

Memorandum



To:	Club Presidents, Club Directors of Surf Sports, Junior Activities Officers & Club Powercraft Officers
From:	Jess Mensforth – Senior Competitions Coordinator
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Subject:	2022 Oakberry Acai NSW Country Championships – Powercraft Roster

This Memo outlines information regarding the volunteer Powercraft Roster for the 2022 Oakberry Acai NSW Country Championships.

1 Personnel

Powercraft Drivers/Operators and crewpersons **must** fulfil the following requirements:

- **IRB Driver:** Be a current financial SLS member and hold a proficient Silver Medallion IRB Driver.
- **IRB Crewperson:** Be a current financial SLS member and hold a proficient IRB Crew Certificate.
- **RWC Operator:** Be a financial SLS member and hold a proficient RWC Operator Certificate.
- **Both IRB and RWC:** Be experienced in ALL levels of surf conditions and competent to deal in all surf conditions.

Note: Personnel are no longer required to be Core or Technical Official to be eligible to undertake powercraft safety duties, however it is still encouraged.

Clubs will be required to nominate volunteer names and contact information for IRB Drivers and Crew. The details are to be submitted via this survey monkey link – [Powercraft Personnel](#) by **Sunday 23 January, 2022 at 11.00pm.**

2 Compliance

This information will be audited via Surfguard on **Monday 24 January, 2022.** Clubs who haven't submitted information via the survey monkey link may not have their entries accepted (see Surf Sports Manual Section 12.1 pg. 186).

To be clear, if your Club is rostered on, both an IRB driver and IRB crew are required to report for duty. It will be the responsibility of the Club to find a replacement crew should there be any crews effected by COVID-19.

Individuals reporting for Powercraft (IRB or RWC) Duties **must present** their SLSNSW issued Powercraft Licence card.

All IRB drivers and crew must wear an approved SLS lifejacket on duty. It is the responsibility of Clubs to ensure that your members completing shifts must bring their own lifejacket (or supplied by their own Club). Lifejackets will not be supplied by event organisers.

All RWC Operators must bring their own SLS Lifejacket, Wetsuit and Helemt.

3 Further Information

The roster will only identify days and shifts. All rostered crews are to report to the compound, and water areas will be allocated based on the requirements of the carnival. For clarity, Clubs are not rostered to a specific water area.

In the event that competition is suspended IRB drivers and crew reporting for duty should be made aware that if the event continues again within their allocated shift time frame then they need to report back to the powercraft meeting point ASAP for duty.

Please note that a driver and crew can not do consecutive shifts, I.e. Shift 1 & Shift 2. This is to ensure duty of care is provided to the driver and crew so please keep this in mind should clubs approach one another to swap shifts.

SLNSW will also call for additional volunteers to operate the Rescue Water Craft (RWC).

4 IRB Equipment

All IRBs supplied must be registered with SLNSW, have passed the 2021/22 Gear and Equipment Inspection process and be entered on SurfGuard. To ensure that equipment is in a safe and reliable working order for use at the Championships, please see the **IRB Hull and IRB Motor Compliance Inspection Forms (appendix 2)** as a guide.

Notes:

- IRBs should be brought to the IRB compound (Map TBC).
- If equipment, IRB or motor, is not in sound operational condition and considered safe for operations, the equipment **will not be accepted** and the Club may be forced to make other arrangements to be eligible to compete at the carnival.
- IRB's will only be scrutineered when they are fully assembled and inflated with floorboards in.
- To be clear, Class 3 (Cat Hulls) are not acceptable for Powercraft duties.
- All equipment is to be clearly marked with Club name: Fuel cells, motors, lifejackets, hulls & trailers
- IRB equipment such as the tube, paddle and rope does not need to be brought.

More information on scrutineering times to be provided soon.

5 Insurance

SLNSW acknowledges and thanks the hard work of members during the Country Championships. This event cannot be delivered safely and efficiently without contribution from Clubs.

All volunteer hours for Powercraft can contribute to an individual's total Club water safety hours.

Members are only able to make a claim through WorkCover if the following applies:

- 1) The member is a current SLNSW financial member.
- 2) While undertaking a genuine, authorised activity as a surf lifesaver and the member was not receiving remuneration or reward. The member must be performing the activity voluntarily and without obligation.

6 Summary

Clubs that fail to meet their requirements or attend rostered shifts at the Championships **will be suspended from competition until such a time that requirements are met.**

Should any club have any questions please contact the SLNSW Surf Sports Team at countrychampionships@surflifesaving.com.au or call (02) 9471 8000.

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7 Clubs required to bring IRB Equipment

Club	Equipment
Coffs Harbour	IRB, Motor & Fuel Cell
Black Head	IRB, Motor & Fuel Cell
Forster	IRB, Motor & Fuel Cell
Port Macquarie	IRB, Motor & Fuel Cell
Sawtell	IRB, Motor & Fuel Cell
Tacking Point	IRB, Motor & Fuel Cell
Urunga	IRB, Motor & Fuel Cell
Wauchope Bonny Hills	IRB, Motor & Fuel Cell

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8 Powercraft Roster – IRB

The Powercraft Roster is subject to change.

