

SANDON POINT NIPPER OUTLINE FOR SEASON 2020/2021

Sandon Point Nippers Returns for 20/21 Season!

We are looking forward to welcoming our Nippers to the upcoming 20/21 surfclub season. Whilst the recent lifting of restrictions has lessened the impact of COVID19, Nippers will look very different this year.

To ensure the safety of our nippers, parents, carers and volunteers and to comply with the NSW Health guidelines, this year Nippers will have the following key features.

1. SEASON DATES

Date	Event	Time	Location
08/11/2020	Nippers 1	945am arrive, 10am start, 1130am depart	Sandon
22/11/2020	Nippers 2	945am arrive, 10am start, 1130am depart	Sandon
06/12/2020	Nippers 3	945am arrive, 10am start, 1130am depart	Sandon
13/12/2020	Nippers 4	945am arrive, 10am start, 1130am depart	Sandon
20/12/2020	Nippers 5	945am arrive, 10am start, 1130am depart	Sandon
Christmas & New Year Break			
10/01/2021	Nippers 6	945am arrive, 10am start, 1130am depart	Sandon
24/01/2021	Nippers 7	945am arrive, 10am start, 1130am depart	Sandon
07/02/2021	Nippers 8	945am arrive, 10am start, 1130am depart	Sandon
21/02/2021	Nippers 9	945am arrive, 10am start, 1130am depart	Sandon
07/03/2021	Nippers 10	945am arrive, 10am start, 1130am depart	Sandon
21/03/2021	Nippers 11	945am arrive, 10am start, 1130am depart	Sandon
TBC	Presentation Day	TBA	TBC

U14 SRC training details will be emailed to each U14 participant individually.

2. REGISTRATION

Nipper registrations will be capped at 250 total.

All registrations must be completed online. We will not be having face-to-face registration days this year. All registrations and payments must be complete before you attend proficiency – no exceptions.

Registration enquiries can be sent to clubregistrar@sandonpointsurfclub.org.au.

a. SELECTING THE RIGHT AGE GROUP

Age groups for Nippers are set by SLSA and remain a minimum age of 5 years (U6) up to a maximum age of 13 years (U14) on a seasonal basis.

The age group is determined by the nippers' age at midnight on the 30th September each year.

Please note: Proof of age/birth certificate must be shown for all new children joining a Surf Club or for any child that has not produced a birth certificate.

Date Range		Age Group
1st October 2006	to 30th September 2007	U14
1st October 2007	to 30th September 2008	U13
1st October 2008	to 30th September 2009	U12
1st October 2009	to 30th September 2010	U11
1st October 2010	to 30th September 2011	U10
1st October 2011	to 30th September 2012	U9
1st October 2012	to 30th September 2013	U8
1st October 2013	to 30th September 2014	U7
1st October 2014	to 30th September 2015	U6

Please note children must have obtained the age of 5 years by the 30th of September before they can become a Nipper member. However, a child may still register to be a nipper if they turn 5 between 30/09 and 08/11, however under SLSA requirements they must stay in the U6s age group for the following year. If they turn 5 after 08/11, they cannot register.

Due to NSW health regulations registrations in each age group may need to be capped. No registrations will be accepted after 8 November 2020.

Sandon Point SLSC requires that at least one parent or guardian join as a "General" member with all Nipper members.

b. HOW TO REGISTER

New members: Online registration and payment go to <https://sls.com.au/join/>. Payment must be via <https://quickweb.westpac.com.au/>

Please Note: All new members **must** provide proof of identification - either their birth certificate/passport/licence, emailed to clubregistrar@sandonpointsurfclub.org.au.

Registrations cannot be approved until payment and proof of identification is received.

Hint: We highly recommend that you set up a family unit so that you can approve the whole family – it will save you time today and in future years.

Existing Members: Online registration & payment go to <https://members.sls.com.au>. Check your contact details are correct, renew membership and make payment.

Hint: We highly recommend that you set up a family unit so that you can approve the whole family – it will save you time today and in future years.

c. MEMBERSHIP FEES

Please note payment must be received so that we can approve your registration.

Nipper Children (5-14yrs)	\$45
General (Nipper Parent/Guardian)	\$45
Patrolling Member	\$45
100% patrolling members for 19/20	\$30
Life members	No fee

Sandon Point SLSC is an NSW Active Kids Provider!

If you use your \$100 NSW Active Kids Voucher to pay for your child's registration, a \$55 credit will be recorded by the club for your child to be used for clothing or carnival registrations. You MUST use the full \$100 voucher for a single registration to get the credit. If you just write down the registration fee (e.g. \$45), you lose the full benefit of the voucher and credit.

