

Team Managers Circular

Welcome to the TSB New Zealand Surf Life Saving Championships 2019, more fondly known as 'TSB Nationals 2019' the event represents our pinnacle event of the season with 1590 athletes registered to attend. From Masters who have lost track of the number of Nationals they have attended to 15 year olds experiencing the event for the first time, Nationals caters to all levels of participation and almost all aspects of Surf Life Saving. You will see New Zealand representatives in canoes, surf boats, surf swimmers, beach sprinters, and ski/board paddlers all having a crack at being the next National Champion!

This document provides you with all the information you need to know as a Team Manager at Nationals 2019. While it contains the typical logistical information surrounding the event, it also incorporates very important details that a Team Manager must be aware of at this event.

Event Programming

The latest updated programme can be found at TSB Nationals 2019 Event page, link below:

<https://www.surflifesaving.org.nz/calendar/2019/march/tsb-new-zealand-surf-life-saving-championships>

Please note that the programme is subject to change due to surf/weather conditions and any update will only be posted on the TSB Nationals Event Page.

Thursday 21st March 2019 – 'Masters Thursday'

Warm up start time:	7:30am
Marshalling Start Time:	8:15am
Boat/Canoe Registrations Close:	8:00am
Start Time:	8:30am

Friday 22nd March 2019 – 'Rescue & Sprint Friday'

Warm up Start Time:	7:00am
Marshalling Start Time:	7:45am
Boat/Canoe Registrations Close:	7:30am
Start Time:	8:00am

Saturday 23rd March 2019 – 'Craft & Flags Saturday'

Warm up Start Time:	7:00am
Marshalling Start Time:	7:45am

Boat/Canoe Registrations Close: 7:30am
Start Time: 8:00am

Sunday 24th March 2019 – ‘Super Sunday’

Warm up Start Time: 7:00am
Marshalling Start Time: 7:45am
Boat/Canoe Registrations Close: 7:30am
Start Time: 8:00am

Tides:

Date	High Tide Time/Metre	Low Tide Time/Metre
Thursday 21 st March 2019	8:18am - 1.96m	2:28pm - 0.09m
Friday 22 nd March 2019	9:10am - 1.97m	3:21pm - 0.03m
Saturday 23 rd March 2019	10:01am - 1.94m	4:12pm - 0.01m
Sunday 24 th March 2019	10:53am - 1.88m	5:01pm - 0.02m

Event Draws:

A full and final event programme has been developed and is available on the website. The final event starter lists are as per each clubs Entry Confirmation sheets that can be found within the EnterNOW System, any changes will be communicated at the Team Managers meetings.

Please note that Event Management and Officials reserve the right not to hold events for any competitor. If your competitor is not on the line ready then they will not start in that heat, semi, or final. While automatic scratching will be implemented, if you do have knowledge of any scratching prior to event marshalling it will assist with making the event run smoother.

Event Management and Officials also reserve the right to limit the number of competitors per event.

Boat and Canoe Registration:

All Boats and Canoes must register in order to race, this needs to be done for Masters either before 5pm Wednesday 20th March by texting Michelle Newton on 027 459 8897 or at the Team Managers meeting on Thursday 21st at 8:00am.

For Seniors Nationals all Boats and Canoes crews must register either before 7pm Thursday 21st March by texting Michelle Newton on 027 459 8897 or at the Team Managers meeting on Thursday 21st 7:00pm.

Event Site Plans

The Final Event Site Plans can be found on the TSB Nationals 2019 Event Page.

<https://www.surflifesaving.org.nz/calendar/2019/march/tsb-new-zealand-surf-life-saving-championships>

You will find included: TSB National Arena Layout 2019
TSB Nationals Detailed Main Beach Layout

Please note that the Site Plans are subject to change due to a dependence upon the number of entries the marshal for specific events and surf/weather conditions.

RFID tags.

RFID tags have significantly increased the efficiency of marshalling, check marshalling and recording during all events particularly in events with large numbers of competitors. While the wearing of high Vis Vests is not currently a requirement for sprint, Beach Relays & Beach Flags events, we request that wherever possible all athletes wear their club vests, with RFID tags inserted. This will significantly reduce the time spent marshalling, check marshalling and recording. Given the weather forecast next week, any time saved will be appreciated by athletes, officials and spectators alike. Thanks for your cooperation.

