

Bay Area Waterski Club

Flat Water Times



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Message from the Board

by Susan Schmidt, 2023 Board Member

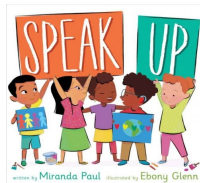


Proposed CA Boat Registration Increase!

I was reading the latest issue of BoatUS magazine when I came across this startling news about boat registration fees. Governor Newsom's proposed 2023-2024 budget calls for a **300% increase in boat registration fees**. Although California boat registration fees have not increased in several years, BoatU.S. and their state partner, the Recreational Boaters of California (RBOC), **do not believe such a significant increase has been justified by the administration.**



Please **contact your state legislators** to request they **reject this proposal** and engage with boating stakeholders to **develop realistic fees** that are dedicated to boating programs.



Now is the time to speak up and **request your state representatives** stand firm in **rejecting this massive registration fee increase**. You can easily contact your state representatives using a prefilled form created by BoatUS. Feel free to add your own views to this message.

Take Action by clicking here or pasting this URL into your address bar:
<https://www.votervoice.net/BOATUS/Campaigns/106391/Respond>

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Delta Tunnels Update:
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This link will take you to an article where most of this information came from. Scroll down through the article and you will get to a form you can fill out and email to your state representatives. This takes less than 5 minutes. They need to hear from all of us.

In addition to boat registration fees, **boat owners also have had to pay large increases in their boat insurance and there is also the tax on gas** which is all passed on to us in the club each time we hold an event. Many ski boats use premium gas so they are paying close to **\$6 per gallon on the water** including the fuel taxes which are the highest in the country.



This is really important because **without our boat owners, we would not have a club.** They have so many expenses owning a boat and **this is just one more increase they would have to endure.**

Our watersport days have become more expensive due to increases in gas and launch fees so we don't need a 300% increase in registration fees on top of everything else.

RBOC, Boat U.S. and other recreational boating stakeholders have been engaged in a two-year process to review the state's boating programs. While it was anticipated there would be a modest increase, boating organizations expected the state to recognize the **significant contribution boaters already make, such as \$107 million in annual motor fuel taxes.** One might expect that the fees and taxes paid by boaters go to fund boating programs. Unfortunately, that is not the case with the current proposal.

Regarding the exorbitant cost of gas in CA some analysts have pointed to refinery shutdowns contributing to these skyrocketing prices. There are other factors at play, including California's strict environmental laws, requiring special summer and winter gas blends, as well as the **highest gas taxes in the country tacking about \$1.40 on to every gallon of gas we buy here.** The breakdown of the taxes and fees are noted below.

For every gallon of gas in California, we pay:

- 54 cents in state excise tax: among the highest in the nation
- 18.4 cents in federal excise tax
- 23 cents for California's cap-and-trade program to lower greenhouse gas emissions
- 18 cents for the state's low-carbon fuel programs
- 2 cents for underground gas storage fees
- An average of 3.7% in state and local sales taxes

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"Local governments are the ones that are really making out well because they are getting a percentage-based tax," Charles Langley of Public Watchdogs pointed out. "It's not a flat excise tax."

He added that this percentage-based tax can be a boon for cities, to ostensibly pay for things like road repair and maintenance.

California's significantly less competitive market for the production of gasoline, compared to other states, is a driving factor behind these soaring prices, according to Langley. "[We need to get more competition into this market](#)," he said. "It's not a matter of there not being enough gasoline. [It's a matter of not having real competition](#)." He's also calling for California's attorney general to launch an anti-trust investigation.

After reading this article about the ridiculous proposal to increase the boat registration fees on top of our already high gas taxes, [please use the link above to contact your state representatives to urge them to stop this proposal](#). The pre-written letter will be automatically sent to your state representatives when you click on submit.

It's important for all of us to do our part to keep boating in California more affordable.

Looking forward to seeing all of you out on the water soon!



