

Bay Area Waterski Club

Flat Water Times

Message from the President

by Gwen Cauthren
2013 President

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April 2013

Saturday, 11 May
- Season Opener, BBQ,
Potluck & Gen. Mtg.

Saturday, 18 May
- Boat Drivers Clinic

Sunday, 19 May
- 1st Watersports Day of
the Season!

BAWSC Celebrates its 20th Anniversary! 1993 - 2013



The Presidents Circle

Club started by Bill Honeycutt in 1993

Bill Honeycutt	1994-1995
Sharon Wright	1996
Tom Nivison	1997-1998
Mark Capalongan	1999-2000
Jerry Baxter	2001-2002
Dave Kroske	2003
Tony Monolakis	2004-2005
Gena Kraft	2006-2007
Karryl Turney	2008
Larry Ligon	2009-2010
Sandi Belanger	2011
Gwen Cauthren	2012-2013



A big thank you & congratulations to those leaders, members and sponsors who have made this Club a success over the past two decades!

- Gwen Cauthren
2013 BAWSC President

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2013 Officers and Directors



Elected Officers



Gwen Cauthren
President



Paul Wesolowski
Vice President

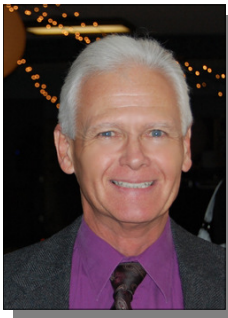


Darcy Murray
Treasurer

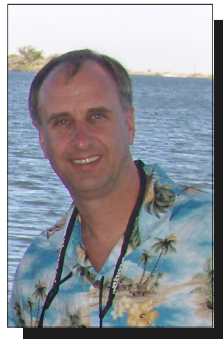


Cynthia Atherton
Secretary

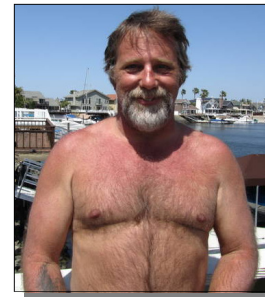
Board Members



Larry Ligon
Membership



Chris Feduniw
Webmaster



Jim Jardine
Last year's VP

Board Members (con't)

Jerry Baxter

Ralph Rast

Lynette Wong - Newsletter



Special Committees:

