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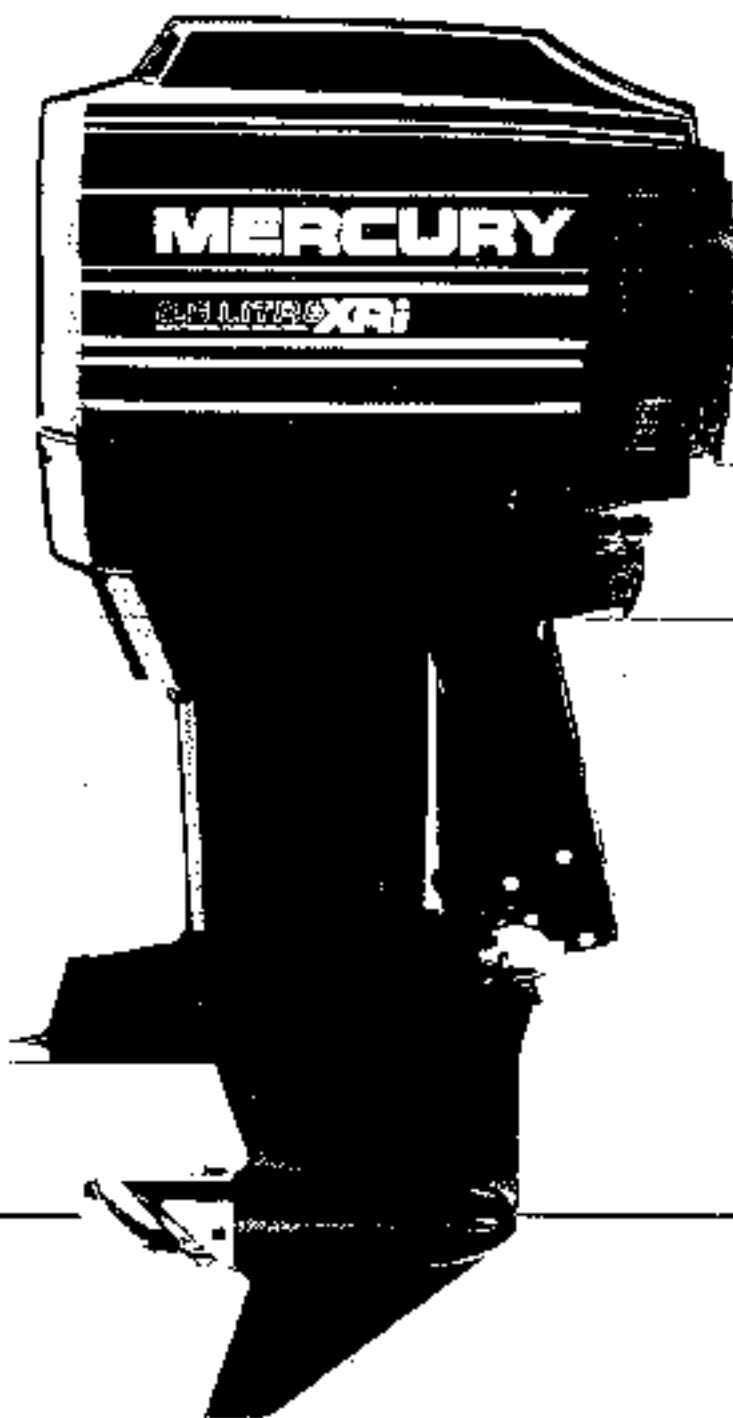


**** CORRECTION ****

On page 4 the name of Caleb Feierisen is misspelled. I misunderstood the correct spelling when it was given to me. My sincere apologies to the family and friends of Caleb.
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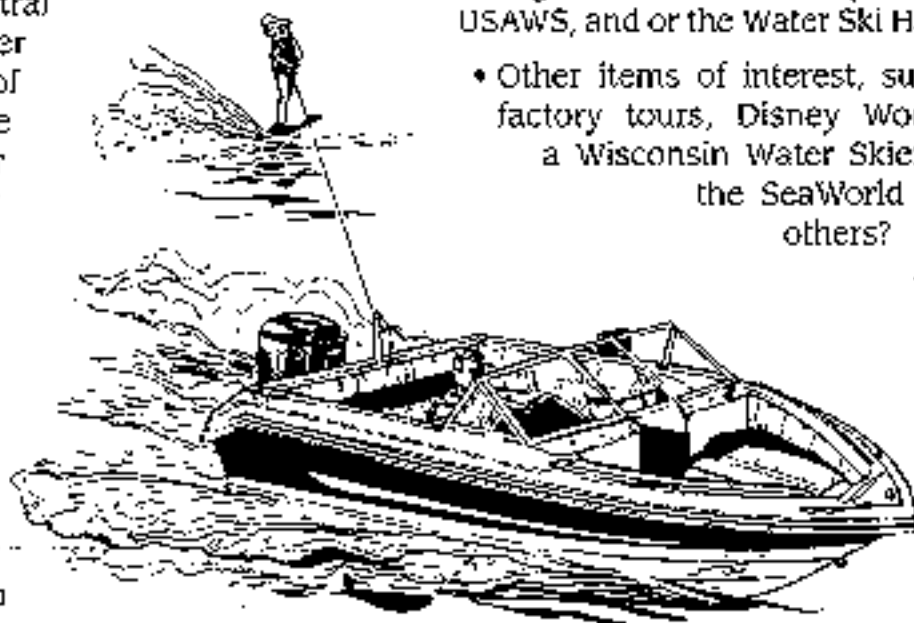
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FLORIDA HERE WE COME!