Friday 28 January 2022						
Shift 1: 0730 - 1100					Reserve	Duty
Club 1 (Driver & Crew)	Cudgen	Warilla	Yamba	Kiama Downs	Lennox	Powercraft Team
Club 2 (Driver & Crew)	Port Macquarie	Cabarita	Woolgoolga	Mollymook		Powercraft Team
Shift 2: 1030 - 1430					Reserve	Duty
Club 1 (Driver & Crew)	Sawtell	Coffs Harbour	Tacking Point	Ballina	Port Macquarie	Powercraft Team
Club 2 (Driver & Crew)	Byron Bay	Wauchope Bonny Hills	Broulee Surfers	Gerringong		Powercraft Team
Shift 3: 1400 - 1700					Reserve	Duty
Club 1 (Driver & Crew)	Cudgen	Lennox	Yamba	Black Head	Cabarita	Powercraft Team
Club 2 (Driver & Crew)	Port Macquarie	Warilla	Woolgoolga	Mollymook		Powercraft Team

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Saturday 29 January 2022							
Shift 1: 0730 - 1100						Reserve	Duty
Club 1 (Driver & Crew)	Cudgen	Lennox	Sawtell	Coffs Harbour	Port Macquarie	Mollymook	Powercraft Team
Club 2 (Driver & Crew)	Cabarita	Warilla	Byron Bay	Wauchope Bonny Hills	Coffs Harbour		Powercraft Team
Shift 2: 1030 - 1430						Reserve	Duty
Club 1 (Driver & Crew)	Woolgoolga	Urunga	Black Head	Ballina	Yamba	Cudgen	Powercraft Team
Club 2 (Driver & Crew)	Broulee Surfers	Gerrigong	Kiama Downs	Forster	Lennox		Powercraft Team
Shift 3: 1400 - 1700						Reserve	Duty
Club 1 (Driver & Crew)	Cudgen	Cabarita	Sawtell	Coffs Harbour		Byron Bay	Powercraft Team
Club 2 (Driver & Crew)	Port Macquarie	Warilla	Tacking Point	Wauchope Bonny Hills			Powercraft Team

Sunday 30 January 2022							
Shift 1: 0730 - 1100						Reserve	Duty
Club 1 (Driver & Crew)	Cudgen	Cabarita	Byron Bay	Yamba	Coffs Harbour	Warilla	Powercraft Team
Club 2 (Driver & Crew)	Lennox	Ballina	Mollymook	Gerrigong	Wauchope Bonny Hills		Powercraft Team
Shift 2: 1030 - 1430						Reserve	Duty
Club 1 (Driver & Crew)	Port Macquarie	Tacking Point	Urunga			Sawtell	Powercraft Team
Club 2 (Driver & Crew)	Forster	Black Head	Woolgoolga				Powercraft Team

Appendix 1 – Frequently Asked Questions

Last year our Club had a really strong representative team at Country, and we don't think that this will happen this year, why should this roster be based on past participation?

This roster is based on the entries from the 2020 & 2022 Country Championships. With the new location of competition in 2022 SLSNSW thought it was important to include this year's entries with that of the previous Country Championships held in 2020.

There are Clubs who placed higher in the overall point score than us; shouldn't they have more shifts than us?

No. The roster is based on Clubs participation, not their competition performance.

Will my Club have to supply an IRB and/or Motor & Fuel Cell?

Eight clubs will be required to supply an IRB, Motor and Fuel Cell. Clubs were selected based on proximity to the host club.

Shouldn't the bigger Clubs have to complete more shifts than the smaller Clubs?

Consideration is given to the number of competitors, however it is not an exact science and SLSNSW aims to avoid Clubs being rostered to "back-to-back" shifts.

Can we swap shifts?

Yes, however SLSNSW will be referring to the original roster. Therefore if shifts are swapped, members are to advise in the compound which clubs shift they are fulfilling. It is still the responsibility of the originally rostered club to ensure the shift is fulfilled.

Appendix 2 – Gear and Equipment Compliance

2022 Country Championships Hull Check List

Club Name

Date

Club Contact

Contact Details

Hull Details

Hull make and model 'Class 3 Not Accepted'

SR Number

Please circle the following:

Reason:

Hull Appearance: Clean Dirty

Safety Equipment removed: Pass Fail

Crewmen's' bow rope: Pass Fail

Crew and Driver handlers: Pass Fail

Lifeline ropes and eyelets: Pass Fail

Foot Straps: Pass Fail

Floor Board/ RIB Hull Condition: Pass Fail

4 x Side Lift Handles: Pass Fail

Front Lift Handle: Pass Fail

Pontoons &

Keel Holding Pressure: Pass Fail

Engine Safety Cable on Hull: Pass Fail

Visible Hull Wear: Pass Fail

Pre Use Hull Inspection: Pass Fail

Re – Inspection Date: Pass Fail

Hull Pick Up Inspection: Pass Fail

Is the Hull on pick up in the same condition as drop off? Yes No

Comments

Approved By

Approved by Club Contact

Mobile Number

Signature

Date

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IRB INSPECTION SHEET (Mark any existing damage)



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IRB Motor Inspection
(Mark any existing damage)

