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**TO: Clubs, Presidents, Secretaries, Captains
Chief Training Officers**

FROM: Education Manager, Christopher Thompson

CC: SLSS Management, BoL Management

SUBJECT: Gold Medallion Assessment & Proficiency November 2014

Sydney Branch advises that the following date has been set for Gold Medallion award assessment and/or proficiency.

GOLD MEDALLION ASSESSMENT
Saturday 22nd November 2014 @ South Maroubra Beach 8.30 am

Note : Branch will also be scheduling a Gold Medallion assessment in the Bate Bay area for Saturday 29th November, we are just confirming venue. Once confirmed a circular will be issued to clubs.

Clubs are invited to register any eligible members for the 22nd November 2014 assessment or proficiency. All eligible Candidates must be advised to Branch office by COB with Branch Office by COB Wednesday 19th November 2014 lifesaving@surflifesavingsydney.com.au Please ensure you advise which assessment date your members are wishing to attend.

Assessment Water Safety

As these assessments have been rescheduled outside of the patrol season, we need to ensure the required level of Water Safety is adhered to for these assessments. The Branch Education Manager will be contacting the Club CTO's (of registered candidates) direct to make arrangements for water safety for these assessment dates. Your cooperation with the water safety request will be paramount in ensuring these assessments can be conducted on these dates.

Course Purpose

The aim of this course is to provide participants with advanced skills and knowledge to manage emergency situations in autonomous situations.

Prerequisites

Participants must be a minimum of 17 years of age on the date of final assessment.

Participants must meet the following SLSA requirements:

Hold a current SLSA Bronze Medallion/Certificate II in Public Safety (Aquatic Rescue)

Hold a current Advanced Resuscitation Techniques Certificate Award

Hold a current Senior First Aid Certificate Award

Hold a Patrol Captain/Basic Beach Management Award

Hold a current Spinal Management Certificate Award

Complete an 800 metre swim in 14 minutes or less in a swimming pool of not less than 25 metres

Affiliated Clubs

Garie Era Burning Palms

Wanda Elouera North Cronulla Cronulla

Clovelly Coogee Maroubra South Maroubra

North Bondi Bondi Tamarama Bronte



Candidates are not to register for assessment of this award if they do not hold all of the above pre requisites and these are recorded in Surfguard on their member award record. A Surfguard generated Form 14 must be produced and brought to the assessment for each Club and their eligible candidates.

Elements

Perform complex patient rescue and support aided and unaided by equipment

- Select appropriate rescue equipment
- Assess and manage the patient's levels of distress
- Support and return patients to shore
- Perform a one-person drag technique and patient lay

Perform Surf Skill and fitness test

- Complete a 400 metre swim, 800 metre run, 400 metre board paddle and 800 metre run in 25 minutes.
- Complete tube rescue of patient 100 metres out at sea and return (flippers optional)
- Complete board rescue of patient 200 metres out at sea and return

Work Autonomously

- Plan and undertake work activities
- Accept responsibilities
- Set performance requirements
- Maintain team performance

Assessment

Assessment is through demonstration, presentation and application of all elements in the workplace. Participants will be required to complete activities that may include role-plays, oral and written questioning, practical demonstrations and performing scenarios.

Validity of Award

This award is valid for 12 months and is to be updated annually. All award pre requisites must be updated and current.

Registration Process (refer to SLSS SOPS 2-2-1a)

- Those surf lifesavers who are eligible to attend are asked to advise their Club Chief Training Officer/Club Captain or Club Administration of their interest. Clubs are to create the assessment request as a new award in Surfguard and advise the Branch office by email of the members to be registered before Wednesday 19th November 2014. One copy of Form 14 to be taken to assessment by candidates for new awardees. The Branch office will approve the assessment request in Surfguard when the member is registered.
- Following the course, Clubs will be advised by the Branch Office of their successful candidates and the Branch will process the new award in Surfguard on behalf of the Clubs and their members. Branch office will also provide a copy to relevant clubs of the Gold Medallion proficiency card after successful completion of the assessment for their record.

- **Clubs are asked to forward proof of the candidates timed pool swim to the Branch office prior to the assessment date to lifesaving@surflifesavingsydney.com.au
Candidates will not be able to participate at the assessment without proof of the timed pool swim.**
- **CANDIDATES/CLUBS MUST BRING RESCUE BOARDS AND RESCUE TUBES TO THE ASSESSMENT AND PROOF OF THEIR TIMED POOL SWIM.**
- **Meeting point on assessment day will be beach side of South Maroubra Surf Club on grass area in front of the clubhouse 8.15 am sharp with your equipment.**

Any enquiries, please contact the Branch Office.

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