NSW Active Kids Vouchers can only be redeemed for the child whose name is on the Active kids' voucher. No refunds will be given for credit not used.

When you pay online, the system will ask you to put your Active Kids voucher information into the system so please have your voucher ready.

3. PROFICIENCY

Pool proficiency 1: 25/10/2020 – 9am to 11am, Woonona Beach Rock Pool.

Pool proficiency 2: 01/11/2020 – 10am to 1pm, University of Wollongong Pool.

All Nippers must be registered (including payment & proof of identification) with Sandon Point SLSC prior to participating in the pool proficiency. The pool proficiency requirements are as follows:

Age Group	Distance	Stroke	Float
U14	200m in 5min	Freestyle	3min
U13	200m	Freestyle	3min
U12	200m	Freestyle	2min
U11	100m	Freestyle	2min
U10	50m	Freestyle	1min
U9	50m	Freestyle	1min
U8	25m	Any	1min

Surf competency evaluation will be done at beach once nippers has commenced.

4. COVID SAFETY MARSHALL

We have appointed a COVID Marshall for the club.

5. UNIFORMS

The only mandatory items for our nippers are the skull caps and the pink high visibility singlets. All other costumes are not mandatory. The skull caps and high visibility singlets will be for sale at both proficiencies with the following prices:

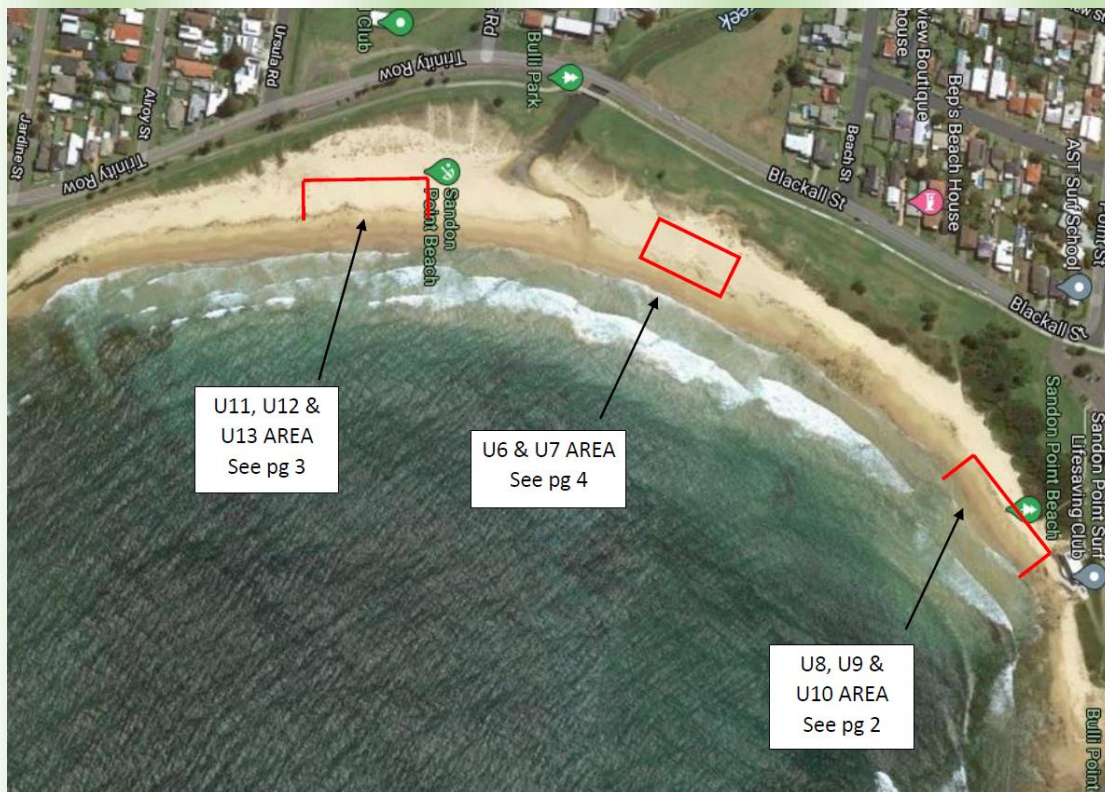
Skull caps	\$15 each
Pink high visibility singlets	\$20 each