Scrutineering

Scrutineering will be as per the **SLSNZ Equipment Specifications Manual_September 2017** and the more recently updated **SLSNZ Sport Circular – 18SC02**. Please see below for how relevant excerpts will be applied to the 'TSB Nationals 2019':

Scrutineering (Boards, Skis & Tubes only) will be on a voluntary basis and be available on the day prior to the 'TSB Nationals 2019' time available will be:

Voluntary Craft Scrutineering
10:00am to 6:00pm Thursday 21st March
Located: Presentation Hub Area

24.0 Scrutineering:

24.1 SLSNZ shall appoint a Chief Scrutineer and such assistant scrutineers as required to ensure compliance with the equipment specifications for events.

24.2 Scales and other equipment (jigs) necessary to ensure compliance shall be made available on the day preceding major events to allow the checking of equipment and the issuing of compliance stickers for those requiring it. Scrutineering is optional to members to partake in but if requested by a scrutineer then athletes must comply with the request.

24.3 Random checking of equipment to ensure compliance may take place during and at the conclusion of the event.

24.4 At major events top three finishers in finals should expect their gear to be scrutinized following their event (race). It is recommended that a club representative is also present also during the scrutineering process. **Note: This will not apply, refer to 24.3.**

24.5 Persons found to be using equipment not complying with the specification shall be disqualified from the event (race) in which that equipment was used.

24.6 Every endeavour should be made to have Scrutineering equipment available at major events and a full list of events

Masters Registrations

Masters registrations will be open from **5:00pm to 7:30pm on Wednesday 20th March 2019** at the Administration Hub. A Team Managers representing their club will need to confirm registrations and sign a Masters Team Declaration Form, at this point competitor wristbands and Masters T-shirts will be

provided. You will also be able to register from 7:00am to 8:00am on the Thursday morning, however please attend the night before as you may be waiting if lots of teams turn up.

Masters Hawaiian Style BBQ

All Masters are invited to attend the **Hawaiian Style BBQ** on **Thursday 21st March @ Mt Maunganui LGS**. Please note that the venue only fits approximately 150 persons, so the meal will start to be served from 4:45pm onwards and we ask that once you have been served you move on so others can also be served. Also drinks cannot be taken beyond the deck area at MMLGS.

Masters must have the wrist band to compete and eat!!!!

Meeting Schedule - Team Managers

Masters Team Managers Meeting - Thursday 21st March 2019

- Masters Team Managers Meeting – MMLGS first floor (Bar area), 8:00am

Seniors Team Managers Meeting - Thursday 21st March 2019

- Seniors Team Manager Meeting - MMLGS second floor (Clubbies Area), 7:30pm

Please Note: If there are major programme or condition changes and we need to hold additional Team Managers Meetings then Team Managers will be notified through the E-text system.

Boat & Surf Canoe – On and Off the Beach Movements

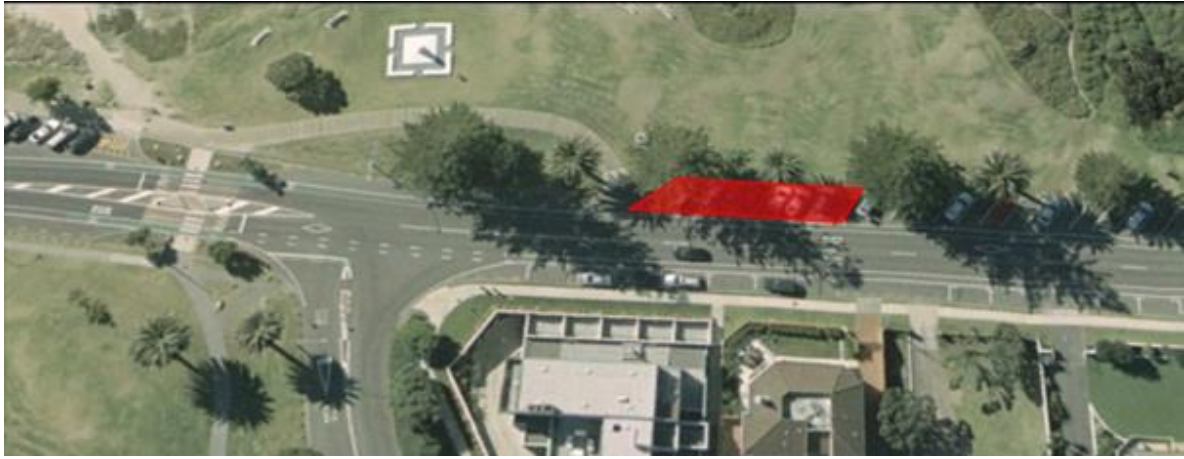
Trailer Drop-Off Zone

The eight parking spaces identified in the site map below will be used to deposit club equipment trailers, prior to being picked up by a tractor. There is no beach access to private vehicles. This will occur from **05:00am Wednesday 20th March 2019 to 20:00pm Thursday 21st March 2019**.



