

BRONTE

SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB • 1903

WELCOME BACK TO NIPPERS 2020-STYLE!

Hi everyone and thank you for re-joining Bronte Nippers this season. Things are going to be pretty different this year but as always, our two main objectives are to build your child's confidence in the ocean and for them to have fun at Nippers.

Please take the time to read the information below. It's long and detailed, but you will need to be up to speed before turning up to Nippers on Sunday.

A note: please approach this year's changes with diligence, positivity and good humour! Covid arrangements are important, are new to everyone at Nippers, and may take a little getting used to!

COVID PLAN

Nippers can only be run this year by sticking to a Covid plan developed in conjunction with Surf Lifesaving Sydney and Waverley Council. Your Age Managers have a copy if you wish to read it. The Council has also required the Club to obtain an event permit to run Nippers each week. The aim of all regulations is to minimise the spread of Covid 19 and to effect contact tracing if required. Please also keep in mind that fines for non-compliance for individuals and the Club, are steep.

We have been cautioned that **all eyes will be on our lovely parents – so please assist us!!!** Our Nippers are not required to physically distance but our parents are.

Unless you are qualified (see below) please drop your Nipper and go. Head home, run an errand, go for a walk, grab a coffee or do your OWN thing. Whatever you decide, please DO NOT gather in groups with fellow parents to watch your Nippers. Nippers is a highly visible activity involving large groups in public areas. We do not want it to be shut down as we expect Council and possibly police to audit us– let's make this work!

TIMETABLE AND BEACH LAYOUT

- This year, we are required to keep our Nippers separated from the public.
- Each age group will be run from a marshalling area (a 'Zone'), physically set out on the beach with bollards and bunting.
- Make sure you know your child's session start and finish times and their Zone.
- This Sunday, all age groups will aim to complete their proficiency swims. U9 will do these in the pool and the ocean. U10-U14 will do these in the ocean.

Zones

Time	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3
	(Boys left / Girls right)		
8am-8.45am	U10 boys	U10 girls	U7
9am-9.45am	U11	U9 boys	U8
10am-10.45am	U12	U13	U9 girls



NIPPER CHECKLIST

- Do not attend Nippers if you are unwell. All participants must be symptom-free.
- Arrive on time to your Zone, dressed and ready to go. Bring goggles, water bottle and towel to your Zone.
- Nippers must wear their swimmers, Bronte SLSC age cap and pink rashie (wetsuit optional) during their Nippers session. **No cap, No rashie = No Nippers.**
- Remember that Nippers will be all about water skills – we are not able to run sand events at the moment.
- Each Sunday, parents must sign in their Nipper and go. Older Nippers may sign themselves in.
- By signing in, or having your child's name marked off the roll, you agree that you/your child are Covid-19 symptom free.
- At the end of their session, Nippers must sign out, remove their age cap and pink rashie, and depart.

PARENT CHECKLIST

- We strongly encourage only one parent to bring their child to Nippers.
- Parents must collect their Nipper from their designated Zone at 45 minutes past the hour. Participants in the next session cannot enter their Zone until all participants from the prior group have left.
- The yellow 'beach crew' cap is no longer enough to participate at Nippers – to avoid confusion, please do not wear your yellow Nipper parent cap to the beach on Sundays.
- Only 'qualified' parents can participate on the beach at Nippers. To be qualified, you must have your Age Manager award, current Bronze Medallion, or have volunteered as a Covid Marshal.
- Parents who have completed their Age Manager award recently must bring their paperwork to Nippers. Those who hand in completed forms will receive an 'Age Assistant' cap.
- Qualified parents must be identifiable – they must wear their Bronte SLSC Water Safety rash vest, Bronte SLSC Age Manager shirt, Bronte SLSC Age Assistant hat or Covid Marshal vest.
- Qualified parents must sign in via the QR code on the roll, or record their attendance on the paper roll. You may only assist in your own child's group. If you have more than one child, you must sign in via the QR code or paper roll at each session.
- Adult participants must maintain safe physical distancing at all times and follow the directions of the Covid-Marshall (kids are not required to socially distance). Face masks are encouraged and available if distancing is not possible.
- In some age groups, there are large numbers of qualified adult participants. The '1 adult per 4m²' rule means that in those age groups, not all adults will be able to assist each week. Please speak to your Age Manager to determine when you may be required.
- Parents who wish to become qualified are welcome to do the Age Manager's Award online via their SLS Members Area account.

