

BRONTE

SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB • 1903

NIPPERS NEWSLETTER WEEK 17



The Nippers season draws to a close this coming Sunday 12 March and we have lots of fun planned to send it off with a bang! We thank everyone who has made Sunday mornings safe, supportive and so much fun. As part of our last day of Nippers, we celebrate a great season, and in particular the U14 SRC group as they graduate from Nippers to Cadets.

The Club has an exciting new sponsor on board! Chemist Warehouse and Carroten Sunscreen. We look forward to welcoming them this weekend to Nippers where they will be spoiling our kids with sunscreen giveaways and iceblocks at the end of each session.

This weekend we will be joined by the Bronte Surf Boat Rowing Team who will do a rowing demonstration for the Nippers and parents between 9am-10am (surf dependent!) and be on hand to answer any questions about Surf Boat Rowing opportunities at Bronte.

Please keep in mind the following:

- U6 and U7 to receive their participation medals.
- U8+ award winners to be announced by Age Managers during each session.
- U13: please arrive at 9am to set up and arrange breakfast on the grass for the SRC.
- SRC to arrive around 9am in full patrol uniform. Breakfast and speeches at 9.30am.
- SRC graduation tunnel around 10.15am. All nippers to form a human tunnel on the beach for the SRC to run through!
- U13 Club Captain interviews around 11am

GENERAL REMINDERS

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

Diary dates:

- This Friday 10 March, 5pm: Nippers Disco, hosted by U8. See separate comms for details.
- Sunday 12 March: last day of Nippers.
- Sunday 26 March, 9am: presentation day for U8-U14. Open to all, but formal invitations to award winners only.
- July 2023: Registrations for next season will open (check website for exact dates). New system – re-enrolling Nipper families will have a 2 week exclusive enrolment period, after which registration opens to all on a first come, first served basis.

BBQ – U7B and U7G, 8am-11am: Let your age managers know if you can assist on the BBQ this week. Help is required between 8am-11am. What a great way to help out our Club – no experience required!! BBQ roster is [here](#).

Pack up: Our Sunday Patrols have asked us to please pack up ALL nippers equipment. Lately, it has been on the beach for hours after Nippers has finished. It is not up to patrollers to bring in boards, flags nor the BBQ tent; once your session is finished, please pitch in to assist. All nipper boards need to be packed in the nipper room by 11am.

Water Safety: all water safety must sign in via their age group's paper roll each week to accrue hours.

RETURN BRONTE NIPPERS GEAR!

It's time to return all gear rented or borrowed throughout the season, or for recent Carnivals. There are quite a few gaps in the Competition Board Room in particular. Please bring it back this weekend so we can avoid individual follow ups....

CHECK THE LOST PROPERTY

Make a point of checking the lost property box and your age group tub this Sunday. They are filled to the brim with abandoned gear! Please have a look and rescue anything that's yours. We will be doing a lost property purge next weekend in preparation for the off-season.

TRAINING FEES

Training has now concluded for the season and some fees remaining outstanding. Please check to ensure you have paid, and follow the steps [at the bottom of this page](#) if you have not.

INTERNATIONAL WOMENS DAY CELEBRATIONS WITH TAMARAMA SLSC, Sunday 12 March

Did you know that only 40 years ago, women were not allowed to join Surf Lifesaving as active members? What a different place Bronte SLSC would be today without women! In celebration of International Women's Day and our amazing women lifesavers, Bronte members are invited to join our neighbours at Tamarama. There is plenty planned, including women-led patrols, ocean swims, a Nippers parents morning tea and a lunch social. Please see here for [more information and RSVP](#).

SRC & BRONZE MEDALLION HOLDERS: INTRODUCTION TO SURF SKI CLINIC, Sunday 30 April, 6.45am-9am

Sydney Branch is again running a development clinic to introduce competitors to Surf Ski on flat water. Please let nippers@brontesurfclub.com.au know ASAP if you would like to attend. Full information is [here](#). Entries are due by Friday 31 March.

SUNDAY SIPS & 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.
- Pilates with Harries at 6am on Monday and Friday mornings (\$20 card-only payment). Bring your own mat. Spots are limited so don't be late!
- Swim group with Garry Luscombe, Wednesdays 6am at Bondi (meet in front of North Bondi SLSC).
- 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.
- Paddle groups (beginners and intermediate) for proficient Bronze Medallion holders (generally Tuesday mornings) - check the website and join the relevant Club WhatsApp groups for details.

WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU ON SUNDAY – THANK YOU TO EVERYONE FOR A TERRIFIC SEASON!

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