Susan Schmidt
2023 Board Member

2023 Officers and Directors



Elected Officers



Larry Ligon
Interim President
Vice President



Kristin Thornquist
New Treasurer

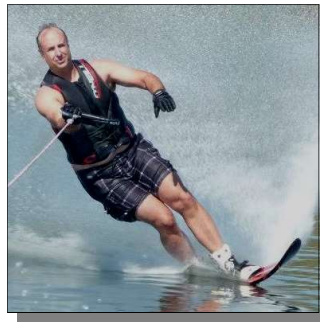


Susan Schmidt
Secretary

Board Members



Gwen Cauthren
Membership Chair



Chris Feduniw
Webmaster



Jerry Baxter



Monica Fitzgerald
New board member



Eric Johnson



Karl Smith

Special Committees:

Flat Water Times Editor: Lynette Wong

Webmaster: Chris Feduniw



Lynette Wong
Newsletter Editor

Past Events

Learn/Improve your Waterskiing Skills, June 17, 2023

By Chris Feduniw, Webmaster/Board Member

The Club's first on-water event for 2023 did not disappoint, with **18 skiers getting great pulls and coaching from our five boat owners** who volunteered to bring their tournament-class waterski boats to the event and offered some excellent coaching.

One of our new club members, **Winny Tang**, got **up on a set of double skis for the very first time on her second try**. By the end of the day, she was crossing the wakes with ease and is ready to try moving to a single ski next time she goes out on the water.



Lew Cresci makin' it look so easy!



Another **new member**, **Alison Walmsley**, impressed everyone when she **pulled out a single trick ski** and started practicing some 180 spins. She worked her way up to a **full 360 spin after not being on skis for a few years**. She also decided to try her hand at slalom skiing and getting back into ripping it up behind the boat. We found out that Alison was a **member of her college waterski team** and even participated in the jump event. She was also a **member of the Sea World Waterski show team** and had some great stories to share.

As for the rest of the skiers, the focus in the morning after a long winter break without being on the water, was to **get into a strong balanced stance on the ski**. Other tips included keeping their hands light on the handle, arms straight and close to their bodies, and **holding the edge all the way through both wakes**.

At lunch, four of the five boats returned with crew members, except for **Mark Kutchi**, who unfortunately had a **water hose crack and sprung a leak without getting a chance to ski himself**. Luckily, Mark had some duct tape with him and was able to tape up the hose. He **very slowly drove his boat back to Discovery Bay safe and sound** after moving his crew onto the other boats. It's just *a bummer that he didn't even get a chance to ski himself*.

The remaining boats and skiers then had a nice, **relaxing lunch at the picnic area at the marina**. It was a great time to catch up with everyone and **meet several new and prospective members!**

We then got back out on the water, where unfortunately, **Mother Nature** decided to **kick up the wind**. Most everyone **gave it one more run behind the boat** and then decided they were either **too sore to do another run or felt it was just too windy**. So, we packed up and headed back to the marina where

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By Chris Feduniw, Webmaster/Board Member

all the crews did a **great job cleaning up the boats!**



Susan Schmidt having a blast!



Our beloved Union Point . . . No More :(

I would like to thank our boat owners/coaches, Steven Monroe, Pam Epstein, Mark Kutchi, and Jerry Baxter for bringing their boats to the event and helping coach our participants.

I would also like to express my gratitude to my co-chair, Paul Wesolowski for putting together this event.



Chris Feduniw
Webmaster

Past Events

Watersports Day, June 29, 2023

By Eric Johnson, 2023 Board Member



The Club held **the first midweek watersports day** on Thursday, June 29 at Orwood Resort.

With **four boats** in tow which included [Steve Monroe](#), [Jerry Baxter](#), [Keith Epstein](#), and [yours truly](#), we could not have asked for a better day! Mother Nature granted us **warm weather with refreshingly cool and calm water.**



“Uh oh!”

New Members:
[David Vogel](#), [Tracie Rohm](#)

After enjoying our morning ski runs, we all met at the Union Point dock for lunch (and [sadly viewed the remains of the recently burned restaurant](#)) where we got to mingle and socialize with members we hadn't met before this event. This was the perfect opportunity to share a bit of exciting news that happened when Karl Smith was skiing before noontime. My boat and Karl hit a submerged log that was in the middle of Victoria Slough.

"Stay tuned for more details in Karl's From the Board article in August."

Although a slight breeze came upon us in the afternoon, it was not enough to stop anyone from skiing, finishing the ski day with big smiles!



Eric Johnson
2023 Board Member

Tidbits

Ordering your BAWSC T-shirts!

By Debbie De Sousa, 2023 BAWSC President



How to order BAWSC Logo T-shirts:

1. **Make your own BAWSC Logo T-shirts** by going to **www.bawsc.org**
 - Click on "Get Club Apparel & Gear" (far right link on top navigation bar)
 - Click on BAWSC Gear Order Instructions.docx
 - Click on the do-it-yourself link, www.zazzle.com
 - * Follow the instructions for applying the logo on the shirt

2. **Order BAWSC Logo Heat Transfers** that can be ironed on any fabric.