In an effort to help Wisconsin water skiers keep skiing over the off-season, the Wisconsin Water Ski Federation is working on a group trip to Central Florida in either March or April of 1998. While some of the bigger clubs and many individuals already make the trip to Florida, many Midwest clubs and skiers do not. Hoping to help open doors to jump starting our ski season, the WWSF is putting together a program that collectively can make a Spring ski trip available and affordable for those that are interested.



We are working on:

- A Florida Ski School Guide that will be published in the Think Tank issue of the Water Skier that goes out to 5,000-6,000 Midwest skiers. We hope to develop preferential group pricing or coupons for our skiers.
- Obtaining group or charter pricing with an airline.
- We will meet with Mark Jackson of the Polk County Sports Marketing, who has helped other clubs and has made himself available to discuss destination offerings. He has indicated a willingness to help in any way he can with transportation, lodging, ski schools, and other events.

There is the possibility that the "National Show Ski Trained Driver Program" being developed by Wisconsin water skiers will be ready for unveiling this spring and discussions will be held with Cypress Gardens or some other facility about hosting an inaugural clinic in Florida.

- Interest has been expressed in possibly having a luncheon or reception at AWSA-USAWS, and or the Water Ski Hall of Fame.
- Other items of interest, such as boat factory tours, Disney World tickets, a Wisconsin Water Skiers' night at the SeaWorld Show, and others?

We are still in the planning stages, so any input or ideas would be appreciated.

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*We wish to express our sympathy
to the family of
Wisconsin waterskier
Caleb Seiereisen,
who passed away this past month.*

*More information to follow
in January's magazine.*

WISCONSIN'S SLALOM SWEEP

"FUN TOURNAMENT SERIES"

Wisconsin is leading the nation by piloting The USAWS "Fun Tournament Series." This program is unique, in as much as it is a water ski promotion where clubs purchase an Insta Slalom portable slalom courses (at a reduced price negotiated by USAWS) and agree to sponsor USAWS's "Fun" Tournaments.

The Goal of this program is to create lasting playing fields, appeal to the recreational skier, and increase involvement in all organized water skiing.

This our first year, there were a total of 6 USA WS "Fun Tournaments" in Wisconsin, with 200 skiers participating. We have gotten 10 Insta Slalom courses to clubs around the state who are signed on for next year. We will be ordering another 10 courses to distribute next year.

The Wisconsin Slalom Sweep "Fun Tournament" Series will have as many as 20 Fun Tournaments around the state in 1998. We currently have these 14 clubs that have indicated they will hold tournaments next year.

1. Beaverland Must-Skis, Beaver Dam
2. Rock Aqua Jays
3. Rhinelander Hodags
4. Shermalot Ski Team
5. Central Wisconsin Show Team, Wausau
6. Eau Claire Ski Sprites
7. River City Show Team, LaCrosse

8. Lake Sinissippi Water Ski Club
9. Mad City (Bob Mahnke)
10. Twin Lakes Aquanuts (depending on site)
11. Lauderdale Aqua Skiers (depending on site)
12. Waterbugs, Muskego (depending on site)
13. Badgerland
14. New Auburn? (would be a newly formed club)

There are another 10 clubs that have indicated a strong interest in holding Fun Tournaments next year.

These tournaments will be geared to having controlled numbers, giving participating skiers more skiing. By having more tournaments at more local sites with more skiing for entrants, we will be able to offer a Series of Tournaments that has the greatest appeal to the recreational skier and thus generate high numbers of total participants. All the tournaments will be promoted collectively as a series, with USAWS working closely with the State Federation and Clubs.

USAWS is developing easy scoring, easy handicapping to help beginners, and a easy format with less divisions, where clubs will find it easy to host a tournament. It is at a scale where most clubs should not be afraid of the commitment. Clubs are also given the flexibility to include more events such as wakeboarding and kneeboarding. Clubs are finding that by hosting these tournaments they can increase their memberships, raise funds, and offer outreach to their local skiing community. The Series is tailored to the Skiers and Clubs' best interests. For more information, contact: Scott Coley 920-349-3421, or 920-349-3470 (Eve.)

