



SURF LIFE SAVING
NEW SOUTH WALES



2025/26 NSW Beach Stormers Series
Round 4: Manly LSC
Friday 16th & Saturday 17th January 2026
Final Event Information

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Round 4 of the 2025 NSW Beach Stormers Series will be held on Friday 16th & Saturday 17th January 2026 at Manly LSC.

1 KEY TIMINGS

Marshall	Start	Event
Friday 16 January 2026		
	3:15pm	Team Managers Meeting on the beach
3:30pm	4:00pm	Beach Flag start as per program
Saturday 17 January 2026		
7:30am	8:00am	Sprints start as per program – no registration – mark off in marshalling using Live Heats tags
		Beach Relays / Mixed Relays / All Age Relay will be held at conclusion of Sprints

2 LIVEHEATS

All competitors are required to have a Live Heats Race Tag with them which will be used throughout the event. All competitors will be signed into the event using Live Heats, and all event racing will be marshalled and recorded using Live Heats.

Non-members will be required to loan a Live Heats tag for the competition, and return at the end of competition, from the administration desk.

Keep up to date with event draws and results at <https://liveheats.com/slsnsw>

3 COMPETITION DETAILS

3.1 BEACH SPRINT EVENTS

Age Categories	Round 1	Round 2	SEMI FINAL	FINAL
Youth (U14/U15s), U17s & Opens	90m	90m	90m	90m

There are two (2) rounds of sprints available for all competitors to take part in. There is no minimum number of rounds that a competitor is required to take part in.

If the number of competitors exceeds the number of available race lanes, heats will be drawn for each of the rounds. A distributed “random” draw” for each round will ensure each competitor is able to compete with as many of the total competitors as possible in the heats.

For rounds one (1) to two (2) competitors take part in just one (1) heat per round, regardless of the number of heats.

Each competitor accumulates points in Rounds 1, 2 and 3 based on the following round point score allocation table –

PLACE	POINTS
1 st	20
2 nd	17
3 rd	14
4 th	11
5 th	8

6 th	5
7 th	2
8 th	1

These accumulated points are used to determine the competitors that qualify for two (2) semifinals of eight (8). The semifinals will be used to determine a final of eight (8). The exceptions to this are as follows -

1. If there are insufficient competitors to run more than 2 heats in each round robin round, the accumulation of points from rounds one (1) and two (2) will be used to determine a straight final of eight (8) which will be run after rounds one (1) and two (2).
2. If there are insufficient competitors to run more than 1 heat in each round robin round, the accumulation of points from rounds one (1) and two (2) will be used to determine the final overall event placings for all competitors.

Any breaks throughout the event will result in a 2-metre handicap (as opposed to elimination).

Event Order

The events within the rounds will be staggered between age groups and run in the following order:

- Youth Females and Males
- U17 Females and Males
- Open Females and Males

Note: Order of events may change on the day of the event at the discretion of the Referee.

Sprint Point Score Allocation

Final points will be awarded for all placings as per the 10,000 Series Point Score table (refer to table on page 5)

Competitors not making the final will be placed based on their accumulated points in Rounds 1, 2 and 3, and will receive the respective placing points as per the 10,000 Point Score table.

If there were insufficient competitors to require a final, accumulated points from Rounds 1, 2 and 3 will determine the event placings for all competitors and resulting points as per the 10,000 Point Score table.

3.2 BEACH FLAGS

All heats and finals will be run over standard flag pit dimensions as relates to the specific age group, as outlined in the Surf Sports Manual.

Flags will be run as per normal carnival format, in specific age and gender categories. If heats are required, all run down until a final of either eight (8) or nine (9) is reached.

Any breaks throughout the event will result in a one (1) metre handicap (as opposed to elimination) for all age groups except for U17 and Opens (subject to Referee's discretion on day of event).

Event Order

The Beach Flags will be run in the following order:

- Youth Females and Males
- U17 Females and Males
- Open Females and Males.

Beach Flags Point Score Allocation

Points will be awarded for placings as per the 10,000 point score table listed in section 3.4.

3.3 BEACH RELAYS (ROUND 4 ONLY)

Age Categories
Youth (U14/U15) Male & Female
U17 Male & Female
Open Male & Female
Youth (U14/U15) Mixed
U17 Mixed
Open Mixed
All Age Relay

The beach relays will be run as per normal over 90m, with heats through to finals in each category. There are no points allocated for the Beach Sprint Relays.

Teams can be formed on the day but must be communicated to the Referee and/or Marshall prior to the start of the relays so as to be added to LiveHeats manually.

The teams in the All-Age Relay will comprise of six (6) competitors, with two (2) competitors from each age group (Youth | U17 | Opens). Each age group can only have a maximum of 1 Male competitor but may have 2 Female competitors. E.g. a team can comprise of the following –

- 1 Male & 1 Female Youth competitor
- 2 Female U17 competitors
- 1 Male & 1 Female Open competitor

Composite teams will be permitted in all Beach Sprint Relays (unless this results in an additional heat to be run at the discretion of the Referee).

