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## 2017/ 2018 Junior Lifesaver of the Year Development Camp and Award

**Attention:** Club and Branch Presidents and Executive, U14 members

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<b>Summary</b>	This circular details the nomination process for the NSW Junior Lifesaver of the Year Development Camp and Award.
<b>Objective</b>	The Development Camp is about involving branch finalists in an experience that is rewarding, informative and fun! Interviews for the Junior Lifesaver of the Year Award will be held during the camp, with the male and female winner being announced at completion of the program. Winners and their parents will be invited to attend the SLSNSW Awards of Excellence at the end of the season, where they will be presented with their award.
<b>Strategic Plan Ref No.</b>	2.1 Provide members with a full range of opportunities and pathways within the SLS Movement 2.5 Encourage and promote recognition of volunteers efforts to the wider community and external stakeholders 9.2 Provide our members with opportunities to connect with each other and share innovative ideas
<b>Action</b>	Clubs and branches to promote the Junior Lifesaver of the Year Award to eligible members. Clubs to send applications to Branch, Branch to submit nominations to SLSNSW by <b>9am</b> on Monday 5th February 2018

Surf Life Saving NSW is seeking nominations for the 2017/2018 Junior Lifesaver of the Year Award. The award is a way for clubs and branches to recognise their U14 members' achievements in surf lifesaving and the contributions they have made to all levels of surf lifesaving as well as within the community.

This Development Camp brings together the Junior Lifesaver of the Year branch winners. The focus of this camp is a combination of learning through experience and fun. Participants will be involved in physical challenges, presentations and discussions, activities and scenarios that require leadership, teamwork and communication.

All U14 members who believe they could be the next Junior Lifesaver of the Year should enquire through their Branch and download the nomination form, [here](#). The male and female Branch winners will then progress to the SLSNSW Development Camp and interview process to determine the State winners.

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### **The nomination process**

Branches are invited to submit one female and one male nomination for the 2017/2018 SLSNSW Junior Lifesaver of the Year Award. Nominations must include the interactive PDF nomination, medical and consent information, and responses to the application questions. Download the interactive form [here](#).

*Resumes will not be considered by the judges, and cannot be included with nominations.*

Nominees and clubs should seek further information from their branch as to any additional requirements for branch submission of nominations.

All nominations are to be endorsed by branches and returned to Surf Life Saving NSW by 9am on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2018.

**Nominees must have completed their Surf Rescue Certificate (SRC) at the time of the Development Camp to be eligible for the Junior Lifesaver of the Year award.**

Successful applicants will be advised of their placing as finalists and are then required to attend the Junior Lifesaver of the Year Development Camp held at The Collaroy Centre on Sydney's Northern Beaches from Monday 16<sup>th</sup> to the Thursday the 19<sup>th</sup> April 2018.

The announcement of the Male and Female Junior Lifesaver of the Year will be at the completion of the program around midday on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2018. The two winners (and parents or guardians) will be invited to attend the SLSNSW Awards of Excellence where an official presentation will be made. This attendance will be subsidised by SLSNSW.

The criteria for selection will be based on the nominee's achievements in the following areas:

- Contribution to Surf Life Saving
- Demonstration of leadership roles in club activities
- Contribution made to the club
- Awards received in Surf Life Saving and the community
- Involvement in community events outside of Surf Life Saving
- Awareness of club events and current affairs
- Initiative applied to club and community activities
- Promotion of Surf Life Saving to the community
- Attendance record at club activities
- Encouragement of new members
- Demonstration of surf lifesaving knowledge and skills

### **The Development Camp**

The Development Camp aims to further develop members by creating an awareness of the diversity of Branch and State activities, by supporting personal development and goal setting, and by positively recognising members. Best of all, it is an opportunity to meet young surf lifesavers from across New South Wales and be part of a fun experience.

The camp will be held at The Collaroy Centre in Collaroy, where participants will be interviewed by a judging panel of experienced surf lifesavers, assessing individuals on their merit to become the Junior Lifesaver of the Year. *Resumes will not be considered by the judges, and cannot be brought to the interviews.*

*Note:* the Development Camp is wholly subsidised by Surf Life Saving NSW and flights to and from the program will be covered by SLSNSW for finalists from FNC, NC, MNC, LNC, SC and FSC. Finalists from other branches will be required to organise their own transport. Greater information on transport arrangements will be available once Branch finalists have been selected and provided to SLSNSW.

### **Nomination submission**

Individual and club nominations are to be submitted to Branch in accordance with their timelines.

Club and Branch endorsed nominations are to be submitted, by email, to Surf Life Saving NSW by 9am on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2018, to [nstevenson@surflifesaving.com.au](mailto:nstevenson@surflifesaving.com.au). If you have any questions about the Surf Life Saving NSW Junior Lifesaver of the Year Program, Naomi Stevenson on 9471 8000 or via the above email