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Surf Hazard Ratings (SHR) Incident Data Collectors Required For Surf Sports Carnivals in NSW

Attention: Surf Sports Officials, Branch Secretaries, Branch Director of Surf Sports Club Secretaries

Actioned by: Surf Sports Officials

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Summary:	Calls for nominations from persons able to perform the role of Incident Data Collectors at Surf Sports carnivals in NSW, during 2016 - 2017
Key Strategic Goals:	To bolster developmental pathways and opportunities for our officials and administrators through the stages of their sporting life.
Key Strategies:	8.2 Bolster developmental pathways and opportunities for our athletes, coaches, officials, administrators through the stages of their sporting life. 8.3 Establish best practice event management for the delivery of surf sports events. 8.4 Actively invest in sustained participation by supporting members in a welcoming and safe environment. 8.5 Deliver surf sports events to our members which appeal to a broad participation base.
Action:	Complete and submit nomination via survey monkey by 11pm Sunday August 14, 2016

SLSNSW is calling for nominations from persons able to perform the role of Incident Data Collectors at Surf Sports carnivals in NSW. Events for which data is being collected includes boards and skis for all age groups and genders; including U15 (boards only), U17, U19, Opens and Masters. This data will contribute directly to the Surf Hazard Rating (SHR) being developed specifically for craft events.

Incident Data Collectors are persons who will work under the supervision of the Trained Surf Observer (TSO) and will collect incident data in relation to events (ie; how many people came off craft, don't finish the race etc). Incident Data Collectors do not have a role on carnival safety committees nor do they have any responsibility for the delivery of the carnival. It is simply a way to ensure that a significant sample size of data is collected.

The TSO is a person who has completed the Surf Hazard Rating 'Trained Surf Observers' program.

Ideally a minimum of one TSO with one/two data collectors should be provided in a craft area. If there are two areas then the requirement would be minimum of two TSOs and two to four data collectors.

CRITERIA:

- Available to attend some of the selected carnivals as nominated by your availability.
- Not necessarily a surf sports official, however officials already appointed (or intending to nominate for the relevant carnivals in roles such as recorders, course supervisors) are encouraged to attend. This is not an officials nomination form.
- A reasonable level of fitness is required due to the requirement to be on-beach, recording incidents.

TRAINING:

- A simple form is used to record data and therefore, very little training is required. However, Incident Data Collectors will be briefed appropriately by the TSO.
- Incident Data Collectors may be interested in advancing to TSOs in future programs.

NOMINATION PROCESS:

To nominate as a data collector to attend one of more of the various events please follow the link and complete the nomination form.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SHRdatacollectors>

This form will indicate your availability to attend the carnival – please indicate the carnivals that you will be able to attend.

SLSNSW will collate the availability of all interested persons and assist SLSA to develop a roster to ensure that there is adequate coverage to gather as much data as possible.

Appointed data collectors will be responsible for their own travel to and from events. It is anticipated that data collectors will attend local carnivals.

NOMINATED CARNIVALS:

DATE:	EVENT:	LOCATION:
29 October 2016	Summer of Surf Series #1	TBC
12 November 2016	Summer of Surf Series #2	TBC
26 November 2016	Summer of Surf Series #3	TBC
3 December 2016	Summer of Surf Series #4	TBC
10 & 11 December 2016	NSW Interbranch Championships	The Lakes, CC
January – February 2017	Branch Championships	Various
28 January 2017	Australia Day Carnival	Manly, SNB
29 January 2017	Australia Day Carnival	Freshwater, SNB
4 & 5 February 2017	Stramit NSW Country Championships	South West Rocks, MNC
8 – 12 March 2017	NSW State Masters & Open Championships	Swansea Belmont, HUN

- Note: A minimum SHR of “10” is required for the collection of data.