

Title:	2025 Shaw and Partners Hayden Kenny Classic, Alexandra Headlands SLSC - Entry Circular
Event Dates:	Friday 5 th – Sunday 7 th December 2025

1. Introduction

The Shaw and Partners World Ocean Series attract competitors from all over the country, providing an opportunity to unite over 3 days showcasing one of Queensland’s most iconic volunteer movements, Surf Life Saving.

The final round will be held at Alexandra Headlands SLSC on Friday 5th – Sunday 7th December 2025.

This document outlines some the final information relating to the finale of the Shaw and Partners World Ocean Series. Please note that WOS may have subsequent bulletins or circulars which may supersede information provided in the circular.

2. Competition Committee

The Competition Committee (CC) will direct all matters relating to the actual conduct of the competition. The CC may, in accordance with the rules contained in the current edition of the *Surf Sports Manual*, any subsequent amending bulletins and this circular, postpone, cancel and or alter any or all events at the Championships, and/or alter the venue of the competition.

The CC may consult and seek advice from appropriate officials, athletes and other personnel on competition conditions and safety issues when required. The CC shall appoint the various sub committees and panels as required for the event e.g. Disciplinary Committee & Coach/Athlete Panel.

POSITION	NAME
Independent Chair	TBC
Event Referee	TBC
Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator	TBC
Event Coordinator	Trent Goulding
Venue Representative	Helen Butler

3. Safety & Emergency Committee

A Safety & Emergency Committee (SEC) shall be appointed which must consider and advise the Referee and Competition Committee on all matters relating to competition and non-competition safety and emergency management. The Chair of the Committee shall be the Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator who shall also be a member of the Competition Committee. The composition of the SEC will be determined by SLSQ.

POSITION	NAME
Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator	TBC
Deputy Referee	TBC
First Aid/Medical Coordinator	TBC
Event Coordinator	Trent Goulding
IRB/Water Safety Coordinator	TBC

4. Distribution Of Circular

It is most important that the information in this Circular is brought to the attention of all Carnival Officials, Team Managers, Coaches and Competitors.

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.

5. Entries

Individual entries can be made via [Live Heats](#). Early bird entries will close Monday 10th November 2025. Regular entries will close Monday 1st December at 11:55pm.

Entries after Monday 1st December 2025 will incur a \$10 late entry fee.

Open Mixed Taplin Relay and Junior Mixed Taplin Relay team nominations will be made at the Friday and Saturday team managers meeting. Clubs will be permitted to enter one team per club. Should there be additional space in the final, clubs may submit a 2nd team and will be allocated in order of host club followed by highest club entries until the final is full.

Team Managers will have until 30 minutes prior to marshalling on competition day to register late competitor entries with Administration (fees apply).

6. Competitor Listing / Live Heats

The competitor listing and for the Shaw and Partners Hayden Kenny Classic will be available on Live Heats prior to competition commencing.

Athletes must have a live heats band registered to their name. Replacement Live Heats bands will be available to purchase at the check in area, wrist bands can also be reprogrammed here.

Athletes are to ensure they get scanned after every race to receive points and be progressed correctly.

7. Marshalling Process

Event heats will be drawn prior to the event. All individual events will marshal on the line as per last year. Athletes are required to KNOW THEIR HEAT NUMBER & LANE and report to the start line in their lane. WE WILL NOT WAIT FOR YOU!

All remaining team events will marshal on the line with the 3rd paddler of each team scanning the team in.

8. Event Administration & Athlete Check In

Event Administration is located upstairs of the Alex Surf Club.

Event Admin and Athlete Check in Timings:

12pm – 6pm Friday

6am – 8am Saturday

Athletes will receive 1x Shirt, Hat & Rashie for the summer i.e. athletes to keep rashies for future

premier events where they must be worn.

9. Team Managers Meetings:

1.40pm Friday, 7am Saturday

10. Whats App Group Link

Click [here for the official Whats App Group](#). This group chat will be the main form of communication particularly with any changes on event day.

11. Program of Events

Program of Events (Including Sunday Junior Racing)

Link to [draft program](#). Subject to change.

12. Default Heat Progressions

Link to [draft heat progressions](#). Subject to change based on conditions

13. ATHLETE/COACH ADVISORY PANEL

The Carnival Committee (CC) will be appointing an Athlete/Coach Advisory Panel for this event. The Panel will be made up of a mix of athletes and coaches and will be a resource for the Carnival Referee and Sectional Referees. This Panel will also be able to take any issues to the Carnival Committee during the running of the event if necessary.

14. RESULTS

Live Results and heat draws will be available on [Live Heats](#).

15. EVENT MEDALS, TROPHIES & POINTSCORE

Please see the World Ocean Series website for all details on the above.