Flat Water Times Editor: Lynette Wong

Webmaster: Chris Feduniw

New Member Advocate: Pat Wolf

2013 BAWSC Calendar of Events

*** Member Only Events**

3/19/2013

Event date	Description	Location	Chair Persons
Tue Jan 7	Board Meeting	Phone conference	Gwen Cauthren, Paul Wesolowski
Tue Jan 22	Board Meeting	Phone Conference	Gwen Cauthren, Paul Wesolowski
Sat Feb 2	Snow ski/board	Squaw Valley	Ralph Rast
Sun Feb 24	Snow ski/board	Heavenly	Ralph Rast
Tue Feb 26	Board Meeting	Phone Conference	Gwen Cauthren, Paul Wesolowski
Sat Mar 2	Snow ski/board	Squaw Valley	Ralph Rast
Sat Mar 16	Day Hike & Picnic	Mount Diablo Park	Jerry Baxter, TBD
Tue Mar 26	Board Meeting	Phone Conference	Gwen Cauthren, Paul Wesolowski
Sat, March 30	Snow ski/board	Squaw Valley	Ralph Rast
	Spring Social & Potluck		
Sat April 6	Buffet + Gen. Mtg.	TBD	Darcy Murray, TBD
	Big Dog Houseboat TLC		
Sat Apr 20	Day	Bethel Harbor Marina, Delta	Jim Jardine, Dirk Maasen
Tue Apr 23	Board Meeting	Phone Conference	Gwen Cauthren, Paul Wesolowski
	Season Opener, BBQ		Cynthia Atherton, Paul
Sat May 11	Potluck & Gen. Mtg.	Lohse Home Disco Bay	Wesolowski
Sat May 18	Boat Driver's Clinic	Ligon Home Disco Bay	Larry Ligon, Gwen Cauthren
	Norcal Master Craft		
TBD	Spring Sale	Pleasanton	N.A.
Sun May 19	Water Sports Day	Holland Riverside Marina	Jim Jardine, Chris Feduniw
Tue May 28	Board Meeting	Phone Conference	Gwen Cauthren, Paul Wesolowski
Jun 7 - Jun 9	Camp & Watersports	Delta TBD	Jim Jardine, TBD
	Wake Board Skill Build-		
Sat Jun 15	ing	Delta TBD	Vince Tyson, TBD
Fri, June 21	Slalom Ski Clinic	Diablo Shores Slalom Lake, Brentwood	Larry Ligon, Gwen Cauthren
Sat Jun 22	Water Ski Skill Building	Holland Riverside Marina, Delta	Chris Feduniw, Lynette Wong
Tue Jun 25	Board Meeting	Phone Conference	Gwen Cauthren, Paul Wesolowski
Fri Jul 12	*Slalom Ski Clinic	Diablo Shores Slalom Lake, Brentwood	Larry Ligon, Gwen Cauthren
Sat Jul 20	Water Sports Day	Orwood Marina, Delta	Ralph Rast, TBD
Tues Jul 23	Board Meeting & BBQ	Phone Conference & BBQ, Chris' Home	Gwen Cauthren, Paul Wesolowski
Sun Jul 28	Water Sports Day	Holland Riverside Marina, Delta	Jim Jardine, TBD
Aug 9 - Aug 11	Camp & Watersports	Vieiras Resort on N. Delta	Pat Wolf, TBD
Sat Aug 17	Water Sports Day	Orwood Marina, Delta	Lynette Wong, Darcy Murray
	*House Boat Trip w/		Cynthia Atherton, Paul
Aug 22 - Aug 25	Capt. Vince	Bethal Harbor Marina, Delta	Wesolowski
Tue Aug 27	Board Meeting	Phone Conference	Gwen Cauthren, Paul Wesolowski
Sep 13 - Sep 15	ProAm Ski Tournament	Diablo Shores Lake, Brentwood	Not an official BAWSC event
	CA Coastal/Delta Clean-		
Sat Sep 21	up/Watersports	Delta, TBD	Chris Feduniw, TBD
Tue Sep 24	Board Meeting	Phone Conference	Gwen Cauthren, Paul Wesolowski
	*House Boat Trip w/		
Sep 26 - Sep 29	Capt. Mark	Bethal Harbor Marina, Delta	Valerie Briscoe, Susan Schmidt

2013 BAWSC Calendar of Events (con't)

*** Member Only Events**

1/27/2013

Event date	Description	Location	Chair Persons
Oct 1 - Oct 31	Officer Elections	WEB Based	Paul Wesolowski
Oct 4 - Oct 6	*Water Sports Weekend & Hike	Jerry's Home Copperopolis/New Melones Lake	Jerry Baxter, Valerie Briscoe
Sat Oct 12	*Volunteer Appreciation Ski & BBQ	Ligon Home, Discovery Bay	Gwen Cauthren, Larry Ligon
Sun Oct 13	Water Sports day	River's End Marina, Delta	TBD
Tue Oct 22	Board Meeting	Phone Conference	Gwen Cauthren, Paul Wesolowski
Tue Nov 19	Board Meeting	Phone Conference	Gwen Cauthren, Paul Wesolowski
Sat Dec 7	BAWSC Holiday Party	Chris Feduniw Home	TBD

