

Welcome to 2023/2024 Nipper Season!



The nipper season begins on Sunday 8th October 2023 and ends on 10th March 2024 for our U6 - U10 and on 24th March 2024 for our U11 - U15. Nippers is on Sunday mornings at Tallebudgera SLSC starting at 8am.

What does membership include?

Our membership package includes:

- **Sunday nippers**
- **Surf Lifesaving Australia (SLSA) Age Award**
- **Insurance**
- **Swim fitness training sessions** (U8 and above)
- **Surf training sessions** (U8 and above)
- **Beach training sessions** (U8 and above)
- **Access to club facilities and equipment**

Additional costs apply for uniforms and carnivals held external to our Branch, participation in Nipper Camps and some social functions.

How do I join?

Sign on days – Sunday 27th August 9am – 12pm and Sunday 10th September 9am - 12pm

This is the easiest way to join! By attending one of these days you can:

- Complete **membership** (bring birth certificate/passport for new nippers)
- Buy **Nipper Uniforms** (min. requirement is a cap and hi-vis rashie), shop at our **Uniform Clearance Sale** and pre-order the **New Season Uniforms**
- Meet the **Coaches** and learn about training options
- Find out about ways to become involved - parents may be interested in becoming an **Age Manager, Official** or qualified **Water Safety** person

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Tallebudgera Surf Club Office

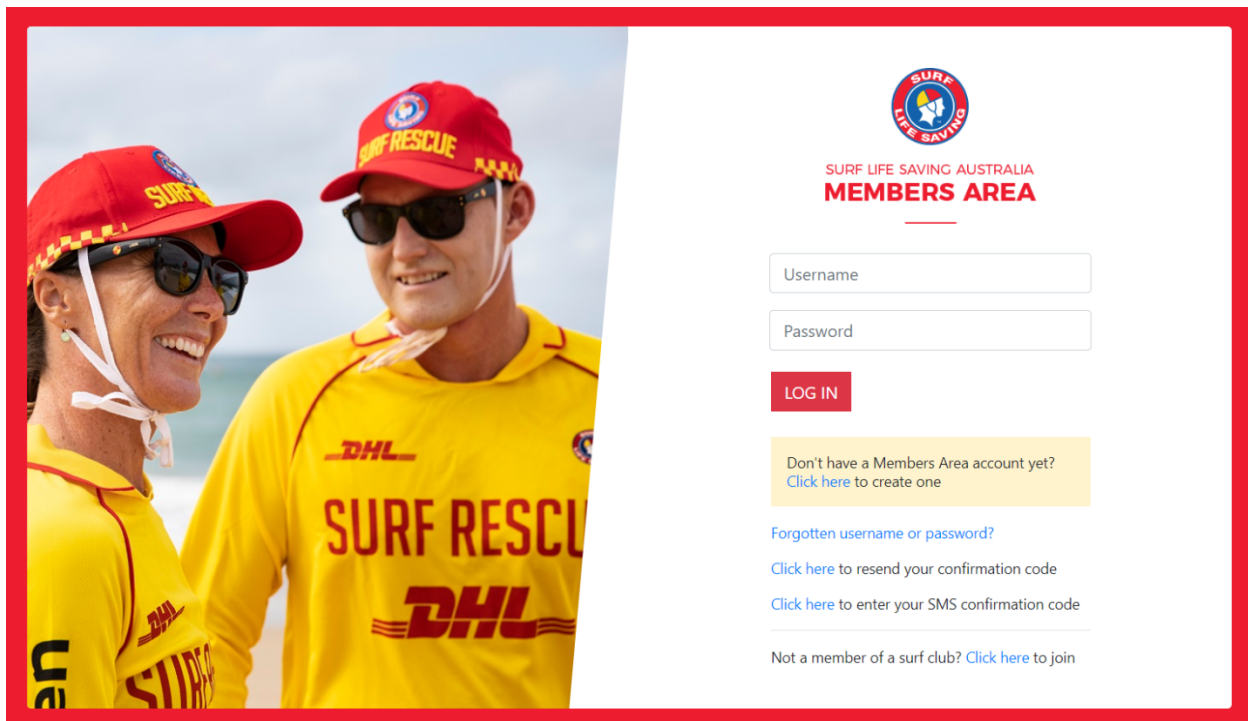
If you can't make one of our sign on days, you can visit the Tallebudgera Surf Club Office to join. The administration office is open Monday through to Friday from 8.30am – 5pm. The office will also be open on Sunday mornings during the season.

You will require the Pool proficiency form to be completed by an approved assessor (see the form for details) and submit with your membership paperwork. Uniforms can be purchased on Nipper Sundays.

