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MARCH PAST COMPETITION

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<p>Summary: SLSWA and the WA March Past Panel are pleased to announce Sam Rifici as a sponsor for the 2008/2009 Sam Rifici Handicap March Past Competition. This circular contains the following: • 2008/2009 Sam Rifici March Past Competition Rules.</p>	<p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Club Secretaries to communicate to Surf Sport Officers and Club Captains. • Clubs to enrol in March Past workshops
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SLSWA and the WA March Past Panel welcome Sam Rifici as naming right sponsor for the 2008/2009 March Past Competition for season 2008/09.

March Past Competition 2008/09: March Past Competition Rules and Prize Schedules.

- The Sam Rifici March Past Competition will be a handicap competition consisting of March Past at all five senior carnivals in season 2008/2009 and the 2009 Surf Life Saving State Championships.
- The March Past Handicap Competition Points Score Competition Manual is attached as Appendix 1.
- Prizes will be available at all five carnivals for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd places, in the handicap event.
- Additional prizes will be awarded for aggregate points including State Championships results, for both the handicap and standard points scores.
- An additional participating prize of \$75 will be drawn at each of the five carnivals, for one of the competing club teams. This will be a prize drawn from those teams which do not gain 1st, 2nd or 3rd place.
- A wine package will also be drawn for participating judges at each of the carnivals and the State Championships.
- Handicap and standard points score prizes will be judged on a combined Open, Under 23 and Under 17 competitive basis, and is open to all club teams in all three age groups.
- Teams must participate in all four metropolitan carnivals (excluding the designated country carnival) and in the 2008/9 Surf Life Saving State Championships to be eligible for the final aggregate prizes in both handicap and standard point score categories.
- All prize moneys will be paid to clubs at a special function to be arranged.
- A minimum of five teams competing at any carnival is a requirement for this incentive program to be operating.

Prize Money.

Five carnivals handicap event.	1 st	\$250.00
	2 nd	\$150.00
	3 rd	\$100.00
Participating draw for non place getter		\$75.00
Judges draw at each carnival.....	2 bottles premium wine.	

N.B. These carnivals do not include the State Championships.

Handicap points score season aggregate prize..... \$500 plus trophy.
Standard points score season aggregate (lowest) prize..... \$500 plus trophy.

N.B. All prize money is inclusive of GST

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Attachments: March Past Handicap Pointscore Competition Manual.

**MARCH PAST
HANDICAP POINT SCORE
COMPETITION
MANUAL**

Prepared by members of the Western Australian
March Past Panel
Adopted from the New South Wales Manual

INTRODUCTION

The manual has been prepared to assist SLSWA & clubs in running a March Past Handicap Point Score Competition.

This type of competition is designed to encourage and assist new and up and coming March Past teams to compete and learn about the event as they strive for championship competition results when they become more experienced and competitive.

Should you require any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact the panel through Surf Life Saving Western Australia.

In conclusion, I trust that you the reader find the manual of assistance and wish you good luck with your team and competition.

Lindsay Bistrup
Chairman, SLSWA March Past Panel

MARCH PAST HANDICAP POINT SCORE COMPETITION – SET UP

1. Carnivals

Where possible four or five carnivals would be ideal for a competition, with the final round being the State Championships. However if that number of carnivals is not possible any number with a minimum of three can be utilised for this type of competition.

2. Rules

- a) To be eligible for the final aggregate, teams must compete in all rounds of the competition (excluding the designated Country Carnival). See 2(h).
- b) Handicap competition results are to be calculated using total points lost (i.e. those points on the left hand side of the master card- not the average points on the right hand side of the master card, which are used for the normal competition (See the master card at the rear of the competition manual 10-21 for examples attached is a copy at back of this document).
- c) Commencing handicaps are taken from the previous years state titles as there are normally a full set of judges and these results set a good standard for the competition.
- d) Handicaps for new teams or those that did not compete in the previous years state titles soon sort themselves out after the first round. However a figure of 25 points is useful for starters.
- e) Dead heats per round are sorted out using the standard practice as per the Competition Manual.
- f) Dead heats over the competition are decided by the team that has reduced its handicap by the most points.
- g) The previous rounds points results become the handicap for the next round.
- h) The designated country carnival (as determined by SLSWA) will follow the handicap system as determined above but will act as a stand alone carnival and not be included in the series aggregate.

3. Results

Results are calculated by deducting the handicap points from the rounds points. Using a scale 1st place 7 points, 2nd place 5 points, 3rd place 4 points, 4th place 3 points, 5th place 2 points then all other teams receive 1 point for competing.

Example:

From the following example sheet it can be seen that Team A was first, Team C second, Team E third, Team D fourth and Team B fifth in round 1. The ensuing rounds show different teams obtaining varying results. Even in round 3 with all teams getting scores greater than their Handicap it is still possible to get a result.

After the four rounds Team A wins with 26 points, Team B is second on 16 points, Team D is third on 15 points, Team C is fourth on 14 points and Team E is fifth on 13 points.

You will notice in Carnival No 3 Team B and Team C both had 4 points, however Team B wheeled 2 points and Team C wheeled 4 points. Therefore under the standard count back procedure, Team B finished ahead of Team C.

PLEASE NOTE

All the above-mentioned rules are to read in conjunction with the current SLSA Competition Manual.

RESULT SHEET SET UP

Carnivals	Team A	Team B	Team C	Team D	Team E
Carnival 1	H/Cap20 Result16 - 4 1 st 7points	H/Cap10 Result12 + 2 5 th 2points	H/Cap6 Result3 - 3 2 nd 5points	H/Cap5 Result5 0 4 th 3points	H/Cap2 Result0 - 2 3 rd 4points
Carnival 2	H/Cap16 Result10 - 6 1 st 7points	H/Cap12 Result12 0 3 rd 4points	H/Cap3 Result0 - 3 2 nd 5points	H/Cap5 Result6 + 1 4 th 3points	H/Cap0 Result2 + 2 5 th 2points
Carnival 3	H/Cap10 Result10 + 1 1 st 7points	H/Cap12 Result16 ** + 4 4 th 3points	H/Cap0 Result4 + 4 5 th 2points	H/Cap6 Result8 + 2 2 nd 5points	H/Cap2 Result5 + 3 3 rd 4points
Carnival 4	H/Cap11 Result6 - 5 2 nd 5points	H/Cap16 Result10 - 6 1 st 7points	H/Cap4 Result2 - 2 5 th 2points	H/Cap8 Result4 - 4 3 rd 4points	H/Cap5 Result2 - 3 4 th 3points
TOTALS	26 points	16 points	14 points	15 points	13 points
PLACINGS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th

NB Carnival 3** Team B wheeled with 2 points and Team C wheeled with 4 points. Therefore Team B wins the count back and is placed above Team C.

