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President's Corner

Well gang, if you are like me, you are hoping that spring really is "Just around the corner" we will soon see. Winter here in the south has not been too bad, just long. Keep your fingers crossed for an early and warm spring.

2006 was another great year for skiing in our state. We had terrific skiers and skiing on the state, regional, national and "Big Dawg" levels. With individual names too numerous to mention here, suffice it to say that Indiana more than held its own in these competitions.

Your state organization was busy also. Planning and promoting tournaments, setting the groundwork for the upcoming Disabled Nationals, promoting grassroots skiing and doing the day to day chores to keep our association running were all part of 2006 duties.

Special thanks are in order here. First to Dave Jarrett and all the people that were involved in the NSL series at Fairland. These guys and gals deserve all the praise that they can get for their efforts and time spent ensuring the future of water skiing in Indiana. Listening to their stories of pulling in the rain and the cold and at 9:00 at night was fascinating. Secondly, to all involved in the Spring Fling and John Warne especially. John did a great job on the event as well as serving as the treasurer of our organization for several years. Thirdly, a big 'at-a-boy to' Carl Truesdale for his fundraising efforts that have helped put our group on a sound financial basis.

Looking at 2007, we have great things on the horizon. For the first time ever, we will host the National Disabled Tournament at Hawthorn Lake. Things like this don't just happen, they must be created and nurtured until they come to pass. Once again, many people are to thank, but the name John Kniesly is at the top of the list when it comes time to issue credit. This event, to be held on July 18-21 at Hawthorn, will be the culmination of hundreds of hours of preparation. You have a chance to be a part of it. Lots of people are needed for all kinds of jobs, both in advance of the meet and at the actual tournament itself. If you have time and energies that you could devote to the cause. Contact myself or any of your board members to get signed up.

Finally, lots of other events are scheduled for next year. From NSL events to the state meet at Timberlake, many things are happening that give opportunities for your to get involved. Take advantage of them and get involved in a great sport and lots of great people. You won't be sorry!

Thank, Dan

Angola State Meet Worth the Trek!

The Marina 2006 Indiana State Championships

Angola, IN; One hundred skiers competed July 29 and 30 in the 2006 Indiana State and NSL Water Ski Championships, sponsored by the Marina at Lake Gage and Nautiques. Eleven new State Tournament marks were set and one record tied on the pristine lake managed by the Angola Ski Club. Traveling the farthest to compete motivated the Timberlake Ski Club as they captured their seventh team trophy, edging the host club, 148 to 124.

Early in the year the State meet was at risk of being moved from Angola because of low water conditions. Thought to be caused by low rain levels, Angola Ski Club engineers found a leak in the lake that was amplifying the problem and, once the hole was plugged, made ready for the arrival of skiers from the farthest corners of the state.

Many skiers took advantage of practice on Friday afternoon, retiring to the host Ramada Inn for a good night's rest before the Saturday morning opening rounds. Those not traveling in the company of the age 10 to 15 crowd may have gotten some rest. The rest of you know how futile going to bed early is.

Eleven new State records were set by nine different skiers in eight divisions. Slalom Monster Scott Tynan, Men 3, entered the twilight zone, clearing his 39.5 feet off pass and picking up 1 at 41' off! In Men 7 Les Bender set a new Slalom mark with 2 buoys on his opening pass. Gene Lamberson waived at the Men 7 Jump ramp three times, but in so doing qualified for a new Overall record. At the other end of the age spectrum Andrew Schmitt scored a State record 2770 points in Boys 2 Trick and set a new Overall mark as well. Tom Danford took a similar path to a new Overall Men 4 record with his own 4450 point Trick record setter.

Phillipa Shedd, still holder of the Women 3 mark, now holds an identical 2.5 at 38' off Women 4 Slalom record. In Men 1 Cale Burdick pushed his State Trick record to 4970 points. Dan Reed pushed his own MP3 Men's Jump record to 44 feet in the Disabled Division. John Kniesly bumped the Men 5 Slalom mark to 1 buoy at 38' off.

Poor Brian Dawson was shaking his head in frustration as he tied the State's most difficult record to break for the fourth time since setting the record in 2000. But wait! Even in 2000 he and Chris Clark shared that new Men 2 Slalom mark of 2 at 38' off. So sad! After two falls on a pair of skis purchased earlier in the day

John Kniesly stood up on number three and equaled his 91' Men 5 Jump mark set in 2005.

In the Girls' divisions Amanda Griffith stood apart from the pack, taking first in all three Girls 3 events (4 at 28' off in Slalom and a 97' Jump) and Overall, though Kirby Schmitt tied her Trick run(1820 points) but placed 2nd in the tie breaker. Kirby was also 2nd in Slalom and Jump while Jenna Gilbert finished 3rd in Slalom. Camille Clark took Slalom in Girls 1 and Emma Miner took the Slalom title in Girls 2.

In a closely contested Boys 2 division Andrew Schmitt took Overall on the strength of his record-setting Trick run and his 89' Jump win. Chasing Schmitt was Briant Detty, but after strong 2 at 32' off Slalom and 80' Jump performances, both good for 2nd, his 290 point Trick run (3rd) sealed his fate. Slalom specialist Sam Jackson won his event with 2.25 buoys at 32' off. Clay Schmitt was 2nd in Trick (820 pts), 3rd in Jump (78'), 4th in Slalom and 3rd Overall. Taylor Shedd was 5th in Slalom and 4th in Trick. Lake Clark was 6th in Slalom.

Nicholas Shedd won Boys 1 Slalom, Trick, and Overall.

Boys 3 was a dog fight from start to finish. Scott Schmitt took Overall by 212 points ahead of John Reel, but not before Reel jumped to a big lead in Slalom, scoring 2 at 35' off (2nd) to Scott's 1.5 at 22' off (4th). Schmitt rallied in Jump, won by Chase McCain with a monster 125' leap, besting Reel's 3rd place 86 footer with a 114' second place effort. Tricks proved to be Reel's Achilles Heal with Schmitt's 2190 points (1st) well ahead of Reel's 970 point total (3rd), finishing the Overall contest. Nate Smith edged Reel in Slalom with 3 at 35' off for 1st. Jared Sharkey ran away with the Trick title, scoring 3210 points. Chad Tieman finished Slalom in 3rd with 3 at 22' off, Matt McCain was 4th in Jump (70'), Bryan Beerman was 5th and Kris Meienburg 6th in Slalom.

In NSL State Slalom action the Driver family cleaned up in Rookie Youth/Beginner, Saige and Roth Driver finishing one-two, followed by ZackWillig and another of the Driver clan, Tawn. In Challenger/Novice Men Dave Jarrett edged talented Austin Duvall for the top spot, with Sam Pontecorvo in 3rd. The C/N Women were paced by Sabrina Klinkhamer, followed by Holi Christ and Gina Hohenstatt. Andy Christ and Matt Irmscher were first and second, respectively, in Champion/Expert

36 MPH Men. Tom Jackson stood atop the more senior C/E 34 MPH Men division, followed by Mark Pontecorvo, Jeff Kinkhamer, Shannon Eix, Jon Stanich, and Steve Gilbert. Doug Stukey won Novice Men Jump with a neat 46 footer, followed by Doug Willig, just 4' back. Stukey was also spotted taking gold in Novice Trick.

In Men 1 Slalom most observers had Cale Burdick penciled in as the champ, the only question being, "how deep will he go?" None can be faulted for reaching that conclusion before the Men 1 Slalom towboat fired up. Quietly and confidently "Old Man" Casey Contos stepped into his bindings, took a deep breath and threw down 5 at 38' off Slalom run that Purdue Ski Team heavyweights Burdick and Adam Cord could not match. Cale finished 2nd, just ½ buoy off Casey's mark, and Adam was another buoy behind Cale. In 4th was Justin Reel, well off his game at 2.5 at 28' off. Matt Beck, Tom Pollack, and Big Will Melton finished 5th, 6th and 7th.

Thinking that he soon would be happy to graduate from Purdue and join the real world of working stiffs ("Defer, defer, defer", in the words of Angola CPA Tom Danford) Kurtis Threlkeld showed that he was back in the groove after going "Splat!" late last season, cranking off a 159 footer for the Men 1 Jump title. Burdick's record setting Trick run set him up for the Overall title, though his "Pass"ing score in Jump gave Adam Cord momentary hope in that chase. Cord was 2nd in Jump (96'), followed by Melton's 64 foot best and Pollack, who bested Burdick by getting on the ramp, but, alas, could not get off. Pollack was 2nd in Trick, sitting barely atop Reel, Cord, and Will Melton and a tight group of Men 1 Trickers who all rattle around either side of 1000 points. Melton was 3rd and Pollack 4th Overall.

