

Memorandum

To: Branch Presidents, Branch Directors of Lifesaving, Branch CEO's & Staff, Club Presidents/Captains
From: Bernard Utteridge – Lifesaving Officer
Date: 24 July 2015
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Subject: Surf Life Saving NSW SurfCom Team - Volunteer SurfCom recruitment

SLSNSW is seeking volunteer operators to form the *Surf Life Saving NSW SurfCom Team* based at the Belrose and Fisherman's Beach communication centres. Providing operational support to 129 SLS clubs, 60 Support Operations, over 22,000 patrolling Lifesavers and Lifeguards state-wide. This is a key role in providing a safe beach and aquatic environment throughout NSW.

Trained to operate technologically advanced communication system, members of the team will provide operational support including:

- Providing effective communication support between Lifesaving Clubs, Support Operations, Rescue Helicopters, Lifeguard Services, Local Authorities, Police, Ambulance, Fire and other Emergency Services;
- Monitoring the welfare of SLS Support Operations members;
- Coordinating SLS resources to emergency incidents;
- Learning the Emergency Management structure within NSW;
- Monitoring and fault resolution of the Coastal Radio Network (state wide);
- Provide key planning information – weather/warnings/tides;
- Information management to ensure SLSNSW maintain reports and records for internal use, the coroner or other external parties;
- Collect, interpret and disseminate relevant information;
- Become a leader and develop decision making skills.

Minimum requirements for SurfCom Operators:

- 18yrs of age (at commencement of duties)

Training will be provided by SLSNSW over August and September at the Surf Life Saving NSW Headquarters in Belrose, Sydney.

Please forward this information to club and branch members.

For further information and to be a part of the team please email Bernard Utteridge: butteridge@surflifesaving.com.au or call 9471 8000

Attachments/References

- (1) Support operations Member Application form



SURF LIFE SAVING SUPPORT OPERATIONS MEMBER APPLICATION

Group/Service Name:	
<input type="checkbox"/> New member	or <input type="checkbox"/> Existing Member Re-application (annually)

APPLICANT DETAILS			
Last name:		First name:	
Address:			
Suburb:		State	Postcode:
Telephone: (H)		(W)	(M)
Email:			Date of Birth: ____ / ____ / ____
Club:		Branch:	

SUPPORT SERVICES APPLYING FOR (one application form per service):	
<input type="checkbox"/> RWC Operator	<input type="checkbox"/> JRB Crew
<input type="checkbox"/> Duty Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> JRB Driver
<input type="checkbox"/> SurfCom Operator	<input type="checkbox"/> JRB Skipper
<input type="checkbox"/> ORB Skipper	<input type="checkbox"/> ORB Driver
<input type="checkbox"/> ORB Crew	<input type="checkbox"/> Patrol Support Officer
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	

MINIMUM PRE-REQUISITE (tick box for appropriate awards held and proficient):	
<input type="checkbox"/> Bronze Medallion	<input type="checkbox"/> Senior First Aid
<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced Resuscitation Techniques	<input type="checkbox"/> IRB Crew
<input type="checkbox"/> IRB Driver	<input type="checkbox"/> Silver Medallion Basic Beach Management
<input type="checkbox"/> JRB Crew	<input type="checkbox"/> JRB Driver
<input type="checkbox"/> JRB Skipper	<input type="checkbox"/> ORB Crew
<input type="checkbox"/> ORB Driver	<input type="checkbox"/> ORB Skipper
<input type="checkbox"/> Radio Operators	<input type="checkbox"/> Motor Vehicle Licence
<input type="checkbox"/> NSW Boating Licence / PWC License	

Pre-requisite Matrix													
	Age	BM	MVL	SMBBM	SFA	ARTC	VHF	TOC	CNC	JRBC	ORBC	JRBD/ ORBD	BL/ PWC
RWC operator	18	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓							✓
JRB Crew	16	✓				✓							
Duty Officer	18	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓							
JRB Driver	18	✓	✓			✓				✓			✓
SurfCom Ops	18												
JRB Skipper	18	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
ORB Crew	16	✓				✓							
ORB Driver	18	✓	✓			✓	✓				✓		✓
ORB Skipper	18	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓

BM =Bronze Medallion, MVL=Motor Vehicle Licence, SMBBM=Silver Medallion Basic Beach Management, SFA=Senior First Aid, ARTC = Adv Resuscitation Techniques, VHF= Marine Radio Licence, TOC=Training Officers Certificate, CNC=Coastal Navigation Course, JRB=Jet Rescue Boat Crew, ORBC=Offshore Rescue Boat Crew, ROC=Radio Operators Certificate, BL/PWC=Boating Licence/PWC Licence

LIFESAVING EXPERIENCE AND REASON FOR JOINING – SLS Experience (internal and external experience)

APPLICANT DECLARATION

I have an understanding of the Support Service position/s that I have applied for and the relevant sections of the SLSNSW Standard Operating Procedures Manual. I agree to comply with SLSA & SLSNSW current training manuals & policies which includes holding the correct (and current) pre-requisites at all times when operating the rescue craft. I also understand that SLSNSW and the Branch have the right to withdraw any endorsement at any time should I breach any of the above.

Signed: _____

Date: ____ / ____ / ____

ENDORSEMENT

Branch Endorsement

Branch Director of Lifesaving / Branch Support Service Officer to tick:

- Minimum Pre-requisites checked
- Induction (SOPS, resources and Job Description)
- Form completed correctly
- Application endorsed

Signature: _____
Branch Director of Lifesaving / Branch Support Services Officer

State Endorsement

- Verified, Validated and Recorded

Signature: _____
Surf Life Saving New South Wales