AGE GROUP RESPONSIBILITIES

All age groups have some responsibilities regarding Nipper equipment.

Set up:

- **U10:** set up Zone 1 and 2. Bring foam boards from Nipper board room down to beach.
- **U7:** set up Zone 3. Bring redback boards from Nipper board room down to beach.

Pack up:

- **U8:** remove redback boards from beach, clean them in front of club house and pack them away.
- **U9G:** pack up Zone 3. Remove foam boards from beach, clean them in front of club house and pack away.
- **U12** pack up Zone 1.
- **U13:** pack up Zone 2. Remove fibreglass boards from beach, clean them in front of club house and pack away.

Cleaning:

- **All Age Groups:** equipment must be cleaned after each session. Your Covid Marshal will oversee this process – please assist.
- **U7, U9B, U10 and U11:** clean boards and tubes on the beach.

- **U8, U9G, U12 and U13:** clean boards and tubes in front of the club house.

COVID NOTES

- SLS Sydney requires that if you live in an 'Area Hot Spot' coloured 'GREEN' or darker on the NSW Covid Heat Map [Heat Map](#), please do not come to Nippers.
- If Bronte becomes an 'Area Hot Spot' coloured 'GREEN' or darker on the NSW Covid Heat Map [NSW Heat Map](#), Nippers will be cancelled.
- While we will adopt reasonable precautions in line with SLS requirements and NSW Government Regulations, we cannot guarantee participants' safety from Covid-19.
- If a member tests positive to Covid-19, we strongly encourage you to contact the Club and let us know the date and time the member was at the Club or involved in Club activities: office@brontesurfclub.com.au. Personal details will be kept confidential.
- For further information, please check the following: [NSW Health](#) [Testing Clinics](#)

MERCHANDISE

- Your child's Nippers uniform has not changed! If you need any new gear, merchandise will be available for sale on Friday 16 October 2020, 10am-1pm.
- Due to Covid, we will not be running weekly merchandise stalls.

CLUBHOUSE

- Only members can access the Clubhouse. They must swipe in individually and not let others in behind them.
- Nippers are not permitted in the Clubhouse.
- Parents should not gather on the Clubhouse steps to wait for their Nippers.

BOARD TRAINING U9-U14

- The Club offers terrific training for Nippers who are interested in improving their skills and representing Bronte at Nipper carnivals. There are 3 levels of board training squads: Beginners, Development and Competition (see below for more details). Those participating in board training will need to bring their own board, goggles, drink bottle and wear their pink rashie.
- Board training groups require water safety to go ahead and all participants must sign in and out. Water Safety parents are expected to bring orange rashies and to get wet.
- Communication in relation to board training squads is via TeamApp. The board training groups have their own TeamApp group: search 'Bronte board trng' and request access.

Please see separate communication for further details.

SUNDAY SIPS AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

The Club has a terrific range of social and training events for adult members:

- Sunday Sips is held upstairs at the Club every Sunday afternoon. Due to Covid, you'll need to book a table. Email: functions@brontesurfclub.com.au to arrange.
- Pilates with Harries at 6am on Tuesday and Friday mornings, and 7pm Thursday evenings (\$15 card-only payment). Bring your own mat. Spots are limited so don't be late!
- Sunday Surf Race at 11am on Sundays with Barry Brignell. Handicapped swim race around the cans, and available to all proficient Bronze Medallion holders, SRC, and Competition Squad members (comp squad participants subject to the approval of Al Visch).

- Swim group with Garry Luscombe, Wednesdays 6am at Bondi (meet in front of North Bondi SLSC) and Thursdays 12.15pm at Bronte (meet in front of Club).
- Paddle groups (beginners and intermediate) for proficient Bronze Medallion holders - check the website and join the relevant Club WhatsApp groups for details. Intermediate paddlers usually meet at 6am on Tuesdays.

WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU DOWN AT THE BEACH!!

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