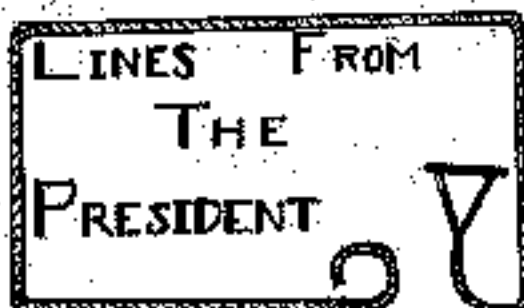


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Dear Skiers,

Winter is 'still' here but the good part of that is that it is time for Think Tank once again! It is my wish, of course, that everyone attend. I realize, however, that it is not always possible to arrange an already full schedule to fit another event. I do feel though that the Think Tank is a good experience in learning, a good social experience and a great place to learn about the new innovations and technology in the world of water skiing. We hope that this years Think Tank will be the best ever (with some new and interesting tanks) and it can be if you attend and help us!! We hope to have more equipment displays and as usual a great banquet and dance on Sat. night. So, please, try to fit it into your schedule and join us for a great weekend.

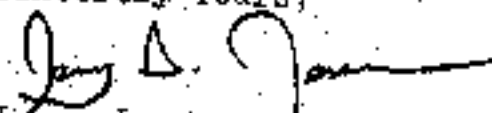
I am somewhat concerned about the response that we have gotten for more tournaments throughout the state. Right now it doesn't look like we will be having a novice tournament or another barefoot tournament in the state. Wisconsin has always been known as one of the top places for barefooters in the nation; yet, they don't have enough tournaments near to them so that they can sharpen their skills. Tournaments are relatively easy to put on, relatively low cost to host and you can benefit not only in the financial end of running one but you can benefit your skiers and all of the skiers of Wis. by providing them with more tournament experience. Please give this matter some serious thought.

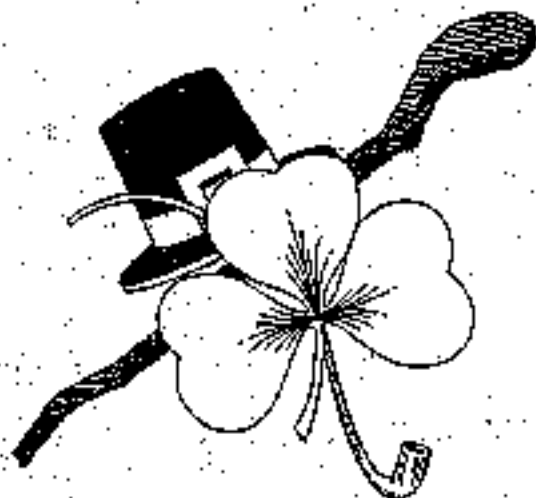
It really doesn't take that much time out of a season schedule to host a one day tournament.

The next issue of the Federator should have a complete tournament schedule and all the new show rule changes along with all the news from Think Tank. So take a close look at the spring issue for this and much more! And please let us hear from you for our 'Voice of the People'. This is your sounding board—a chance for you to express your views on both the Federation and skiing in general or just anything that needs to be discussed.

Once again, I am looking forward to seeing you all at Think Tank— March 6 & 7, Holiday Inn II SE, Madison.

Sincerely Yours,


Jerry Jensen
President, WWSF



Don't take any
wooden
Blarney Stones!

Voice of the People

Since there were no letters from you this time—I am going to use this space. I am really hoping that you will get interested in this section. I hear so much talk in the summer time that I thought that this would be a great way for everyone in the state to hear what you had to say. If there is something you would like to see changed or something that you would never like to see changed, let us know and see how others feel. Doing a lot of talking in the summer is great but what you may not realize is that now is the time to get some action—when everyone can get together at the monthly meetings and do something about it! PLEASE—don't hide your feelings and feel bad about something. Let us know how you feel and let's work together.

