2026/27 NSW BEACH STORMERS SERIES

ROUND 1: South Maroubra SLSC

Saturday 31 October 2026

FINAL EVENT INFORMATION

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ROUND 1 of the 2026/27 NSW Beach Stormers Series will be held on Saturday 31st October 2026 at South Maroubra SLSC.

1 KEY TIMINGS

Marshall	Start	Event
	6:45 AM	South Maroubra SLSC Work Parties report to Referee to set up course
7:15 AM	7:30 AM	Distance Runs – no registration – mark off in marshalling using Live Heats tags
	8:30 AM	Team Managers Meeting on the beach at finish line of the distance runs
8:30 AM	9:00 AM	Sprints / Flags start as per program

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 Live Heats - SLSNSW Beach Stormers Series R1

3 COMPETITION DETAILS

3.1 DISTANCE RUN

There is a single distance race per age category for Males & Females as listed below.

Age Categories	Round 1/Final
U13	1.5km
Youth (U14/U15s)	2.5km
Masters (10-year age groups)	2.5km
U17s & Opens	3km

The Distance Runs will be conducted as per the current edition of the SLSA Surf Sports Manual except for the following –

- Any starting breaks will result in a 15 second time penalty (as opposed to elimination)
- Competitors can only compete in a single age category
- Race distances will vary as per the table above

The Distance Runs will be run in the following order:

- U13 Females and Males
- Masters Females and Males
- Open Females and Males
- U17 Females and Males
- Youth Females and Males

Note: Order and group of events may change on the day of the event at the discretion of the Referee. **Note: -** Competitors can only compete in a single age group.

Competitors will be awarded Beach Stormers Series Points based on their overall placing, as per the 5,000 Series Point Score table listed below.

3.2 BEACH SPRINT EVENTS

The Beach Sprints are held in a Round Robin format which will be run over the following distances –

Age Categories	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	FINAL
U13	40m	50m	60m	70m
Masters (10-year age groups)	40m	50m	60m	70m
Youth (U14/U15s), U17s & Opens	50m	60m	70m	80m

The Beach Sprints will be conducted as per the current edition of the SLSA Surf Sports Manual except for the following –

- Any starting breaks will result in a 2 metre handicap (as opposed to elimination)
- Competitors can only compete in a single age category
- Race distances will vary as per the table above

The rounds will be run in the following order, with all the age categories completing the respective round prior the start of the next round:

- Masters Females and Males
- U13 Females and Males
- Youth Females and Males
- U17 Females and Males
- Open Females and Males

The Beach Sprints are run in a **Round Robin** format, **with 3 Rounds** and a **Final**.

If the number of competitors exceeds the number of available race lanes, heats are 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.

Competitors participate in just one (1) heat per round, regardless of the number of heats.

Each competitor accumulates Round Robin points in Rounds 1, 2, and 3 based on their position in each of these rounds and allocated as per the **Round Robin Points Table** below –

PLACE	POINTS
1st	25
2nd	22
3rd	19
4th	16
5th	13
6th	10
7th	7
8th	5
9th	3
10th	1

These accumulated points are used to identify the competitors that qualify for a Final of eight (8).

If there are only sufficient competitors to make up a single heat per round, only Round 1, 2 and 3 will be run and no Final, and the accumulated Round Robn Points will determine the overall event placings, and subsequent Series Point Score as per the 5,000 Series Point Score table listed below.

Competitors by default are drawn into all 3 rounds at the start of the event, but they do not have to take part in each round. They are required to be marked by the marshal as Did Not Start (DNS) for any round they do not compete in.

IMPORTANT: Competitors must marshal for Round 1 of the event, even if they decide not to run in Round 1, to ensure that they are added to the draws for each of the 3 Rounds. For any round that they decide to not take part in, they are marked as a Did Not Start (DNS) by the marshals.

Competitors in the Final are allocated Series Points for 1st to 8th based on their placings in the Final. The remaining competitors are allocated Series Points based on where they place overall in the event, using their accumulated Round Robin points down to 50th as per the 5,000 Series Point Score table listed below.

3.3 BEACH FLAGS

For all Events, all Beach Flags heats and finals will be run over the following flag pit dimensions -

Age Categories	Pit Length
U13	15m
Masters (10-year age groups)	15m
Youth (U14/U15s)	20m
U17s & Opens	20m

The Beach Flags will be conducted as per the current edition of the SLSA Surf Sports Manual except for the following –

- Any starting breaks will result in a 1 metre handicap (as opposed to elimination)
- Competitors can only compete in a single age category

If heats are required, all run down until a final of either 8 or 9 is reached.

