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CONVAIR WATERSKI CLUB

Convair Christmas Party

Once a year we gather together as a club, make some important decisions for the year ahead, and indulge in some festivities to mark the holiday season. We hope you can join us! Here are the important details:

- ▶ The party is from 6-10pm on Friday, December 8.
- ▶ This year's party is being generously hosted by Pam and Steve Wright at their home, located at 2621 Costebelle Drive in La Jolla.
- ▶ There will be a potluck! The club provides the ham to get us started, but please bring your favorite side or dessert to share. Steve Trudgen is heroically coordinating food, so let him know what dish you're bringing.
- ▶ There will also be a raffle! Those who have renewed their club membership prior to or at the party will be entered to win a free spot on one of the Spring trips to the Colorado River.
- ▶ Back by popular demand is the traditional white elephant gift exchange; bring a \$15-20 gift to join the fun.
- ▶ Finally, this event will also serve as the club's annual meeting (per our bylaws), when we will approve 2018 fees and swear in any new officers. John Schroeder is stepping down as Secretary, so that position will be open. Contact any club officer if you are ready to take a leadership role in the club.

Please RSVP to Steve Trudgen (strudgen54@gmail.com) so we can buy enough ham!



*** Club Membership Renewal ***

Get a jump on your New Year's Resolutions and renew your Convair Club membership today! Being a member means discounted rates to ski at Mission Bay and the Colorado River, plus the chance to use the Hidden Anchorage Slalom Course. In exchange, your dues are used to keep the boats running, store equipment, and organize ski events. We thank you in advance for your continued commitment and support!

You must renew your membership by **February 15** to qualify for the lower renewal rate. Renewals received after that date are subject to the new member rate. Renewing is easy! Complete the form included at the end of the newsletter. You can then **EITHER** mail it with your check to Convair Waterski Club (7430 Park Ridge Blvd, Suite 231, San Diego, CA 92120) **OR** email it to Jeff Barnes and use PayPal to submit your dues.

2018 River Trip Dates

The lure of the Colorado River beckons us in 2018! The club leadership has tentatively planned five weekend trips for both the Spring and Fall, which are listed in the table to the right. We encourage you to pull out your calendar and make plans **now** to join us for as many weekends of waterskiing and fun that you can spare. Also, it is never too early to volunteer to lead a trip or launch one of the boats.

You can learn more about our river trips and what's involved on the club's website here: www.sdwaterski.org/river.html

Trip	Dates	Trip	Dates
#1	April 14-15	#1	Sept. 15-16
#2	April 28-29	#2	Sept 29-30
#3	May 5-6	#3	Oct 13-14
#4	May 19-20	#4	Oct 27-28
#5	June 2-3	#5	Nov 3-4



The sunrises and sunsets are simply breathtaking, every day.



A boatload of people heading out for a run.

Fall at Picacho

Once again, the Colorado River provided beautiful vistas, glassy water, and plenty of fun in the sun during the club's Fall river season. There was a total of five trips from September through November, even though the weather forced us to reschedule two of the trips! Skiers took advantage of the river to both hone their skills and enjoy some easy runs. Special thanks to all of the launchers and leaders who helped coordinate each trip and make sure skiers were able to enjoy the pristine river conditions. Some members managed to sneak a few photos while out on the boat or between runs. If you weren't able to join us this Fall, we hope you sign up early for the Spring trips starting in April!



Brooke getting some air.



There is plenty of fun for all ages at the river.



Glassy water, even in the middle of the day!



Club Boat Status

Grey: TMC is operational, with a new battery and swim step to boot. In addition to some cosmetic details, we will be fixing the speedometer and investigating potential leaks and trailer brake issues.

T2: The newer MasterCraft is also operational. There are still some needed repairs and replacements to get the boat running the way we'd like. This includes exploring the intermittent gas gauge, tightening the shift level drag, and investigating the potentially inoperable choke and accessory switch. We will also be making some additions and future purchases to get T2 up to the club's standards.



Skiing at Mission Bay

Join us most Sunday mornings at Mission Bay for a chance to ski or wakeboard during the "colder" winter months. Look for the boat at the south end of Crown Point by 8am. This is a great opportunity for guests to learn more about the club, for beginners to get some practice on the water, and for veterans to keep their water skills sharp.

There is no need to RSVP — just show up, gear up, and make some friends! Be sure to check the calendar for specific dates, since the holiday season often puts a ripple in our plans to ski every Sunday. You can find the launcher schedule online at http://www.sdwaterski.org/documents/launcher_schedule.pdf

Hidden Anchorage Slalom Course

One Sunday each month, the club has exclusive use of the Hidden Anchorage Slalom Course, on the back side of Fiesta Island.

