



Nipper Mail

November 3, 2011

A message from the chair

Hi everyone. After lots of feedback from parents the junior activities committee has decided to keep Nipper Mail separate from Club News. Nipper Mail will once again be circulated direct to you via email. We will do our best to keep you informed of what is happening around the club. Thanks for the feedback and remember if you have any suggestions or ideas, the committee is happy to hear from you. See you at North Haven on Sunday!

Ben Wehlow

Branch Carnival Sunday

Camden Haven SLSC will host the first carnival of the year on Sunday from 8.30am. A request has gone out for volunteers to help set up the beach from 6.30am. Contact Dave Frewin on 0422 508 040 if you are able to assist. There are no activities for the under 6s and 7s but you are invited to come to North Haven to cheer on your club mates and see what a carnival is all about. All proficient nippers from under 8s to under 14s are asked to be at the beach at 8am to mark off. Don't forget about the road closures due to ironman and allow for the extra travelling time.

Parent swims

Well done to the dozen or so parents who braved some pretty tough conditions two weeks ago for the parent swim. We now plan to run this event towards the end of the nipper program - closer to 10.15 – 10.30 - not as part of the club B-Grade swim. That way we will have sufficient water safety and it will not prolong your time on the beach on a busy Sunday morning. This is a great introduction to the water and a wonderful way of learning some empathy with what we are asking of our kids.

Hastings Garage Doors

A big "thank you" goes out to Meg Bleasdale and Hasting Garage Doors for their generous support of the club. Meg has sponsored a new marquee which we hope to unveil shortly. Without such wonderful support we could not continue to offer such great value for our members.

Nipper Boards

Nev has arranged for a number of boards to be left in the club room for nippers to use outside of training times. Please use these boards responsibly. Nippers using these boards outside of normal hours will assume responsibility for any damage incurred.

Training

Don't forget board training at the river shed (near Sea Rescue) on Saturday mornings from 7am and at Flynn's Beach from 6am Wednesdays and Fridays. This is critical if you want to improve your board paddling skills. Due to Ironman and the branch carnival there is no board training this week but Matt Scully we hold a swim training session tomorrow (Friday) morning from 6am.

March Past

The March Past is a great tradition in the surf life saving movement and our club has a great history in the event across many levels of competition. Each year we need new members to train and regenerate the squad. If your child would like to try out for the team, contact Janine Sim on 0419 281 332 for details.

Junior Coaching Course

The club's Level 2 coach Jeff Polverino will shortly run a Junior Coaching Course for members interested in or involved in the coaching of nippers. Please contact ben Wehlow on 0438 833 539 for more details or if you would like to attend.

Do you want to help?

Do you have a burning desire to help out at nippers this season? If you would like to contribute to the success of the club there are countless ways you can help. If you are not sure what you can do to help or be involved, please feel free to talk with our chairman Ben Wehlow or other committee members to see what it is that you could do to help the Club. This season we want all parents to meet the ideals of being a part of the Club and are given the chance to be actively involved.