



New members welcome and introduction

Tuesday September 9th and Tuesday September 16th 2014

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Background

Coogee Minnows largest 'nipper' organisation in the world – c1000 members.

Continuously operating since 1963/64.

Children participate from U6 to U14.

They graduate with a Surf Rescue Certificate that qualifies them to join SLSA patrols as volunteers.

Vibrant sport and recreation enterprise for both competitive and non-competitive kids.

Polite focus on community service, volunteering, fun, and learning.



Coogee Minnows

We are the junior division of Coogee SLSC.

We are accountable to the management committee of the senior club.

We operate through a Management Committee and critically the support of hundreds of parent volunteers.



Gear and uniforms

U6/U7 – legionnaire style sun-hat and white cotton shirt (provided with registration)

age group cap - \$20

All other gear is discretionary and available on-line at coogeminnows.com.au

U8-U14 – hi-vis pink rashie top and white cotton shirt (provided with registration)

age group cap - \$20

all other gear is discretionary and available on-line



Communications

Website – www.coogeminnows.com.au

Sign up to receive Minnow Mail

Age group blogs

Access information (eg cancellation because of dangerous surf)

Check the calendar for duties roster and upcoming events

We cannot use email as a reliable means of communication!



Sundays on the beach

Season commences on Sunday October 5th

U12-U14 marshalled at 7.45am to start at 8.00am prompt.

U6-U11 marshalled at 8.45am to start at 9.00am prompt.

Check the calendar for set-up and take down duties.

U6-U11 should finish at no later than 11am.

U12-U14 should finish no later than 10.30am.

Club BBQ every third Sunday of each month in the season.



Who is who on the beach?

Line of command –

Council lifeguards, Coogee SLSC Patrol Captain,
Minnows Water Safety Supervisor, Minnows Captain
Age Group Managers

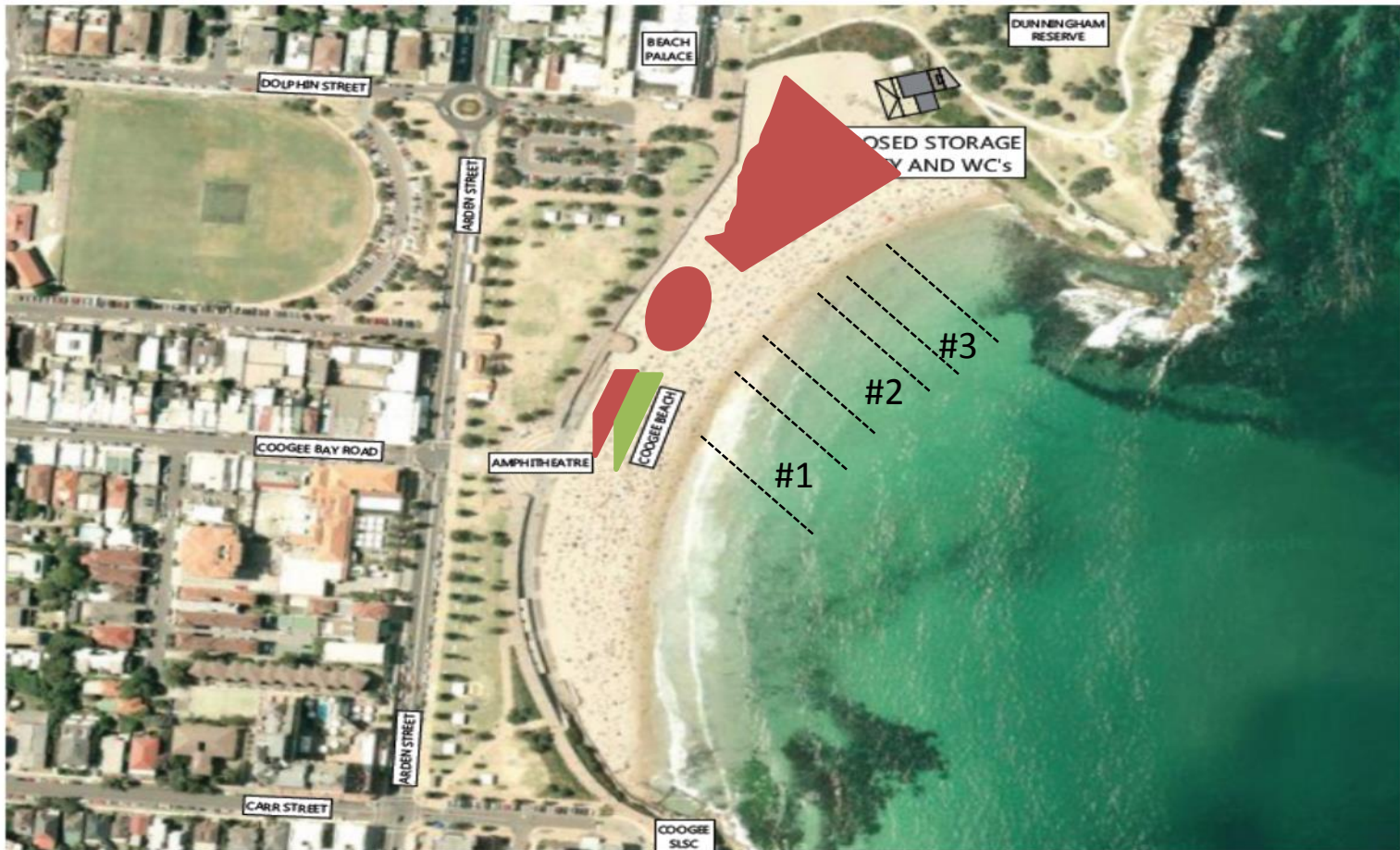
Parent volunteers -

Age Group Managers (dark blue shirts)
Age Group Assistants (blue and white shirts)
Water safety (hi-vis orange rashie tops)
Gear team
BBQ team

There are strict rules and conventions that apply to being a volunteer helper.



Beach layout - typical





Some important responsibilities

We are responsible for assessing, maintaining and operating a safe environment.

We need your help.

1. We are not a creche – do not leave your child unattended.
2. Be there to collect your child at the end of the session.
3. Be vigilant – no photos, no inappropriate behaviour allowed.

We have robust policies for lost children (parents), missing children, codes of conduct. These are applied.



Parent volunteers

Coogee is a very big nipper club. It is totally reliant on volunteers.

To volunteer adults must be

1. a financial member of the club
2. have attended the parent induction program

Other opportunities are

1. Bronze medallion
2. Surf Sport Officials

Our calendar details when this seasons training programs have been scheduled.



Thank you and questions