- Top 3 place getters in all individual races will be awarded medals on the Shaw and Partners World Ocean Series podium and interviewed straight after each race
- Trophies will be awarded to all individual winners of events in Finals package
- Overall and current point scores will be available on Live Heats following the completion of RD 1

12. Prize pool:

Events	Places				
	1	2	3	4	5
Iron	10000	2500	1000	500	250
Board	2000	500	300		
Swim	2000	500	300		
Ski	2000	500	300		
Board Relay	300	100			
Ski Relay	300	100			
Double Ski	300	100			
Run Swim Run	300	100			
Taplin 3 Person	600	300	150		
Taplin Mixed	10000	4200	1800		
Junior Individual	200	100	50		
Junior Mixed Taplin	1200	800	400		

16. WARM UP/WARM DOWN

Prior to the start of competition warm up will be as follows:

- Swim / craft in respective areas 6.30am – 7:30am

All warm downs are to be done outside of the competition area so that competition is not impacted.

17. WATER SAFETY

Local clubs will be contacted directly to provide IRB water safety support.

The Sunday Shaw and Partners Hayden Kenny Classic Youth Challenge will require 6x proficient water safety personnel per arena. Clubs are asked to provide 1x water safety personnel per 6 competitors with a SLSA approved Orange Water Safety Vest, Orange Cap and Tube / Rescue Board. A roster will be released the week of the event.

18. Official Appointments

Official Nominations can be [made here](#). Officials Roster will be emailed directly the week of the event.

19. GEAR TRAILER/VEHICLE PARKING

Gear trailer access is located on 3 Mari St. Trailers can arrive from mid-day Thursday. Athletes are required to utilise the pedestrian crossing to safely cross the road.



20. CLUB TENTS

Club tents can be set up within the designated area from 4pm Thursday. Please ensure these are adequately secured.

21. MEDIA & PHOTOGRAPHY

Drones:

For the safety of competitors, officials and spectators WOS prohibits the use of drones or Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV) at this event by members and/or public.

All competitors racing agree to have one broadcast drone in the racing arena during the finals package.

Photography:

As a condition of entry, all competitors agree to have photos and video taken during the event used for promotional material by WOS.

Photographers within the carnival area must have a visible photographer's pass as well as their BlueCard.

22. SCRUTINEERING

Scrutineering at this event will be conducted randomly throughout this event by appointed scrutineering officials.

23. CANCELLATION POLICY

If the carnival is cancelled with no postponement before the first event is conducted, a 75% refund will be issued.

If a carnival is cancelled, after the first event is conducted, no refund will be given.

If a carnival is postponed and re-scheduled to another date, a 75% refund will be issued to competing Clubs that cannot compete at the re-scheduled event.

24. 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 Behavior* and 2.28 *Abuse/Inappropriate Behavior* and the Policy 6.5 *Member Protection Policy* (available online at the Members Portal).

25. PROTESTS

All protests shall be lodged with the appropriate Liaison Officer in each Area in accordance with procedures set down in the current edition of the Surf Sports Manual and any subsequent bulletins and shall identify the specific sections/clauses in the Competition Manual and or event rules upon which the protest is based.

Protest Forms are available from the Liaison Officer. An 'Appeals Fee' of \$110 must accompany all documentation when the process is officially submitted to the Appeals Committee for adjudication.

26. Iron Finalists

Must provide their swimwear sizing's once qualified to receive their finalist swimwear to be worn in the iron final.

27. Event Broadcast

The Shaw and Partners Hayden Kenny Classic Finals package will be broadcast live from 2pm QLD Time Saturday 6th December 2025.

28. Race One Ticket

U17 board, ski, swim and iron Race Winners will receive a Race One Ticket to race in the Open Final. If a Friday Iron qualifier also wins the Race One Ticket, no additional position will be given.

29. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Double Skis and Run Swim Run will Marshall on the line, 7:30am start.
- Races will not be held for juniors racing up in opens
- First Aid is located in both Open & Junior Arenas
- Support Alex SLSC & The Bluff Bar for your team dinners, social gatherings.
- Saturday After Function will be held at The Bluff Bar
- Please pick up all rubbish and leave the beach cleaner than we found it
- Tag us all in stories and posts
- Race hard but race fair
- Smile at our various camera & photography crews
- Claim your race if you win and give a good winners interview - you are on TV!

Tides:

- High Tide Friday: 0754 AM, 2.1M
- Low Tide Friday 1437 PM, .1M
- High Tide Saturday: 0843 AM, 2.1M
- Low Tide Saturday: 1530 PM, .1M
- High Tide Sunday: 0934 AM, 1.2M
- Low Tide Sunday: 1623 PM, .1M

Have fun and see you down the beach!

FURTHER INFORMATION

Should further information be required please contact the World Ocean Series Team:

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