tutorial](#) (YouTube Video) or via our [Event Entry System Manual](#).

To access the EnterNow system please follow this link and use your club allocated password details as sent to the club administrators.
<http://slnz.enternow.co.nz/slnz/index.php>

All entry fees will be calculated via the online entry system following the close of entries and your club will be invoiced directly.



In it for life

Team Declaration Forms

This year with the new EnterNow entry system there is no need to complete Team Declaration Forms as well as entries. Just complete the Entries on line as per the entry process.

Eligibility of competitors

This competition is open to any SLSNZ affiliated club. Without the following details your members will not be eligible to compete nor will they be able to be entered through the online entry system. SLSNZ reserve the right to limit the number of competitors per event.

- a) Current Members (i.e. must not be stored in the 'Last Season Members' or 'Historical Members' folder on the PAM Database.
- b) Have a DOB recorded on the PAM Database.
- c) Have a PRIMARY membership with the club they intend to compete for (membership status displayed in the 'Membership' tab of the individual in the Database)
- d) Team substitutes must be registered in some capacity in the event (see notes below)
- e) It is a requirement of the event that competitors hold the Surf Lifeguard Award and currently refreshed.
- f) Combined club teams for relays will not be permitted.
- g) All IRB Drivers must hold a current/refreshed Senior Lifeguard IRB Drivers qualification.
- h) All IRB Crewperson must hold a Crewperson Award qualification.

Age

A competitor's age group is determined by their age as at midnight on 30th September 2015.

For example if you were 21 by the 30th of September 2015, you are ineligible to compete in the Under 21 division. All competitors and patients must hold their SLGA to be eligible to compete at the 2016 BP North Island IRB Championships.

Team Substitutes

As stated in (e) above, all team substitutes must be registered in some capacity in the competition. In some instances clubs have to substitute members for their team events which can be problematic if the person who is the substitute is not competing in any other event. Therefore any potential substitutes (who are not already competing) must be entered into the Team Substitutes Event. This is to allow fairness to all by ensuring that all eligibility criteria are met.

Please Note: The event Substitution Event has a \$10 cost associated with it and will be billed out to clubs along with their team entries. Individual entries cannot be substituted for by another competitor; only team entries as outlined in the Surf Sport Competition Manual.

Event Rules

The 2017 BP North Island IRB Championships will be conducted under the rules contained in the following documents:

- SLSNZ Constitution
- SLSNZ Regulations
- SLSNZ Surf Sport Competition Manual – 8th Edition (V1)
- SLSNZ Equipment Specification Manual
- SLSNZ Sport Policies – Specifically SPS010 and SPS011

Any additional requirements as communicated by Event Management

Copies of these documents are available from the SLSNZ website, along with an electronic version of the New Surf Sports; sport.surflifesaving.org.nz/sportdocs

Event times and proposed programme

The following is a general indication of the competition programme and should only be used as a guide at this stage. A detailed daily timetable of events is being prepared and will be circulated once final entry numbers are received.

Scrutineering:	Friday 10 th Feb, 12.00am to 6.00pm
Team Managers Meeting:	Friday 10 th Feb, 7.00pm at the Devon Hotel, New Plymouth
Fuel Distribution:	Saturday 11 th Feb, 6.30am to 8.00am
Officials Meeting:	Friday 10 th Feb, 7.30pm at the Devon Hotel, New Plymouth
Racing Starts:	Saturday 11 th Feb, 8.00am, Oakura SLSC
Prize Giving:	Following the conclusion of racing, Grassed area behind New Plymouth Old Boys SLSC.
Postponements:	Sunday 12 th Feb will be used as a backup day if we cannot find a suitable alternative on the Saturday

Event Equipment

All clubs are required to supply their own competition equipment which must comply with

IRB Racing Policies

The following rules have been developed by the National IRB Advisory Group and National Sport Committee.

- Lifejackets are compulsory for all IRB Drivers, Crew and Patients in competition and competition training from the 1st January 2016.
- Helmets are compulsory for all IRB Patients in competition and competition training from the 1st January 2016.
- For full policy details please read [Sport Policy Statement SPS010](#).

