Dear North Cronulla Patrolling Member,

Welcome to all our new members, and welcome back to those returning to North Cronulla Surf Life Saving Club.

Thank you for volunteering your time for the upcoming patrol season. Your commitment is greatly appreciated and essential to keeping our beach safe. Patrol Rosters

This year's preparations have looked a little different from previous seasons, but with your support, we're confident the season ahead will be both rewarding and enjoyable. As always, we look forward to working together to serve our community in the true spirit of surf lifesaving.



Please take the time to familiarise yourself with the following important information to ensure you're prepared for the season and aware of your responsibilities on patrol.

1. KNOW your Rostered Patrol Times.

Patrol Roster PDF version or you can download Patrol Calendar direct to phone:

- 1. Log on here or go to hub.sls.com.au on your phone or mobile device
- 2. Select Patrols >Patrol Roster >download calendar.

Alternatively diarise your dates and times. It is your responsibility to remember when you are on patrol. Patrol members will usually be sent a SMS reminder on Thursday before their patrol.

2. KNOW Patrol Regulations

It is essential that all members read and understand the patrol regulations.

3. KNOW your Patrol Requirements

- ✓ <u>UNIFORM.</u> It is important you always wear your full uniform (patrol cap, sun hat, shirt and shorts) whilst on patrol. You may remove your sun hat, shorts and shirt when entering the water; however, your cap must remain. Repeated failures to wear uniform may result in members being signed off the patrol.
- ✓ PATROL LOG. The patrol log is an extremely important legal document that can and has been used by the Police for investigations. It is each individual member's responsibility (under the Patrol Captains supervision) to sign on and off using neat handwriting, full name and precise time.

✓ PATROL SUBSTITUTE PROCESS

If you are unable to attend your rostered patrol, **you must organise a substitute with equal or higher qualifications**. This is a **mandatory requirement**.

- ✓ All substitute requests must be submitted via hub.sls.com.au under patrol substitute request please note this does not guarantee you a sub
- Need help finding a sub? Join the Facebook group: "North Cronulla Patrols" this will assist you in reaching out to other members.

Please ensure all arrangements are made **in advance** to maintain patrol strength and compliance.

- ✓ <u>PATROL HOURS</u>. All members are reminded to regularly check and monitor their patrol hours. This can be done easily online via hub.sls.com.au If you notice any discrepancies, please email the office immediately so they can be addressed promptly.
- ✓ **COMPETITION.** To be eligible to **compete in a carnival**, you must:
 - > Have completed a minimum of 25 patrol hours in the previous calendar year ie: Jan-Dec.
 - > Have not missed more than 10 hours of your rostered patrol duties.
 - Note: Using a substitute (sub) does not remove the missed hours from your total
 they still count against your 10-hour limit.
 - If you are **rostered for patrol on the same day** as a carnival, you **must arrange a sub** to compete otherwise you cannot attend the carnival.
 - ❖ **No exceptions** to any of the above rules.
- ✓ PROFICIENCY. All patrol members must complete a proficiency test before 31 December 2025. Click here for dates or visit our website www.ncslsc.com.au. It is your responsibility to be proficient prior to 31 December 2025. There are NO exceptions to this SLSA Rule. Members are also required to complete all online skills maintenance via elearning which can be found online via hub.sls.com.au under Applications
- ✓ **FINANCIAL MEMBERSHIP.** All members must be current financial members and need to have completed and signed all relevant paperwork.

Reminder: If you arrange a patrol substitute and follow the required procedure, you **do not** need to make up those patrol hours. However, if you wish to be eligible for 100% patrol service **all hours must be made up without any NO Shows recorded.** To be eligible for a **Year of Service** you must attend patrols regularly and gain over 25 hours for the patrol season September-April. Please refer to **page one of the attached calendar** for more details.

Thank you once again for generously donating your time to serve the community. If you have any questions, comments, or require further information, please don't hesitate to contact your **Patrol Captain** or the **Lifesaving Director** at **admin@ncslsc.com.au**

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