### **NORTH AVOCA NEWS**

31/08/2023



#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

**Dear Members** 

Welcome back!

Wow time has flown as we find ourselves only 3 weeks away from the raising of the flags ceremony that will again be held at Terrigal beach on September 23 at 830am. Our club will be proudly represented by our rookies as well as senior club representatives.

I am really excited that we are close to having our red and yellow flags on the beach again this year.

Last season our club contributed to the 8,332 members, 604 rescues and 42,600 preventative actions across the central coast branch. As well as maintaining the ultimate goal in our aquatic environment of zero deaths between the flags.

As we strive for success again this year, I wanted to take this opportunity to welcome you to the 2023/24 season. We will be hosting a season launch celebration on September 23rd at 5.30 after the traditional raising of the flags ceremony earlier that day. Ide like to invite you to attend this casual event. You can expect food, drinks and entertainment.

You can also expect a hall makeover with our new carpet being installed this week.

Thank you again for the generosity of your time and dedication to our wonderful club and once again to the generosity of our sponsors and FONA's that help us become better equipped for our core business of saving lives .

See you all in a few weeks on the sand or in the water.

Kim Findlay
President / president@naslsc.com.au

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#### **Registrations Now Open**

We are asking all our existing members to renew their membership online via their Members Portal.

https://members.sls.com.au/SLSA Online/modules/login/index.php#

Renewing your membership involves two steps;

- 1. Renewal of Membership (or family membership)
- 2. Making Payment active kids vouchers (AKV) are welcome.

Please ensure that you do both steps as the office can not endorse your renewal without both being completed.

If you need assistance with renewing your membership, please email <a href="mailto:office@naslsc.com.au">office@naslsc.com.au</a>



#### **New Member Registration Day**

The Club will be holding a Registration Day for new members

Sunday 17th September 2023 @ 3 - 5pm NASLSC

All members are invited to come join us for SIPs from 5pm Pass the word around to family and friends.

#### **Next Management Committee Meeting**

Will be held at the club Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2023 commencing 7.30pm. Minutes can be in found in club document library accessed via your member's portal.

Penny Smith
Director of Administration
admin@naslsc.com.au

#### Working Bee – Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September

Come down to the Club between 10am - 2pm to help us clean and organise everything ready for the new season. If you can spare an hour or two, we could certainly use your help.

#### Lifesaving

Welcome all to another patrolling season at North Avoca SLSC. Patrols start on Saturday 23rd September, only a couple of weeks away. Raising of the flags is being held at Terrigal SLSC for anyone interested in attending.

Please let me know if you wish to change patrols or if you have decided not to patrol this season. I'm in the middle of completing the patrol roster for the season and hope to have a draft copy out to all the patrol captains by the end of the weekend.

Thank you to all members who completed the recent member's survey. Your input has been invaluable.

There is a patrol captains' course being held at Killcare on the 9th and 10th September for anyone interested in achieving their Silver Medallion in Beach Management. Entries close on the 3rd Sept.

There will be a Patrol Captains meeting on the 10th Sep at 2pm, after the working bee.

A new season means mandatory elearning that must be completed. Log into elearning on your member portal. To enrol, go to Training Library and select;

- 1. 2023 Skills Maintenance
- 2. 2023 Bronze Medallion or SRC Skills Maintenance, whichever is applicable to your award

Try and complete this module prior to the start of the season.

Looking forward to seeing all of you on the beach. Please contact me if you have any questions.

**Thanks** 

Josh Duggan
Director of Lifesaving
<a href="mailto:lifesaving@naslsc.com.au">lifesaving@naslsc.com.au</a>

#### **Education**

**Skills maintenance**. In preparation for the upcoming season, skills maintenance is now available to be completed online for all current Bronze and SRC holders via the member's portal – elearning. Please take the short amount of time to complete this prior to the flags going up in September.



**Bronze/SRC/SRC to BM upgrade Courses – Dates TBC**Please forward any questions or express interest by contacting <a href="mailto:education@naslsc.com.au">education@naslsc.com.au</a>

**IRB Crew / Driver Course** – Kicked off last weekend. Participants will continue with practical training while on Patrol, with assessments to be conducted later in the season. It was great to see so many participants.

**SLSCC Education Calendar** – Branch have now released their education calendar for the season. Please click on the link below. If you wish to register for any of these courses please email Sharon office@naslsc.com.au

https://slscc.com.au/gwswp/2023-24-slscc-calendar/

Yours in Education,

Dean Clatworthy
Director of Education
education@naslsc.com.au

#### **Nippers**

Get ready for nippers!

We have all been working hard in the background to get ready for the upcoming season and I'm sure it will be another fantastic season at North Avoca, "Voted best Nippers on coast" by North Avoca members.

First day of Nippers is 8/10/23 Registration is open for all NIPPERS. With a special registration day 17/9/23 at the club.

Some important dates to remember:

- 23/9/23. Proficiency swim U6-U8. 12pm at Kincumber Kerta Rd Pool
- 24/9/23. Proficiency swim U9-U14. The Haven 10am
- 7/10/23. Board Hire and carnival/training sign up. U9-U14. 2pm at the club.
- 10/10/23. Training commences Tuesdays and Thursdays meet at The Haven 4:15pm ready to go.

