



2026/27

**WELCOME TO WARILLA
BARRACK POINT SLSC**



WELCOME!

Our Nipper program is where young members learn to understand the surf, build confidence, develop lifesaving skills and become part of the WBP community.

Warilla-Barrack Point Nippers should be a place where children want to be: active, challenged, supported and proud to represent their club. The program combines surf education, lifesaving skills, fitness, teamwork, friendship and surf sport.

Sunday Nippers is the foundation of the program. From there, children can choose to simply enjoy club activities, develop their skills through training, compete at carnivals, progress into the Surf Rescue Certificate and/or Bronze Medallion, and ultimately become active lifesavers and senior club members.

Our Aim: Safe and capable kids. Strong Teamwork and mateship. Confident Nippers. Future Life savers.

- What families should expect
- A welcoming and inclusive environment.
- Age-appropriate surf education and practical lifesaving skills.
- Progressive development in surf swimming, board paddling, beach events and surf craft.
- Opportunities for participation and competition
- without making competition the sole purpose of Nippers.
- Clear expectations for behaviour, safety and parent involvement.



WHAT NIPPERS IS – AND WHAT IT IS NOT

Nippers is:

A surf lifesaving development program first. Competition is an optional pathway within it.

Nippers is:

- Surf safety and surf awareness.
- Lifesaving and first aid skill development.
- Learning to move confidently through the beach and surf environment.
- Fitness, teamwork, resilience and responsibility.
- Competitive surf sport for children who want to race.
- A pathway into patrols, water safety, coaching, officiating and senior club life.
- A social activity for children and families.

Nippers is not:

- A learn-to-swim program. Children must meet the applicable proficiency requirements before participating in relevant water activities.
- A drop-off activity. Every child must have a parent, guardian or responsible carer present for Sunday Nippers and Club training.
- Only for elite competitors.
- A guarantee that every activity will proceed regardless of surf, weather, resources or safety considerations.



Safety first: Activities may be changed, shortened, moved or cancelled when conditions, water safety coverage or other operational factors require it.

MEET THE WBP TEAM

ROLE	NAME
Junior Activities Chair (JAC)	Kayla Warren
Nippers Communication	Caitlin Freeman
Junior Head Coaches	Damien Sheedy and Michael Beverage
Junior Coaches	Dean Wheeler, Matt Carroll, Cameron Warren, Jamie Dunning, Lauren + Todd Tulty
Beach Coaches	Elise Moore, Abbie Taddeo + Emily Liberato
Junior Team Manager	Chris Romotzi
Carnival Registrar	Danna Sheedy
Junior Cub Registrar	Kim Nowakowski
Water Safety Coordinator	Courtney Beaton
Uniform Coordinators	Lauren Jimenez and Kirsty Carroll
Age Managers	Under 6/7's – Caitlin Freeman Under 8's – Chris Romotzi and Dan Jimenez Under 9's – Jamie and Amy Dunning Under 10's – Matt Carroll Under 11's – Damien Sheedy Under 12's – Michael Beveridge Under 13's – Damien Stackhouse Under 14's – Karen Cohen

Age Managers

Age Manager is the primary organiser for the age group on Sunday Nipper days. They coordinate attendance, education, rotations, communication and age-group welfare, supported by qualified water safety and coaches.

Head Coach and Coaches

Coaches provide technical instruction and structured training within their discipline. Coaching decisions about session design and athlete development sit with the appropriately appointed coaching team, subject to club governance and safety requirements.

Enquiries

Families should generally raise routine age-group questions with the Age Manager first. Coaching matters go to the Head Coach. The Junior Team Manager is responsible for handling matters requiring competition and escalation, a detailed description of their role is found in Club Policy.

DIFFERENT AGES, DIFFERENT GOALS

Children can enjoy and participate in nippers without competing. If children want to compete, WBP provides a robust and comprehensive training program, with a proud history of elite performance and excellent results.

