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Audience:	Club Captains/Competition Officers, Board Riding Coaches/Competitors
Summary:	This document outlines entry details for the 2019 SunSmart Board Riding Championships which will be held at Secret Harbour on Saturday 5 and Sunday 6 October 2019.
Action:	Clubs are to note event date and competitive conditions for the 2019 SunSmart Board Riding Championships events.

EVENT DATE AND LOCATION

The 2019 SunSmart WA Board Riding Championships will be held at Secret Harbour on Saturday 5 and Sunday 6 October 2019 for Nipper (U13 only), Senior and Masters Competitors. Marshalling will take place from 7.00am to 7.30am each morning of the championships.

LIST OF EVENTS

Note: A minimum of three competitors from two clubs is required to constitute an event.

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| 1. Open Male Short Board | 10. U14 Female Short Board | 19. 40-49 Female Short Board |
| 2. Open Female Short Board | 11. U13 Male Short Board | 20. 50yrs+ Short Board |
| 3. U19 Male Short Board | 12. U13 Female Short Board | 21. 30-39yrs Male Long Board |
| 4. U19 Female Short Board | 13. Open Male Long Board | 22. 30-39yrs Female Long Board |
| 5. U17 Male Short Board | 14. Open Female Long Board | 23. 40-49yrs Male Long Board |
| 6. U17 Female Short Board | 15. Open Mixed Short Board Teams | 24. 40-49yrs Female Long Board |
| 7. U15 Male Short Board | 16. 30-39yrs Male Short Board | 25. 50-59yrs Male Long Board |
| 8. U15 Female Short Board | 17. 30-39yrs Female Short Board | 26. 50-59yrs Female Long Board |
| 9. U14 Male Short Board | 18. 40-49yrs Male Short Board | 27. 60yrs+ Long Board |

EVENT PROGRAM

The short board events will be take place on the Saturday with Longboard events scheduled for Sunday. SLSWA may move long board events to Saturday depending on entry numbers. Competitors will be advised of the final program on Thursday 3 October 2019.

CHAMPION CLUB - POINTSCORE

Clubs will compete for the Champion Club - SunSmart WA Board Riding Championships that incorporates all results from short board and long board categories from all applicable age groups (nippers to masters).

ENTRY FEES

- \$40 per competitor. This entry fee covers the 2019 SunSmart Short Board Riding Championships only.
- Clubs will be invoiced accordingly for entry fees at the conclusion of this event.
- Entry fees are non-refundable if members do not take part in these Championships or if events are subsequently cancelled after commencement of the Championships.

SAFETY BRIEFING

A safety briefing will take place at 7.45am each morning of the event central to the competition arenas on the beach.

ENTRY CONDITIONS

- Entries will be on-line via www.mybeach.com.au → Members → Surf Sports → Entries
- Entries will close 5pm Tuesday 1 October 2019.
- **NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.** Heat draws will be created from the entries system after close of entries.
- Entry conditions, proficiency and patrol hour requirements will be as per SLSA Policy 5.04 Competition Eligibility and the SLSA Surf Sports Manual (35th Edition) plus its amendments. The patrol hour requirement will use the 2018/2019 calendar hours performed, or on a pro-rata basis as defined in the policy (U13 and U14 age competitors do not have a patrol hour requirement).
- Age categories for these championships are taken as of 30 September 2019.
- U13 competitors must possess the U13 preliminary and competition skills evaluations. U14 and U15 competitors must possess the SRC as a minimum. U17, U19, Open and Masters competitors must possess the Bronze Medallion as a minimum.
- Competitors who fail to marshal at 7.00 to 7.30am at Secret Harbour SLSC on the days of competition shall not be eligible to compete.
- Event rounds, excluding team events, may not be held up for competitors who compete in more than one event category.

JUDGES

The Championship Referee **Neil Bowie**, in conjunction with SLSWA Surf Sports staff, will appoint judges to the heats and finals. In addition to judges, assistance is required with competitor marshalling and timekeeping. If you can assist, please contact Jason Wright at jwright@sksa.com.au.

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Board riding judging criteria will be as per A.S.A short board judging criteria i.e. A surfer must execute the most radical controlled maneuver in the critical section of the wave with speed and power throughout. The surfer who executes such maneuvers on the biggest and/or best waves for the longest functional distance shall be deemed the winner.
2. All heats will be controlled through signal flags:
 - Green Flag - Heat is in progress,
 - Orange Flag - Heat has 5 minutes to go,
 - Red Flag - Heat is finished
3. All heats will be water/wet starts.
4. Competitors will report to the Arena Marshall 10 minutes prior to the start of their heat to collect a competition vest.
5. Competitors can paddle out (off beach) when orange flag is raised (5 minutes to go flags) and remain clear of the competitors in the water.
6. Competitors can paddle into competition area when red flag is raised and be prepared to commence competition when the green flag is subsequently raised.
7. Competitors, upon completion of their heat, must return to the beach in a kneeling/prone position so as not to be confused with the competitors in the next heat.
8. Competitors are requested to return their competition vests to the Arena Marshall immediately upon return to the beach.

9. Three (3) competitors will progress from 6 or 5 person heats
Two (2) competitors will progress from 4 person heat. Please Note – ratios for progression may be altered by the Championship Referee prior to or on the day of competition.

Interference/ fouling will be called in ALL circumstances and the interference rules and requirements will be explained and emphasised at the competitors briefing.

MEDAL PRESENTATIONS

Presentation of championship medallions will be held on the beach following the completion of each event.

Please note all enquiries relating to this circular should be directed to Jason Wright, Sport and Development Coordinator, SLSWA on 9207 6666 or email: jwright@slnwa.com.au



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