



SURF LIFE SAVING
NORTHERN REGION

2020 West Coast Experience – Bethells Beach

Date: Sunday January 19 2020

Venue: Bethells Beach

Tides 5.39am (H), 11.42am (Low)

Event Timings:

When	What	Who
8.00am	Event Safety & Support Briefing	Event Management Committee & Event Safety Team
8.30am	Surf Officials Briefing	Event Management Committee & Surf Officials
9.00am	Team Managers Briefing	Event Management Committee & Team Managers
9.15am	Marshalling for First Event	Surf Officials, Team Managers & Competitors
9.30am	First Race begins	
2.00pm	Estimated finish	

Event Categories:

Event	U13	U14
Surf Teams Race - Mixed		√
Board Race	√	√
Mixed Pairs Board Relay		√
Mixed Cameron Relay		√
2km Run	√	√

The final programme will be influenced by the weather 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.

Event Entries:

- Entries close **Wednesday 8 January 2019 9.00am**
- Search for “2020 West Coast Experience (Bethells Beach)” 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 and surf officials 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.
- By entering this event clubs & competitors agree to SLSNZ using any images and video taken during the event for media and promotional purposes.

Entry Fees:

- **\$20.00** (incl. GST) per Competitor
- Entries received after entry close will incur an additional **\$10.00 Late fee**.
- All entry fees will be calculated following the completion of the event and clubs will be invoiced directly.

Cancellation Policy:

- If the carnival is cancelled, with no postponement before the first event is conducted, 75% of all entry fees will be refunded to all Clubs (25% retained for administration costs).
- If a carnival is cancelled, after the first event is conducted no refund will be given.

Eligibility of Competitors:

- This competition is open to any current & active SLSNZ member, which requires:
 - U14 (C2) U13 (C1)
 - A DOB recorded in the SLSNZ Database
 - A PRIMARY membership with the club they intend to participate for
 - A 200m safety badge to participate in identified events
- Competitors age group is determined by their age as at midnight on 30th September 2019.

Rules:

- The event will be conducted under the rules contained in the [SLSNZ Surf Sport Competition Manual](#), SLSNZ Code of Conduct, Sport Policies and 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

Surf Officials:

- All Clubs are required to provide at least 1 surf official for every 5 competitors (or part thereof)
- Please ensure that you have adequate numbers of Surf Officials available to meet the numbers of competitors entered.
- Clubs may be requested to provide more, should the need arise.
- Surf Officials need to wear their Blue Officials Shirt & should come prepared with their Surf Sports Competition Manual, a whistle and water bottle.
- Any new Surf Officials on arrival make yourself known to the "Official Assessor" also remember to bring your Assessment Booklet.

Competitor Safety:

The EMC as advised by the Junior Operations Committee (JOC) are hereby confirming the NR Junior Surf Sports Did Not Finish (DNF) Surf Race protocol, where if a competitor does not compete in the surf race and/or is unable to complete the surf race - be that their own decision on the day to return to shore, or directed and/or assisted back to shore, then they will be unable to compete in any other water events for that particular competition but will be able to continue to compete in land based events only.

Water Safety Support:

- All Clubs are required to provide at least 1 qualified and refreshed Lifeguard for every 10 competitors (or part thereof) to act as water safety if required.
- Clubs may be requested to provide more, should the need arise
- Water safety support will be rostered to assist the Event Safety & Support team during water events.
- Clubs need to provide a list of names to the Event Manager by Monday 29 December 2019
- **All Water safety are required to turn up 'ready to respond'; equipped with Wetsuit, Lifeguard Rash Shirt, Fins, Tubes and Goggles.**

Health and Safety:

All parents and managers are reminded we as a management group have a need to be informed prior to the start of the event if any child who is under medical treatment or has suffered an injury that may impede their ability to perform. This requirement requires the parent 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 child while competing and ensure their safety.

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