Cost: \$5.00 covers shipping two logo transfers.
5.5" x 5.5" for the front.

7.5" x 9.75" for the back

To order, contact Debbie DeSousa at 925-672-9598 or email her at barterbucks1@yahoo.com

3. **Have Debbie DeSousa make your T-shirt**

Cost: \$20 covers shipping shirt with logo

To order, contact Debbie DeSousa at 925-672-9598 or email her at barterbucks1@yahoo.com

Tidbits

BAWSC Covid-19 Safety Protocol (updated 2/1/23)

By Chris Feduniw, Webmaster/Board Member



In an effort to keep all BAWSC members and guests safe and to align the club policies with current County Public Health Department recommendations to minimize the spread of Covid-19, *all event participants attending club-sponsored Calendar Events in 2023 are required to be fully vaccinated with a booster shot or show proof (picture) of a negative Antigen Home Test kit result the day of the event if not fully vaccinated.*



Members: Please **update your profile** on the **club website** to **record your vaccination status.**

All event participants regardless of vaccination status are strongly *encouraged to take an Antigen Home Test ideally the morning of an event, or at a minimum, the night before an event* to validate they are currently Covid-19 negative.

Most insurance providers will cover 100% of the cost to obtain eight home test kits per month from your local pharmacy.

Please note: several boat owners may request only participants who can show proof of a negative test that day to be assigned to their boats. You may be asked to be placed on one of these boats.



Please *be prepared to show a picture of your negative test strip if requested by a boat owner that day.*

Tidbits

Update: Delta Tunnels

By Chris Feduniw, Webmaster/Board Member

BAWSC Contacts:

The Board of Directors would like to inform you that the **Department of Water Resources** released its **Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR)** in late July 2022 for the Delta Conveyance Project (tunnels). Documents for federal review of the project will be provided later this fall.

This plan will directly impact the Delta where we hold most of our club events.



We encourage you to **stay informed of the project and take any action you feel is appropriate.** *A good resource to stay informed that has links to the various groups, letter templates and contact information for government officials is <https://www.restorethedelta.org/>*

Please **stay informed and reach out to your government representatives** with your opinion about this project while they are collecting public opinion.

Thank you,
BAWSC Board of Directors

Photo Editor

Wanted for the BAWSC

Duties include:

- ⇒ Download photos from facebook keeping date and notes from originator.
- ⇒ Collect photos directly from people who know how to send them via email in a compressed format.
- ⇒ After downloading photos, upload them to flickr and create an album for the month of the event of the photos you are trying to upload

If you're interested, please contact Lynette at:
lynette.wong25@gmail.com

Tidbits

Ski Tips: Online Coaching Videos

Brought to you by Chris Feduniw, BAWSC Webmaster/Board Member

Hey Skiers,

As a reminder, we have a *members-only forum with links to skier tips and training videos.*

Check out: <https://www.bawsc.org/water-sport-resources> which can help you improve your skiing and also provide you with opportunities to [get in-person and video coaching](#). You also get to see how the pros execute great form!



Please add content to the forum if you have found resources that have helped you improve your watersport of choice e.g. water skiing/wakeboard/wakesurfing, etc.

Tidbits

Exciting Changes to the Website

By Chris Feduniw, BAWSC Webmaster/Board Member

Over the past several months our website vendor **Personify Wild Apricot**

has introduced **several new functions and features** that the Bay Area Waterski club (BAWSC) has decided to take advantage of and we have recently **redesigned and upgraded the clubs website** www.bawsc.org to a new look and feel so please check it out.



Key Changes that have been made:



Entire Site is now **mobile friendly** meaning you can now easily fill out forms and read content on any device as it will **scale automatically**

- o **Note:** On cell your phone, the menus are under the hamburger bars on the left and you log-in by clicking the right icon on top of the page

Clicking the “Add to my calendar” button on a cell phone and then clicking on the .ics file link pop-up will allow you to easily add the event to your personal calendar on your phone.