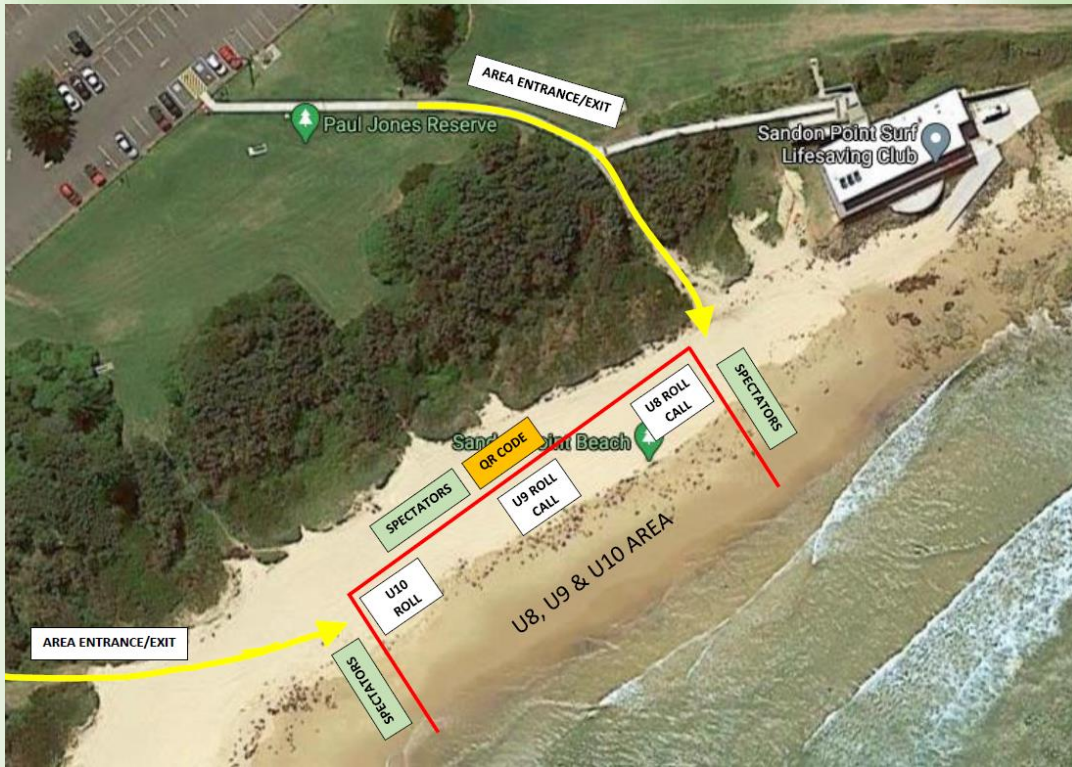
6. HOW NIPPERS DAYS WILL RUN FOR 2020/2021

To meet with COVID19 restrictions, our nipper groups will be split into 3 areas as follows. Each area will be roped off with bunting. Only our nippers and qualified volunteers can enter these areas. The bunting will also have our QR codes attached to them – please use these to register your attendance.

North area:	U8, U10, U12
Middle area:	U6, U7
South area:	U9, U11, U13

U14 SRC training will be conducted during the nipper days.







7. BOARD TRAINING

Board training commences on 12/11/20 from 5pm to 6pm. Only those children who have completed their proficiency and are registered, financial members can attend. All children must sign in upon entry to the sessions and sign off when they leave. Each child must use one board for the whole session – no sharing of boards.

Board training is for our U9 – U14 age groups. Board training is conducted from the surf club. Each child must sign in, and each parent must use the QR code if they intend on remaining at the beach during board training.

8. PARENTAL PROTOCOL

We can have ONE parent per child.

The nipper area will be segregated from participants.

Only qualified persons will be allowed to enter the segregated area to assist with the nipper activities.

DROP and RUN (just like school drop off) - is encouraged, but not mandatory. Where possible, we encourage parents or caregivers to drop their children at the age

manager sign on location and then leave or move to the spectator areas. Parents are not to co-mingle between the different beach areas.

Please have your nippers arrive ready to participate and leave immediately following the conclusion of your nipper session.

We will not be running the BBQ until restrictions ease, or until such time that we believe we can safely manage this activity.

If you would like to gain your age managers qualification, please email the club at nippers@sandonpointsurfclub.org.au.

These measures are based on the COVID Safety plan we have created for Nippers activities. We are committed to keeping all members of the club safe, and we thank you for your support and understanding in these changing times.

As Government restrictions are updated, we will endeavour to pass on information as it becomes available.

If restrictions ease, we may be able to return to normal - let us look forward to that day! We understand the drastic changes to nippers this season will not suit everyone; however, they are necessary if we are to have a 20/21 nippers season.

As the COVID19 landscape continues to change, we will endeavour to keep you informed and updated.

If you have any questions relating to the 20/21 season please email - nippers@sandonpointsurfclub.org.au, or for registration queries - clubregistrar@sandonpointsurfclub.org.au

Regards,

SPSLSC Junior Committee