



Manly Nippers Newsletter

4th February 2010

Branch Championships

Due to forecast surf conditions, there may be changes to the arrangements & program for the Branch Championships. A final decision will not be made until noon on Friday. At this stage there are a number of options being considered. The only certainty is that the beach events & U8's will be held this Saturday, however the venue may change. Age managers will be sending out information as they receive it. Good luck to all competitors & teams. If you are not competing, please come along & support your club mates. We also need as much help as possible on the day with organising the kids & ensuring they get to events on time. Please also help with erecting & dismantling the tents, as it is the responsibility of the age group to erect & dismantle the tents. No help means NO tent

Please ensure your children are ready for marshalling at the correct time. At SLSA run carnivals **stragglers will not be permitted to start**. It is also essential that any nipper entering the marshalling area must be wearing their nipper hat. We have 230 Manly nippers registered for Branch so it will be a busy long day for all involved.

All parents please read the code of conduct in the Handbook. Approaches to Age Managers and/or coaches (or their partners/wives) during the carnival are not on, they are busy enough. If you have any issues, refer them immediately to our Superintendent, Glenn Stone. Any official complaints from carnival officials regarding breaches of the code will be strictly enforced. This could result in the parent being asked to leave the beach and their child being withdrawn from the carnival.

Sunday 7-2-10 is the Cole Classic when thousands of swimmers will gather at Manly to compete in the 27th Annual Cole Classic. Due to the scale of this event there will be no Nippers on this Sunday, however nippers can participate in the event.

16th WEEK WRAP UP

The Branch & State teams were posted on Sunday with only two protests that were addressed on Tuesday night's committee meeting. Many teams practiced on Sunday getting used to baton changes with teammates, paddling with partners and generally getting carnival fit. As I walked the beach I saw all the younger age groups really having a great time. The enthusiasm among the kids and the parent looks really strong. Many skills have been learnt and the future talent of Manly LSC Nippers looks amazingly deep.





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STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

The event is only two weeks away, uniforms will be distributed on 14-2-10, the time and place have not been finalised, as we may have to change things if Branch is postponed this weekend. **Please read next weeks newsletter for the times and place the uniforms will be distributed.** When picking up uniforms please also make sure that you leave details of how many children and how many adults will be attending the Nipper State Party that will be held at the Squid's Ink Motel on Saturday 20-2-10. It is important that we get these numbers as accurate as possible so we do not over or under cater.

FUND RAISING BBQ

The BBQ is one of our most important fundraisers, we have the very kind Harris family from Harris Farm Markets donate the produce to us. All we need is the parents to cook & serve. The BBQ roster is shown on the calendar, see the link below. Please make an effort when it is your age group to give a hand, otherwise the age managers end up on the BBQ & not on the beach. Also, if you can please support Harris Farm Markets, the produce is excellent.

**THIS WEEK SUNDAY 7-2-10, Senior's
NEXT WEEK SUNDAY 14-2-10, U8's**

LOST PROPERTY

Every week we seem to accumulate nipper gear or have parents & kids asking if gear has been handed in. The 'Nippers Lost Property Box' will now be in the board room/gear shed. It will be emptied every 2 weeks, so if you loose something or find something please go to the board room.

UNIFORM SHOP

Please note, the shop is not open on "carnival days", and therefore will not be open during the Branch Carnival or the Cole Classic

Next week 14-2-10 we plan that the shop will be open after Nippers for State Uniform distribution and for buying those extra bits you need so you & your family have the Manly look for the upcoming event of the year. However if Branch is postponed this week things will change.

Please read next weeks newsletter for the times and place the uniform shop will be open.





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OTHER EVENTS COMING UP

Branch Championships
Cole Classic
State Championships,

Saturday, 06-02-10
Sunday, 07-02-10, No Nippers at Manly
Friday, 19-02-10 to Sunday 21-02-10.

If you need to contact any of the committee or age managers, their details are on the notice board in the club, or are in the nipper handbook that is on the web site.

http://www.manlylsc.com.au/verve/_resources/Nippers_Handbook_2009-10__new_edition_15.09.09.pdf

The complete calendar for the season is also available on the website,

http://www.manlylsc.com.au/verve/_resources/Nippers__Calender_2009-10.pdf

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