



## Circular

<b>Title:</b> Australian & Interstate Inflatable Rescue Boat (IRB) Championships 2019 – Final Carnival Circular
<b>Document ID:</b> Circular 01/19-20
<b>Department:</b> Sport
<b>Audience:</b> State/Territory Surf Sport Managers, Directors, Club Secretaries, Branches, State/Territory CEO's, SLSA Chair of Sport and Advisers, Officials and Competitors
<b>Summary:</b> Final Carnival Circular for the Australian & Interstate IRB Championships 2019 to be held at Kingscliff Beach, NSW from 11-14 July 2019.

**Please note** – Information in this Circular must be brought to the attention of Officials, Team Managers, Coaches and competitors. All clubs, teams and individuals need to comply with the requirements outlined in this and other circulars for the Australian and Interstate IRB Championships 2019.

### Key Information:

- **Team App**
  - It is imperative that all Team Managers download the 'Team App' application to their phones and join the '2019 IRB Championships'.
- **Team Manager Form**
  - All Team Managers are to ensure they have completed the Team Manager Form
- **Training Log Sheets**
  - All Clubs are to submit their Training Log Summary Sheets to [events@slsa.asn.au](mailto:events@slsa.asn.au) by Thursday 4 July, 2019. Every Club must submit full training logs to the Administration Centre prior to competition.
- **Scrutineer Schedule + Forms**
  - All clubs are to ensure they have been allocated a time for Scrutineering of their equipment. Scrutineering will take place south of Cudgen Headland SLSC.
  - All Scrutineering Forms need to be completed in preparation for Scrutineering.

### FURTHER INFORMATION

Should further information be required please contact the events team at:

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IMPORTANT DATES		
Friday 17 May 2019	12:00pm AEST	Australian IRB Championships - Entries Open
Friday 28 June 2019	11:59pm AEST	Normal Entries close
Thursday 4 July 2019	11:59pm AEST	Late Entries close
Wednesday 10 July 2019	8:00am AEST	Club container and trailer deliveries begin – Trailer Compound.
	1:00 – 4:00pm AEST	Scrutineering begins – Trailer Compound (South end of Cudgen Headland SLSC)
	5:00pm AEST	All club invoices due – Clubs who have not paid by this date will not be permitted to compete.
Thursday 11 July 2019		Competition Day 1 – U23 & Masters Championships
	6:45am AEST	Officials Briefing (Scrutineering) – Community Hall (North of Cudgen Headland SLSC)
	7.30am – 4:00pm AEST	Scrutineering commences – Trailer Compound (South end of Cudgen Headland SLSC)
	9.00am AEST	Interstate, U23, Masters & Opens Team Managers Briefing - Community Hall (North of Cudgen Headland SLSC)
	9:30am AEST	Officials Briefing – Community Hall (North of Cudgen Headland SLSC)
	10:30am AEST	U23 & Masters Championships marshalling
	11.00am AEST	U23 & Masters Championships commences
	4:00pm AEST	Day 1 competition concludes
Friday 12 July 2019	All Day	Competition Day 2 – U23, Masters, Interstate & Open Championships
	7:00am AEST	U23 & Masters Championship marshalling
		IRB Championships Opening Ceremony
	7:30am AEST	U23 & Masters Championships commences
	11:00am AEST	Interstate Championships marshalling
	11:30am AEST	U23 & Masters Championships concludes
		Interstates Championships commences
	12:30pm AEST	Open Championships marshalling
	1:00pm AEST	Interstates Championships concludes
		Open Championships commences
4:00pm AEST	Day 2 competition concludes	
4:30pm AEST	Australian IRB U23, Masters & Interstate Team Presentations	



Saturday 13 July 2019	All Day	Competition Day 3 - Open Championships
	7:00am AEST	Open Championships marshalling
	7:30am AEST	Open Championships commences
	4:00pm AEST	Open Championships concludes
Sunday 14 July 2019	All Day	Competition Day 4 - Open Championships
	7:00am AEST	Open Championships marshalling
	7:30am AEST	Open Championships commences
	3:00pm AEST	Open Championships concludes
	3:15pm AEST	Open Championships Presentations

*\*Please note the above schedule is approximate and subject to change*



## EVENT LIST

The following events will be contested at the Australian Open, Masters & Interstate IRB Championships 2019 in the order as listed:

