

## Circular

<b>Title:</b>	2025 South Coast Branch – <b>Ground Zero</b> Call for Leader & Participant Applications
<b>Audience:</b>	All South Coast Branch clubs, all South Coast Branch Club Youth Development Officers, Club Captains, Chief Training Officers, Staff ( <b>Participants 13-17 years, Leaders 18+ years</b> )
<b>Summary:</b>	Call for Expressions of Interest for Leaders and Participants for the Ground Zero Junior Lifesaving Program
<b>Date:</b>	9/12/2024

**Applications are now open for the 2025 South Coast Branch (SCB) Ground Zero, 17<sup>th</sup> of January 2025 at North Burleigh SLSC**

### About the Program

The South Coast Branch is calling for Expressions of Interest from members who would like to volunteer/participate as Leaders and Participants for the 2025 Ground Zero advanced lifesaving program. This program has been adapted from “PULSE Junior” on the Sunshine Coast and will feature a one-day program aimed at expanding the lifesaving skills and knowledge of budding leaders from ages 13-17, encompassing new SRC and Bronze awardees.

### When & where is it?

Dates: **17<sup>th</sup> of January, 2025**  
 Address: **North Burleigh SLSC**  
 293 The Esplanade, Miami QLD 4220  
 Time: **7am – 5pm**

### Who can apply?

To apply as a **Participant**, members must:

- **SRC, Observers or Bronze Medallion**
- 13 – 17 years of Age

To apply as a **Leader**, members must:

- 18 years of age+
- Understand and acknowledge **Role Description:**

This will be a hands-on role responsible for helping to deliver the program on the day. This will include the following:

- Helping with catering on the day
- Ensuring the safe and inclusive participation of all participants – these may be assigned in groups
- Ensuring a smooth flow of the programmed activities and guest speakers
- Water safety for water-based activities
- Handover of youth at the end of the program

A successful coordinator will display the following characteristics and qualifications:

- A volunteer Working with Children Check (Blue Card), or the ability to acquire one before **Friday 10th January 2025**

- A fun and enthusiastic approach to youth development and learning
- A sound knowledge of various lifesaving rescue techniques and skills included in the SRC, Bronze and observer awards.
- At least an SRC Surf Life Saving qualification, additional awards and experience are desired
- Availability and flexibility on the date of the program

### How much will it cost?

The cost for Participants will be \$40 (+GST) per person. For Leaders \$30 (+GST) per person.

We understand that each Club may support their members' attendance differently as it is a worthwhile opportunity for them to learn and be able to give back to the Club. We strongly encourage Clubs to consider subsidising attendance at the program. Fees will cover all program costs, including meals, use of equipment, program pack.

Successful applicants will be notified via email along with further information pertaining to the program. **Any Participant/Facilitator who withdraws after being selected will be invoiced for the full cost of the program**, however Clubs may opt to send an eligible replacement.

**Please note, completing the application does not confirm acceptance to the development program. Members are encouraged to discuss attendance at the program with your Club's Management Committee as all nominations will be sent to Clubs for endorsement. In addition, payment for attendance will be the responsibility of the Participant/Facilitator and their Club.**

### How to apply?

Complete the application form via the following links:

	Application Link	Applications Close
Participant	<a href="https://form.jotform.com/243390230833855">https://form.jotform.com/243390230833855</a>	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> of January 2025
Leader	<a href="https://form.jotform.com/243297456965069">https://form.jotform.com/243297456965069</a>	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> of December 2024

#### **Participant Selection Guidelines:**

- Following the close of participant applications, all Clubs will be sent a list of their successful Participant applicants to endorse, and are asked to Endorse (or not Endorse and submit as substitute) their nominees. Endorsement forms will then need to be sent from the Club to the Membership Development Coordinator **Paul Ryan by Monday 13<sup>th</sup> of January 2025.**

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the South Coast Branch Director of Membership, Kyle Bartlett at [membership@sqsouthcoast.com.au](mailto:membership@sqsouthcoast.com.au) or the Gold Coast Membership Development Coordinator Paul Ryan at [pryan@lifesaving.com.au](mailto:pryan@lifesaving.com.au)

Kind Regards,

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