Men 2, known widely as the age group still young enough to Jump, but don't, except for brave souls Steve Wiley and Andrew Hipskind, are known for their unwillingness to challenge the Ghost of Slalom Past. Legend has it that at the turn of the century an aging, but yappy, Slalom skier from northeast Indiana vowed that if he ever set a Men 2 Slalom State Record he would put a curse on the mark, preventing anyone from exceeding his performance. Sure enough the old boy was able to set an Indiana State Meet Men 2 mark that year, afterward rushing to shore, quickly spreading the contents of a small leather bag of bones, beaks, and rat's tails onto a towel, all the while chanting, "It's mine, it's mine, it's mine" maniacally. Remembering that he had to close his magical spell with another line for the curse to work the frantic skier struggled to think of something that would rhyme with "mine" and pass muster with the World Curse Association. He thought, and he thought, and he thought, finally blurting out "Let no one equal unless his name is Brine", quite pleased with himself that he

had met the WCA standard for curses to be registered. Unfortunately, when he spoke the name "Brine", he hiccupped, so that it came out "Bri-(hiccup)-ine". Once spoken there is no re-do on a curse, and the rest is oft repeated history.

Former Purdue skier Wiley, a gaggle of Jump groupies cheering him on, went 116 feet to surpass Hipskind. Brandon Bucher was 2nd in Slalom, scoring 5 at 35' off, followed by Ben Bailey and Hipskind. Bucher soloed through Tricks, though his 2610 point pass would have been tough to beat.

The indefatigable Schmitt women from Timberlake traveled in a caravan for two days to get to Angola. Upon arriving and surveying the Women 4 Slalom entry list they must have felt like pioneers who, expecting to go up and over just one more dry, rocky hill before seeing the lush valley where their families would settle and prosper, crest the rise only to see more desert. Life in Phillipa Shedd's Women 4 Slalom group ain't easy. Setting a new meet record with 2.5 buoys at 38 feet off Shedd followed up with a 3110 Trick pass which served notice that she may be expanding her water ski horizons. Jean Schmitt was 2nd in Slalom and Cheryl Schmitt 3rd. In Trick Patty Patterson finished 2nd with 1400 points, followed by Overall and Jump champion Cheryl.

In Woman 1 Abby Schmitt took Overall on the wings of her 83 foot Jump win and 2 at 28' off Slalom victory. Only Molly Harrison with her solid 3560 point Trick kept Abby (2260 points) from sweeping the division. Laura Wiacek was 2nd in Slalom and 3rd in Trick

Carla Stornetta and Sherry Dawson are friends. Good thing as those two wouldn't have many people to speak to in their Women 2 starting area. Carla cruised to 1st Overall with ½ buoy at 22' off Slalom (1st), and 80' first place Jump. Sherry Dawson's 2210 point Trick run brought out the blue ribbon. She was 2nd in Jump with 52 feet.

Sue Goldman carried her family colors in Women 3 Slalom, out pointing Indy's Brenda Manley and proving that choice of one's starting speed can make a difference in the final outcome. Brenda couldn't get beyond her opening pass at 52K while Sue cleared her opening set and then nailed a few at the maximum speed for the division. Ann Kelly appeared from nowhere and Tricked her way to the title with her 1370 point set, followed by Manley.

Les Bender, Men 7 Slalom hero, rounded 2 buoys on his way to a new Men 7 record. Gene Lamberson scrambled to Men 7 Slalom buoy #1, said "howdy", rounded it and called off the jam with a subtle nod to the boat crew. A 580 point Trick set and ride by on Jump skis got him a new Overall

mark of 480.2 points and four trophies for the mantle. Les chased Gene in Tricks, taking second.

Dan Reed set a new Disabled mark in MP3 Men Jump, going 44', but not before ironing out some early set jitters. In MP2 Women, Megan Lovelace tricked to a meet's best 220 point first place, and Slalomed around 3 buoys on the inner course. Reed got 4 buoys to win the men's MP3 Slalom crown, and tricked 160 points.

The chubby Men 3 Slalom group.... chubby division, not competitors.... saw Chris Clark get 1.5 buoys at 39.5 feet off, but place second to you-know-who. Randy Strebig's seaplane was denied entry into the course in a 2-1 judges' decision. Brad Beerman got 1.5 at 38' off for 3rd, followed at that line length by Mike Yoder. Midway through 35' off land were John Warne and Jim Ruthrauff with both Paul Goldman and Brian Detty tied at .5 at 35' off. Eric Detty was 9th, Randy Strebig was 10th, Rob Driver 11th and Mark Qualkinbush 12th. Trick is easier to report for this group - Qualkinbush scored 830 points for 1st. Jumpers are rare in this age group, but both manly men went over 100 feet, winner Brian Detty was not real happy with his 126 foot winner, but certainly pleased to see another Men 3 competitor, Randy Strebig, go 108 feet.

Chuck Walker gets the nod for first place in the power dive, loop-tee-loop, vertical climb, twist, and spin-that-would-cause-me-to-spew-lunch-all-over-the-cockpit competition. His aerobatic show was a blast! Reason, alone, to make certain you attend the next Angola-based IN State Meet.

Other men 4 competition saw Angola's favorite son. Tom Danford set a new Trick mark, finish 3rd in Slalom with 2 at 38' off, win Jump with a 95' best, and go to bed Sunday night with a new Overall records as well. Kim Contos prevailed with his 1.5 at 39.5 off Slalom winner, and Rick Shedd was 2nd at 2.5 at 38' off. In Jump Barry Felton scored a 77 foot 2nd place effort. Trick competition trailing Danford was Steve Plummer (2430 points), Felton (1980), Jim Beck (1330), Mike Patterson and Mark Schmitt. At home on water as well as the air, Walker was 4th in Slalom, rounding 2 at 35' off. Others competing in Men 4 Slalom include Jeff Reel and Felton, both into 32' off; Patterson, Glynn Meienburg, and Mark Schmitt nearly through 28' off; Tom Cook, Plummer, and Denny Boettcher.

Karl Marx would be proud of the collective division model known as Men 6 which saw gold and silver spread around almost perfectly. If only Howard Little jumped. We shall speak to the authorities about compelling him to do his share next season!

Larry Smith locked horns with Jack Montgomery in Slalom, stepping from the fray with a one buoy victory. In Trick it was Larry's turn to stand just outside the limelight as Little's 2040 point run bettered his 1360 effort. Pounding the Jump ramp with the courage of a bear, each time getting pounded back by some very unforgiving water, Jack Montgomery was awarded the not-so-coveted Purple Bruise award along with his Jump gold. Men winced and mothers shielded their children as Jack biffed, spreading gear over the surface, gamely climbing on the ski platform to "strap 'em on" and have another go. This ex-Marine eats nails for breakfast!

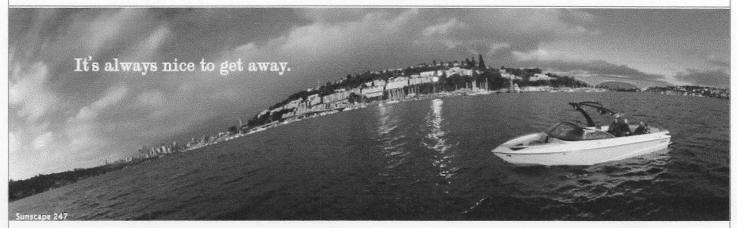
Randy Sharkey got past Paul Manning (1140) and Ken Meloon (1080) in Men 5 Trick. Randy's sons worked with him extensively until his Trick run was as good as the 1360 point run of Men 6 skier Larry Smith, Randy's former, and future, nemesis. In Slalom Randy sent a warning message to Larry that in a year or two, whenever he gets old enough to graduate to Men 6, he will not be denied. Sharkey's Slalom set was just one half a buoy ahead of Smith's best, but these two's Overall battles had been determined by less. Fans across the Midwest were licking their chops at the prospect of these two renewing on-water battles. One wonders if their prenuptial agreement allows Jumping after age whatever. Don Bucher edged John Kniesly for 4th in Trick.

Kniesly, Gary Hall, and Meloon finished 1, 2, 3 in Men 5 Slalom. Hall uncharacteristically went down at 3 ball during his 35' off pass and Kniesly uncharacteristically got through his 35' off pass, scoring a win with 1 at 38' off. Meloon, 3 at 22' off, was followed by Sharkey and Bucher. The jump skis Kniesly had purchased earlier in the day felt great on the dock and coming out of the water. Stung by Kurtis Threlkeld's opinion that he should not even think about buying a pair longer than the boards offered for sale, Kniesly imagined Threlkeld on shore, mouth open in awe as he watched the veteran, self-taught jumper blast off the ramp. He'd show 'em! Once airborne, however, Kniesly reconsidered the wisdom of ever switching to a pair of longer Jump skis, let alone on the day of the big meet. Determined to land his 3rd Jump he was able to tie his 91' record set on a day when he and his skis were as one. Kniesly didn't know it then, but things were to get worse in the days to follow.

