

EASTERN REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

MIDWAY BEACH, GISBORNE
25-27 JANUARY 2019

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OFFICIALS CIRCULAR

Event Overview

The Eastern Regional Championships (ERCs) has a proud history of being not only one of the biggest surf life saving events held in New Zealand, but one of the most competitive. Despite the Eastern Region spanning the Coromandel, Bay of Plenty and Gisborne Local Areas, the event attracts competitors from throughout the country.

ERC's offers almost all of the events available at the New Zealand Championships, drawing upon the best of the best to determine the Eastern Regional Champions and Overall Top Club.

The competition includes a wide variety of events, requiring varying levels of technical skill and physical fitness. With surf and weather conditions constantly changing, the competition has proved to be one of the most exciting competitions of the Surf Life Saving calendar.

Making an appearance at Midway Beach, one of the prestigious anchor venues of the National Championships, we invite you to celebrate the skills and experience of some of Surf Life Saving New Zealand's very best athletes in Gisborne as they compete for their friends and against their fellow athletes.

Officials Circular

This document provides you with all the information you need to know as an Official at this event. While it contains the typical logistical information surrounding the event, it also incorporates very important details that an Official must be aware of before attending the event.

Please note that this circular should be read in conjunction with the Entry and Team Manager Circulars which outline further information Participants and Team Managers must be aware of prior to attending into the competition.

Tairāwhiti/Gisborne

Tairāwhiti/Gisborne is proud to sponsor the 2019 Eastern Regional Championships in Gisborne. Surf Life Saving New Zealand is excited to be partnering with Tairāwhiti/Gisborne, showcasing everything that the region has to offer and why Gisborne remains one of the premier National Surf Life Saving Event venues.

Also commonly called East Coast and Eastland, the Tairāwhiti region extends from east of Ōpōtiki in the north to the Mohaka River in the south. What lies between is an almost untouched paradise of spectacular surf beaches, inland wilderness, fertile vineyards and farms, marae and settlements, gorgeous lakes and rivers and Gisborne, a city thriving with cafés, hotels and historic sites.

Explore what the region has to offer at the Tairāwhiti/Gisborne website [here](#).



Important Times

Friday 25 January 2019

Voluntary Scrutineering:	1:00pm – 4:00pm
Officials Briefing:	3:30pm
Team Manager Briefings:	3:45pm and 7:00pm
Officials iPad/Waves/RFID Training:	7:30pm
Start Time:	4:30pm
Prizegiving:	30 minutes after the conclusion of racing
Low Tide:	4:25pm – 0.5m
High Tide:	10:35pm – 2.1m

Saturday 26 January 2019

Canoe Registrations:	7:00am – 7:30am
Voluntary Scrutineering:	7:00am – 8:00am
Officials Briefing:	7:00am
Start Time:	8:00am
Prizegiving:	30 minutes after the conclusion of racing
Officials Dinner:	6:00pm
Low Tide:	04:46am – 0.4m
High Tide:	11:03am – 2.2m

Sunday 27 January 2019

Voluntary Scrutineering:	7:00am – 8:00am
Start Time:	8:00am
Prizegiving:	30 minutes after the conclusion of racing
Low Tide:	5:41am – 0.4m
High Tide:	11:57pm – 2.1m

Officials Briefings

Friday 25 January 2019

Officials Briefing:	3:30pm
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Saturday 26 January 2019

Officials Briefing:	7:00am
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All Officials Briefings will be held at the Midway SLSC, with Officials required to sign in each day.

Please note that the Officials Briefing at **3:30pm** on Friday 25 January 2019 is centred upon all those matters relevant to the delivery of the events to be held on that day. Accordingly, only the Officials attending that day are required to attend.

The Officials Briefing at **7:00am** on Saturday 25 January 2019 is significantly more comprehensive, with all Officials are required to attend.

Officials iPad/Waves/RFID Training

Friday 25 January 2019

Officials Ipad/Waves/RFID Training: 7:30pm

All officials who will be using the ipads, waves system and RFID Scanners are required to attend this session. Officials who will be using ipads, waves and the RFID Scanners will be contacted prior to the event.

