

Memorandum

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TO: All Point Danger Branch Clubs
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FROM: Denis Carmody Education Officer Point Danger Branch
Tim Burgess Regional TACO- Gold Coast

DATE: 20th July 2011

SUBJECT: **Point Danger Branch 2011/2012 IRB Proficiencies**

Inflatable Rescue Boats are a vital piece of equipment that is used by Lifesavers while on patrol. In 2009, SLSA commenced a review of IRB operations across Lifesaving and Sport. The main aim of the review is to ensure that our members are operating IRBs as safely as possible both on patrol and in competition, and to ensure that we are leading the way with best practice IRB operations in Surf Lifesaving.

For the 2010/2011 season Surf Life Saving Queensland introduced the Trainer and Assessor Coordinators (TACO's) system for all new IRB award training. The role of the TACO's is to monitor training of all new IRB award training and assessment. This process is known as Phase 1 of implementing best practice for IRBs in Queensland.

Phase 2 will consist of the 2011/2012 season IRB proficiencies to be run by under SLSQ's TACO system. This means that a Gold Coast TACO must be present at all IRB proficiencies.

The following club clusters and dates have been set by your regions TACO's:

Proficiency 1

DATE	VENUE	TIME	TARGET CLUBS	RSVP CLOSE
Saturday 10th September 2011	Pacific SLSC	8:00am	Tallebudgera, Pacific, Palm Beach SLSC	26 th August 2011
	TH&C SLSC	8:00am	Rainbow Bay, TH&C, Coolangatta SLSC	
	Tugun SLSC	10:00am	Tugun SLSC	
	North Kirra SLSC	10:00am	Bilinga, North Kirra, Kirra SLSC	
	Currumbin SLSC	12:00pm	Currumbin SLSC	
Sunday 11th September 2011	Pacific SLSC	8:00am	Tallebudgera, Pacific, Palm Beach SLSC	26 th August 2011
	TH&C SLSC	8:00am	Rainbow Bay, TH&C, Coolangatta SLSC	
	Tugun SLSC	10:00am	Tugun SLSC	
	North Kirra SLSC	10:00am	Bilinga, North Kirra, Kirra SLSC	
	Currumbin SLSC	12:00pm	Currumbin SLSC	

Proficiency 2

DATE	VENUE	TIME	TARGET CLUBS	RSVP CLOSE
Saturday 8 th October 2011	Pacific SLSC	8:00am	Tallebudgera, Pacific, Palm Beach SLSC	23 rd September 2011
	TH&C SLSC	8:00am	Rainbow Bay, TH&C, Coolangatta SLSC	
	Tugun SLSC	10:00am	Tugun SLSC	
	North Kirra SLSC	10:00am	Bilinga, North Kirra, Kirra SLSC	
	Currumbin SLSC	12:00pm	Currumbin SLSC	

Proficiency 3

DATE	VENUE	TIME	TARGET CLUBS	RSVP CLOSE
Saturday 12 th November 2011	Pacific SLSC	8:00am	Tallebudgera, Pacific, Palm Beach SLSC	28 th October 2011
	TH&C SLSC	8:00am	Rainbow Bay, TH&C, Coolangatta SLSC	
	Tugun SLSC	10:00am	Tugun SLSC	
	North Kirra SLSC	10:00am	Bilinga, North Kirra, Kirra SLSC	
	Currumbin SLSC	12:00pm	Currumbin SLSC	

Registrations/RSVP's for each proficiency close 14 days prior to the IRB proficiency. CTO/Clubs are to ensure that the appropriate registration forms are submitted to Point Danger Branch within this time frame.

Candidates Prerequisite

- Must be a financial member
- Must be a proficient in Bronze Medallion
- Must hold the IRB driver/crew award
- Current marine license (IRB divers only)

Candidates will not be eligible to complete their IRB proficiency if the above pre-requisites are not met. Clubs are to ensure members who attend IRB proficiency meet the above prerequisites. Appropriate IRB PPE must also be worn by all candidates. This includes a training a training cap or club cap.

Individual club will need to supply their own operation IRB for their members to complete their IRB proficiency.

Operational IRB Requirements for Proficiency

- SLSA approved IRB
- Driver and crew adjustable foot straps
- 4 blade propeller
- Prop guard
- 1 x Rescue tube in holder
- 1 x Whistle
- 1 x Knife- stainless steel with blunt end, contained in a sheath
- 2 x Paddles
- 1 x Tow rope in holder
- 1 x 25hp SLSA approved Motor
- 1 x Fuel cell with fuel

Please Note: All clubs IRB's must have the right crew foot strap removed. For further details regarding the removal of the foot strap please refer to the National IRB Agenda on SLSA's website.

July 20, 2011

On the day of the proficiency, members will complete all assessment tasks as per the IRB assessment card under exam condition. A TACO MUST be present to conduct IRB proficiencies. Your Branch will send a request for IRB assessors prior all of the IRB proficiency dates. Additional IRB assessors will be coordinated by the Branch.

If you require any further information please contact your Branch Office or Chantel Fife on 0409 621 568 or cfife@lifesaving.com.au

Kind Regards,

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POINT DANGER BRANCH IRB PROFICIENCY CLUB REGISTRATION FORM 2011/12 SEASON

CLUB: _____

VENUE: _____

Please tick awards to be assessed

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