



Papamoa

SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB

PSLSC MEMBER NEWSLETTER

29th October 2021



BEACH BLESSING

Our lifeguard patrol season kicked off last weekend, and despite the cold and blustery conditions, it was great to see so many members and lifeguards at the club for the blessing with Nga Potiki.

Thank you to everyone who attended – we are looking forward to a great season ahead in our new clubhouse.

OBITUARY - Gary Hailwood

Pāpāmoa SLSC Founder Gary Hailwood passed away at the Waipuna Hospice on Saturday 23rd October. Gary was an active member of the Pāpāmoa Surf Club, becoming a life member in 2000. Gary was the first club Chairperson from 1990-1993 and again in 1998-1999. He will be sadly missed, and our thoughts are with Gary's family and friends in the Surf Lifesaving community.

A celebration of Gary's life will be held at a later date - more details to follow.





NOVEMBER CLUB NIGHTS

It was great to see members enjoying an evening with friends at last week's club night. Remember that as well as having a food truck on site, you are welcome to bring your own food and the BBQ is available for members to use.

We would like to remind members that you are responsible for your children at club nights. We welcome children and it's great to see them running around and having fun, but please make sure you know where your children are at all times. As we head into summer, we expect an increasing number of members, particularly children, will be in the water or on the beach at club nights. Please ensure you always have eyes on your children if they are in the water.

Club Nights - November 5th and 19th from 5pm

LIFEGUARDING

Thank you to those who attended the launch of our 2021/2022 season last weekend.

If you have not done your practical refresher yet, please arrange this with your Patrol Captain asap. IRB drivers and RWC operators must also complete the IRB and RWC refreshers - please arrange these with your Club Instructor. All lifeguards must also complete their theory refresher - [click here](#) to visit our website for more information.



VHF Course

A VHF course is coming up on the 13th and 14th November – email info@papamoalifeguards.co.nz to book your place.



IRB Crewperson Award

For those keen to get your IRB Crewperson Award, training starts this Sunday. If you have not already confirmed your spot on the course, please email info@papamoalifeguards.co.nz. The Crewperson Award will run over 2-4 sessions with a small theory and practical exam at the end.

When and Where

Sunday 31st October 9am–12pm at the Pāpāmoa SLSC. The first lesson is designed to be in small flat surf and we'll work our way up.

Pre-requisites and what to bring

You must have your Surf Lifeguard Award to start your IRB Crew. Please bring a wetsuit, water bottle, sunscreen, towel and warm clothes.

Online Module

Please try to complete the online pre-learning module before Sunday - it takes about 30 minutes. [Click here](#) to go to the SLSNZ portal and complete the 'IRB Crew person Pre-learning online module'



OPERATIONS CIRCULARS

Keep up to date with the latest guidelines from Surf Life Saving New Zealand. [Click here](#) to view the Operations Circulars page on our website.

Recently added:

- An update on current policy for Covid vaccinations
- An update on current policy for the wearing of face masks

ROOKIES

The Rookie season kicks off on Sunday 7th November and it's not too late to join! The programme is for 12 and 13 year old members (as at 1st October) and there is no charge.

The aim of the programme is to grow an understanding about many aspects of Surf Club operations, the ocean environment, as well as first aid and lifeguarding skills. It is not a competitive activity, and the children are required to work in pairs and teams most of the time to support one another.

Each session will run from 10am-12pm with a theme related to surf lifesaving, a short basic first aid session, a lifeguard component, and water activities.



For more information on Rookies [click here](#) to go to our website.
Join our Facebook group page for regular updates - [Papamoa SLSC Rookies](#).



JUNIOR SURF

Welcome to everyone who has signed up to Junior Surf starting on Sunday 7th November. If you have not registered, please [click here](#) to register now.

To meet the current Covid guidelines, we have had to make some changes to how we run Junior Surf, so please take the time to read these important updates.

Registration Closing Date

We need to know how many people have registered in each age group for Junior Surf. This means that unfortunately we can no longer allow children to trial a session before signing up. All participants must be pre-registered.

JUNIOR SURF REGISTRATIONS CLOSE 12PM 4TH NOVEMBER 2021



Time Changes

To meet the Covid Level 2 guidelines we must limit numbers to 100 people per age group. To achieve this we have decided to run two separate Junior Surf sessions:

Under 6s, under 7s and under 8s
9am-10am

Under 9s and above
10.30am-12pm

Covid Requirements For Junior Surf

- no new registrations or new uniforms will be available at JS sessions
- one adult per child in each age group
- one beach access point for each age group
- parents/caregivers must not move between age groups on the beach
- face coverings are recommended for those over 12 years old
- maintain social distancing
- scan in using the Covid tracer app
- use hand sanitizer located at each age group flag
- if you have flu like symptoms or feel unwell - please stay away from the club and all club activities
- JS families can use the downstairs toilets but please maintain social distancing and wear a face covering if over 12 years old



Uniform Requirements

All Junior Surf participants are required to wear a club beanie and long-sleeved rash shirt (or high vis singlet if the child has their 200m badge). Uniforms can be ordered via the website – [click here](#). Uniforms MUST be ordered and collected before the first session on 7th November.

Uniform Collection Dates at the Club:

- Saturday 30th October between 2pm-3pm from the JS training room
- Thursday 4th November between 5.30pm-7pm from the JS training room
- Monday – Friday during the office opening hours of 9am-2pm from the main office upstairs

200m Safety Badge Testing

Bartlett's Swim School
30th October and 20th November
2pm-3pm

No need to book in, just turn up

Please adhere to Bartlett's Covid guidelines of entry through the main door and exit through the side door. Everyone over the age of 12 must wear a face covering. Please scan in using the Covid tracer app.

[Click here](#) for more information



Junior Surf Coaches Training and Information Evening

Find out everything you need to know about being a Junior Surf coach with training from lifeguard Naomi Davoren. This session is for all coaches who have already signed up, as well as those keen to sign up but would like more information. To book your place, please email admin@papamoalifeguards.co.nz



When: Thursday 4th November 5.30pm-6.30pm

Where: Training Room and Beach of the Pāpāmoa Surf Club

But I need a babysitter! If you need to bring your child/children with you- *no problem!!* There will be a babysitting service provided in the training room. Just bring some food and water.

Incentive: This season we are offering Junior Surf coaches a credit on your account. More details to follow at the information evening.

And there's more: if you can stay after the training, the club bar will be open and your first drink is on us!

Covid restrictions and guidelines may change in the coming weeks, so please keep an eye on our [Junior Surf Facebook page](#) for updates.



COVID LEVEL 2

- if you have flu like symptoms or feel unwell - please stay away from the club and all club activities
- scan or sign in upon arrival
- maintain social distancing (at least 1m) at all times, particularly indoors
- if meeting indoors, keep the room well ventilated
- we recommend that those over the age of 12 wear a face covering
- limit the number of members using our closed in spaces at any one time, e.g. no more than six members in the downstairs showers/changing rooms at any time

For more information, [click here](#) to visit the SLSNZ website.

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