The Beach Flags will be run in the following order –

- Masters Females and Males
- U13 Females and Males
- Youth Females and Males
- U17 Females and Males
- Open Females and Males

Series Points will be awarded for all placings down to 50th as per the 5,000 Series Point Score table listed below.

3.4 SERIES POINT SCORE

Competitors are awarded Beach Stomers Series Points as per the following Series Point Score Table for positions 1 to 50 –

5,000 POINT SCORE TABLE	
PLACE	**POINTS**
1st	5000
2nd	4300
3rd	3650
4th	3350
5th	3050
6th	2915
7th	2775
8th	2640
9th	2500
10th	2440
11th	2375
12th	2310
13th	2250
14th	2190
15th	2125
16th	2065
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50th	1345

4 LOGISTICS

4.1 CAR PARKING

Limited carparks are located around South Maroubra SLSC.

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 South Maroubra SLSC.

5 PRIZES

Overall series prizes will be awarded based on results across Rounds 1, 2 and 3. The top male and female competitors in each age category will receive a Budgy Smuggler prize voucher for the distance run and combined sprints/flags events, as outlined in the table below.

	Sprint/Flags		Distance Runs	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
U13	$100	$100	$100	$100
Youth (U14/U15)	$150	$150	$100	$100
Masters	$150	$150	$100	$100
U17	$200	$200	$150	$150
Open	$250	$250	$200	$200

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 2026/27 NSW Beach Stormers Series Stack Team App.

Website Event Page

Please download Stack Team App, search for **'2026/27 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

