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Title:	Youth Development Camp Opportunities 2026/27
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Audience:	Presidents, Club Administrators, Youth Directors, Club Notice Board
Summary:	Clubs are encouraged to nominate participants for the 2026/27 Youth Development Camps. Further information on the camps such as venue, dates, participant numbers, club allocations and regional assistance is detailed below.
Action:	Nomination to be completed online by a Club Officer no later than 8am Monday 9 November 2026 via links below

Surf Life Saving WA strives to deliver initiatives targeted at engaging our youth members with the aim of developing future leaders of our organisation. Season 2026/27 will see SLSWA deliver two youth orientated development camps:

1. Rise Up Camp

The Rise Up Camp is designed to cater for U17 members (15- and 16-year-old). This camp provides an opportunity for members to participate in a wide range of physical and social activities that will develop personal leadership skills.

Age Group:	U17s
Venue:	SLSWA Development Centre, 222 Railway Terrace, Margaret River, 6285
Date:	Monday 4 – Thursday 7 January 2027
Cost:	\$480.00 per person (inc. GST)
Participants:	Maximum of 62 participants - Minimum of 2 position per club with the possibility of additional positions offered to clubs based on the size of their youth membership.
Online Nominations:	To be completed by Club Officers – Rise Up Camp Nominations

2. Teamwork, Opportunity and Development (TOAD) Camp

The TOAD Camp is a development program open to U14 & U15 members (13- and 14-year-old). The camp is designed to expose participants to a variety of skills and activities that will enhance and encourage their development within our organisation.

Age Group:	U14s and U15s
Venue:	SLSWA Development Centre, 222 Railway Terrace, Margaret River, 6285
Date:	Monday 11 – Thursday 14 January 2027
Cost:	\$480.00 per person (inc. GST)
Participants:	Maximum of 62 participants - Minimum of 2 positions per club with the possibility of additional positions offered to clubs based on the size of their youth membership.
Online Nominations:	To be completed by Club Officers – TOAD Camp Nominations

Nomination Process

Clubs are asked to nominate and rank all interested, potential participants from their club. Should a parent complete an online nomination, they are not to rank their child. In this instance we will contact the club to seek endorsement and ranking before accepting the nomination. SLSWA retain the right to select a lower ranked member for the purposes of accommodating participants into gender specific dorms.

Announcement of Participants

All successful and unsuccessful nominations will be notified on or before the week commencing 16 November 2026.

Country Club Assistance

To assist country clubs in getting members to attend these camps, special regional pickup locations and travel subsidies will be available. Subsidies are financial assistance to get youth members to and from SLSWA, 7 Delawney Street, Balcatta, 6021 or to the camp venue, 222 Railway Terrace, Margaret River, 6285. **Please note, subsidies are to be claimed via a club invoice (with the appropriate receipts attached) being sent to youth@slswa.com.au no later than 26 February 2027.**

TABLE 1 – Car Subsidy

Region	Clubs	Subsidy per car to SLSWA (7 Delawney St, Balcatta)	Subsidy per car to Development Centre (Railway Terr, Margaret River)
Mid-west	Dongara-Denison, Champion Bay, Geraldton	\$250.00	Nil - N/A
Peel	Secret Harbour, Mandurah, Port Bouvard	Bus pickup and drop off at Mandurah SLSC offered	
South-west	Binningup, City of Bunbury, Dalyellup Beach	Bus pickup and drop off at Bunbury SLSC offered	
	Busselton, Smiths Beach, Margaret River	Go direct to Development Centre	
Great Southern	Albany, Denmark	Nil – N/A	\$175.00

Note re Table 1: Should there be more than three members attending the camp an additional subsidy can be requested. (Max 2 cars)

TABLE 2 – Member Subsidy to Perth

Clubs	Subsidy per member
Broome	\$500.00
Dampier	\$500.00
Esperance Goldfields	\$500.00

Note re Table 2: For the following clubs: Broome, Dampier & Esperance Goldfields a maximum subsidy of \$1,000 for 2 or more members per camp.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Sport & Development Department at SLSWA via email youth@slswa.com.au or 9207 6666 during business hours (Mon – Fri, 8:30am – 5:00pm).



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