The sun set Sunday at the conclusion of another great water ski week-end. Friends from all corners of the state rolled off the site and headed for home, tired but already looking forward to the 2007 Indiana State Water Ski Championships.



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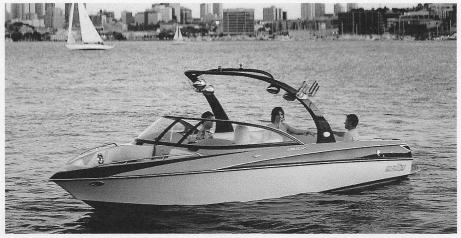
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2006 INDIANA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT FINAL RESULTS

		SLALOM	TRICKS	JUMP	OVERALL
GIRLS 1	1)	Camille Clark			
GIRLS 2	1)	Emma Miner			
GIRLS 3	1)	Amanda Griffith	Amanda Griffith	Amanda Griffith	Amanda Griffith
	2)	Kirby Schmitt	Kirby Schmitt	Kirby Schmitt	Kirby Schmitt
	3)	Jenna Gelbert			
WOMEN 1	1)	Abby Schmitt	Molly Harrison	Abby Schmitt	Abby Schmitt
	2)	Laura Wiacek	Abby Schmitt		
	3)		Laura Wiacek		
WOMEN 2	1)	Carla Stornetta	Sherry Dawson	Carla Stornetta	Carla Stornetta
	2)		Carla Stornetta	Sherry Dawson	
WOMEN 3	1)	Sue Goldman	Ann Kelly		
	2)	Brenda Manley	Brenda Manley		
WOMEN 4	1)	Philippa Shed	Philippa Shed	Cheryl Schmitt	Cheryl Schmitt
	2)	Jean Schmitt	Patty Patterson		
	3)	Cheryl Schmitt	Cheryl Schmitt		
BOYS 1	1)	Nicholas Schedd	Nicholas Schedd		
BOYS 2	1)	Samuel Jackson	Andrew Schmitt	Andrew Schmitt	Andrew Schmitt
	2)	Briant Detty	Clay Schmitt	Briant Detty	Briant Detty
201/0.0	3)	Andrew Schmitt	Briant Detty	Clay Schmitt	Clay Schmitt
BOYS 3	1)	Nate Smith	Jared Sharkey	Chase McCain	Scott Schmitt
	2)	John Reel	Scott Schmitt	Scott Schmitt	John Reel
MEN 1	3)	Chad Tieman	John Reel Cale Burdick	John Reel Kurtis Threlkeld	Cale Burdick
MEN	1)	Casey Contos Cale Burdick	Tom Pollock	Adam Cord	Adam Cord
	2)	Adam Cord	Justin Reel	Will Melton	Will Melton
MEN 2	1)	Brian Dawson	Brandon Bucher	Stephen Wiley	VVIII IVICILOIT
MICIA 2	2)	Brandon Bucher	Bialidoli Bucilei	Andrew Hipskind	
	3)	Benjamin Bailey		Andrew Importing	
MEN 3	1)	Scott Tynan	Mark Quakinbush	Brian Detty	
III LITTO	2)	Chris Clark	Mark Quakinouth	Randy Strebig	
	3)	Brad Beerman			
MEN 4	1)	Kim Contos	Tom Danford	Tom Danford	Tom Danford
	2)	Fredrick Shedd	Steve Plummer	Barry Felton	Barry Felton
	3)	Tom Danford	Barry Felton		
MEN 5	1)	John Kniesly	Randy Sharkey	John Kniesly	John Kniesly
	2)	Gary Hall	Paul Manning		
	3)	Ken Meloon	Ken Meloon		
MEN 6	1)	Larry Smith	Howard Little	Jack Montgomery	
	2)	Jack Montgomery	Larry Smith		
MEN 7	1)	Lester Bender	Gene Lamberson Lester Bender	Gene Lamberson	Gene Lamberson
NCI	2)	Gene Lamberson Champion Expert	Champion Expert	Rookie Youth/	Challenger/Novice
NSL		Men 36	Men 34	Beginner	Men
	1)	Andy Christ	Tom Jackson	Saige Driver	Dave Jarrett
	2)	Matt Irmscher	Mark Pontecorvo	Roth Driver	Austin Duvall
	3)		Jeff Klinkhamer	Zack Willig	Samuel Pontecorvo
	-,		Shannon Eix	Tawn Driver	2
			Steve Gilbert	. Gill Dillo	
		Challenger/Novice	Store Subert		
		Women			
	4)				
	1)	Sabrina Klinkhamer			
	2)	Holi Christ			
	3)	Gina Hohenstatt			

Mike Schmitt Receives Rollie Williams Memorial Award

The 2006 Rollie Williams Award winner is Mike Schmitt from Timberlake Ski Club. Mike has been involved in competitive water skiing for a very long time, dating back to the days of the Evansville Skeeters on the Ohio River . He was an accomplished 3 event skier and skied Regionals and Nationals in the 80's and 90's. Unfortunately, a neck injury brought his competing days to an end. This did not end his involvement in skiing , however . He became a rated driver and judge and could be seen working tournaments from daylight to dark.

In the early 80's, Mike was very active in the development of the Timberlake site, the location of this year's state tournament . His latest venture is a new ski lake near Timberlake . He became familiar with video jump setups and was more than willing to help anyone that needed it at their site.

Mike is married to Rhonda Whetsel Schmitt, a name that many will recognize because of her skiing on the national level . She was many times National champ in her heyday. They have two children and both are active in state, regional and national tournaments. Scott and Kirby are both '3 Eventers' and have represented Timberlake well on all levels.

Congratulations to Mike . He is a deserving recipient and serves the state of Indiana well.

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Indiana State Records

	SLALOM	TRICKS	JUMP	OVERALL
GIRLS 1	Amanda Burney 1 @28off 1996	Kirby Schmitt 1150 2001		Kirby Schmitt 1705.9 2001
GIRLS 2	Amanda Burney	Molly Harrison	Jane Tully	Kris Golden
	4 @ 28 off 1998	3210 2000	74 1979	2012.8 1975
GIRLS 3	Amanda Griffith	Kris Golden	Kris Golden	Amanda Burney
	5 @32 off 2004	3580 1978	102 1979	2562.3 2003
WOMEN 1	Marla Schofield	Kris Golden	Joy Kelley	Joy Kelley
	1 ½ @ 35 off 1996	5680 1981	115 1983	2817 1984
WOMEN 2	Marla Schofield	Jill Smith	Rhonda Schmi	Rhonda Schmitt
	2 @ 35 off 1998	3900 2005	109 1996	3346.4 1998
WOMEN 3	Philippa Shedd	Rhonda Schmitt	Rhonda Schmir	Rhonda Schmitt
	2½ @ 38 off 2000	3650 2000	98 2000	2450.3 2000
WOMEN 4	2½ @ 38 off 2006	Prissy Edwards 3380 2000	Prissy Edwards 80 1999	Prissy Edwards 2975.2 2000
WOMEN 5	Prissy Edwards	Prissy Edwards	Prissy Edwards	Prissy Edwards
	5 @22 off 2005	3290 2005	74 2002	3359.4 2005
BOYS 1	Nate Smith 2000 Sam Jackson 2004 3 @32 off 2000	Andrew Schmitt 1290 2003		Andrew Schmitt 1791.5 2003
BOYS 2	Nate Smith	Andrew Schmit	Todd Smith	Andrew Schmitt
	3 @35 off 2003	2770 2006	100 1977	2759.2 2006
BOYS 3	Cale Burdick	Jared Sharkey	Cale Burdick	Cale Burdick
	1/2 @39 1/2 off 02 & 03	4610 2005	144 2003	3028.2 2003
MEN 1	Casey Contos	Cale Burdick	Tom Truesdale	Cale Burdick
	2@39.5 off 2005	4970 2006	173 1997	2845.3 2004
MEN 2	Brian Dawson 00, 01 03, 04, 06 Chris Clark 2000 2@38 off	4840 1987	Tom Truesdale 169 1998	John Huntzinger 2215.4 1997
MEN 3	Scott Tynan 2006	Tom Danford	Brian Detty	Tom Danford
	1 @ 41 off	4460 1995	149 2001	2614 1994
MEN 4	Kim Contos	Tom Danford	Jim Beck	Tom Danford
	2 @ 39 off 2005	4450 2006	125 2004	2694.2 2006
MEN 5	John Kniesly	Larry Smith	John Kniesly	Randy Sharkey
	1 @ 38 off 2006	2140 2002	91 2005 & 06	2550.9 2001
MEN 6	Lester Bender	Howard Little	Jack Montgome	Gene Lamberson
	3 @ 34 mph 2001	2300 2005	53 2005	1112.3 2001
MEN 7	Lester Bender	Ed Dermond		Gene Lamberson

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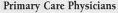
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Waters Edge Hosts 2006 Midwest Regional - Indiana Skiers Make Mark

WILMINGTON, Illinois - Water Skiers from across the midwest converged upon this northern Illinois enclave for the three day 2006 Midwest Regional Water Ski Championships. More famous for bordering the state's most famous correctional facility, Wilmington property values jumped after "Bulldozer" Surdej fired up his Cat and dug two sweet, side-by-side tournament lakes located within easy driving distance of at least eighty percent of the region's competitors.