SLSA online members portal

Jump the queue by signing up using the SLSA online members portal at

<https://members.sls.com.au>



Returning and new members can save time by joining and processing payment online.

Pool Evaluation and Blue Card requirements can be completed at sign on day or via the office. Please provide the online registration receipt at this time.

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A few important changes to the 2023/2024 season.

Pool Proficiency: SLSA have updated the Pool Proficiency requirements. Updated requirements can be found on page 5.

Club Renovations: The Surf Club is currently undergoing extensive renovations. We understand that renovations can cause some inconvenience, but we assure you that we will make every effort to minimise disruptions during the process. Your understanding and support during this period are immensely appreciated. There will be monthly updates in our Tallebudgera Newsletter. If you have any questions or concerns about the renovations, please let the office know.

Carnival Levy: Surf carnivals are a significant expense for the Talle Surf Club including transport, equipment and registration fees. Rather than charging all families for carnivals, this season we are re-introducing a carnival levy for our U11 - U15 carnival competitors. **The carnival levy will cover registration for the following carnivals:**

- QLD Endurance Championships
- QLD Beach Series
- Gold Coast City Titles
- Little Mates Carnival
- PDB Branch run Carnivals
- QLD Youth Championships

What membership forms and fees are required?

Membership fees for the 2023/2024 season:

Membership type	Cost
Junior Membership U6 & U7 (Turtle)	\$85
Junior Membership U8 & U14 (Nipper)	\$130
Junior Associate Member (New parent)	\$65
Junior Associate Member (Returning parent)	\$60

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Family membership (2 x nippers + 2 x parents; or 3 x nippers + 1 x parent)	\$300
Fundraising raffle tickets (one per family)	\$50
Carnival Levy U11 - U15 (this does not include late fees)	\$60

SLSA requires that at least one parent or guardian per family joins as a Junior Associate Member (if not already an Active Member) and holds a current Blue Card.

FairPlay Vouchers are accepted towards membership costs.

A book of raffle tickets is required to be purchased by each family. Families can elect to keep the tickets or on-sell the tickets. The prize is a cash draw of \$1000 for 1st place, \$500 for 2nd place and \$250 for 3rd place. The cash prize is drawn at the Christmas breakup party.

Membership forms are available at sign on days and the office. Pre-populated forms will be provided for returning members. New members can save time by completing the required forms prior to attending sign on day or the office:

- [Membership Form](#)
 - complete one per person (including parent)
 - birth certificate or passport required for new nippers
- [Pool proficiency form](#)
- [Blue Card Application](#) (if parent does not already have a current Blue Card)

What is required for each age group?

Age group evaluations are required by SLISA to ensure nippers have the necessary skills to participate.

The Pool Evaluation is the minimum level required to participate in nippers and must be completed prior to undertaking the Beach Evaluation. Pool evaluations are completed on our Sign on days. If you are unable to attend our sign on days, you can take the pool evaluation form to your local aquatic centre where a qualified personnel can access your child.

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The Beach Evaluation is completed in the ocean and allows children to participate in water activities. Nippers are limited to knee-depth water until they can complete this evaluation.

The Competition Evaluation is completed in the ocean and enables nippers to compete at inter-club carnivals.

Age Group	DOB	Pool Evaluation	Beach Evaluation	Competition
U6	1/10/17 - 30/9/18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Back or front float for a minimum of 5 seconds and recover to stand. - Submerge to touch the bottom with hands. - From standing position in waist deep water, perform a front glide (1-2 metres) & recover to stand. 	Nil	Nil
U7	1/10/16 - 30/9/17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Back or front float for a minimum of 10 seconds and recover to stand. - Submerge to touch the bottom with hands. - From standing position in waist deep water, perform a front glide (2-3 metres) & recover to stand 	Nil	Nil
U8	1/10/15 - 30/9/16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Back or front float for a minimum of 15 seconds and recover to stand. - Submerge to touch the bottom with hands. - Swim on front any stroke (20 metres) followed by a swim underwater (2-3 metres) 	25m run, 25m wade, 25m run	25m run, 25m wade, 25m run
U9	1/10/14 - 30/9/15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Front to back float or back to front float, 5 seconds each side. Tread water and/or any stroke sculling for a minimum of 1 minute. - Submerge to touch the bottom with hands. - Swim in front through water any stroke for 25 metres followed by survival stroke(s) breaststroke and/or sidestroke and/or back sculling for minimum 10 metres. 	50m run, 50m swim, 50m run	150m swim
U10	1/10/13 -	- Front to back float or back to front	50m run, 50m	150m swim

