

Circular

Title: Junior State Championship – information & entries
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Summary:	Junior State Championships will be held 25 February (Day 1) at Seacliff SLSC and 16-17 March (Days 2 & 3) at Port Noarlunga SLSC. Information re event program & entry process is detailed in this document.
Action:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Seek entries from eligible junior members (U8-U13)• Complete competitor entries via SEMS by close of entries as below• Complete the Carnival Officials & Volunteer Roster by 12noon on Wed prior to each weekend• Await final event information to be sent prior + have relevant attendees at pre-event Zoom

EVENTS & PROGRAM

Component	Date	Location	Events
Day 1	Sun 26 February	Seacliff SLSC	Distance Run events (all age groups/divisions; through to medals) Beach sprints (all age groups; Div 1 Qualifying event, Div 2 to medals) Beach flags (all age groups; Div 1 Qualifying event, Div 2 to medals) Iron (U11-13; Div 1 Qualifying event, Div 2 to medals) Board Rescue (U12 & 13 div 1 & 2 to medals)
Days 2 & 3	Sat 16 March	Port Noarlunga SLSC	March Past (opening event on Sun) Individual events on SATURDAY Team events on SUNDAY <i>**Club Nipper of the Year presentations will take place at 8:00am on Saturday AM as per the program**</i>
	Sun 17 March		

IMPORTANT DATES/TIMES

Entries Close: Day 1 = 12noon – Wednesday 21 February 2024

Days 2 & 3 = 12noon – Friday 8 March 2024

Volunteer Roster to be completed by: 12noon – Wednesday prior to each weekend

Pre-Event Briefings

Thursday 22 February 2024 and

Thursday 14 March 2024

via Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8623722908>

7.00pm

- All Officials

7.30pm

- Clubs to have min. 1 x rep
- Carnival Referees & Area Referees

PROGRAMS

Will be uploaded to the Calendar events when available. *Note: The qualifying numbers and events going to medals mentioned are only an indication and may change depending on time.*

Queries?

If you have any enquiries, please don't hesitate to contact the Sport team at SLSSA surf.sports@surf lifesavingsa.com.au or call (08) 8354 6900.

EVENT LIST

All events are conducted in Divisions as follows:

- Individual events = divisions 1 & 2 for each male & female per age group.
- Team events = divisions 1 & 2 per age group (non-gender specific), excluding March Past, all Age Beach Relays & Junior Taplin.

DAY 1 - Sunday 25 February 2024 – Seacliff SLSC

Event	Age groups
Beach Sprint (Div 1 qualifying only; down to top 16, Div 2 to medals)	Under 8 – Under 13
Beach Flags (Div 1 qualifying only; down to top 16, Div 2 to medals)	Under 8 – Under 13
Distance Run (through to medals)	Under 8 – Under 13
Board Rescue (through to medals)	Under 12 – Under 13
Iron (Div 1 qualifying only; down to top 16, Div 2 to medals)	Under 11 – Under 13

DAY 2 - Saturday 16 March 2024 – Port Noarlunga SLSC

Event	Age groups	Limit on entries
Beach Sprint (qualified competitors only)	Under 8 – Under 13	Only those qualified from Day 1
Beach Flags (qualified competitors only)	Under 8 – Under 13	
Surf Race	Under 8 – Under 13	nil
Wade	Under 8 – Under 10	nil
Board Race	Under 8 – Under 13	nil
Iron (qualified competitors only)	Under 11 – Under 13	Only those qualified from Day 1

DAY 3 - Sunday 17 March 2024 – Port Noarlunga SLSC

Event	Age groups	Limit on entries
March Past (<i>first event of the day</i>)	Single age group (U8-U13)	nil
All Age Beach Relay (2 x semis + final for each)	All Age Boys All Age Girls	1 x team per club for each boys & girls event
Beach Relay	Under 8 – Under 13	Nil
Surf Teams	Under 9 – Under 13	Nil
Cameron Relay	Under 8 – Under 13	Nil
Board Relay	Under 8 – Under 13	Nil
Wade Relay	Under 8 – Under 11	Nil

Note:

- Extra time has been allocated to Div 1 Flags on Day 2 as qualifying rounds were not completed on Day 1, with the final draw will be revised and published on LiveHeats no later than Thursday 14 March.
- All-age Taplin has been removed from the Day 3 program due to time restraints.
- U8 Board Relay has been added to the program for Day 3.
- March Past has been moved to first event on Day 3, due tide heights/beach availability in the morning of Day 2, which has allowed for all individual events to start earlier at 8:30am.