Menu Bar has **moved to the top of the page** and **content has been consolidated under fewer menu items** and sorted in alphabetical order making it easier to find things

Menu Bars and Sub-menu's/Content changes when you log into the site e.g. member-only content menu bars and content show up once you log into the system. **board members see more than members and members see more than non-members.** However, everything is all under the same top menu bar e.g. all documents are under documents the list just increases what you see based on your log-in credentials

All Main pages and Sub-pages have a friendly URL e.g. bawsc.org/calendar or bawsc.org/newsletter or bawsc.org/documents, etc. so if you want to get to something quickly you can just enter in the full URL

Every Page has a **bread crumb trail** so you know exactly where in the site you are at and can move up the bread crumb trail to any level you want

A Site Map <https://www.bawsc.org/Site-Map/> has been created that list every page and document available on the site that you can **directly click the link to reach that page**

A Search Bar has been added that will allow you to search for anything in the site to easily find it **without having to know what page it is on** e.g. enter “reimbursement request” in the search bar and it will immediately return the clubs Reimbursement Request Form

If you discover any issues or have suggestions how the site could further be improved, please provide your feedback at: <https://www.bawsc.org/feedback> or send an email to bawsc.webmaster@gmail.com

Tidbits

Attention BAWSC Club-Certified Boat Driver

By Chris Feduniw, BAWSC Webmaster/Board Member

Updated 03/2022



This year the Bay Area Water-Ski Club Board of Directors will require that anyone driving a boat at a club event must not only be a club-certified driver but also **have a California Boater Card License Number registered with the club in your membership profile** or **provide proof of age that you are over the current age restriction which is currently**

⇒ 2022: Individuals who are 45 years old or younger

⇒ **2023 Individuals who are 50 years old or younger**

Information on how to obtain a California Boater Card including options for how to complete the course are available at: <https://californiaboatercard.com/>

Several members of the club of attended the Coast Guard Auxillary Course <http://www.cgaux.org/boating/classes/2011/abs.php> found the instructors to be very good and a good use of time as they **guarantee you will pass the course and get your card.**

Others have taken the **free on-line course offered by BoatUS** <http://www.boatus.org/california/> that lets you take the course at your own pace through multiple sessions if needed.

Once you have your California Boaters Card, please go the club website and update your membership profile <https://www.bawsc.org/Sys/Profile> to include your card number. **If you are old enough to not require a card, please send proof of age to our Membership Chair Gwen Cauthren.**

Note: Anyone who does **not have a card number on file** in the website or **has not provided proof of age for an exception by 5/31/2021 will not be able to drive at club events** until you have met the criteria.

Tidbits

Safety Comes First!

By Debbie DeSousa, 2023 BAWSC President



Safety Reminder



1. **Skiing:** Never ski without a 3rd.
Never!

2. **Ski:** Do not leave your ski on the swim platform. This can result in your ski being run over by another boat. Your ski will get chopped up and you might get a big bill for the other boat.



3. **Vest:** As of 2001 anyone being pulled by a boat **must wear Coast Guard-approved flotation devise**. *Check the print on the inside of your ski vest to see if your vest is approved.*

Failure to wear a proper vest can result in the boat owner being fined by the Coast Guard.



4. **Ski Rope:** Remember to **use a shock tube** (goes over your rope). This tube will **prevent a rope from snapping back** (like a rubber band) and hitting the boat driver or passenger in the head. *A ski handle can knock your teeth out, wrap around your neck or worse!*

Always be safe!

**THINK SAFE
ACT SAFE
BE SAFE**

Tidbits

How to Use our BAWSC Page on Facebook

By Debbie DeSousa, 2023 BAWSC President



facebook

*This is a great tool for sharing and
for finding new members!*

We converted our Facebook page to a Group so *everyone can have fun posting photos of events and use it as another communications tool.* It's also open to the public so they can see our fun photos. We hope this will attract new members. (**Note: Only approved members can post on our group page**). If anyone makes a post that is not ski-related then the admin can remove them!

This is how you can post to our Facebook page.

1. Open a personal Facebook account.
2. Go to Facebook.com groups Bay Area Waterski Club
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/717319205056101/>

To find our group, type Bay Area Waterski Club on the search line (see top of your personal Facebook page). When you find our group then **“Join”** this group (admin must approve you, it might take a few days).

3. Now you can have fun posting event photos, events, boats & equipment for sale, etc.
4. **If you have a smart phone you can send photos from your phone directly to Facebook.**
Because there are many phones I cannot tell you how to use your phone here.
5. To post on our Facebook group see **top of the Facebook page** see where it says "Write Something." This is where you type your message. Above it you will see the button for photos/videos and events. The main thing to remember is you will have two accounts:

1. Your personal Facebook account and
2. You will also have an account with our BAWSC Group.

When you post on our BAWSC group page it will appear on **your** personal Facebook wall (**Note:** your friends will **not** see these post). If you want to share any of these posts with family or friends, click “Like” (see below each post). When you click “Like,” the post will appear on **all** your friends’ personal Facebook page. If you click “Share” you can select **one** person to send the post to (instead of **all** your friends).

