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CIRCULAR**No.33 2008/2009****2008/2009 INTER-MEMBER CARNIVALS**

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<p>Summary: This circular outlines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carnival Dates and Venues • SLSWA Surf Premiership Series • Local Area Junior Carnivals • Combined Club Teams • Officials Requirements • Carnival Programs • Entry Process and Fees 	<p>Action: Visit www.mybeach.com.au for current carnival programs and information. Clubs will be informed when each carnival will be opened for entries.</p>
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Competition Rules

The following carnivals and events shall be conducted in accordance with the requirements of the current edition of the SLSA Competition Manual and any amending circulars or bulletins.

Carnival Dates and Venues

Senior Carnival dates and venues for 2008/2009 are:
 Round 1– Sunday (AM Carnival) 4th January = Trigg Island
 Round 2– Saturday (PM Carnival) 17th January = Fremantle
 Round 3 – Sunday 25th January = Geraldton ** (Bonus Round two star event)
 Round 4– Sunday (AM Carnival) 8th February = Trigg Island
 Round 5 – Saturday (PM Carnival)14th February = Sorrento

Junior Events

Local Area Carnival 1 – Sunday 16th November
 Local Area Carnival 2 – Sunday 7th December
 Junior Carnival 1 (AM) – Sunday 18th January = Fremantle
 Junior Carnival 2 – Sunday 25th January =Geraldton
 Junior carnival 3 (AM) – Sunday 15th February = Sorrento SLSC
 Junior Carnival 4 (QUALIFIER) – Sunday 8th March Trigg SLSC

Boat Series

Round 1 - Sunday 16th November (8.00AM) Scarborough Beach
 Round 2 - Sunday 30th November (8.00AM) Trigg Island
 Xmas Sprints Saturday 6th December (3.00PM) Cottesloe
 Round 3 - Boat Carnival (9.00AM) Sunday 14th December Secret Harbour

Board and Ski Series

Round 1 – Saturday 8th November (7.00am) City Beach
 Round 2 – Friday 21st November (5.30pm) Scarborough Beach
 Round 3 – Friday 12th December (6.00pm) Crawley Bay

Beach Series

Round 1 – Sunday 23rd November (9am) Scarborough Beach
 Round 2 – Sunday 7th December (9am) Sorrento Beach (State Relay Challenge)

Local Area Junior Carnivals

In 2008 / 2009 the following will apply:

1. Four Junior Carnivals have been scheduled
2. Two local area carnivals have been scheduled
3. Country Qualifiers will be provided from the regions and must be provided to SLSWA by Wednesday 18th February
4. Country Qualifiers can also qualify through the Junior Qualifying Carnival process
5. Limited Events will require qualification for the 2009 State Titles

Local Area Carnivals assist in the preparation and confidence of juniors. Local Area Carnivals are conducted to expose juniors to the various skills and competencies needed to compete at interclub carnivals. The aim of these carnivals is to assist juniors to stay interested in Surf Sports and identify their strengths skills / knowledge prior to competing at an Interclub Carnival.

Please ensure that you encourage your junior members to take part in the club's Sunday morning activities and the scheduled Local Area Carnivals prior to entering the Junior Carnivals.

Conduct of Local Area Carnivals

Two Local Area Carnivals have been scheduled for clubs to participate in a less competitive environment. The programming and conduct of the carnival will be established by the clubs involved in their particular area in consultation with each other.

SLSWA suggests that:

- The Junior Officer (or such position) from each club contact other officers from Local Clubs to organize these carnivals
- Local Area Carnival number 1 is scheduled for Sunday 16th November 2008. It is recommended that this should be conducted as a development event with coaches and officials assisting juniors to compete correctly
- Local Area Carnival number 2 is scheduled for Sunday 7th December 2008. It is recommended that it be conducted formally in accordance with all rules and regulations of competition being applied.

The Clubs have been broken up into the following Local Areas:

Mid West:	Broadwater Bay SLSC, Geraldton SLSC, Dongara Denison SLSC
North Metropolitan:	Yanchep SLSC, Quinns Mindarie SLSC, Mullaloo SLSC, Sorrento SLSC
Central Metropolitan:	Trigg Island SLSC, Scarborough SLSC, City of Perth SLSC
South Metropolitan:	Swanbourne Nedlands SLSC, North Cottesloe SLSC, Cottesloe SLSC, Fremantle SLSC, Floreat SLSC (by request)
Peel: SLSC	Coogee Beach SLSC, Secret Harbour SLSC, Mandurah SLSC, Port Bouvard
South West:	Binningup SLSC, City of Bunbury SLSC, Dalyellup SLSC, Busselton SLSC, Margaret River SLSC
Great Southern:	Denmark SLSC, Albany SLSC, Esperance-Goldfields SLSC

Please have the Junior Officer from your club contact their counterparts from clubs in your local area.

Qualifying Carnival Sorrento

The following events will be restricted at the 2009 Westpac WA Junior Surf Life Saving Championships. Qualifying for these events will be via the Junior Qualifying carnival scheduled for Trigg Beach on the Sunday 8th March (8:00am).

The Qualifying Events will be:

- Flags
- Board Rescue
- Board Race
- Beach Sprint

The following qualifying numbers will apply:

	Sorrento Carnival (per gender age group)	Country (per gender age group)
Beach Sprint	12 to Semi Finals at State Champs	1 person per region
Beach Flags	12 to Semi Finals at State Champs	1 person per region
Board Rescue	23 teams to Semi Finals at State Champs	1 team per region
Board Race	24 to Semi Finals at State Champs	2 competitors per region

*If a country position is not taken by a qualifier then a reserve from the Sorrento Qualifying Carnival will be offered the position.