SLALOM LEAGUES

The Lake Sinissippi Water Ski Club in 1997 pioneered "Slalom Leagues." Every Thursday we literally had slalom skiers coming out of the woodwork. We had skiers drive 3 hours every Thursday to attend. We have developed a handicapped scoring system which will get full implementation next year. Our average attendance was 15-20 skiers and for 1997 we had about 50 different skiers participate.

COLLEGIATE LEAGUES

The Lake Sinissippi Water Ski Club is considering hosting and forming a Collegiate League much like slalom leagues. We have approximately 20 universities within an hour of our site. The goal of this program is to create teams from interested colleges and ski 2 or 3 days a week in May and September. We will begin with the slalom league format of scoring and competition and hopefully expand to tricks and jumping. The eventual goal is to take a couple of years and create the interest and participation through a fun format, that should grow into full blown chartered and competitive collegiate teams! Organized as teams within our club, we can start recruiting skiers and teams today and have an instant impact; and not have to go through the red tape of forming and funding individual teams or clubs. Again as the interest builds, these teams will be encouraged to charter as individual collegiate teams so they can compete regionally and nationally.

We have seen strong interest in this program from skiers at UW Whitewater, UW Madison, and UW Oshkosh. Other schools that may be interested are Carroll College, Marquette University, and UW Milwaukee.

Each team will have a coach/manager and a minimum of 5 skiers.

Any input or interest in this program would be appreciated.

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HEROES, SOME MORE HIGHLIGHTS AND A FEW THANK YOUS

1997 saw a great amount of 3-event activity and interest. **Dave Muehl** (the Guru) hosted a couple of tournaments. The **Isthmus Club** held their Last Chance tournament at Ski Decorah. The **Tolzman's** and **Ski Decorah** were active as always.

Lisa Lamb placed 2nd Overall at Nationals in Womens 2 and **Julie Tolzman** had a great year winning overall at Regionals, and placing very high nationally. **Renaë Wadnal** was appointed to the National Junior Development Team, and is an up and coming star. The **Three Lakes Skiers**, led by **Brandon Rietz** and the **Crivitz Skiers**, led by **Jake Scheels**, were competing hard and very successfully. Nobody skis a slalom course like **Todd Weber**.

Again we should thank and highlight a few more people for their involvement, impact, and interest; **J.R. Wilson**; **Mike Fitzgerald**; **Bob Pace**; **Rod Olson**; **Jim Babcock** (AWSA Rep.); **Mike King** and **Mark Randgaard** and **Ruth Pieper** (President of the Lake Sinissippi Water Ski Club); and last but not least the Wisconsin Water Ski Federation as a whole for their strong support.

Looking forward to 1998, and more Skiing the Cheese.....

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1997 HIGHLIGHTS STATE TOURNAMENT RESULTS

The Lake Sinissippi Water Ski Club hosted the Wisconsin State Water Ski Championships July 25-27, 1997 at River Bend Park in Horicon as part of the Horicon Marsh Days Festival. The best water skiers from all over Wisconsin competed for the "State Champion" Titles in 3 separate events; Slalom Skiing, Jumping, and Trick Skiing.

The 1st place finishers and "State Champions" of each event and division are:

Slalom

Girls 1	Mattie McFarland	Waunakee
Girls 2	Ashley Lamon	Three Lakes
Girls 3	Courtney Schacht	Three Lakes
Women 1	Kelly Noonan	Lake Sinissippi
Women 2	Lisa Lamb	East Troy
Women 3	Julie Tolzman	Ski Decorah
Boys 1	Ryan Backlund	East Troy
Boys 2	Brad Davenport	Fitchburg
Boys 3	Justin Weber	Saukville
Nov. Men	John Kanzenbach	Lake Sinissippi
Men 1	Brandon Rietz	Three Lakes
Men 2	Jim Tagny	Greenfield
Men 3	Todd Weber	Germanatown
Men 4	Joe Ostrander	Wausau

Tricks

Girls 2	Laura Orehwa	Lake Sinissippi
Girls 3	Renaë Wadnal	Nekoosa
Women 1	Bree Ann Schacht	Three Lakes
Women 2	Lisa Lamb	East Troy
Women 3	Julie Tolzman	Ski Decorah
Boys 1	Ryan Backlund	East Troy
Boys 2	Brad Davenport	Fitchburg
Boys 3	Chad Rietz	Three Lakes
Men 1	Dan Smallidge	New Richmond
Men 2	Rod Olson	Rhineland
Men 3	Kerry Tolzman	Ski Decorah
Men 4	Dennis Close	Menomonie
Men 6	Jerome Hansen	Menomonie

Jumping

Girls 3	Courtney Schacht	Three Lakes
Women 1	Bree Ann Schacht	Three Lakes
Women 2	Lisa Lamb	East Troy
Women 3	Julie Tolzman	Ski Decorah
Boys 2	Doug Kwiatowski	Crivitz
Boys 3	Jake Scheels	Crivitz
Nov. Men	Tom Schmidt	Lake Sinissippi
Men 1	Brandon Rietz	Three Lakes
Men 2	Rod Olson	Rhineland
Men 3	Kerry Tolzman	Ski Decorah
Men 4	Mike Fitzgerald	Muskego