<b>AUSTRALIAN U23 CHAMPIONSHIP</b>	
<b>Event Name</b>	<b>Team Composition</b>
Female Rescue Tube	1 Team of 3 (Driver, Crew and Patient)
Male Rescue Tube	1 Team of 3 (Driver, Crew and Patient)
Female Mass Rescue	1 Team of 4 (Driver, Crew and 2 Patients)
Male Mass Rescue	1 Team of 4 (Driver, Crew and 2 Patients)
Female Teams Rescue	1 Team of 6 (2 Drivers, 2 Crew and 2 Patients)
Male Teams Rescue	1 Team of 6 (2 Drivers, 2 Crew and 2 Patients)
Female Rescue Event	1 Team of 3 (Driver, Crew and Patient)
Male Rescue Event	1 Team of 3 (Driver, Crew and Patient)
<b>AUSTRALIAN MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIP - Minimum Age 35 *</b>	
<b>Event Name</b>	<b>Team Composition</b>
Female Rescue Tube	1 Team of 3 (Driver, Crew and Patient)
Male Rescue Tube	1 Team of 3 (Driver, Crew and Patient)
Female Mass Rescue	1 Team of 4 (Driver, Crew and 2 Patients)
Male Mass Rescue	1 Team of 4 (Driver, Crew and 2 Patients)
Female Teams Rescue	1 Team of 6 (2 Drivers, 2 Crew and 2 Patients)
Male Teams Rescue	1 Team of 6 (2 Drivers, 2 Crew and 2 Patients)
Female Rescue Event	1 Team of 3 (Driver, Crew and Patient)
Male Rescue Event	1 Team of 3 (Driver, Crew and Patient)
<b>INTERSTATE CHAMPIONSHIP</b>	
<b>Event Name</b>	<b>Team Composition</b>
Female Rescue Tube	1 Team of 3 (Driver, Crew and Patient)
Male Rescue Tube	1 Team of 3 (Driver, Crew and Patient)
Female Mass Rescue	1 Team of 4 (Driver, Crew and 2 Patients)
Male Mass Rescue	1 Team of 4 (Driver, Crew and 2 Patients)
Female Teams Rescue	1 Team of 6 (2 Drivers, 2 Crew and 2 Patients)
Male Teams Rescue	1 Team of 6 (2 Drivers, 2 Crew and 2 Patients)
Female Rescue Event	1 Team of 3 (Driver, Crew and Patient)
Male Rescue Event	1 Team of 3 (Driver, Crew and Patient)
IRB Relay (MIXED)	1 Team of 16 (5 Drivers, 5 Crew and 6 Patients)
<b>AUSTRALIAN OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP</b>	
<b>Event Name</b>	<b>Team Composition</b>
Female Rescue Tube	1 Team of 3 (Driver, Crew and Patient)
Male Rescue Tube	1 Team of 3 (Driver, Crew and Patient)
Female Mass Rescue	1 Team of 4 (Driver, Crew and 2 Patients)
Male Mass Rescue	1 Team of 4 (Driver, Crew and 2 Patients)
Female Teams Rescue	1 Team of 6 (2 Drivers, 2 Crew and 2 Patients)
Male Teams Rescue	1 Team of 6 (2 Drivers, 2 Crew and 2 Patients)
Female Rescue Event	1 Team of 3 (Driver, Crew and Patient)
Male Rescue Event	1 Team of 3 (Driver, Crew and Patient)
IRB Relay (MIXED)	1 Team of 16 (5 Drivers, 5 Crew and 6 Patients)

\*Patients do not need to be Masters or U23 aged competitors and can be of either gender in both Male and Female events.

**Note:** SLSA as the event organisers, reserves the right to add or delete any events on the day of competition if safety, weather conditions, programming or other conditions warrant.



## **COMPETITION DETAILS**

### **OPENING CEREMONY**

An Opening Ceremony will take place on Friday 12 July at 7:00am. The Ceremony will take place in front of Cudgen Headland SLSC. Flag bearers from each State are required to march and assemble in preparation for the Ceremony.

### **LANE DRAWS**

Lane Draws will be drawn prior to the event. These will be communicated at the Team Manager's Briefing and also available on the 2019 IRB Championships Team App page.

### **COMPETITION AREA**

To enable the efficient change of the competition course (when needed), white poles may be placed at intervals within the course and at the end of the competition area, prior to or after the finish line. These do not form part of the competition course as defined.