Indiana Boys and Girls fared very well in the 2006 Midwest ski fest. A star amongst that group was Andrew Schmitt who captured the Boys 2 Trick and Jump titles on his way to an Overall win. Nate Smith took the Boys 3 Slalom title, though not until completing an overtime session to break a 2 at 35' off tie. In Trick Andrew opened his tournament with a 220 point victory over Ohio's Mason Mechler, scoring 2770 points. Mechler regained the Overall lead by completing his 32' off Slalom pass while Andrew had trouble at the 22' off line length, finishing 11th. A slim one foot margin was all that separated Andrew's winning 90 foot jump from second place, but Mechler was well off the distance he needed to unseat the champion.

Other medal winners were Nicholas Shedd, 4th in both Boys 1 Trick and Overall, Clay Schmitt, 3rd in Boys 2 Jump (82') and 5th Overall, Briant Detty, 4th in Boys 2 Slalom (2 at 32' off) and 5th in Jump (77'). Sam Jackson was 5th in Boys 2 Slalom (4 at 28' off). Kirby Schmitt was 5th Overall in Girls 3. In Boys 3 Scott Schmitt finished 3rd in the Overall chase, showing well in Trick (2970 pts / 7th), Jump (118' / 11th) and Slalom (2 at 28' off / 10th).

Camille Clark was 6th in Girls 1 Slalom, Eric Burton was 6th and Nicholas Shedd was 7th in Boys 1 Slalom, Taylor Shedd was 13th and Lake Clark was 20th in Boys 2 Slalom. Alexandria Burton just missed medaling in Girls 2 Slalom, tying for 5th but losing out in the run-off. Chase McCain pounded the Jump ramp for 128' and 10th in Boys 3. Chad Thieman ran 4 at 22' off, tying for 11th in Boys 3 Slalom. Clay Schmitt finished 8th in Trick and 12th in Slalom, and Kirby Schmitt was 6th in Jump and Trick, 16th in Slalom. Jenna Gilbert was 16th in Girls 3 Slalom.

Cale Burdick worked hard even though an absence of Open Men competitors assured the outcome. He rounded 3.5 buoys at 39.5' off in Slalom, Jumped 167 feet, and scored 4920 points in Trick, also capturing the Open Men Overall title. Phillipa Shedd, in similar fashion, took Open Women Slalom with .5 buoy at 38' off. Scott Tynan, Masters Men 34MPH Slalom, had to

work to get his gold, scoring 3.5 buoys at 39.5' off to outpoint two other skiers.

In Women 1 Molly Harrison easily outpointed her closest Trick competitor, Indiana's own Abby Schmitt, scoring 3440 points for the win. Abby had a fine 2nd place Overall effort with her 2nd place Trick (2710), 76 foot Jump for 4th, and 5 buoys at 22' off 5th place Slalom set.

The trio of Carla Stornetta, Sherry Dawson, and Marla Schofield captured 7 of 18 possible medals in Women 2. Each skier found herself without a golden disc due to the great showing of their nemesis from Illinois, Kelly Zoellner, who swept all four top spots. Carla led the ladies' medal count with 2nd place in both Jump (74') and Overall, 3rd in Trick(1960), and 5th in Slalom with 2.5 at 28' off. Sherry, 2nd in Trick (2420), was also 4th in Slalom with 1.5 at 32' off. As she approached the end of her time in the division Marla Schofield was not surprised to find that 3 buoys at 32' off in Slalom would not hold up for the win. Marla's long reign in this division coming to an end means the Women 3 group is in for a shake up next year.

Each of the four Hoosier Men 1 skiers grabbed medals, led by Casey Contos and Adam Cord who finished 1-2 in Men 1 Slalom. Casey's 2.5 at 38' off paced the group with Adam not far back at 4.5 at 35' off. Cord went on to compete in Overall competition (7th in Trick and 8th in Jump) gaining a 4th place finish. Jump specialist Kurtis Threlkeld, remembered for his spectacular crash in the 2005 Regional, found his 2nd place 144' best just 6' away from gold. Aaron Weeks, an lowa skier summering in Bloomington, was 4th in Jump (125').

Men 2 Indiana skiers' medal count included two golds, each won with the narrowest of margins. Brandon Bucher squeaked out a first place Trick finish with only 50 points to spare, needing all tricks in his 3820 point run to count for the win. Brian Dawson scored 6 at 35' off, just one buoy ahead of the Slalom runner-up. Steve Wiley Jumped 107' for 5th place honors. Bucher was 8th in Slalom.

Chris Clark prevailed in a three-way Men 3 Slalom tie after rounding 4.5 buoys at 38' off. Gee whiz, fellas! 3rd place for nearly clearing the 38' off pass? Lithe Women 3 hottie Cheryl Schmitt was rewarded for staying in fine physical condition with a 2nd place Overall medal. Placing 2nd even while unable to land a scoring Jump, Cheryl added a 4th place Trick and 8th place Slalom in pursuing the Overall crown.

Prissy Edwards was her usual Women 4 self, taking Overall in a cakewalk. Her only challenge was in Slalom where she finished in 3rd with 3 buoys at 22' off. Her winning Trick set, 2670 points, was 310 ahead of 2nd and her 62' Jump was also a winner since none of the other ladies dared to take a ride over the ramp.

Brenda Manley debuted in Regional competition with a 9th in Women 3 Slalom. In Men 3 Slalom Jim Ruthrauff was 23rd and Brad Beerman 24th. Gene "the 'chine" Lamberson was 6th in Men-to-the-7th-power Trick.

An embarrassing moment befell one Hoosier skier just moments before he took to the water for the Jump event. Angola CPA Tom Danford, engaging in a riveting discussion with a couple of fellow professionals about the subtleties of Previously Taxed Income and S-Corporations, lost track of the time and was rushed into suiting up for his Men 4 Jump set. In his gear bag Tom found his jumpsuit, helmet, handle, and sling, but, alas, no swimsuit. With no time to spare Danford grabbed his jumpsuit and ducked into the port-o-let near the Jump dock for a quick change. Not wishing to soak his Bermuda shorts Tom figured he'd go commando, something a few years earlier he'd dare not do since his old jumpsuit might have left more of Tom showing than polite society would want to see. Stripped down and struggling to get the jumpsuit on in the close confines of the port-o-let, Tom had succeeded in getting each foot partially through the leg of his suit when his backside bumped the latch. The port-o-let door against which Tom had been leaning popped open and out he rolled onto the scratchy, dusty turf. More or less hobbled by the suit, Tom thrashed on the ground until he could pull the suit up to his hips and get to his feet. Adding insult and calling further attention to Tom's unfortunate predicament, tournament security came rushing, summoned to the scene by a well meaning, but nearsighted, official who thought he saw Tom struggling on the ground with an assailant who happened to be wearing a wet suit. Neopreme-against-skin chaffing exacerbated by dirt and grass inside his suit, Tom certainly had an excuse for his 8th place (87') Jump finish. Tom recovered for a 2nd place Overall finish after a 3rd place Trick (2920) and 14th place, 4 buoys at 35' off, Slalom run.

Kim Contos moved deeper into 39.5' off than all Men 4 Slalom skiers..... save one equally skilled skier who matched Kim's score. In the run-off Kim showed his toughness and repeated as Regional champ. Rick Shedd gained more appreciation of how tough men 4 Slalom can be, his 2.5 at 35' off leaving him 18th. John Kniesly's conditioning program paid off in Men 5 Slalom. Locked in a three-way tie for 4th at the end of competition, Kniesly found himself in a tie for 5th after the first run-off round. The second run-off left the two competitors still tied. Kniesly's eagerness to take to the course for round 4 discouraged the other skier and he withdrew from competition, leaving the medal behind. Don Bucher was 10th in Men 5 Slalom.

Paul Manning needed 30 points more in his 1470 point 6th place Trick run to medal in Men 5 Trick. Kniesly, still adjusting to new, longer Jump skis, found himself in an unnatural position midair on his first attempt. Landing hard on his side, he quickly regrouped and finished his Men 5 set before nerve connections from damaged tissue to brain were re-established, ending up with a 93' runner-up spot.