Fuel Ordering and Fuel Station

This year for IRB Events Clubs are required to pre order their fuel amount prior to the competition which will be on-charged to the club following the event. SLSNZ will purchase all the fuel as per the orders and each club will be issues with the amount they ordered all in one go for the duration of the event. The fuel station will be open on Saturday 11th February at 6.30am-8.00am before racing starts in the New Plymouth Old Boys gear shed. Crews will need to bring their own fuel containers that can take the full amount of fuel the club has ordered for racing. SLSNZ will have a fuel disposal drum available at the fuel station; please respect the environment and dispose of all or any unwanted fuel responsibly. The Fuel Order form can be found via this link. [Fuel Order Form](#)

Scrutineering

This will be held during the hours of 12.00am – 6.00pm, Friday 10th February in the grassed area behind the [New Plymouth Old Boys SLSC](#). Competition equipment may also be subject to random scrutineering checks during the event. Post event technical scrutineering will take place at the completion of racing on Saturday. Team Managers will be required to accompany

all equipment requested for scrutineering and to remain throughout the process. If your team is going to arrive later than 6.00pm on Friday 10th February please email dave.hickey@surflifesaving.org.nz to organise a suitable time to have your gear Scrutinised. It is highly recommended that club do their own scrutineering on their equipment prior to traveling to the event. The Scrutineering Assessment form can be found via this link. [Scrutineering Assessment Form](#).

Medal Presentations

At the conclusion of racing on Saturday we will be presenting medals to all place getters in each event that were contestable during the event. You are encouraged to stay behind and recognize those who have achieved during these Championships.

A reminder, please ensure that all recipients must be suitably attired with club beanies and club uniforms. Club Points and Presentations Club points will be allocated for all finals as follows:

IRB Racing points awarded are: 7pnts for first, 6pnts for second, 5pnts for third, 4pnts for fourth, 3pnts for fifth, 2pnts for sixth, 1pnt for seventh.

Photography

Applications need to be made to the Event Manager to gain access to the Competition Arenas in order to use cameras or video devices. Applications need to be made prior to the start of the event and must be submitted by the **1 February 2017**. The Application Form can be found in Appendix Four [here](#).

Only applications from Surf Life Saving Members and Media Agencies will be accepted for consideration (No public or non-members will be given access to the Competition Arenas to take photos, this includes parents of members who do not hold a membership themselves).

If access is gained then a Lanyard and Vest will be issued and must be worn at all times. SLSNZ reserves the right to refuse access to the arenas.

By entering this event Athletes and Team Management agree to SLSNZ using images and video taken during the competition for media and marketing purposes. Athletes and Team Management also agree by entering into this event that SLSNZ or second party contractors are allowed to fly drones above Competitors and Team Management throughout the event.

Communications

The BP North Island IRB Championships utilises a variety of tools to keep you updated with the latest event information and news. These include:

The SLSNZ Website: [Click here](#)

Facebook: [Click here](#)

Instagram: [Click here](#)

Twitter: [Click here](#)

E-TXT: Our E-text system may be used to communicate any programme changes, however, a team managers meeting will be used in the first instance.

Team Managers Details

Please ensure that you take the time to enter your Team Manager's contact details at the time of entries to ensure we can communicate with your club about the event. Once again we will be using our Telecom Etxt system for our Surf Sport events in our efforts to keep you as informed as possible. This will provide timely information to key personnel and confirm that all Team Managers know what decisions have been made at all times. To assist in this process, please make sure you enter your cell phone number, along with your details when you fill in the Team managers details (on line entry system).

From this point forward information will only be sent to those listed as the Team Manager on the online entry system; however the latest information will also be available on the NZ Events Calendar section of the SLSNZ website [www.surflifesaving.org.nz/North Island IRB Champs](http://www.surflifesaving.org.nz/North_Island_IRB_Champs)

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or queries regarding this, or any future events. We look forward to seeing you all at the event.

Kind Regards,

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