The Start and Finish line will be defined by orange poles along the beach breadth of the competition area. The turning markers are the bubbles placed upon poles at the back of the changeover area.

### **WARM UP/TRAINING – WATER SAFETY**

Outside of the competition hours it will be the responsibility of the Team Manager(s) and coaches of their respective clubs to ensure there is adequate water safety and first aid available to ensure that risks associated with the training session are eliminated or reduced to as low as reasonably possible.

For training and warm up during competition hours, to ensure safety for all competitors, teams are instructed to stay well clear of the competition area. A warmup area has been established south of the competition area and patient shute.

### **CONTINGENCY PLANS**

For all contingency plan information, please refer to the 2019 IRB Championships Team App for up to date weather, safety and contingency information.

### **BRIEFINGS**

Officials and Team Manager Briefings are compulsory. These Briefings will include the safety plan and procedures for the event and all key event information. Failure to attend may result in the matter being dealt with by the Competition Committee for further action.

State and Club Team Managers and key Officials Briefing will be conducted on Thursday 11 July 2019 at 9:00am for U23's, Masters, Interstates and Open Championships at Cudgen Headland SLSC. Clubs should have a maximum of four (4) personnel to attend the Team Managers Briefing.

The mandatory Officials Briefing (Scrutineering) will be on Thursday 11 July 2019 at 6:45am at Cudgen Headland SLSC and another Briefing for all remaining Officials at 9:30am. All Officials are to be in attendance include the Championship Referee, Deputy Referee, SEMC, Appeals Committee Convener, Chief Judges and key SLSA personnel.



## POINT SCORE AND TROPHIES

Team Managers will be notified at their briefing of the presentation format.

Club Teams will be competing for;

- The “Harry Brown OAM Australian IRB Championship 2019” trophy (for the overall point score in the Opens IRB competition).
- The “Australian IRB Masters Championship 2019” trophy (for the overall point score in the Masters Australian IRB competition).
- The “Australian IRB Under 23 Championship 2019” trophy (for the overall point score in the Masters Australian IRB competition).
- Teams placing 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> in each event shall receive a medal.

International Competitors – If an international club medals (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> place) they will be awarded a medallion and/or trophy equal to the placing gained. However, the Australian club team to medal shall be awarded the Australian Championship Title and equivalent medal.

**States/Territory Teams will be competing for;**

- The “Interstate IRB Championship 2019” trophy (for overall point score in the Interstate IRB competition).

**Note 1:** Teams placing 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the overall point score shall receive medallions for all team members.

**Note 2:** The Alan B Whelpton AO Perpetual Shield (for the overall point score of Ocean, Pool, Surf Boat and IRB Interstate Championships) shall be awarded at the SLSA Interstates Championship (Beach/Ocean), pre event evening function. The point score for this Shield shall be determined by the overall placing result recorded by States/Territories in each of the Interstate Championships. In this regard States/Territories shall be allocated points on a 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, basis for their relative 1<sup>st</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> placing in each Interstate Championship (Beach/Ocean, Boat Pool and IRB). The State/Territory with the highest aggregate of points shall be declared winner of the Shield.) In the event of tied points, a count back of best overall results in the four championships (Beach/Ocean, Boat Pool and IRB) will determine overall placings. If equal, number of placings and so on until a winner is declared). If this method cannot separate States/Territories, joint winners will be declared.

## PROTESTS & APPEALS

A protest against a competitor or a team or against a decision of an Official must be lodged verbally with the Competition Liaison Officer or Sectional Referee within 5 minutes of the completion of the event or the announcement of the result of an event.

A written protest must then be lodged with the Competition Liaison Officer or Sectional Referee within 15 minutes of the verbal protest being lodged. Protest forms can be obtained from the Competition Liaison Officer. The result of an event, if not already announced, will be withheld until the protest and any subsequent appeal is decided.

The Competition Appeals Committee will deal with all protests referred to it by the Referee under clause 14.3.3 (a) and all appeals by competitors under clause 14.3.3 (d) of the current edition of the Surf Sports Manual.