Howard Little pocketed 3rd place in Trick with 2150 points in front of a Men 6 crowd which, later in the event, witnessed one of the most stirring Overall comebacks of all time. Oft-injured and most certainly worn out from officiating at local ski meets and this Regional ski fest, Larry Smith fell behind by 206 Overall points after his 6th place Slalom pass. His Overall opponent, an import from the Rocky Mountain State, cranked off a 56 foot best in Jump - a distance Larry had not reckoned on. Needing to get all the "pop" he could wring from his creaking frame, Smith's cut created more speed than he'd carried to the ramp in twenty years. Eyes wide shut, he got both skis on the ramp, resisted the g-forces trying to compress him into the ramp surface, and exploded off the top of the jump landing 44' feet out (5th place) and keeping his Overall hopes alive. With Trick the last event Larry's spirits were lifted when he saw Lamberson offering the interloper some advice. Sure enough, a 1470 point Trick pass (5th) nearly doubled his opponent's score and gave Smith a 1.2 point Overall victory!

Next year's Midwest Regional tests the skills and endurance of skiers just in planning and making the trip to Wichita. Qualify and go - you'll have a great time!

AWSA Winter Board Meetings

Over the weekend of 1/25 - 1/28 AWSA holds all their winter meetings to get things rolling for the 2007 season. Three IWSA members took part in many meeting that were held over the long weekend at head quarters. With other newly-elected officers for 2007-2008, Don Bucher was elected USA Water Ski's Chairman of the Board. Don also is an AWSA Vice President, a regional USA Water Ski Director, is on the nominating committee and reports on the NSL and NWL leagues. Tom is the mid west regions treasure, a mid west director and is on the national rules committee. Jim Beck is your Indiana state council person that reports to the mid west board.

A reception was held Saturday evening at the Imperial Swan banquet facility, where USA Water Ski and its respective sport disciplines presented awards to a number of athletes, teams, coaches and volunteers for their accomplishments in 2006. The National Collegiate Water Ski Association honored Cale Burdick with the Most Valuable Male Skier award.

16 Medals Won By Indiana Skiers at 2006 US Nationals

Casey Contos, Tom Danford Repeat Winners at Nationals

BAKERSFIELD, CA – Ski West Village played host to the 65th edition of the National Water Ski Championships August 13-18, attended by twenty Indiana competitors. Those 20 skiers made their presence known, though, bringing home sixteen medals awarded to top five finishers.

2005 Men 4 Overall champ Tom Danford opened up his quest for a repeat in fine style, scoring 2 buoys at 38' off, well off the winning Slalom specialist's score but leaving him at the top of the list of Overall favorites. The next morning Danford's Overall chances took a big hit as his 97' best Jump was well back of his competitors, leaving him in 3rd, and over 200 points behind the leader. Later that day Tom's 4th place, 3770 point Trick run put him on top of the Overall podium by a scant 49 points. Tom's Trick ski did double duty as he lent it to an athlete from Illinois whose ski was misplaced by airline personnel, enabling her to place 5th in her own Trick division!

Casey Contos spent a good bit of the summer considering a new career path and fiddling with his Slalom ski. If nothing else Casey is a master of good timing in that he had his Slalom ski and technique dialed in as he arrived in California to defend his Men 1 Slalom title. With Adam Cord and two other skiers locked at 1.5 buoys at 38' off, Casey took to the water. When the spray settled Casey had blown by the 2nd place group, scoring 3.5 buoys at 38' off. With one issue settled Casey's career is no doubt headed for the top floor, corner office!

Cale Burdick had an excellent Open Men tournament, taking 5th in Slalom with 3 buoys at 39.5' off – just 2.5 buoys off Chris Parrish's winning mark – and taking a 59 point lead among Overall hopefuls. Tripping early on his second pass in Trick, Burdick's 2080 points (4th) doomed him for Overall as Jimmy Siemers scored an even 10,000 Trick points. Never one to give in without a fight, Cale soared 191' off the 5.5 foot ramp, forcing Siemers to do more than just show up. Show up he did, plus, putting Cale in 2nd place for both Jump and Overall with a 196' best off the 6 foot ramp. Siemers' Trick run is the difference here, and Burdick is going to have to make significant progress to gain an Overall title, barring a Siemers miscue.

Slalom specialists Scott Tynan and Kim Contos both carded 3rd place finishes in their hotly contested divisions, each man easily imagining a slightly better finish. Contos, tied for 2nd in Men 4 Slalom with 2 buoys at 39.5' off, did not prevail in the ski-off and brought home the 3rd place medal. Tynan, in Masters 34 MPH Slalom, also tied for 2nd with he and Lucky

Lowe both scoring 2.5 buoys at 39.5' off. Lowe took the runner-up medal in the runoff. Adam Cord again stood on the Men 1 Slalom podium, scoring 1.5 at 38' and moving up a step to the 3rd place step.

Abby Schmitt and Molly Harrison both medaled in Women 1, each taking awards in Trick. Abby's 2710 point run put her 4th and Molly was in a 5th place tie at 2590 points. Schmitt's 2 at 28' off Slalom (12th) and 86 foot Jump (9th) put her on the podium in 5th for Overall.

Prissy Edwards and Florida's Leza Harrison, a Women 5 sophomore, locked horns in Overall competition with Harrison once again getting the better of the former champion. Opening with an impressive 72 foot Jump, ten feet further than her Regional best and good for 2nd, Prissy was hopeful that Harrison's 87 foot winner would not create an insurmountable Overall lead. Harrison's Slalom contribution to her Overall score was more than Prissy's 6th place 3 at 22' off run, dimming Edward's hope for a rally in the next day's Trick competition. Barring a Harrison fall early in both her trick passes the Overall competition was over. Prissy scored 2050, over 600 points under her Regional Trick set, but while good for 3rd it did nothing to improve on her pursuit of Harrison. Still, her 2nd place Overall finish is a tribute to her mastery of all three disciplines.

Andrew Schmitt carded an 8th place Boys 2 Overall finish with twin 10th place Jump (90feet) and Trick (2600 points) results and 2 at 22' off Slalom set. Cousin Clay Schmitt was 19th Overall in the same division, his best event score a 74 foot Jump which happened to tie Hoosier Briant Detty's best and both boys in16th. Sam Jackson got around 4 buoys at 28' off (21st)while Detty's 2.5 at 28' off left him 25th, also in Boys 2.

Paul Manning found a bobble in his first Men 5 Trick run, limiting his score to 1960 and 7th place. Another Trick expert, Howard Little, just missed crashing the Men 6 podium party, his 1790 points just 110 shy of a medal. Chris Clark, Men 3 Slalom specialist, found that .5 buoy at 39.5 off didn't even crack the top 10. Even so, 12th in that crowd is a very fine score. Cheryl Schmitt, Women 4, went for 48 feet in Jump, good for 7th. In Boys 3 Jared Sharkey's 3720 point Trick run put him in 8th. Also in Boys 3 Scott Schmitt's 19th place Overall score resulted from his 113 foot Jump(24th), 3.5 at 28' off Slalom (43rd) and 1860 point Trick (22nd) effort.

In her Nationals debut Slalom star Alexandria Burton finished 43rd in the crowded Girls 2 division.

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Fairland Club is Water Ski Magazine's Club of the Month

In your new Water Ski magazine on page 27 there's a nice article about the Fairland Water Ski Club and the things they've done to get Water Ski mag's attention to make them their water ski club of the month. It's a very nice article, but what they don't mention is all the past tournaments they've held there including some of the more memorable state tournaments we've had. Where else can you swim at the beach, swing on the swings, jump off the diving board as your favorite state skier comes at you around 5 and 6 ball. Play putt-putt golf while you wait your turn to ski. Then there's the volleyball contests and you can't forget the home cooked meals at the tournament banquets.

One of IWSA's biggest events takes place every year at the Fairland site, the Spring Fling. One day every Spring they host a day for dealers to come out set up their products and show room and have a hands on, in water boat show where you can ride in boats, test drive them, ski behind them, ride new boards, skis, or what ever else you may be interested in while the Fairland Ski members and IWSA board members heat the grill to prepare you burgers and hotdogs while you await your turn, or if your just there to check out the new gear. Where else can you get all your local dealers at one convenient location.

Fairland's latest tribute and probably what has gotten WaterSki Magazines attention is their Monday Night Learn to ski clinics. They offer a night open to anyone who wants to try the slalom coarse in a controlled environment. Anyone who loves to ski but doesn't get the chance to ski a slalom coarse can come out to the Fairland Club and challenge themselves through the slalom coarse. They have had these clinics the last few years and have brought many new faces to the sport of water skiing. The results, from start to sundown every Monday they have people waiting to ski, in rain or shine, and hardly ever does anyone get turned away cause of the darkness, but it has gotten pretty dark. Last year Dave Jarrett was recognized by USA Water Ski for organizing the most NSL events in the country, and they'll bring in a dozen or so new memberships per year to IWSA and USA Water Ski.

