



newport nippers

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WELCOME

Welcome to Season 2009/10 of the Newport Surf Life Saving Club Inc. Junior Activities Branch, otherwise known as Newport Nippers. I'd like to extend a very warm welcome to all Nippers and their families to another great year at Newport.

We have endeavoured to include everything you need to know about Newport Nippers in this booklet. Please keep it as a handy reference guide. If you require any further information, please feel free to ask any Age Manager or Committee member.

Nipper parents are required to join the Club as an Associate member and assist where possible with the management and training of the children. By joining the Club, parents are covered by insurance against accidents on the beach, at carnivals and sanctioned surf club activities, and have access to the Club facilities and functions. It is your club, please enjoy.

Assistance with the training and activities is more than welcome, it is needed. Please assist your Age Manager in any way that you feel comfortable (water safety, starting events, marking lines, keeping score, etc). You will be rostered for occasional set up and BBQ duties. These are vital to our activities so please make yourself available when advised. A parent must be present on the beach throughout Nippers in case of accident. We cannot and do not provide a childcare service.

Our objective at Newport is to educate our children to be competent and safe in the beach/surf environment. Surf knowledge and techniques are gradually introduced to the children commensurate with their age and ability – ultimately at the age of 13 they can attain their Surf Rescue Certificate, which is just one step below the Bronze Medallion.

Whilst all children are encouraged to improve their surf skills through regular competition, no child is forced or pressured to do something they are not comfortable with, or do not want to do. Our first and foremost aim is for the children to have FUN at Nippers and enjoy coming to the beach each week.

Coaching in both water and beach events is available to all Nippers who wish to improve their skills. We have the services of a professional swim coach to enhance our basic water skills and to improve our competitive performance for those who are competing in carnivals and championships. Training times will be notified throughout the season.

A big effort has been made to cover everything you need to know about Newport Nippers in this booklet. However, your Chairman and Committee are only human and some day-to-day on-going decisions may have to be made or changes to dates may occur. Please bear this in mind and the Committee will attempt to make the fairest decisions at all times. Any changes to dates will be announced at Nippers, will be included in our regular newsletter, Nipperworld, and on the club website www.newportsurfclub.com.au

Several social events and fundraisers are held throughout the season. Please support them to the best of your ability – all proceeds go towards gear and equipment for the kids.

Committee Meetings are held at the Surf Club on the second Tuesday of each month. Should you wish to attend a meeting to bring a matter to the attention of the Committee, you are most welcome. To do this, please contact the Secretary or myself to make arrangements.

I hope you enjoy your season at Newport.

Peter Finn
Chairman Newport Nippers

REGISTRATION AND FEES

Membership Fees are set by the Newport Surf Club Committee each year. To ensure that all members remain covered by insurance, in case of accident, these are due and payable by 30th September each year. Fees unpaid beyond 30 November will void insurance coverage for the member.

2009/10 membership fees have been set as follows:-

Nippers & Under 19s	\$55
Associate/Social Members	\$85

Please note: We require that a parent join from each family. Parents can join as an Associate Member; an Active Senior, if they already have a SLSA bronze medallion and are willing to take part in patrols; or as an Active Senior if they wish to take part in training to achieve their bronze medallion

Active (patrolling) Members (\$5 discount if paid before 30/9/10)	\$65
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Active Reserve Members (Over 27 years of age and have completed 8 years of continuous Patrol duty, or at the Committee's discretion)	\$65
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Long Service Members (Appointed from Active Reserve, or at the Committee's discretion. Application for this category must be made in writing and applicant must have completed 10 (or more) years of continuous patrol duty)	\$65
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Life Members	nil
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For any queries regarding registration please contact our Registrar Ian Smith.

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AGE GROUPS

Nippers are divided into nine age groups – from U6's through to U14's. The age group is determined by the child's age at midnight on 30 September each year. For example, a child who turns 11 on 30 September will be in U12's. A child who turns 11 on 1 October will be in U11's. Children must have turned five years of age prior to 30 September before they can participate in Nipper's activities. Please speak to the Registrar should you need further clarification of the age groups.

