



# Pāpāmoa

SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

## PSLSC MEMBER NEWSLETTER

3rd July 2025

### AGM REMINDER & BOARD NOMINATIONS CLOSING

Our Annual General Meeting is coming up on Sunday 27th July at 2pm at the Club and we'd love to see you there. It's a great opportunity to connect with other members, hear how the Club is tracking, and be part of important conversations about our future.

#### Interested in Joining the Board?

If you're passionate about the Club and want to contribute to its direction, this is your chance to get involved. Board nominations **close at 5pm on Friday 18 July 2025** (Please note: this is an updated date from the previously advised 11 July.)



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## PAPAMOA SURF CLUB AGM



## SUNDAY 27 JULY 2025



## 2PM AT THE CLUB



## BE PART OF THE CONVERSATION THAT SHAPES OUR CLUB'S FUTURE

# NEW SUPPORT FUND LAUNCHED TO BACK OUR RISING STARS

We're proud to announce the launch of the Pāpāmoa Surf Life Saving Club Representative Support Fund – a new initiative designed to financially support our athletes who are selected to represent New Zealand on the international stage.

As we continue to see a new wave of high-performance athletes rising through the ranks of our surf sport programmes, we know the future is bright for Pāpāmoa. These young athletes have put in years of hard work, early mornings, and relentless training, and their recent national selections are a reflection of their dedication, and the strength of our coaching and club environment.

But representing New Zealand comes with significant costs. International events often require families to contribute thousands of dollars, and we believe that financial barriers should never stand in the way of an athlete chasing their dreams. That's why we've created the Representative Support Fund – a small but meaningful way for the club to give back to those who have given so much to the sport and our community.

## What does the fund provide?

- 20% contribution toward athlete costs per event,
- Capped at \$500 per event and \$1,000 per athlete per year.

There's no application process – support will be offered automatically to any eligible athlete selected to a New Zealand team. The fund is reviewed annually by the Club Board to ensure it remains sustainable as the number of athletes and opportunities grow.

This initiative is part of our commitment to building a strong pathway for our athletes – from nippers to nationals to the world stage – and ensuring that every member, regardless of their background, has the opportunity to succeed.

We couldn't be more excited about what lies ahead for our athletes, our surf sport programme, and the wider Pāpāmoa whānau. Let's keep backing each other and celebrating the journey together.

# LEFT HAND BREAK LIVE – THIS SATURDAY!

LIVE AT THE PAPAMOEA SURF CLUB



**LEFT HAND BREAK**

SURF CLUB FUNDRAISER

18+

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Raising funds for Pap Surf Club athletes to represent NZ at 3 international surf lifesaving events in 2025.

Had enough of the stormy weather?

Kids driving you crazy?

Need a night out that actually means something?

Ditch your gumboots and grab your dancing shoes!

This Saturday we're throwing open the doors of the Pāpāmoa Surf Club for an unforgettable evening of live music, community spirit, and fundraising.

**[GET YOUR TICKETS HERE](#)**

This isn't just a gig. It's a launchpad for three young athletes chasing their black-cap dreams.

## Meet Our Pāpāmoa Stars



*From left: Trelise Chote, Amelie Pearson and Bella Davoren.*

### **Trelise Chote – Junior Black Fin & Pathway Team**

*"Surf drew me in because, no matter my ability, there was always a place for me."*

Trelise will represent NZ at the International Surf Rescue Challenge right here on home turf in Mount Maunganui. A huge moment for one of our own!

### **Amelie Pearson – Youth Team**

*"The black cap means everything - every race, you give it your all for your team and country."*

From a 4-year-old nipper at Junior Surf to competing against Australia's best, Amelie's dedication and drive has brought her to the international stage.

### **Bella Davoren – Pathway Team**

*"Representing NZ under the black cap has been a childhood dream."*

Bella has grown up at the Club, and now she's ready to take that next step - racing internationally with the silver fern on her cap.

**The best night you'll have this winter – and every dollar goes straight to the girls!**

**Snap a selfie with our stars – they'll be there to thank you in person.**

Can't make it? Donate here: <https://givealittle.co.nz/org/papamoaslsc>

**Let's sell this out. Let's show up for them. Let's get them across the line.**

## **POLAR PLUNGE PATROL HEROES!**



A huge thank you to the awesome team of lifeguards who volunteered their time to patrol the recent Polar Plunge event at Pāpāmoa Beach.

The event was a fantastic success, with around 150 swimmers taking the plunge - an incredible turnout given it hasn't run since 2018. The organisers were thrilled and grateful for the strong community support.

*Image courtesy of Chris Taylor Photography.*

Your presence on the beach made a big difference. Conditions were challenging, with sizeable surf and multiple rips - including one that opened right in the flagged area during the plunge. Knowing we had a strong crew of trained lifeguards on hand provided reassurance to organisers, participants, and spectators alike.

It was a lovely morning full of community spirit, from live music and face painting to food stalls and hot chocolate for the brave swimmers. And our lifeguards played a key role in keeping it safe and successful. Thank you for showing up, suiting up, and keeping everyone safe!



## A HEARTFELT THANKS TO PĀPĀMOA ROTARY CLUB

We are proud to acknowledge and sincerely thank the [Pāpāmoa Rotary Club](#) for their generous donation to the Pāpāmoa Surf Life Saving Club this year.



