

# BRONTE

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## NIPPERS NEWSLETTER WEEK 18



What an amazing 50 years of Nippers Celebration! How good did our '50' look?! Thank you to everyone who got involved so enthusiastically and a huge congratulations to our SRC graduates and Club Champs and special awardees – what an epic bunch!

To everyone:

- a massive thank you for joining us and making this season a great one!
- Sunday 30 March, 9am: end-of-season awards morning for U8+ Club Champs and special award winners and State Champs medallists. We invite all our recipients and their families to attend. Our 2025/26 Nippers Captains and Vice Captains will also be announced. All welcome;
- if your U6, U7 or U8 child missed receiving their medal, or if any child missed out on a 50 Years of Bronte Nippers Sticker, they are welcome to collect them from the office;

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- **number 1 tip: *keep up the swimming lessons and squads over winter*** – it's the best thing you can do to encourage a positive and safer experience at Nippers. This applies to all age groups;
- we'd love to hear from you! We'd be grateful if you could complete this survey to assist us to improve our program: [Bronte Nippers end of season survey 2024-25](#)
- diarise June 2025: registrations for next season will open sometime mid-year (check website near the time for exact dates). As we did this year, re-enrolling Nipper families will have an exclusive enrolment period, after which registration opens to all on a first come, first served basis; and
- **Enjoy your Sunday sleep-ins!**

## CONGRATULATIONS SRC AND AWARD WINNERS

On top of celebrating our history, we had a fantastic time recognising our SRC group who officially graduated from Nippers and who continue their role as patrolling cadets at Bronte.

We also celebrated our Nipper award winners this season (listed below) who will receive their awards on Sunday 30 March. Well done to all the kids and to the parents and volunteers who supported them.

## 50 YEARS NIPPERS - THANKS TEAM!

Huge thanks to everyone who contributed to our 50 years celebration and who helped Ant & Jess in the lead up and on the day, in particular Col (history and connections), Kirra (driving force), Darina (photo collage), Kimberly, Tara, and Cristina (photo display), Lydia (photo montage), Vanessa (merch), Brooke (signs & designs), Stu, Col & Louis (slip & slide), Charles (drone shot), Ali (roving photographer), Dave (socials).

## BOARD RETURN ASAP

If you have any Bronte boards at home ***for any reason whatsoever***, please return them to the Club ASAP to allow our annual gear audit to be completed. **All nippers who participate in training must have their own board. No exceptions.**

**Secondhand boards:** now is a good time to buy! Search Facebook for this group: 'Second Hand Surf Lifesaving Craft, Surf Lifesaving Only', or try Gumtree, Facebook Marketplace and Geartrade.

**New boards:** the Club has arranged a 15% discount via Race One Surf Craft (for foamies and for fibreglass boards). Use code 'Bronte 15%' when ordering online.

## WINTER BRONZE

See [this page](#) for all information about any upcoming Bronze Medallion courses, [including an EOI form](#). We anticipate our 'Winter Bronze' will take place during school Term 3 (July – September).

## BRONTE SLSC CLUBHOUSE REBUILD – NIPPERS CONTINUES AS USUAL!

We expect the building to be knocked down during the off-season and we're so excited that the rebuild is finally coming to fruition. During the re-build, it will be business as usual for Nippers! The Club office will operate from temporary accommodation and all lifesaving, nippers and beach activities will continue on the beach.

## THANK YOU FOR A GREAT SEASON!



## A MESSAGE FROM BOB MILLER, FOUNDING MEMBER OF BRONTE NIPPERS

*Firstly, I would like to pass on my thanks to Anthony for spending so much time with me last Sunday on my visit to Bronte Beach to witness the Nipper activities. I really enjoyed my time there, especially watching the younger nippers paddling their surf boards in the bogey hole. It brought back so many good memories.*

*And thank you so much for the T shirt commemorating 50 years of Bronte Nippers. I wore it proudly for the rest of the day, even to dinner at the club later that evening. I was also very impressed by the way the events were conducted, and my thanks to those who came up to say hello and welcome me. I have also been excited by the various items on social media, and the comments from those associated with the Nippers in those early days. It makes me feel very special. I am sorry I can't be with you on Sunday to celebrate 50 wonderful years of Bronte Nippers but whilst not there in body, I will certainly be there in spirit. My congratulations to all past and present Nipper officials who have kept the club in going to ensure that the old traditions are maintained and the members all treated equally. The club is certainly in good hands.*

*Congratulations once again and my thoughts will be with you on Sunday and also to those former officials who have passed on but gave their time to ensure that Bronte Nippers is successful and a great contributor to Community activities.*

*Best wishes*

*Bob Miller*

## Nipper Age Group Awards 2024-2025

Age Group	1 <sup>st</sup> Place Club Champs	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Club Champs	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Club Champs	Club Spirit	Junior Life Saver
U8G	Evita Whalan	Chloe Stalley	Annika Andersen	Sophie Enright	Sienna Tranter
U8B	Corey Gillespie	Harrison Dehn	Max McCallion	Alexander George	Hugo Lazarou
U9G	Harriet Towill	Arabella Goulter	Charlie Stephens	Charlotte Kelly	Olivia Dargue
U9B	Lucas Recio	Roque R Rendic	Hugh Brennan	Kai Buultjens	Finn Kemmann
U10G	Octavie Nanquette	Clementine Green	Alessandra Haddad	Amelia Marshall-Jones	Kate Burrows/ Ruby Gordon
U10B	Teddy Heritage	William Oranje	Javier Lopez-Crestani	William Ryall	Jonas Odolphi
U11G	Charlotte Brickell	Imogen Tencate	Frankie Towill	Winter Lyndon	Lucy Delesclegs
U11B	Reggie Gillespie	Parker Recio	Presley Whalan	Edward Dileo	Ryder Darragh
U12G	Emily Snow	Angie Visch	Tilly Smith	Caylee Nolan	Ruby Lastro
U12B	Beau Clark	William Kelliher	Ruben Lopez-Crestani	Gabriel Kesler	Micah Hoare
U13G	Eloise Oranje	Eve Croft	Georgina Ward	Olivia Grice	Harriet Smith
U13B	Nicholas Fasol	Edison Whalan	Luke Haddock	Flynn Gilmore	Xavier Darragh
U14G	Lexi Smith	Rosa Hayward	Jade Visch	Daire Nic Domhnaill	Alice Lambert
U14B	Henri Delesclegs	Joe O'Reilly	Morgan Sharma	Jack Burrows	Morgan Sharma
Special Age Group Awards	<b>U8 Col McDermid Encouragement Award</b> Orgil Boldbaatar	<b>U8 Col McDermid Encouragement Award</b> Lucie Pike	<b>SRC Between the Flags Award</b> Sam Burrows	<b>SRC Between the Flags Award</b> Grace Humphrey	