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# Waverley Shield, Sunday 15 November, North Bondi (U8-U14)

Thank you for entering the Waverley Shield nippers carnival – we're looking forward to a fantastic morning! As 'hosts' of the event at North Bondi, let's do Bronte proud!

Please read the information below about the event:

- Remember to approach the day flexibly - carnival timetables can often change on the day due to conditions.
- Leave plenty of time to park, find your Age Group tent and Age Managers, warm up etc.
- Entry lists (attached): these list all Bronte nippers entered into the Carnival. There are **no late entries**. If your nipper attends on the day and is not on this list, they will be a welcome member of the cheer squad, but not a competitor.
- Volunteer obligations:
    - Descriptions and timing for each volunteer role is set out in the sign-up itself: Waverley Shield - Bronte SLSC volunteers Please contact the office with any queries ASAP.
    - officials allocations - see separate communications sent to officials and trainees
    - water safety allocations - see separate emails to water safety
- There is no normal nippers at Bronte for U8-U14 on Sunday 15 November

**Don't forget:** Pink rashies and Bronte nipper caps are compulsory (blue on the right, yellow on the left), goggles, board (if you have one) plenty of water, snacks, sunscreen, a black marker as well as plenty of patience and good humour. Carnival rules apply: **no wetsuits**!

**Liveheats Bands:** Age Managers will have the newly ordered bands. For any other LiveHeats requirements (purchasing a replacement / changing size), new bands will be available in North Bondi SLSC Ros Packer Room from 6.20 - 6.30am, and following that can be picked up at the Beach Marshelling area (Donna Hargreaves). Do this **EARLY**.
No bands required for for U8.

**Event Rules:** familiarise yourselves in advance with event rules here.

**Event Timetable**:

- 6.30am: 1km and 2km soft sand runs for U11-U14 marshall.
- 7.15am: U9, U10 and U11 events marshall.
- 7.45am: U8 events marshall.
- 10am: U11-U14 Irons marshall
- 10.45am: U12-U14 events marshall

**Volunteer meetings are as follows:**

- 6am: set up crew in front of North Bondi SLSC
- 6.30am: officials and trainee officials briefing upstairs at North Bondi SLSC; beach officials then to proceed to beach for in area briefings with sectional referees (beach runs at 6.45am).
- 7.00am: Water Safety Shift 1 briefing at central tent between water areas.

- 7.00am: water officials report to designated areas
- 7.30am: U8 officials briefing at U8 area
- 9am (approx.) water safety to U8 for wade
- 9.45am: water safety shift 2 briefing between water areas 1 and 2
- 9.45am: water officials report to designated area.
- 10.30am: beach officials report to designated area.
- End carnival: pack up crew to meet in front of North Bondi SLSC

**Sand or water, not both (excepting U8):** just as at most Carnivals, nippers can compete in either sand **or** water events (excepting Beach Runs and Iron) as the programs are run concurrently. U9 and U10 Nippers will be able to compete in both disciplines at Branch and State champs as the events are run on different days.

*The exception is U8 who will compete in all races (their only water event is the wade/wade relay).

**Nipper boards:** we will fill the Bronte trailer with boards and bring it to the Carnival. These are collective – please share them with fellow Bronte kids who need them for their races.

U14s to collect longboards from Bronte after SRC training on Friday: check in with the office or your Age Managers with any queries.

At the completion of your races:

- **Under 8:** Pack down the U8 area and bring equipment to the Bronte Trailer
- **Under 9 & 10:** Bring all foam boards back to the Bronte Trailer from both water areas
- **Under 13:** Help pack down all areas and bring equipment to the Branch trailer. Bring all fibreglass boards back to the Bronte Trailer from both water areas
- **Under 14:** Help pack down all areas and bring equipment to the Branch trailer. Bring your borrowed boards back to Bronte.

**Parent cheer squad – stay outside the competition areas:** a reminder from the Carnival Referee to all enthusiastic parents! Please stay OUTSIDE the competition areas. Where possible, these will be cordoned by bunting. This is a safety issue: officials need space to see, record and account for all our children.

Age Managers (white shirt only) are permitted within marshalling areas and can hand all children any necessary towel, jumper, drink etc.

**Volunteer run:** The Waverley Shield is volunteer run and a collective effort. Please remember this in any interactions with officials, water safety and organisers. *Friendly* competition is the aim of the morning!

Everyone who attends is expected to assist in some way. Remember that your Age Managers will already have plenty to do, looking after your kids and guiding them to events. So if you have been unable to assist with listed tasks, please remember that your child can only compete because others have. Please look after the children of these parents as your own: make sure that they are fed, watered, chaperoned to the toilet, sunscreened, and kept within your sight.

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**Tents**: thank you to all volunteers who are transporting tents.

- The U8, U9, U10 and U11 tents need to be set up in the designated areas at North Bondi between 6am-7am on Sunday.
- The U8 tent will be dismantled at the end of the U8 events.
- U12, U13/14 will use the remaining tents set up and then will be responsible for dismantling them and returning them to Bronte.

Note:

- Please use sandbags to secure tents.
- If you notice any damage, please report it so we can act.

**Under 8**: Bronte is in charge of the U8 area and Ant Burrows is steering the ship. This means we need to:

1. set the area up from 6am so it is ready to go by 7.30am (sprint track / flags / wade: it will take this long!)
2. provide 8 x Age Assistant parents to assist the Carnival Officials 'herd the kittens' and their parents during the Carnival;
3. provide 8 x water safety for the wade and wade relay events (we will have some Nth Bondi SRC water safety also;
4. dismantle the area, and pack into trailer; and
5. transport it back to Bronte.

Under 8's should be prepared for some timetable changes to improve efficiency and reduce waiting around. Please keep an ear out to any announcements.

**Good luck!** The very best of luck to Team Bronte - we wish you a wonderful experience, a great morning of racing, and a heap of fun!

Thank you to every single one of you who has contributed to this event – we appreciate the commitment and enthusiasm of our kids, and the generosity of our volunteers.

# GO BRONTE!!!