

Call for Youth Program Facilitators

Audience: Club Presidents, Administrators, Member Services Coordinators, Previous Facilitators & Interested Members

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Summary	Outlines the Facilitator Structure and call for nominations for the various positions.
Actions	Interested members are to complete nomination form; https://form.jotform.com/222778324578872 Nominations closing Sunday 16th October 2022

- Are you a past participant of a Surf Life Saving Central Coast Leadership Program?
- Are you passionate about further engaging and nurturing youth members?
- Do you have what it takes to be a Facilitator?
- Have you got previous experience facilitating at a Surf Life Saving or Community Program?
- Are you 18 years or over?

If you answered yes to one or all of these questions or know someone who would be great for the role, please read on or send it on to those you think would be interested.

This season the Youth Program has been refreshed with a new structure which reflects the changes in Surf Life Saving Central Coast and aims to better the youth membership and their unique challenges.

Facilitators have the potential to build valuable skills in presenting, evaluating and mentoring, which will provide them with further opportunities for development in leadership and training. This is an important step within the SLSCC opportunities and pathways framework.

Youth Leadership Program Facilitators play an important role in the planning and implementation of a variety of Programs SLSCC delivers to support the development of its members. The role of Leadership Program Facilitator requires individuals to work in a team environment, presenting, supporting, supervising and ensuring that Leadership Program aims are achieved.

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SLSCC Leadership Program Facilitators

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What is it about?

General roles and responsibilities of Leadership Program Facilitators include:

- Being responsible for the supervision and safety of Program participants
- Supporting SLSCC in the planning, implementation and evaluation of Programs and activities
- Mentoring participants and presenting yourself as a positive role model
- Maintaining open communication channels with SLSCC staff
- Being available for the duration of the nominated Program
- Abiding by Working with Children Guidelines
- Abiding by SLSA Code of Conduct

Who can become a Facilitator?

There are three types of Youth Facilitators. Each level has a slightly different required criterion.

1. Program Facilitators
2. Lead Facilitators and
3. Facilitator Coordinator

Program Facilitators Criteria

- Be a current financial SLS member
- Be a responsible and trust-worthy person
- Able to work in a team environment
- Aspire to become a leader at Club, Branch or State level in Surf Lifesaving
- Hold a current Surf Rescue Certificate or Bronze Medallion
- 18 years of age or older

Lead Facilitators Criteria

- Over 18yrs old
- Hold a proficient Bronze Medallion
- Hold a current Senior First Aid Certificate
- Great communicator
- Have previous involvement (either as a participant or facilitator) in Club, Branch or State Leadership Programs, or alternatively in other community-based programs
- Able to commit to all selected program activities and related facilitator meetings.

Facilitator Coordinator Criteria

- Over 18yrs old
- Hold a proficient Bronze Medallion
- Experience in facilitating programs
- Broad knowledge of the Surf Life Saving movement

- Experience in leading a team
- Great communicator
- Commit to the role for one season

Key Dates

5 th October	Nominations open
16 th October	Nominations Close
29 th October	Facilitator Workshop
28 th October	Rookie Disco
13 th January	Rookie Challenge

Structure

This season Surf Life Saving Central Coast is introducing a facilitator structure that will guide the SLSCC Youth Program.

Facilitator Coordinator– This person will be responsible for the delivery of all the SLSCC Youth Programs and will advocate for the development of facilitators and program participants. This person will also work closely with the Youth Activities board to deliver the strategic outcomes of the board and provide insights to the youth membership base of Surf Life Saving Central Coast. This position is for one season and will move to a two-season position commencing in the 2022/23 season.

Lead Facilitator- This person will be responsible for the planning and delivery of their respective program. There will be three lead facilitators appointed.

Program facilitators – These facilitators will be working closely with the program participants and actively delivering the program.



U17-U19 Youth Leadership Program

The Youth Leadership program is our senior Leadership Program that aims to deliver core leadership skills to enable participants to explore leadership opportunities and develop their skills as leaders in Surf Life Saving and the community.

The program runs over the entire season with up to four activities culminating in a final activity that brings together all the lessons learnt over the season.

Facilitators of this group will be over the age of 18 and have demonstrated experience in leading groups of volunteers. They will need to be available to attend all activities and assist with the planning and delivery of the program.

Dates	Session
21 st October	Session 1
28 th October	Rookie Disco
11 th December	Session 2
13 th January	Rookie Challenge
19 th – 22 nd January	Youth Leadership Camp
11 th March	Session 4

U15 Leadership Development Program

The U15 Leadership Development Program is a new initiative being brought in for the 2021/22 season to provide the U15 age group with youth engagement activities.

This program will be run over one day. At the end of the day participants will have developed a leadership project that will have to be completed within a given timeframe.

It will be up to the facilitator team to put this program together.

Dates	Session
28 th October	Rookie Disco
6 th November	Session 1
13 th January	Rookie Challenge
15 th January	Session 2

U13 – U14 Youth Camp

Formally known as the Development Camp U13 and U14 members will be nominated from their club to participate in an overnight camp where they will undertake various team building activities.

Dates	Session
28 th October	Rookie Disco
12/13 th November	Rookie Camp
13 th January	Rookie Challenge
Date TBA	Ducks for Bucks