Overall

Girls 3
 Women 1
 Women 2
 Women 3
 Boys 1
 Boys 2
 Boys 3
 Men 1
 Men 2
 Men 3

Courtney Schacht
 Brece Ann Schacht
 Lisa Lamb
 Julie Tolzman
 Ryan Backlund
 Brad Davenport
 Chad Rietz
 Brandon Rietz
 Rod Olson
 Bob Pace

Three Lakes
 Three Lakes
 East Troy
 Ski Decorah
 East Troy
 Fitchburg
 Three Lakes
 Three Lakes
 Rhinelander
 Minocqua

Outstanding Athlete Award

Lisa Lamb

East Troy

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A special thanks to Jack Lukes for helping with judging and a complete and hearty thanks to all those that participated and helped with the tournament.

SKI CAMP 1997**Three State Teams Improve at Ski Camp 1997**

The Wisconsin Water Ski Federation, along with the Rock Aqua Jays, hosted Ski Camp 1997. The three teams chosen to attend this year's show ski clinic on water, were the Aquanuts from Twin Lakes, The Water Bugs from Muskego, and the Lauderdale Lakes Aqua Skiers. Teams got down to business right away working on their pyramids. The drivers teamed up with veteran

driver Brian Schaufel to work on boat patterns and pulling multiple skiers off the dock. When the team was ready, the act was put together on the water. The teams spent the entire weekend working with instructors and judges going over every detail of their show. The teams put on their final shows Sunday afternoon. It was very obvious during these shows that huge accomplishments had been made, and the entire team had put forth an effort to improve. Their hard work had definitely paid off. The Wisconsin Water Ski Federation would like to thank senior judges Duane Snow, and Gerry Luiting, regular judge Terry Pasterski, driver Brian Schaufel, and members of the Rock Aqua Jays for all their help. Ski Camp 1997 was extremely successful.

Cathy Luiting Show Rep.

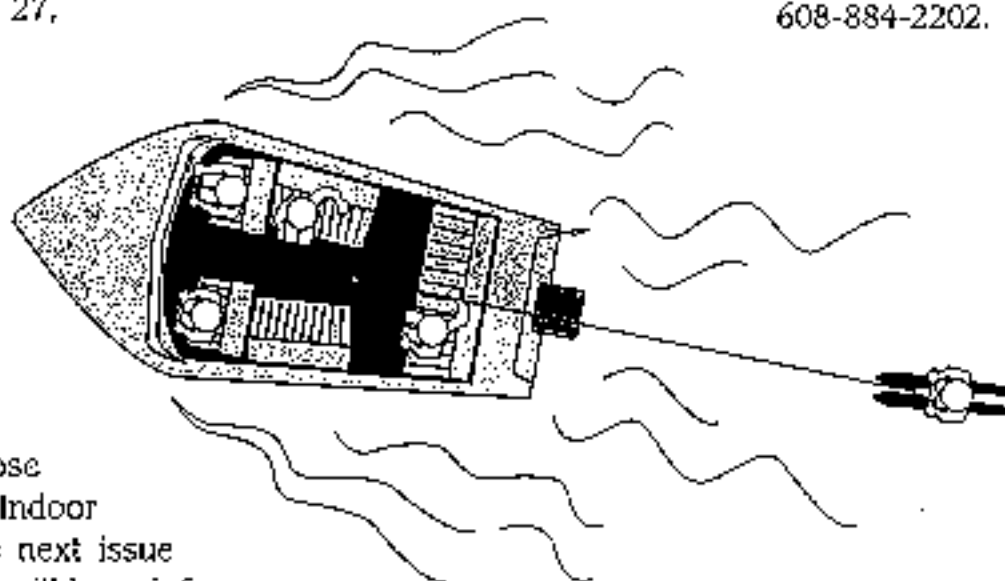
Think Tank XXII**The Wisconsin Water Ski Federation Hosts Think Tank XXII**

This is the twenty-second year that the Wisconsin Water Ski Federation will be host to such an extraordinary event in water ski instruction. As in the past, you will find the finest group of instructors available to teach all disciplines in waterskiing. Clinics will range in instruction, for the very beginner to the veteran skier in each discipline. Skiers who are involved with a team will also want to check out clinics that will offer advice on fund raising, and team management philosophies. This year attendees will also find a list of "never been offered before clinics." If you have been to Think Tank in the past, this year promises to be bigger and better than ever.

Check your road maps...Think Tank has moved. Think Tank XXII will be hosted at the Holiday Inn SunSpree Resort Olympia. This is located right on the 94 interstate in Oconomowoc. The phone number to make reservations is 1-800-558-9573 or 414-567-0311. The next issue of *The Wisconsin Water Skier* will have information on hotels in the surrounding area, as I'm sure this hotel will be full soon.

