

GREATER MIAMI SKI CLUB

"The World's Best Ski Site"

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GMSC Newsletter

September 2010

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Change in date for the September meeting.** Please note that the date for the September meeting has been changed, from September 9th to September 16th. This is due to the World Championship taking place and many of the Board Members not being present on the 9th (there would not be a quorum). So mark your calendars for September 16th with dinner starting at 7:00pm followed by the meeting starting at 8:30pm.
- **Nominations.** The nominations for election of club officers will be open at the next meeting in September. Nominations followed by the elections will be held at the October meeting.
- **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.

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

- **Courses:** Please replace buoys that are damaged or let Arturo know and he will replace them.
- **Docks:** No report.
- **Entertainment:** Thank you Randy Yackee and the Hickey's for a great dinner.
- **Grounds:** Shorty is doing a great job.
- **Island:** Mike Flynn has been cleaning up the island. It looks great!!!
- **Jump:** The jump needs to be waxed.
- **Membership:**
 - Leslie Altman and David Hernandez were voted on and approved as new members.
 - Jamie Odcbechain attended as a prospective member.
- **Shoreline:** No report.
- **Sunshine:**
 - Bob Gauss, and old time member passed away at the age of 80.
 - Rachel delivered a new child, Andrew John Ferradaz, for a proud dad, Leo. Congratulations to both!!!
- **Safety Tip:**
 - Watch out for floating debris.
 - We recommend wearing a life jacket when you are trick skiing.
 - **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 North clubhouse has a roof leak. Ed Hickey made a motion to allocate up to \$3,000 for the repairs. Bill Alderman seconded the motion. There was going to be a vote to approve this expenditure at the September meeting but the cost to fix the roof was less than expected and hence no vote is required. The roof has been fixed.
- Mike Fay introduced his new venture, Miami Wakeboard Cable Complex.
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- Please empty trash containers and take the trash to our dumpster.
- Remember to pay your guest fees and sign the release form for every guest. The release form should be filled out legibly and include the member's name.
- **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

- September 16 (new date): Ski Club Meeting at 8:30 pm (BBQ at 7:00 pm).
- October 14: Ski Club Meeting at 8:30 pm (Last BBQ at 7:00 pm).
- November 11: Ski Club Meeting at 7:30 pm.
- November 20: Annual Ski Club Banquet.
- December 9: Ski Club Meeting at 7:30 pm.

Tournaments

- The Miami World Record Slalom tournament (3 rounds) will be held October 9-10.
- The results for the water ski Florida States, Southern Regional, and Nationals are attached. Congratulations to all of those that participated in these events.
- The Fay family attended the Nationals for wakeboarding. The entire family skied and placed: Paula 4th, Mike 5th, Marla 5th, and Meredith 5th. They will all be competing at the Worlds in Orlando.
- George Levien and Ed Hickey will be attending the Senior World Water skiing event in Italy.

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.