Past Events

Mount Diablo Hike - March 16, 2013

By Jerry Baxter and Karryl Turney and Susan Schmidt, roving photographers

On Saturday, March 16, 18 hardy souls gathered at the Diablo Valley Overlook parking lot for what was to be a moderate hike around the summit of Mount Diablo. With perfect hiking weather, a cool bite to the air kept us cool as we started to heat up during our ascent to the Summit. The views from the parking lot were spectacular so a group picture was in order for the day. Fortunately, the trail was wide allowing everyone to have fun catching up with each other's personal news. Although the hike started at 2900 feet, we were surprised to find that we were still descending after 45 minutes! It soon became apparent that we were going to have to hike back up that lost altitude. After one hour the trail finally turned up hill, not just uphill but straight up hill (to our surprise)!! The pack started to spread out as the trail increased in grade, 10% then 20% grade. Three-and-a-half hours later, everyone made it back to the parking lot. Per Karryl Turney's numbers, we hiked seven miles with a total elevation climb of 1788 feet. I definitely learned a valuable lesson this day: don't believe the published rating of a hike until you have hiked it! So, I thank everyone for not pushing me off the mountain.



BAWSC makes an impressive showing at Mount Diablo!

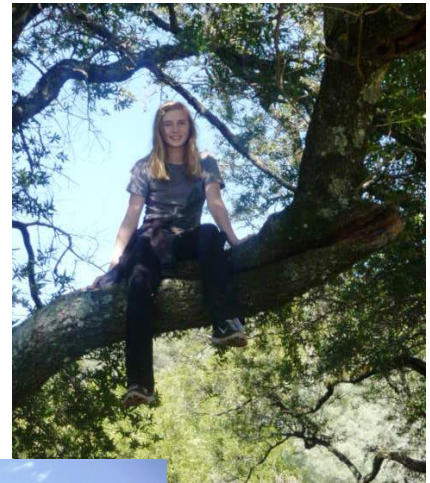
Past Events

Pictures: Mount Diablo Hike - March 16, 2013

By Jerry Baxter and Karryl Turney and Susan Schmidt, roving photographers



Jerry, hikemaster, giving directions to fellow hikers.



Alyssa, "I can still climb trees!"



A breathtaking view



Mom Karryl and son TK



Valerie and Jan stoppin by to say hi!

Past Events

Pictures: *Mount Diablo Hike - March 16, 2013*

By Jerry Baxter and Karryl Turney and Susan Schmidt, roving photographers



Susan Schmidt and friends



TK taking in the lovely view from the top

Just one of the many scenic views



Karryl and Gena catchin' their breath

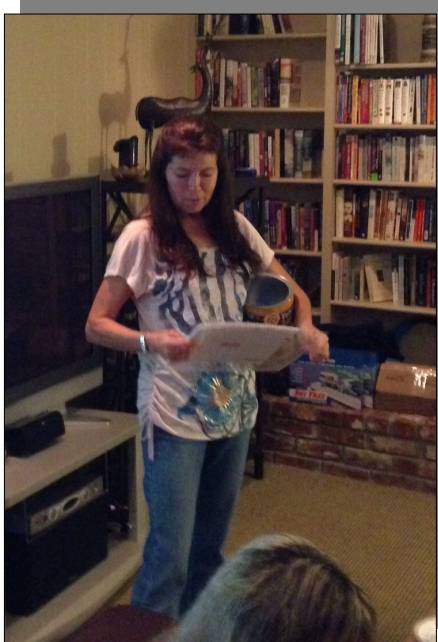


Past Events

Spring Social - April 6, 2013

By Darcy Murray, writer and Chris Feduniw, roving photographer

A big thanks goes to Valerie Briscoe for graciously hosting the April 6th spring social!



Gwen wins a prize,
“It’s just like Christmas!”

Valerie welcomed the Club to her beautiful home in Lafayette on a lovely Saturday afternoon. The weather was sunny but a little cool with Club members electing not to use the pool! **To our delight, the event was a success with 20 people attending including several potential new members.** Valerie generously provided a BBQ grill with all members contributing various dishes such as yummy salads that were outstanding! And of course there were too many desserts! We had a wonderful time chatting about the BAWSC 2013 calendar, talking about boats and eating delicious food.



There was also great interest in sign-up protocol for the ever popular houseboat trip as well as the first event on Sunday, May 19th. The best part of the day was seeing Jim Jardine model the **pink** beach bag he won in the raffle.



