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Sydney Branch Championships Carnival 2015 - Bulletin 2

All members of Surf Life Saving Sydney

The Branch Championships are scheduled for this weekend with the Open Carnival to be conducted on Saturday 14 February and the Age Championships the following day on Sunday 15 February. Several concerns have been raised due to the possible unfavourable surf conditions that have been forecast for the weekend.

The Carnival and Safety Committees are examining the conditions, along with the amended surf forecasts, on a daily basis. The dilemma at present is the various forecast tools that are being utilised are not precise to the point that would allow for a definite decision to be made at this stage. For example - the swell was predicted to increase today, from yesterday, however on inspection this morning the conditions have actually eased slightly. What is also relevant is the forecast swell conditions for the weekend have decreased in comparison from the forecasts that were available late last week.

Please be assured the conditions and forecasts will continue to be monitored on a daily basis leading into the weekend. Based on the prevailing evidence, and with competitor safety as the utmost priority, all efforts will be made to make an appropriate and timely decision.

The following is directions in relation to the Surf Life Saving Sydney Branch Open and Age Championships which will be held on the 14th & 15th of February 2015 respectively.

Trailer Unloading:

All craft trailers will have a designated area fenced off for their unloading, loading and parking during the entire carnival weekend. This is designed to allow for effective management of the parking areas and traffic management of the Maroubra Beach precinct. All craft trailers are to be parked in the east section of Broad Arrow Reserve that is situated on Mons Avenue, Maroubra Beach (Pictured in Map 1.1 and 1.2 below). A marshal will direct you where to park within this sectioned off area.

Once parked you will be able to unload your trailer, and using the pedestrian crossings cross Mons Avenue initially and then Marine Parade. There will be a marshal on hand during each morning to help stop traffic at reasonable intervals to allow for safe crossing of competitors with craft to the beach.



Map 1.1 - Maroubra Beach Trailer Unload Points



Map 1.2 - Craft trailer parking area, Broad Arrow Reserve

Surf Boat Unloading:

All surf boats and IRBs have a special unloading point created for them. These areas are only accessible by authorised club personnel when ready to unload and move surf boats down the beach. On arrival to Maroubra Beach, surf boats are to drive into the Maroubra Beach car park and meet the designated marshal. This marshal will then direct you once ready down on to the Maroubra Beach promenade. Once on the promenade you will be able to remove your surf boat and then proceed to exit with your trailer. (Shown in Map 1.3)

Please note: You must be under the direction of the marshal to enter the promenade area. You must also have your crew ready to unload the surf boat and equipment in a prompt manner. If you are not ready you will be asked to leave the area and re-join the queue.

Once you have unloaded your trailer please proceed to the craft trailer unloading and trailer parking area on Mons Avenue. There will be a designated parking area available for your trailer. The same procedure applies for when picking up your surf boat at the conclusion of the competition.



Map 1.3 - Surf Boat unloading area.

Beach Layout: Areas could change depending on conditions.

The layout of the beach will be as per the below breakdown.

The layout is also showing in Maps 1.4 and 1.5.

Opens Championships

Beach Area 1 & 2 - These beach areas run parallel to the promenade

Water Area 1 – TBC

Water Area 2 –TBC

Water Area 3 – R&R

Water Area 4 -- Surf Boats

Water Area for Board riding will be decided on Saturday due to conditions.

Age Championships - subject to change dependent on conditions.

Water Area 1 - Under 13 &14

Water Area 2 - Under 12 only

Water Area 3 - Under 11 only

Water Area 4 - Under 9 & 10

Under 8 to be positioned on the southern end of the carnival towards South Maroubra

Water Area Warm Up Procedures

For both the Open and Age Championships the Water Areas will **only** be open for warm up between the hours of 6.30am and 7.30am.

All competitors **must** wear a **hi vis pink vest** when entering the water during the warm up period.

For the warm up period the Water Areas will be allocated as follows:

Open Championships:

Water Area 1 - Board & Skis only (no swimming)

Water Area 2 - Swimming only (no surfcraft)

Water Area 3 - not open during warm up

Water Area 4 - Surf boats only

Age Championships:

Water Area 1 - Boards only (no swimming)

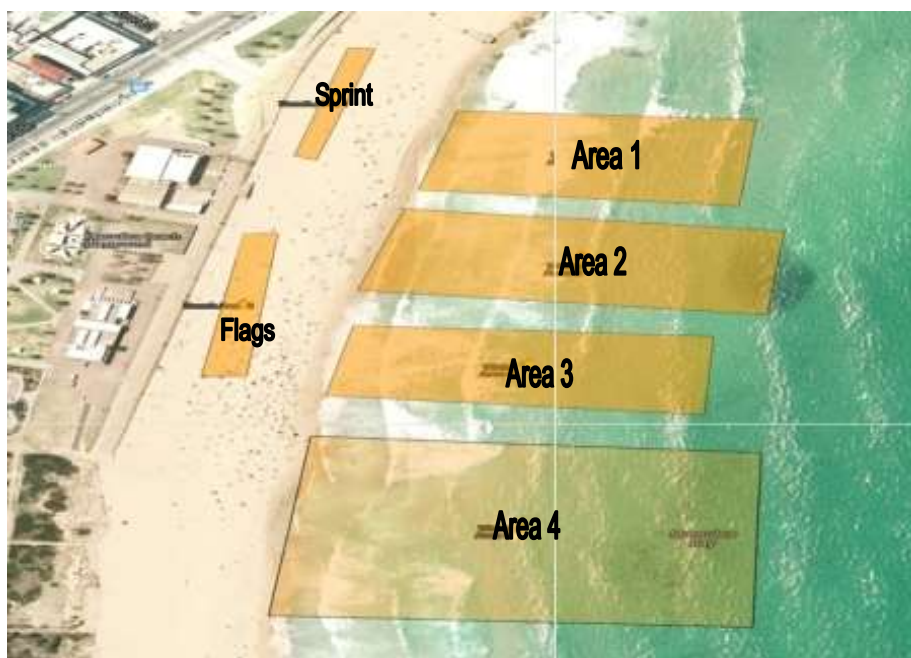
Water Area 2 - Swimming only (no boards)

Water Area 3 - Boards only (no swimming)

Water Area 4 - Swimming only (no boards)



Map 1.4 - Beach Layout



Map 1.5 - Beach Layout

Tent Areas:

Marked out areas for tents to be erected will be displayed across the course of the weekend. Any tent placed outside of the designated area will be asked to remove it immediately. This area will be parallel to the promenade and its steps.

First Aid:

There will be First Aid stations will be under the recording tent the areas. A patrol will also be on duty for First Aid.

Amenities:

Showers, toilets and change rooms are available in the Maroubra Beach pavilion or at the northern end of the beach. There will be no access provided to Maroubra SLSC.

Rostered IRBs:

IRBs rostered for the weekend are to report to Maroubra SLSC at their designated time and report to Trent Thomas or Gilbert Olzomer. You will be able to access Maroubra SLSC to unload your IRB, and then you will be directed to park your trailer in the designated trailer parking area in Broad Arrow Reserve, Mons Avenue.