STAGE	AGE	PRIMARY FOCUS	WHAT SUCCESS LOOKS LIKE...
DISCOVER	U6-U7	Fun, belonging, beach confidence, basic surf awareness. Children are encouraged to participate in 1–2 learn-to-swim sessions per week outside of Sunday Nippers.	They enjoy coming to Nippers and become comfortable around the beach and shallow water.
DEVELOP	U8-U10	Skill development, surf confidence, participation, introduction to competition, if desired. Children are encouraged to participate in 2–3 training sessions per week, including external swimming and board skills.	They build sound fundamentals in surf swimming, board paddling, beach events and surf awareness.
PERFORM & LEAD	U11-U14	Advanced skills, fitness, teamwork, optional competition, responsibility and lifesaving pathway. Competitive athletes are encouraged to train 3–5+ sessions per week, including external swimming, board, and iron training.	They take ownership of activities, training, support teammates and transition toward SRC and active lifesaving.

SWIMMING ABILITY + AQUATIC COMPETENCE

Nippers is not a learn to swim program. Surf Life Saving NSW strongly encourages children to undertake learn-to-swim and stroke development externally. All Nippers must complete the applicable Preliminary Skills Evaluation before participating in water activities. This assessment helps WBP determine a child's swimming and self-survival ability and the level of water safety supervision they require.

We encourage all WBP Nippers to continue developing their swimming outside of Sunday Nippers.

There are two different proficiency steps families should understand. The Preliminary Skills Evaluation is the minimum assessment used to determine participation in relevant Sunday Nipper water activities. A separate Competition Evaluation applies where a child wishes to compete in water events. Completing Sunday Nipper proficiency does not automatically make a child competition-proficient.

LOCAL LEARN-TO-SWIM & SQUAD PROGRAMS:

WBP is fortunate to have a number of quality swimming programs available locally. Families are encouraged to contact providers directly to find the program best suited to their child's age, ability and goals.

PROVIDER*	CONTACT DETAILS*
Oak Flats Swimming Club	coach@oakflatsswimmingclub.com.au
Shellharbour City Council Swim Squads	swim@shellharbour.nsw.gov.au
Kiama Council Squads (Kiama Swimming Club)	courses@kiamalc.com
PK Swim School (Dapto Swimming Club)	info@pkswimschool.com daptosc@gmail.com
McKeon's Swim Centre (West's Illawarra Swimming Club)	enquiry@mckeonswimming.com.au westillawarra@gmail.com
Leonies Swim For Life	leoniesswimforlife@bigpond.com
Shellharbour Swim Academy	info@shellswim.com.au

*Providers are listed as a resource for WBPSLSC families. Inclusion does not imply an exclusive endorsement or commercial relationship with WBPSLSC unless specifically stated. In short, we don't care where you swim, we just want your child swimming.

HOW TO REGISTER

Registrations can be completed online through the [SLSNSW Join Portal](#).

When registering a child for Nippers, a parent or guardian must also join as a member of the Club. Applications for a child alone cannot be accepted without an accompanying parent/guardian membership.

Need a hand? Registrations can also be completed at our WBP Nippers Open Day on Sunday 20 September 2026, where the team will be available to help with the process and answer any questions. Further enquires to: rego.warillasurf@gmail.com

POOL PROFICIENCIES AND SKILLS EVALUATION

To keep our Nippers safe and ensure children participate at an appropriate level, there are three separate evaluations families need to understand:

Pool (Swim) Evaluation A Pool Evaluation must be completed before a Nipper can commence Nipper activities. Without a completed Pool Evaluation, a child cannot participate in Nippers.

Alternatively, the Pool Evaluation may be completed and signed off by an accredited swimming coach or teacher. The required form has been, and will continue to be, distributed to families via email.

Beach / Surf Evaluation. Beach and Surf Evaluations are conducted during the first few weeks of Nippers. These use a graded, age-appropriate approach to assess each child's ability to safely and competently participate in the ocean activities applicable to their age group. Children who have not successfully completed the required Beach/Surf Evaluation will be restricted to beach-based activities, at the discretion of the Club, until the required evaluation has been completed.