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	30/9/14	float, 5 seconds each side. Tread water and/or any stroke sculling for a minimum of 1 minute. - Submerge to touch the bottom with hands. - Swim on front through water any stroke for 25 metres followed by survival stroke(s) breaststroke and/or sidestroke and/or back sculling for minimum 25 metres.	swim, 50m run	.
U11	1/10/12 - 30/9/13	- Front to back float or back to front float - 5 seconds each side. Tread water and/or any stroke sculling for a minimum of 1 minute. - Submerge to perform forward or backward roll/somersault underwater, recover to surface, submerge to touch the bottom with hands. - Swim on front through water any stroke for 25 metres followed by survival stroke(s) breaststroke and/or sidestroke and/or back sculling for minimum 50 metres.	50m run, 100m swim, 50m run	200m swim
U12	1/10/11 - 30/9/12	- Front to back float or back to front float, 5 seconds each side. Tread water and/or any stroke sculling for a minimum of 3 minutes. - Submerge to perform forward or backward roll/somersault underwater, recover to surface, submerge to touch the bottom with hands. - Swim on front any stroke for 75 metres followed by survival stroke(s) breaststroke and/or sidestroke for minimum 50 metres.	50m run, 100m swim, 50m run	200m swim
U13	1/10/10 - 30/9/11	- Front to back float or back to front float, 5 seconds each side. Tread water and/or any stroke sculling for a minimum of 3 minutes. - Submerge to perform forward or backward roll/somersault underwater, recover to surface, submerge to touch the bottom with hands. - Swim on front any stroke for 75 metres followed by survival stroke(s) breaststroke and/or sidestroke for minimum 50 metres.	100m run, 100m swim, 100m run	200m swim

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U14	1/10/09 - 30/9/10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Front to back float or back to front float, 5 seconds each side. Tread water and/or any stroke sculling for a minimum of 3 minutes. - Submerge to perform forward or backward roll/somersault underwater, recover to surface, submerge to touch the bottom with hands. - Swim on front any stroke for 75 metres followed by survival stroke(s) breaststroke and/or sidestroke for minimum 50 metres. 	100m run, 100m swim, 100m run	200m swim
U15	1/10/08 - 30/9/09	SCR/Bronze course/proficiency to be completed		

Communication - Stack Team App.

'Tallebudgera SLSC' team app will be the source of all your nipper information. You will only view information and receive notifications that are relevant to you and your family.

Request membership by:

- > Download Stack Team App for free from your app store or visit www.teamapp.com
- > Create an account by 'Sign In'
- > Once an account is created select 'Find your team/club'
- > Enter 'Tallebudgera SLSC' and 'Search'
- > Select 'Tallebudgera SLSC' and 'Request to join this team's app'
- > Select to join 'All members' group (can only select one at this step)
- > Enter an 'Access Request Message' advising all age groups that are relevant to you (i.e. parent of U10 and U8) and select 'Send'
- > Tallebudgera Admin will then approve your request and assign all relevant groups to you

Ensure 'Notifications' are enabled to receive all cancellations and changes (go to the 'Tallebudgera SLSC' home screen, select the settings icon (cog wheel) on the top right, select 'Notifications', ensure 'Enabled' is turned on and 'Save')

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FRIDAY NIGHT RAFFLE AND SUNDAY BBQ ROSTER

Tallebudgera Nippers is entirely run by volunteers. Please support our club by volunteering when your rostered date arrives. Friday night raffles upstairs in the Tallebudgera Surf Club and the Nippers Sunday BBQ are two main fundraisers for the club. All funds made go towards equipment, coaching and end of season presentations. You can find the Friday night raffle and Nipper Sunday BBQ roster on our Stack Team App group, under the documents tab.

Friday Raffles: Nippers should have a Talle t-shirt on and aim to meet at 5.45pm for a 6pm start. 2-4 nippers from each age group are required to conduct the Friday night raffles. Parents are requested to supervise and assist as required. All relevant information is in the Nipper Raffle folder at the keno cage upstairs in the club.

Sunday BBQ: 3-4 parents are required for preparation from 7.30am – 9am and 3-4 parents required for serving from 9.30am – 11am. This allows parents to still attend most of the nipper sessions. Extra volunteers are always welcome at the Sunday BBQ!

IMPORTANT DATES

- First day of Nippers **8th October 2023**
- Age Champion Dates Rd 1 **19th November 2023**, Rd 2 **3rd December 2023**, Rd 3 **11th February 2024**
- Christmas Break Up **17th December 2023**
- Nipper Camp **8th January - 12th January 2024**
- Return to Nippers **14th January 2024**
- U6 - U10 Breakup **10th March 2024**
- U11 - U15 Breakup **24th March 2024**

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