

Welcome New Members!

We are very excited to begin our 2011 water-ski season as we prepare the production of our spin on the Wizard of Oz. As a new member, we want to make sure you know about our practice and show schedule, equipment, opportunities to get involved and key dates for the team.

Before you are able to practice with the team, you will need to be USA Water-Ski insured. You can do this at www.usawaterski.org or calling (863) 324-4341. You will need your membership confirmation code or printed copy to participate in practices. You will also need to sign up for WWSF membership. You will need to contact Shelly Murphy to set up the WWSF membership as she will have login and password information (murf84.84@wildblue.net).

Depending on the weather, we will start our water practices in the beginning of May. The water can be a little cold so many of the members wear wetsuits and/or spandex pants and shirts. Wetsuits can be purchased at sporting goods stores, Lake Elmo Watersports online, or you may find a member with a used wetsuit. Male skiers may be interested in barefoot suits which include flotation (check with a member if you are interested). Our first show is scheduled for June 2nd at 7:00 PM. June through August we perform two shows per week on Tuesday and Thursday nights. We practice on Monday and Wednesday nights. Our practices and shows are held at Mueller Park in Wrightstown, WI.

The ski team has all of the ski equipment at our ski site in Mueller Park. We have tons of board skis, step-off skis, jump skis, trick skis, kneeboards, ropes and more. For girls, we do have extra flomos (similar to a life jacket but less bulky and without the buckles) at the site. However, many skiers do prefer to purchase their own through Lake Elmo Watersports. Girls will also need to purchase a one piece nude suit for shows through Action Dancewear. For guys, you will need to rent or purchase a team wetsuit for use during the shows. In order to coordinate sizes and decisions for the show wetsuits, you can contact the show director Dave Vanschyndel at jdvan5@hotmail.com or (920) 788-5938.

In preparation for the ski season, we spend many hours working on sewing costumes, selecting music, developing the theme, and raising funds. If you are interested in helping out, let us know and we can help get you involved. In addition, our team is more than just a team of water-skiers. We have a lot of help behind the scenes from friends and family for dock crew, boat drivers, safety boat drivers, pinners, sound, concessions, sponsors, ropes, and more. If you know of anyone who is interested in helping out we encourage them to join the team.

Below are the major dates for our ski team in 2011:

- July 4th 2:00 PM 4th of July Show (Paid Show) Downtown Green Bay
- July 20th 6:30 PM (Wed) Special Show for Stifel Nicolaus at Home Site
- July 21st – July 24th WI State Tournament in Wisconsin Rapids (We ski on Sunday)
- August 20th End of the Year Party in Crivitz (Brice's Cabin)
- August 27th 6:00 PM Festival on the Fox (Paid Show) Home Site
- September 3rd Marina Fest (Paid Show) Sister Bay

Thanks for joining the team. We love to have new members and we hope you have a wonderful summer as a part of the Waterboard Warriors...WE ARE...WATERBOARD!

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