Trailer Collection Zone

The eight parking spaces identified in the site map below will be used to deposit club equipment trailers, prior to being picked up by private vehicles. There is no beach access to private vehicles. This will occur from **05:00am Sunday 25th March 2019 to 20:00pm Monday 25th March 2019**.



Board & Ski Trailers – On and Off the Beach Movements

Trailer Drop-Off Zone

The eight parking spaces to the South of MMLGS identified in the site map below will be used to deposit club equipment trailers, prior to being picked up by a tractor. There is no beach access to private vehicles. This will occur from **05:00am Wednesday 20th March 2019 to 20:00pm Thursday 21st March 2019**.



Trailer Collection Zone

The eight parking spaces to the East identified in the site map below will be used to deposit club equipment trailers, prior to being picked up by private vehicles. There is no beach access to private vehicles. This will occur from **05:00am Sunday 25th March 2019 to 20:00pm Monday 25th March 2019**.

Club Team Declarations

All clubs will be required to complete a **Masters Team Declaration** and a **Seniors Team Declarations**, these need to be handed in and signed by the appropriate Team Manager immediately prior to the Team Managers meetings scheduled above.

Finals Live Streaming

We are excited to announce that we have committed to a full Finals Live Streaming Package on our High Performance Facebook page. The programme for this will comprise a 12:00-12:30pm pre show, 12:30-3:30pm live streamed finals, 3:30-4:00pm post show round up.

To keep up to date with the event follow us here:

- [Event Website Page](#)
- [Facebook Event Page](#)
- [Sunday Life Streaming](#)

U16 Ironperson & Diamond Events

A central communication has gone out to address the issue that has arisen over the decision to remove the U16 Female Ironperson event from the National Championships programme, having previously announced that it would be run for the first time this year.

The decision(s) were made taking into account two different factors - firstly gender equality and secondly what events are appropriate for what age groups. The initial decision to offer the event was made largely on the basis of gender equality, as U16 male athletes have the option of this event. However, like any decision in sport, the decision did evoke some negative feedback, and this caused the decision to be re-evaluated. The re-evaluation co-incided with proposals being developed to change the age grades for events from U14, U16 and U19 to U15, U17 and U19 with age specific events for those age groups. Under these proposals, which are currently out for consultation, the U15 age grades (male and female) would only compete in a Diamond race, not an Ironperson event. As such there was some logic not to offer an U16 Female Ironperson event at this year's Nationals as it may only be for one year.

However, the decision to not offer this event does bring back the issue of gender inequality, which is something we don't want to have happen. So on reflection it has been decided to separate the two topics – and allow the age grade discussion to happen via the consultation process and to deal with the gender equality issue now.

As such, the U16 Female Ironperson event will be put back into the TSB Nationals 2019 programme – as per the original decision. And to ensure full gender equity around this, an U16 Male Diamond race will also be run on the same basis (athletes have to choose between Diamond and Iron).

While this decision will not satisfy everyone, it gives those female U16 athletes who have trained all season for the Ironperson event at Nationals, the opportunity to take part in the event.

- Every club will have the opportunity to resubmit entries under the 4 categories below.
- As per the original decision, competitors will need to choose between the Diamond and the Ironperson events, they cannot do both as the programme simply does not allow for athletes to compete in both events.

- Competitors must already be entered into the TSB Nationals 2019, we cannot accept late entries into the whole event.
- Entries will only be accepted into the races below from 7:00pm (Seniors Team Managers Meeting) until Noon Friday 22nd March.
- All clubs must resubmit entries into the events below of the form provided.

U16 Male Ironperson
U16 Male Diamond Race
U16 Female Ironperson
U16 Female Diamond Race

Tents

Club Tents can be erected from 3pm Wednesday 20th March 2019, main club tents should be put in the marked area on the Detailed Beach Setup Plan.

We will only allow popups on the arena backlines.

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