Any breaks throughout the event will result in a 2-metre handicap (as opposed to elimination).

Event Order

- Youth Females and Males
- U17 Females and Males
- Open Females and Males
- Youth Mixed
- U17 Mixed
- Open Mixed
- All-Age Relay

3.4 POINT SCORE

An overall point score will be accumulated over the first three (3) events of the series for the U13 and Masters (sprint & flags), and over all four (4) events for the Youth and Opens competition, and U13 and Masters (distance) with participants receiving points for each of the respective rounds. Prizes will be awarded to overall series point score winners. Rounds 1, 2 and 3 are 5,000 point events, whilst Round 4 is a 10,000 point event. Points for places will be as follows -

5,000 POINT SCORE TABLE		10,000 POINT SCORE TABLE	
PLACE	POINTS	PLACE	POINTS
1 st	5000	1 st	10000
2 nd	4300	2 nd	8600
3 rd	3650	3 rd	7300
4 th	3350	4 th	6700
5 th	3050	5 th	6100
6 th	2915	6 th	5830
7 th	2775	7 th	5550
8 th	2640	8 th	5280
9 th	2500	9 th	5000
10 th	2440	10 th	4880
11 th	2375	11 th	4750
12 th	2310	12 th	4620
13 th	2250	13 th	4500
14 th	2190	14 th	4380
15 th	2125	15 th	4250
16 th	2065	16 th	4130

Points will be awarded down to position 50 using a scale system, for both the 5,000 point and 10,000 point events.

At the conclusion of the Series, the Beach Sprint and Flags Points will be combined to give overall placings in the combined Sprints/Flags competition.

4 LOGISTICS

4.1 CAR PARKING

Street parking is available in surrounding street and car parks.

Please ensure you arrive with plenty of time and park within designated locations. All vehicles are to be in defined parking areas and not to be parked across driveways and no stopping zones / parking.

4.2 WASTE MANAGEMENT

Please ensure the beach is left in a clean and tidy condition and dispose of waste in the appropriate event rubbish bins located by the Surf Club. Members should bring their own reusable bags, refillable water bottles and coffee cups to the event.

4.3 TOILETS

Council amenities are located at Manly LSC and under the Pantry near the Corso.

5 PRIZES

Overall Series Prizes will be awarded as detailed in the [Memo - 2025/26 NSW Beach Stormers Series – Series Prizes](#)

6 INSURANCE

The Beach Stormers Series carries prize money or prizes of a material value and as such negates member's access to the iCare (Workcover insurance) scheme as indicated in the legislation.

For clarity you will not have access to the iCare (Workcover insurance) scheme. Any claim for personal accident injury resultant from the event may only be made under the SLS Group Personal Accident Policy ([Policy](#)). Please note the provisions under the Policy may not be as beneficial as those available under icare. Members should note all claims will be assessed by the insurer in accordance with the relevant terms of the policy including the insurer reserving the right to decline the claim.

With respect to event liability and liability coverage, as the event is owned and operated by a SLS entity, coverage for members such as officials, organisers and participants is covered via the SLS Group policy which all clubs and members are covered under. Non – Members will incur a \$0.80 levy per entry, with their entry fee to ensure liability coverage.

For more information regarding insurance coverage for surf sports events, please refer to [Memo: Insurance Coverage – Participation in Surf Sports Events/Special Events](#)

7 EVENT COMMUNICATION

Primary event communication will be via the SLSNSW Website Event Page and the 2025 NSW Beach Stormers Series Stack Team App.

[Website Event Page](#)

Please download Stack Team App, search for '2025 NSW Beach Stormers Series' and request to join.

If you'd prefer the website version, please click [here](#).

9 BEHAVIOUR/MISCONDUCT

Misconduct before, during and after the Event will not be tolerated. Offending members risk disciplinary action against themselves and their Clubs.

Please refer to 38th Surf Sports Manual sections [2.27 SLSA Code of Behaviour](#) and [2.28 Abuse/Inappropriate Behaviour](#) and [Policy 6.5 – Member Protection Policy](#).

10 MEDIA AND PHOTOGRAPHY

Photography:

As a condition of entry, all competitors agree to have photos and video taken during the event to be used for promotional material by SLSNSW. SLSNSW will not be issuing media/photography accreditation to team members or team management. Professional photographers may be attending and material available via social media and to Clubs on request. Club Team Management are welcome to take photographs from outside the competition area. Go Pro's may only be used within the competition area on approved fittings and fixtures as set out in relevant SLSA bulletins.

Media:

No competitor, team manager, official or spokesperson for a club shall make media statements which could bring the event, its sponsors, or officials into controversy or disrepute. Such statements will be a breach of policy and could potentially result in sanctions against members involved. Please note that statements to the media regarding about the event will be made only by approved authorised spokespeople.

Drones:

For the safety of competitors, officials, and spectators SLSNSW prohibits the use of drones or Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV) at the event by members and/or public unless approved by SLSNSW, 7 days prior to the event. The operator must supply an operations manual (including risk management plan), provide a copy of public liability insurance and comply with all Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) requirements.

11 SITE MAP – TBC