

The Raglan Surf Club

Red and Black Handbook

2025 / 2026 Season



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Introduction

At Raglan Surf Lifesaving Club, we're proud of our community, our history, and the vital role we play in keeping our beach safe. This handbook is your go-to guide for everything you need to know about our club. Whether you're new to surf lifesaving or a seasoned member, this resource is designed to provide clear, practical information about our operations, patrols, membership, and more.

Inside, you'll find details on how our club is structured, the people who lead it, and how you can get involved—whether through patrolling, training, or participating in surf sports. We cover everything from our club's rich history to the current fees, camps, courses, and the key policies that keep our operations smooth and safe.

Consider this handbook your one-stop shop for all things Raglan SLSC—whether you're checking in on membership details, planning for an event, or looking for important guidelines for the beach.

Thank you for being part of the Raglan Surf Lifesaving community!



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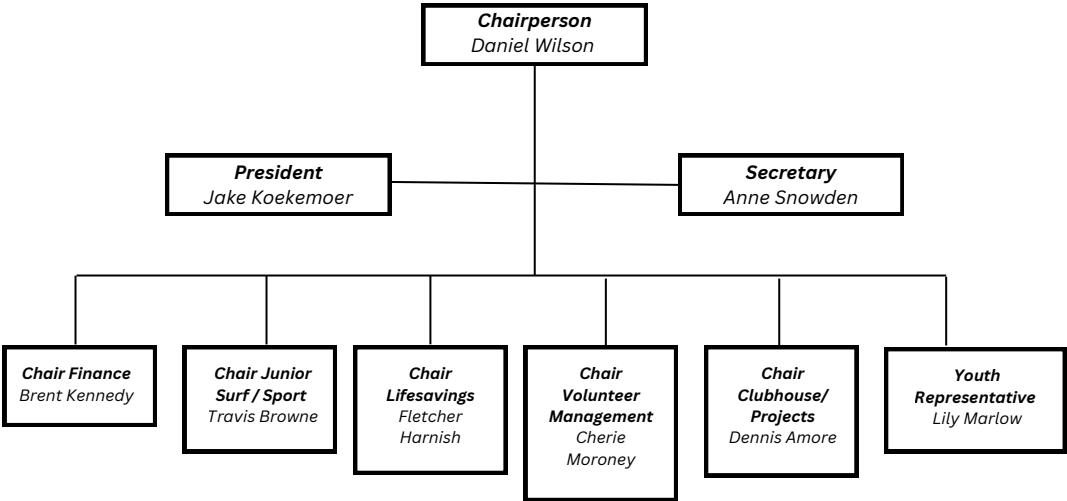
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Board and Committee Structure



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25 / 26 Season Patrols

	<i>Foxtrot</i>	<i>Romeo</i>	<i>Charlie</i>		<i>Active Reserve</i>	
<i>PC</i>	Adrian	Amber	Cory		Rhys	Ellie
<i>VPC</i>	Olivia	Maddie	Bri		Sean	Fletcher
<i>VPC</i>	Ruby	Lily	Abi		Quinn	Josh SL
<i>PM</i>	Dan	Cherie	Alix		Bugsy	
<i>FAM</i>	Julius	Bella			Hamish K	
	Travis	Brent	Jake		David	
	Josh S	Molly	Jadoubé		Emma	
	Ian	Liam	Isobel		Rob	
	Leila	Isaac J	Channelle		Brooke	
	Sam	Toby G	Ella B		Manihera	
	Xander K	Selena	Duncan		Ella K	
	Xander B	Owen	Iva		Wayne	
	Andre	Curtis			Aidan	
		Toby L			Poppy	

Patrol Roster

Date:	Day:	Patrol Hours:	Patrol:	Notes:
25th Oct 25	Saturday	1100 - 1700	Open	
26th Oct 25	Sunday	1100 - 1700	Open	
27th Oct 25	Monday	1100 - 1600	Open	Labour Day
1st Nov 25	Saturday	1100 - 1700	Charlie	
2nd Nov 25	Sunday	1100 - 1600	Charlie	
8th Nov 25	Saturday	1100 - 1700	Romeo	
9th Nov 25	Sunday	1100 - 1600	Romeo	
15th Nov 25	Saturday	1100 - 1700	Foxtrot	
16th Nov 25	Sunday	1100 - 1600	Foxtrot	
22nd Nov 25	Saturday	1100 - 1700	Open	
23rd Nov 25	Sunday	1100 - 1600	Open	
29th Nov 25	Saturday	1100 - 1700	Charlie	
30th Nov 25	Sunday	1100 - 1600	Charlie	
6th Dec 25	Saturday	1030 - 1800	Romeo	
7th Dec 25	Sunday	1030 - 1700	Romeo	
13th Dec 25	Saturday	1030 - 1800	Foxtrot	
14th Dec 25	Sunday	1030 - 1700	Foxtrot	
20th Dec 25	Saturday	1030 - 1800	Open	
21st Dec 25	Sunday	1030 - 1700	Open	
27th Dec 25	Saturday	1030 - 1800	Charlie	
28th Dec 25	Sunday	1030 - 1700	Charlie	
3rd Jan 26	Saturday	1030 - 1800	Romeo	
4th Jan 26	Sunday	1030 - 1700	Romeo	
10th Jan 26	Saturday	1030 - 1800	Foxtrot	
11th jan 26	Sunday	1030 - 1700	Foxtrot	

