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INTRODUCTION

The QLD Endurance Championships attracts competitors from all over Queensland, providing an opportunity to unite and showcase one of Queensland's most iconic volunteer movements, Surf Life Saving.

This year's event will be held at Coolangatta SLSC on Saturday 21st September 2024.

This document outlines the final event information relating to the 2024 QLD Endurance Championships. Please note that SLSQ may have subsequent bulletins, memos or circulars which may supersede information provided in the circular.

COMPETITION COMMITTEE

The Competition Committee (CC) will direct all matters relating to the actual conduct of the competition. The CC may, in accordance with the rules contained in the current edition of the Surf Sports Manual, any subsequent amending bulletins and this circular, postpone, cancel and or alter any or all events at the Championships, and/or alter the venue of the competition.

The CC may consult and seek advice from appropriate officials, athletes and other personnel on competition conditions and safety issues when required. The CC shall appoint the various sub committees and panels as required for the event e.g. Disciplinary Committee & Coach/Athlete Panel.

POSITION	NAME
Committee Chair	Nigel Ward
Event Referee	John Brennan OAM
Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator	TBA
Sport Manager	Stuart Hogben
Venue Representative	TBA

SAFETY & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

A Safety & Emergency Committee (SEC) shall be appointed which must consider and advise the Referee and Competition Committee on all matters relating to competition and non-competition safety and emergency management. The Chair of the Committee shall be the Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator who shall also be a member of the Competition Committee. The composition of the SEC will be determined by SLSQ.

POSITION	NAME
Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator	TBA
Deputy Referee	Melinda Jackson
First Aid/Medical Coordinator	Coolangatta SLSC
Sport Manager	Stuart Hogben
IRB/Water Safety Coordinator	TBA

DISTRIBUTION OF BULLETIN

It is most important that the information in this Bulletin is brought to the attention of all Carnival Officials, Team Managers, Coaches and Competitors.

Non-receipt of the Bulletin will not be taken as an excuse if a Club, Team or individual does not comply with the requirements outlines in this and other Bulletins and Circulars.

ENTRIES

Entries for the 2024 QLD Endurance Championships are now closed.

Late entries close at midnight on Tuesday 17th September 2024. No entries will be accepted after this date.

REGISTRATIONS

All athletes who do not have a LiveHeats wrist band will need to register at Event Administration from 7am or prior to their first event.

COMPETITOR LISTING

The competitor listing for the 2024 QLD Endurance Championships is attached. Please ensure your Team Manager checks through the entries carefully to ensure they are all correct.

Clubs have until midnight on Tuesday 17th September 2024 to make any existing changes to entries.

EVENT ADMISTRATION

Event Administration will be located on the beach in front of the water competition area.

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

The Program of Events is attached. Please be aware that this program is subject to change.

MEETING & BRIEFING TIMES

The below timetable is only a draft and is subject to chance.

6.30am: Officials Breakfast7.00am: Officials Briefing

7.15am: Team Managers Briefing7.45am: Marshalling for first event.

8.00am: First event

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ATHLETE/COACH ADVISORY PANEL

The Carnival Committee (CC) will be appointing an Athlete/Coach Advisory Panel for this event. The Panel will be made up of a mix of athletes and coaches and will be a resource for the Carnival Referee and Sectional Referees. This Panel will also be able to take any issues to the Carnival Committee during the running of the event if necessary.

RESULTS

Results will be recorded live on LiveHeats and will also be posted on the Surf Sports Facebook Page, SLSQ Website and emailed to all clubs and Team Managers post the event.

EVENT MEDALS, TROPHIES & POINTSCORES

SLSQ Championship medals will be awarded to individuals and team members gaining 1st (Gold), 2nd (Silver) or 3rd (Bronze) in all Championship events contested.

Overall Pointscore (1st, 2nd & 3rd) trophies for the top 3 clubs in each will be awarded at the conclusion of the event.

The point score awarded to each Champion Club, within each event's age category, will be 6 points for 1st place, down to 1 point for 6th place. If, when the event has concluded, there is a tied pointscore, the club with the most first places will be declared the winner. Failing this, the club with the most 2nd placings to 6th placings respectively will be considered to determine a tie and dual trophies will be presented.

CLUB TENTS

Club tents can be set up from 5.30am on Saturday. Please approach the carnival referee or Sport Staff for confirmation on the water area as this is subject to change on the morning of the event.