Past Events

More Pictures: Spring Social - April 6, 2013

By Darcy Murray, writer and Chris Feduniw, roving photographer



**Thank you again to our gracious hostess,
Valerie and her “assistant,” Mick!**



Larry and potential new guest look on

Upcoming Events

20th Anniversary BAWSC Season Opener, Potluck & General Meeting - May 11

By Paul Wesolowski

The 20th Anniversary Season Opener of the Bay Area Waterski Club will soon be upon us!

So, we welcome you to come join us for this exciting event!

Since this is a special year for the Club as it enters its third decade, we have invited all of our past presidents and look forward to having them attend.



This event marks our first general meeting to open the season! The Club will provide sandwiches, soft drinks, and waters. It's a great time to socialize after the long winter, and we'll have a short general meeting followed by a raffle drawing for prizes including discounted event coupons.

We ask all attendees to sign up for one pot luck item during the registration process so that we can keep the cost of the event to a minimum.

We also encourage members to contact each other (by using the attendee list as a reference) to arrange for an afternoon on the water for watersports. The club event will end at 1pm leaving plenty of time for playing on the water. The club will not be arranging boat/skier/wake boarder participation but please work with the boat owners that you contact for gas/towing contributions.

Event Cost: FREE, but please bring a pot luck item from the attached list for each adult attendee that is noted on the website.

This general meeting and celebration is open to members and non-members.

Date: Saturday, May 11, 2013

Time: 10 am - 1 pm

Place: The Lohse's home, Discovery Bay

Last Day to Register or cancel a registration: May 1 (in order for us to purchase sandwiches and drinks)



Chair: Paul Wesolowski, calfskier@yahoo.com

Co-Chair: Cynthia Atherton, h20skyr@yahoo.com

Event Registration and Details:

Please visit our website at BAWSC.org to register for this event and for additional details and registration information.

Upcoming Events

Sign up now for the Boat Drivers Clinic - May 18

By Larry Ligon



Can you optimally drag the rope handle to a downed skier? Do you know where the brakes are? Can you properly pull a skier or wake boarder out of the water? Do you know your duties as a crew member? ***Do you know how to avoid expensive tickets?***

In this clinic, experts will show you what to do, how to drive and pull skiers safely in almost any situation on the water. Emphasis is placed on driving and crewing on the Delta.

This is a hands-on course that puts you in the driver's seat after a morning of classroom instruction and shows you how to master everything from parallel parking, skier guidelines, driver etiquette, towing skiers & boarders, crew member responsibilities, rules of the "water" and avoiding dangerous situations.

Spend a day on the water at Larry & Gwen's home in Discovery Bay for this informative course that offers increased confidence & awareness. Four hours of classroom instruction will be followed by four hours of driving practice on the water with expert instructors. A highlight of the clinic is a presentation by the Sheriff's Marine Patrol.

The Club strongly encourages any member who either wants to drive or crew on a boat to attend this clinic to obtain up-to-date training. If you would like to gain the skills necessary to drive for the club, brush up your boating skills, or just learn to be a better boat hand, come join us. It is a fun, low-cost, learning experience, providing valuable skill building and enhancement of your boating safety.

Only \$35 per member

Put this clinic on your calendar!

Date: Sat. May 18, 2013

Time: 8:30am to 5:30pm

Location: Larry Ligon's home
5597 Marlin Drive
Discovery Bay, CA 94514

Reserve your spot NOW (only 12 spots available) by registering for this event on the BAWSC web site and mailing your \$35 (non-members \$60) check to: (made out to BAWSC)

BAWSC
c/o Gwen Cauthren
4835 Cottsberry Ct.
Santa Rosa, Ca. 95405

For more information: Contact Larry Ligon at larry_ligon@sbcglobal.net, 707-322-1157

Upcoming Events

Sign up now for the 1st Watersports Day of the Season - May 19

By Jim Jardine

Warmer weather has arrived and the [first scheduled BAWSC watersports event of the 2013 season](#) is [Sunday, May 19 at Holland Riverside Marina](#). For those who have never been to Holland Riverside Marina, there is a very nice picnic area/beach that has been reserved for us but ***you will need to bring your own lunch.***

The Marina has a small store with drinks and a few snack items, but that is it. The real benefit is as soon as you get out of the 5 mph zone you can ski/wakeboard in some nice straight sloughs that typically do not have a lot of boat traffic.