Any official who is unable to attend, will be briefed on the morning of Saturday 26 January 2019.

Officials Dinner

In conjunction with the 21 Club, we will be hosting an Officials Dinner at the Waikanae SLSC on Saturday 26 January 2019 at 6:00pm.

The dinner is free for all officials with a role at the event. However, all 21 Club members and partners may attend at a cost of \$20.00 per person. Please bring cash on the night.

To register your attendance at the Officials Dinner, please click [here](#).

Communications

Those officials which have provided cell phone numbers will receive notifications via the etxt system in advance and during the event. This is to ensure you are provided with prompt notification of any developments related to the event at all times.

However, the website will provide the most up to date event information at all times.

Code of Conduct

Event Management reserves the right to exclude competitors from further competition for poor or 'un-sportsperson like' behaviour. This also applies to **officials**, parents, team managers and supporters.

To view the SLSNZ Code of Conduct click [here](#).

Roles and Responsibilities

Please note that these roles and responsibilities are subject to change. If you have any concerns or queries, please contact Bruce Matheson (brucematheson@hotmail.com).

Event Management Committee

Event Manager: Mark Inglis
 Event Referee: Bruce Matheson
 Event Safety Officer: Chris Emmett

Event Support

Event Assistants: Scott Bicknell
 Renee Wikaire
 Deputy Event Referees: Debbie Hutchings
 Greg Rieger
 Deputy Event Safety Officer: Marc Pulepule
 Event Logistics Officer: Alan Coates
 Announcers: Taris Harker
 Daniel Edwards
 Chaz Gibbons
 CAC: David Price
 TBC
 TBC
 Competitor Liaisons: Dennis Cooksley
 Graeme Ward
 Administration/Results: Doris Coates
 Joss Urbahn

Friday 25 January 2019:

	Water Arena One	Beach Arena
Arena Referee	Bernie Limbrick	Debbie Hutchings
Chief Judge	Trina Wills	Tony Wiseman
Marshall	Kelly Baxter	Alistair Thorpe
Check Marshall	Dave East	Nicky Hurring
Starter:	Graeme Trevor	Andrew Willock
Check Starter	Matt Warren	Sue Stewart
Video Judge	TBC	Kathy Crammer
Finish Line Judge	John Chapman	Jess Moratti
Finish Line Judge	Murray Kemp	Kev Cornish
Finish Line Judge	Shirley Kemp	Jan Saul
Finish Line Judge	TBC	Greg Rieger
Course Judge	TBC	TBC
Course Judge	TBC	TBC
Course Judge	TBC	TBC
Recorder	Leah Blincoe	TBC
Recorder	TBC	TBC

Saturday 26 January 2019:

	Water Arena One (U19)	Water Arena Two (Open)	Water Arena Three (U16)	Canoe Arena
Arena Referee	Jo Miller	Bernie Limbrick	John Chapman	Tony Wiseman
Chief Judge	Hirata Titcombe	Trina Wills	Murray Kemp	Leah Blincoe
Marshall	Alistair Thorpe	Teri Anderson	Toni Dunstan	TBC
Marshall	Anna Harding	TBC	TBC	TBC
Check Marshall	Nicky Hurring	Andrew Bates	M & D Gardiner	TBC
Starter	Graeme Trevor	Harley McLaughlin	Alan Thompson	Yogi
Check Starter	Mathew Wood	Paul Koce	Denys Carpenter	Kevin Berry
Video Judge	Anna North	Caroline Bird	Nick Bodenstein	TBC
Finish Line Judge	Jan Reid	Yvonne Clark	Sue Stewart	TBC
Finish Line Judge	Kay Beringham	Julie Clark	Mark Robinson	TBC
Finish Line Judge	Sarnia Brewer	Matt Warren	Shirley Kemp	TBC
Finish Line Judge	TBC	TBC	Rebecca Rangiuia	TBC
Arena Judge	Katrina Duncan	TBC	Mayana Wilson	TBC
Arena Judge	Gill McSweeney	Anna Humpherson	Kelly Baxter	TBC
Course Judge	Catriona Manning	Marg Cosgriff	Dave East	Bruce Whitehead
Recorder	Sarah Collins	Moana Robinson	Anne Watton	Debbie Walker
Recorder	TBC	TBC	Aroha Harris	TBC