NIPPERS ON SUNDAY

Activities will commence at 9.00 am sharp (**assemble at 8.45 am**) and finish around 10.30 am – but sometimes later for the older age groups or on special days. All activities are organised in age groups, each of which has its own Age Manager/s, with one or more assistants. The objectives of Newport Nippers are to ensure all children who are registered with the Club are provided with:

- The best possible facilities to enjoy their activities.
- The best possible opportunity to participate in Club activities.
- The best possible tuition and coaching to achieve the Age Group National Awards.
- The best possible opportunity for competition.
- The best possible opportunity to learn and understand the surf and the beach.
- An atmosphere which encourages and fosters the transition of children into the senior surf life saving movement.
- A friendly, happy and safe environment for the children who are encouraged to perform to their capacity and no attempt is made to pressure them.

To enable Newport Nippers to run smoothly on Sundays, please note the following:

- Nippers commences at 9.00 am sharp. Could children please **assemble behind their age group signs at 8.45 am** so that Age Managers can mark the roll and the session can commence on time.
- Announcements and important information for Nippers and parents is communicated at the start of the day. Please be on time and listen to announcements so that you are aware and up-to-date with all matters concerning your children.
- Children must wear their Newport Nippers skull cap and it is recommended that they also wear a sun-vest, both of which are to be clearly marked with the child's name. Nipper t-shirts and sun vests are available from the clothing co-ordinator.
- Children have sunscreen cream applied prior to commencement of Nippers.
- At the conclusion of the day's events, children must have their names marked off the roll and remove their skull caps. This assists the Patrol on duty as children wearing skull caps are assumed to be under the supervision of an Age Manager.
- Please assist your child's Age Manager – eg, finish judges or holding a wade rope, etc. and, where qualified and proficient, help in providing water safety.
- Ensure you obtain the regular copy of our newsletter "Nipperworld" to keep up-to-date with information and happenings. Printed copies of Nipperworld are distributed at nippers with the latest edition also available on the club website. The club website will also be utilised for more flexible delivery of updates through the season.

Nipper competition activities entail both beach and water events.

Beach events consist of:

- Beach sprints
- Sprint relay
- Beach flags
- All age relay
- March past
- Rescue and resuscitation

Water events consist of:

- Swim race
- Swim teams
- Wade race
- Wade relay
- Ironman
- Diamond Lady
- Board races
- Board relay
- Board rescue races
- Cameron relay

A detailed explanation of the above events is listed later in this booklet.

AGE MANAGERS

Age Managers are usually volunteer parents of Nippers children and are allocated to each age group with responsibility for organising and conducting the various Nipper activities. The main responsibilities of the Age Managers are as follows:

- Encourage the children of their age group to participate, enjoy, co-operate and compete in all activities of the Club.
- Keep weekly records of each child's attendance and proficiency achievements.
- Instruct the children in their age group of the necessary requirements for the National Awards.
- Organise the children in their age group at carnivals.
- Assist in the development of surf awareness and surf safety for the children in their age group.
- Assist in the instruction of the correct techniques and point-scoring systems of the events the children may participate in at carnivals.

- Keep children and parents informed of the requirements of the age group and of Club activities, carnivals, competition dates, etc.
- Ensure the children of the age group are aware of and encourage sun protection.

Parents are encouraged to make themselves known to their child's Age Manager and to offer assistance when required. If you have any questions or concerns, or if your child has any medical condition that may restrict him or her in any way, please speak with your Age Manager.

Age Managers are not babysitters. Parents are required to be on hand during Nippers and to resume responsibility for their child at the conclusion of the day's events.

Children **MUST** obtain their parents' permission prior to re-entering the water upon completion of the day's events and swim between the flags. Skull caps must be removed at the completion of the day's formal activities.

If you have to leave before events are finished, please inform your child's Age Manager **BEFORE** taking your child from the beach so that their name may be marked off the roll.

ASSEMBLY

To ensure that Nipper activities can commence promptly at 9.00 am, all children are requested to assemble behind their respective age sign at 8.45 am on Sunday mornings in front of the clubhouse (beachside).

The order of events will be in accordance with the Age Group Roster. Wade and water event locations will be decided on the day according to water conditions.

Our events are still conducted on days when light rain occurs but may be modified to suit the conditions.