Last Day to Register or cancel a registration: Tues 5/14/13

Event Location & Directions:

Holland Riverside Marina
7000 Holland Tract Road
Brentwood, CA 94513
(925) 634-2345

Event Cost:

Members: \$ 50
Non-Members: \$ 60
Children under 18: \$ 30

Event Chairs' Contact Information:

Name: Jim Jardine
Email: jimskier2000@yahoo.com
Phone: 925 775-8263

Name: Chris Feduniw
Email: gomce62.web@gmail.com
Phone: 925-413-3421



Don't wait! Secure your spot now by [registering on the Club website](#) and sending in your check.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible to kick-off our first water-sports event of the BAWSC 2013 season.

Boat Owners: We encourage you to volunteer to bring your boats. The more boats that we have, the more people we can get to sign up!!

Misc.

BAWSC Celebrates its 20th Anniversary

By Jerry Baxter

How time flies. . . Bay Area Water Ski Club is celebrating its 20th anniversary this year and many of the core people who were part of its birth are still with the Club today. **Their mission was and still is to build a network to bring boat owners and skier together to enjoy water sports.** Part of that networking is the monthly Club events that allow members and boat owners to connect and develop common interests. Members have access to the BAWSC website to post their desire for water sport activities, whether it is a boat owner looking for a crew or a member desiring a pull. **The goal of the Club events is to make enough money to cover the cost of the boat owner's expenses, launch fees, tow gas and boat gas and operational costs of the Club.**

Over the years, the amount that the Club charged for the events has remained fairly stable, about \$45 bucks. The boat owners are a very generous group. Most of them do not charge their cost to you go out with them on a you may ask yourself, why operate their boat when non-Club event when I can ski day on the water with a boat owner? Well, for starters, I think of this Club as being very unique and I would like to ensure that it's here for another twenty years. I have built many last-



ing friendships, met people that would give me their shirt off their back if needed, and developed a social network that beats Face Book any day. The Club events are much more than how many ski runs did I get in. It's the camaraderie as well as looking forward to meeting my next weekend boat crew, and having a darn good day on the water.

The Board has made a tough decision to raise the Club event fees this year. Please do not let this deter you from attending the Club events. Look at the big picture, where is there any other club like the Bay Area Water Ski Club, anywhere? Let's make it another twenty years!

Misc.

BAWSC On-line Membership Application

By Larry Ligon

If you need help you may click on “**Help/FAQ, How To’s, Member/Non-member Subscription & Forms**” in the lower left hand corner of the navigation bar on the Web site’s Home Page or don't hesitate to contact our membership chair Larry Ligon at 707-322-1157 or e-mail at larry_ligon@sbcglobal.net or our webmaster Chris Feduniw 925-413-3421 for assistance.

-The new BAWSC website address remains as: www.bawsc.org

-Your **user-id** for the new site is always your e-mail address.

Step 1. Create or reset your password:

A) Go to the new website www.bawsc.org & click on the “**Forgot Password**” link in the upper right hand corner of the home page and enter your e-mail address in the “**e-mail (user-id)**” field and then the six digit anti-spam characters into the “**code**” field and finally click on the “**Submit**” button which will then send an e-mail to that address with a link to create or reset your password.

B) Open the e-mail and click on the e-mail link and enter & confirm your chosen password then click “**Submit**”.

(Note: The first time you actually log into the new site you will be asked by Wild Apricot to accept their use policy.)

Step 2. Initiate your new-member on-line application:

Note: BAWSC offers members the option to include one significant other as a co-member under one membership fee called a “Membership Bundle”. Dependents under 12 years of age can also be added to your membership at no additional cost. Dependents aged 12-18 years old can be added to your membership for a small additional fee each year. Children over 18 and not living at home will have their own unique membership.*

A) Click on the “**Become a BAWSC Member (New [member application](#) only)**” link found in the left hand navigation bar on the web site home page www.bawsc.org.

