Far West Water Ski Club

July 2023 Newsletter

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From the President

Hey you hard core ski bums!

I sure hope everybody's getting plenty of water time in. The weather has been stellar and the conditions in the cove where the course is right now are the best that they can be. If you haven't had a chance to make it out there, I highly recommend that you visit the site before we have to move it out of there in three or four weeks.

As I mentioned in a couple of earlier emails, we moved to the course without a hitch with some help from some very knowledgeable club members. Someone else also noticed some loose bolts on the dock and that has now been taken care of as well. Thanks Tom MacFarlane!

This goes to show how important it is to be aware of your surroundings. When you're in the water swimming around the dock or your boat, always take a look around for things that may be out of place or that need attention and then take care of it before it becomes a problem.

So, we've all been skiing for a few months now. When was the last time you checked the screws on your ski or your fin or your wing? When was the last time you took a good look at your rope or your handle to make sure they are in good condition? How about your bindings are they cracked or if you have a hard shell boot, are the buckles all in good condition? Is your release working as it should? You should test it occasionally. Make sure you stay on top of all these things because if not, it could cause problems. The last thing you want to do is miss a pass or even a tournament ride because some of your equipment or your ski brakes or malfunctions and you can't fix it in a timely manner.

One more thing to consider is the impeller in your boat. When was the last time it was changed? When that little item fails, it can literally ruin an entire day of skiing and potentially do damage to your engine. They should always be changed every year or two years if you're pushing the envelope a little bit. It obviously depends on how much you use your boat.

Okay, now that you've got all your items taken care of, it's time to get out there and get some ski rides in on a fantastic slalom course in an epic location. I'll see you all out there or at the next tournament!

Bob

From the Tournament Directors

Hi All,

We had another great turnout for the June tournament, 26 skiers to be exact. Thank you to Dave Ringman for letting us use your boat and to everyone else who helped make the tournament run as smoothly as possible.

No class jumpers in the June tournament but we did see a few new Novice skiers, Allyson Cramer, Justin Fontecchio (Lisa's son) and Nikki Puentes. Also, Dylan Cramer, class 1 came out and smoked his 23, 24 and got 4.5 at 26. Great Job Dylan!

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I think they all have the ski bug and we hope to see them at the rest of the tournaments. We had another great showing from the Cal Poly kids.

Looking forward to seeing many of you and more at the July tournament. We should have nice weather and great water conditions. Please be at the dock by 8:00am Saturday (7/29) morning (the start time may change, depending on the # of skiers). We will be skiing behind Jeremy's new Master Craft. We are in need of a pick-up boat. If one is not available, we will rotate boats on the dock as the pick-up boat. Please contact me if you have any questions and if you plan to be at the July tournament.

Thanks so much,
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2023 Tournament Dates

July 29 & 30 – Jeremy Salamacha
Aug 19 & 20 – Charlie Widle
Sept 23 & 24 - Dave/Alli Stauffer
October 14 & 15 – Jim/Susan Kilsdonk