Date:	Day:	Patrol Hours:	Patrol:	Notes:
17th Jan 26	Saturday	0800 - 1900	Open	Soundsplash
18th Jan 26	Sunday	0900 - 1800	Open	Soundsplash
24th Jan 26	Saturday	1030 - 1800	Charlie	
25th Jan 26	Sunday	1030 - 1700	Charlie	
26th Jan 26	Monday	1030 - 1700	Charlie	ALK Anniversary
31st Jan 26	Saturday	1030 - 1800	Romeo	
1st Feb 26	Sunday	1030 - 1700	Romeo	
6th Feb 26	Saturday	1030 - 1800	Foxtrot	Waitangi Day
7th Feb 26	Sunday	1030 - 1700	Foxtrot	
8th Feb 26	Saturday	1030 - 1800	Foxtrot	
14th Feb 26	Saturday	1030 - 1800	Open	
15th Feb 26	Sunday	1030 - 1700	Open	
21st Feb 26	Sunday	1030 - 1700	Romeo	
22nd Feb 26	Saturday	1030 - 1800	Romeo	
28th Feb 26	Sunday	1030 - 1700	Charlie	
1st March 26	Saturday	1100 - 1700	Charlie	
7th March 26	Sunday	1100 - 1600	Foxtrot	
8th March 26	Saturday	1100 - 1700	Foxtrot	
14th March 26	Sunday	1100 - 1600	Romeo	
15th March 26	Saturday	1100 - 1700	Romeo	
21st March 26	Saturday	1100 - 1700	Charlie	
22nd March 26	Sunday	1100 - 1600	Charlie	
28th March 26	Saturday	1100 - 1700	Foxtrot	
29th March 26	Sunday	1100 - 1600	Foxtrot	

Date:	Day:	Patrol Hours:	Patrol:	Notes:
3rd April 26	Friday	1100 - 1700	Open	Good Friday
4th April 26	Saturday	1100 - 1700	Open	
5th April 26	Sunday	1100 - 1700	Open	
6th April 26	Monday	1100 - 1600	Open	Easter Monday

As a Patrolling member you will be assigned to a Patrol, these are about once a month. If you are unable to turn up to a patrol it is your responsibility to find cover.



Patrol

Raglan Surf Lifesaving Club patrols between Labour Weekend and Easter Weekend every summer. These volunteer patrols take place every weekend and certain public holidays.

Patrols run with three main rotations, these rotations involve

- Tower; where members watch the entire beach from the designated tower area.
- 1st Response; where members roam the beach often using an ATV, this is our main opportunity to connect with the public and perform preventative actions.
- Flags; when members patrol between the flags, and ensure public swimming between the flags are safe.

It is key that you turn up at least 20 mins to the set patrol time to support with setting up patrol.

On patrol it's key that members prioritize preventative actions. This is done by educating members of the public about possible dangers and hazards before they get into trouble.

If you have any questions about your patrol feel free to chat with your Patrol Manager or Patrol Captain and they will be able to support you.

Refreshers

Once a year Lifeguards and Patrol Supports must refresh their qualifications. This includes their Lifeguard / Patrol Support award, but extends to other qualifications they made hold such as IRB Drivers, RWC Drivers etc.

The aim of refreshers is to keep current with any new skills and changes to what we do. It also ensures lifeguards are up to a fitness standard before patrolling the beach during summer.

For lifeguards the refresher includes:

- Run Swim Run or 400m Pool Swim
- Tube Rescue
- Online Theory Test
- CPR

For Patrol Supports the refresher includes:

- Online Theory Test
- CPR

To be ticked off as refreshed the relevant instructor must be present. E.g only Surf Lifeguard Instructors can refresh Patrol Support and Lifeguard awards.

Online refreshers can be done via the member portal on the SLSNZ website.



Our Beach

Ngarunui Beach, which can also be known as Ocean Beach or Wainui Beach, is the main swimming beach in Raglan which is on the coast of the Tasman Sea.

It is a typical West Coast sandy beach which is dark in color due to its high iron content. The 'black sand' is an iron-based material that has originated from the ancient eruptions and subsequent lava flows on Mt Taranaki and Mt Karioi that has eroded over many thousands of years.

The prevailing current and subsequent longshore drift of the sand is in the northerly direction from Wanganui right up to Cape Reinga area. Being a West Coast beach it is also classified as a high-energy beach, implying that the wave action is relatively large and also the current associated with the beach is strong.

The beach is a popular surfing beach for locals and many tourists and is ideal for swimming. It is promoted as perfect for learning to surf and is the closest surf beach to Hamilton. In summer the beach is a popular destination for many who are on holiday or looking to in the water over the weekend.