B) Fill-out the requested information for yourself

*Note: If you will be adding a co-member/membership bundle to your account you will do this after you initiate the membership application and your account has been activated.**

C) Make sure you click on the “**[I ACCEPT I HAVE READ THE WAIVER AND RELEASE](#)**” link to read the club waiver and then click on the check box to accept.

D) If you will be adding dependents to your account beyond a single co-member, you will enter them in the “Additional Information” area of the Membership form. For each dependent you have between 12-to 18-years-old, please check the box for each person. If you have any dependents under 12-years-old, you want to associate with your membership, enter the total number of children under 12-years-old in the “Number of Children under 12” field.

Misc.

BAWSC On-line Membership Application con't

By Larry Ligon

E) If you are a **boat owner**, please enter in the information requested for your boat and **send proof of insurance** as requested on the form to the Membership Chair.

F) Enter what watersports you and your dependents participate in.

G) Click “**Next**” to review your completed membership form and Total Membership Fees that will be owed.

H) If everything looks correct, click on the “**Confirm and Proceed with Payment**” button to initiate your registration. *This step will automatically send a confirmation e-mail titled “Membership initiated at Bay Area Water Ski Club” to you.*

I) Check your e-mail for that confirmation that your account has been successfully initiated and an invoice with instructions how to submit your membership dues payment.

Step 3. Send your membership dues to the Membership Chair:

To BAWSC
c/o Larry Ligon
4835 Cottsberry Ct.
Santa Rosa, Ca. 95405

Step 4. Complete your membership application/setup (*ONLY after receipt of dues payment*):

*Once your membership dues have been received, you will get an e-mail confirmation from the BAWSC Membership Chair verifying your account is active, at which time you can then complete your membership application & setup by choosing your **privacy** and **e-mail subscriptions** as well as set-up yourself as a Bundle Administrator to **add a co-member** to your account bundle.*

A) Log onto the web site with your e-mail (user-id) and password. www.bawsc.org

B) Click “**View Profile**” in the upper right hand corner of the home page.

C) Click “**Edit profile**”

D) Review and modify your **privacy settings**, click “**Privacy**” and edit any field you don't want visible to other BAWSC members and then click “**Save**”.

E) **Insure you are subscribed** to receive e-mail notifications from the *forum based message boards* when someone posts they are looking for a pull, crew, etc.

a) Click on “**Members Only Content**” link found on the left hand navigation bar and then “**Member Forums**” (and “Board Forums” if you are board member) and click on each forum you want to receive e-mail and then click on the “**Subscribe to Forum**” link.

Misc.

BAWSC On-line Membership Application con't

By Larry Ligon

Each paid member is allowed to add a significant other to their account as a "Bundled" co-member. The following steps can be performed to add another person to your account once your membership fee has been received and your account has been activated by the Membership Chair.

- a) Log into the web site with your e-mail (user-id) and password. www.bawsc.org
- b) Click on the "**View Profile**" button found in the upper right hand corner of the home page.
- c) In the "My profile" screen scroll down to the "Bundle summary" section and then click "**Add member**"
- d) You will then be presented with the membership application page where you will then fill out the form on behalf of your co-member.
- e) Click "**SAVE**" and the co-member will be added to your account and they will receive their user-id (their e-mail address) and password setup link at the e-mail address you entered on the form. You will become the "Bundle Administrator*" for your bundled co-member.

CONGRATULATIONS, YOU HAVE COMPLETED YOUR BAWSC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION AND SETUP. We look forward to you joining us at BAWSC Events.

