

Bay Area Waterski Club

Flat Water Times



Message from the Board

by Darcy Murray
Club Treasurer

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How the Club has Evolved in the Last 20 Years!

In 2013 the club celebrated a major birthday – 20 years of existence. Several current members have been part of the club the entire 20 years. How has the club changed or stayed the same over 20 years?

The club was founded as the HP Water Ski Club and was advertised by posters at HP work sites and in part governed by HP Corporate bureaucracy. For the most part, the club offered day ski events at the Delta, *had a membership base of less than 100 members who were almost all HP employees, membership fee was \$25 a year, a gallon of gas: around \$1.30, a typical day event cost \$25 and boat owners were not reimbursed for tow gas or launch fees.* And we didn't offer a houseboat trip or slalom clinic. Event registration was done through the "snail mail" registration method with event chairs manually tracking receipt of checks to determine participation and obtain signatures for event waivers on the morning of the event.

The first significant change came about 15 years ago when the club divorced HP and became the Bay Area Water Ski Club. The club launched its own website and membership campaign to recruit members. Over the years, the club has adopted newer water sports – air chair, wake surfing, etc. The club has also grown in the areas of safety instruction by offering CPR classes, the boat driver clinic and ski lessons coached by professional skiers. With a current membership base of over 100 members, there are virtually no members employed by HP.

August 2013

Upcoming Events

August 22 - 25
- Houseboat Trip

September 7
- America's Cup
- Watersports Day

September 8
- Board Retreat

September 13 - 15
- ProAm Ski Tournament

September 21
- Coast/Delta Clean-up
& Watersports Day

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Message from the Board (con't)

By Darcy Murray

The Delta four-day houseboat trips and the slalom ski clinic are the most popular events usually filling up within 24 hours. Today, gas prices are around \$4.00 a gallon, a typical day event cost \$50 and boat owners are reimbursed tow gas and launch fees. This year, the club unveiled its new website which allows us to manage event announcements, registrations and participant waivers all via the website.

To ensure safety on the water, the club has never changed its policy of **No Drinking** during events.

For 20 years it has maintained its focus as a nonprofit, non-competitive, recreational water sports club. The emphasis is on networking to match boat owners with boarders and skiers for fun and enjoyment on the water has stayed the same.

Other notable items that have yet to change – members waiting until the last minute for event registration or those members consistently late for events!

See you on the Delta!

- Darcy Murray, Treasurer

2013 Officers and Directors



Elected Officers



Gwen Cauthren
President



Paul Wesolowski
Vice President

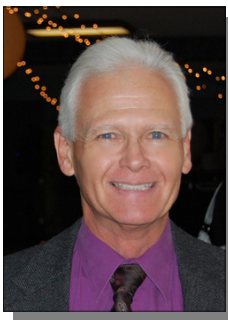


Darcy Murray
Treasurer

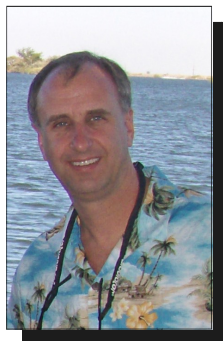


Cynthia Atherton
Secretary

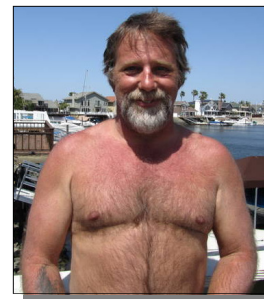
Board Members



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
Sat April 6	Spring Social & Potluck Buffet + Gen. Mtg.	TBD	Darcy Murray, TBD
Sat Apr 20	Big Dog Houseboat TLC Day	Bethel Harbor Marina, Delta	Jim Jardine, Dirk Maasen
Tue Apr 23	Board Meeting	Phone Conference	Gwen Cauthren, Paul Wesolowski
Sat May 11	Season Opener, BBQ Potluck & Gen. Mtg.	Lohse Home Disco Bay	Cynthia Atherton, Paul Wesolowski
Sat May 18	Boat Driver's Clinic	Ligon Home Disco Bay	Larry Ligon, Gwen Cauthren
May 18—19	Norcal Master Craft 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	Bethel Harbor Marina, Delta	Jim Jardine
Sat Jun 15	Wake Board Skill Building	Bethel Harbor Marina, Delta	Vince Tyson
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, Sandi Belanger
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, Paul Wesolowski
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
Aug 22 - Aug 25	*House Boat Trip w/ Capt. Vince	Bethal Harbor Marina, Delta	Cynthia Atherton, Paul 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
Sat Sep 21	CA Coastal/Delta Clean-up/Watersports	Delta, TBD	Chris Feduniw, TBD
Tue Sep 24	Board Meeting	Phone Conference	Gwen Cauthren, Paul Wesolowski
Sep 26 - Sep 29	*House Boat Trip w/ 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	Will Young
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