Competition Evaluation. A Competition Evaluation must be successfully completed before a Nipper is eligible to compete at carnivals. This establishes the minimum water proficiency required for competition. Each Nipper must successfully complete the applicable task for their age group. If they cannot demonstrate the required standard, they will not be eligible to compete at carnivals until the requirement is achieved. Competition Evaluations are conducted by the WBP Head Coaches during dedicated training sessions. A competition Evaluation must be achieved before being eligible to compete at inter-club carnivals. This is a minimum standard water proficiency requirement. If the nipper is unable to perform their respective age group task, they will be unable to compete at carnivals. This is completed by the Head Coaches at dedicated training sessions.



WHAT TO EXPECT...

A predictable routine helps children, parents, Age Managers and water safety get the day started safely and on time.

Before activities

- Arrive by the published muster time.
- Sign in / complete attendance requirements.
- Apply sunscreen and have age group cap and high-vis vest ready.
- Meet the Age Manager at the nominated age-group area.
- Parents remain available throughout the session.

During the session

Age groups rotate through activities according to conditions, available personnel and the planned education program. A typical session may include surf education, swimming, wading, board paddling, beach sprints, flags, games, rescue skills and age-award activities.

At the end

- Children are released in accordance with the club sign-out process.
- Caps should be removed once the child has finished participating.
- Families are encouraged to help return, wash and pack club equipment.

Parent presence: Under no circumstances are parents/guardians/carers to “drop off” their children to Nippers (or Club Training). A parent/guardian/carer must be present, watching and prepared to help their child if required. This is non-negotiable.

NIPPERS CHECKLIST

A simple, consistent “what to bring” to make mornings easier.

MANDATORY	OPTIONAL
Age-group cap	Goggles
Approved high-visibility rash vest/shirt	Board, if personally owned and appropriate
Swimwear	Warm top / spare clothes
Sunscreen	Small snack for after Nippers
Water bottle	Club competition gear if training/racing afterward

COMMUNICATION

Keeping up to date with Club communications is important, particularly on Sunday mornings when conditions can change quickly.

WBP Juniors communicates with families through:

- **WBP Facebook Page** – general Club and Nippers updates, events and announcements.
- **WBP Juniors WhatsApp Community** – the main source for Junior-specific communication, including age-group information and important updates.
- **WBP Instagram** – Club news, reminders, events and updates.
- **Email** – formal Nippers information, registrations, carnivals and other important communications.
- **Age Group Chats** – Age Managers may use dedicated groups for information specific to their age group.

Parents and guardians should check the WBP Juniors WhatsApp Community and Club social media before leaving home on Sunday mornings.

Last-minute changes may be necessary due to surf conditions, weather, water quality, water-safety numbers or other safety considerations. This may include changes to start times, locations or activities, or cancellation of part or all of the Nippers program.

Official Nippers communications will be issued by the Junior Activities Committee or its nominated representatives.



WE NEED YOU!

Nippers is a volunteer-run program. We do not expect every parent or carer to become a coach, official or Water Safety member, but we do ask families to get involved where they can. There are plenty of ways to help, and many do not require any previous Surf Life Saving experience.

WATER SAFETY

- Become qualified to assist with Nipper water activities.
- Support Coaches and Age Managers during swimming, board and surf activities.
- Help WBP maintain the Water Safety coverage needed to get our Nippers into the water.
- WBP can help interested parents work towards the required qualifications.

AGE GROUP SUPPORT

- Assist your Age Manager during Sunday Nippers.
- Help with mustering, attendance and keeping the age group together.
- Assist with rotations between activities.
- Help supervise children during beach-based activities.
- Lend a hand with simple activities when required.

OFFICIALS

- Become an accredited Surf Sports Official.
- Assist at local carnivals and championship events.
- Help WBP meet its officiating requirements when our Nippers compete.
- No previous officiating experience is required — training is available.

