



Portsea Nippers Program 20/21 – 8th September 2020

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The Portsea Nippers program is a long-established part of summer holidays down at the Mornington Peninsula. The nature, timing and extent of the current COVID-19 restrictions have required us to consider a number of different possible scenarios for the conduct of the program this year:

- **Scenario 1: Business As Usual.** Program undertaken for all registered Nippers at Quarantine Station and Portsea Back Beach.
- **Scenario 2: Restricted Program - Alternate Days.** Program undertaken for all registered Nippers - separated into 2 distinct groups operating on alternate days at Quarantine Station and Portsea Back Beach.
- **Scenario 3: Restricted Program - Limited Participants.** Program undertaken for restricted number of registered Nippers at Quarantine and Portsea Back Beach.
- **Scenario 4: No program.**

Our ability to effectively conduct the program this summer will be dependent on the actions of each of you – so please read the attached for further information (which is subject to further change as necessary). This information updates certain aspects of the Nipper program information below.

Registration

Registrations for Nippers 2020-21 are currently closed.

Important - Given the current COVID-19 restrictions, we do not yet know how many Nippers will be allowed to participate in our Nipper program. In the event of a reduced program (as outlined in Scenario 3 above), places in the program will be allocated on a first come/first served basis – no exceptions.

In the event of there being limitations on size (Scenario 3) or no Nipper program (Scenario 4), we will offer the following options:

1. Refund of Nipper program registration fees (not Club membership fees) net of external administration fees (\$15)
2. Roll-over of Nipper program registration fees to the 2021/22 Nipper program (achieving priority registration – subject to numbers)
3. Donation of Nipper program registration fees to the club (tax deductible donation)
4. Issue of a merchandise voucher for the equivalent value (with a 10% discount on merchandise purchased to the equivalent value of the Nipper program registration fees)



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Under Scenario 1 or 2, the Nipper program will be limited to 600 participants max – no exceptions.

Program Fees

Nipper Program registration fees have been set at \$190 for the 2020/21 season. This fee has been held consistent with the prior year registration fee.

We will make a small number of fully subsidised places available in the Nipper program. Parents seeking fully subsidised places should send an application email to brett.croft@portseasurf.com.au briefly outlining the reasons for the application. All applications will be treated in strictest confidence.

Nipper Program Dates

(NB: Dates are subject to change due to COVID-19 restrictions)

The dates for the Nipper program are as follows:

- 27 December 2020 – Session 1 - Accreditation Swim – Quarantine Station (staggered times to be advised) and collection of Nipper Packs
- 29 December 2020 – Session 2
- 31 December 2020 – Session 3
- 2 January 2021 – Session 4 and Nipper Parents and Friends Cocktail Party
- 3 January 2021 – Nipper Disco (Point Nepean)
- 4 January 2021 – Session 5
- 5 January 2021 – Under 13 Bootcamp
- 6 January 2021 – Session 6
- 16 January 2021 – Session 7 - Nipper Competition Day

Notes:

- The Accreditation Swim will take place on 27 December 2020 at the Quarantine Station (times to be advised). Upon successful completion of the required swim distance, Nipper program participants will receive their “Nipper Accreditation Wristband”. Similar to last year, this wristband will need to be worn at all Nipper program sessions – no wristband, no water entry, no exceptions.
- Nipper Packs – will be available for collection at the Accreditation Swim. Due to the potential for disruption due to COVID-19 restrictions, these will not be mailed out to participants this year.
- Nipper Parents and Friends Cocktail Party – tickets can be purchased at registration. Final numbers will be subject to COVID-19 restrictions (refunds will be provided as appropriate).



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- Nipper Disco - tickets can be purchased at registration. Numbers will be subject to COVID-19 restrictions (refunds will be provided as appropriate).
- Under 13 Bootcamp - tickets can be purchased at registration. Numbers will be subject to COVID-19 restrictions. In the event that a sleepover in the clubhouse is not possible (due to COVID-19 restrictions), the session will be undertaken as a day session followed by BBQ dinner (refunds will be provided as appropriate).