The beach itself is 5.2km long when including the harbor inlet portion that extends to the Holiday Park, but the main portion that is exposed to the Tasman Sea is approximately 2.8km long.



Club History

Raglan Surf lifesaving Club started in 1972 when a group of enthusiastic members decided to patrol the Koupa Beach. In July 1973 the Raglan Surf Lifesaving Patrol was formed and the initial President was Ces Gaukrodger. By February 1974 they had 17 qualified Lifeguards.

In those days lifeguards patrolled from a tent erected each morning on the beach. The equipment was stored in a shed at the wharf and had to be transported to the beach, an onerous task made more difficult when you consider at that time the Wainui reserve was farmland and equipment had to be transported down Bryant home track or 3 km along the beach.

In 1979, before the development of the Wainui Reserve the club erected premises on reserve land adjacent to the harbor entrance. While not the most appropriate location from which to patrol the beach many a boatie can be thankful for the club's location, as they were able to respond quickly to incidents on the bar during this time.

With the development of the Wainui Reserve it was recognised that in time the surf life saving club would need to relocate and during the planning stage consent was granted for a building to be erected on the reserve. In 2001, with erosion occurring on the beach to the extent that at high tide it was not possible to get down the beach due to rock being uncovered a decision was made to begin the relocation of the club and design work and fundraising began.

Subsequently the official opening of the new club was held in October 2002 and the Mayor of Waikato District Council, Mr Peter Harris, officially declared the current clubrooms open.



Memberships

Club Memberships and Fees covers club insurance. Paying club fees gives you access to club / gear usage, courses, camps etc. Fees are paid annually, these can be done in the following types.

Active Member: \$45

Family Membership: \$100

This includes two adults and all children under 18 in the family

Associate Member: \$25

Fees can be paid via our website under the “members” tab.



Club Merch

Our club also has merchandise which is able to be purchased or awarded as incentives at our annual club awards night.

If you'd like to purchase any merch from the club check out the "Shop" section of the Raglan SLSC Website.



Wellbeing

Peer Supporters

Peer Supporters are specially trained SLSNZ members who can provide support to their fellow members (peers) on a range of issues including mental health concerns, bullying, stress and traumatic lifesaving incidents. Peer supporters play an important role in post-incident support and may be called on to attend post-incident debriefs and assist with following up members that have been involved in traumatic incidents.

Peer Support details are available on the wall of every Surf Club.

SLSNZ Counselling Support

TELUS Health (previously was called Benestar) is the counselling and wellbeing provider for SLSNZ members. All active and current members and their immediate families have access to fully funded counselling and wellbeing resources through TELUS Health. TELUS Health have counsellors throughout New Zealand who can be selected and booked through the phone **0800 360 364**. Active current members include patrolling members, committee members, officials, coaches and Peer Supporters.



SLSNZ Peer Support

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Peer Supporters are specially trained SLSNZ members who can provide confidential support to their fellow members on a range of issues including wellbeing concerns, personal stress, and traumatic lifesaving incidents. Peer supporters may be called on to attend post-incident debriefs and assist with following up members that have been involved in traumatic incidents.

Feel free to contact Peer Supporters for a confidential chat.

Alex	Taylor	022 010 0231	Kariotahi
Caylee	Cooke	021 085 08786	Kariotahi
Dawn	Newson-Adams	021 672 985	Kariotahi
Murray	Taylor	021 974 467	Kariotahi
Rick	Schreuder	021 030 3089	Kariotahi
Shannon	Benterman	021 033 5161	Kariotahi
Shannon	Swannn	021 882 906	Kariotahi
Joanne	Hobson	027 432 9387	Sunset
Hayley	Rewi	021 0841 4720	Sunset
Kelly	Wallace	027 924 5204	Sunset
Anne	Snowden	021 233 7545	Raglan
Amber	Spence	021 0884 3005	Raglan
David	Galuszka	027 461 6115	Raglan
Cherie	Moroney	021 070 1113	Raglan
Emma	Ferry-Parker-Michel	027 751 9471	Raglan

Junior Surf

Junior Surf is based around the premise of encouraging all children to have fun, participate safely and develop skills and confidence in the surf. Children are taught water confidence, general surf awareness and competition skills through instruction and fun on the beach.

Safety for the participants is a top priority, alongside having fun! Qualified Surf Lifeguards are always present to ensure safety.

Parents/caregivers are encouraged to help out with the program. Training can be provided for those interested.

Junior surf is split into:

Nippers – 5 to 11 years

Rookies – 12 to 13 years

Raglan Surf Life Saving Club holds junior surf sessions regularly during summer. Several regional and national carnivals are available for those keen on competition.

The Rookie Lifeguard Programme has been designed to help junior surf members prepare to be a Surf Lifeguard. The Rookie Lifeguard Programme aims to promote “practical lifeguarding” to the younger members and develop strong ties between senior and junior members as a result of involvement.

