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To:	Club Presidents, Club Directors of Surf Sports, Junior Activities Officers & Club Powercraft Officers
From:	Nick Sampson – Event Staging Coordinator
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Subject:	2023 Oakberry Acai NSW Country Championships – Powercraft Roster

This Memo outlines information regarding the volunteer Powercraft Roster for the 2023 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, 2023 at 11.00pm.**

2 Compliance

This information will be audited via Surfguard on **Monday 24 January, 2023.** 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 affected by COVID-19.

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

Given the length of shifts and exposure to weathers conditions we recommend and advise to dress to the conditions i.e. rash vest top, springsuit, wind jacket

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



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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 cannot 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. However, where a club has been rostered for consecutive shifts clubs will be permitted to rotate across a group of three (3) drivers/crew across the consecutive shifts. This approach will require at least two (2) x drivers and/or two (2) driver/crew award members.

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.



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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 SLSNSW Surf Sports Team at countrychampionships@surflifesaving.com.au or call (02) 9471 8000.

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
Woolgoolga	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.

Powercraft Roster - IRB							
Friday 27 January 2023							
Shift 1: 0700 - 1100							Duty
Club 1 (Driver & Crew)	Port Macquarie	Cudgen	Woolgoolga	Warilla Barrack Point	Wauchope Bonny Hills		Powercraft Team
Club 2 (Driver & Crew)	Yamba	Byron Bay	Sawtell	Gerringong			Powercraft Team
Shift 2: 1030 - 1430							Duty
Club 1 (Driver & Crew)	Lennox	Coffs Harbour	Mollymook	Broulee	Tacking Point		Powercraft Team
Club 2 (Driver & Crew)	Forster	Ballina	Kiama Downs	Black Head			Powercraft Team
Shift 3: 1400 - 1700							Duty
Club 1 (Driver & Crew)	Port Macquarie	Cudgen	Woolgoolga	Gerringong	Yamba		Powercraft Team
Club 2 (Driver & Crew)	Warilla Barrack Point	Byron Bay	Sawtell	Wauchope Bonny Hills			Powercraft Team
Saturday 28 January 2023							
Shift 1: 0700 - 1100							Duty
Club 1 (Driver & Crew)	Sawtell	Cudgen	Woolgoolga	Warilla Barrack Point	Lennox	Mollymook	Powercraft Team
Club 2 (Driver & Crew)	Yamba	Byron Bay	Cabarita	Gerringong	Coffs Harbour		Powercraft Team
Shift 2: 1030 - 1430							Duty
Club 1 (Driver & Crew)	Mollymook	Forster	Broulee	Tacking Point	Cabarita	Woolgoolga	Powercraft Team
Club 2 (Driver & Crew)	Port Macquarie	Black Head	Ballina	Wauchope Bonny Hills	Kiama Downs		Powercraft Team
Shift 3: 1400 - 1700							Duty
Club 1 (Driver & Crew)	Yamba	Cudgen	Sawtell	Warilla Barrack Point	Port Macquarie		Powercraft Team
Club 2 (Driver & Crew)	Coffs Harbour	Byron Bay	Lennox	Gerringong			Powercraft Team



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Sunday 29 January 2023								
Shift 1: 0700 - 1100							Duty	
Club 1 (Driver & Crew)	Coffs Harbour	Cudgen	Woolgoolga	Port Macquarie			Warilla Barrack Point	Powercraft Team
Club 2 (Driver & Crew)	Black Head	Byron Bay	Gerringong	Yamba				Powercraft Team
Shift 2: 1030 - 1430							Duty	
Club 1 (Driver & Crew)	Port Macquarie	Lennox	Sawtell			Cudgen	Powercraft Team	
Club 2 (Driver & Crew)	Mollymook	Woolgoolga	Warilla Barrack Point				Powercraft Team	

Appendix 1 – Frequently Asked Questions

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 as best as possible.

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.

IRB INSPECTION SHEET
(Mark any existing damage)





Signature

Date

Comments

IRB Motor Inspection

(Mark any existing damage)

