

# WHANGAMATA CLASSIC

WHANGAMATA  
8AM EVENT START

INCLUDES SBS ROUND 1

Sprints & Flags  
Swim/Board/Ski  
Relays  
Boats & Canoes

5.12.20



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# EVENT INFORMATION

## Event Timings:

**Whangamata Tides** – Saturday 5 December 11.23am High / 5.29pm Low

When	What	Who
7.15am	Event Safety Evaluation	ER, EM, ESO, DER, WSC
7.30am	Event Safety Briefing	ESO, WSC, Event safety team
8.00am	Officials Briefing	ER, EM, ESO, DER, officials
8.15am	Event Briefing / Warm up begins	ER, EM, ESO, DER, Team Managers
9.00am	Event Start	

## Event Programme:

Event programme will be provided once entries have closed.

Programme may be altered to adhere to Covid-19 level restrictions. Programme/times may change to allow for the relevant level safety requirements.

The final programme will also be influenced by the 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.

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## Event Categories:

- U19/Open age groups will race together in gender groups. Rounds racing options will be explored, pending entry numbers. This will be communicated post entry closure.
- If time allows at the end of racing, an additional relay event may be added at the Event Referees discretion.

	U15		U17		U19		U23		Open		Masters (30+)	
Event	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Board	√	√	√	√	√							
Surf Race	√	√	√	√	√							
Ski	√	√	√	√	√							
Diamond	√	√										
Iron			√	√	√							
6 person mixed taplin relay	√											
Sprints	√	√	√	√	√							
Beach Flags	√	√	√	√	√							
Boat					√	√	√	√	√	√		
Canoe					√	√			√	√		

## Entry Process:

- Entries close **Monday 23<sup>th</sup> November 2020**
- Search for “2020 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.



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- 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** (inclu. GST) per Competitor
- All entry fees will be calculated following the completion of the event and clubs will be invoiced directly.

## Cancellation Policy:

- Due to Covid-19 if the region the competition is based in is at level 3 or 4, the event will be cancelled. Under level 2 events may happen if gathering rules allow otherwise the event will be cancelled.

## Eligibility of Competitors: Seniors

- This competition is open to any current & active SLSNZ member.
- Competitors age group is determined by their age as at midnight on 30th September 2020.
- 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.

## Rules:

- This event will be conducted under the rules contained in the [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(s).

## Competition Uniform:

- All competitors must wear their club cap.
- All competitors are to wear a High Visibility Vest

## 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.



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- 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.
- If this applies to your club, contact the Event Manager ([entries@lifesaving.org.nz](mailto:entries@lifesaving.org.nz)) prior to entry cut off.

## Briefings:

- It is important that all surf officials, managers and competitors attend their required briefings
- Updated event Information will be posted up on Facebook on the Whangamata Classic event page as well as via the TeamReach app – group code is SLSNRSS, as well as on the Northern Region website

## Event Courses:

- Courses will be set closer to the time, taking into account wind & tide.

## Surf Officials:

- All Clubs are required to meet Surf Official/Competitor ratios of 1 surf official for every 10 competitors (or part thereof) but encouraged, to not meet but exceed supplied Surf Official numbers
- Clubs may be requested to provide more, should the need arise.
- If you are struggling to provide officials please either contact other clubs to arrange loan Surf Officials or contact [entries@lifesaving.org.nz](mailto:entries@lifesaving.org.nz) as there may be other ways for your club to help on the day.
- Surf Officials need to wear their Blue Officials Shirt and warm gear suitable for the days weather conditions & should come prepared with a water bottle and a whistle.
- If you need a blue official's shirt please contact Donal before the day.

## Health & Safety:

- A Competition Safety Plan is completed for every SLSNR event and is available for viewing at the event.
- One key section of the Competition Safety Plan is the **Missing Competitor at Sea – Emergency Response Plan** and the roles and responsibilities of Officials, Team Managers, Competitors, Management and Event Safety Team will be outlined during briefings
- This is a hugely important plan to understand and know where you can assist as time is critical when dealing with a missing person in the sea. More information can be found [here](#)





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- **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 Event Manager by email to [entries@lifesaving.org.nz](mailto:entries@lifesaving.org.nz). However, participants are encouraged to submit these as early as possible. Once submitted, the forms will be reviewed by SLSNR and a decision will be made on whether a 'Competitor Waiver' form is required to be completed. It is important to note that a pre-existing medical condition includes a concussion event that has occurred prior to this event.
- The Event Management Committee reserves the right, if conditions warrant, to require canoe and boat crews to wear helmets. All clubs should bring helmets to the competition in the event that conditions warrant their use.
- All competitors and managers are reminded we as a management group have a need to be informed prior to the start of the event if any competitor who is under medical treatment or has suffered an injury that may impede their ability to perform. This requirement requires the competitor (or parent in competitor is under 18) to complete a waiver to enable participation. We have a need to understand who may be at additional risk during an event so that additional resources can be focused on the competitor while competing and ensure their safety.
- **Covid-19:** Stay home if you're sick and do not take part in the event. You must not participate in any gatherings if you have COVID-19 symptoms or if you need to be in isolation for any reason.

## COVID-19 Contingencies:

- In level 1 events will run as usual but in the event we are in level 2 the programme will be changed to reflect restricted numbers for gatherings. This may involve dividing events between beaches or having staggered start times for events.
  - We will have event QR codes set up for contact tracing.
  - Hand sanitizer will be available and increased cleaning of shared spaces will be implemented
  - We may look to create set areas to keep groups apart during events. Having separate areas for competitors, spectators etc
  - We ask that those attending competitions please practice the following:
    - Wear a mask when operating in spaces where you cannot remaining 1m away from people you do not know.
    - Clubs travel as 'light' as possible in relation to coaches, managers, supporters, siblings etc
    - Maintain good hygiene
    - Physically distance
    - Stay home if you're sick
    - Get tested if you have cold or flu symptoms
    - Keep track of where you've been and who you've seen.
  - COVID-19 Guidelines:
    - [www.covid19.govt.nz](http://www.covid19.govt.nz)
    - <https://sportnz.org.nz/covid-19-response/overview/>
    - <https://www.surflifesaving.org.nz/club-management/health-safety/covid-19-updates>