The target audience for this programme is 13 year old junior surf members wishing to become a Surf Lifeguards next season.

If you or your children are interested in the Juniors/Rookies programs, please contact our Convenor Travis Browne – juniorsurf@raglansurflifesaving.org.nz for more information.



Surf Sports

Lifesaving Sport has a long and proud history within the Surf Life Saving movement and continues to play a significant role in ensuring that our members have the ability and passion to meet the challenging environments within which Surf Life Saving delivers its essential lifesaving service.

As a qualified Surf Lifeguard, you can participate in many different types of events such as Pool Champs, Beach Champs and IRB Racing.

All competitors in Surf sports must complete a refresher or have their 200m swim badge to compete. For any of the senior competitors, they must also complete a minimum of 30 hrs across the season on patrol.

Raglan SLSC offers opportunities in many different parts of surf sports. We offer many training sessions to practice skills for different events but also expect some self-directed trainings.

Please follow our Facebook page Raglan Surf Sports for new information about trainings and events.

Some of the events to participate in:

Beach Sprint & Flags

Swimming (Surf Race / Tube Rescue)

Board

Surf Ski

Surf Boat

Surf Canoe

IRB racing (Qualifications required)

Equipment is provided by the club. If you are interested in joining a crew or team we can help you with this. If you are interested in training and competing in Surf Sports, please contact our Surf Sports Coordinators below:

Head Coach – Ella Kennedy

IRB Racing Coach – Dennis Amoor



Qualifications

Surf Lifeguard Award

Pre-Requisites - 14+ years of age

The Surf Lifeguard Award certifies that the holder has the basic skills and knowledge to be a Surf Lifeguard. This is the entry-level qualification for members to be a patrolling member. The Surf Lifeguard Award is the first step on the Surf Life Saving New Zealand lifeguard pathway.

Patrol Support Award

Pre-Requisites - 14+ years of age

The Patrol Support certifies that the holder has the basic skills and knowledge to be a Patrol Support Member. Patrol Support is considered to be an extension to the minimum number of lifeguards required on patrol, as stated in the Patrol Operations Manual. Patrol Support Members must not take part in any water based activities on patrol.

IRB Crewpersons

Pre-Requisites - 14+ years of age | Surf Lifeguard Award

The IRB Crewpersons Module is the starting point for education in the IRB. The module gives Surf Lifeguards the knowledge and skills required to respond as a crewperson in rescue situations utilizing an IRB.

IRB Drivers

Pre-Requisites - 16+ years of age | Surf Lifeguard Award | Crewpersons | Radio Communication Module

The Senior Lifeguard Award - IRB Driver is designed to create competent IRB drivers. The qualification has a number of theoretical and practical components such as driving in the surf, patient rescues and maritime regulations to prepare Surf Lifeguards for IRB use. This gives Surf Lifeguards the knowledge and skill required to respond in rescue situations utilising an IRB.

Rescue Watercraft Operators

Pre-Requisites - 20+ years of age | Surf Lifeguard Award | IRB Drivers | 400m Pool swim under 7.30 minutes

The Rescue Water Craft (RWC) commonly known as a Personal Water Craft (PWC) or Jetski is specially outfitted for surf interaction and operated by experienced Surf Lifeguards. You are responsible for the safety of your crew, the public and yourself. It is important that you understand the risks inherent in operating this type of equipment and your role in assessing and minimizing risk.

Surf First Aid

Pre-Requisites - 14+ years of age

This is a 2 day resuscitation course covering the following topics: Assessment of emergency situations, basic life support (must include use of AED), soft tissue injuries, bleeding, shock, fractures and head injuries. Hypothermia, asthma, Oxygen delivery systems, burns, asthma and basic drowning physiology.

Advanced First Aid

Pre-Requisites - 17+ years of age

This 3 day+ course refines all of the skills already learnt in Surf First Aid plus extends the lifeguard in their knowledge of drowning physiology, circum-rescue collapse, and assessment of non-fatal drowning, scene management, advanced monitoring (Pulse oximetry, blood glucose, and chest auscultation) and triage.

Pain relief module

Pre-Requisites - 18+ years of age / SLS Advanced Surf First Aid

The training in the use of Methoxyflurane (MOF) will include the effective use of Paracetamol as a total pain management regime. It will involve some pain physiology, use of pain relief with other resources such as splints and Oxygen.



Qualifications

Board Rescue Module

Pre-Requisites - 14+ years of age

The Board Rescue Module has been designed to help Surf Lifeguards develop their rescue skills with a rescue board. The BRM covers both conscious and unconscious rescues with a rescue board. The target audience for this qualification is Surf Lifeguards wishing to further their rescue capability.

Rock Training & Rescue Module

Pre-Requisites - 14+ years of age

The Rock Training & Rescue Module (RTM) is the starting point for training lifeguards in rock activities and operations. The RTM gives Surf Lifeguards the knowledge and skill required to perform rock entries, exits and rescues.

