



New Members

NEW TO NIPPERS

Please find below some general information we hope you will find helpful for your reference:

1. **Registration**

Nipper registration can be undertaken by going to the [SLSA New member link](#).

Select "Surf Life Saving Club"

Search for "Tweed Heads and Coolangatta"

Select "My Family" (all nippers under 15 must have a parent/guardian registered with them) Follow the user instructions to add.

2. **Parent/Guardian Registration**

For children under 15 years of age, a parent or guardian is required to be registered with the Club as an associate member. You can complete the parent/guardian registration via the same registration [link as above](#).

3. **Nipper Age Groups**

The Nipper Age groups are outlined on our [Welcome Page](#). For new nippers, we will require verification of their age. This can be undertaken by scanning a copy of the children's birth certificate or passport to the Club Office at thcslsc@outlook.com

Alternatively, you can provide a copy to the Nipper Registrar on the Pool Evaluation Days or prior to the start of nippers on the first day.

4. **Nipper Program**

Nippers is a great way to spend a Sunday morning at the beach. It offers a fun and

active lifestyle choice for children between the ages of 5-14, as well as a solid base for competition in surf sport activities. Our aim is to provide an opportunity to learn more about the beach and the surf in a safe and enjoyable environment and encourage the next generation of young lifesavers.

This has been a very unusual year, we are planning to kick off in late September with our Induction Days outlined on our [welcome page](#). Information will be confirmed, along with the relevant health guide lines to be followed for our nipper activities as soon as we have finalised.

5. **Pool Evaluation**

All Nippers in the Under 6 to 14 Age Groups must undertake a swim proficiency each year. Unfortunately, the children will be not be able to participate in nippers until this has been completed.

We will provide 2 opportunities at Oasis Pool at Banora for this to be undertaken. *You must bring a copy of your membership payment receipt* to the pool evaluation to confirm you have paid your membership fees.

6. **Membership Fees**

Membership with the Club will not be finalised until the member fees have been paid. These can be paid through your online account established with your registration. You can find our membership fees for 2020/21 [under this link](#). If you have any questions regarding paying of fees please contact the office during office hours.

7. **FairPlay Vouchers**

Parents, carers' or guardians can apply for a voucher up to \$150 for eligible children and young people from the Queensland Government. Tweed Heads and Coolangatta is a registered organisation. To find out more or apply go to:

www.qld.gov.au/recreation/sports/fairplay

8. **Working with Children Blue Card**

We request all our nipper parents hold a Working with Children Volunteer Blue Card. The

application form can be downloaded [from this link](#).

Even if you already hold a Blue Card, we will need to link our organisation to the card and this

requires completion of the ***“Link an existing blue card to an organisation”***, available

[from this link](#).

The applications must be returned to the Club office, with verification of a certified ID, such as

driver's license, Photo ID, marine licence or a Queensland CRN number .

You can email the documents to Helen at thcslsc@outlook.com .

Please bring original documents to the office before start of the season.

9. Nipper Uniform

All nippers must wear a nipper cap and high-vis pink rashie at Nippers. High Vis Pink rashies

are included in your membership fees and will be available from the Uniform Shop at our

Induction Days. Caps will be available **for purchase** through the Nipper Uniform Shop on our

Induction days. We also have club bathers for purchase, however these are optional.

10. Family Participation

Nippers is a family participation Programm and we welcome you all to assist on SundaY

mornings. *We welcome all help offered and there are many ways to volunteer and be*

*involved with our club. Please have a look at our **Family Participation Program**.*

Please do not hesitate to contact the Club Office for any further information.

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