

BRONTE

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NIPPERS NEWSLETTER WEEK 17



CONGRATULATIONS TO TEAM BRONTE!!!!

We could not be prouder of our magnificent kids, their hard working parents and of the incredible camaraderie and sportsmanship on display over the weekend at the 2025 SLS NSW State Championships. WOW!!! There were so many changes, cancellations, daily pivots and re-boots – but our kids and families kept an open mind, chose a cheerful outlook, and pitched in to help. You really rose to Alfred's challenge – what a bunch of superstars!

We enjoyed so many tales from the north – fine performances, great stories, superb team spirit. Here are our point scorers, **including two 2025 State Champions: Emily and Thomas!** CONGRATULATIONS!!!

1. GOLD MEDAL: Emily Snow, U12 Female, flags
2. GOLD MEDAL: Thomas Penny, U13 Male, surf swim
3. 4th place: Francesca Rugendyke, U10 Female, Surf Swim
4. 4th place: Presley Whalan, U11 Male, Surf Swim
5. 4th place: Henri Delesclegs, U14 Male, Surf Swim
6. 4th place: Analise Haddad, Emily Snow, Sarah Nash, Willow Sharma, U12 Female Beach Relay
7. 6th place: Ella O'Brien, Francesca Rugendyke, Sullivan Oranje, William Oranje, U10 Mixed Beach Relay

NIPPERS DISCO, Friday 14 March from 4.30pm – 7.30pm - !!!SOLD OUT!!!

In celebration of an awesome 50th season, the Nippers Disco returns! 'Bop-till-you-drop' will be playing tunes and leading the dancing from 5pm, the bar will be open for the adults and Divide 8 Pizza will be on site, selling slices of pizza for \$5. \$10 ticket per kid (disco and an iceblock). Adults are very welcome to BYO nibbles. ****This is a sold out, ticketed event – please don't rock up and 'try your luck'!****

50 YEARS OF NIPPERS, Sunday 16 March – 7.30am photo, celebratory nippers, 50 years Sunday Sips

It's here! Let's celebrate our amazing history. Here's our timing for Sunday:

- All nippers photo – **let's all mark this occasion, the season, and the existing Clubhouse!**
 - 7.30am arrive in Nippers kit (kids: rashies & caps; volunteers: water safety/age manager/age assistant gear)

- 7.30am-7.55am in position
- 8am: drone shot of all our Nippers and their families on the beach in front of the Club
- Celebratory nippers: regular timeslots on Sunday 16 March (8am-11am).
- Participation medals for U6, U7, U8 plus slip & slide (all parent assistance required).
- U14 SRC breakfast & graduation:
 - Arrive by 9.15am in full patrol uniform
 - 9.30am (approx.): SRC breakfast on the grass
 - 9.45am-10.15am: Speeches on the grass: Ant Burrows and Will Nemesh, the Mayor of Waverley Council
 - 10.15am: SRC graduation tunnel (all nippers to form 'guard of honour' along beach)
- Note there will be several other static and interactive activities for the kids to do throughout the morning.
- Sunday Sips for Nippers alumni: Sunday 16 March from 3pm. All welcome.

A VISIT FROM BOB MILLER, a founding member of Bronte Nippers

Last Sunday, we welcomed one of the original founders of Bronte Nippers to the beach. What a wonderful, full-circle moment! Thank you Bob, and to everyone who stopped by and said hello. Bob has kept every record, remembers every detail, every child and maintains his nippers friendships to this day.



NIPPER BOARD RETURN – please bring back this week

If, **for whatever reason**, you have a Bronte board (foam, fibreglass or board rescue), please return it THIS WEEK. The season is ending, training is wrapping up, carnivals are over, and an audit is coming up.....please get onto this – individuals follow ups are very time consuming.

For those interested in training, note that you must have your own board to participate. Now is a great time to jump online and buy a second hand board: they tend to flood onto the various social media sites both now and pre-season. Grab one, and get familiar with your new craft over the off season.

GENERAL REMINDERS

BBQ – U7G and U7B, 7.45am-11.30am: Let your age managers know if you can assist on the BBQ this week. Help is required between 7.45am-11am. What a great way to help out our Club – no experience required! BBQ sign up is [here](#).

The Roll: All nippers must be SIGNED IN AND SIGNED OUT.

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Water Safety: all water safety must sign in via the form on the table outside the office each week to accrue hours.

BOARD TRAINING CONTINUES - EXTENDED TRAINING – MERMAID SWIM ACADEMY

For all our current trainees Jo Mermaid is offering training until the end of term (and possibly beyond). Please [see here](#) for all the details! This is an awesome opportunity to keep training, especially while the water is warm.

END OF SUMMER PARTY (FOR ADULTS!) Saturday 22 March, 7pm. Join us for a great night of camaraderie, live music and pizza. [Purchase your tickets here.](#)

WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU ON SUNDAY!

Nippers Committee: Ant Burrows, Jessica Stewart, Al Visch, Tara O'Reilly, Neil Hayward, Steve Brown

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