Circular 3506

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18-25 DEVELOPMENT NETWORKING PROGRAM

Attention: 18-25 year old members

Actioned by: 18-25 year old members, Clubs and Branches

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Summary	This circular outlines the details and process of application for the Surf Life Saving NSW 18-25 Development Networking Program.	
Objective	To foster leadership and networking development in 18-25 year old members, facilitating personal growth, goal setting and team work.	
Strategic Plan Ref No.	2.1 Provide members with a full range of opportunities and pathways within the SLS Movement 9.2 Provide our members with opportunities to connect with each other and share innovative ideas.	
Action	Applications must be submitted directly to Surf Life Saving NSW via the online application form by 4 September 2017.	

After another successful program in 2016, Surf Life Saving New South Wales (SLSNSW) is excited to announce that applications are now open for the 2017 Development Networking Program (DNP)!

DNP offers the opportunity for members 18-25 years old from all areas of the organisation to participate in an action packed weekend filled with networking opportunities, workshops, high energy discussions, personal development and key speakers. The program focuses on developing individuals and exploring the skills and talents they bring to Surf Life Saving in a fun and supportive environment. The 3 day event is all about getting together our Surf Life Saving leaders of the future, giving them a platform to discuss issues that affect them and most importantly, the chance to meet like-minded people from other clubs to foster strong inter-club and branch relationships for the future.

The program is free for participants with all expenses covered by SLSNSW. It will run from the afternoon of Friday 17 November through to the afternoon of Sunday the 19 November. Held right in the heart of Sydney at the Sydney Harbour YHA in The Rocks, participants are able to soak up the vibrant atmosphere and iconic views that central Sydney has to offer. In addition to this program being run at no cost to participants, SLSNSW will also cover the costs of flights for participants travelling from Far North, North Coast, Mid North, Lower North, South Coast and Far South Coast Branches.

Participants must be between 18 and 25 years of age and be current and financial members of a NSW Surf Life Saving Club. We are looking for people who have a passion for Surf Life Saving and would utilise the opportunity to develop their personal development pathways. Participants from all areas of Surf Life Saving are welcome and we encourage diversity amongst applicants' strengths and interests.

All applicants must have endorsement from a committee member from their club before applying for the program. The committee members name and position must supplied in the application process. The person endorsing the application must be willing to discuss the application with SLSNSW if required.

SLSNSW will review applications in conjunction with Branches and successful and non-successful applicants will be advised by 6 October 2017. To see all the fun that was had on the 2016 18-25 Development Network Program you can access photos via the SLSNSW Facebook page.

The application process:

	Action:	To be completed	Due Date:
(1)	Speak to your Club President, Director of Member Services or other relevant committee member about the program, and seek their endorsement.	Member	Monday 4 September 2017
(2)	Complete the online application form, utilising the following link: https://form.jotform.co/SurfLifeSavingNSW/2017DNPApplication	Member	9am, Monday 4 September 2017
(3)	Applications will be assessed, collated and sent to Branch Director of Member Services for Endorsement.	SLSNSW	Monday 18 September 2017
(4)	Branches to send endorsements and applicant priority order back to SLSNSW.	Branches	9am, Monday 2 October 2017
(5)	SLSNSW to advise Members, their Clubs and Branches of the successful and unsuccessful applicants.	SLSNSW	By Friday 6 October 2017

Branches will be allocated two positions in the program and we ask that each branch rank applicants in preferential order. Ideally each Branch will be represented by one male and one female participant. Positions not filled by any Branch will be reallocated to the most promising applicants from other Branches based on SLSNSW assessment and the Branch's recommendations.

If you have any questions regarding the 18-25 Development Networking Program please contact Naomi Stevenson on (02) 9471 8000 or via email on nstevenson@surflifesaving.com.au.