



Newsletter

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September 2016

I hope you enjoyed your summer and the warm water the past several months.

As usual we have lots of news and some new photos to share. We had 15 people participate in both the August and September Tournaments. For scores and the latest standings for the Grand Prix; please see Pages 2-4. Remember, top five skiers will win prizes for the Grand Prix Series!

Mike Tart recaps the Great Lakes desert trip August 20th and 21st on Page 5.

We are excited to announce we will be upgrading the current course buoy system this fall. Bill Helliwell has done a tremendous amount of engineering and testing for the new system.

We are looking to have the course surveyed in the next few weeks to ensure the current buoy placement is accurate. Once complete, we will begin replacing the entire course.

We are looking for volunteers to help. If you're available during the week (mid morning), please reach out to Harley. See Page 6 for details.

In October we will begin accepting

nominations for next years board positions. If you would like to volunteer for a position or nominate someone; please email Laura: LMH86@hotmail.com with the name and position.

Nominations are due by October 30th. Voting will take place in November.

Last but not least, the jump ramp is moving forward. Please see the update on Page 8.

If you have photos or news you would like to include in the next newsletter, please email Laura: LMH86@hotmail.com.

Upcoming Dates

September 24th and 25th
Great Lakes Trip

Sunday October 23rd 7AM
Class F Tournament

Sunday November 6th 7AM
Class F Tournament

2016 Elected Officials

President: Chris Blay
blay.christopher@gmail.com
(expires end of 2016)

Vice President: John Roden
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Treasurer: Eric Dahlgren
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Secretary: Laura Harwood
LMH86@hotmail.com

Volunteer Positions

Course Maintenance/Breakwater:
Dave Dewey
dave.dewey@gmail.com

Jump Ramp:
Ashleigh & Harley Wallace
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Social: Robin Harwood
robin911@aol.com

Tournaments:
Class C - Ben Harwood
benharwood@hotmail.com

Class F - Jodi Tart
mrs.tart@hotmail.com

Website: Karen Dewey
kldewey@gmail.com

August 7th - Class F Tournament



	2016 TOURNAMENT BEST	AUGUST SCORES	BUOYS	POINTS
Bob Bates	2@34/-22	1@24/-28	5	100
Jeff Castleberry	5@28/-15	3@30/-15	4	95
John Lynch	5@34/-15	1@34/-22	2	90
Mark Gray	2@34/-28	2.5@34/-28	0.5	85
Mike Tart	3@34/-32	3@34/-32	0	72.5
Dave Dewey	3@34/-32	3@34/-32	0	72.5
Jodi Tart	1@34/-28	1@34/-28	0	72.5
Ben Harwood	2@34/-38	2@34/-38	0	72.5
Mike Theimann	6@34/-22		na	100
Larry Parker	4@32/-22	4@32/-22	na	100
Amanda Smith	6@23/LL		na	100
Robin Harwood	6@34/-22		na	100
Aaron Foerster	6@26/-15		na	100
Griffin Geringer	6@30/-15N		na	100
Stephanie Millard	3@32/-15	5@32/-15	na	100



September 11th - Class F Tournament



	2016 TOURNAMENT BEST	SEPT SCORES	BUOYS	POINTS
John Lynch	1@34/-22	3@34/-22	2	100
Jeff Castleberry	5@28/-15	6@28/-15	1	95
Dave Dewey	3@34/-32	3@34/-32	0	87.5
Ben Harwood	2@34/-38	2@34/-38	0	87.5
Mark Gray	2.5@34/-28	2@34/-28	-0.5	80
Stephanie Millard	3@32/-15	2@32/-15	-1	75
Jodi Tart	1@34/-28	4@34/-22	-3	70
Harley Wallace	1@34/-35	2@34/-32	-5	65
Justin Bloyer	3.5@34/-28		n/a	100
Bruce Rucks	5.5@36/-28		n/a	100
Laura Rucks	3@26/-15		n/a	100
Aaron Foerster	1.5@32/-15		n/a	100
Sean Flaherty	3@34/-15		n/a	100
Ashleigh Wallace	2@32/-15		n/a	100
Karen Dewey	6@26/-15		n/a	100

Grand Prix Series Standings (unofficial)