Team Managers are reminded that both the **Referee and the Appeals Committee will not entertain frivolous appeals**. In this regard please note that SSM (Clause 13.3.3b) states:

*“Where the Referee or the Area Referee or the Sectional Referee considers (in their absolute discretion) that a **protest is frivolous**, or not of a serious nature, they may choose not to accept the protest.”*



Please also note that the Team Manager retains the right (under SSM Clause 13.3.3e) to appeal the matter but the Appeals Committee will also consider whether the matter is frivolous in assessing the grounds for appeal.

An appeals fee of \$150.00 (incl. GST) must accompany all protest appeals when submitted to the Appeals Committee for adjudication. If an appeal is upheld the fee shall be returned forthwith. The decision of the Competition Appeals Committee is final and there is no right of appeal against that decision.

More information pertaining to protests and appeals can be found in [Section 14 'Protests, Appeals and Discipline](#) of the current edition of the Surf Sports Manual.

### **EQUIPMENT CONTAINERS – KINGSCLIFF BEACH**

States and Clubs transporting containers to Kingscliff Beach must contact the SLSA Events Team ([events@slsa.asn.au](mailto:events@slsa.asn.au)) by no later than Friday 5 July and provide the following information:

If your Club or State is shipping a container to Kingscliff Beach, please ensure it is a maximum of a 20ft container. If containers are greater than 20ft, they will be parked offsite. There will not be a Manitou forklift on site so please ensure the trucks delivering the containers can offload them. Deliveries to site can be received from 8:00am Wednesday 10 July – 4:00pm Thursday 11 July.

Exact location for deliveries will be confirmed upon receipt of your container information details.

Club	Container Size	Container Arrival Date	Container Pickup Date	Container Organiser's Name	Container Organiser's Phone No.	Container Organiser's Email	Transport Company (e.g. Toll)	Container ID #



## **EVENT CONDITIONS**

### **TRAINING LOGS AND LOG BOOKS**

It is a condition of entry into these Championships that all Clubs must complete and sign the Training Log Summary Sheet. This form needs to be sent to [events@slsa.asn.au](mailto:events@slsa.asn.au) by Thursday 4 July 2019.

Copies of daily training logs may be requested at the Championships for auditing purposes and it is a condition of entry that each Club provides these to SLSA if requested. If these Training Logs are not provided on request, the Club will not be allowed to compete.

### **BOATING/ MARITIME LICENCES**

Clubs are reminded that anyone driving an IRB at these Championships must be able to provide a current boating or maritime licence as legislated by their State or Territory laws.

### **SUBSTITUTIONS**

Substitutions will be allowed as per the current edition of the Surf Sports Manual (as long as the competitor is entered into the Championships) and there will be no substitution charge to make these changes.

If a substitution occurs with a new competitor who is not entered in the competition – this will be considered a 'late entry' and they will be charged at the Late Entry Fee. The details of the substitution need to be communicated to event administration by 5pm on Wednesday 10 July 2019.

Any competitor substituted into an event must meet the correct requirements as set out in the Surf Sports Manual and relevant circulars.

In the case of a genuine injury, the IRBCCC may consider an application for a substitution of an eligible driver or crew (but not both) who has already competed in a different age category of the same event into an older or younger age category of the event.

### **SAFETY INFRINGEMENTS**

Safety is a key priority of these Championships. All IRB operational practices will be strictly monitored, and penalties will be imposed on any participant who competes in an unsafe manner.

Clubs are reminded of the following excerpt from Section 3.3.2.3. of the current Surf Sports Manual:

#### **3.3.2.3 Safety Infringements**

- a) A strong emphasis will be placed on safe driving, crewing and patient safety practices. All competitors must complete each event in a safe and controlled speed and manner or will face immediate disqualification from the event, and/or issue of a safety infringement and consideration for further penalties.
- b) A safety infringement shall be issued to any competitor deemed to have committed an unsafe practice. This will result in immediate disqualification of the competitor and their entire team (i.e. crew and patient/s) from the event in which the infringement occurred. The name of the competitor and the details of the infringement shall be logged through the safety infringement register of the relevant State and National office.
- c) If a competitor receives more than one safety infringement in any one competition they shall be disqualified from the entire competition.
- d) Should a history of safety infringements be identified by an SLSA officer or Official in a twelve month period, the matter shall be referred to the relevant State or National officer/s for consideration of further penalties or disciplinary action.





## **COMPETITOR EQUIPMENT**

Clubs must ensure that they have sufficient gear and equipment to fulfill their entries. Races will not be held up for Clubs with insufficient equipment. Insurance of equipment is the responsibility of the individual competitors and/or team management.