Note: Results from U13 Champion Lifesaver, U11 R&R + U13 R&R event being conducted at the Surf Rescue State Championships will also contribute to the Junior State Championship – Champion Club.

EVENT FORMAT

- All water events + all team events
 - Heats/finals format within the divisions (div 1 & div 2)
- Beach Sprints
 - 1st round to be random draw no division allocations.
 - Top 4 from the 1st round to progress to the next div 1 round and continue in division 1.
 - Remaining competitors to be allocated into division 2 after the 1st round of sprints.
 - Division 2 to continue to medals; Division 1 to continue qualifying till semi-final on Day 1
- Beach Flags
 - 1st round to be random draw no division allocations.
 - 1st round to end once a total of 24 competitors are eliminated.
 - The 24 competitors eliminated will compete together in division 2.
 - Remaining competitors not eliminated will continue to progress as Division 1 competitors.
 - Division 2 to continue to medals; Division 1 to continue qualifying till semi-final on Day 1

COMPOSITE TEAMS

- Clubs are required to label such teams in SEMS as 'COMPOSITE' for easy identification
- Composite teams are to be entered into Division 2
- The priority will be to form the team from the composites available between clubs that don't have any teams entered div 1 or 2 of that event. Once those competitors have been allocated all remaining athletes will be formed as composite teams regardless how many teams a club has entered.
- Only the Marshal will be able to complete composite team in LIVEHEATS.

TEAM CHANGES

Team changes are to be made via **LIVEHEATS**. Changes can be made as soon as the event becomes available on Liveheats up to the event being marshalled. **Team Changes WILL NOT be accepted by the Marshal in the competition areas**. Team Managers/Age Group Managers are responsible for their competitors knowing which team they are in. Any team found to have incorrect names during or after the event may be disqualified. Only Composite teams will be managed by the Marshal.

WATER SAFETY & RISK MANAGEMENT

The Safety & Emergency Committee will meet prior to the start of the carnival to determine any final procedures regarding water safety and risk management.

Should, at any stage prior to or during competition, there be a credible basis for concluding there is an unreasonable risk of serious injury occurring, the Safety & Emergency Committee and/or appropriate officials shall suspend all or parts of the competition. The Safety & Emergency Committee shall then decide whether to postpone, cancel or relocate all or parts of the competition. Should a risk assessment indicate that part, or all of the competition, not be conducted because of adverse weather or surf conditions, or another threat, the Competition and Safety and Emergency Committees will again decide whether to postpone or cancel all or parts of the competition.

Lycra Hi-Vis Vests

The wearing of hi-visibility vests is compulsory for all competitors in water events including run leg of Cameron relays. These can be either fluorescent pink, fluorescent yellow or fluorescent green. This requirement extends to craft handlers who must also wear Club competition cap.

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP MERCHANDISE PRE-ORDERS

PRE-ORDERS are now available for our [2024 State Championship merchandise!](#)

We have a huge Kozii Swimwear range on offer, including t-shirts, high vis competition lycras, bucket hats, caps, towels and hoodies.

DON'T MISS OUT! Some of these items will not be available to purchase at State Champs, so pre ordering is the best way to secure your gear. When ordering, please choose local pick up for your shipping option, as orders will not be shipped.

As an added bonus, Kozii will also email through a 15% discount code for any full priced Kozii gear (online only)! The online store for pre orders is open until midnight on Monday 19th Feb. Your order will ready to collect at Junior State Champs from the Kozii tent.

<https://www.kozii.com/collections/sa-state-merch>

SPORTING ENVIROMENT POLICY

Any person/s found to be non-compliant with our [sporting environment framework](#) or code of conduct requirements may be asked to leave and clubs may be penalised points that contribute to the [Junior State Championship – Champion Club](#). If needed, SAPOL assistance will be sought.

ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

How to enter competitors

Entries must be submitted via [SEMS](#) (*find 2024 SA Junior State Championships – note Day 1 & Days 2/3 will be separate events*)

- A guide to entering entries via this system can be found [here on our website](#)
- If you require SEMS access for another Club officer/s tasked with entering competitors for carnivals; please request this via email to ithelp@slsa.asn.au

Entry Fees

The event entry fee is set at **\$60 (+ GST) per entered competitor**. *Please note that the entry fee covers ALL of the state championship events for Under 8 – Under 13s including Champion lifesaver & R&R conducted at Surf Rescue State Championships.*

Any late entry (ie received after close of normal entries and before close of late entries) will be charged at \$100 (+ GST) per late entry competitor.

