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## Introduction

Mooloolaba SLSC strives to provide the best possible delivery of surf lifesaving activities, events and programs for its members.

To this end, Mooloolaba SLSC recognises that it is necessary to ensure fairness, equity and transparency in the assessment, adjudication and final decision relating to meritorious awards for members.

## Purpose

The Age Champion Points Policy is designed to ensure clarity for participating members, parents/guardians and policy administrators on the allocation of points to determine and award the annual Age Champions.

## Definitions

Age Champions	members in the U11 – U14 Age group who gain the highest points in a singular season. There is one Age Champion per age group per gender.
Eligible Assessment Period	The SSCB season
Participants	members in the U11 – U14 Nipper Age groups (as determined by their age as at 30 September in any one year).
Points Day	Specific days held at Nippers to determine the point scores. Events that must be held are Board, Swim, Ironperson, 1km Run, Flags and Beach Sprint.
Nipper Day	A schedule Nipper program day occurring on Sunday of each week, This does not include sign on days or days whereby nipper evaluations only are completed.
SSCB	SLSQ Sunshine Coast Branch
SLSQ	Surf Life Saving Queensland

## Eligibility

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Members must be within the U11 – U14 Age Group (as determined by their age as at 30 September at Midnight in any one year).

Members must be registered for the current season.

Mooloolaba Surf Life Saving Club supports an inclusive culture whereby all members are required (as noted in their annual membership form/declaration) to abide by the SLS Code of Conduct.

Any member that is the subject of an adverse judicial finding including but not limited to reprimand, suspension or documented behavioral guidance will be deemed ineligible for consideration in the Age Champion award.

## Gaining Points

Members can gain points based on activities undertaken during the period of the SSCB season.

ACTIVITY	POINTS AWARDED	NOTES
Nipper Sundays	1 point	Determined by the Sign in/Sign out sheets <sup>1 2</sup> and accrued from the 1 <sup>st</sup> Nipper Sunday of the season
SSCB Carnivals	3 points	Points allocated to members who <u>compete</u> in the events <sup>3</sup>
SLSQ Carnivals	3 points	Points allocated to members who <u>compete</u> in the events <sup>4</sup>
Private Events	0 Points	This includes Kozzii, Summer of Surf etc.
Other SLS Events	0 points	Events <sup>5</sup> featured on the SLSA/SLSQ Surf Sports Calendar like Coolangatta Gold, Board riding, Surf and Pool rescue
Mooloolaba SLSC Points Days <sup>6</sup>	8 Points 7 points 6 Points 5 Points 4 Points 3 Points 2 Points 1 Points	Awarded for 1 <sup>st</sup> Place. Awarded for 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place. Awarded for 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place. Awarded for 4 <sup>th</sup> Place. Awarded for 5 <sup>th</sup> Place. Awarded for 6 <sup>th</sup> Place. Awarded for 7 <sup>th</sup> Place. Awarded for 8 <sup>th</sup> Place.
Bonus Points	3 Points	will be awarded to each nipper who participates and completes all six events regardless of place

<sup>1</sup> Excluding illness or injury during a session, members are required to participate for the entirety of the session.

<sup>2</sup> If a Nipper attends a non-point awarding surf sports carnival on the Sunday and therefore cannot attend the Nipper Sunday they will be awarded the equivalent attendance points awarded in the table above.

<sup>3</sup> SLSB Sunshine Coast Branch Youth Championships event only.

<sup>4</sup> SLSQ State Youth Championships event only.

<sup>5</sup> A Surf Sports carnival is a SLS listed carnival on an official calendar at <https://lifesaving.com.au/get-involved/surf-sports> or equivalent.

<sup>6</sup> If there are less than eight competitors in an event, points will be awarded in sequence through to the lowest placing. Boys and girls will race and be scored separately.

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## Countback

There may be an occurrence whereby there is a drawn points score at the conclusion of the season. This will require a 'count back'. The process will be as follows;

1. If Age Champion points are drawn at the end of the season the first measure to separate a winner will be to compare the points earned for Nipper Sunday attendance. In this case the nipper who has the most points for attending Nipper Sundays will be declared the winner.
2. If Age Champion points are still drawn after comparing the number of points for attendance on Nipper days, the second measure to separate a winner will be to compare the points earned for carnival attendance.  
In this case the nipper who has the most points for carnival attendance will be declared the winner.
3. If Age Champion points are drawn after comparing the number of points for attendance on Nipper days and carnival attendance the third measure to separate a winner will be to compare the combined points earned on points days for the year. In this case the Nipper who has the most combined points from points days will be declared the winner.

**If there is still no clear winner after the three attempts above to separate the drawn points, there will be a "joint" winner announced.**

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