Country Qualifying

Country clubs unable to access this carnival will have the ability to nominate through their region

1. Mid West Champion Bay SLSC, Geraldton SLSC, Dongara Denison SLSC
2. Peel Coogee Beach SLSC, Secret Harbour SLSC, Mandurah SLSC, Port Bouvard SLSC
3. South West Binningup SLSC, City of Bunbury SLSC, Dalyellup SLSC, Margaret River SLSC
4. Great Southern Denmark SLSC, Albany SLSC, Esperance-Goldfields SLSC

Country qualifiers must be nominated to SLSWA by Wednesday 18th February. Regional representatives are only required for the four events nominated in the table above.

Clubs must work with the other clubs within their region to select their athletes for the State Titles. Regions need to implement a process for selection of their athletes. It is recommended that the Local Area Carnivals and the Country Carnival be the basis for the selection. However, due to the early timing of the 2nd LAC, regions may wish to conduct a separate qualifying carnival. It is up to each region to determine their method of qualifying through consensus amongst the clubs.

Individuals from country regions who have not been selected to represent their region can qualify through the Trigg Carnival on the 8th March.

Individual Events

Where events are contested by individuals it is the individual that will qualify through to the State Championships. Should the individual withdraw the position may be filled by reserves from the qualifying event.

Team Events

Where events contested are contested by Teams it is the Club that will qualify a Team through to the State Championships. The members of that team may change.

Combined Club Teams (CCT)

Aim: To encourage developing or less competitive clubs to become involved in Surf Sports

Policy:

- Competitors from identified clubs will be able to combine with other competitors
- It is only applicable to SLSWA operated events, for Junior and Senior and Country Competition only
- Each competitor will be representing their own club within their combined team
- Points will be distributed accordingly – for example in a 4 member team if each member is from a different club they each will receive 25% of the point's allocation
- The Combined Team must be entered in the event by one club within the CCT
- Competitors can change club combinations between different events but not within the same events. Once a combined team is entered those clubs will be represented in that team, another club cannot be substituted.
- The priority will always be to form a Club Team rather than a Combined Club Team
- Competitors will compete in their own club hat
- This policy will be reviewed at the conclusion of 2010 season
- Combined Club Teams will be permitted in IRB Racing as part of the development process and the criteria below will not apply. Teams must still fall within the overall intention of this policy.
- The Chief Referee's discretion can be employed if it is deemed that the CCT is not within the intention of this policy

Procedure:

a) Senior Events

For Senior events Combined Club Teams will be based on the combined previous two years Senior Point score at the State Championships. Those scoring less than 100 points will be deemed eligible to create combined teams. Those scoring greater than 100 points cannot combine. Nor can they have any of their members participate in a combined team with clubs that are eligible to combine teams. In 2008/09 the following clubs will be unable to create CCT's for Senior Events:

1. Trigg Island
2. City of Perth
3. Scarborough
4. Mullaloo
5. Cottesloe
6. North Cottesloe
7. Sorrento
8. Fremantle
9. City of Bunbury

b) Junior Events

For Junior events Combined Club Teams will be based on the combined previous two years Aggregate Junior Point score at the State Championships. Those scoring less than 100 points will be deemed eligible to create combined teams. Those scoring greater than 100 points cannot combine. Nor can they have any of their members participate in a combined team with clubs that are eligible to combine teams. In 2008/09 the following clubs will be unable to create CCT's for Junior Events:

1. Trigg Island
2. Mullaloo
3. City of Perth
4. Sorrento
5. North Cottesloe
6. Scarborough

7. Fremantle
8. Secret Harbour
9. Geraldton
10. Cottesloe

*CCT's will be recalculated at the conclusion of the 2009 season.

Officials - Club Requirements for Carnivals

SLSWA requires clubs to provide officials for carnivals where members are entered at a ratio of 1:10. The following estimate has been forecast for clubs to provide the following officials for the 2008/09 season.

This information is set out as a guide only. Where the number of members entered varies to the forecast estimate then the appropriate number of officials in line with the 1:10 rule is required.

Carnival Programs

All carnival programs are also available for download at www.mybeach.com.au. Clubs will be informed when they are available to download.

Carnival Entries

All competitors must be current financial and proficient members of SLSWA to enter events. It is the clubs responsibility to ensure that competitors meet relevant requirements of entry into the particular event.

On-line Entries

Entries for all carnivals will be completed on-line. Clubs will be required to enter members electronically through the www.mybeach.com.au website, unless clubs are otherwise informed. The system is being updated for the 2008/09 season.

Close of Entries

Entries to be completed no later than 5pm on the day of close of entries for the respective events

Upon close of entries, the following will be undertaken by SLSWA:

- Entries will be checked for eligibility.
- Clubs will be invoiced for entry fees.

Late Entries

Late entries will be accepted however these entries will be subject to:

- a penalty fee being double the normal entry fee
- availability of a position within the marshalling schedule

Entry Fees

Senior Entry Fee: \$15.00 (inc. GST) per competitor, per carnival

Junior Entry Fee: \$6.60 (inc. GST) per competitor, per carnival

*Note: Beach and Board and Ski Series apply different price structure

SLSWA will invoice competing clubs for all competitor entry fees. No refunds will be provided on entries.

Further Information

Should you or any of your members have queries regarding the information contained in this Circular please contact James O'Toole, Manager Surf Sports and Events, 9243 9444 OR jotoole@mybeach.com.au



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