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The Waverley Shield: Sunday 9 November at Bondi for U8-U14



Essential links:

- [Carnival timetable *NOTE NOW UPDATED](#)
- [Nippers Sign Up – Carnival Entry](#)
- [Water Safety Sign Up \(current Bronze Medallion required\)](#)
- [Officials Sign Up \(SLS qualification/trainee\) *trainees select 'probationary'](#)
- [Bronte Volunteers Sign Up](#)

What is it? On Sunday 9 November, Nippers moves to North 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 9 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 [via this form](#). 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 [via this form](#) by Sunday 2 November and **earlier if possible**. Note also that Sydney Branch closes the Carnival Entry System well in advance, hence the cut off date.

LiveHeats wristbands for all U9+ competitors: all U9+ competitors will need a LiveHeats wristband. These are pre-programmed and pre-allocated to individual Nippers so you MUST let us know via the form if you need one. Last year, nearly everyone chose the same size. So we propose to order this size for all and you can switch it for no fee at North Bondi on the day if needed. Once you have your band – keep it forever!! You will need it for all future Nippers Carnivals (replacements generally cost \$11).

Timetable: carnival timetable is [here](#). **NOTE: revised since last week's newsletter. **Timing is always affected by conditions. If in doubt, come early.**

- U9 and U10 commence racing at 7.30am with marshalling for first events at 7.15am.
- U8 commence racing at 8am with marshalling for first events at 7.45am. 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 9.30am (each marshalling at 9am).
- *U11-U14 commence straight after the all age relays at 9.30am (marshalling 9am) and run until around 1pm.
- *Note: U11-U14 will commence earlier if the younger age groups finish earlier. If this occurs, U11-U14 competition will pause for the All Age Relays.

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 [here](#).

Compulsory items: For everyone: nippers cap (worn with Bronte colours shown) and pink rashie. For U9+: your LiveHeats band also. For those with the new single-sided nippers caps, we will have some club coloured caps for kids to borrow. These must be returned.

Volunteering pre-condition: Like all Carnivals, the Waverley Shield is 100% volunteer run and a collective effort. This year it's North Bondi's turn to 'host' the Carnival (this responsibility is rotated – Bronte will do it next 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: [Bronte Volunteers Sign Up](#). Most of the tasks listed in the form are modest. Please pitch in!

Sand or water, not always both (excepting U8-U10): at Carnivals, nippers generally need to choose between sand and water as the programs are run concurrently. For the Waverley Shield, effort has been made to ensure the U9 and U10 can do both and that some U11+ will have this opportunity. Ask your child which one they are keen on if a choice is needed. 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 North 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 'competition and training' page of our website [here](#) for useful info regarding competing and carnivals.

We can't wait to hear from you – GO BRONTE!