The hotel offers a wonderfully large open area for exhibits. Manufacturers and marinas will have plenty of space to show the latest and greatest in waterski equipment and apparel, if you are interested in booth space, contact Jim Babcock at 715-845-1417. Information will be mailed to past exhibitors. Booth selection will again be done on a first paid first served basis. Reserve your space today.

The Think Tank Committee is again in need of volunteers. If you, a team member, or family member are interested in helping, join our team and be responsible for making Think Tank XXII an extraordinary event. For more information on what you can do to help, call Cathy Luiting at 608-884-2202.



Mark your calendars, Think Tank XXII begins on Friday, February 27, 1998 and runs through Sunday, March 1, 1998. Think Tank activities will also include the hottest fashion show of the season, moonlite volleyball, banquet dinner, Wisconsin Water Ski Federation Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony, dance, beer garden for those over 21, and the Mastercraft Indoor Doubles Championships. The next issue of *The Wisconsin Water Skier* will have information on how you can be a participant in all these events.

WWSF HALL OF FAME

Attention all Wisconsin Water Ski Federation Members!

As we embark on the task of soliciting nominees for the 1998 WWSF Hall of Fame induction, we are asking for your input. Following is a submittal form which can be duplicated and used for your suggestions for new nominees for the Hall of Fame. Also included is the criteria by which each nominee is evaluated by the Hall of Fame Committee for final selection.

Following is a list of the people recognized and their year of induction into the Wisconsin Hall of Fame:

Pioneers

1993 Tommy Bartlett
 1993 Allan Bubolz
 1993 Dorwin Family
 1993 Ole Evinrude
 1993 Skip Gilkerson
 1993 E. Carl Kiekhafer
 1993 Jack Lukes
 1993 Lynn Novakofski
 1996 Mike Scipel
 1997 Sam Casey

Competitors:

1994 Jean Matthisen
 1994 Bruce Nevin
 1995 Janie Dibble Woods
 1995 Jerry Jensen
 1996 Randy Filter
 1996 Johnny Strasser

Officials:

1993 Dick Matthisen

Thank you in advance for your assistance in the nomination process for the Wisconsin Hall of Fame. If you have any questions or need assistance in locating a nominee, please feel free to contact a member of the committee:

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WISCONSIN WATER SKI HALL OF FAME**ELIGIBILITY FOR COMPETITIVE SKIERS**

1. Only Wisconsin skiers qualify. This is not intended to be a National hall of fame. This would best be defined as someone who would have been eligible to ski in Wisconsin tournaments.
2. No member of the Hall of Fame Selection Committee is eligible during his/her term on the Committee.
3. The skier must have skied in State, Regional and National tournaments at least five (5) years.
4. A skier must have been retired from competition for at least five (5) years (as of the date that the election is to be announced) to be eligible. The skier may, however, continue to be active as an official or may be otherwise involved in the sport.
5. One or two event skiers are eligible.
6. The Committee will consider the following factors in voting on competitive skiers.

A. Major Factors

1. State, Regional, National, U.S. Open, World and other major tournament records.
2. Sportsmanship, character and integrity.

B. Minor Factors

1. Competitive record in Local, State, Regional, Junior, National, U.S. Open, World and other major and minor tournaments.
2. Service as a judge, driver, scorer, safety, administrator or in the promotion of the sport.
3. Competitive or supporting record in the other sport divisions (i.e. show, barefoot, etc.).

ELIGIBILITY FOR OFFICIALS & SUPPORT PERSONNEL

1. It is not possible to lay down specific qualifications in a category as broad as that of water ski officials and support personnel. Generally a candidate would be recognized for major contributions to the sport over a considerable period of years. Election is not based on an isolated outstanding contribution. At the same time, mere length of service, however dedicated and generous, that cannot be said to have contributed significantly to the progress of the sport in one or more areas is not sufficient. The emphasis is on achievements, not on offices held or time served.
2. The term official is intended to encompass a wide range of functions within the sport. Primary consideration is given to contributions to the sport as a judge, driver, scorer, WWSF officer, director, or committee chairman, AWSA officer, director, or committee chairman or member. In addition to AWSA, similar positions with other National and Regional Water Skiing Organizations shall also be considered for qualification.

Secondary consideration is given to contributors as secondary positions in officiating tournaments, chairperson of major tournaments, tournament announcer, and water skiing writer and promoter.

With respect to all of these functions, the primary emphasis is on contributions of a regional or national significance, with secondary consideration based on local and state contributions. Candidates are not generally judged on a single function, but rather accumulation of contributions in all the areas in which the person was involved. It is expected that most enshrinees will have contributed in several areas, even though one may predominate.