All for what you might ask. New faces and friendships, the look on the face of a newcomer when they turn one more buoy than the last time? What ever it is that keeps these guys going IWSA realizes that this activity may not be likely to go on forever, and it's not practical for every lake to hold such events as these, but we do agree with WaterSki Magazines choice of Fairland Ski Club as Club of the month.

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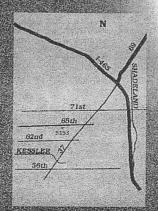
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Bart's Water Sports Indiana Water Ski Association 2006 Awards Dinner & Fall Banquet

The 2006 IWSA Awards Dinner was held November 4th, at the Primo West Banquet Facility in Plainfield just west of Indianapolis. The event was attended by 102 members of IWSA and awards were presented to the following skiers.

The **Barb Miller Memorial Scholarship** was awarded to Molly Harrison

Big Rigger of the Year

Chase McCain - Chase was named to the Midwest Jr. Team for 2006 in March. Was 1st at state in Boy's 3, 10th at Regionals as the youngest in his division and was named most improved for the year. Chase jumped in 7 different tournaments in Indiana (there was only 8) saving his best jump of the year at the last tournament at Silent Shores of 131'. Chase was also the recipient of the Mark Wiggs Memorial Jump Trophy at the state tournament.

Jr. Male Skiers of the Year

Andrew Schmitt - Andrew has had another incredible year. He placed 1st in trick, jump and overall at the 2006 state tournament. He also set a new trick and overall record in boys 2 at the state. He defended his title at the 06 Regionals by placing 1st in trick, jump and overall in Boys 2. At the regional banquet Andrew was awarded the Jeff McCollough Scholarship Award which goes to the top male overall skier at Regionals. Andrew was selected to the Jr. Development Team for the 3rd straight year, and also selected for the Midwest All Star National Team. Andrew skied in all three events at the Nationals and placed 9th overall. His best performances were 90 ft - jump, 2960 - trick and 2 @ 22 off in slalom. Quite a resume for Boys 2.

Most Improved Junior Skier

Clay Schmitt - Clay was named to the Midwest Junior Team for 2006 in August. At the state tournament he was 4th in slalom, 2nd in trick, 3rd in jump and 3rd overall. At Regionals he was 3rd in jump and 5th overall, and made it to Nationals for the first time in all three events in Boys 2.

Most Improved Wakeboarder

Clayton Underwood - Clayton was 1st in Advanced at the NWL Adams/Daily Memorial Tournament on July 6th in the Outlaw at State in August and 3rd in Outlaw at the 2006 NWL National Championships. Now that's progress.

Wakeboard skier of the Yeaar

Ashlan Pagden - Ashlan traveled from Anderson In. to Washington and representing the US, placed 2nd in the Girls WWA World Wakeboard Championships. Placed 1st in NWL National Championships in Women's Intermediate which was held in Muncie In.

NSL Skier of the Year

Andrea Brown - Andrea is always a pleasure to be around. Always smiling, always working to improve. Andrea skied in every NSL Monday Night Ski League held at Fairland (11 of them). Weather it was cold, windy, rainy, or gloomy, Andrea was at the dock with her ski in hand picking up the spirits of others and loving every minute of it.

NSL Male Skier of the Year

Jerry Hodges - Fairland met this skier last year. Jerry attended almost every event last year as well as most all the events this year at the Fairland Monday night Ski League Sessions. Improvements started slow but he was always improving. Jerry was winded to only 4 passes in the beginning and now takes two full sets making more buoys than ever before. Jerry's a joy to be around and always offering help around the dock.

NSL National Coordinator of the Year

Dave Jarrett - Dave, a former NSL skier of the Year himself took the task of coordinating NSL events at Fairland Ski Club. He put together 12 events in Indiana himself, 3 more than any other Coordinator in the country. Dave is the driving force behind the success of the Monday Night Ski activities. Dave does all the paperwork, organization, and puts a lot of his own time and money into running the show. As the events started to overcrowd the Fairland site. Dave or the Fairland Club for that matter didn't turn away anyone, so what did Dave do? - He found another lake to accommodate all the skiers. At the events he coordinated the food and drinks and which was always served with a warm smile. Dave earned a trip to the Pro Am Challenge held in Florida: Skied on a team made up of others from his home state, Don Bucher, Mark Qualkinbush and Jeff Klinkhammer, and placed 2nd on the team championships with pro skier Jason Seals.

Club of the Year

Fairland Ski Club - Fairland hosted 11 of the 12 NSL events in Indiana. Known as their Monday Night Ski League. Fairland also has held the Spring Fling at the site for the last 9-10 years. They also hosted the first ever Purdue Alumni Tournament which has really taken off to be a great event. Club members Gary Hall, Bill Roach, Dave Jarrett, Joe Gray, Jeff Rash, Mike Baker, Mark Powers, John Kniesly, Mark Qualkinbush, and Tom Eggers showed great spirit and dedication to a great sport with their unselfishness to give up their lake one night a week to provide a place for others to learn to ski.

Official of the Year

Jim Beck - Jim has taken on a bunch of officials tasks. He was chief driver of the state tournament, helped officiate at 2 other tournaments, 3 collegiate tournaments and administered 2 drivers upgrade tests and was the Technical Controller for the 2nd straight year at the Midwest Regionals as well as TC at Sawmill Fall Record. Jim also continues to keep the web site updated with all the latest news from around the state and serves on the board as representative to the Mid West Region.

Slalom Skier of the Year

Casey Contos - Casey won this award last year for such a great season, setting a state tournament record in men's 1 with 2 at 39 off. Well guess what. He has done it all again. Sweeping the state tournament, regional tournament and nationals with first place finishes, makes him two for two at nationals. We put the pressure on for a three-peat....

Female Skier of the Year

Philippa Shedd - Philippa set a new state record in slalom. She also tied the National record of 3 buoys at 38 off twice in record capability tournaments. Philippa went to the World Senior Trophy Tournament in South Africa and skied for her homeland team of Great Brittan. There she set a new Europe, Africa and Middle East slalom record of 1 at 38 off. She went on to win tricks with 3550, and jump of 30.2 meters (99') good enough to win the Senior 2 Women's Overall.

Male Skier of the Year

Tom Danford - Tom set a new state record in tricks and overall this year while hosting the State Championships at his home site. Tom won the Men's 4 overall title at the Nationals for the 2nd consecutive year. With that performance Tom was invited to the Pan Am games in Mexico as well as the World Senior Trophy Tournament in Africa. At the Pan Am's Tom skied 7th in slalom, 7th in tricks, 4th in jump for 4th overall to help the US team win the gold. At the World Senior Trophy Tom picked it up a notch taking 4th in slalom, 2nd in tricks and 8th in jump to give him the gold in Overall, and helping the US to gold over Great Brittan.

Outstanding Skier of the Year

Cale Burdick - You can't say enough about this guy. Cale helped with Jr. Development clinic and has had an impact on all the kids at the clinic. At the Collegiate All-Stars in May he defended his 2005 slalom title, was 2nd in tricks, and tied for 2nd in jump with team mate Kurtis Threlkeld, and 2nd overall for a 1st ever Midwest All-Stares Championship. At state he set a new trick record of 4970 points. At Nationals in the Open Division he was just 2.5 buoys behind the world record holder for 2nd place in slalom. Was 5 feet of overtaking a former world record holder in jump with a leap of 191 on a 5.5 ramp. In Sept. he set a new Great Lakes Conference Men's Slalom Record and a new regional

collegiate record of 1 @ 41 off. At the Pan Am Games in Mexico on the 21- under team he won the gold in slalom a bronze in jump and silver in overall. In October Cale won his second National Collegiate Slalom title with 2 @ 41 off, 6 buoys ahead of 2nd place as Purdue fought off some injuries this year to finish 6th in Division One...

Worth Mentioning

Jerry Hodges - Not only was Jerry recognized as one of IWSA's most popular NSL skiers this year, Jerry had the lucky ticket to the new Connelly ski donated to the banquet by PineCrest. Good luck to Jerry with his new ski, we look forward to Jerry to push the limits next year on his new ride

Attention Junior Skiers!!!!

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(Skiers will be assigned one day, and will ski 3 times)
Hawthorn Lake, Danville, Indiana
Clinic welcomes all skier levels from beginning to
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tricking, wakeboarding, and slalom skiing.