Watersports Day - July 28, 2013: The Lure of Bethel Harbor

By Will Young

If you're one of the unfortunate souls who missed the July 28th outing at the clean and inviting Bethel Harbor, then perhaps this article probably won't make you feel any better, but go on and read it anyway. [With beautiful views from every direction to enjoy](#), I thought that this would be a perfect hideaway for a sunbather to experience the ultimate relaxation. Every channel we boated through was heavily peppered with delightful spots where wildlife gather, creating the perfect scenery for rest and relaxation.



Will Young wakeboards heelside on the flats.

Usually when I'm on the Delta I just can't wait to get on my board; however, that didn't happen this time! There was simply too much natural beauty to soak in. [And now, there's an added fun part of boating through the canals: enjoying the wildlife in their natural habitat.](#) Watching an occasional goose take to the air as our inboard whizzed by reminded me of how fortunate the graceful creature is to have wings and webbed feet, allowing daily flights and swims in this scenic part of the world.

While we all enjoyed the scenic beauty, [all eight boarders on both boats seem to have had a fantabulous time \(including myself\) on the water](#) – well, at least before I pulled a hamstring on my third wakeskating run. The sun came out early heating up the temps to what felt like a

near-perfect 82-degrees with wavelets overblown by a moderate force two-wind. Along with the nice boarding conditions, the wide channels and harbor remained congestion-free! The desire to return to this place of immense beauty should grip every boater like a relentless passion.

Travel surveys repeatedly show that Danes are the happiest people on earth. But even *those* fortunate souls don't know about [our secret spot out there at Bethel Harbor](#).



Boat owner Rich Olrich creates a wall of spray!

Just between you and me...let's keep it that way. ;-)

Past Events

Watersports Day - July 28, 2013 (con't)

By Will Young



That's "Jimmy Jay" inside the spray!



Nicole Wolff gets her Vitamin D between ski runs.



Rich Olrich concentrates on his next wild ski trick!

Upcoming Events

Pro Am Ski Tournament - September 13 - 15

By Larry Ligon

World's Top Skiers Coming to *Pro Am* Tournament at *New Location*
on September 13, 14 & 15th

Join us at the new location in Rio Linda, Calif., on the weekend of **September 13, 14 & 15**, for the eleventh annual **2013 Diablo Pro Am Slalom Ski Tournament**. Bringing over **100 of the world's best pro and amateur skiers** from around the globe, to the historic waters of the Bell Acqua ski lakes, located 2 miles off of Highway 80, just North of Sacramento.

Bring your family & friends (**FREE!**) to watch, mingle and be inspired by the sport's top athletes like *Andy Mapple, Chris Parrish, Nate Smith, Will Asher, Terry Winters, Thomas DeGasperi, Trent Finlayson, Karen Truelove, Breanne Dodd, Regina Jaquess, April Coble* and **over 30 other renowned pros, 20 Senior Masters and 30 amateurs** as they ski head-to-head for cash awards and world records.

Action begins with the **amateur prelims** at 8 am on Friday, **pro-prelims** at 7:30 am on Saturday and the exciting **head-to-head finals** at 9 am on Sunday (wrapping up by 3 pm). **Attendance & parking is FREE** for all spectators. *No dogs please!*



Regina Jaquess frames the BAWSC banner with a wall of spray at the 2012 Pro Am!

Perfect timing of this photo: Notice the lovely BAWSC banner in the background.

Upcoming Events

Pro Am Ski Tournament - September 13 - 15 (con't)

By Larry Ligon

Share the excitement with many of your fellow BAWSC members who plan to attend the finals on Sunday Sept. 15, beginning at 9 am. **Wear** your **BAWSC logo clothing**, bring your lawn chairs, cameras, pens for autographs and picnic baskets (or utilize the Food Booth).