Patrol Captains Award

Pre-Requisites - 16+ years of age | Surf First Aid | Radio Communication Module

Senior Lifeguard Award - Patrol Captain provides information on what you need to know and be able to do as a patrol captain. The qualification also covers theory on leadership topics which are then put into practice during scenarios. This prepares Surf Lifeguards for the leadership role that is essential to being a successful patrol captain.

Instructors Award - Surf Lifeguard

Pre-Requisites - 16+ years of age

The Instructors Award - Surf Lifeguard certifies that the holder has the basic skills and knowledge to be an Instructor. The qualification enables members to obtain relevant theory and practical skills about instruction and teaching to be utilized when training members.

Instructors Award - IRB

Pre-Requisites - 18+ years of age

The Instructors Award - IRB certifies that the holder has the basic skills and knowledge to be an Instructor. The qualification enables members to obtain relevant theory and practical skills about instruction and teaching to be utilised when training members.

Instructors Award - Rock Training & Rescue

Pre-Requisites - 18+ years of age

The Instructors Award - Rock Training, certifies that the holder has the skills and knowledge to be an Instructor to deliver the Rock Training & Rescue Module. The qualification enables members to obtain relevant theory and practical skills about instruction and teaching to be utilized when training members in rock activities.

Instructors Award - Rescue Water Craft

Pre-Requisites - 22+ years of age

The Instructors Award - RWC certifies that the holder has the advanced RWC skills and knowledge to be an Instructor. The qualification enables members to obtain relevant theory and practical skills about instruction and teaching to be utilised when training members.

Examiners Award - Surf Lifeguard

Pre-Requisites - 18+ years of age

The Examiners Award - Surf Lifeguard certifies that the holder is capable of conducting appropriate and fair Surf Lifeguard examinations. The qualification allows members to obtain relevant theory and practical skills to enable them to examine at a consistent standard. The Examiners Award covers three main areas, preparing for assessment, conducting assessment and completing assessment administration.

Examiners Award - IRB

Pre-Requisites - 18+ years of age

The Examiners Award - IRB certifies that the holder is capable of conducting appropriate and fair IRB examinations. The qualification allows members to obtain relevant theory and practical skills to enable them to examine at a consistent standard. The Examiners Award covers three main areas, preparing for assessment, conducting assessment and completing assessment administration.

Examiners Award - RWC

Pre-Requisites - 22+ years of age

The Examiners Award - RWC certifies that the holder is capable of conducting appropriate and fair RWC examinations. The qualification allows members to obtain relevant theory and practical skills to enable them to examine at a consistent standard. The Examiners Award covers three main areas, preparing for assessment, conducting assessment and completing assessment administration

Camps

Intermediate Lifeguard School - 15+ years of age

The Intermediate Lifeguard School is a two-day camp aimed at junior lifeguards with 1-2 seasons of patrolling experience. It focuses on enhancing their skills, knowledge, and confidence through a mix of theory and practical sessions. The course helps participants further develop as capable and confident lifeguards.

Youth Development Camp (YDC) - 15 to 17 years of age

The SLSNR Youth Development Camp is aimed at young, enthusiastic lifeguards who value surf club life. It emphasizes personal and leadership development through dynamic theory sessions and outdoor activities, rather than focusing on specific Surf Life Saving skills. The camp provides an important growth experience and deeper understanding of the Surf Life Saving community.

Senior Leadership Experience (SLE) - 18+ years of age

Senior Leadership Experience (SLE) is designed to challenge and develop senior lifeguards' leadership skills. Focused on personal growth and camaraderie, it offers a surprise, demanding experience that takes participants outside the usual surf lifesaving environment. Unlike traditional lifeguard schools, SLE emphasizes leadership over lifeguarding skills, with a mix of physical and mental challenges.

National Lifeguard School - 18+ years of age

National lifeguard school involves intensive theory, practical activities, and challenging scenarios that test candidates both physically and mentally, requiring a high level of fitness. Those who achieve the award are recognized as some of the fittest and most skilled lifeguards, demonstrating top-level competence in all aspects of lifeguarding during patrols.



Other Courses / Exchanges

Bp Leaders for Life - 20 to 35 years of age

bp Leaders for Life is SLSNZ's premier leadership development program for current and emerging club leaders. This is an excellent opportunity for candidates to improve their leadership skills, as well as create relationships and connections across clubs and regions throughout NZ. The program content will also aid you in your career outside of surf lifesaving. The ultimate objective is to upskill and retain our people with the view that they can lead their clubs and our movement into a sustainable and vibrant future.

California Lifeguard Exchange

Since 1969, senior lifeguards from the Northern Region have been selected to participate in an exchange program with California lifeguard agencies as part of the Buddy Lucas Leadership Program. This structured learning experience allows exceptional lifeguards to enhance surf lifesaving in New Zealand. Participants engage in patrolling activities, practice using different rescue equipment, and observe alternative beach management programs.

