



**SURF LIFE SAVING**  
NORTHERN REGION

## 2019 Whangamata Classic Event information

**Date:** Saturday December 7 & Sunday December 8

**Venue:** Whangamata Beach

**Tides:**

Date	Low Tide	High Tide
Saturday December 7	0947	1611
Sunday December 8	1040	1659

**Event Categories:**

Event	U16		U19		U23		Open/Masters		Masters	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Beach Sprint	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓		
Beach Flags	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓		
Beach Relay	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓		
Surf Race	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓		
Board Race	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓		
Ski Race	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓		
Iron	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓		
4 Person Mixed Board Relay (2xM & 2xF)			✓				✓			
Ski Relay			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
6-Person Mixed Taplin Relay (1x M & 1xF per discipline)			✓				✓			
Boat			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Canoe			✓	✓			✓	✓		

### Programming:

- Saturday - Surf Race, Board Race, Ski Race, Iron/Diamond, Beach Sprint, Beach Flags, Beach Relay, Boats and Canoes.
- Sunday - 4-Person Mixed Board Relay, Ski Relay and 6-Person Mixed Taplin Relay.
  - 4-Person Mixed Board Relay require 2x Male & 2x Female competitors.
  - 6-Person Mixed Taplin Relay requires 1x Male & 1x Female per discipline.
- U16 M & F Ironman: This event will be run as per the program. If conditions are deemed unsuitable to run this event, any changes will apply to both the Men's & Women's event.
- Event Clashes – Events will not be held for any competitor. If a competitor has not registered for an event, or is not on the line ready then they will not start in that heat or another heat.
- The final programme will be influenced by the weather conditions of the day. The Event Management Committee may alter competition courses in order to address safety or to account for tidal, sea and beach condition changes. As far as possible we will undertake to provide all competitors with fair and equal conditions.

### Waves & RFID Tags:

- This event will be run using the Waves system & will require athletes to have RFID tags.
- No tags=no racing
- If individuals are missing tags, please contact the Event Manager before event cut off ([entries@lifesaving.org.nz](mailto:entries@lifesaving.org.nz))

### Composite Teams:

- Clubs that are struggling to make up numbers in mixed relays events, may form composite teams.
- This function is to promote smaller clubs fielding teams and encourage clubs to exercise this option in the spirit intended.
- Please contact the Event Manager ([entries@lifesaving.org.nz](mailto:entries@lifesaving.org.nz)) prior to entry cut off if this applies to you.

### Large-Craft (Boats & Canoes) Composite Protocol:

- Clubs that are unable to field single gender crews but can field mixed crews within their club will be permitted to do so, under the below guidelines:
  - The crew is entered into the 'Mens' category
  - The crew is entered into the oldest age-group within the boat
    - Ie. (3x U19W + 1x U23M= U23M Category)
- If this applies to your club, contact the Event Manager ([entries@lifesaving.org.nz](mailto:entries@lifesaving.org.nz)) prior to entry cut off.

### Event Entries:

- Entries close **Monday November 25, 9am.**
- Search for "2019 Whangamata Classic" on the SLSNZ online entry portal [here](#)
- Please ensure your Team Management & Surf Official information is up to date on the online system. Failure to list a team manager may mean that you will miss out on vital information.
- It is the expectation of the event organisers that clubs will only enter competitors that have the requisite ability to compete safely in any given event.
- By entering this event clubs & competitors agree to SLSNR using any images and video taken during the event for media and promotional purposes.

### Entry Fees:

- **\$30.00** (incl. GST) per Competitor
- **\$10.00** (incl GST) per Team substitute '300'
- Entries received after entry close will incur an additional **\$20.00 Late fee**
- All entry fees will be calculated following the completion of the event and clubs will be invoiced directly.

### Cancellation Policy:

- If the carnival is cancelled, with no postponement before the first event is conducted, 75% of all entry fees will be refunded to all Clubs (25% retained for administration costs).
- If a carnival is cancelled, after the first event is conducted no refund will be given.

**Eligibility of Competitors:**

- This competition is open to any current & active SLSNZ member.
- Competitors age group is determined by their age as at midnight on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019.
- Competitors must be a minimum of 14 years of age.
- Competitors need to be either a refreshed Surf Lifeguard for the previous season OR a newly qualified Surf Lifeguard in the current season.
- All Team substitutes must be registered in the event in some capacity and meet the above criteria.

**Competition Uniform:**

- All competitors must wear their club cap.
- All competitors are to wear a High Visibility Vest during water events (this includes warm ups & cool downs)

**Rules:**

- The event will be conducted under the rules contained in the [SLSNZ Surf Sport Competition Manual](#), SLSNZ Code of Conduct, Sport Policies and any additional amendments as detailed on the website and any additional requirements as communicated by the Event Management Committee(s).
- Combined club teams for relays may be permitted at the discretion of the Event Management Committee

**Surf Officials to Competitors Ratio:**

- All Clubs are required to provide at least 1 surf official for every 8 competitors (or part thereof).
- Clubs may be requested to provide more, should the need arise.
- Please ensure that you have adequate numbers of Surf Officials available to meet the numbers of competitors entered.

**DRAFT Event Timings:**

When	What	Who
7.30am	Event Safety Briefing	EM, ER, ESO & WSO
8.00am	Officials Briefing	EM, ER, ESO, WSO & Surf Officials
8.15am	Team Managers Briefing	EM, ER, ESO, WSO & Team Managers
9.00am	First Event	

Best,

**SLSNR Event Coordinator**



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