The decision to cancel activities due to adverse weather or surf conditions or other unforeseeable events will usually be made on the day.

All children must have their name printed clearly on their competition (Club) skull caps and all other items of clothing (t-shirts, shorts, etc.).

AGE GROUP FLAGS

In order to make it simple to locate your child's age group, once they have moved off from the clubhouse, we have implemented a system of coloured flags.

As the age groups move around the beach, partaking in different activities, they take their flags with them to indicate where they are. If you need to find a certain age group just look for the appropriately coloured flag.

Age Group	Flag Colour
Under 6	yellow
Under 7	green
Under 8	purple
Under 9	pink
Under 10	aqua
Under 11	orange
Under 12	lilac
Under 13	lime green
Under 14	blue

HELPERS

Helpers are always needed to ensure that the day's events run safely and smoothly. Assistance is generally required from parents to act as judges, etc. The wade is held at the edge of the water and requires assistance from a number of parents.

Water safety is of paramount importance and parents willing to assist in this area are always most welcome. The qualifications required to fill a position of water safety officer are available from the Chief Water Safety Officer, Ian Crutch, or the Patrol Captain of the day.

For insurance purposes, parents who assist on the beach or in the water **MUST** be financial club members. Water Safety Officers must have a (Surf) Bronze Medallion and currently be Proficient.

UNIFORMS

Newport's official competition uniform is a gold cap with two central maroon stripes and a maroon swimming costume. Caps, costumes, rash vests, t-shirts and other Newport Club (including Nippers) clothing items are available for purchase at the Club most Sunday mornings at very reasonable prices. Carnival costume rules require children competing in team events to be dressed in identical regulation club gear (including rash vests).

EQUIPMENT

Newport is very fortunate to have some of the best equipment available for our Nippers and we have an on-going commitment to continually upgrade this vital equipment. However, it does not come cheaply so rules are in place to ensure the equipment is maintained in excellent condition so that it can last us for some time.

Gear Rules

- Look after it and respect it.
- Put it back **CLEAN** (hose all sand off).
- Put it back in its proper place.

- Boards set aside as competition boards are to be used **ONLY** for competition or for authorised competition training by competitors authorised by the Gear Steward.
- Non-competitive boards may be used after events are finished at the discretion of the Gear Steward, or a member of the executive committee. Responsibility for children's safety rests with their parents after Club activities are finished.
- **All** club boards **MUST** be returned before 11.30am when the Nipper storeroom is locked up.
- If you damage a board, report it to your Age Manager or a member of the committee straight away. This will allow us to have repairs carried out quickly and have it ready for the next weekend.

Important – No standing on foam boards – they break!

BEACH SET UP AND PACK UP

Every week before Nippers can commence, equipment (boards, age baskets, track poles, etc) must be collected from the Nipper storeroom and assembled on the beach. Likewise, at the conclusion, it must all be packed away. This is done on a roster basis by the age groups. On those mornings when your child's age group is rostered on, please ensure that your child arrives by 8.30 am. Rosters are located on page 20 and reminders will also be posted in the regular newsletter.

RULES TO REMEMBER

- Children are unable to participate on the beach or in the water unless they are a registered and financial member.
- Children **MUST** wear their Club cap at all times on Sunday morning whilst participating in Nipper activities.
- For insurance purposes, parents are unable to assist on the beach or in the water unless they are a registered and a financial member.

- No one is to enter the water when the beach is closed.
- An Inflatable Rescue Boat (IRB) must be operational before water activities can commence.
- Water Safety Officers wear orange caps and vests and are responsible for the safety of children participating in water events. Water Safety Officers must be appropriately qualified – proficient bronze holders in addition to being registered financial members.
- Patrol members wear red and yellow quartered caps and are responsible for people swimming in the patrolled area – these are the only areas in which public swimming is allowed. Separate safe areas are designated for Nipper activities.
- The Patrol Captain of the day is the ultimate authority in relation to water activities and events.
- Club caps must be worn at all times while participating in an event. A competitor who finishes an event without their cap on their head and tied securely will be liable to disqualification.
- No child will be able to participate in water events without first competing an evaluation swim and being certified proficient.
- At the completion of Nippers, children **MUST** obtain their parents permission and remove their skull cap before re-entering the water and swim only between the flags.

