

QUEENSLAND SURF LIFE SAVING – SURF SPORTS – JULY 2009 TO APRIL 2010

Welcome to Surf Sports Queensland for the 2009/2010 season.

With the forthcoming Surf Sports season in Queensland, you will see many changes that have come about from a great deal of discussion, thought and long term forward planning.

There have been considerable changes to the calendar with the introduction of some new events, deletion of others and reconfiguration of most.

A quick overview of these events is to follow and further queries will be answered at the forthcoming regional forums that are to be conducted over the next few months before the start of the new season on 1st October 2009.

Important items for you to know.....

1. Due to economic reasons the Ocean Assault series has been placed in "hiatus" to be hopefully re-introduced for the 2010/2011 season. Further discussion will be had over the next 12 months to re-establish it on the competition calendar.
2. A major push toward "One Day" competitions has been introduced for age groups Under 11 to Under 14 and Under 15 to Open. This is a direct result from the Junior Surf Sports survey conducted at the end of the 2008/2009 season.
3. The introduction of "The Fastest Man on Sand" series. Four rounds of "one day" beach events including Beach Sprints, Beach Flags and Beach relays for Age Groups from Under 11 up to Open.
4. The 2010 Queensland State Board Riding Championships have been brought forward as a completely separate State Championship event into December 2009. Age Groups have been altered also now to Under 11, Under 12, Under 13, Under 14, Under 15, Under 17, Under 19, Open and Masters.
5. The introduction of the "South Pacific Championships" – although listed as a three day event all ocean events for the respective age groups will only be conducted on one day i.e.
Under 13 and Under 14 – Friday 18th December 2009
Under 19 and Open – Saturday 19th December 2009
Under 15 and Under 17 – Sunday 20th December 2009

There will also be Pool Rescue Competition, IRB Competition and Surf Boat competition included in the South Pacific Championships.

Pool Rescue on Friday 18th December 2009 in the afternoon and evening for U13 to Open Age groups

Surf Boat competition will be on Saturday 19th Dec 2009 – U19, U23, Open & Masters Age Groups

IRB Competition will be conducted on Sunday 20th December 2009 – Age Groups to be advised

The third round of "The Fastest Man on Sand" series will be conducted at the South Pacific Championships on Saturday 19th December 2009 – U11 to Open Age Groups

6. The Oceans 38 series will also be conducted again this season.
7. The Masters and Senior State Championships will be conducted over three days only at Kurrawa Beach on the Gold Coast.
Friday 5th March 2010 – All Masters Water Events run & completed
Saturday 6th March 2010 – All Beach Events from Under 15 through to Masters
Under 15 to Open Water events and Surf Boats
Sunday 7th March 2010 - Under 15 to Open Water events and Surf Boats
March Past
NB – R & R will be conducted on either 6th or 7th March 2010 depending on entries

NB - Timetables and event lists for all of this season's competition will be released over the next few weeks to give all participants the opportunity to see what events will be contested at what event on what day.