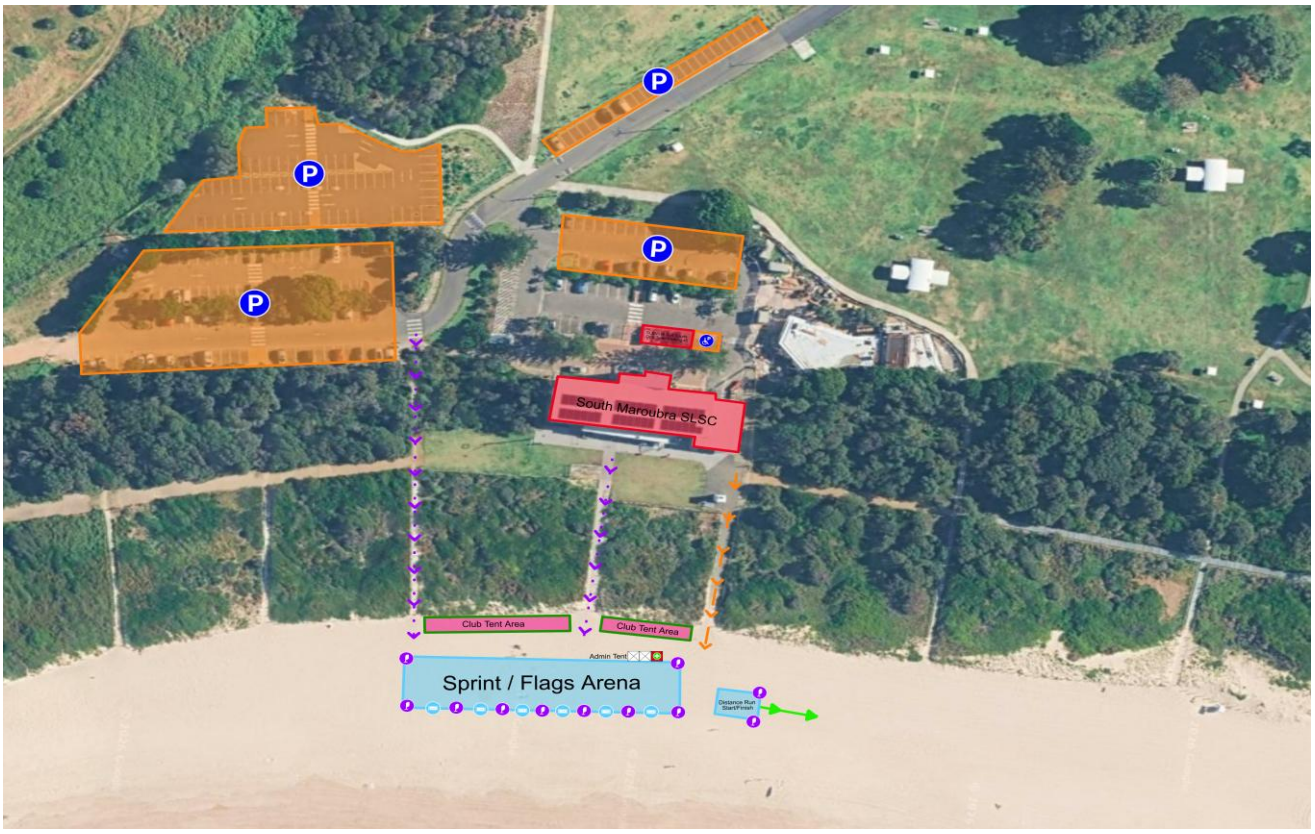
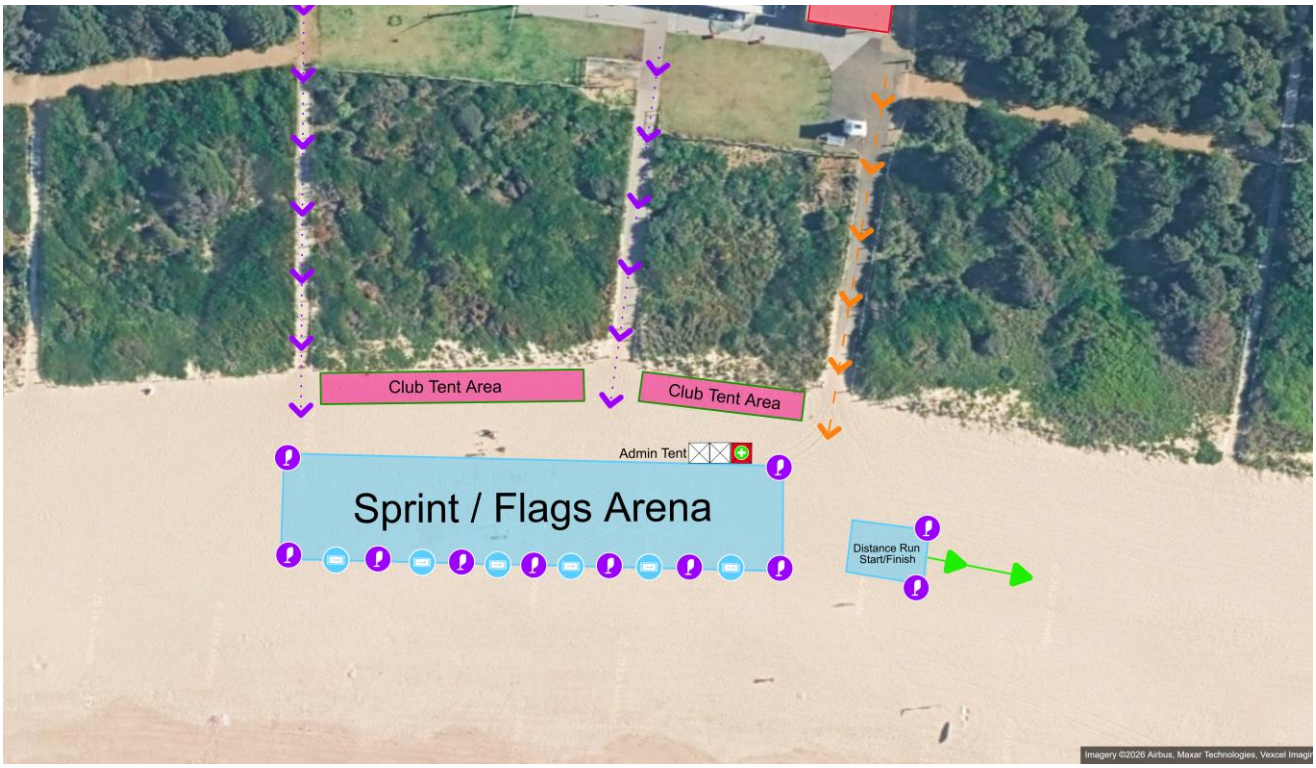
Photography:

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

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