Sunday 27 January 2019:

	Water Arena One (U16/U19 Men)	Water Arena Two (Open)	Water Arena Three (U16/U19 Women)	Canoe Arena
Arena Referee	Jo Miller	Trina Wills	John Chapman	Tony Wiseman
Chief Judge	Hirata Titcombe	TBC	Murray Kemp	Leah Blincoe
Marshall	Alistair Thorpe	Teri Anderson	Toni Dunstan	TBC
Marshall	Anna Harding	TBC	TBC	TBC
Check Marshall	Nicky Hurring	Andrew Bates	M & D Gardiner	TBC
Starter	Graeme Trevor	Harley McLaughlin	Alan Thompson	Yogi
Check Starter	Mathew Wood	Paul Koce	Denys Carpenter	Kevin Berry
Video Judge	Anna North	Matt Warren	Nick Bodenstein	TBC
Finish Line Judge	Jan Reid	Yvonne Clark	Mark Robinson	TBC
Finish Line Judge	Kay Beringham	Julie Clark	Aroha Harris	TBC
Finish Line Judge	Sarnia Brewer	Miah Thorpe	Shirley Kemp	TBC
Finish Line Judge	TBC	TBC	Rebecca Rangiuia	TBC
Arena Judge	Katrina Duncan	Caroline Bird	Mayana Wilson	TBC
Arena Judge	TBC	Anna Humpherson	Kelly Baxter	TBC
Course Judge	Catriona Manning	Marg Cosgriff	Dave East	Bruce Whitehead
Recorder	Sarah Collins	Moana Robinson	Anne Waton	Debbie Walker
Recorder				TBC

Travel Subsidies

The Eastern Region Senior Championships is a regional event and not obligated to fulfil the National Event Officials Travel Subsidy policy.

With consideration to the increased costs associated with the implementation of the Travel Subsidy, the Event Manager has decided not to provide a travel subsidy to officials at the 2019 Eastern Region Senior Championships.

Event Safety

Competition Safety Plan

The Competition Safety Plan will be made available through the website [here](#) prior to the event commencing. The document is also available for viewing in the Event Management Area during the event. The missing person at sea reflex tasking can be found in **Appendix Two** of the entry circular.

Competition Safety Vests

The wearing of high visibility vests will be mandatory at this event. Supplying safety vests is a club responsibility and must be in line with the SLSNZ guidelines for safety vests. This information can be found [here](#).

Equipment Identification

Every small craft must be labelled with the name of the club, clearly visible, handwritten or a decal. This would preferably be located between the front handles of paddle boards and in the front of the footstraps for surf skis. This will aid in the immediate identification of an athlete or team if lost equipment is washed into the beach. It will also assist in identifying clubs who are required to move equipment in the event of a shift in Arena Location.

Parent, Guardian, Coach, Team Manager and Club Obligations

It is the responsibility of clubs, through their coaches and manager, to ensure that each individual competitor is competent to **safely** compete in the conditions that prevail on any given day.

It is therefore the clubs responsibility to ensure that competitors who are not yet competent to compete in the prevailing conditions are withdrawn from an event rather than expose them to unnecessary risk or potential harm by encouraging or coercing competitors to compete, particularly against their will. Please refer to statement (e) of the **Agreement to be bound by the Manual** section of the **Surf Sports Competition Manual**. The Manual can be found [here](#).

It is the expectation of the organisers that all clubs will only permit competent competitors to compete in an event.

Warm Up on Friday 25 January 2019

Please note that all SLSNZ rules and regulations apply on Friday 25 January 2019, as they do during the event. Please ensure compliance and follow the instructions of Event Management Staff.

Key Contact

If you have any queries or concerns, please feel free to contact the Event Assistant.

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