Cost: \$30 and lunch is provided
USA Waterski Membership required (One day membership
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Advanced registration required, must register by June 1,
2005

Featured Instructors: Cale Burdick

10 participants per day, limited space available Interested skiers and volunteers contact: Carla Stornetta (317) 370-1053 Purduecarla@indy.rr.com

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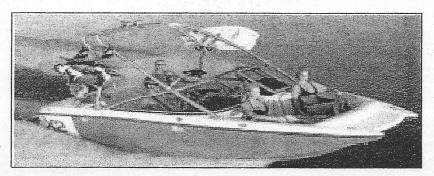
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Timberlake Ski Club to host Barts 2007 Indiana Water Ski Indiana State Championship Tournament

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS: - 7/28/2007 to 7/29/2007

Saturday - 7:00 am

<u>Slalom</u> - NSL W & M, DIS W & M, NW & M, G1-3, B1-3, EW, EM34, EM36, W1-11, <u>Tricks</u> - M1-11 <u>Jump</u> - NW, NW, DIS W & M, G2-3, B2-3, W1-11

Sunday - 7:00 am

<u>Slalom</u> - M1-11 <u>Tricks</u>: NW, NM, DIS W & M, G1-3, B1-3, W1-11 Jump - M1-11

1 Round 3 Event class NIC

Send Entries to:

Jean Schmitt 8001 Timberlake Dr Mt. Vernon , In 47620

<u>Comments</u>: Pre-registration required. Skiers send copy of membership card and entry form with check. Banquet at Fairfield Inn Saturday night...let us know if you plan to attend

Entry - \$40(1 ev) \$50(2ev) \$55(3ev)\$150 family max 10 discount (B_G_NSL) Deadline - 7/17/07

<u>Location</u>: Timberlake, Mt. Vernon, IN; Hwy 62W from Evansville, 8 mile to Ford Rd, follow signs to lake

Accommodations: Fairfield Inn, Evansville, In

812-429-0900

Practice - Friday - Time permitting

Tournament Dir: Sam Schmitt Chief Judge: Carl Truesdale Chief Scorer: Terri Branson Chief Driver: Mark Schmitt Safety Director: Cheryl Schmitt

Timberlake Ski Club in Mt. Vernon, Indiana invites all Indiana state water skiers to the Indiana State Water Ski Championships to be held July 28-29, 2007 at Timberlake, in Posey Co. The 2007 Indiana State Water Ski Championship will mark the club's 4th hosting of this tournament, the first being in 1987, followed by the tournaments in 1995 and 2001.

Fairfield Inn on the west side of Evansville has been designated as host hotel, as well as the site for the banquet on Saturday night. Catering for the banquet will be done by Schnitzelbank's Restaurant and Catering, located in Jasper, IN. Schnitzelbank's is ranked in the Top 10 of Independent Restaurants in Indiana.

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Indiana Water Ski Associatoins' Annual

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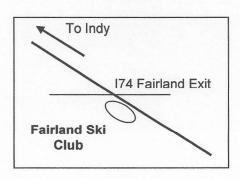
Date: June 3, 2007 Location: Fairland

Boat Show, Equipment Show, Skiing & Wakeboarding, Picnic

Skiers till 12:00 Wakeboarders 12:00 noon and after.

IWSA & USA Water Ski members Free!
Includes skiing, and food!!!
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Hendricks Regional Health 19TH National Disabled Water Ski Championships Comes to Indianapolis







Local Groups win bid for 2007 National Disabled Championships including Indiana Water Ski Association, Rehabilitation Hospital of Indiana Sports Program and Hawthorn Lake Ski Club.

Indianapolis, IN – On July 18-21, 2007 the exciting competition of the 19th WSDA (Water Skiers with Disabilities Association) U.S. National Disabled Water Ski Championships arrives in the Greater Indianapolis area. Skiers from across the United States will convene to compete in Slalom, Trick, and Jump events on the pristine waters of Hawthorn Lake, west of Danville.

Hendricks Regional Health has graciously agreed to be the event's title sponsor. The bid was jointly submitted by Rehabilitation Hospital of Indiana Sports Program (RHI Sports), the Indiana Water Ski Association, and Hawthorn Lake Ski Club, and was approved by the WSDA, a sport division of USA Water Ski. This three day event is sure to thrill spectators with incredible performances by athletes who have not yielded to physical challenges. Athletes who are vision impaired, amputees, paraplegic, and quadriplegic will amaze those on shore, displaying skills and competitive drive known only at the highest level of tournament waterskiing.

Each summer RHI Sports hosts a series of introductory water ski clinics in the Indianapolis area. Special adaptive water ski equipment is provided clinic participants and technical expertise is lent by

instructors, assuring that everyone learns to enjoy the thrill of water skiing. A natural progression from the clinic has been the development of the RHI Sports Water Ski Team. This group of advanced enthusiasts has tackled the water ski slalom course, learned to compete in trick skiing, and have joined an elite group of competitors who bravely ski up and over the jump ramp.

Indianapolis, a center of amateur and professional sports, is a naturally attractive location for national competition in water skiing. The Midwest region of USA Water Ski is home to a large number of water ski competitors, and Indiana is home to many organized water ski clubs similar to our Hawthorn Lake, hosts for the 19TH US Disabled Nationals. Centrally located so that competitors from around the country are not faced with cross-country travel, the tournament site's proximity to airport, hotels, and the amenities of a major city are expected to draw a record number of competitors. Hawthorn Lake's courses are set to extremely tight tolerances so that any national or world record set during the meet's two rounds of competition will stand up to national and world water ski federation scrutiny.

Sighted slalom skiers negotiate turns around buoys placed a set distance from the course centerline and on alternating sides of the towboat path. The effort is made more difficult after each successful pass through the course by a combination of increasing boat speeds, and then a series of towrope shortenings after a maximum speed is reached. A skiers run is ended when they cannot negotiate every buoy in the set course.

Blind slalom competitors are judged by the number of wake crossings to a minimum distance from the course centerline they can make in a set time. A device mounted on the towboat's ski rope pylon measures the rope angle and when the skier reaches a minimum angle from the centerline path a loud horn sounds. At the sound of the horn the skier turns sharply and cuts through the wake, repeating the process on the other side of the boat path. Vision impaired Slalom skiers must negotiate six turns and return to the boat's centerline within a time established by the boat speed to continue to the next pass, run at higher speed and with a shorter time limit.

Trick skiers perform a variety of spins, jumps, and slides on specially designed skis. Each trick is assigned a point value based on difficulty. Skiers are allowed two twenty second passes to amass the greatest number of points they can without repeating the same trick. A fall during any pass ends the skier's pass no matter how much time remains on the twenty second clock.

Jump competitors "simply" ski up and over a 14 foot wide, 22 foot long jump, flying as far as their speed off the top of the ramp will carry them. Top jumpers cut to the base of the ramp which increases their speed over the ramp. Skiers riding traditional jump skis may also depend on some leg spring, or "pop", at the top of the ramp to gain extra distance. Ramp heights vary from 3 feet to as high as 5.5 feet, set at the skier's discretion. Of course, a jump is not scored for any distance unless the skier lands and skis away, which sounds much simpler than it is, at least for the beginner!

Blind jumpers rely on a sighted side skier for positioning in a path toward the jump. As the skier nears the base of the ramp a verbal warning signifies that the blind skier is about to feel the change from skiing on water to the hard, slick ramp and the g-forces of the upward path to the top of the ramp, then flying through the air, then landing — all this happening in a split second!

All competition is divided within gender specific categories assuring that skiers with similar challenges compete fairly against one another. Rigorous testing is done before first time Nationals competitors hit the water to assure that they are fairly classified.

A host of volunteers are required to make the event run smoothly. Chief amongst these are the many water ski tournament officials – drivers, judges, scorers, technical and safety personnel – who assure a good, safe pull and fair treatment for all water ski competitors. Many other volunteer opportunities in non-technical areas are available for individuals, families, and organizations.

Without sponsors an event of this importance is impossible to hold. Competitor goody bags, skier transportation to and from the ski site, official's' housing and meals, awards, fuel, banquets, and more add to the substantial cost of holding the Hendricks Regional Health 2007 National Water Ski Championships. The organizing committee offers several different sponsorship packages, one of which is certain to meet the desires of prospective sponsors.

The 2007 WSDA US Disabled Nationals is great competition and great family entertainment. WSDA competitors are an inspiration to all and drive home the lesson that great things can be achieved by people who have the desire and discipline to excel.

Come and join the crowd as we celebrate and honor the performances of these highly skilled athletes who have traveled to our home town to compete at the Hendricks Regional Health 2007 National Disabled Championships!

Directions to Hawthorn Lake from Indianapolis, I-465 on west side: take US 36 west through Danville to Indiana Highway 75 (New Winchester), go south on IN 75 about 1 mile. Hawthorn Lake is on east side of highway.

