

Circular 3520

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2017/2018 Youth Opportunity Makers Workshop

Attention: Branch Executive, Club Executive, 15– 17 year old members

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Summary	Details the Surf Life Saving New South Wales 2017/2018 Youth Opportunity Makers Workshop and nomination process.
Objective	To foster personal development in 15-17 year old members, by broadening their understanding of current issues, pathways and opportunities, in addition to encouraging positive self-esteem 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	Submit Jotform application by Monday 15th January 2018 .

SLSNSW is excited to announce the opening of applications for the 2018 Youth Opportunity Makers Workshop!

Surf Life Saving New South Wales invites nominations for the 2017/2018 Youth Opportunity Makers Workshop. The workshop is geared towards creating greater awareness of opportunities and individual abilities in 15-17 year old members. Branches are encouraged to use this workshop as a method of recognising members who have the potential to develop skills further by working with like-minded youth.

The workshop will be sponsored by Surf Life Saving New South Wales, and held from Monday 16th to the Thursday the 19th April 2018 at The Collaroy Centre on Sydney's Northern Beaches.

The workshop is aimed at members whose Clubs and Branches believe they have qualities that can be developed to enhance the future of the Club and Branch. Aims of the workshop include:

- To create situations that promote fun learning experiences
- To create an awareness of current issues, pathways and opportunities
- To promote teamwork, communication skills and goal setting
- To develop confidence and self-esteem in a supportive environment whilst positively recognising members

- Provide opportunities for ideas to be exchanged

Participants will take part in focused learning seminars, presentations and workshops as well as some great fun activities and challenges.

All applicants will need to complete the Jotform Application online (click [here](#)) Applications close at 9am Monday 5th February 2018. SLSNSW will then forward applications to the respective Branches for prioritisation and endorsement. Branches will then send all applications back to SLSNSW where a final allocation of positions will take place.

To apply for the program;

	Action:	To be completed by:	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	15 January 2018
(2)	Complete the Jotform application and include the details of the person in your Club who is endorsing your application.	Member	9am, Monday 15 January 2018
(3)	Applications will be collated by SLSNSW and sent to Branch for endorsement and prioritisation.	Club	Friday 19th January 2018
(4)	Branches to send endorsements and applicant priority order to SLSNSW .	Branch	9am, Monday 6 February 2018
(5)	SLSNSW to advise Members, their Clubs and Branches of the successful and unsuccessful applicants.	SLSNSW	Monday 19 February 2018

Each Branch will be allocated at least two (2) positions in the program and should rank additional applicants in preferential order. Ideally one male and one female applicant per Branch will be represented. Positions not filled will be allocated to the most promising applicants from other Branches.

If you have any questions about the Youth Opportunity Makers Workshop, please contact SLSNSW Member Services on (02) 9471 8000 or via email nstevenson@surflifesaving.com.au