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| Audience: | Club Administrators, Club Surf Sports Officers and Club Coaches and Club Competitors |
| Summary: | The circular outlines information and selection criteria relating the Western Suns Surf Rowers Interstate Team. |
| Action: | Clubs and coaches are to advise competitors of the Western Suns Team opportunities. |

The 2020/21 season has been dramatically impacted by COVID-19 and the resulting travel restrictions have affected all our Western Suns touring teams. The Youth Pathway Cup event will not be proceeding this season. SLSA has made no decision on whether the Open Beach Interstates will take place.

The Surf Rowers Interstates is scheduled to proceed as part of the ASRL Open being held from the 18 -21 February 2021 at Mollymook, NSW. If the Interstate Championships do not take place or the border between NSW and WA is not open as at 20 January 2021 SLSWA reserves the right not to select a team this year.

This document outlines the selection process and funding support provided by SLSWA.

If anyone has a specific query in relation to the intended meaning or operation of the policy, they can contact Andrew Mosel, High Performance Officer on (08) 9207 6666 or amosel@slnwa.com.au.



James O'Toole
Chief Executive Officer

Western Suns Surf Rowers Interstate Team

Surf Rowers Interstate Team Composition

The touring team composition will be based off the requirements of the Interstate Championships which is one crew from each of the following divisions: Open Male, Open Female, Reserve Male, Reserve Female, U23 Male, U23 Female, U19 Male and U19 Female. The crews to be selected for the Male and Female Reserves will be the 2nd placed crew in the open division. The final event of the Interstate Championships is the eight-boat relay where all crews participate; therefore, the state team must be made up of a unique team from each division. No single crew can double up in the relay and so all divisions must be represented.

Selection Criteria

Team selection will be based upon performances at the State Team Selection Event at the Secret Harbour Surf Boat Carnival on the 10th January 2021. Each of the crews below is invited to the State Team Selection Event. If any crews believe they should have the opportunity to race but are not listed, please put your case forward to amosel@sksa.com.au by the 4/01/2021.

At the State Team Selection Event each division will race over four times with the top points score in each division gaining section into the Western Suns Surf Rowers Interstate Team. The top two scoring crews in Open male and Open female will be selected as the Western Suns Open and Reserve crews. In the event that points at the end of four races are tied then a count back will be done based on highest placings. If crews are still tied after the count back the highest place in the last round will gain selection.

| Open Females | Open Males |
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| North Cottesloe Owls/Critical Business | North Cottesloe Yeah the Boys |
| North Cottesloe MacAttack | North Cottesloe Postal |
| Scarboro Sunsets | City Black |
| Broome Heat | City Woks |
| North Cottesloe Queens | City Bearbacks |
| Sorrento Gypsies | North Cottesloe Cowards |
| City Bonita's | Swanbourne Headless Oarsmen |
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| Female U/19 | Male U/19 |
| Scarboro Smurfette's U19 | North Cottesloe Jackals U19 |
| North Cottesloe Young Guns U19 | Scarboro Sharks U19 |
| Fremantle Ferals U19 | |
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| Female U/23 | Male U/23 |
| City Gs U23 | North Cottesloe Wolverines U23 |
| North Cottesloe Jills U23 | Fremantle Madfish U23 |
| Trigg Wipeout's U23 | City Draughts U23 |
| Coogee Crabs U23 | Secret Harbour Screaming Seaman U23 |

Common Selection Elements

SLSWA Selection Committee

The SLSWA Selection Committee is the Surf Sports Advisory Committee and it will be responsible for the selection of the Western Suns Surf Rowers Interstate Team. No member should assume that they have been selected until such selection has been officially announced by the SLSWA Selection Committee. SLSWA is monitoring the current COVID situation and if the Surf Rowers Interstates is impacted and/or unlikely to proceed no team will be selected. Members who book travel and accommodation prior to official notification do so at their own risk.

Eligibility Criteria

Only athletes qualified according to the terms of this section will be eligible for selection in the Western Suns Representative Teams.

a) SLSWA general eligibility criteria:

1. Athletes must hold 2020/21 competitive rights within a SLSA registered club.
2. To be eligible for the Team, a member must be a minimum age of 15 years on or before midnight 30 September 2020 (i.e. Under 17 age group) and hold a proficient SLSA Bronze Medallion / Cert II in Public Safety.

b) SLSWA specific eligibility criteria:

1. Upon successful selection in the relevant Western Suns Team, complete and sign the SLSWA Athlete Agreement which will be sent to the athletes after selection.
2. All members of the teams must have completed the six, 20-minute Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority (ASADA) online learning modules and forward their completed certificate to SLSWA with their 2020-21 Athlete Agreement, within 14 days of their selection.
3. At all times abide by SLSA's Code of Conduct and act in a manner that does not bring the sport of surf lifesaving or the SLSWA Western Suns Representative Teams into disrepute.

Requirements after Selection

During the period between the announcement of the relevant team and the date of departure, athletes must demonstrate that they are physically fit, performing well and likely to compete at a level appropriate to the relevant national events, and uphold the standards as outlined with the SLSWA Athlete Agreement. If a team manager or athlete breaches the standards as outlined within the Athlete Agreement, they will face removal from the team. In this instance, the SLSWA High Performance Officer shall have the power to replace that team manager or athlete if necessary at their discretion.

SLSWA Contribution

SLSWA will cover the touring team travel and accommodation expenses for the Open male and female crews and the U23 male and female crews up to \$1500 per athlete. The U19 male and female crews and the Reserve male and female crews will receive a subsidy of \$400 per athlete which will be distributed to the athlete's club. If an athlete doubles up (e.g. a sweep of multiple crews or sweep of one crew and rower in another), they are only eligible for a single subsidy. Any expenses above and beyond the SLSWA Contribution are the responsibility of each individual athlete.

COVID-19 Risk and Release

All athletes who accept a position as part of the Western Suns Surf Rowers Interstate Team for the purpose of the Surf Rowers Interstate Event (**Event**) do so on the basis that they voluntarily accept and assume all risk of loss, personal injury, sickness, death, damage and expense arising from participation in the Event and any related travel (including but not limited to those arising from or in any way related to COVID - 19) and release and hold harmless SLSWA with respect to the same.

Appeals

There is no right of appeal against non-selection of a crew in the 2020/21 Western Suns Surf Rowers Interstate Team.

Power to amend

SLSWA reserves the right to amend this policy at any time prior to the selection of the 2020/21 Western Suns Surf Rowers Interstate Team. Amendment will occur only on the basis of extenuating circumstances. The amended policy will be distributed to all clubs at the time of any amendment.

Please direct any queries relating to this circular to Andrew Mosel, High Performance Officer at Surf Life Saving Western Australia during office hours on (08) 9207 6666 or email amosel@slnwa.com.au

Announcement of the Western Suns Surf Rowers Interstate Team

The Western Suns Surf Rowers Interstate Team will be announced on Wednesday 20th January 2021 (subject to the border being open to NSW) via the SLSWA website, SLSWA Circular and the SLSWA Facebook page.