Preliminary Schedule

Wednesday, July 18 – 8am to 5pm, practice, site familiarization, followed by Sponsor Reception including athletes, officials and volunteers.

Thursday, July 19 and Friday, July 20 – 8am opening ceremonies and start of two rounds of competition in Slalom, Trick, and Jump

Saturday, July 21 – 8am, final rounds of Slalom, Trick, and Jump. Awards Reception and Banquet at Primo, Plainfield, IN on Saturday 6 PM.

Sunday, July 22 - rain date.

Contact for more event information: Carl Truesdale 317-852-5138; mobile 317-442-9867 e-mail: bigrigbrc@indy.rr.com John Kniesly 317-255-3423; mobile 317-402-8517 e-mail: jkniesly@finsvcs.com or go to: www.lndianawaterski.org

Rehabilitation Hospital of Indiana Sports Program (RHISP):

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RHISP is dedicated to providing competitive and noncompetitive athletic and recreational activities to individuals with disabilities to enhance quality of life, promote physical and emotional fitness, introduce recreational and wheelchair sports and challenge participants to perform at a competitive level. www.rhin.co

Arbor Homes Charity Golf Outing coming May 24th for the benefit of: WSDA, IWSA, and RHI Sports Disabled Nationals Water Ski Tournament

The fourth Arbor Homes Charity Golf Outing will be held at Southern Dunes Golf Club on Thursday, May 24th.

Arbor Homes is excited to again have the opportunity to give back to the community! For the past three years, money raised from the Golf Outing has gone towards funding for the Fortville Skate Park and the Indiana Youth Institute.

This year Arbor Homes is excited to announce that the fundraising efforts will benefit the Water Skiers with Disabilities Association. The organization is committed to the development and inclusion of amateur athletics for people with disabilities. This organization allows athletes with visual impairments, amputations, paraplegia and quadriplegia to compete in waterskiing competitions, specifically the 2007 Disabled National Water Ski Tournament to be held July 18th -22nd at Hawthorn Lake near Danville, IN. This is the first disabled national tournament to be held in the state of Indiana.

Arbor Homes hopes that this year's Golf Charity Outing turnout exceeds the previous years. Last year's event raised \$15,000 in total donations.

Again, Arbor Homes has opportunities for sponsorships, donations (monetary and prize) and golf participants. For more information on this year's golf outing, please contact Eric Bernard at ericb@youraborhome.com or 317-842-1875 ext.133.

New Water Ski Training Program

The Indy Parks' Therapeutic Recreation manager has agreed to add a water ski training program to her menu of activities available to the public, beginning this spring/summer. The Program will operate two nights per week (ie Tues and Thurs, 5pm to 8:30pm). The proposed program will blend disabled and non-

disabled participants. A site on White River has been granted a permit by IN Dept of Natural Resources for installation of a slalom course and operation of the parks department program from May to October, 2007. The Indy Parks has requested a budget for the program's first year. Items which will need to be purchased include a floating dock with a wheelchair ramp, an Accufloat River Slalom Course, PVC pipe, buoys, buoy line, anchor materials and anchor line. A new water ski club, promising open and affordable membership for both disabled and able-bodied, must be organized to support the program.

Those interested should contact John Kniesly at jkniesly@finsvcs.com or call 317-469-1204

Safety Clinic 2007

When: April 21, 2007

Where: Avon High School, Avon In Time: 9:00 am to about 5:00 pm

Cost: \$20 to IWSA

\$25 to American Red Cross

Bring: swim suit & towel lifejacket or vest wetsuit (optional)

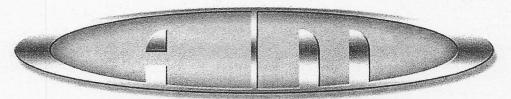
American Red Cross certification in adult CPR and basic first aid.

You must be and "Active" USA Water Ski Member. Bring your card.

We will stop for a quick lunch (fast food). We will get into the swimming pool at the conclusion of the class.

Directions to Avon High School (west of Indianapolis): from I-465, exit US 36 west (Rockville Rd.), travel about 5-6 miles to Dan Jones Rd., turn left (south) on to Dan Jones, at the 3rd stop light turn right (west), the high school will be a quarter mile on your left. Turn into the first parking lot and enter the last door on the east side of the building.

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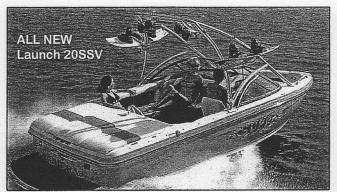




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3	Spring Fling	Fairland	Dave Jarrett, 6342 Badger Drive, Nineveh, IN, 46164	davejarrett//@aol.com	317 933-2666
6, 7	Disabled Clinic	Morse Lake	John Kniesly, 5339 N. Park, Indianapolis, IN 46220	JKniesly@finsvcs.com	317-255-3423
8	Disabled Elite - Hawthorne	Danville	John Kniesly, 5339 N. Park, Indianapolis, IN 46220	JKniesly@finsvcs.com	317-255-3423
13-15	Disabled - Lake Purdue	Layfette	John Kniesly, 5339 N. Park, Indianapolis, IN 46220	JKniesly@finsvcs.com	317-255-3423
16	Sawmill Record 3 Rd. Slalom	Columbus	Scott Tynan, 13111 Wildflower Dr., Columbus, IN 47274	t+ltynan@reliablenet	812-372-1510
16	Timberlake - 3 rd. Pick & Choose	Mt. Vernon	Dan Custer 8101 Timberlake Drive Mt. Vernon In 47620	djcust@aol.com	812 985 5904
20, 21	Junior Development Clinic	Danville	Carla Stornetta, 7719 Shady Hills Dr., Indianapolis, IN 46278	purduecarla@indy.rr.com	317-370-1053
22	Big Rig Jump Clinic	Danville	Ginny Burney , 5637 W. 700 North, McCordsville, IN 46055	ginnybumey@indy.rr.com	317-335-2999
23, 24	Hawthorne 3 Event Record	Danville	Ginny Burney , 5637 W. 700 North, McCordsville, IN 46055	ginnyburney@indy.rr.com	317-335-2999
25	Trick Clinic	Danville	Randy Sharkey, 12266 Jefferson, Mishawaka, IN 46545	rsharkey@concord.k12.in.us	574-255-3572
	JULY				
	SKI/ MD Boats - NSL Event	Shelbyville	Dave Jarrett - see front of flyer	davejarrett00@aol.com	
7 & 8	Silent Shores - Slalom & Trick, R	Thorntown	Debbie Wagner, 5758 N 900 West, Thorntown, IN 46071	jdwagner01@insightbb.com	765-436-7714
1,	Angola 2 rd. 3 event - N, C, E, L	Angola	Tom Danford, 6850 W. South Lake Gage Dr, Angola, IN. 46703	tdanford@locl.net	260-833-1702
15					
18-21	WSDA Nationals	Danville	USAWS	BigRigBRC@indy.rr.com	317-852-5138
28 / 29	Bart's Indiana State Championships	Evansville	Jean Schmitt, 8001 Timberlake Dr, Mt. Vernon , In 47620		812-985-5904
	AUGUST				
	SKI/ MD Boats - NSL Event	Shelbyville	Dave Jarrett - see front of flyer	davejarrett00@aol.com	
3-5	Midwest Regionals	Kansas			
13-18	3 EVENT Nationals	Bakersfield, CA	See USAWATERSKI.ORG		
25-26	Purdue Alumni 3 event	Danville	Jean Schmitt 8001 Timberlake Dr. Mt. Vernon, IN 47620		812 985-5904
	SEPTEMBER				
	SKI/ MD Boats - NSL Event	Shelbyville	Dave Jarrett - see front of flyer	davejarrett00@aol.com	
1	Champion Lake - 3 rd. Pick & Choose	McCordsville	Ginny Burney , 5637 W. 700 North, McCordsville, In 46055	ginnyburney@indy.rr.com	317-335-2999
3	Cindonway 3 Rd. Slalom, C & NSL	Syracuse	Don Bucher, 2905 E. Bucher Dr, Syracuse, IN 46567	dbucher@kconline.com	574-658-9305
8	Timberlake - 3 rd. Pick & Choose	Mt. Vernon	Jean Schmitt 8001 Timberlake Drive Mt. Vernon In 47620	MSschm49862@aol.com	812 985 5904
8-9	Silent Shores R Sl. & Trick, C - Jump	Thorntown	Mike Patterson, 164 Cedarwood Dr, Mooresville, IN. 46158	MKPat335@aol.com	317 831-8119
15	Sawmill Record Slalom	Columbus	Scott Tynan, 13111 Wildflower Dr., Columbus, IN 47274	t+ltynan@reliablenet	812-372-1510

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