	2016 TOURNAMENT BEST	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPT	TOTAL
Ben Harwood	2@34/-38	100	100	95	90	72.5	87.5	545
Bob Bates	2@34/-22	100	0	100	0	100	0	300
Brent Hurley	6@34/-15	100	0	0	100	0	0	200
Bryce Lewis	2.5@36/-22	100	100	0	0	0	0	200
Chris Blay	5@36/-22	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
Dave Dewey	3@34/-32	100	100	90	85	72.5	87.5	535
Geoff Schmidt	2@34/-38	0	100	0	100	0	0	200
Harley Wallace	1@34/-35	0	100	100	0	0	65	265
Jeff Castleberry	5@28/-15	0	0	100	100	95	95	390
Jodi Tart	1@34/-28	100	100	77.5	0	72.5	70	420
John Lynch	3@34/-22	100	100	100	97.5	90	100	587.5
John Roden	2@34/-32	0	100	100	0	0	0	200
Laura Harwood	2@34/-28	100	100	77.5	0	0	0	277.5
Mark Gray	2.5@34/-28	100	100	0	97.5	85	80	462.5
Mike Tart	3@34/-32	100	100	85	0	72.5	0	357.5
Stephanie Mehrhof	6@26/-15	100	0	0	100	0	0	200
Stephanie Millard	3@32/-15	0	0	100	0	100	75	275
Thomas Bruno	4@28/-15	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
Troy Hirsch	4@34/-32	0	0	100	100	0	0	200
Clement Connor	4.5@34/-15	0	0	0	100	0	0	100
Amanda Smith	4.5@23/LL	0	0	0	100	100	0	200
Alissa Blackler	1@26/-15	0	0	0	100	0	0	100
Larry Parker	4@32/-22	0	0	0	100	100	0	200
Mike Theimann	6@34/-22	0	0	0	0	100	0	100
Robin Harwood	6@34/-22	0	0	0	0	100	0	100
Aaron Foerster	6@26/-15	0	0	0	0	100	100	200
Griffin Geringer	6@30/-15N	0	0	0	0	100	0	100
Ashleigh Wallace	2@32/-15	0	0	0	0	0	100	100
Karen Dewey	6@26/-15	0	0	0	0	0	100	100
Justin Boyer	3.5@34/-28	0	0	0	0	0	100	100
Bruce Rucks	5.5@36/-28	0	0	0	0	0	100	100
Laura Rucks	3@26/-15	0	0	0	0	0	100	100
Sean Flaherty	3@34/-15	0	0	0	0	0	100	100

Great Lakes August 20 - 21, 2016



by Mike Tart

The August Great Lakes trip was a great success! We had a Nautique 200 & Ski Nautique (thanks Greg & Geoff!) and the skiing was perfect.

Temps stayed around the mid to high 90's and we even had some cloud cover most the day Saturday to keep things cool. Glad we were not there the prior weekend when it hit 115!

We had skiers of all ages this time, ranging from 7yo Pete on un-attached doubles for the first time, to 10yo Jessica almost getting up on a single, 15yo Aaron ran 32 a few times, to 15yo Tyler running 34 and getting a few at 36!

Jodi is killing it and should have ran that 28; she just about got around 4 ball! Dave almost had that -32 and Geoff, well he ran -38 a few times!

Some of us old timers still have it too! The BBQ was firing on Sat and we enjoyed hours of great tunes on the radio...although I was too



tired to break the guitar out of the case this time.

Sunday is always a tough one, most everyone was pretty sore and tired but we still rocked a few sets each.

The last trip on September 24 and 25 is full, but in case we have last minute drop outs and you are interested, please email me at: miketart@hotmail.com.



Slalom Course Update

by **Dave Dewey**

In the next few weeks, work will begin on migrating the slalom course to a new self-leveling system designed by Bill Helliwell. Bill has spent well over a year perfecting a system that uses telescoping sections of plastic pipe that rise and fall with the tides.

The new system will drastically reduce the maintenance and expense of the current self-leveling systems. Very few of us realize the amount of behind-the-scenes work that goes into fixing broken or worn-out systems to keep the course in working condition. Bill has been refurbishing these at the rate of 2 - 4 per month, taking over an hour per unit. And that doesn't include the time actually replacing the system on the water and the inconvenience of hauling these big, wet, slimy things around.

The way the current course is set up, when a buoy gets cut off, it often means a whole new system needs to be installed. Replacing a system is challenge, even with no wind and a low tide, and requires extensive knowledge of specially-built installation tools. With the new setup, you dive a few feet down, grab a loop of rope and you're back in business with a

fresh buoy and a couple of zip ties.

The old systems have a lot of moving parts, including expensive "marine grade" pulleys and other hardware that are prone to mechanical failure and marine growth. The new systems float up and down, and are self-cleaning because the sections slide inside one another.

The new systems will stay further below the surface, even at low tide, all but eliminating the possibility of being hit by a boat. The new systems cost roughly one-third what the current systems run. Lastly, the current anchors are rusting through - we have two that are barely hanging onto the buoy.

One of the first steps is to have the current course surveyed to make sure it's accurate. This is important because the new systems will be positioned relative to the current anchors.

We will begin by building 32 of these new systems in the days prior to installation. That includes 12 turn balls + 8 gates + 12 boat guides.