Clubs will be invoiced for all entered competitors (including any late entries) following the championships.

Eligibility

All eligibility criteria as detailed below MUST be achieved AND showing in Surfguard by the date of the close of entries.

Under 8 – Under 13	
SLSC Membership	Registered in Surfguard for 2023/24 Hold Competitive Rights with the Club for which they will be competing
Award/s	Successfully have completed & recorded on Surfguard with an expiry date of 31/12/24 a. Junior Activities Preliminary Evaluation (<i>specific for their age group</i>) b. Surf Education Award (<i>specific for their age group</i>) by Friday 8 March 2024 And , if wishing to participate in swim/board events/components: c. Junior Activities Competition Skills Evaluation (<i>specific for their age group</i>)
Patrol Hours	Junior members do not undertake patrolling obligations
Other	Must not be in default with their Club or SLSSA in relation to their service, financial or discipline obligations

If a member is not showing as eligible in SEMS then there be a problem with either their registration, membership category/competition rights and/or award proficiency.

ENTERING COMPETITORS INTO DIVISIONS & SEMS – AGMs/Team Managers please follow this process

- Please refer to [Liveheats Rankings](#) above the cut line must be entered into division 1 for that event.
Note:
 - Clubs are welcome to add competitors into Div 1 if they believe that this appropriate.
 - Clubs are able apply discretion on which division a competitor is entered for individual events that are not listed in the rankings due to not able to compete at one of the individual carnivals.
- Teams must enter a minimum number of division 1 teams as per the 2024 State Championship- Division 1 Team Events Minimum document. This will be made available on the [event calendar page](#) by Friday 16 February 2024. These allocations have been made based on individual ranking results.
- Competitors must only be entered into max. ONE division for any event (even though SEMS will show their name for both)
- Composite teams (ONLY enter in Division 2)– please change name of team to COMPOSITE

CLUB & VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS

The Junior State Championships [Officials & Volunteer Roster](#) is to be completed by Clubs by 12noon on the Wednesday prior to each weekend. The following roles are to be filled by Clubs & details provided in the above Roster.

- Rosters for each weekend will be available via once available**

Pre-Carnival BRIEFINGS will occur **Thursday at 7.30pm before each weekend via Zoom**
 Clubs to have a minimum 1 x rep per + Referee & Area Referees

1. Team Manager

- Attend any team manager briefing during the event
- Model & promote good sporting behaviour
- Are to attend the **Pre-Carnival BRIEFING on Thursday prior to each weekend at 7.30pm via Zoom**
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8623722908>

2. Water Safety Personnel

- a. Clubs will be rostered based on 2023/24 carnival entry numbers.
- b. Must be proficient SRC or BM members (no more than 50% can be SRC only)
- c. Are to wear SURF RESCUE uniform & have rescue board or tube with them
- d. **Allocated to specific water area/s according to the volunteer roster**
- e. Are to report to Central Admin 30 mins prior to area start time to sign in

3. IRB Water Cover

- a. The rostered clubs for State Championships are:
 - a. Day 1 = Seacliff (x2); Brighton; Somerton
 - b. Day 2 = Port Noarlunga (x2); Brighton; Grange
 - c. Day 3 = Port Noarlunga (x2); Somerton; Henley
- b. SLSSA will make payment of \$240+gst per IRB to the relevant club/s after the event
- c. Refer [Circular](#) for full details

4. Shallow Water Rescue personnel

- a. Competent, skilled surf swimmer (1 x BM proficient per rostered Club) who would be called upon to assist should a shallow water rescue occur.
- b. Such persons will be called for a briefing at start of their session.
- c. They are not required to wear patrol uniform but should have bathers etc under clothing should they be required to act.

5. Officials

- a. Must be accredited or currently in training
- b. Should be competent for the role/s they will be undertaking
- c. Be available for the full day that specific role/area or age group is completing for
- d. To wear comfortable, sun safe clothing (non-Club branded). Officials vests are provided on the day
- e. Lunch and snacks will be provided relative to the duration of their volunteering; BYO water bottle (water dispensers available for refilling)

6. Photographer/s

- a. Must sign on and off at the admin tent.
- b. Must have meet the requirements completed the [Accreditation Request Form](#) (once per photographer for the season) as per [C23060 – Carnival Club Photographers 23-24](#)
- c. The number of photographers per Club is limited to a maximum of 3 at any one time.
- d. A maximum of 1 x photographer per Club in any competition area also applies.

Logistics & other information will be available via the Calendar event for each weekend as it becomes available.