



ASRL Newsletter

ASRL Newsletter N0: 53 December 2014

Season off and running:

The new Bond Surf Hazard rating system is now in full operational swing and to date we don't think we have had a compulsory Helmet on day. We have been border line and are seeing many crews wearing helmets voluntarily but we haven't seen the sky fall in yet so everything seems to be working fine.

National Selection Event:

Don't miss your opportunity to nominate to be considered for selection as the Australian Open Male & Open Female crew for the Test match series in NZ in Feb.

The nomination forms can be found on the SLSA website of by following this link: [HERE](#)

The link for Team Manager Nominations be found: [HERE](#)

Once nominated the process is explained in the two attachments on the Short Course & National Team Selection below

ASRL Short Course Championship event.

Details have already been posted on the website and can be found [HERE](#)

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Important Note:

The numbers quoted in the attached (National Team Selection Event) are the maximum number of crews to be invited into the actual selection event on Sunday 21 Dec at Elouera. Depending on actual crew nomination numbers received by the closing date at SLSA:

- ❖ it could be that a lesser number of crews meet the starter on Sunday 21
- ❖ dependant on total crew numbers correctly nominated to SLSA by the closing date it could be that crews may not need to race the pre selection Round 3 event on Sat 20 at Nth Cronulla
- ❖ only crews who have correctly nominated to be considered for selection will be allowed to race in the Sunday event regardless of if your crew has won a spot from any of the 3 Rounds of pre-qualifying
- ❖ if you haven't nominated on the SLSA form you won't race on Sunday

This ensures that crews who have nominated are given every chance to win selection and not be conflicted by crews who can't be selected

ASRL asking the Question of SLSA:

Over the last few years we have had a couple of attempts to open debate on the entire process that is SLS in Australia. We are taking another shot at opening the door to some different thinking on our whole organisation. We are encouraging SLSA to understand what most of us on the ground talk about every day as to what needs change and what needs to be thrown out. If you're interested in our latest offering it can be read by clicking [HERE](#)

ASRL Facebook & Twitter:

Thanks to Aaron Tannahill our Facebook page usage is climbing nicely. Don't forget to become involved. Watch also for the ASRL Twitter to start to crank up as we have Pat Spinazzola on the case

IMPORTANT REMINDER **ASRL Open Entry:**

Is now up and open. Early bird entry specifically for NSW crews closes on the 10 Dec. That entry fee is:

- U19 rowers both sexes free
- All other crews \$ 40 per member
- As part of your entry each member including the U19 (again free of charge) will become members of the ASRL and NSWASRL, obviously entry for the ASRL Open, plus a new
 - ❖ Navy racing singlet
 - ❖ ASRL Tee Shirt
 - ❖ Navy Cap
- Late entries in NSW registered after the 10 Dec will rise to a \$55 per head fee
- All other States use the ASRL carnival entry system for you specific State Navy events
- Qld, Tas, Vic, SA & WA crews attending the ASRL Open for this year please enter via the ASRL Surfguard system
- So for NSW you are entering the Open via the ASRL Surfguard system and other carnivals are the standard process via the SLSNSW Branch Surfguard system
- **REMEMBER IN ALL CASES u19 ROWERS ARE FREE OF CHARGE FOR ASRL CONTROLLED EVENTS**



From your committee have a great Christmas and thanks to the well over 1000 members who have already joined up for the season which is just beginning. Keep those entry/memberships rolling in so we can have all your new gear posted out to you before Xmas.