PROFICIENCY

To maintain safety and life saving standards, Surf Life Saving Australia has set a standard of proficiency that a Nipper must achieve before being eligible to compete in water events or any carnival event.

The proficiency test involves a continuous effort of running, swimming (overarm) and running – and is tested at the beach. Members must have successfully completed the run-swim-run to be eligible to participate in BEACH /WATER events at

carnivals. The distances required are listed below and there is no time limit:

AGE	RUN	SWIM	RUN
U6	Not required		
U7	Not required		
U8	50m	50m	50m
U9	50m	50m	50m
U10	50m	100m	50m
U11	50m	100m	50m
U12	100m	100m	100m
U13	100m	100m	100m
U14	100m	100m	100m

Additionally, members intending to compete in WATER events are required to successfully complete a 200m pool swim in the times listed below:

AGE	TIME
U8 and 9	6 minutes
U10 and U11	5 minutes
U12 and U13	4 minutes

The above are minimum requirements only. Our Club is responsible for ensuring that competitors who compete in water events at carnivals are competent to safely and satisfactorily negotiate the particular conditions on the day of the carnival.

The pool swims will be held at the beginning of the season (date to be advised). Subsequent testing will be held as required at Newport Beach. The run-swim-run will be tested at Nippers. Children unsuccessful at their first attempt are encouraged to try again at a later time. **The club is not able to teach youngsters to swim.** We expect to lift the swimming

skills of competent swimmers (for their age) and teach them surf safety.

If you have any concerns about your child's ability, please do not hesitate to discuss the issue with the Age Manager. Emphasis in Nippers is directed towards teaching and instruction of water safety and basic surf life saving skills and having fun.

PRINCIPLES

Surf Life Saving Australia's Surf Education curriculum is based upon some key principles. These principles form the backbone of each stage of a child's development in lifesaving.

The principles are:

Participation: The notion that all children should be offered the opportunity to learn about surf lifesaving and aquatic safety philosophies and methodology. Where possible, they should experience samples of the activities that are undertaken by surf lifesavers.

Social Justice: The notion that everyone should be given a fair go. This is particularly important when learning about surf lifesavers and during activities that they be part of an overall surf lifesaving educational package.

Environment: A supportive environment means one in which assistance is provided by parents, teachers, instructors, coaches, clubs, etc. which promotes the development of surf lifesaving and aquatic safety education and skills. Surf education is designed to develop and enhance essential skills and understandings. For example:

Health and safety knowledge – an understanding of the need for physical and emotional safety and the wellbeing of one's self and others.

Communications skills – particularly the relationship between reading, writing, listening and speaking as well as the understanding of a broad range of verbal and non-verbal means of communication.

Environmental knowledge – an understanding and appreciation of our environment, its management and the relationship we have in it.

Information skills – which enable the child to recognise the need for information and provide the ability to identify and access it from a range of resources.

Social skills – an understanding of the values, attitudes and practices that contribute to social justice and effective participation.

NATIONAL AGE AWARDS

An important part of our Club's Sunday morning activities will be National Award instructions and training. The topics to be taught include:

- Surf Awareness
- Surf Skills
- First Aid
- Resuscitation

The extent to which each of these topics will be taught will, naturally, depend on the age group and is covered in the SLSA Instruction and Examination Manual. Age Managers and trainers will supervise the training and it is expected that all our members between the ages of 7 and 12 will be assessed for proficiency in these areas by November 2010.

The 13 and 14 year old group will receive instruction and training in order to achieve the Surf Rescue Certificate. Children who wish to compete at the Branch and State Championships must have achieved their respective age award.

Our 5 and 6 year old Nipper activities are framed in such a way that they are educational in helping them learn and understand the beach, and allow the children to enjoy themselves without the need to compete against each other.

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AGE AND CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

As usual this season we will hold the Nippers Club Championship. It will be held on a particular Sunday (conditions permitting) in the format of a regular carnival, this year on the 31st January, 2010.