Carnival dates: - All venue locations still TBA

- Carnival 1 U12 to open 21/10/23
- Carnival 2. Traditional Nipper Carnival 29/10
- SLSCC NP iron person over 2 days. Format TBA 11-12/11
- SLSCC Nipper teams Carnival 26/11
- Carnival 3. Traditional Nipper carnival 14/1/24
- Carnival 4 Branch Champs. Over 2 days 3-4/2
- State 7-10 March 2024 Queenscliff. See you age manager if you want to go to this ASAP.

Looking forward to seeing all of your returning faces and many new ones.

John Avis
Director of Junior Activities
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Megan Assistant JAC nippers2@naslsc.com.au

#### **Surf Sports**

Hey everyone.

I hope you're all keeping well.

The last few months has seen our IRB team racing and having fun whilst representing NASLSC proudly. The State Championships were held at Ocean Beach this year and by all reports it sounded like an amazing weekend, with some awesome results. A big shout out to our U23 female team who picked up a bronze in their State final.



The Coolangatta Gold is coming up on October 14-15 and we have a small crew consisting of Kim (ski), Narelle (swim), Evelyn (board), Elise (run) and Sharon and Emma (support crew) heading up to compete as a team in this classic. Good luck girls and we look forward to sharing your results on your return!!!

Masters training kicks into full swing in September. Kim Findlay, is once again leading the charge with the training so feel free to touch base with Kim if you would like to participate. Must be a financial member and BM qualified to take advantage of this. Commencement date and schedule will be updated on our web page in the coming week.

That's all from me. Looking forwards to seeing you all on the beach soon.

Cheers,

Kane Hennessey
Director of Surf Sports
surfsports@naslsc.com.au

#### Youth

Earlier in the month we held a youth forum at the club. Thank you to those youth that were able to attend and for your ideas and feedback. I look forward to taking these ideas back to our Club committee.

Nominations are now open for the SLSCC 2023/2024 Newcastle Permanent Youth Programs for Central Coast Youth Members.

· U15 Youth Leadership Development Program for Central Coast Youth members.

Interested members are to complete the online Nomination Form by Wednesday 11th October 2023.

Circular-1581-Newcastle-Permanent-U15s-Leadership-Development-Program.pdf (slscc.com.au)

· U17 – U19 Youth Leadership Program for Central Coast Youth members.

Interested youth members are to complete the Nomination Form by Sunday 1st October 2023.

Circular-1582-Newcastle-PermanentU17s-U19s-Youth-Leadership-Program-2.pdf (<u>slscc.com.au</u>)

We have a youth WhatsApp chat group set up. Any of our youth who would like to be added please reach out.

Bailey Green
Youth Representative Committee
youthdevelopment.coordinator@naslsc.com.au

#### Bar

Our bar will be open Sunday's 5pm – 7pm. Come down and enjoy our great view, bring your friends. We have on hand menus from local restaurants who will deliver. Enjoy an easy Sunday dinner.

Have your RSA card and would like to help the Bar out at Sunday SIPs, contact Rick via the <a href="mailto:office@naslsc.com.au">office@naslsc.com.au</a>

Rick Parsons / Bar Manager





# WELCOME BACK TO THE 2023/24 SLS SEASON.....





#### Surf Club Clean Up Day - 10th September

We are holding a day at the club to get things cleaned up, stocked up and ready for an amazing season. We'd love your help if you and/or your family can come on down and give us a hand.....anytime from 10am!



#### Nipper Registration Afternoon - 17th September

We are holding a registration afternoon for all our Nippers, new and old! We will also be opening up the club for you to come down, have a look around and meet some of the awesome people who will be involved in running the program this season. 3pm – 5pm



### Raising of the Flags & season launch celebration - 23rd September

First patrols of the year hit the beach and the flags go up!! We'd love to see you all at the club for welcome back drinks, music and food on Saturday afternoon from 5pm. Bring your family and kick off the season with us!!

## REGISTRATION PROCESS New Members



Please refer to below procedures and useful links to assist you with your registration.

New Member Registration Day – Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September @ North Avoca Surf Club, 3 – 5pm

For new members to register online,

- NEW members can join here: https://sls.com.au/join/
- For Nippers a Parent is required to join and their registration must be entered first, you join as a FAMILY
- YOU MUST DO BOTH REGISTER and PAY for the office to endorse your membership
- Active kids vouchers MUST be submitted at the time of your REGISTRATION
- New members please email office@northavocaslsc.com.au a copy of your ID (eg. Birth certificate, driver's license or passport)
- Follow the link to the user guide Joining for the First Time

https://www.manula.com/manuals/slsa/join/1/en/topic/accessing-join

Please like our FB pages for further information regarding our season, North Avoca Surf Club and North Avoca SLSC Nippers, or visit our website <a href="https://www.northavoca.com.au">www.northavoca.com.au</a>

## REGISTRATION PROCESS Renewing Members



#### **Existing Members**

We are asking all our existing members to renew online via the **SLSA Members Portal** 

- Log on to your Members Portal <a href="https://members.sls.com.au/SLSA">https://members.sls.com.au/SLSA</a> Online/modules/login/index.php
- Go to the Membership tab dropdown and follow the prompts
- In most cases family groups have already been created, renew as a family by selecting Family in the drop down. Family groups can be created, added to or changed, refer to below user guide
- Active kid's vouchers can be used. If you are paying an Active-Patrolling Family or Active-Nipper
   Family membership please email voucher to the office and pay the balance via your portal
- Ensure you complete the payment section Membership is NOT complete without payment



• Follow the link to the Renewal guide:

Member Store

https://www.manula.com/manuals/slsa/members-area/1/en/topic/memberships

Email office@naslsc.com.au if you require assistance