3. Generally, fifteen years of service to the sport at local, state, regional, national, or world wide levels is required as a minimum for consideration, but exceptions may be made in extraordinary circumstances. Mere length of service, by itself, will never qualify an individual for consideration. Length of service is more a measure of the extent of the individual's dedication to the sport.
4. Retirement from active involvement in the sport is neither a requirement for nomination nor is it encouraged. Generally a candidate will not be considered when there is still a great deal more that he or she may be expected to contribute. At the same time, the committee will not wait for the candidate's death or senility to recognize significant contributions to the sport. Generally a minimum age at induction of 40 is required unless the candidate was clearly retired prior to that time.

ELIGIBILITY FOR WATER SKIING PIONEERS

1. This category is neither defined nor definable, but it is intended for people whose contributions to the sport do not fall into the other categories. Those whose principal contributions are as water skiing officials should not be considered as pioneers.
2. Other qualifications would be similar to those for officials, pertaining to length of service, local, state, regional, and national impact, and age and retirement.

WISCONSIN WATER SKI HALL OF FAME

SUBMITTAL APPLICATION

Please complete as much of the following information as possible. Keep in mind that the more complete the application, the better the chance that the applicant has to be inducted into the Wisconsin Water Ski Hall of Fame.

Submittal: Name _____ Date of Birth _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

The above person is recommended for consideration to the Wisconsin Water Ski Federation Water Ski Hall of Fame. Recommended by:

Name _____ Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

I believe the above person is qualified for the Hall of Fame for the following reasons: _____

Recommended category for recognition: (Circle One) Pioneer Competitor Official

Years of service to the sport of water skiing: _____

Originality as demonstrated by water skiing firsts: (tricks performed, records held, etc.): _____

Water skiing equipment designed or influenced by applicant: _____

With which organizations was applicant affiliated?: _____

In what water skiing discipline(s) was applicant involved?: _____

Was applicant competitive? _____ For how long? _____

Major accomplishments/awards/titles held:

State

Regional

National

World

Other major contributions/positions held (include years of service for each position held): _____

State: _____

Regional: _____

National: _____

World: _____

Indicate ratings held and specify competition, official and/or driver: _____

I (would/would not) be able to assist in the research process: _____ Signature _____ Date _____

WISCONSIN'S SIXTH ANNUAL INDIVIDUAL EVENTS COMPETITION

This summer, at the 1997 Wisconsin State Show Tournament in Wis Rapids, the 6th Annual Wisconsin State Events Competition was held.

The event consisted of three areas of individual competition:

FREESTYLE JUMPING * SWIVEL SKIING * DOUBLES

Freestyle Jumping

(3) individuals competed in the Freestyle Jumping event.

1st Place =	Jim Larson	299.1
2nd Place =	Eric Schultz	280
3rd Place =	Kirk Schultz	208.4

Swivel Skiing

(11) individuals competed in the Swivel Skiing event.

1st Place =	Kristen Heilman	18.47
2nd Place =	Ginny Rezin	17.86
3rd Place =	Laura Bernstein	16.20

Other competitors were Sara Straub, Nicole Rentzel, Kim Keller, Nancy Lynd O'Hara, Nikki Noonan, Karen Nowicki, Sarah Manternach, Sandra Sloan.

Doubles Competition

(8) couples competed in the Doubles Skiing event.

1st Place =	Cathy Luiting/Gerry Luiting	18.16
2nd Place =	Kelsey Anselmo/Eric Pauth	15.83
3rd Place =	Carrie Chapman/David Guif	14.54

Other competitors were Ashley Anderson/Mark Anderson, Tiffany Schultz/Cory Krivitz, Leah Straub/James Harrod, Sara Straub/Matt Heilman, Stacey Carmody/Chad Calamari.

A special Thank You goes out to Jeff Thomson of Fort Fremont Marine and Ski Nautique for sponsoring this event.

Plans are already underway for the 1998 event, to again be held in conjunction with the Wisconsin State Show Tournament, July 17th, 18th, and 19th.

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STATE BAREFOOT TOURNAMENT(S) HELD AT BEAUTIFUL SKI DECORAH

Who, What, Where, When, Why, How Many???

- Who... Wisconsin Footers, Illinois Footers, and surrounding State Footers.
 What... Frecc Barefoot Clinic all day Friday June 27
 Wisconsin State Barefoot Tourney Saturday June 28
 Illinois State Barefoot Tourney Sunday June 29
 When... Last weekend in June (watch for a possible change to mid-July in '98.)
 Where... Ski Decorah... There is No better 'footin sight around. Thank you, Julie and Kerry Tolzman for year after year, welcoming us back!!!
 Why... For Fantastically Fun Footin!
 How Many... Forty-six skiers! That's up from 27 last year. This was due in large part to twelve "entry" level skiers. "Entry" is the former novice class!

Who says progress can't come overnight. A near doubling of our numbers happened as a result of several keys. First, those twelve new participants. Second, greater show skler involvement, (ten this year compared to six last year.) And third, the reliability and quality of the Ski Decorah site. The word is out all around the midwest about "user friendly" Ski Decorah. Already the midwest region has hinted that it would like to come here for Regionals. Could Nationals be far behind?