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~~~~~ First Club News!! (Thank You, Aquanuts) ~~~~~

AQUANUTS 8th SUCCESSFUL SEASON

(Twin Lakes, WI) Firmly establishing themselves as a major summer attraction in southeastern Wis., the Aquanut Water Shows end another great year of entertainment. Consisting of over 65 members, including skiers, drivers, technical and advisory personnel, the Aquanuts are proud to say that the 1981 season was one of the best ever. Because of growing exposure, media coverage and billboards on major hwy's, the attendance at home shows has tripled this past season. Especially the 4th of July weekend, where over 5,000 spectators watched the performance on Sat. night. In addition to the home shows, the Aquanuts entertained throngs at their many away shows, including Lily Lake, Walleye Weekend in Fond Du Lac, Fantasy Island in Channel Lake, Ill., and the last away show of the year at Lake Geneva and Proud Mary's Resort in Twin Lakes.

1981 was also a competitive year for the Aquanuts as they attended 3 major show tournaments throughout the summer. The results were; 2nd place

at the Lamb's Farm Tournament, 2nd place at the State Tournament and Mid-West Open, and 3rd place at the National Show Tournament. 1981 also marked another continuing year of sponsorship by Mercury Outboards Corp. and Munson Marine. Both sponsors are greatly awaiting continuing this relationship with the Aquanuts again into the 1982 season as well.

The end of the 1981 season also marked the 'retirement' of two long time members. First of all, Ted Borowski (Aquanut advisor) who was involved in the original formation of the club 8 years ago. The other is Bob O'Neil, an 8 year member, who has been 'the Voice of the Aquanuts' since the beginning and the president of the team in '80 & '81. Other special notes of the end of the season were team awards. They were: advisor, Paul Dunteman; female skier, Michelle Kerkman; male skier, Jeff Dunteman; female member, Janet Yunker; male member, Jeff Dunteman.

There will be many new faces in '82. There were over 45 people tryout for the senior team.



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Any questions, problems and changes send them to me at:

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Madison, WI. 53715)

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PROFILES

Introducing...

AWSA COUNCILMAN

Larry Connor is 31 years old and has been married to Sue for 10 years and they have one son, L.J. Larry is a plant engineer for Hanksraft in Needsburg. Although the new boat didn't see as much action as Larry would have liked there was a good reason- his time was completely taken up on building a home on the lake so they could get in more skiing! But aside from skiing Larry enjoys racquetball and down-hill skiing.

Larry's most memorable moment in skiing was when he went out practice jumping for the first time of the spring and it ended up being his last--due to his broken leg:

DIRECTORS-AT-LARGE

Mike Gissiole is 35 years old. His wife's name is Barb and they have 5 children; Beth 13, Mike 12, Matt 11, Laura 4, and Mark 2. Mike is now an independant living in Brookfield but at other times he has been associated with the Manitowish Waters Skeeters and he was an advisor for the Aqua-Bats when they first started out.

Mike attended Carthage College in Kenosha, UW-Stevens Point and Mich.Tech. He taught biology for 5 years and now is working for Snap-On Tools as a salesman. His hobbies include playing league basketball and trying to perfect the back barefoot.

Steve Nahner is 32 years old and has been married for 8 years to Robin. They have one little girl, Erin who is 3. Aside from being the safety chairman for the Federation Steve is a plumber in

Wis. Rapids. Before dissolving his ties to become an independant he had been associated with the Aqua Skiers. He likes to play softball in his spare time.

When it comes to Steve's most memorable skiing experience there are a few to choose from but the two that Steve mentioned were:
 1) driving the judges from their chairs during a tournament due to a 'bet-turn' that got away from him and 2) running into a raft during a jump act--not driving the boat but skiing that is!



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REMINDER



HAPPENINGS OF THE

Summer '81

ROCK AQUA JAYS MAKE
WINNING AS EASY AS 1-2-3!!!

The 1981 snow ski season will have to be remembered as the year of the Aqua Jays.

It all began in June with the Lamb's Farm tournament. The weather was overcast the whole day but the rain held off until the last club was ready to ski- the Aqua Jays. They held on to their composure and skied their way to first place. The Aquanuts of Twin Lakes took second and the Capital City team took third.