The installation teams will work from the mobile starting dock, which will be positioned at each

set of buoys. The team will sink the outermost, largest-diameter pipe sections into the muck by measuring the position from the existing anchor and using a level to keep this lowermost anchor section pointing straight up.

Once all these anchor sections are in place, the team will go back out and replace the entire course by inserting the upper two pipe sections into each lower section, and add an inflated boat guide or turn buoy.

This whole process is estimated to take three 4-hour sessions — we won't really know until they've installed a few.

Once we have a date for the course survey, we'll schedule the dates to install the course. We are currently thinking mid week, late morning to early afternoon to avoid skiers wanting to use the course.

If you can lend a hand, please contact Harley Wallace at (619) 244-0660. We'll need a diver, someone to assist in the water, as well as someone on the starting dock to assist Bill.

Please thank Bill, Tom Taurone and Harley if you see them on the dock.



Nominations for 2017

It's getting to be that time of year where we nominate and elect members for next years board positions.

There are four elected positions: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. In addition we have 8 volunteer positions.

Below is a quick recap of each position and the responsibilities. If you are interested in volunteering for either an elected or volunteer position, please email Laura at LMH86@hotmail.com.

Feel free to reach out to the current members for an insiders view if you're thinking of volunteering but are not sure what the responsibilities entail.

Members may also nominate other members for positions. Nominations should be emailed to Laura: LMH86@Hotmail.com by October 30th. Voting will take place in November. Date and location TBD.

Only current club members for the 2016 calendar year are eligible for 2017 positions and voting.

President - Elected

Chris Blay

Organize member meetings.
Answer member emails and phone calls.

Vice President - Elected

John Roden

Help president when needed.

Secretary - Elected

Laura Harwood

Work with President to select dates and location of member meetings. Helps create agenda and record notes.

Treasurer - Elected

Eric Dahlgren

Deposit tournament fees.
Reimburse for course maintenance supplies (buoys, hardware etc).

Desert Trips

Mike Tart

Email contact at Great Lakes to secure dates. Fill skier slots and create waitlist if needed. Collect membership info and payment.

Dock

Open Position

Maintain dock supplies and asses needed preventative maintenance.

Class C Tournament

Ben Harwood

Pick tournament dates and submit online paperwork to USA Waterski. Coordinate boats and officials. Collect entry fees and establish running order. Submit scores to USA Waterski after tournament.

Class F Tournament

Jodi Tart

Pick tournament dates and submit online paperwork to USA Waterski. Coordinate boats for tournaments, collect entry fees and establish running order day of. Email results and scores after each tournament to members.

Course Maintenance/Breakwater

Dave Dewey

Course/breakwater repair as needed.

Jump Ramp

Harley & Ashleigh Wallace

Raise funds, build and install new ramp. Ongoing maintenance.

Publicity & Promotions

Open Position

Update the team Facebook page regularly. Create newsletter.

Social

Open Position

Help plan and organize the Grand Prix party. Organize social events for members.

Website

Karen Dewey

Update website with the Grand Prix scores and tournament photos as they become available.

Jump Ramp Update

The surface of the jump rate is currently being built by Terry Goodman. We don't have an estimated delivery date to San Diego, but once we do, we'll start building the frame.

The San Diego Mission Bay Boat and Ski Club has donated space on their property to put the frame and surface together.

The plan is to tow the new ramp to Hidden Anchorage from the MBBS once completed.

As we get closer we may need addition help to dismantle the old ramp and install the new ramp. Stay tuned!



2016 Member List & Committees

Course Maintenance/Breakwater

Main Contact: Dave Dewey

Robert Bates
Chris Blay
Eric Dahlgren
Dave Fisher
Dave Florence
Greg Foerster
Mark Gray
Bill Helliwell
Bryce Lewis
Anthony O'Connell
John Opsal
John Roden
John Ryan
Geoff Schmid
Robert Thurman
Reese Wolff

Desert Trips

Main Contact: Mike Tart

Dock

Main Contact: Open Position

John Anderson
Kathleen Falls
Bob Hillstrom
Brent Hurley
Nancy Rubinstein
Dave Walker

Tournament

Main Contact:

Ben Harwood - Class C
Jodi Tart - Class F

Jeff Castleberry
John Lynch

Website

Main Contact: Karen Dewey

Jump Ramp

Main Contact: Ashleigh & Harley
Wallace
Michael Thiemann

Social

Main Contact:

Ernest Anderson
Sean Flaherty
Enrique Gorodezky
Troy Hirsch
Anthony Hubner
Douglas Kincart
Marge Lorang
Larry Parker
Steven Trudgen

Publicity and Promotions

Main Contact:

Dawn Bollmann-DeBever
Mike DeBever