Wāhine on Water

Wahine on water was first started due to there being an equal amount of male and female lifeguards, however only a small percentage of females had there IRB driver award. Wahine on water creates a safe environment for wahine to upskill and enhance their lifesaving skills. This event gives wahine the opportunity to learn swimming and board skills, become more comfortable and confident in the IRB, collaborate together in multiple scenarios and navigating rescues on rocks.



Other Courses / Exchanges

Ngaru Huhuka (Outward Bound) - 18 to 26 years of age

Outward Bound is an adventure-based experience located in Anakiwa, Marlborough Sounds, that uses the outdoors to challenge participants mentally and physically. People from a variety of backgrounds, cultures, abilities and ages attend Outward Bound.

The aim of Outward Bound is to build relationships with community organizations whose mission aligns with that of Outward Bound, and to support them in helping their community; Outward Bound's mission being "better people, better communities, better world".

Central Coast Exchange - 18 to 19 years of age

The Central Coast Exchange, launched in 2025, is a leadership program linking Surf Life Saving Northern Region (NZ) and Central Coast (Australia). It promotes personal growth, lifesaving skills, and trans-Tasman collaboration. Applicants must show lifeguarding knowledge, practical rescue skills, and a commitment to ongoing contribution in Surf Life Saving.

Senior Leadership Experience - 18+ years of age

Senior Leadership Experience (SLE) is a three-day, two-night program focused on developing leadership and personal growth in senior lifeguards. Unlike traditional lifeguard training, SLE emphasizes challenging, surprise-based activities outside the usual surf lifesaving environment to build camaraderie and life-long leadership skills. Participants are guided by experienced instructors and guest speakers through physically and mentally demanding experiences designed to prepare future leaders of the organization.



Search and Rescue

Raglan Surf Lifesaving Club also has an active Search and Rescue (SAR) squad. This team responds to callouts and incidents in the Raglan area and beyond, at anytime during daylight hours.

The requirements to be a Water Based SAR member are:

- 18+ years of age
- Hold a refreshed Surf Lifeguard Award and Senior Lifeguard IRB Drivers Award;
- Annually complete 400m pool swim under 9 minutes (if they respond in the water) or less. 7.30 or less for RWC operators.
- Have been patrolling for a minimum of three years and Receive SLSNZ and Club approval.

The Requirements for Land Base SAR members are:

- Be a minimum of 18 years of age;
- Hold a refreshed Surf Lifeguard Award or Patrol Support Award
- Receive SLSNZ and Club approval;
- CIMS 3 & 4; and Manage the Marine Response (recommended).



Surf Life Saving New Zealand

Surf Life Saving New Zealand has 19,500 members across 74 clubs throughout the country, from Invercargill to the Far North. Each year more than 800 surf lifeguards are qualified. There's a dedicated team of volunteers, from instructors and examiners, to club administrators, who are here to help you develop as a surf lifeguard. The opportunities available to you as one of our members are extraordinary.

SLSNZ is divided into 4 regions. North Region which covers from Raglan to Far North. Eastern Region which covers the east coast of the North Island. Central Region covering the lower half of the North Island along with areas like New Plymouth and the Hawkes Bay. And Southern Region which covers the entirety of the south island.



Paid Positions

Paid Lifeguard Service

Pre-Requisites

Refreshed Surf Lifeguard Award
16 years of age
2yrs minimum experience
Attend the Paid Lifeguard Trials

Description

Work across a range of beaches over summer while ensuring the safety of swimmers, performing rescues, providing first aids, and maintaining constant vigilance to prevent accidents in a dynamic and sometimes unpredictable environments. This paid position runs throughout the summer season. With expressions of interest open August each year.

Community Education

Pre-Requisites

Refreshed Surf Lifeguard Award
16 years of age
2yrs minimum experience

Description

Community Educators work across a wide range of beaches, schools and other venues to deliver beach safety messages to school aged children. This paid position runs throughout the summer season. With expressions of interest open August each year.

SurfCom Operator

Pre-Requisites

18 years of age

Description

Surfcom operators are based at the Auckland Marine Centre and play a key role in supporting lifeguards during patrols and events. They act as the main comms hub, coordinating with external agencies such as Hato St John, Westpac Rescue, and the Police Maritime Unit. Their job is to make sure help gets to where it's needed quickly and efficiently.

The role mainly runs during the patrol season, with some opportunities for casual shifts in the off-season.

Club Awards

Our club proudly recognizes its members' dedication and hard work through various awards at the annual Club Awards Night. This special event celebrates the outstanding contributions of individuals across all areas of the club, from lifesaving to surf sports and beyond.