The next leg in the triple crown was in July at Wfs. Rapids' State Tournament. The Aqua Jays skied on Sat. as did one of their rival teams, the Aquanuts, while the team from Cap City skied on Sun. but when the final results were all totaled the Aqua Jays were once again on top.

Then the pressure was really on for the Aqua Jays. The last leg in the crown was the National tournament which the Aqua Jays were going to be hosting. The big questions were could they host the tournament and win and could they beat the team that had taken the championship for five years. They had their work cut out for them in any case.

In the two day tournament an estimated 10 thousand people watched as 14 teams competed for the top honor. The two days not only saw the amateur clubs perform but also the pros present a short exhibition. The Aqua Jays added their own little contribution to the all-star show--perhaps their successful building of a four-high pyramid was a forecast of what was to come-for once again, the Aqua Jays finished at the top. For the first time ever the same club had won first place in all three of the major tournaments. Cap City took second and also took the #1 announcer as Chip Davenport announced his retirement. The Aquanuts took third with whitewater in fourth.

A YEAR FOR BROKEN RECORDS

This years state 3-event tournament will have to be remembered as the year so many records were broken. The setting was in Tomahawk, WI at the Kwahamots' site. The excellently run tournament saw two full days of record braking performances in all divisions. The results were as follows:

Men I	Jump	146'	Jim Mitchell (old 143' in '79)
Men II	Jump	144'	Bruce Nevin (old 134' in '74 & '80)
Sr Men	Jump	109'	Brady Rosch (old 96' in '76&80)
Sr Men	Tricks	3660	Kon Johnson (old 3480 in '74)
Women I	Tricks	1710	Shari Gresens (old 1480 in '80)
Women I	Slalom	32	Georgi Startz-Tied. (Kathy Reid in '76)
Women II	Jump	79'	Georgi Startz
	Slalom	32	Georgi Startz
	Tricks	720	Georgi Startz
Vet Men	Tricks	2640	Bob Miranda (old 1920 in 1980)
	Slalom	27	Bob Miranda (old in 1980)
	Jump	94'	Bob Miranda (old in 1980-1973)
Boys	Jump	118'	Jim Shiek Jr. (tied from 1977)
Jr. Boys	Jump	97'	Tim Shiek (old 36' in 1980)
Jr. Girls	Tricks	3890	Tawn Larson (old 2450 in 1980)



Don't walk -
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(to Think Tank!)

W.U.S.F. THINK TANK VI


MARCH 6, 7 1982

SATURDAY

TIME	MENDOTA	MONONA	WINGRA
8:00	REGISTRATION		
9:30	BEGINNING / ADVANCED BAREFOOT	SHOW MUSIC/ SOUND	ORGANIZING CLUB AND INSURANCE
10:50	JUDGING & SKIING	COSTUMES	GOING TO SHOW NATIONALS
11:00	JUMPING		
12:30	BALLET & SQUAD	D.N.R. + YOU	GENERAL 3 EVENT FILMS QUESTION & ANSWER
1:50	SHOW ANNOUNCING	SKIING PHYSICAL FITNESS	MAKE-UP
2:00			
3:20	JUDGING & SKIING SLALOM	POOLSIDE DOUBLES	SHOW DANCING
4:50			
5:00	RELAX AND SWIM BAR AT POOLSIDE		
6:30	DINNER - DANCE - AUCTION		
1:00	HOSPITALITY ROOM		

SUNDAY

TIME	MENDOTA	MONONA	WINGRA
8:00	Breakfast		
9:30	SHOW RULES	BEGINNING/ ADVANCED BAREFOOT	JUDGING & SKIING TRICKS
10:50	Judging/Scoring SHOWS	CLOWNS	SAFETY
11:00	"HOW TO LEARN"		
12:20	JUDGING & SHOWS	3 EVENT QUESTIONS & ANSWER	SPORTS MEDICINE
12:30			
1:50	QUESTIONS TO SHOW JUDGES		
2:00			
3:20			
<p>The tanks this year have been expanded to 1 1/2 hrs for more time with each subject.</p> <p>This will be representatives from the D.N.R. and drama and industry at tanks.</p> <p>The committee hopes you have a good time.</p>			



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