

Waverley Shield: Sunday 17 November at Bondi for U8-U14









Essential links:

- Carnival timetable
- Nippers Sign Up Carnival Entry
- Water Safety Sign Up (current Bronze Medallion required)
- Officials Sign Up (SLS qualification/trainee)
- Bronte Volunteers Sign Up

What is it? On Sunday 17 November, Nippers moves to Bondi for all U8 to

U14s! The Waverley Shield carnival is a fun, friendly carnival between the Waverley Council surf clubs and a great introduction to competition for our younger and new nippers. The Carnival is open to all proficient U8-U14 nippers (there is no qualification required) and we encourage everyone to formally 'enter' and attend.

**There will be NO normal nippers for U8-U14 at Bronte on 17 November.

How do I enter? The Club is required to 'enter' competitors via the Carnival Entry System used by Sydney Branch. For this particular carnival, there is no charge. So, if your child would like to compete (or is even considering it as an option), please let us know <u>via this form</u>. Subject to the volunteering point below, the more the merrier!

There are no late or on-the-day entries—you must let the Bronte office know <u>via this form</u> by Sunday 10 November (evening) and earlier if possible. Note also that Sydney Branch closes the Carnival Entry System well in advance, hence the cut off date.

New compulsory requirement: LiveHeats wristbands for all U9+ competitors: In keeping with a move to use the LiveHeats system for all SLS Carnivals, U9+ Waverley Shield competitors will need a LiveHeats



wristband. These are pre-programmed and pre-allocated to individual Nippers (for collection on the day) so you MUST let us know via the form if you need one. We will have the 4 sizes available to try at Nippers this Sunday 10th. Let your Age Managers know your size preference. Once you have your band – keep it forever!! You will need it for all future Nippers Carnivals (replacements generally cost \$10).

Timetable: carnival timetable is here. Timing is always affected by conditions.

- U8*, U9, U10 and U11** commence racing at 7.30am with marshalling for first events at 7.15am.
 *U8 generally runs until around 10.30/11am. If you need to leave early, let your age manager know (and consider how this may affect any teams).
 - **U11-U14 Beach Runs start at 7am with marshalling at 6.45am. (1km for U11-U13; 2km for U14)
- The all age beach and board relays are at 10am (each marshalling at 9.45am).
- U12, U13 and U14 commence at 10.30am (marshalling 10.15am) and run until around 1pm.

Build into this plenty of time to park, find your Age Group tent and Age Managers, warm up etc. Brush up on any event rules <u>here</u>.

Compulsory items: For everyone: nippers cap (worn with Bronte colours shown) and pink rashie. For U9+: your LiveHeats band also.

Volunteering pre-condition: Like all Carnivals, the Waverley Shield is volunteer run and a collective effort. This year it's Bondi's turn to 'host' the Carnival (this responsibility is rotated – Bronte did it last year). Each Club remains responsible for 1 area: for Bronte, it's the U8 zone. For these reasons, **parent volunteering is a pre-condition to entering.** Please let us know here how you'd like to help here: <u>Bronte Volunteers Sign</u> Up. Most of the tasks listed in the form are modest. Please pitch in!

Sand or water, not both (excepting U8): at Carnivals, nippers generally need to choose between sand and water as the programs are run concurrently. Ask your child which one they are keen on. The exception is U8 as their only water event is the wade/wade relay.

Nipper boards: if you don't have your own board, please indicate on the sign up form. We will take the trailer to Bondi with boards for those who need. You will not be allocated a particular board – just like at Nippers, they're shared.

Further information: Please check in with your Age Managers with particular queries. You can also check out the following for useful information regarding competing and carnivals:

- The 'competition and training' page of our website here; and
- Bronte Nippers Handbook from page 15.

We can't wait to hear from you – Go Bronte!





