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**EVENT
CIRCULAR**

2023 SOUTHERN REGION
JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

Saturday 11th & Sunday 12th February, 2023



ENTRY INFORMATION

Competition Purpose:

The 2023 Southern Region Junior Championships welcomes Junior Surf Participants to Warrington SLSC for a weekend of fun, competitive Junior Surf Racing.

This document provides you with all the information you need to know in order to enter this event. While it contains the typical logistical information surrounding the event, it also incorporates very important details that a parent and/or guardian must be aware of before entering their child into this event.

Entering Our Competition:

Entries may be made using the [SLSNZ Online Event Entry System](#). Your club has access to this system and will process your entries.

Entries Close:	Friday 3 rd February, 11:00am
Entry Fee:	\$40 per person (GST inclusive)
Eligibility of Competitors:	Please see Section 2.1 of the SLSNZ Surf Sport Competition Manual for a comprehensive breakdown of eligibility criteria. Note: U10-U14 participants must hold their 200m Badge if they wish to compete in water events.

Know Your Rules:

This event will be conducted under the rules contained in the following documents.

[SLSNZ Surf Sport Competition Manual](#), including any additional amendments as detailed on the website and any additional requirements as communicated by the Event Management Committee. Please note that the Manual has recently been updated to the 9th Edition (V3).

Additionally, members entering this event are bound by the following rules:

- [SLSNZ Constitution](#)
- [SLSNZ Regulations](#)
- [SLSNZ Code of Conduct](#) (Note: The Event Management Committee reserve the right to exclude competitors from further competition for poor or 'un-sportsman like' behavior. This also applies to parents, managers and supporters)
- [Drug Free Sport New Zealand](#)
- [SLSNZ Sport Policies](#)

Copies of these documents are available from the SLSNZ website.

Paddle Board Sizes 6.7:

Division	Description	Length	Weight
All Age Groups	Body boards	70cm Min (27")	NA
All Age Groups	Nipper Board (soft)	2.1m Max (6'6")	NA
Under 10 Under 11 Under 12	Cadet Board	2.7m Max (8'10")	4.5kg
Under 13 to Open	Composite Board	3.2m Max (10'6")	7.6kg

Age Groups:

Age group are determined by the competitor's age at midnight on 30th September 2022. For example, if you were 9 on the 30th September 2022, you are not eligible to compete in the Under 9 divisions.

Team Composition:

Board Relay – 2 Person Teams

Cameron Relay – 4 Person Teams (2 x Runner, 1 x Board Paddler, 1 x Swimmer)

Beach Relay – 4 Person Mixed Teams (2x Male, 2 x Female)

2km Beach Relay – 4 Person Mixed Teams (1 x U11, 1 x U12, 1 x U13, 1 x U14)

Board Rescue – 2 Person Teams

Tube Rescue – 2 Person Teams

Team Substitutes:

All team substitutes must be registered in some capacity in the competition. This is to ensure compliance with event entry eligibility requirements.



PROGRAMME INFORMATION

Event Programming:

The Draft Programme can be found below. Please note that the Draft Programme is subject to change due to a dependence upon the number of entries and surf/weather conditions.

Wednesday 8th February, 2023

Team Managers/Officials Briefing: 7:30pm
(Via Microsoft Teams)

Saturday 11th February, 2023

Warm Up Start Time: 7:30am
Team Managers/Officials Meeting: 7:45am
Marshalling Start Time: 8:20am
Start Time: 8:30am
Low Tide: 1:53pm
High Tide: 7:39am

Sunday 12th February, 2023

Warm Up Start Time: 7:30am
Team Managers/Officials Meeting: 7:45am
Marshalling Start Time: 8:20am
Start Time: 8:30am
Low Tide: 2:40pm
High Tide: 8:25am

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Under 8	Under 9	Under 10
Beach Sprint Arena (50m)	Beach Flag Arena (10m)	Beach Flag Arena (10m)
Beach Sprint	Beach Flags	Beach Flags
Beach Relay (Mixed)		
	Beach Sprint Arena (50m)	Beach Sprint Arena (50m)
Beach Flag Arena (10m)	Beach Sprint	Beach Sprint
Beach Flags	Beach Relay (Mixed)	Beach Relay (Mixed)
Water Arena	Water Arena	Water Arena
Run Wade Run	Run Wade Run	Surf Race
Body Board Race	Body Board Race	Board Race
Diamond	Diamond	Diamond
Body Board Relay	Body Board Relay	Run Swim Run
Cameron Relay	Cameron Relay	Board Relay
		Cameron Relay