Rotary's ongoing support - now spanning over 15 years - has had a lasting impact on our club and the wider community. Their contributions help us in countless ways, from keeping our beaches safe and supporting the development of young lifeguards, to investing in the future of surf lifesaving in Pāpāmoa.

It's long-standing partnerships like this that allow our club to thrive. Whether it's through funding, time, or encouragement, Rotary's commitment to community service is something we deeply value and admire.

From everyone at Pāpāmoa SLSC – thank you, Rotary, for your continued support and belief in what we do.

## GRANTS UPDATE: A HUGE THANK YOU TO OUR FUNDING PARTNERS

We're incredibly grateful for the recent grant funding we've received from several long-standing supporters of the Pāpāmoa Surf Life Saving Club. These generous contributions help us continue delivering high-quality programmes, supporting our people, and keeping our beach community safe.



## One Foundation – Oceans Camp Support

Thank you once again to [One Foundation Ltd](#) for your ongoing support of our Oceans Camp. Your contribution helps us develop confident, capable young lifeguards through a programme that builds skills, friendships, and resilience in the surf. We couldn't do it without you!



## The Lion Foundation – Administrator Role

A big thank you to [The Lion Foundation](#) for your continued support of our Administrator wages. This funding is essential for the smooth day-to-day running of our club and ensures we can stay focused on our members, programmes, and goals.



## Grassroots Trust – Senior Coach Support

We're also incredibly thankful to [Grassroots Trust](#) for their generous grant towards our Senior Surf Sports Coach wages. Your support directly impacts the development and performance of our athletes - both on and off the beach - and contributes to a strong, successful club culture.

To all our funding partners: **thank you** for believing in what we do. Your ongoing support makes a real difference in the lives of our members and the wider Pāpāmoa community.

## LIFEGUARDING

### Big Achievement In Tough Conditions

Huge congratulations to the 14 lifeguards who completed their IRB Crewperson Award last weekend. Especially impressive given the challenging conditions, with a solid shore dump and big sets making for tough launches and patient rescues. A special shoutout to the many younger guards who stepped up and showed incredible commitment, teamwork, and skill throughout the course.



## Well done to:

George Blanchard, Ari Franklin, Neil Walker, Brooke Jackson, Tara McBride, Lucy McBride, Zac Abbott, Tahlia Trembath, Hayden Forlong, William Chugg, Anthony Wright, Charlotte Silvester, Toby Bowling, Matt Bowling.



Thanks to everyone who helped make the course happen - instructors, drivers, examiners and helpers: Mason Bollee, Jamie Mardon, Jamie Parker, Harry Beattie, Marama Mataparae, Jamie Cabusao, Nikita Bublitz, Callum McKenzie, and Shaun Smith.



## Keen To Go Further?

Our IRB Drivers course starts this Sunday 6th July – it's not too late to sign up!

Check out this [Facebook post](#) for more info or email Ryan Hohneck at [rhohneck@gmail.com](mailto:rhohneck@gmail.com)

# SURF SPORTS - WE'RE HIRING!

## ASSISTANT COACH – SURF SPORTS

6-Month Fixed Term | 24 hrs/week | Starts 1 October 2025

Are you passionate about coaching and developing young athletes? Do you thrive in a beach environment where teamwork, challenge, and fun are part of every day?

We are on the lookout for a special person to join our Surf Sports coaching team as **Assistant Coach**. With our squad rapidly growing to over 80 junior and senior athletes, this is your chance to help shape the future of surf sport and lifeguarding in one of New Zealand's most exciting and successful clubs.

### We're looking for someone who:

- Connects well with young athletes
- Brings energy and consistency to training
- Has lifeguard qualifications (required)
- Ideally has competitive surf sports and coaching experience
- Embodies our values: **Fun, Respect, Encouragement, Excellence, Commitment.**

### The key responsibilities of the role are to:

- Assist and lead training sessions that align with squad goals
- Build meaningful connections with athletes to foster growth and trust
- Support a positive, inclusive and high-performance team culture
- Collaborate closely with Head Coaches to track progress and development
- Attend junior and senior carnivals throughout the season
- Promote a safe, healthy and enjoyable training environment

### Want to know more?

Contact Radleigh Cairns at [surfsport@papamoalifeguards.co.nz](mailto:surfsport@papamoalifeguards.co.nz)

## OFFICIALS NEEDED – GET INVOLVED THIS SUMMER!

For every 10 athletes we send to a carnival, we need at least 1 official. With our growing team of surf sport athletes, we're on the lookout for more Surf Officials to support our athletes. It's a great way to get involved, especially for parents of juniors heading into the Ocean Development or Ocean Athlete teams.





### **What You Need to Know:**

- No Lifeguard Qualification Needed – anyone can become an official
- Open to All – parents, grandparents, whānau, or anyone keen to help
- Flexible Commitment – attend as many or as few events as you like
- Training Provided – learn everything you need from a qualified trainer

### **Perks of Being an Official:**

- Free meals at events
- Best seat in the house for all the action
- Be part of a passionate, fun community
- A rewarding and relaxed way to spend a day at the beach

Joining as an official is one of the best ways to give back, stay connected, and support your club. The next Surf Official Level 1 Course is coming up at the club soon, so don't miss this opportunity to be ready before the summer hits!



## Surf Official Level 1 Course

Saturday 12 July

1pm Start

Pāpāmoa Surf Club

Email [info@papamoalifeguards.co.nz](mailto:info@papamoalifeguards.co.nz) to register



30 August  
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6pm

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