



**NIPPER NEWSLETTER**  
**Season 2014-2015**  
**No 1 – September 2014**

**Coming Events**

NOW – Nipper Registration and Club Membership Renewal is OPEN

Saturday November 1<sup>st</sup> – Nipper Registration CLOSED (unless age group full earlier)

November 8,9,15,16,22 and 23 (tentative) – Parent Bronze Course

Sunday November 30<sup>th</sup> 9am – Nipper Season commences with Pre-Evaluation and S Badge day at St Pauls front beach – compulsory attendance for all nippers

**From the NIPPER**  
**COORDINATOR**

Welcome back again to the Sorrento SLSC Nippers Program. We are looking forward to another huge season over Summer that both extends and educates the nippers physically and skillfully. We will kick off with our Pre-Evaluation and S Badge swim at 9am Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> Nov at St Pauls Rd Front Beach.

We encourage all nippers to swim at least twice a week during term 4 to ensure they are ready to go for the start of the season. It is imperative you turn up for the 30<sup>th</sup> November Pre-Evaluation session as it helps establish the dynamic of each group and allows us to start processing admin for each child.

Check out the club website to pre-order uniforms for the season.

We also have some tentative dates scheduled for the parent Bronze course, that will enable parents to volunteer for Water Safety during Nipper sessions and carnivals. The dates are November 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. Interested parents should register via the registration portal on the club website or email

[nippers@sorrentoslsc.com](mailto:nippers@sorrentoslsc.com). We cannot run the nipper program without parent Water Safety volunteers so please consider completing this course if you are able to.

Finally, enrolment for the 2014-2015 season is now open! There is a cap on each age group and we have a long waiting list therefore it is essential you enroll as early as possible. Once an age group is full, we will be unable to accommodate further nippers. Please see the next section of this newsletter for DETAILED step by step instructions on how to enroll.

## **Nipper Registration Process – STEP BY STEP INSTRUCTIONS**

Registrations for the 2014/15 Nippers season at Sorrento SLSC on the beautiful Mornington Peninsula are now open! Please refer to the link on our website for this season's program information and session dates.

We are pleased to advise that you may now go online to [www.sorrentoslsc.com](http://www.sorrentoslsc.com) to renew your club membership, pay your fees and complete the Nipper Parent form for all your nippers. You may also use this site to access information on the Working With Children Check (WWCC).

For the 2014/15 season, the fees for all nippers are as follows:

1. \$180 family club membership (compulsory for all families)
2. \$100 nipper fees per nipper (compulsory for U8 to U13 age groups)
3. \$160 SRC / cadet fees per nipper (compulsory for U14 age group)
4. \$60 YIP fee (compulsory for over 14)
5. \$80 training fee per nipper (not compulsory – for those enrolling in additional training only)

All the links are on the Membership page of our website at [www.sorrentoslsc.com](http://www.sorrentoslsc.com). For your convenience the detailed instructions are also included below. Please logon to [www.sorrentoslsc.com](http://www.sorrentoslsc.com) and complete your registration as soon as possible. Please note that we have a full waiting list this year. We will open the registrations to the waiting list on 15<sup>th</sup> September, therefore it is recommended that you complete your registrations, including payment, before that time to secure your nippers place. No registrations will be accepted after 30<sup>th</sup> October, or once an age group is full (whichever comes first).

In summary, you will need to do the following to complete your registration:

1. Carefully read the Life Saving Online Guidelines located on the memberships page at [www.sorrentoslsc.com](http://www.sorrentoslsc.com) - this contains detailed instructions for joining and/or renewing your membership at Sorrento SLSC
2. Complete your Nipper Parent Form

This is also located on the memberships page at [www.sorrentoslsc.com](http://www.sorrentoslsc.com). You MUST complete a nipper parent form EVERY year, for EACH individual nipper. This is crucial for medical details and consents for each child. Nippers cannot be registered without completion of the Nipper Parent Form.

3. Renew (or create if joining for the first time) your membership (one per family member, including adults/siblings) and make your payments online - you will need to refer to the online guidelines to ensure you are making the correct selections. Please make your payments at the time of renewing your memberships – no nipper may be registered without payment.

The link to renew memberships and make payments is located on the memberships page of [www.sorrentoslsc.com](http://www.sorrentoslsc.com) or at [www.lifesavingonline.com.au](http://www.lifesavingonline.com.au)

Note: you MUST retain your userid and password from last season and each season going forward to renew your memberships and make your payments, as well as update any changes to personal details or contact information. If you have forgotten your userid and/or password from last season, please follow the instructions on [www.lifesavingonline.com.au](http://www.lifesavingonline.com.au) to have your userid/password reset and sent directly to you.

Please note that all Nipper families MUST join Sorrento SLSC, and each individual person is required to have their own membership account. There are separate annual fees for Club membership, Nippers membership and training fees. You may pay all fees on one membership account.

Club membership and Nipper memberships are compulsory (one Club membership payment per family AND one Nipper membership payment per Nipper). You may also choose to select and pay for extra training sessions for those Nippers who wish to participate in extra training for carnivals. These extra training sessions are not compulsory. You may choose to register and pay for training at a later date – further information will be provided at a later date regarding training.

Below is an example of fee payments from the online payment system – please use this example to complete your own payments.

# Online Payments

## Step 1 of 4 - Enter payment details

As some clubs/entities may not participate in the Payment Gateway, you can only pay the entities available in the selection box below. If the name does not appear when you type in your required club/entity, you must contact them for alternative payment options. Please ensure you are paying the club/entity that is charging the fee or has invoiced you. Please do not pay Surf Life Saving Australia unless you have been invoiced by SLSA - membership payments must be paid to the relevant club.



Select the entity to pay:		Click here to view price list
Transaction Type ?	Complete name / Meaningful payment details ?	Amount GST Inc. (\$dd.cc) ?
Membership fee ▾	Family Club Membership - Jane Smith, John Smith, Sally Smith, Billy Smith	\$ 180.00
Membership fee ▾	Nipper Fee U14/Cadets Sally Smith	\$ 160.00
Membership fee ▾	Nipper Fee U8 - U13 Billy Smith	\$ 100.00
Special Event ▾	Sorrento Bay Swim Sally Smith	\$ 25.00
Membership fee ▾	Nipper Training Sally Smith	\$ 80.00
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$ 545.00</b>

Please note that the Sorrento SLSC Nippers program begins with Under 8's. This means that all Nippers must have turned 7 by 30th September 2014. If you have younger Nippers you may place them on the waiting list for 2015/16 once we have completed this seasons registrations and reopened the waiting list in November.

One more important point to note is that all adult (over 18 years) Nipper family members who join the Club must have a valid Working With Children Check (WWCC) indicating Sorrento SLSC as the affiliated organisation. This is a compulsory requirement of Life Saving Victoria and no exceptions can be made. Unfortunately we are unable to confirm registration for any nippers if adult family members do not have their WWCC.

If you already have a WWCC, please go online to [www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au](http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au) and indicate Sorrento SLSC as one of your organisations. Please refer to the following link for further information on the WWCC

[www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au](http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au)

You can also access the Working With Children Check website directly from our memberships page at [www.sorrentoslsc.com](http://www.sorrentoslsc.com)