



Newsletter Spring 2011

Welcome Back

The flowers are out, the sun is starting to shine, and lake thoughts are on our minds! As I write this newsletter I am already thinking about my time on the water. On April 15th I will break out my drysuit and brave the waters.

Last year was a great summer with some fantastic clinics and a big turn out at the club tournament. We had 21 skiers and 18 wakeboarders in the tournament, most people walked away with some great prizes. Read on to find out more about the club tournament and the announcement of a new event. We hope to see more participants and some even better prizes this year.

I would like to thank the past executive for all of their hard work, without them the club would not have survived. Brad Edgelow, Tracy Michael, Marian Foxall, and Cindy Dekker have been a great executive team and we appreciate all that they have done for us. We continue to work with them to ensure a smooth transition with our new executive team, they are as follows

Ken Johnston – President
Craig Campbell – Treasurer
Karen Dye – Secretary
Chris Saunders – Director of Clinics
Gord Cameron – Event Coordinator
Spencer Grimm – Director at Large
Deb Grimm and Wendy Burlin – Directors of Clothing and Merchandise
Brian Welch - Course Maintenance Director
Cindy Dekker – Past President

Please feel free to contact any of us!

We are very excited about the summer and all the great events that are planned. The executive team has been working hard over the winter to make sure that we are providing the best clinics and fun events for the members. Thank you for all the great feedback last year, so read on to find out what has been planned on the lake for the summer of 2011.

The goal of our club is to promote watersports on the lake, we want to make sure that everyone is getting out whether you are 3 or 83, we want you on the water! Keep the feedback coming; please let us know if you have any suggestions on how we can make the club even better.

Ken

Club Events

AGM

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday, May 22nd at 1:00 pm on the Ski Dock, rain or shine followed by the social at 2:00pm. Everyone is welcome, this is the best time to come out and provide your input to the club.

A friendly reminder, please do not bring dogs. Thank you.

Sunday Skiing

New this year, we have decided to try “Sunday Skiing” on the lake. Sunday skiing is a drop-in clinic for individuals who want to get some additional ski instruction from members on the lake. This will be a very informal clinic where we will use our members to help other members improve their skills. This is also a great time just to come by the dock and check things out, young or old just come out and have some fun. We will supply the driver and boat, there will be a nominal charge for gas. Keep your eye on your inbox for the start dates.

Instructional Clinics

Based on popular demand, we will be offering all of the great clinics that we had last summer!

Karina Nowlan – co-world record holder- is coming back to the lake for 2 sessions this year. If you are skiing on one ski then this clinic IS FOR YOU!!! Karina has a huge passion to teach and she has tons of energy, you will definitely improve your skiing.

Session 1: July 1st – 3rd (Please note new dates)

Session 2: August 19th – 21st

(various time slots still available for both sessions, please email Ken if you would like to reserve a spot kjohnston@solguard.com)

Check out her website at www.karinanowlan.com and on YouTube to watch her ski. Thank you to Brad and Carla Edgelow for hosting Karina.

Joel Perkins of Cove Watersports will be back to give a fun and entertaining wakeboard and slalom clinic. **Joel will be on the lake August 5th-7th.** Thank you to Ken and Cheryl Johnston for hosting Joel.

Richard Gray, will return once again to teach barefooting to everyone **Richard will be at the lake July 22nd and 23rd.** Thank you to Chris and Cindy Saunders for hosting Richard.

There will be a sign up sheet for the clinics available at the AGM (Sunday May 22nd). Please come with cheques payable to SLSBC.

Please note change/cancellation policy for all clinics: if you would like to change or cancel a clinic it is up to the individual member to swap times with another member or find a member to take your spot. There will be no refunds given

Club Tournament

Once again SLSBC Tournament will be a 1 Day Competition, with back to back events on Saturday August 13th, 2011. (alternate day Sunday in case of rain). There are exciting improvements with lots of fun events and competitors to engage and participate.

Saturday morning will begin the tournament at 7:00am, first come first serve. Will begin with Mens and Womens Open until around 9:00am and then we will start into Wakeboarding. We will start with novice riders, followed by intermediate and then advanced riders will finish.

After the morning of competition, likely around noon, we will be taking a short break (to set up for the Social). Then get ready for the new category of WAKE-SURFING!

Starting at 1:00pm, Classes are still to be determined along with how the event will be judged, but wake-surfing is going to be an awesome new addition to our competition and lots of fun.

To wrap up the day we will be celebrating with the afternoon social; Hot Dogs, Pop and Snacks. Competitors, Volunteers and Observers come on out! Awards and Lots of Prizes from our wonderful sponsors.

Competitors and Volunteers will get their own “Authentic” SLSBC Tournament Participant Shirt. Looking forward to seeing everyone out there!! If you are interested in volunteering talk to Gord Cameron (604-836-3085).

Other Club News

Club Dues and Waivers

Attached you will find club waivers and other forms. These waivers need to be done annually, one per family for our insurance.

	Renewals	New
Family	\$120	\$170
Single	\$75	\$110
Social	\$35/single, \$50/family	\$70/single, \$100/family

Please print them off, sign and enclose your cheques payable to SLSBC to Craig Campbell, Treasurer: 871 Sinclair Street, West Vancouver, BC V7V 3W1. Alternatively, bring all signed documents and payments which are due by May 22nd to the AGM.

Also, if you have any receipts that are outstanding from 2010, they will be accepted by Craig no later than this year’s AGM. Please contact Craig directly craig.campbell@ca.pwc.com

Course Maintenance

The ski course has generally been maintained by a small group of individuals who continually are fixing and repairing the course. We appreciate all the work that the volunteers have put into the course and we want to encourage other members to help out and learn how to fix and repair the course.

This year we would like to announce a new executive position, Course Maintenance Director. Brian Welch has been volunteered for this position, thank you Brian! Brian will put together work parties to ensure that the course is set up and running. Also, if you see a ball that has drifted away or the lines are all tied up and you do not know what to do, then you can simply call or email Brian. He will then help you fix the problem or put together a work crew.

You can contact Brian by email: bbwelch@thewelchgroup.com or his cell is 604-240-1167.

Sakinaw Lake Ski and Board Swag

Wendy Burlin and Deb Grimm have very kindly agreed to once look after club logo gear.

SLSBC clothing will be on sale for you again this year. Great t-shirts, hoodies and the ever famous sweats with a surprise or 2! Stay tuned!

Volunteers

At the AGM, we will be posting volunteer sign-up sheets for the various club functions. It would be appreciated if you could help support the club by donating your time. It is truly the efforts and hard work by the individual members that help make our club functions successful and fun for all.

Miscellaneous

Matt Foxall has organized a sailing school to come to the lake the week of August 1st- 5th. For more information go to the following website or contact Matt directly.

<http://www.bcsailing.bc.ca/Content/MOSS/SummerCamps/Sakinaw.asp>

See you all on the May long weekend!

