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Life Saving Victoria’s Professional Development & Leadership Weekend will provide young aspiring leaders (18-25 years) with the unique opportunity to excel both personally and professionally through meaningful workshops, advanced leadership development, exposure to motivational speakers and the chance to engage and network with young established leaders within lifesaving.

The weekend will be held at Angahook Holiday Camp - Aireys Inlet and will commence on Saturday, 18 January 2014 concluding the following day Sunday, 19 January 2014.

Below are the profiles of the presenters and panellist for the weekend:

Kate Bell, 30 years old - Mentone LSC
Kate has been involved in surf education and lifesaving for 24 years, since joining Mentone nipper’s program at the age of 7. Kate has outstanding lifesaving accolades having obtained her Surf Rescue Certificate in 1996, her Bronze Medallion in 1999, Silver Medallion IRB Driver in 2001 and Silver Medallion Basic Beach Management in 2008. Kate is also a Training Officer for the Bronze Medallion.

Kate is an instrumental volunteer to her peers through her willingness to patrol; engage with the youth and lead from the front. She was first identified as an exceptional leader in 2001, being made Team Patrol Captain at Mentone. This recognition was the first of many leadership opportunities made available to Kate, being made Club Patrol Captain in 2007 and her most recent achievement of significance being made the youngest and first female President of Mentone LSC in August 2011. Kate’s leadership attributes, her supportive and open minded nature and her ambition for further development in self-improvement, is an asset to the lifesaving community.

Owen Carbery, 26 years – Woolamai SLSC
Owen brings to the panel a wealth of lifesaving experience, having participated most recently in the 2013 Building Leaders Scholarship Program, which accumulated with a trip to Sri Lanka. He is an active member at Woolamai Beach Surf Life Saving Club, joining the club in 2003 as a 15 year old. Owen’s lifesaving credentials are extensive, obtaining high level awards, serving in a Vice Patrol Captain role helping to mentor younger members and is a current member of the Woolamai SEALS (a club program to develop young leaders, create role models and improve the standard of lifesaving at the club). He is currently on the clubs executive board serving as the Director of Assets, as well as working on major club projects including the Bass Coast RWC program, the Smiths Beach subcommittee and on the organising committee for the 2013 Tough Mudder event.
He has developed a range of skills from the many awards he holds including, Bronze Medallion, IRB Crew Certificate, Silver Medallion IRB Driver, Training Officer Spinal Management, Training Officer IRB, Training Officer ATV, Advanced Resuscitation Techniques Certificate, Senior First Aid and Silver Medallion Basic Beach Management, RWC Operator and is currently a trainee assessor.

**Imogen Dingle, 26 years – Fairhaven SLSC**

Imogen Dingle is an 11 year veteran of lifesaving, having obtained her Surf Rescue Certificate in 2001 and Bronze Medallion in 2003. Imogen began her association with lifesaving at the age of 6, through Life Saving Victoria’s surf education program Nippers. She has continued to develop her lifesaving capacity by attaining other advanced awards such as IRB crewpersons, Advanced Resuscitation Technique Certificate, Bronze Medallion Assessor, Basic Beach Management and a Certificate IV in Training and Assessment. Imogen bestows essential leadership qualities, which are highlighted in her previous roles as Patrol and Club Captain. Imogen has been involved in Training and Assessment at her Club since 2004 and is currently a senior trainer. In 2007 she attended the National Leadership Camp in Sydney and was recently part of LSVs first Building Leaders Scholarship which travelled to Sri Lanka in 2012. Her current Club role is Vice President for Leadership and Development and she is involved with the Female Leadership Network at a state level.

Her academic and community achievements are endless; being awarded the Otto Bock Clinical Excellence Award in 2010, for the most outstanding third year student which included a trip to Germany for further training. Having completed her degree in Prosthetics and Orthotics in 2010 she has worked interstate and is currently based in the Prosthetics Department at Caulfield Hospital. Her chosen profession demonstrates her desire and passion to help people and encourage them to live life the fullest.

**Lauren Chan, 23 years old - Anglesea SLSC**

Lauren has been involved in lifesaving since 2006 when she obtained her Bronze Medallion Certificate. Since then, Lauren has been involved in all aspects of lifesaving at a club and state level. She has developed her lifesaving skill set through achieving the awards of IRB Crewpersons, IRB Driver, Senior First Aid, Basic Beach Management, Spinal Management, Advanced Resuscitation Technique Certificate. She has also attained awards for training and assessing in Bronze Medallion, Spinal Management as well as Gold Medallion Assessors.