One criteria for gaining ANY trophy is a minimum of 60% attendance and participation up to and including the date that the Club Championships are held. For safety reasons it is a requirement of the club that nippers are marked on and off a roll kept by the Age Manager at the start and end of nippers each session. That roll is the document used to determine the 60% participation requirement for awards. Should a child be unable to participate in certain activities they are required to remain on the beach with their age group and, where possible, join in to satisfy participation requirements for the week. This attendance includes normal Nippers and carnivals. If a competitor attends a carnival on the Saturday and normal Nippers on Sunday, the child is credited with one day only

Events for the Age Championship are Beach Sprint, Beach Flags, Swim Race and Board Race for U9 to U14 and U/8's Beach Sprint, Beach Flags and Surf Wade. Additional events, such as Iron Man, may be included in the older age groups at the discretion of the Age Manager.

Competition Point Scores

Point scores for competition will be allocated as follows:

First place	= 1 points
Second place	= 2 points
Third place	= 3 points
Fourth place	= 4 points
Fifth place	= 5 points
Etc.	
Eleventh and above	= 11 points

The winner is deemed to be the competitor with the least amount of points. If a child does not compete in an event, they will be allocated 12 points.

Example: A member who achieved second place in the 10 years Board Race, fifth in the Swim, tenth in the Beach Sprint and third in Flags would receive twenty points (2+5+10+3) – a non-placegetter would receive eleven points for each event they participate in and 12 points for non-participation.

Championship Events

In each age group (excluding U6 and U7), awards will be presented for the first three placegetters (boys and girls) in individual events, based on accumulated point-score. The boy and girl with the least number of combined event points shall be the Age Champion. Our 5 and 6 year old Nippers (educational groups) will be non-competitive and points will not be scored. All Nippers receive a participation award at the end of the season.

Other Awards

Most Improved

Awarded to either a boy OR a girl from each age group (U8 to U14) that has exhibited personal significant skills improvement throughout the year.

Encouragement

Awarded to encourage a nipper that may not be the one who always wins, but who always gives it a go. It is awarded to a boy OR a girl from each age group (U8 to U14) that has actively participated and shown an improvement in skills throughout the year.

Life Saver of the Year

This award is to recognise the nipper that embodies the ideals of surf lifesaving. It is awarded to a boy OR a girl from each age group (U8 to U14) based upon attendance/behaviour, willingness, and helpfulness.

Junior Club Champions

In addition, there is an award for Junior Club Champion (boy OR girl). The Age Managers and Nipper Committee judge these awards. Criteria for these awards can include participation in club activities, success at Carnivals, attitude, attendance and sportsmanship. Junior Club Champions or other Nippers may be put forward to Branch as a nomination for Junior Life Saver of the Year.

CARNIVALS

Carnivals are held on several Sundays during the season, culminating with Branch and State Championships. All Nippers who are eligible are encouraged to represent Newport at these carnivals. Competition against other clubs promotes sportsmanship, club loyalty and gives children the opportunity to mix with their peers. Emphasis is placed on participation and friendly competition rather than winning. Final selection of teams for team events will be the responsibility of the respective Age Manager (after consultation with the coach if necessary).

A few points to remember regarding carnivals:

- Nominations for events that the children are to compete in must be in 2 weeks prior to the Carnival else the parent / guardian may be liable for late entry fees.
- Competitors must wear the gold and maroon Newport skull cap and maroon club bathers. Caps must be kept on during races. If both these rules are not followed, the competitor could be disqualified.
- Meet at the Newport tent at least twenty minutes prior to your first event and report to your Age Manager and have your name entered in the attendance book.
- All competitors in beach and water events (with the exception of U8's) must have passed their proficiency for competency in swimming to be eligible to compete in events at carnivals, including beach events.

- Programmes should be available a week before the carnival. If not, they will be available on the day.

A list of carnival events as follows:

Sprint – Open and Girls

Ages U8 to U14 years, in age groups

Relay – Open

Ages U8 to U14 in age groups (four competitors to a team)

All Age Relay – Open

Ages 7 to 13, one competitor from each age group (7 competitors in a team)

Beach Flags – Open and Girls

Ages U8 to U14 years in age groups

Sprint Distances

Ages U8 to U14 years – 70 metres

Relay Distances – Open Relay, 70 metres

All age relay 70 metres

Flag Distances

Ages U8 to U10 years – 8 metres

Ages U11 to U14 years – 15 metres

Water Events

Wade and water events will be decided on the day according to water conditions.