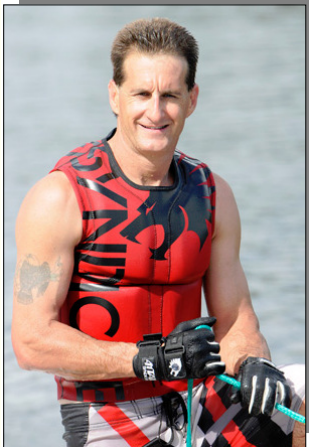
Note: If you receive an error message when clicking "SAVE" that states "This e-mail is already in use" you will then need to contact the BAWSC Membership Chair listed on the [Contacts](#) Page to manually associate that e-mail address with your account as Wild Apricot currently does not allow a member to add an existing Contact or Member to their bundle themselves. A member can only add a new Contact or new Member to their account themselves.

**The way Wild Apricot handles multiple people under one membership is called a [Membership Bundle](#). A membership bundle is a group of members who are linked together and managed by one of their members – the bundle administrator. Bundle members share the same renewal date, status, and membership level. You can learn more about bundles including a short, how-to video at: <http://help.wildapricot.com/display/DOC/Membership+bundles>*

TidBits

Greg Badal Wins Big Dawg Tournament!

By Larry Ligon



Competing at the Big Dawg portion of the 2013 Moomba Masters Ski Tournament on March 8th to 11th in Melbourne, Australia, [Greg Badal](#) (our slalom coach & BAWSC sponsor), beat the nearest slalom competitor by over 7 balls with a score of 3.5 balls at 39 ½ ft. off (the 75' rope). *[Congratulations Greg!](#)*

[Chris Parrish](#) kicked off his 2013 season by winning the Moomba Masters men's open slalom division with a score of 3 balls at 41 ft. off the rope.

Canadian [Whitney McClintock](#) won the Moomba Masters women's slalom division with a score of 2 balls at 39 ½ ft. off the rope.

In an amazing show of talent and staying in shape, legend [Andy Mapple](#) came out of retirement (at 50- years-old) to compete in the Moomba Masters men's open slalom division and tied for 3rd place (3 balls @ 39 ½ off) against competitors that were half his age!!!



New BAWSC Sponsor - Badal's H2O Ski Center

By Larry Ligon

Badal's H2O Ski Center

925-997-9914

e-mail skibadal@aol.com

Greg Badal, our annual Slalom Ski Clinic coach, has graciously agreed to join us as a BAWSC sponsor.

BAWSC members will get a 20% discount on the complete **HO Sports** family of water sports products, ranging from slalom skis (Syndicate), boots, gloves and **Accurate** brand handles/ropes to **Hyperlite** wakeboards.

The discount also applies to **Eagle Sports** wetsuits, ski vests and super-flexible neoprene heater shirts. Or, if you are in the market for a ski or wakeboard boat, Greg sells **Master Craft** boats.

Check out www.eaglesports.com and email Greg if you're interested in purchasing any of the items!

Greg, as a nationally top ranked skier, record holder and coach can provide club members *unmatched expertise* on the selection and demo (*on his private lake*) of slalom skis & accessories for your individual needs.

Contact Greg:

925-997-9914

email: skibadal@aol.com

Blowing Out the Candles in April!



Wishing all of you, a

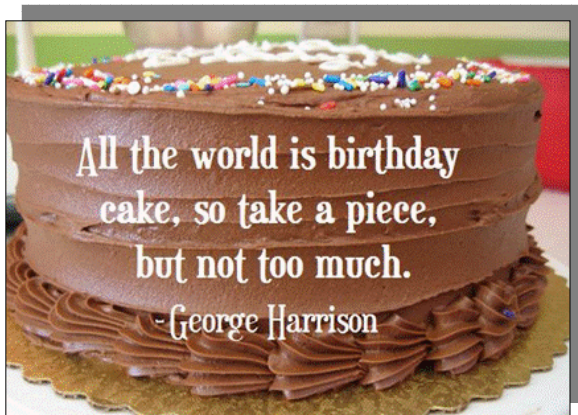
April Birthdays

Mark Capalongan

Gail Lohse

Russell Schultz

Vince Tyson



Editor's Note:

*A big thank you to
those who included
this information on
your Membership
Forms.*

*We encourage others
to do so as well!*