

# Wanda SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB INC.

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*Dear Members,*

During this time of Covid-19 we are closely following the guidelines and operational measures set out by the Government and Surf Life Saving Australia and NSW to protect the health, safety and wellbeing of our members.

The Board of Directors have held several meetings to 'drill down' of what it means to Wanda and what operational measures we need to put in place. Could we therefore please ask for your attention, cooperation and support with the following:

#### **Patrols:**

- Any member who feels unwell or has a cough, cold or runny nose to excuse themselves from patrol. Please notify your Patrol Captain by SMS or email and copy in the Wanda Office – Email: [clubhouse@wandaslsc.com.au](mailto:clubhouse@wandaslsc.com.au)
- Your attendance will not be affected so long as communication is made prior to your patrol.
- SRC members are not required to attend patrol, effective from this weekend 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> March – until further notice.
- Members 65 and over are not required to attend patrols as it is recommended this group is at higher risk, and it is the Club's aim to reduce the health risk and protect these members.
- Our Director of Lifesaving, Mikaela Sutherland has already been in contact with our Patrol Captains to outline specific guidelines whilst on patrol and members are requested to take on board the Patrol Captain's information and directions.

#### **Education Courses (Awards) and Assessment:**

- All group Education and Assessment will cease immediately. Fortunately, at Wanda we had a very vigorous and well attended Education Training Program which has concluded for the 2019-2020 season.

#### **Surf Sports Events and Training:**

- Most surf sports events have been cancelled or postponed – Interclub, Club Championships, Aussies etc.
- Group Surf Sports Training organised by the Club will be ceased immediately.



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**Club Gym:**

- In the short term the Gym will remain open as long as members adhere to the new rules of bringing a towel, wiping down equipment before, during and after use and general personal hygiene in consideration for other members using gym equipment.
- Members 65 and over are asked to refrain from using the gym, effective immediately. The reason for this decision is that it is strongly recommended in the guidelines to safeguard the health of members as this group are considered at a higher risk.
- We ask for your utmost cooperation with the Gym rules during this time. Should these rules not be adhered to then unfortunately we will have no choice but to close the Gym until further notice.

**Ongoing Communication to Members:**

As information is continually changing and coming through from SLS, members of the Wanda SLSC Board and Executive are meeting regularly, and the Wanda Office will be the main contact regarding distributing further communication to members on the updates and outcomes.

We are mindful that we are experiencing a very unusual and unprecedented situation. However, at Wanda we are fortunate that we have our 'One Club' attitude which will see us ALL work together to protect ALL members – ALL ages (U6 to over 80's) and achieve our main aim of protecting the beach going public. After all, 'We are Lifesavers'.

We thank you for your support and understanding. The season is drawing to a close so please keep healthy and safe as we look forward to a great 2020/2021 season!

If anyone has any questions, please send an email to [clubhouse@wandaslsc.com.au](mailto:clubhouse@wandaslsc.com.au) and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Kind regards,

Board of Directors  
Wanda SLSC