Two separate tournaments were held. One on Saturday and one on Sunday. Most everyone stayed to the end. Most exciting was the Friday FREE instructional clinic! Over twenty skiers started at 10 am, and were given frecc pulls until sundown. Several footers (BOOM) jumped for the first time ever. FUN, wasn't it, Brian H. and Nick M?? Are you ready for the long line?

The clinic's success was due in large part to Steve Mulryan (boat), the selfless instructors (ten hours out in the boat), Wisconsin Water Ski Federation (financial help), and of course frecc use of the Ski Decorah site!! It was really hot, and if we get the anticipated much bigger turnout, we'll just add a boat, add a lake, and double our potential. So spread the word among the ski clubs, rec. skiers, non footers, and tourney footers. There's a free clinic out there, and if the demand is there, we could run several clinics throughout the season, pre-season, or post-season. Get involved, get better, be part of this new innovation. Don't be afraid to volunteer your help, as we can always use help.

Thanks to all that helped!!!

Mike Gissibl

WISCONSIN STATE BAREFOOT TOURNAMENT RESULTS

		SLALOM	TRICKS	JUMP
Men 1	Ryan Lamon (Overall Champ)	1	1	1
Men 2	Mike Schoenke (Overall Champ)	2	5	1
	Jeff Boehm (State Champ Tricks)	3	1	1
	Terry Schuler (State Champ Slalom)	1	3	
	Chad Strutzel	6	2	
	Rod Negus	5	4	
	Gary Slawny	4	6	
Men 3	Pat Seery (Overall Champ)	2	1	
	Kerry Tolzman (State Champ Slalom)	1		
Men 4	Glen Knight (Overall Champ)	1	1	
	Mike Gissibl (State Champ Jump)	2	2	1
Men 5	Russ Boemer (Overall Champ)	1	1	
Women 1	Heidi Martin (Overall Champ)	1	1	
Women 3	Kathy Rex (Overall Champ)	1	1	
Women 4	Barb Knight (Overall Champ)	1	1	
Boys 1	Brandon Bretl (Overall Champ)	1	1	
Boys 2	Hunter Hansen (Overall Champ)	1	1	
	Kyle Rex	2	2	
Entry Men	Boð Debache (Overall Entry Champ)	2	2	
	Bob Kopfmann (State Champ Slalom)	1	3	
	Dustin Halyburton	3	4	
	Nick Miellke (State Champ Tricks)	4	1	
	Brian Hetherington	5	5	

NSSA WISCONSIN REGION DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The summer meeting of the NSSA board was held at Show Nationals in Janesville, Wisconsin on August 8, 1997. Attending from the Wisconsin region were Bob Marx, Terry Pasterski, J.R. Wilson, Cheryl Marx, and Gerry Luiting.

The NSSA Board for 1997-98 is:

President: Sherm Schraft
 Vice-President: Bruce McCalmon
 Secretary/Treasurer: Terry Pasterski
 AWSA Board Rep: Tom Ghiloni

Wisconsin Region Directors:	Terry Pasterski, J.R. Wilson, Cheryl Marx	
Midwest Region Directors:	Mark Poulos, Laura Wendt, Bud Rubl	Alternate: Roger Olson
Eastern Region Director:	Donna Jenkins	Alternate: Cam McNeill
Southern Region Directors:	Doug Schwenk, Vicki Wilmouth	Alternate: Ken Rose
South-Central Region Dir.:	Jake Yetterberg	
Western Region Director:	Robyn Hanson	

Committee Chairs:

Rules: Tom Ghiloni
 Officials: Jim Lauzon
 National Tournament: Bob Marx
 ESPN: Terry Pasterski
 Safety: Gerry Luiting
 Insurance: Howard Reiff
 Grants: Cam McNeill
 By-Laws: Bruce McCalmon
 Budget: Tom Ghiloni
 Drivers: J.R. Wilson
 Awards: Cam McNeill
 LRP: Donna Jenkins
 Nominations: Dino Muggeo
 Publicity: Mark Poulos



- The balance in the checking account is \$6,819.97.
- The bids that were received for 1999 Nationals are from Janesville, Wisconsin and Rockford, Illinois. Board members were asked to look these over and vote on them at the November NSSA meeting.
- The National Show Site Selection Minimum Criteria final draft was also handed out.
- Discussion was held on South Dakota still being in the Western region. It was decided to discuss and approve what region South Dakota will be in at the November meeting.
- Sherm stated that he sent letters to the six people who caused problems at Think Tank.
- Jim Lauzon requested that regional reps bring tournament schedules to the November meeting. He in turn will get list of officials, and officials who are willing to work out of region, to each tournament chairman.
- Donna Jenkins reported that she sent out 65 letters to all the teams in Nation for LRP. She has received 10 responses. Please get responses to Donna ASAP.
- Terry Pasterski read a fax from Duke Waldrop thanking the NSSA Board for all their support during his time with AWSA.
- It was reported that the Midwest Region is working on districting problems. Teams and individuals can't have three different qualifiers and compare apples to apples.
- Fred Wingate was banned from NSSA sanction activities for 3 years. It was also voted to publish Fred's name and the circumstances in the Water Skier. It was approved that the Board go on record that we will support other sport division disciplinary actions also.
- The next NSSA meeting will be held on November 7-8, 1997 in Winter Haven, Florida.