Surf Swim – Open and Girls

Ages U9 to U14 – in age groups

Surf Teams Race – Open

Ages U10 to U13 in age groups

Junior 2 x U8 years and 2 x U9 years (4 competitors in each team)

Senior U10 to U13 years (1 competitor from each age group – 4 competitors to a team)

Board Race – Open and Girls

Ages U8 to U13 in age group. The girl's event is limited to five competitors per club in each age group. This restriction is not applicable to the open event.

Board Rescue – Open

Ages 10 to 13 in age groups. Two competitors to a team – one swimmer (patient) and one board paddler (rescuer).

Board Relay – Open

Ages 10 to 13 in age groups. Three competitors to a team.

Cameron Relay – Open

Junior – ages 10 to U11

Senior – ages 12 to U13

Three competitors to a team – one swimmer, one runner and one board paddler.

Iron Man – Open

Ages U10 to U13 in age groups. Swim, board paddle and run.

Diamond Lady – Girls

Ages U10 to U13 in age groups. Swim, board paddle and run. Limited to five competitors per club in each age group. This restriction does not apply to the open iron man event. All swim distances are 80 metres from waist deep water. Board distances for most events are 120 metres from the waters edge.

2 Person Rescue and Resuscitation – Open

Ages 9 to 11, two competitors to a team – one rescuer and one patient (positions decided by draw).

4 Person Rescue and Resuscitation – Open

Ages 11 to 13, five competitors to a team – one rescuer, one reel person, one cardiac operator, one resuscitator and one patient.

March Past – Open

Ages 7 to 13, 12 competitors to a team – one standard bearer, one belt person, six reel squad and four rear rank.

SELECTION CARNIVALS

The first carnivals of the season are Selection Carnivals. It is from these carnivals that competitors from 10 to 13 years from all Nippers clubs in the Northern Beaches Branch are selected to compete in the Interbranch Carnival.

All events at the Interbranch are open – ie. there are no separate events for girls. A selection committee has the final approval to select which competitors will be eligible. A competitor achieving a first or second place in an event (at both selection carnivals) has a good chance of becoming a Northern Beaches Branch Representative.

QUALIFYING CARNIVALS

Some events at the State Carnival are only open to competitors who have qualified through gaining a place at the Branch Carnival. These events are:

- 2 Man Rescue and Resuscitation – three teams per Branch.
- All Age Relay – three teams per Branch.

Please note that on carnival days, except for the Newport Carnival, Nippers at Newport Beach will still be held as normal for those not competing. With reduced numbers of Nippers, age groups may be combined for some or all activities.

CLUB IDENTIFICATION

Listed below are the cap identification colours of the Sydney Northern Beaches Branch Junior Activities Clubs:

Avalon	white with red & green central stripe
Bilgola	blue & yellow quarters
Collaroy	red
Dee Why	royal blue & white horizontal stripe sections
Freshwater	maroon with white quarters
Manly	sky blue
Mona Vale	dark green & white quarters
Narrabeen	gold with purple half-moons
Newport	gold with two maroon central stripes
North Curl Curl	yellow with two green central stripes
North Narrabeen	white
North Steyne	black & gold quarters
Queenscliff	red with central royal blue stripe
South Curl Curl	royal blue, yellow & white sections
South Narrabeen	orange
Warriewood	maroon, white & grey stripes

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Funds are always needed to repair, replace and update the equipment and training aids for Nippers. Funds also allow us to hold our Christmas Party and the purchase of trophies and medallions. Therefore, our Social Committee needs your support to raise these necessary funds.

A BBQ is run every Sunday morning and all parents will be required to assist on a rostered basis (this will probably only entail a couple of Sundays out of the whole season). The BBQ roster will be included in the regular newsletter. However, even if it is not your rostered week and you see that the BBQ workers need a hand, please offer your assistance if you can.

Social and Fundraising Calendar (also included in Calendar of Events)

Twilight Christmas Party	20 th December 2009 (from 3pm)
Presentation Day	14 th March, 2010
AGM	TBA

Please check your Nipperworld newsletter for notification of any updates or changes to social and fundraising events.