Lauren's leadership qualities include being an Anglesea Bronze Camp Senior Instructor since 2007, Advanced Lifesaving Camp 2013, Patrol Captain, Patrol Co-ordinator, 2012 National Leadership College attendee and Director or Rescue Services.

Lauren has been part of the Westpac Lifesaving Rescue Helicopter since 2010 where she is a Rescue Swimmer and currently the only female crew member.

**Kane Treloar, 22 year olds - Williamstown LSC**

Kane commenced lifesaving at the age of 7, through his involvement in the nipper surf education program. Since then, he has gone on to achieve great success as an elite competitor, representing Victoria at the IRB State Championships.

Kane has extensive training in lifesaving and community involvement. In 2012, he was the Patrol captain, IRB Captain and Training Officer at Williamstown, as well as being an active member of the Marine Rescue Port Melbourne Crew, Westpac Helicopter Crew and LSV Comms Operator and Supervisor.

Kane has an extensive list of lifesaving awards and achievements, most notably being his Gold Medallion, Spinal Management, Advanced Resuscitation Techniques and being crowned the 2012 Victorian Lifesaver of the year. (John Wishart Memorial Medal).

Kane has relished the leadership opportunities that Life Saving Victoria has offered; being employed as a Senior Lifeguard as part of LSV’s Professional Service Wing and in 2011 held the role of State Duty Officer.

**Mark Collard – Adventure Educator**

Mark Collard is one of Australia’s most experienced and qualified adventure educators, and a member of Project Adventure Inc’s elite team of international facilitators. He is the author of Australia’s top-selling ‘No Props: Great Games with No Equipment’ and founder of www.playmeo.com - the biggest online database of group games and activities in the world. He delivers his unique, interactive and fun brand of training programs all over Australia, and indeed the world, to inspire others to play, share, trust and learn.
Leigh Russell – Accomplished Sports Administrator & Director

Leigh Russell is an educator, organisational development specialist, board director, facilitator and counsellor, with qualifications in the arts, teaching, counselling, career counselling and business. She is an accomplished sports administrator and director, having spent the past decade working with athletes, coaches and behind the scenes staff to ensure sustained high performance with a number of AFL teams, the AFLPA and the Melbourne Vixens.

She is widely respected for her work that she has undertaken in a variety of roles – people & culture, learning & development and leadership of organisations. Leigh was the first woman to hold a senior executive position within an AFL Club and the youngest person to be appointed as the CEO of Netball Victoria in the organisation's history.

Currently, Leigh serves as Deputy Chair at Women’s Health West, Board Director at AFL Sports Ready and Board Director for the State Sport Centres Trust.

Leigh is a professional member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors and has completed the institute’s acclaimed Company Director’s Course. She is a member of the Australian Human Resources Institute, Career Development Association Australia, and Women on Boards. Leigh is also an accredited Myers Briggs Practitioner and an Extended DISC® Accredited Consultant and Trainer.

What’s in it for you?
Core leadership competencies will be established under the guidance of experts and mentors from lifesaving, business and the community; exposing you to state wide professional networks and highlighting the prospects available if you wish to seek and peruse leadership roles in the future.
- Highlights of this year’s program will be feature workshops on Resilient Leadership & Emotional Intelligence, Crisis Resource Management, Teamwork & Teambuilding and LSV Leaders Panel.
- Attendance at the PD Weekend is considered highly desirable for those participants wishing to apply for the 2014 Building Leaders Scholarship.

Who can apply:
Potential participants can come from a range of different backgrounds, interests and areas of focus within the club environment. These future leaders are most likely current or future Patrol Captains, Chief Instructors, Club Captains, Age Managers, Nipper Coordinators or Development Camp Coordinators etc.

Applicants are required to submit a cover letter outlining their intentions for the weekend and how they believe it will benefit them. A note of endorsement from the applicant’s Club President must accompany the cover letter.

This weekend is aimed at 18-25 aged club members and this year will be a prerequisite to the 2014 Building Leaders Scholarship program.

The cost of this weekend is $280.00 which includes accommodation, meals and course workshops.

Applications are to be submitted via the link below by 5:00 pm on Friday, 20 December 2013. Successful candidates will be notified by Monday, 30 December 2013.
https://lifesavingvictoria.wufoo.com/forms/professional-development-leadership-camp-2014/