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Spring Newsletter

What's Coming;

Club Nights

Have started with daylight saving after 4th October 2010, every Wednesday night.

Camping Weekend

The Camping at Lake Mahinerangi over the Waitangi weekend has been really popular, so we will do it again on the 5&6 February 2011.

Otago Secondary Schools Water Ski Tournament

The OWSC again is organising a tournament to be held at Perkins Pond, **Sunday 20th February 11**. For details check our calendar on the website.

Club Champs

The Club Champs will be, weather permitting, held on the **13th March 11**, at Lake Waihola. We will run build up Slalom Champs during the season.

General Calendar

All these dates are also on the calendar on our web-site.

- Surrey Bay Club Competition
- Season Closing BBQ -> TBA

During the season we will also run coaching and fun days, trips to other lakes and the occasional fundraiser.

Full Calendar can be found on:

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President's Report

This year promises to be another busy one for OWSC. It started for the Sises and Burrows on 2nd October when we skied "Two Seasons in One Day", first at the Ohau ski field, followed in the afternoon by a ski on Lake Benmore. We finally did it (after talking about it for years)!

Wednesday club nights have been very busy this season, although I've already missed a few due to travel commitments. There is nothing like getting out on the water regularly to improve your skiing and catch up with skiing buddies. Please call Glyn (027 454 6073) by end of Tuesday so that we can arrange boats. We've had to turn skiers away this season so needless to say it is important that when you book a seat you actually turn up.

We are also going to run more slalom comps this season, and will ensure that all levels of single skier can compete. We will have both novice and championship divisions on 28th Nov, 19th Dec at Surrey Bay, 5/6 Feb at Mahinerangi, and at the Club Champs on 13 March. Points from each

event will count toward season totals.

The plan is to run the comps using our floating course, installing it at Surrey Bay, Waihola. The turn off to Surrey Bay is 1.5 km south of Waihola on state highway 1 (look for the shoe/bra fence), and a paper road extends right down to the water. There is a nice viewing area and beach, so spectators will get a great view of the course. We're hoping this move will encourage more skiers and spectators as Surrey Bay will be a much nicer venue than our permanent course which is rather out of the way for spectators.

Building on the success of the Otago Secondary School Water Ski Champs, we're running it again on Sunday 20th February 2011. Southland are keen to run a joint event with us, but we'll look at this in 2012. This season, the top place getters from the



Otago and Southland secondary champs will ski off for Southern region places at the Wanaka slalom on 5th March.

Glyn and I are coaching a development squad of secondary students who are keen to get places at the secondary champs, and indications so far are that everyone is keen to improve. It is very gratifying to see the enthusiasm and interest from this age group (especially so early on a Sunday morning).

Lots to do, places to ski, so without further adieu I wish you all the best for the 2010/11 season.

Greg

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Subs are due! Pay by 30th November and receive a discount – don't miss out! Subs form at end of this newsletter.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Abby,

I've never written to you before, but I really need your advice. I have suspected for some time now that my wife has been cheating on me.

The usual signs are phone rings, but if I answer, the caller hangs up. My wife has been going out with "the girls" a lot recently, although when I ask their names she always says, "Just some friends from work, you don't know them.."

I always try to stay awake to look out for her coming home, but I usually fall asleep. Anyway, I have never approached the subject with my wife. I think deep down I just didn't want to know the truth, but last night she went out again and I decided to really check on her.

Around midnight, I decided to hide next to the garage behind my boat so I could get a good view of the whole street when she arrived home from a night out with "the girls". When she got out of the car she was buttoning up her blouse, which was open, and she took her panties out of her purse and slipped them on.

It was at that moment, crouching behind the boat, that I noticed some hairline cracks in the hull, right where the aluminium of the hull meets the transom.

Is this something I can fix myself or should I take the boat into the yard for repairs?

John

Club Nights

Club nights are every Wednesday night.

If you keen to join us, you must book a spot on a boat.

To be part of the crew, it is essential to;

- Contact (cell phone) Greg -027 499 5261 or Glyn -027 454 6073 by 5pm the previous night
- If the lake is rough, we are most likely at Henley. Cell phone coverage is poor down there. This move will be announced on notice board at the club house
- Show up on arranged time. We will be there from 5pm till 9pm.

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Go for a look and enjoy.

Stefan





SUBSCRIPTION FORM FOR 2010/11 SEASON

!! Subs are due by 30th November 2010. Please be prompt !!

SINGLE\$55.00

FAMILY\$75.00

KEY\$10.00

(Key is optional for new members or when locks are changed.
Key gives access to the Club's Rooms at Lake Waihola.)

**Pay on or before
30th November 2010 and
receive a \$10 discount on
family sub or \$5 on single sub**

NAME(S)

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EMAIL ADDRESS 2

(*As a cost saving measure we are emailing newsletters and other communications.
If you have email, please supply us with your email address.)

PLEASE FIND ENCLOSED \$.....

Tick this box if you require a receipt:

Privacy: The club wishes to distribute your contact details to all club members. Tick
this box if you do NOT want your contact details included in the
membership list.....

Note: Non-financial Members cannot participate in Club Events or use the facilities.

Please mail your cheque to Box 545 by 30th November 2010 Thank You!

For any enquires please write to above address, or phone one of these people:

Greg Sise, President, 03 454 2488 or 027 499 5261

Laurence Simpson, Treasurer, 489 5450 or 027 299 5121

Bank account: Otago Water Ski Club, Westpac trust, Moray Place, 03-0905-0932945-00



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Water skiing is a sport the whole family can enjoy, from pre-schoolers to grandparents. The popularity of the sport is evident with the high number of people skiing around the Otago waterways. We as a club offer members a number of activities ranging from recreational through to competition skiing.

Water skiing is on of those rare sports where the whole family can participate and enjoy as a family unit. The OWSC offers facilities where, coaching and club events to help make your skiing safe and more enjoyable.

CLUB ROOMS

The club has their rooms located on the Lake Waihola Domain adjacent the ski lane, in fact virtually on the water line. The facilities include a shower, toilets, range, Zip for hot water, large BBQ and a large lounge over looking the lake. Keys are available to financial members.

COACHING

The club runs coaching days and nights to cater for all types of skiing. We bring in Kiwi coaches with international experience to provide in-depth coaching to all levels. Like any sport, hints on technique make the task that little bit easier and much more enjoyable. Learners to competitive skiers find these sessions helpful.

SLALOM & TRICK SKIING

Slalom skiing through a course of six turn buoys provides the ultimate challenge to the competitive skier and a challenging goal to the recreational skier. During organised events we add training buoys to our slalom course on Lake Waihola to make it easier for novices to get a clear run.

TRICK SKIING

We also have available a pair of trick skis from the club rooms which means that club members can experience this form of the sport without the financial outlay of a dedicated pair of trick skis.

BAREFOOT SKIING

This has been popular over the years and coaching sessions are run from time to time for those interested in skiing without skis.

SKI JUMPING

Does this sound like fun? The jump, permanently anchored at the southern end of Lake Waihola, is the latest addition to the club's permanent facilities, costing over \$10,000. It is also the most exhilarating form of waterskiing and we even have two pairs of jump skis for those who wish to adding jumping to your repertoire.

COMPETITIONS

Each year we run our own club champs with events for all of the disciplines above subject to numbers. We also run an annual Southern Regional event on Lake Waihola with the Southland club which attracts competitors from all age groups. We have recently set up new slalom turn buoys for novices to 'cut their teeth on' while learning to make it through the full course.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

The club has both family and individual senior subscriptions – SEE FORM OVER PAGE.