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MEMORANDUM

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As we are all aware COVID-19 has impacted dramatically on all our worlds, and especially on what we will, or may be doing at the beach next season for Nippers.

Obviously for all of us the safety of our Nippers and the teams that manage them will be front of mind in all discussions and outcomes relating to next season.

At this stage, the next step in planning for next season is a SLS NSW Zoom Meeting of all Member Services and Nipper Directors from across the State. This will be on Tuesday June 16th, and from there we will be able to advise further.

For all of us involved in Nippers we are all aware of the sizes of our groups, the issues with younger ones (6's & 7's) *not really being good at social distancing*, and also the impact of lots of parents being at the beach standing around watching their kids in action.

The SLS Sydney JDC Exec have met re this subject and have forwarded to SLS NSW a range of questions and considerations for attention during the State meeting on the 16th. One of the main scenarios was giving priority to our U14's, however that will fall under how Lifesaving and Education can roll out under COVID-19 directions.

If any Club would like any input for the 16th, please send me your information, and I can get it on the agenda - Nippers@surflifesavingsydney.com.au

There is lots to consider for the delivery of Nippers in a COVID-19 world, and as we are much larger in groups than any sporting organisation on a netball or footy field, we will need to have defined direction, and a good understanding of how we can deliver for next season.

We are aware of your organisational timelines, and no doubt many of you are in planning mode for the next season already. However, all we can advise at this stage is please wait for specific and defined SLS information before making any definitive plans and advising your members of dates and confirmed activities.





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You can obviously tentatively book your venues for proficiency swims, but how that may look and be applied is yet to be determined and may change as we get closer to time.

If anyone has any specific questions please get back to me, but I need to advise I don't have any definitive information at present.

Obviously if we were delivering Nippers today under the current COVID-19 directions, then many things would be very, very different for us, and lots of work to see how we could make it happen ..but as we get closer to September and October hopefully things may have got better, and we will have more understanding and direction.

best regards

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