SET-UP AND PACK-UP

- Help set up tents, flags, boards and activity areas.
- Assist with moving equipment to and from the beach.
- Help wash and return boards and equipment after activities.
- A few minutes from plenty of families makes a significant difference.

COACHING AND SKILLS

- Parents with relevant experience or qualifications may be able to assist the Coaching Team.
- Opportunities may include beach events, boards, swimming, fitness or other specialist skills.
- Coaching and structured training activities are coordinated through the Club's appointed Coaching Team.

EVERYONE CAN CONTRIBUTE

- You do not need to be an experienced surf lifesaver to help.
- You do not need to volunteer every week.
- Ask your Age Manager or the Junior Activities Committee where help is needed.
- Many hands make a strong club — even small contributions make Nippers better for everyone.

The culture we want: Many hands make a strong club. Volunteer contribution should be normal, visible and appreciated - not left to the same families every week.

WATER SAFETY AND SUPERVISION

Water Safety is what gets our Nippers into the water!

WBP relies on qualified parent volunteers to safely support our Nippers during swimming, board and other water activities. The number of children we can put into the water and the activities we can offer, depends on having enough qualified Water Safety personnel.

What does Water Safety do?

- Water Safety personnel work alongside our Coaches and Age Managers to supervise Nippers during:
- Sunday Nippers water activities
- Board and swim training
- Development clinics and skills days
- Carnivals and competition

How do I get involved?

You don't need to be an experienced surf competitor. If you're comfortable in the water and keen to help, we can help you get qualified. Parents will generally need to:

- Be a registered WBP member
- Obtain the appropriate Surf Rescue Certificate (SRC) or Bronze Medallion
- Maintain annual skills maintenance/proficiency
- Meet applicable WWCC and Child Safe requirements

Interested?

Speak with the Water Safety Coordinator, your Age Manager or a member of the Junior Activities Committee. We can explain the process and help you find an upcoming course.

Parents should understand

- The Age Manager, coach or activity leader may stop an activity at any time.
- Water safety is an operational safety function, not a spectator role.
- Children must follow directions immediately when in or around the water.
- A child who has not completed the required proficiency must not participate outside the limits permitted by the applicable rules.



FROM SUNDAY NIPPERS TO ELITE PERFORMANCE

The club will apply the current SLSA/SLSNSW water safety requirements, including appropriate qualifications, ratios, risk assessment and supervision for the activity and conditions. Where the required level of coverage is not available, the activity will be modified or will not proceed

AREA	DEVELOPMENT FOCUS	WHO IT SUITS
Ocean Board and Iron Training	Surf swimming, transitions, race craft and ocean confidence	Approved developing nippers and established competitors. Entry to these sessions must be approved by the Head Coach after assessment at Lake Board Training
Lake Board Training	Paddling technique, starts, turns, wave skills and race craft	All U8+, or as permitted by club after assessment by Head Coach
Beach	Sprints, flags, starts, acceleration and relays	All welcome
Development Clinics and Skills Days	Core fundamentals in a lower-pressure setting. Occasionally, held in collaboration with partnering Surf Life Saving Clubs	All welcome
External Pool Swimming	Learn to swim, technique/stroke, speed and aerobic development	STRONGLY HIGHLY RECCOMENDED!!



PROGRESSING FROM LAKE TO OCEAN

Until assessed by the Head Coaches, all nippers must commence board training at Lake Training. The lake provides a controlled environment for coaches to assess board skills, confidence, swimming ability and general competency.

Progression to Ocean Board & Iron Training requires approval from the Head Coach.

If you are unsure whether your child is ready for a particular training session, speak with a member of the Coaching Team.

WHAT TO BRING

Nippers should arrive ready to train with:

- Swimmers
- WBP high-vis vest
- Water bottle
- Towel
- Sunscreen
- Wetsuit where appropriate
- Board or other equipment where required for the session

Conditions, Changes & Cancellations: All training is subject to surf and weather conditions, water quality, Water Safety availability and appropriate safety coverage.

