

# BRONTE

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## NIPPERS NEWSLETTER WEEK 8



Huge congratulations to all Nippers and parents who took part in the Junior Ocean Swim and the Bondi to Bronte on 4 December – what an amazing day! Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time to make it such a success.

Congratulations also to our Nipper Captains, Charlie James and Henry Baxter, who have been named as finalists in the SLS Sydney Branch Junior Lifesaver of the Year 2022-23.

**Santa visit:** Rumour has it that Santa will be visiting the beach this weekend! We hear that he plans to appear around **8.55am** to visit the 8am and 9am groups, and will return at **10.45am** to see the 10am groups. Ho ho ho....

**Merchandise:** be sure to sort out your Christmas shopping this weekend! Our Merchandise stall will be open for the last time this year this coming Sunday 18 December. The online store will also close this week.

**Nippers holiday dates:** this Sunday is the last Nippers for 2022. Nippers will resume on Sunday 15 January. Stay tuned to TeamApp for any updates relevant to your group.

### Nippers training holiday dates:

- Beginners board squad: last session Tuesday 13 December; training resumes Tuesday 24 January.
- Development, Competition and Longboards squads: last session Saturday 17 December; training resumes Saturday 14 January.
- Sand training: stay tuned to TeamApp for sessions

**Office Closure:** the Bronte office will close on 22 December 2022 and reopen on 11 January 2023. Jess ([nippers@brontesurfclub.com.au](mailto:nippers@brontesurfclub.com.au)) will be away from next week until end January with no email access over January. Please sort everything required prior! (carnival entries etc)

**Club bar open! Christmas – New Year:** The bar will be open each day from Monday 26 December to Friday 30 December, as well as Sunday 1 January from 2pm. Come on down for a drink – all welcome!

**Dippers:** Dippers is returning! Dippers is a modified Nippers program for neuro-diverse kids and is run in conjunction with Autism Swim at Bronte on Saturday mornings at 8am in Term 1. Dippers is led by a specialist from Autism Swim, and is staffed by Bronte volunteers. It's an incredible program – just as fun for volunteers as participants!

We would love to offer the program to more Dippers and need volunteers on board ASAP to help run our second season. Please see [here](#) for information regarding Dippers and [here](#) to sign up to volunteer. Bronze Medallion holders preferred.

**Upcoming Nipper carnivals:** please see the latest calendar [here](#) as well as our Competitor Guidelines for Nipper Carnival Participation [here](#). Please contact [nippers@brontesurfclub.com.au](mailto:nippers@brontesurfclub.com.au) if your child wishes to enter any upcoming Carnival:

- Sunday 8 January: North Narrabeen Beach Carnival (all welcome)
- Sunday 15 January: Manly Nipper Nats (all welcome)
- Thursday 26 January: North Cronulla Junior Iron Carnival (all welcome)
- Saturday 28 January: Sydney Branch Carnival (U9 & U10 - championship carnival – North Bondi). Discuss with your Age Manager.
- Sunday 29 January: Sydney Branch Carnival (U11-U14 - championship carnival – North Bondi). Discuss with your Age Manager.
- Thursday 23 February – Friday 24 February: NSW State Age Championships (U9 & U10 championship carnival –Queenscliff). Sign up for State now complete.
- Friday 24 February – Sunday 26 February: NSW State Age Championships (U11-U14 – championships carnival – Queenscliff). Sign up for State now complete.

Note that as Carnivals are volunteer-run, the parents of any child who enters are **expected to volunteer** at the event - water safety and officials quotas apply to **all** carnivals.

## WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU ON SUNDAY – HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL!!

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



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