

GREATER MIAMI SKI CLUB

"The World's Best Ski Site"

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GMSC Newsletter

May 2010

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Change in liability coverage.** In an effort to further protect club members and the Club from liability, during the February meeting the Club voted on, and approved, an increase to liability coverage on all ski boats operating at the club. Boat owners need to contact their insurance company and request an increase in their coverage be made, from \$300,000 to \$500,000 per occurrence. This should be accomplished by no later than the corresponding premium renewal.
- **Pre-meeting dinner.** Join other GMSC Members and friends on May 13th for our pre-meeting BBQ dinner. Dinner will be at the north lot clubhouse starting at 7:00 pm followed by the May meeting starting at 8:30 pm.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM APRIL MEETING *(complete minutes are available, contact Hans at gmsc_news@bellsouth.net if you would like to receive a copy).*

- **Courses:** All courses are in excellent condition.
- **Docks:** Tom will be inspecting all dock lines prior to Kids Day.
- **Entertainment:**
 - Thank you George for providing dinner for the April pre-meeting BBQ. Paula Fay will provide dinner for the May meeting.
 - Arturo Nelson will be organizing a go-cart evening.
- **Grounds:**
 - Shorty is doing a great job; he will be removing the dead trees.
 - Thank you to all that helped during clean-up day.
- **Island:** No report.
- **Jump:** The jump needs to be waxed and the course needs repair. Dennis and Joe have started to work on the course repairs.
- **Membership:**
 - Jenna Gay, Mordechai (Moti) Gelbhauer, Maryann Guzy, and Tim Hocklander were voted on and approved as new members.
 - Javier Carbi, Fabiola Carbi, Patti Smith, and Whitney Smith attended as prospective members.
- **Shoreline:** No report.
- **Sunshine:**
 - Page Hickey is going to High Point College and Katlin is going to Davidson. Enjoy college!!!
 - John Luzoro is graduating from college this year. Congratulations John!!!
 - Erin Matters stepdaughter has recently gotten engaged. Congratulations!!!
 - Kevin King is going to the University of Nevada while Kristi King recently graduated from the University of Nevada Graduate School. Congratulations to you both!!!
- **Safety Tip:**
 - The USA Waterski safety programs have drastically reduced injuries.

- All guests must sign the release form as soon as they arrive at our site; it must be signed whether they ski or not.
- Pick up floating debris and check out the course for debris prior to skiing.
- Longer shock tubes work better than the short ones.
- Always turn the boat engine OFF when the driver is getting out of their seat.
- Kids should always wear a flotation vest.
- Remember to use the prescribed patterns for boat driving around our lake.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The BOD is requesting a bylaws change to increase the guest fees from \$1.00 to \$5.00 per guest and the penalty for not registering a guest increased from \$10.00 to \$100.00 per violation. Members shall pay their guest fees at the time the guest signs the liability release. Any member allowing a non-member to operate a boat at the Club shall result in that member losing membership privileges for a period of not less than thirty (30) days. The motion was made by George Levien and seconded by Mike Fay.
 - a. Article VIII: Guests, Section 1, a, of the bylaws.
 - b. The motion was voted on during the April meeting and was approved 24 to 1.
- USA Waterski recently rejected a name change to USA Waterski and Wakeboard.
- Leslie Lazo suggested we sell coupon books to pay for guest fees. Leslie also thinks we should have ID cards for all members.
- Henrik Laursen will be presenting new ideas to raise money for the Club.
- Mike Fay discussed the wakeboard tournament called Board Up Miami being held in April at the Miami Marine Stadium.
- Kim Laursen discussed a Radar demonstration to be held at our Club in April. Aaron Larkin, Mike Ferraro, and Chris Sullivan were going to be demonstrating Radar equipment.
- The member information in the roster of our web site needs to be updated by the general membership. Contact Hans at gmsc_news@bellsouth.net for your login information.
- Please empty trash containers and take the trash to our dumpster.
- Please remember to pay your guest fees and sign the release form for every guest. The release form should be filled out legibly.
- Remember to lock-up if you are the last one leaving the facilities. Doors have been found wide open or unlocked in multiple occasions.
- If you need police assistance for anyone trespassing on the Club's property, call (305) 476-5423 for the Doral Police Department.
- If you need a remote opener for the gates at the club, contact George Levien at skigeorge@mindspring.com
- If problems occur with the electric gates, please contact Leo Ferradaz.
 - Home: 305.485.0272
 - Cell: 305.216.6254
 - Email: lferradazjr@yahoo.com

UPCOMING DATES

Club Dates

- May 13: Ski Club Meeting at 8:30 pm (BBQ at 7:00 pm).
- June 10: Ski Club Meeting at 8:30 pm (BBQ at 7:00 pm).
- July 8: Ski Club Meeting at 8:30 pm (BBQ at 7:00 pm).
- August 12: Ski Club Meeting at 8:30 pm (BBQ at 7:00 pm).

Tournaments

- The following are the dates for the GMSC Tournaments:
 - May 22-23: Miami Nautique International Championship. Record & 3 round slalom. The tournament is almost full; if you want to take part in it you need to enter now.
 - June 12-13: Class C, 3 Event, 3 RD Pick & Choose
 - October 9-10: Record Slalom – GMSC
- Arturo Nelson is going to sponsor a 3 round slalom fun tournament to raise funds to assist Kyle Eade and his family. Kyle was recently seriously injured in jump practice for the 50th Moomba Masters.

IN SEARCH OF A SKI PARTNER

- Looking for a ski partner? Please contact Hans (gmsc_news@bellsouth.net). A list is available with members that don't have a regular ski partner and need someone to ski with.

CLASSIFIEDS

- For rent. Adorable, immaculate, re-done ski home on Lake June in Lake Placid. It is 3/3, has great large sunset views of the lake. New boat house with lifts. Huge screened porch with ping pong table. 2 car garage. It is awesome and owners are willing to rent it out to ski club members, monthly or by the week. This 3,600 acre lake has lots of glass smooth conditions for water sports. Contact Paula Fay at 305.205.9002 or at raroot@aol.com.
- George is selling ropes (\$35), handles with vinyl (\$35), and shock tubes (\$20). Contact him at skigeorge@mindspring.com.
- GMSC members will receive 10% off the purchase of watersports equipment and PCM/Indmar parts. Go to Henrik's website www.miamiskinautiques.com and use code GMSC.
- Detailing of boats plus complete service done on site. Contact Henrik at 305.438.9464 for quote.
- Looking for information on boat spots? Contact George at skigeorge@mindspring.com.

If you have comments regarding this newsletter, or would like to include something in an upcoming newsletter, please contact Hans at gmsc_news@bellsouth.net.