

CIRCULAR



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1. INTRODUCTION

The 2023 Sharkskin 'Ocean Roar' IRB Premiership Series attracts competitors from all over the state, providing an opportunity to unite showcasing one of Queensland's most iconic volunteer movements, Surf Life Saving.

A high-octane event, inflatable rescue boat (IRB) racing has a large following in Queensland as competitors fight it out for surf rescue supremacy.

Aside from the thrills of the competition the event is a real reinforcement of lifesaving skills. The races are all about simulating rescue situations and testing the abilities of drivers and crew people as they're transferred to a competitive setting.

Below are the dates and venues for the 2023 Sharkskin 'Ocean Roar' IRB Premiership Series.

Round 1:	7 th May 2023	(Tallebudgera SLSC)
Round 2:	20 th & 21 st May 2023	(Mooloolaba SLSC)
Round 3:	3 rd & 4 th June 2023	(Currumbin SLSC)
Round 4:	17 th & 18 th June 2023	(Mooloolaba SLSC)

This document outlines some key information relating to the 2023 Sharkskin 'Ocean Roar' IRB Premiership Series. Please note that SLSQ may have subsequent bulletins or circulars which may supersede information provided in the circular.

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2. DISTRIBUTION OF CIRCULAR

It is most important that the information in this Circular is brought to the attention of all Accredited Officials

Non-receipt of the Circular will not be taken as an excuse if a Club, Team or individual does not comply with the requirements outlines in this and other Bulletins and Circulars.

3. COVID-SAFE

Surf Life Saving Queensland have put together some plans to ensure we safely hold the 2023 Sharkskin 'Ocean Roar' IRB Premiership Series.

Above all else we ask that members follow safe hygiene practices and maintain 1.5m between people where possible.

Recommendations

SLSQ highly recommends that anyone attending an event be fully vaccinated against Covid-19.

4. OFFICIAL NOMINATIONS

All nominating officials will be required to be current accredited SLSA officials and be the holder of a current BlueCard.

All competing clubs must supply one official regardless of competitor numbers. Clubs with ten or more competitors must supply one official per ten competitors. Eg if a club has 30 competitors, they will be required to supply 3 officials.

If an official would like to nominate for the event please follow the below link:

2023 Sharkskin 'Ocean Roar' IRB Premiership Series - [Officials Nominations](#)

Nominations Close

Officials Nominations close – COB Wednesday 26th April 2023.

5. DRAFT TIMETABLE

The below timetable is only a draft and is subject to change. The Program of Events will go out with the Final Circular.

6.30am –	All IRB duty crews report
6.30am -	Carnival Committee Meeting
6.30am –	Official Breakfast and Sign on
7.00am –	All Officials briefing
7.45am –	Marshalling for first event
8.00am –	First Event

6. OFFICIALS DRESS

It is imperative that the appearance of competition officials/judges is of a high standard, therefore appointed officials are asked to give a high degree of attention to their quality of uniform.

It is preferred that all officials wear the generic white and blue officials' shirt.

7. SHARKSKIN MERCHANDISE

QLD Surf Lifesaving 2022 IRB Official Merchandise will be made available at the events as well as the Sharkskin website.

8. HEALTH & WELLBEING

The welfare of all competitors and officials is of paramount importance and athletes or their parent/guardian in the case of underage competitors should seek advice prior to the competition from a qualified professional for any health concerns if required.

Any competitor or official who suffers illness or injury prior to or at the event must seek a medical clearance before resuming their normal activities which includes training and competition.

In addition, SLSQ may, at its sole discretion, require a competitor and/or official to be assessed for physical and/or psychological fitness to participate in the competition. This ensures the safety and wellbeing of the athlete concerned and fellow competitors while also ensuring all parties and SLSQ are not placed at risk.

SLSQ will be supplying adequate shade tents at all marshalling areas for officials and competitors throughout the event. It is highly recommended that all athletes ensure they carry with them adequate apparel to assist with reduction of sunburn, along with recommended use of sunscreen throughout the day.

Water barrels will be available under the marshalling tents for officials, team managers and competitor use. These barrels are in place for all persons to use and fill up their own water bottles. Please note, no drinking cups will be supplied.

9. BEHAVIOUR/MISCONDUCT

Any misconduct while at the event will not be tolerated. This includes the days leading into the competition and any official social activities following the conclusion of the event. Offending members risk disciplinary action against both themselves and their Clubs.

Please refer to the current Surf Sports Manual sections 2.27 *SLSA Code of Behaviour* and 2.28 *Abuse/Inappropriate Behaviour* and the Policy 6.5 *Member Protection Policy* (available online at the Members Portal).



FURTHER INFORMATION

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