

2023/2024 New Membership - Nippers

Membership fees:

	Pre 31 August	Post 31 August
Active Senior	\$75	\$85
Active Cadet	\$65	\$75
Juniors	\$60	\$70
Associates	\$95	\$105
Families (up to 4 people)	\$230 + \$10 for each	\$250 + \$10 for each
	additional person	additional person

Nipper Pool Swim/Sign Ons:

Sunday 27 August 2023

Clem Jones Centre, Carina – 12pm – 2pm Tweed Regional Aquatic Centre, South Tweed – 12pm-2pm

Alternatively, you can choose to have your proficiency completed by your child's swim school instructor etc. If so, you will need to have a form completed for this. You can locate this form <u>HERE</u>.

First Day on the Beach – Sunday 17th September 2023

How to Join:

Head to www.sls.com.au/join to arrange your Surf Life Saving membership — a membership/account needs to be set up for each new member (adult or child). At least 1 parent must join and attend the weekly nipper program, but any parent that will be attending most weeks should join. If you haven't ever been a member of a Surf Club before, click on No, if you have click on Yes and then follow the process to join — it will ask you which club to join and whether you are joining an individual or a family. Hit family to make the process easier to join everyone up at once. Any parent member joining is classed as an Associate Member and the children are junior members. If you are joining 2 adults and 1 or 2 kids, it is cheaper to take the Family Membership — for the fees you will choose Family Membership for the 1st person and then the \$0 family member for up to the next 3 members and then \$10 extra family member for any members above 4 in a family.

You can pay your membership fee through the Portal when joining or you can make payment by direct deposit into our bank account (BSB 124-063: Acc No. 1229-9225), by using the credit card

^{*}Children will be required to float, submerge themselves or swim the required distance for their age group. Please bring along their togs, goggles and a towel.

facility available at the Club or by cash at the pool sign ons, weekly nippers or at the Surf Club office Monday to Friday.

You will be required to provide the Birth Certificates of any children joining to prove their age. The age group they participate in will be determined by their age at 30 September. They will also be required to complete a pool proficiency according to the requirements of that age group. This can be completed at our pool sign on dates. Alternatively, you can have an accredited swim coach sight their proficiency and complete a form – please contact us if you require one of these forms.

Blue Cards/CYRM Inductions:

The best way to renew or apply for a Blue Card now is through an online process – please <u>click here</u> for the process on how to complete. It is basically a 3 step process:

- 1. Set up an account with Blue Cards & it will give you an account number make a note of this number
- 2. Use that account number at the next step to link to SLS via the survey
- 3. Following that, once it has been linked you will receive an email confirming the link. You can then complete the application by logging into the application portal (link contained within the document). If you are trying to proceed with your application as a Volunteer (which is what you need to do for this purpose) and it still says they require more information from the volunteer organisation, it means it has still not been linked yet, so you cannot proceed until it is.

If you instead choose to do the paper forms, you will need to provide a copy of your identification witnessed by a JP or similar and then return the completed forms to the club for submission.

Please note for either option (online or paper), you need a Qld TMR Customer Reference Number, so if you only hold a driver's licence in NSW for example, you will need to attend a Qld Transport location to obtain this number.

All Blue Card related forms can be found on our website Click here to access

RELATED ONLINE COURSES:

In line with Blue Card applications (or if you already have a Blue Card but are new to the organisation), you are required to complete 2 online courses – CYRMs and the Child Safe Awareness Course. These are both located within the elearning platform Training Library in the SLS Members Portal. The CYRM is located under the Everything Else tab and is called SLSQ CYRMS and the Child Safe Awareness Course is located under the Safety & Wellbeing tab. Enrol and complete both of these courses. There is no need to send through confirmation this is done as your profile will be automatically updated with your awards.

If you are not the main family member that created the membership initially, you will need to firstly create a portal account (via the link below). Click on Don't have a Members Area account yet (within the yellow box) and proceed to create an account. It will be matching details to what is in the portal, so remember to set up this account initially, the contact details will be that of the person that created the membership initially, but your date of birth and name details. Once the

account has been created, you will be able to update the details in your profile to your own details. Once logged in, you will be able to access these 2 courses via the elearning platform.

Members Portal Access: https://portal.sls.com.au/wps/portal/member/

Family Participation Requirement

North Kirra SLSC is a volunteer organisation. Our nippers program exits to educate and develop the skills of our junior members and provide them pathways to becoming patrolling members of North Kirra Surf Life Saving Club. As our Junior Activities program has grown, we have adjusted how we operate and run Nippers each week.

Following feedback from our Nipper community and with the support from the Surf Club Committee this season we will implement a family participation requirement on our Nipper families this season. Our intention is to spread the volunteer load across all our families and encourage all our families to take an active role in supporting our junior activities program. There are many ways to contribute to Nippers at North Kirra. Some of the common roles include:

Roles that do not require any training	Roles that require some additional training/awards
BBQ and fruit preparation	Age Manager and Assistant Age Managers
BBQ Cooking	Water Safety
BBQ Serving	Carnival Officials
Uniform and merchandise sales	First Aid
Beach set up	Team Managers
Beach pack up	

** We understand that not everyone or family has the same capacity to assist however we are deliberate in our language regarding participation being a requirement so that we can spread the load between all families. We are a friendly bunch at North Kirra and more than happy to provide assistance to everyone with any role they undertake, so please do not be discouraged by this requirement. We encourage you to speak to our Junior Activities team if the roles above are not suitable/possible for you.

Supporters Club Membership:

Your Surf Club membership includes a 1 year membership to our Supporters Club, however you do need to complete the online membership form to receive your membership card. Once you have completed this, your card will be available from the Surf Club office during the week or at Nippers on Sundays.

Please click here to complete your online membership.

Facebook Page:

Once you have joined our membership, jump onto Facebook and request to join the following group so that you can keep up top date with any events and last minute information:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/133036843464723/ - North Kirra SLSC Nippers

Your assistance in attending to these before commencement of the 2023/2024 season will be greatly appreciated. Looking forward to welcoming you and your family to our great little family Club!

North Kirra Surf Life Saving Junior Activities Committee