Cannot attend? A live, tournament webcast will be streamed (at no charge) via a link at the Diablo Shores website: <http://www.diabloshores.com/>

For more fun and an inside view of the action, join the BAWSC to help with the ski ropes & handles for the **“Dock Starter Position”** on Saturday Sept. 14. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Larry Ligon at larry_ligon@sbcglobal.net

For further info and directions: <http://www.diabloshores.com/>

Bell Agua Lake #2 is located at 930 E Street, Rio Linda California, 95673.

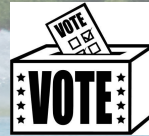
(From Freeway 80 in Sacramento take Raley Blvd. exit and head North for 2.0 miles, turn left (West) on E street. E street dead ends into the Rio Linda Airport and Lake 1. Look for Parking signs)

Please forward this to anyone who may be interested.

Important Announcement

BAWSC Election of 2014 Officers Coming in October!

By Gwen Cauthren

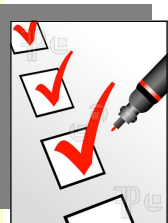


The time is fast approaching for the nomination and election of the 2014 BAWSC officers for President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer. The election will take place in the month of October so if you wish to volunteer yourself or nominate another BAWSC member for any of these positions, please contact Gwen Cauthren gwen_cauthren@sbcglobal.net or Paul Wesolowski calfskier@yahoo.com

This is a great opportunity to help set the direction of this unique club, participate in the planning of events, and drive policies & procedures going forward. The officers, once elected then select the board members to serve on next year's board (typically up to 15 total board members). Being an officer or board member **only** requires one meeting per month usually via phone conference.

Please consider getting involved, without volunteers we have **no club!**

With your help, we can make next year a great success!



Voting on candidates will follow shortly thereafter and be completed no later than October 31.

Officer Duties:

The **President**, or in his absence the Vice-Presidents in their order, or in the absence of a Vice-President, the Treasurer, shall preside at all meetings of the membership and the Board of Directors, and he shall perform the usual duties of the office.

The **Vice-President**, in their order, shall perform the duties of the President in the absence or inability of the President to discharge the duties of his office, and such other duties as the membership may determine from time to time. The Vice President will also be responsible for running the annual elections and developing/publishing all meeting agendas.

The **Treasurer** shall collect, receive and deposit funds of the BAWSC as directed by the Board of Directors; render periodic financial statements to the Board of Directors and the membership and render such other reports and accounts of the financial condition of the BAWSC as may from time to time be requested by the Board of Directors or the membership and shall perform such other duties as are included in the office of Treasurer. Treasurer cannot write a check in excess of TWO-HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$350) without board authorization. Treasurer will provide summary cash flow statement at each general meeting or when requested by any member.

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By Gwen Cauthren



The [Recording Secretary](#) shall be responsible for the minutes and records of the meetings of the membership and the Board of Directors.



[Contact any of the current board members](#) to understand what is involved with being on the board and/or serving as an officer of the club. As someone who's been an officer of the club as well as a board for a number of years, it is fun and well worth the time.

[Please consider submitting your name to be an officer of the club and/or board member!!](#)

Thank You,

Gwen Cauthren
2013 BAWSC Vice President

For Sale

1988 Malibu Skier

Current Owner: Deba Christensen

Beautiful 1988 Malibu Skier in perfect condition (stored indoors and only used twice in 12 years) for sale.

Engine: 350 Chevy

Hours on engine: 500

Will include: new battery and ampellar

Bimini and great sound system

Tandem trailer: 21'

Contact Deba at deba@sbcglobal.net



Blowing Out the Candles in August!

Wishing all of you, a very



August Birthdays

Tony Monolakis, 8/3

Cindy Rast, 8/16

Tammy Lariz, 8/19

Darcy Murray, 8/20

Tapas Guna, 8/24

Bob Krentler, 8/29



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!



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

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 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.

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.



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By Larry Ligon

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 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.



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b) Then go back and click on “**View Profile**” again, click “**Edit profile**” and click “**e-mail subscriptions**” and then adjust how you want to receive e-mails; immediately, daily or weekly when someone posts to the forum. The default is daily. Then click “**Save**”.

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

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>*