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TO: Officers on SurfGuard

FROM: John Charles, Jet Rescue Boat Officer Ashlee Biddle, Lifesaving Development Officer

SUBJECT: **Expression of Interest**
South Australian Jet Rescue Boat (JRB) Crew

ACTION: **CLOSES Friday 1st October 2010, Close of Business, 5.00pm**

APPLICATION TO JOIN

'SLSSA Jet Rescue Boat (JRB) CREW'

The Jet Rescue Boat (JRB) Service conduct regular surveillance patrols and rescue missions in the Metropolitan, Mid South and Far South Coast areas.

The JRB Service works closely with the volunteer beach patrols of Clubs and actively supports the SLSSA strategy of making South Australian beaches safer. The Service works closely with other support service groups eg, RWC Service and Westpac Lifesaver Helicopter Rescue Service.

We are currently seeking applications from suitably qualified and proficient Surf Life Savers to undertake training and operational duties as part of this Service. This is a demanding and challenging position.

As a JRB Crew member you will be expected to complete rostered volunteer JRB patrols on weekends and public holidays, attend training sessions and crew meetings and participate in any other activities organised by the Service. This will include operations for SLSSA Surf Sport events and other special events outside of SLSSA activities.

In addition to any JRB duties you will be required to maintain an active interest in your Club and complete all patrol commitments as required by your Club.

Minimum Crew Applicant Criteria

To be suitable to submit an application you must meet the following minimum criteria:

- Be physically fit
- Be of the age of at least 18 years
- Be a financial member of an affiliated Surf Life Saving Club
- Be proficient in the minimum awards as outlined below
- Attend and pass a JRB Crew fitness assessment (400m swim)



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Minimum SLSA Awards

If you do not hold these awards you cannot apply for this position.

All awards must be current/proficient.

- Bronze Medallion
- Advanced Resuscitation Techniques Certificate
- Hold a current First Aid qualification [SLSA or other] – *desirable, not essential*
- Have a vehicle licence to a tow vehicle

Other awards additional to those specified above will be taken into account when selecting candidates. **Demonstrated IRB experience will be particularly well regarded, but not essential.**

JRB Crew Fitness/Operational Test Requirements

Fitness assessment criteria are continually being updated to ensure that all applicants are prepared for the rigours associated with being a member of the JRB Service. Fitness tests have and will continue to be designed to ensure that all crew can demonstrate the physical endurance and strength required to safely and efficiently carry out JRB Crew duties.

Applicants who meet the minimum award criteria will be required to complete/pass the following Swim test to continue with the training component of the award:

- 400m swim within a time limit of no more than 8 minutes

Other Requirements

Crew applicants may be required to undertake one or a series of other assessments from time to time.

All applicants must be conscious of operational factors including that patrol days are generally from 1000 – 1800, however may vary due to special events and or Surf Sport requirements.

The service also forms part of the 24 hour call out group which may also means JRB Crew may be required to respond at other times outside of patrol periods.

Training

JRB Crew training will take place over the full summer season, with the continuation of the formal training and assessment over the winter period. Crew will be classed as ‘trainees’ over this period and are expected to participate in all training and patrols as requested.

Interview Process

The Chairman, Board of Lifesaving will reserve the right to conduct interviews for the selection of candidates for this Service if deemed appropriate and/or necessary.



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Applications

Applications must be submitted on a Jet Rescue Boat (JRB) Crew Application Form which can be obtained by contacting SLSSA on 8354 6900 or from the Web Site www.surfrescue.com.au

Overview of Process

- Applications received
- Applicants that meet minimum award criteria will be invited to participate in the Swim test
- Successful applicants following the Swim test will be advised and invited to participate in formal JRB Crew training activities

As already noted the Chairman, Board of Lifesaving may also choose to conduct an interview process.

Completed and suitably endorsed applications should be returned by:

Friday 1 October, Close of business, 5.00pm

Surf Life Saving SA
PO Box 108
Torrensville SA 5031

Further enquiries should be directed to:

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Jet Rescue Boat Officer
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E-mail: fatboy140@hotmail.com

Or

Ashlee Biddle
Lifesaving Development Officer
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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

SLSSA Jet Rescue Boat (JRB) Crew

Name: _____

Club: _____

Home Address: _____

P/Code: _____

Date of birth: _____

Age as of 1st October 2010: _____

Phone
Home: _____ Work: _____

Mobile: _____

E-mail: _____

Have you or do you carry or suffer any injury/impairment that may effect your ability to complete any physical components of the training and/or duties required.

Yes / No

If yes, please provide details: _____

Patrol Hours performed:		
(2009/2010)	(2008/2009)	(2007/2008)
(2006/2007)	(2005/2006)	(2004/2005)

Positions held (both Club and Patrol last 5 years)		

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Awards

Please provide copies of awards outside SLSA i.e., St John, Red Cross (First Aid, CPR etc).

****All SLSSA awards will be checked and verified by Surf House.***

Club Endorsement

To be endorsed by a Club Secretary or President, confirming the details provided by the applicant are true and correct and also recommending the applicant as suitable for lifesaving operations as a SLSSA Jet Rescue Boat Crew.

Date:

Signature
Club Officer

Name
(please print)

Applicant endorsement

I _____ confirm that all details provided in this application are true and correct and that I am physically fit and prepared to undertake all appropriate training sessions associated with the JRB service.

Date:

Signature
Applicant

**Form must be received at SLSSA by no later than
5.00pm, Friday 1st October 2010**