Lifesaving



Junior Lifeguard
of the Year:
Bella Moroney-Pearson



Intermediate Lifeguard
of the Year:
Lily Marlow



Senior Lifeguard
Lifeguard of the Year:
Dan Wilson



Lifeguard of the Year:
Olivia Moroney-Pearson



Patrol Support
of the Year:
Hamish Pook



Most Improved Patrolling
Member of the Year:
Alix Harvey



Most Helpful Patrolling
Member of the Year:
Andre Pinheiro



Instructor of the Year:
David Galuszka



Contribution to Power craft:
Dan Wilson

Sport



Sports Person of
the year:
Olivia Moroney-Pearson



Sports team of
the year:

Club Awards

Recognition Awards



Club Representative
of the Year:
Travis Browne

Overall Most Improved:
**Sienna Cloke /
Theo Browne**



Volunteer of the
Year:
Cherie Moroney

Overall Club Spirit:
Angus Cosh



Service Award:
Chris Malone

Junior Surf Awards



Spartan Award:
Ben & Alex James



Services to
Junior Surf:
**Curtis Cosh/
Cosh Family**



Sportsperson of year
**Mackenzie Moroney
Pearson**



Overall Excellence
Junior Surf:
**Mackenzie Moroney
Pearson**

Group A Awards



Most improved
A group:
Shaneice Cloke



Most enthusiastic
A group:
Alexis Clark



Club Spirit A group
Bella Pinheiro

Junior surf excellence
A group:
Lachlan Scheweikert

Club Awards

Group B Awards



Most improved
B group:
Theo Browne



Most enthusiastic
B group:
Arlo Rozen



Most enthusiastic
B group:
Xavier Kite



Junior surf excellence
B group:
Anthony Clark



Club Spirit B group
Leif Herbert

Group C Awards



Club Spirit C group
Charlie Munkenbeck



Junior surf excellence
C group:
Mackenzie Moroney-Pearson

Tadpole Awards



Junior surf excellence
Tadpoles Group:
Carson Cosh

Most Improved Tadpoles
Group:
Jack Davidson



Life Members

Life memberships is the way our club recognizes member who have provided outstanding service to the club over many years. Possible candidates for Life Membership are identified by the Awards Committee, and are recommended to the board for nomination.

To be eligible for nomination as a Life Member the nominee must have been an active member of Raglan Surf Lifesaving Club for a period of fifteen years or more and during that time provided outstanding exemplary service to the Raglan Surf Lifesaving Club.



Dennis Amooore



Anne Snowden



Bill Kennedy



Ann Gair



***Miriam & Peter
Dixon***

Sarah Bailey



***Debbie Phillips
Morgan***

Emma Michel

***Belinda Van der
Vossen***



Ces Gaukrodger

Radio Usage

Radios are used as operational equipment at Raglan as a way to support communication between patrolling members.

Raglan Surf Lifesaving uses Motorola Radios. These Radios can be switched to a range of channels each for different uses the main ones used are:

Channel 1 – SLSNZ Operations:

This is the default channel that all radios should be set to while on patrol. SurfCom monitors this channel. When set to this channel all radios are GPS tracked and any transmissions are voice recorded.

Channel 2 & 3 - Line of Sight:

Direct contact between all other radios on the same channel.

Channel 5 – Emergency Liaison:

The ES Liaison channel is a nationally consistent one-stop-shop for communicating with other emergency services for training and incident operations.

Channel 11 – VHF 16 (Emergency Distress, monitored by Maritime NZ):

This channel is not to be used for general patrolling. They are for contacting other vessels, Coastguard, or Maritime NZ for Search and Rescue Operations.

After use radios are to be placed on charge to ensure they are ready for next use, If any issues are seen with radios, it is key to report them to Patrol Captain or Club Captain.

For more info on radios members can take the Radio Module

All SLSNZ supplied radios are waterproof

- SLSNZ have 3 radio types that are currently in use: Motorola, Tait and Hytera.
- Saltwater corrosion is a major problem for any equipment being used at sea.
- No matter how waterproof the equipment is, corrosion will eventually cause loss of performance and further issues without the correct maintenance.

Follow these steps to keep the radio in good working order for longer:

Step 1



Check radio is fully operational and without damage.

Step 2



Rinse in clean water with battery connected.

Step 3



Dry the radio and battery.

Step 4



Charge dry battery separately.

Step 5



Test for correct radio operation before use.

**To learn more, enrol in the
Radio Communication
online module.**

Contact

If you have any questions or queries:

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ATV's

All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) play a vital/ crucial role in the way every club across NZ patrols. ATV's are carefully designed to be able to travel from the club house to the beach using a feature called two wheel and four wheel drive. This helps ensure that the ATV can go through any conditions such as sand, mud, water without any issues.

Due to the beach containing a large amount of people and other hazards, speed limits are put in place to ensure that all ATV operators drive cautiously and to the conditions. The speed limit between the flags is 5 k due to the flags containing a large amount of people in a small/ condensed area. The only time when it is acceptable for the ATV to be going fast is to an emergency in which the speed should not exceed 35 k.

All ATV operators shall hold a current motorcycle or driver's license (restricted or full) and must be a minimum of 16 years of age. As well, all ATV operators must wear a seat belt. When the ATV is on the beach it must contain lifesaving equipment such as First aid and resuscitation equipment, rescue tube and surf fins, and a hand-held radio protected by a waterproof pouch.