Blowing Out the Candles in



Wishing all a very

BIRTHDAY

Alison Walmsley, 7/7



Carrie Ballick, 7/22

BAWSC 2023 Event Calendar of Events

Start date	End date	Event title	Event location	Event Chair	Event Co-Chair
Sat 04/15	Sat 04/15	BAWSC Day Hike & Picnic	Brushy Peak Regional Preserve in Livermore	Chris Feduniw	n/a
Sat 04/29	Sat 04/29	BAWSC Spring Social/ Season Opener & General	Susan & Karl's House	Susan Schmidt	Karl Smith
Fri 05/19	Fri 05/19	Boat Driver & Crew Clinic	Ligon Home Disco Bay	Larry Ligon	Gwen Cauthren
Sat 06/17	Sat 06/17	BAWSC Water-Ski Skills Building	Holland Riverside Marina	Chris Feduniw	Paul Wesolowski
Thu 06/29	Thu 06/29	BAWSC Water-Sports Day	Orwood Resort & Marina	Eric Johnson	Debbie DeSousa
Sat 07/15	Sat 07/15	BAWSC Water-Sports Day	Orwood Resort & Marina	Lynette Wong	Kristin Thornquist
Mon 07/24	Mon 07/24	BAWSC Water-Sports Day	Orwood Resort & Marina	Debbie DeSousa	Steve Monroe
Fri 07/28	Fri 07/28	Board Meeting, Lunch & Ski Day (for 2023 Board of	Ligon Home Disco Bay	n/a	n/a
Sun 08/06	Sun 08/06	BAWSC Water-Sports Day	Orwood Resort & Marina	Karl Smith	Diane Rust
Wed 08/16	Wed 08/16	BAWSC Water-Sports Day	Orwood Resort & Marina	Debbie DeSousa	Steve Monroe
Fri 08/25	Sun 08/27	Calif ProAm Slalom Ski Tournament (Not a BAWSC-sponsored event)	Shortline Lake Elk Grove, CA	Larry Ligon	Gwen Cauthren
Fri 08/25	Fri 08/25	BAWSC Water-Sports Day	Orwood Resort & Marina	Lynette Wong	Marji McGinnes
Fri 09/15	Fri 09/15	BAWSC Water-Sports Day	Discovery Bay Marina	Larry Ligon	Gwen Cauthren
Tue 09/26	Tue 09/26	BAWSC Water-Sports Day	Orwood Resort & Marina	Debbie DeSousa	Steve Monroe
Fri 09/29	Sun 10/01	Water Sports Weekend in Copperopolis (Member	Casa Copperopolis	Jerry Baxter	Lynette Wong
Sat 10/07	Sat 10/07	BAWSC Water-Sports Day	Holland Riverside Marina	Chris Feduniw	Paul Wesolowski
Sat 12/02	Sat 12/02	BAWSC Holiday Party & Club Updates	Feduniw Home	TBD	TBD



BAWSC On-line Membership Application

By Larry Ligon, Vice President

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 **Gwen Cauthren** at 707-322-1157 or e-mail at gwen_cauthren@sbcglobal.net or our webmaster **Chris Feduniw** at 925-413-3421 for assistance.

-The **BAWSC** website address is: www.bawsc.org

-Your **user-id** for the website 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 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 please check the box for each person. If you have any dependents under 12 you want to associate with your membership enter the total number of children under 12 in the “Number of Children Under 12” field.

BAWSC On-line Membership Application (con't)

By Larry Ligon, Vice President

- 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 water-sports 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 (*payable to BAWSC*):

To: BAWSC
c/o Gwen Cauthren
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) **To 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
 - b) Click on “**Member Forums**”

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c) In the **Message Board** forums' section, individually click on each forum you want to receive e-mail (e.g. –“Looking for a Car Pool, Crew or a Pull”) and *individually* click on each forum's “**Subscribe to Forum**” link.

d) Then go back to the **Home Page** and click on “**View Profile**” again, click “**Edit profile**” and click “**e-mail subscriptions**” and adjust how you want to receive e-mails; *immediately, daily or weekly* when someone posts to the forum. The default is daily. **CLICK “Save”** at the very bottom of the “**Edit Profile**” page and you are done.

F) **Setup a Co-Member Bundle***

Each paid member is allowed to add a spouse/ 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>*