The Coaching Team may modify, relocate or cancel a session where conditions or available resources make the planned activity unsuitable. Any changes or cancellations will be communicated through the WBP Juniors WhatsApp Community and relevant Club social media channels. Families should always check for updates before leaving home for training.

Training Philosophy: Nippers is the foundation. Extra training is available for children who want to develop further. Competitive athletes must understand that consistent training and skill development influence performance and team selection outcomes.



SURF SPORTS AND CARNIVALS

Nippers may have opportunities to compete in carnivals, development events, Branch Championships, State Championships and other approved competitions. Eligibility depends on age, proficiency, entries and the rules for the relevant event.

Before a carnival:

- Complete all required competition proficiency and awards.
- Discuss your intentions with coaches and/or Team Manager
- Enter through the club before the closing date.
- Check the program, arrival time, team manager instructions and uniform requirements.
- Tell the Team Manager early if circumstances change.

During a carnival:

- Report to the WBP team area (tents) and stay contactable.
- Listen for marshalling and event changes.
- Stay hydrated and fuel before and after your race.
- Children must always have a parent/guardian/carer with them.
- Support teammates and show respect to officials, other clubs and volunteers.
- Parents must not approach coaches or officials directly about disputes; use the Team Manager pathway if required.

WBP can encourage broad participation while also treating competition seriously. The two ideas are not in conflict, having a fair go and having fun is all we expect!

KEY CARNIVALS

Nippers may have opportunities to compete in carnivals, development events, Branch Championships, State Championships and other approved competitions. Eligibility depends on age, proficiency, entries and the rules for the relevant event.

- Foster Weekend of Surf – 3–4 October 2026
- Coolangatta Gold – 17–18 October 2026
- Wanda Tradies One Club Carnival – 24 October 2026 – South Coast Interbranch Selection Event
- Sydney Water Series – Rounds 1 & 2 – 7–8 November 2026 | Fairy Meadow
- Sydney Water Series – Round 3 – 21 November 2026 | Warilla-Barrack Point
- Sydney Water Series – Round 4 – 5 December 2026 | Gerringong
- NSW Country Championships – 22–24 January 2027 | South West Rocks SLSC
- South Coast Branch Championships – Date & venue TBC
- NSW State Age Championships – 4–7 March 2027 | Swansea-Belmont SLSC, Blacksmiths Beach

If your nipper is interested in attending a carnival, or are unsure whether your child is ready to compete, speak with your Age Manager or a member of the Coaching Team.

Further enquiries can also be directed to the Junior Team Manager.

CLUB UNIFORM

NEW MERCH IS HERE!

Come and check it out at our Open Day this Sunday, where you'll be able to see the range and place your order.

All items will be made to order, with our first lot expected to arrive in approximately 3-4 weeks!

Hats are limited - first in best dressed! Email kirsty@kaokreative.com.au with your order details.

We'll also be posting asking for swim size preferences soon - keep an eye on our socials for all the details!

We can't wait to see everyone repping the new gear!



Fractal Hat

\$50

S/M - 59CM
L 62CM



Fractal Cap

\$45

58CM



Training Shorts

\$45

LIGHTWEIGHT
+ ZIPPERS
KIDS 6 - 14
WOMENS 6 - 26
MENS 30 - 48



LS POLO

UV 50+
KIDS 6-16
WOMENS 6 - 22
MENS XS - 7XL



\$50 ADULTS

\$45 KIDS



Hoodies

\$55 KIDS

\$70 ADULTS

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KIDS 2 - 12
MENS XS - 3XL
WOMENS XS - 2XL



TEES

\$35 KIDS

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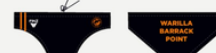
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COMING SOON

WE ARE CURRENTLY
FINALISING DESIGNS FOR OUR
NEW SWIM RANGE.

KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR
EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST &
TO LOCK IN YOUR PREFERRED
SIZES!



TEAM EVENTS AND SELECTION

Team events are an important part of WBP competition and give Nippers the opportunity to race together and represent their Club. The detailed WBP Team Selection Policy is the controlling Club document for all matters relating to team selection. This section provides a short, plain-English summary only.

Selection principles:

- Selection considers the whole competitor. Performance is important, but it is not the sole or automatic consideration in junior team selection. Selection balances competitive ability with participation, commitment, development, teamwork and suitability for the particular event.
- Commitment matters. Regular participation, genuine effort, reliability, coachability, sportsmanship and ongoing involvement with WBP are all relevant when teams are selected.
- Sunday Nippers counts. Sunday Nippers forms an important part of a competitor's overall Club participation and commitment. 100% attendance is not expected, and reasonable absences and other commitments can be taken into account.
- Club training counts too. Attendance and engagement at relevant WBP discipline-specific training forms part of the overall selection picture. Attendance alone, however, does not guarantee selection.
- Race your own age first. A competitor's primary team commitment is ordinarily to their own age group. Younger competitors should not normally displace an otherwise suitable older competitor simply because they may be faster or stronger.
- Selections are made by a panel. A five-person Selection Panel makes team and nominated competitor selections. This ensures selections are collective decisions rather than the decision of one coach, Age Manager or Club official.
- Conflicts must be declared. Actual or perceived conflicts of interest must be declared and appropriately managed so the selection process remains fair and transparent.
- The event itself matters. Selectors may consider event-specific skills, expected surf or weather conditions, course configuration, team combinations, availability, injury and workload when determining the most appropriate team.

IMPORTANT: The Club's Team Selection Policy is the overarching document governing all matters relating to team selection. Parents are strongly encouraged to read and familiarise themselves with this policy to ensure they understand the Club's selection principles, criteria and processes.



CLUB CHAMPS

Club Championships is a fun and competitive part of the WBP Nipper season, giving Nippers the opportunity to race against others in their own age group and put the skills they have developed throughout the season into practice.

All eligible Nippers are encouraged to participate, you do not need to be a regular carnival competitor to have a go.

Points are awarded for designated Club Championship events, with the highest overall point scorer in each age group recognised as the WBP Age Champion.

Club Championships are competitive, but they should also be fun.

CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

Depending on age group, conditions and the approved program, events may include:

- Surf Race (Swim).
- Board Race.
- Ironperson.
- Beach Sprint
- Beach Flags
- Wade and other age-appropriate events.

GOOD RACING CULTURE

- Race fair.
- Win and lose well.
- Encourage every competitor.
- Respect officials and volunteers.
- Celebrate and include everyone.

EQUIPMENT – BOARDS AND CLUB GEAR

Club boards and equipment are shared assets. Access may depend on age, proficiency, training program and the direction of the Coach or Age Manager. Equipment must be handled carefully, washed and returned correctly after use, and damage should be reported immediately.

PERSONAL BOARDS AND GEAR

Families choosing to purchase personal craft should seek advice from the coaching team about appropriate size, construction and suitability. Ownership of personal equipment does not alter the need to comply with club safety and training directions.



'RILLA ROOKIES

An inaugural program for 13–17-year-olds at Warilla-Barrack Point SLSC. Designed to bridge the gap between Nippers and senior membership, it gives teenagers a place to belong beyond competition through social connection, volunteering, lifesaving skills, qualifications, leadership and career development. It is a low-cost, achievable inclusion that uses the club's existing facilities, trainers, patrols and relationships to retain current members, welcome new teenagers and build the club's next generation of volunteers and leaders.

TARGET MARKET

Graduating Nippers (u14/15): current members, SRC-ready....nippers is done, let's have some fun!

