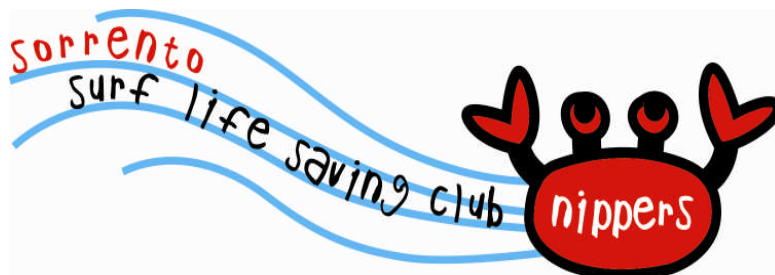


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Coming Events

December

20th Competition Evaluation
1pm Front Beach

January

10th Bay Swim
30th Mentone Carnival 8.30am

February

7th Mt. Martha Regional
Carnival 8.30am
20th Pt. Leo Carnival
28th Sorrento Inter Club Mini
Carnival 9.00am

March

6th & 7th Victorian State
Championships Lakes
Entrance

Bayswim

We would like to see as many nippers as possible enter the bayswim. Enter on line and use it as extra training. It's a great morning! We are also asking everyone for their help it is our one and only big fundraiser for the club. Anyone who doesn't do anything for the club this is your big chance to put your hand up. There will be a meeting at 11.30 on the 3rd Jan in the clubhouse for 1/2hr to hopefully fill all jobs and training of your job will take place then. All jobs are very simple.

Well that's more like it!

For all you old nippers last weeks weather was more like what we are used to windy, cloudy, showers and a bit of sun once nippers is finished yes all seasons in 2 hours. For all the new ones, so sorry to get you excited with the beautiful start to nippers and then let you down.

With a big week just gone in swimming for all age groups, you nippers did so well. It was great to see a lot of nippers from last season, that were to scared to go in, get in and give it a go this season, some even did their swims twice. Well done!

On the swimming note remember that the evaluation is this Sunday at 1pm at the front beach. Nippers only need to do it if they would like to compete. The rules have changed for competing so take note: If you want to compete you must have a go at the evaluation swim if you succeed you can compete in any event and you will be issued with an evaluation badge. If you have a go but don't succeed you will be given a training badge and can only compete in sand events. If you don't have a go you cannot compete at all.

We have had a few parents ask us for the nipper program. All information is now on our website for you to access at any time. It is updated regularly, it contains club contacts, calendar, programs and the newsletter is put on each week in case anyone misses one.

We have also had people ask us if we have a wetsuit exchange program. Unfortunately we don't but if anyone would like to buy or sell one just let us know and we are happy to put all relevant information in the newsletter.

Hope you all have a safe and happy Christmas and New Year. See you on the beach.

Duncan, Ray, Donna and Vicki

Competition

There is a competition for any nipper interested on January 3rd at Cosy Corner in Torquay. For more details or if you want to be entered please contact Howard Draper our Competition Team Manager at:
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WORKING WITH CHILDREN

Reminder that anyone with any job at nippers or anyone wanting to help out in anyway must have a working with children check. If you don't have one you need one asap or you cannot take on any job eg: age manager, uniform store, bbq etc. Forms are available from the club or post office.

Nipper Boards

Just to let you know exactly what the rules are regarding the boards. At the end of nippers all boards need to be brought back up to the nipper trailer. It would be great if anyone with a spare hand could carry up just one board. Chris Baker our new Nipper Gear Steward (thank-you Chris) will load the trailer and the old boards that don't fit in the trailer will be put in the club house for use. So kids you just have to be patient then you can borrow them, don't forget to write your name on the white board, and nippers don't forget you are going to have to share them. Parents it would help us out if you could reinforce these rules to your children.

Remember entry to the club is through either the front door or side gate not the engine bay.

Development Camp

LSV are offering their yearly Leadership Development camp again. The program aims to develop leadership and life skills.

The under 13 camp is from the 13th February to the 14th February 2010 at the YMCA Camp in Phillip Island. With a cost of \$250. Success applicants will be notified 3 weeks prior to the camp. Applications close on the 15th January 2010.

The under 15 camp is from 27th March to the 29th March 2010 at Yellingbo in the Dandenong Rangers. With a cost of \$300. Success applicants will be notified on the 5th March. Applications close on the 26th February 2010.

Entry is to be done on line via LSV website. If you need any more information don't hesitate to ask us.