Key:

Blue - Asphalt or Concrete Roads – 2WD and Diff Lock Off

Red – Muddy Off Road Track – 4WD and Diff Lock On

Green – Beach – 4WD and Diff Lock Off

Uniforms

Surf lifeguards wear a uniform to make members of the public aware that a patrol is operating. Surf lifeguards also wear a uniform to ensure that members of the public can easily identify the lifeguards patrolling the beach so they know where to get help if required. Uniforms can be worn while on patrol, Surf Lifesaving related trainings, and educational activities. Uniforms can not be worn at any location other than patrol, outside of patrolling hours.

The brand and uniform represent a long history of SLSNZ and needs to be treated with the upmost respect. Only qualified surf lifeguards can wear the surf lifeguard uniform while on patrol.

The SLSNZ patrol uniform consists of the following:

Yellow surf lifeguard branded long-sleeved shirt with a collar

Red wide-brimmed hat

Yellow short sleeved rash top

Red and yellow long sleeved jacket

Red surf lifeguard branded shorts



Overnight Stay

Due to the distance between Raglan and the nearest major city, the Raglan Surf Lifesaving Club has a number of members staying overnight at the Club on a regular basis.

The requirements under this policy are in addition to the requirements applicable to the Club and Members by law and under the SLSNZ Regulations and Policies (the Regulations), in particular:

- (a) SLSNZ Regulation 5 (Member Protection Regulation);
- (b) The Member Protection Guidelines are issued and amended from time to time.
- (c) Raglan SLSC Code of Conduct.

General Guidelines: Overnight stays are allowed only for lifesaving activities, and members must notify the Clubhouse Manager, and members should maintain clubhouse cleanliness. The club is monitored by CCTV, and the last person leaving must secure the club.

Minors (Under 18): Minors and their parents are responsible for ensuring an Approved adult is available to supervise with the assistance of the Patrol Manager and Chair of Volunteer Management when required. Approved Adults and minors staying overnight must be agreed 48 hours before the patrol/activity. from 9pm until 6am the Minor must stay in the clubroom house, unless accompanied by an Approved Adult.

Minors (Under 14): They may stay overnight only if a parent/guardian is present or if a special event is organized under supervision.

Overnight Stay Requirements: An Approved Adult must supervise minors overnight, with prior agreement 48 hours before. Minors need permission to leave the club during certain hours and must have a mobile phone or radio.

Supervision Ratios: At least one Approved Adult is required per 7 minors. If this ratio can't be met, overnight stays will not be allowed.

Access Policy

RSLs Club Access Policy – Summary

1. **Purpose and Scope** This policy outlines access requirements for all individuals using the RSLs Clubhouse. It complements the Club Constitution, Regulations, and other policies such as the Club House Policy. Management responsibility lies with the Convenor of Clubhouse/Projects, the Clubhouse Manager, and the Clubhouse Coordinator.

2. Aims

- To standardize access protocols for clubhouse facilities
- To safeguard the clubhouse and equipment
- To ensure proper incident and damage reporting

3. **Permitted Usage Access is restricted to the following approved activities:**

- Beach patrols (volunteer and paid)
- Search and Rescue (SAR) operations and training
- Junior Surf programs
- Sports and patrol training
- SLSNR Beach Education programs
- Events approved by the Board or Clubhouse Convenor
- Use by Active Members (as per the constitution)

4. **Misuse and Disciplinary Action Unauthorized use, failure to report damage, or repeated abuse may result in revoked access and possible disciplinary measures.**

5. **Access Permissions Remote access may be granted by:**

- Chairperson, President, Convenor of Clubhouse, Secretary, Club Captain, Treasurer, Junior Surf Chair, Membership Chair, SAR Manager, Power Craft Officer
- Patrol Captains hold in-person access only

6. **Emergency Access & Application** In case of power failure, the system operates on battery backup. Override keys are held by the President and Clubhouse Convenor. Members may apply for personal access via the SMB app, by completing the Clubhouse Access Application and submitting it to the President.

All Members, persons and organisations bound by this Regulation must meet the following requirements in regard to their conduct during any activity held or sanctioned by Raglan SLSC and in any role they hold within Raglan SLC.

1. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of others.
2. Be fair, considerate, and honest in all dealings with others.
3. Be professional in, and accept responsibility for, their actions.
4. Make a commitment to providing quality service.
5. Be aware of, and adhere to the Constitution, Regulations, policies and procedures of Raglan SLSC as well as the rules of Surf Life Saving, including national and international guidelines which govern Surf Life Saving.
6. Ensure that any physical contact with others is appropriate to the situation and necessary for the particular Surf Life Saving activity.
7. Refrain from any form of Harassment, Discrimination, and/or Child Abuse of others.
8. Refrain from any behaviour that may bring Raglan SLSC, and SLSNZ into disrepute.
9. Provide a safe environment for the conduct of Surf Life Saving activities.
10. Show concern and caution towards others.
11. Be a positive role model.
12. Understand the repercussions if they breach, or are aware of any breaches of, the Regulations or this Code of Conduct.
13. Report any alleged breaches of the Regulations or this Code of Conduct in accordance with the Constitution and the Regulations.