'RETIRING' ATHLETES

Strong swimmers/athletes stepping back from competitive squad. No-commitment framing + leadership and skills angle + future paid-job pathway

NEW TEEN MEMBERS (13–17):

No prior SLS background, want volunteering, fitness or social connection. 'Come as you are'
— swim/fitness entry point, zero pressure to compete



BEHAVIOUR AND CONDUCT

WBP wants Nippers to be a safe, positive and supportive environment where children can learn, compete, make friends and enjoy being part of the Club.

The detailed WBP Code of Conduct and Expectations – Junior Member + Parent, Guardian & Carer sets out the standards expected of our Nippers and their families. This section is a short summary only.

For our Nippers

- Be respectful. Treat teammates, competitors, coaches, Age Managers, officials, volunteers and other families with respect. Listen and learn.
- Follow reasonable directions, engage positively with coaching and be willing to learn and improve.
- Have a go. Make a genuine effort at Nippers, training and competition, nobody expects you to be perfect.
- Be a good teammate. Encourage others, celebrate their achievements and help make WBP somewhere every child feels welcome.
- Compete the right way. Race fairly, respect officials and show good sportsmanship whether you win, lose or have a tough day.
- Keep it safe. Follow directions from Coaches, Age Managers and Water Safety immediately where safety is involved.
- Represent WBP with pride. Your behaviour matters whenever you are representing the Club, both on and off the beach.

For our Parents & Carers

- Keep it about the kids. Encourage effort, development, participation and enjoyment, not just results.
- Be the example. Treat children, coaches, officials, volunteers and other families respectfully.
- Let coaches coach and officials officiate. Positive encouragement from the sideline is welcome; competing instructions, abuse or public criticism are not.
- Support all our Nippers. Celebrate your own child's achievements without diminishing those of another child.
- Keep adult issues between adults. Never approach, question, blame or criticise another child about competition, selection or an incident involving your child.
- Use the right pathway. Questions and concerns are welcome, but should be raised with the right person, at the right time and through the Club's established processes.

COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION

COMMUNICATION CHANNEL	BEST USED FOR
Email / official app	Formal notices, entries, programs, key documents and season information
Age-group communication	Sunday reminders and routine age-group information
Social media	Community updates, training information, results and club news
Junior Head Coach(es) and Assistant Coaches	Training queries, goal setting, child progress
Junior Team Manager	Carnival operations, team matters and competition queries
JAC	General questions, issues requiring escalation or help finding the right person

QUESTIONS, COMPLAINTS AND CHILD SAFETY

Routine questions should usually start with the person closest to the issue. Serious conduct, member-protection or child-safety concerns should bypass informal resolution and be reported through the appropriate club/SLS safeguarding process.

ISSUE	USUAL FIRST POINT OF CONTACT
Sunday age-group	Age Manager
Training /coaching	Head Coach(es), Assistant Coaches
Carnival operation	Junior Team Manager
Competition Team selection	Junior Team Manager
General Nipper concern	JAC/Junior Team Manager/Age Manager – What ever makes sense for the concern
Child safety/misconduct	Child Protection Officer

NIPPER CHEATSHEET

WHERE DO WE MEET?

Warilla-Barrack Point Surf Life Saving Club (on the grass towards the beach)

WHAT MUST MY CHILD WEAR?

Swimmers, sunscreen, designated age cap, SLISA high visibility rash vest

DOES MY CHILD NEED TO BE ABLE TO SWIM?

Yes. Applicable preliminary/ beach/competition proficiency requirements apply.

CAN I LEAVE WHILE NIPPERS IS RUNNING?

No - parent/guardian/carer attendance requirements apply.

HOW DO I ENTER A CARNIVAL?

This will be advised as carnival registration dates approach, generally, entries are done online via the LiveHeats platform. This will be communicated publicly.

WHO DO I ASK ABOUT TRAINING?

You are welcome to speak to the Coaching staff at any time, you can also discuss this with your child's Age Manager.

HOW CAN I HELP?

Water safety, officiating, Age Manager support, setup/pack-up, BBQ, fundraising and other volunteer roles.