WISCONSIN STATE WATER SKI SHOW TOURNAMENT

HISTORY SHEET

DATE & SITE INFORMATION

31st Annual - July 18, 19, & 20, 1997 - Lake Wazoccha, Wisconsin Rapids
 Hosted by: Wisconsin Rapids Aqua Skiers; Bob Marx - Tournament Chairman

OFFICIALS

Chief Judge: Sam Casey - Teams
 Bob Southard - Events

Chief Scorer: Barb Snow

Scoring Judges: Bob Southard
 Tony Chiba
 Barb Taugner
 Holly Lukes
 Cathy Luiting

Marge Stout
 Sherm Schraft
 Larry Connor
 Dick Bruckner
 Gerry Luiting

Tom Ghiloni
 Jan Thomas
 Jack Lukes
 Duane Snow

Scorers: Sue Connor, Robin Richter, Nancy Lauzon, Jim Lauzon, Deb Franke, Terry Pastorski

Safety Director: Steve Hahner

Safety Director: Jim Babcock - Events

Official Timer: Chuck Thomas

Asst. Safety Director: Jim Babcock - Show

Staging Marshal: Mike Stark

Announcer: Mark Roberts

RESULTS/AWARDS

Division I State	Points		Heart of Wisconsin	Points
Badgerland	1970	1st	Badgerland	1970
Mad City	1869	2nd	Wonderlake	1921
Rock Aqua Jays	1759	3rd	Mad City	1869
Aquanuts	1696	4th	Rock Aqua Jays	1759
Aqua Skiers	1585	5th	Aquanuts	1696
Shermalot	1573	6th	Aqua Skiers	1585
Ski Sprites	1567	7th	Shermalot	1573
Crivitz	1507	8th	Ski Sprites	1567
Lauderdale	1506	9th	Crivitz	1507
Green Bay	1482	10th	Lauderdale	1506
Whitewater	1394	11th	Green Bay	1482
			Whitewater	1394
Division II State			Division III State	
1st Webfooters	1485		1st Beaverland	1346
2nd River City	1269		2nd Waterbugs	1279
3rd Chain Skimmers	1249		3rd Chain O Lakes	1209
4th Aquaducks	1234		4th Ski Sharks	1204
5th Hydroflites	1112			

AWARD		TEAM	POINT
<u>Best Dock & Equipment:</u>	I	Badgerland	358
	II	Webfooters	340
	III	Ski Sharks	287
<u>Best Pick-up/Safety Boat:</u>	I	Badgerland	392
	II	Webfooters	360
	III	Ski Sharks	292
<u>Best Boat Driving:</u>	I	Badgerland	873
	II	Webfooters	630
	III	Ski Sharks	522
<u>Best Announcing:</u>	I	Rock Aqua Jays	980
	II	Chain Skimmers	815
	III	Waterbugs	790
<u>Best Ballet Line:</u>		Mad City	379
<u>Highest Barefoot Act:</u>		Rock Aqua Jays	391
<u>Most Original Act:</u>		Lauderdale Slalom Stack Obis	*
<u>Humor Award:</u>		Mad City Mary Gallagher	*

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LIST ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBERS 18 YEARS & UNDER - ATTACH SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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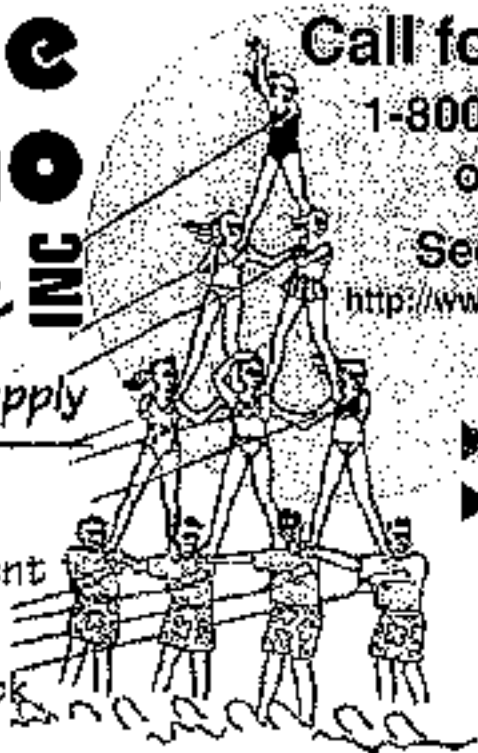
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