MEMBER PROTECTION INFORMATION OFFICER

The Child Protection Officer (CPO) was for many years a position that was mandatory in sporting bodies where there were children as members. Legislation has changed with the times and we now have a position in the club which is the Member Protection Information Officer (MPIO).

There is a difference in the two positions. Member protection is a term used by the Australian Sports Commission to describe the practices and procedures that need to be put in place by our club to protect our members, individual and organisational, from discrimination, harassment, abuse and other forms of inappropriate behaviour.

The core document for this area is our Member Protection Policy (MPP). This statement is our commitment to providing a safe environment that is fair and respectful and free from harassment and abuse for everyone, including children. The MPP for our club is currently in final draft form and, once endorsed by our Committee, will be in effect next season.

The Member Protection Information Officer (MPIO) is a person trained to be the first point of contact within our club for any person considering making a complaint under the Member Protection Policy. MPIOs provide confidential, impartial and timely information and support. They act as a sounding board and provide information about the local complaint resolution

options available to address the individual's concerns. MPIOs are not advocates but they may elect to accompany complainants, if requested, to talk with someone else. An MPIO will listen and act impartially. An MPIO will not advocate, intervene, take sides, give advice, investigate or breach confidentiality.

It is important to remember that the MPIO is an information and support person who is your first point of contact if you have a complaint under the terms of our MPP.

SHOP

The Nippers shop is open on Sunday mornings throughout the season and sells a full range of club clothing, fashion items and beach essentials for both children and adults. It is located downstairs on the beach side of the clubhouse, next to the first aid room.

No credit will be given, all goods must be paid for by cash, EFTPOS, credit card or cheque at time of purchase (please make cheques payable to: Newport Nippers).

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2009/10	
DATE	EVENT
2009	
13 th & 20 th September	Registration Days
19 th September	NSW Endurance Champs - Cronulla
2nd/3rd/4th October	Newport Centenary Celebrations 100th Birthday Party
3 rd October	Patrols commence
4 th October	Nippers Commences SPECIAL DAY
11 th October	SNB Selection Carnival - Nth Curl Curl
1 st November	Bennett Junior Board Classic - Dee Why
14 th November	Kracka Junior Ironman R&R carnival Swansea Belmont
15 th November	Junior Carnival - Manly
21/22 nd November	NSW High Performance Camp TBC
22 nd November	Bennett Junior Iron Man - Freshwater
29 th November	Newport Ocean Swim Twilight Nippers 3.00pm start
6 th December	Nipper Carnival – Queenscliff
12/13 th December	NSW Interbranch Championships Cape Hawke
20th December from 3pm	Twilight Christmas Party & Nippers break up
MERRY CHRISTMAS	HO HO HO!!
2010	
10th January	Nippers Re-Commences
17 th January	Nipper Carnival - Narrabeen

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2009/10	
DATE	EVENT
26 th January	U13s to Open carnival – Freshwater
31st January	Newport Nippers - Club Championships
7 th February	SNB Nipper Branch Championships - Queenscliffe / North Steyne
19 th / 21 st February	State Nippers Championships Swansea Belmont
7 th March	Round the Bends (with Bilgola & Avalon)
14th March 3pm start	Presentation Day & Nippers Finishes Twilight
18 th – 21 st March	National Championships – Kurrawa Old
TBA	AGM

Any updates to this calendar will be notified on the website and in Nipperworld.

BEACH GEAR ROSTER & BBQ ROSTER

DATE	SET UP & PACK AWAY	BBQ
3 October		
11 October	U12	U6
18 October	U11	U7
25 October	U10	U8
1 November	U9	U13
8 November	U8	U14
15 November	U7	U9
22 November	U6	U10
29 November	U13	U11
6 December	U14	U12
13 December	U12	U6
20 December	U11	U7
CHRISTMAS BREAK		
10 January	U10	U13
17 January	U9	U14
24 January	U8	U8
31 January	U7	U9
7 February	U6	U10
14 February	U13	U11
21 February	U14	U12
28 February	U12	U13
7 March	U11	U14
14 March	U10	U8

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