WARM UP/WARM DOWN

Warm ups and warm downs can be completed outside the competition area. Please ensure your competitors keep clear of the IRBs setting up the course. Also, please ensure your competitors on craft stay outside the red and yellow flags.

WATER SAFETY (IRB & ORANGE SHIRT)

As per the Entry Circular below are the water safety supply requirements for the event.

Club Water Safety Requirements		
Surf Club	Requirement	
BHMP SLSC	IRB plus Driver & Crew	
Northcliffe SLSC	IRB plus Driver & Crew	
North Burleigh SLSC	IRB plus Driver & Crew	
Tallebudgera SLSC	Driver & Crew	
Kurrawa SLSC	Driver & Crew	
Alexandra Headland SLSC	2 X Orange Shirt Water Safety (including Rescue Board)	
Noosa Heads SLSC	2 X Orange Shirt Water Safety (including Rescue Board)	
Maroochydore SLSC	2 X Orange Shirt Water Safety (including Rescue Board)	
Mooloolaba SLSC	2 X Orange Shirt Water Safety (including Rescue Board)	

GEAR TRAILER/VEHICLE PARKING

All trailers are to be brought to the craft compound located in Queen Victora Park next to Coolangatta SLSC.

All club, competitors and officials are to read and obey the parking signs set up by the Gold Coast City Council and the Carnival Committee and any vehicles that are illegally parked that results in an infringement notice will be the responsibility of the vehicles owner, SLSQ will take no responsibility.

SCRUITNEERING

Scrutineering at this event will be conducted randomly throughout this event by appointed scrutineering officials.

MEDIA & PHOTOGRAPHY

Drones:

For the safety of competitors, officials and spectators SLSQ prohibits the use of drones or Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV) at this event by members and/or public unless approved by SLSQ, 7 days prior to the event. The operator must supply an operation manual (including risk management plan), provide a copy of public liability insurance and comply with all Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) requirements. SLSQ may utilise the use of our own drones to conduct aerial surveillance and monitor hazards.

Photography:

As a condition of entry, all competitors agree to have photos and video taken during the event used for promotional material by SLSQ.

HEALTH & WELLBEING

The welfare of all competitors and officials is our paramount importance and athletes or their Parent/guardian in the case of underage competitors should seek advice prior to the competition from a qualified professional for any health concerns if required.

Any competitor or official who suffers illness or injury prior to or at the event must seek a medical clearance before resuming their normal activities which includes training and competition.

In addition, SLSQ may, at its sole discretion, require a competitor and/or official to be assessed for physical and/or psychological fitness to participate in the competition. This ensures the safety and wellbeing of the athlete concerned and fellow competitors while also ensuring all parties and SLSQ are not placed at risk.

SLSQ will be supplying adequate shade tents at all marshalling areas for officials and competitors throughout the event. It is highly recommended that all athletes ensure they carry with them adequate apparel to assist with reduction of sunburn, along with recommended use of sunscreen throughout the day.

Water barrels will be available under the marshalling tents for officials, team managers and competitor use. These barrels are in place for all persons to use and fill up their own water bottles. Please note, no drinking cups will be supplied.

CANCELLATION POLICY

The following Cancellation Fee & Refund Policy will be adhered to:

- If a carnival is cancelled, with no postponement before the first event is conducted, 75% of all entry fees will be refunded to all Clubs (25% retained for administration costs).
- If a carnival is cancelled, after the first event is conducted, no refund will be given.
- If a carnival is postponed and re-scheduled to another date, a 75% refund will be issued to competing Clubs that cannot compete at the re-scheduled event.

BEHAVIOUR/MISCONDUCT

Any misconduct while at the event will not be tolerated. This includes the days leading into the competition and any official social activities following the conclusion of the event. Offending members risk disciplinary action against both themselves and their Clubs.

Please refer to the current Surf Sports Manual sections 2.27 SLSA Code of Behaviour and 2.28 Abuse/Inappropriate Behaviour and the Policy 6.5 Member Protection Policy (available online at the Members Area).

PROTESTS

All protests shall be lodged with the appropriate Liaison Officer in each Area in accordance with procedures set down in the current edition of the Surf Sports Manual and any subsequent bulletins, and shall identify the specific sections/clauses in the Competition Manual and or event rules upon which the protest is based. Protest Forms are available from the Liaison Officer. An 'Appeals Fee' of \$110 (cash only) must accompany all documentation when the process is officially submitted to the Appeals Committee for adjudication.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Should further information be required please contact the Sports Team: sport@lifesaving.com.au
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