Surf Life Saving Australia will not accept the responsibility for loss, damage or theft of equipment.

## **SCRUTINEERING**

All clubs need to present for Scrutineering. The following conditions apply:

- All hulls must be presented with the floorboards in situ and the hull inflated to the manufacturer's recommended maximum pressure.
- All motors must have their carburetors and restrictor plates removed from the manifold for examination prior to being placed on the motor racks. After examination, these components must be refitted under the supervision of the Scrutineer Officials and the retaining nuts will be sealed for the duration of the carnival.
- The motor's maximum steering turning angle will be checked at Scrutineering and the nuts will be sealed for the duration of the Carnival.
- If a seal needs to be broken, the Scrutineering Officials must be informed prior.

All Clubs need to ensure they complete the following Scrutineering Forms in preparation for Scrutineering:

- Fuel Safety and Compliance Check Record
- Hull Compliance Check Record
- Outboard Motor and Propeller Guard and Compliance Check Record
- Propeller Safety and Compliance Check Record

Please refer to the IRB Competition Gear and Equipment Regulations 2019 on the Members Area.

## **HELMETS, LIFE JACKETS AND APPAREL**

It is compulsory for all patients to wear approved helmets in training and competition. Refer to Section 2.5.2 and 3.3.2.4 of the current Surf Sports Manual.

The wearing of approved lifejackets is compulsory for drivers, crew and patients (refer to Section 2.5.1 and 3.3.2.4 of the current Surf Sports Manual). SLSA, as determined by the Chief Referee may require lane coloured kidney belts, lycra sleeve or caps to be worn to assist with judging.

## **CODE OF BEHAVIOUR**

All participating associations involved with this Championships are expected to comply with the SLSA Code of Behaviour as specified in Section 2.27.2 of the current Surf Sports Manual.

## **DISCIPLINARY MATTERS**

Disciplinary matters should initially be referred to the IRB Championships Competition Committee, who will appoint the Disciplinary committee should it be deemed necessary.

## **ABUSE/INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOUR**

In addition to the code of conduct, any member who abuses an Official, a competitor, another member or member of the public at an event may be excluded or disqualified from that competition, carnival or an event at the discretion of the referee. The Competition Disciplinary Committee may also impose additional penalties. For the purposes of this rule 'abuse' includes, but is not limited to, making direct or implied threats or behaving in an inappropriate manner as determined by the referee and/or the relevant official in their absolute discretion.



Refer also the Section 2.28 of the revised 35th edition of the Surf Sports Manual.

### **THEFT**

Any person/s found stealing signage or any equipment owned by Surf Life Saving Australia or another Surf Life Saving Club or competitor will be immediately reported to police and that person/s will be brought before the SLSA Judiciary. Please note that automatic disqualification of the team/club from the Championship may occur if any member is found guilty of theft.

### **MODEL AIRCRAFT & UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLES (DRONES)**

SLSA, under agreement with the local government authority, has control and management of the event site and the water abeam the site. The use of Model Aircraft and Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) & all personal drones within the controlled boundaries of the Championships is strictly prohibited as they have serious safety implications for search & rescue and television helicopters that will operate in the area from time to time.

### **SITE MAP**

Please refer to next page.

**KEY:**



**IRB Championship 2019**  
Kingscliff Beach, NSW  
Site Map  
Version 3—04/07/2019

- 1. Trailer/Container/Gear Storage
- 2. Recording/Results Marquee
- 3. Toilets

- 4. SLSA Compound
- 5. Fuel Storage
- 6. Scrutineering
- 7. Wash-down
- 8. Vendors/Activations
- 9. Club Tents
- 10. Medical Facility
- 11. VIP Parking
- 12. Admin Centre

- 13. Presentation Area
- 14. Briefing & Officials Area
- 15. Competition Area
- 16. Warm up Area
- 17. Patient Chute
- 18. General Parking
- 19. Patient Marshalling Area
- 20. Access Gate
- 21. Emergency Vehicle Parking

- 22. Audio / Sports Pres
- 23. Pick Up Drop Off Point—IRB Transfer to Beach
- 24. ASADA
- 25. Drone Restricted Area
- 26. Cudgen SLSC BBQ
- 27. Broadcast van
- 28. Appeals

\*\*Map created in NearMap