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Under 11/12 Girls	Under 11/12 Boys	Under 13/14 Girls	Under 13/14 Boys
2km Beach Relay			
U11-U14 2km Beach Relay (1 x 800m, 1 x 600m, 1 x 400m, 1 x 200m)			
Beach Flag Arena (15m)		Beach Sprint Arena (70m)	
Beach Flags		Beach Sprint	Beach Sprint
		Beach Relay (Mixed)	
Water Arena	Water Arena		
Surf Race	Surf Race	Water Arena	Water Arena
		Surf Race	Surf Race
Board Race	Board Race		
		Board Race	Board Race
Board Relay	Board Relay		
		Board Relay	Board Relay
Diamond	Diamond		
		Diamond	Diamond
Run Swim Run (Without Fins)	Run Swim Run (Without Fins)		
Run Swim Run (With Fins)	Run Swim Run (With Fins)	Run Swim Run	Run Swim Run
Cameron Relay	Cameron Relay	Cameron Relay	Cameron Relay
Beach Sprint Arena (70m)		Beach Flag Arena (15m)	
Beach Sprint	Beach Sprint	Beach Flags	
Beach Relay (Mixed)			

Sunday 12th February, 2023

Under 13/14 Girls	Under 13/14 Boys
Board Rescue - Heats	Board Rescue - Heats
Board Rescue - Final	Board Rescue - Final
Tube Rescue - Heats	Tube Rescue - Heats
Tube Rescue - Final	Tube Rescue - Final

** Dependent on entry numbers, U11-U14 Beach Events may be shifted to Sunday morning*



COMPETITION COMMUNICATION

Communications:

Event Management utilise a variety of tools to keep you updated with the latest event information and news. These include:

- [The SLSNZ Website](#)
- [Facebook](#)
- [Live Results](#)
- TeamReach (via App Store)
 - o Event ID: SRJ2023

Please note that the [SLSNZ | Southern Region Facebook](#) will provide the latest event information at all times.

Event Photography:

If you are wishing to take photos at our competition, then please contact the Sport Manager and request for access into competition arenas. Please note Use of Cameras and Video devices rules are covered [under 2.25 in the Surf Sports Competition Manual](#).

Key Contact:

If you have any queries or concerns, please feel free to contact Luke.

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COMPETITION SAFETY INFORMATION

Competition Safety Plan:

The Competition Safety Plan will be made available for viewing in the Event Management Area following the team managers and officials briefing and during the event.

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.

Dune and Environment Protection

As per all our events dune and environment protection is the responsibility of everyone and as Surf Life Saving members please make sure you look after our beaches and sand dunes. If you see anyone walking through the dunes or placing equipment in areas they shouldn't be, please advise them to remove it or inform event management.

Please make sure all rubbish is placed in the bins supplied or taking with you.

Missing Person at Sea Responsibilities

Whether you are an Athlete, Official, in an IRB, Team Manager/Coach or a spectator, we all have a role to perform if someone goes missing in the water during an event or activity. Check out your role and how you may help in this situation by [clicking here](#).

Equipment:

Equipment Labelling

All equipment needs to be clearly labelled with the club for which the athlete/s is racing for. It is recommended that this be placed on an easily identifiable area i.e. the front/centre of the board, between the two straps.

Scrutineering

Random scrutineering may take place at the discretion of officials, with particular regard to craft and/or equipment that may pose a health and safety concerns. With consideration to the above, we encourage all participants to carry out an inspection of their equipment for sharp edges that could cut in advance of the competition.

Competition Safety Vests

The wearing of **yellow** 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 in the Equipment Specification Manual [here](#).

Medical Information:

Pre-Existing Medical Conditions

All participants and officials with a pre-existing medical condition must complete and submit a 'Pre-Existing Medical Conditions Declaration' form prior to the close of entries. These forms are to be submitted to the Regional Sport Manager (Luke Smith) by email to luke.smith@surflifesaving.org.nz. However, participants are encouraged to submit these as early as possible. Once submitted, the forms will be reviewed by SLSNZ and a decision will be made on whether a 'Competitor Waiver' form is required to be completed.

It is important to note that that a pre-existing medical condition includes a **concussion event** that has occurred prior to this event.

These forms are available through the website [here](#).

Concussion Protocol

1. Any person diagnosed with concussion within the 23 days (21 days for over 19 yrs.) preceding a SLSNZ event or activity, who is not able to provide evidence of a Graduated Return to Play (GRTP), and provide a medical diagnosis and SLSNZ Medical Clearance, will not be permitted to compete in a SLSNZ event.
2. Any person observed or reported to have been unconscious during a SLS event is not permitted to participate in any further SLS event or activity, pending participation in a 23 day GRTP (21 days for over 19 yrs.), and provide a SLSNZ Medical Clearance before further competition is permitted.
3. Any person suspected of a concussion during a SLSNZ competition may not participate in any further races for at least 24 hours, and must provide SLSNZ with the required SLSNZ Medical Clearance before further participation is permitted.

Any person suspected or diagnosed with concussion who wishes to return to a SLSNZ competition must provide SLSNZ with a copy of a SLSNZ Medical Clearance, which is to be completed by a medical practitioner, prior to returning to competition.

Vehicles & Trailers:

The only vehicles that may drive on the beach are those towing gear trailers. All other vehicles are asked to please be parked up by Warrington SLSC, and using the beach access to walk down the beach.

COMPETITION SITE MAPS

Warrington SLSC