Skiing begins at 2:00 PM and ends at dusk, unless otherwise noted.

Unfortunately, skiing at the course is restricted to club members due to liability issues.

Note: The launchers do not routinely bring club equipment to the course since most members have their own. You are welcome to use club gear but you must contact the launcher in advance to let them know which ski items you would like to use.

**The next course date is
December 10**

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join our group +

If you're on Facebook, we'd love to be your friend! Facebook offers a great way for everyone to be more active in the club by sharing information and photos.

Click to "Like" us today!

<https://www.facebook.com/sdwaterski>



DECEMBER 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3 Bay Skiing 8am	4	5	6	7	8 Club Holiday Party 6-10pm	9
10 Course 2pm	11	12 Chanukah 	13	14	15	16
17 Bay Skiing 8am	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 Christmas Eve 	25 Christmas Day 	26	27	28	29	30

JANUARY 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
December 31 New Year's Eve 	1 New Year's Day 	2	3	4	5	6
7 Bay Skiing 8am	8	9 Board Meeting 6:30pm	10	11	12	13
14 Course 2pm	15 MLK Jr Day 	16	17	18	19	20
21 Bay Skiing 8am	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 Bay Skiing 8am	29	30	31			

FEBRUARY 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4 Bay Skiing 8am	5	6 Board Meeting 6:30pm	7	8	9	10
11 Course 2pm	12	13	14 Valentine's Day 	15	16	17
18 Bay Skiing 8am	19 President's Day 	20	21	22	23	24
25 Bay Skiing 8am	26	27	28			

Note: Calendar events are subject to change based on weather, launcher schedules, or skier involvement. For up-to-date event information, visit www.sdwaterski.org.

Upcoming Board Meetings

The Winter board meetings will be held on:

Friday, December 8th (Party!)

Tuesday, January 9th

Tuesday, February 6th

Meetings begin at 6:30pm and are located at the Boat and Ski Club in Mission Bay.

Special Thanks

Steve Wright will now be coordinating the launcher schedule for the Bay Operations.

Don't Miss Out

In case you missed it, renewing your club membership early and attending the Christmas party enters you into a raffle for a free waterski trip to the river!

Happy Birthday To You!

Ted Schraven December 3
 Dale Dalrymple December 16
 Teri Chamberlain December 23
 Carl Gallenson December 23

Tom Northrop December 28
 Saxon Rawlings December 30
 Regina Mauro January 2
 Eric Pier January 17

Lonny Rahier February 3
 Emily Barnhill February 8
 Matthieu Jette February 10
 Steve Trudgen February 21

Club Administration

President:	Steve Trudgen	858-254-7617
Vice President:	Sally Boettger	619-838-1651
Treasurer:	Jeff Barnes	619-251-3775
Secretary:	John Schroeder	858-442-9916
Newsletter:	Liz Nelson	919-451-5184
Club Rep:	Amy Rasdal	858-430-9439

BOAT & EQUIPMENT MANAGERS

Grey MasterCraft:	Wes Beaver	619-851-8605
Red MasterCraft:	Bob Benner	858-357-6590
Equipment:	Steve Short	619-421-7480

MISCELLANEOUS

SD County Beach/Bay Advisory	619-338-2073
Mission Bay Beach & Surf:	619-221-8824
Fisher's Landing:	520-783-6513

Club Prices and Fees

<u>Bay Skiing:</u>	Member:	\$10 per run
	Guest:	\$15 per run
	Launcher:	Free (<i>1st run only</i>)
<u>Course Skiing:</u>	Member:	\$11 per run
	Guest:	N/A
	Launcher:	Free (<i>1st run only</i>)
<u>Limited Use:</u>	Wet Rate:	\$45 per engine hour (club buys gas/oil)
	Dry Rate:	\$20 per engine hour (user buys gas/oil)
<u>River Trip:</u>	Member:	\$80 Skier
		\$25 Non-Skier
	Guest:	\$125 Skier \$30 Non-Skier
<u>Membership:</u>	1st family member:	\$185
	Addl. family member (14 & up):	\$95
	Addl. family member (under 14):	free
	<u>Renewal (before Feb 14):</u>	
	1st family member:	\$150
	Addl. family member (14 & up):	\$85
	Addl. family member (under 14):	free



Help us Recruit New Club Members!

It sure is fun to see new names here each newsletter, isn't it?

Do your part by keeping an eye out for friends or family members that might love to pick up waterskiing as a new hobby!

Wanted: Newsletter Editor

Hi! I'm Liz Nelson, your dutiful — though often tardy — newsletter editor. Like many people, I am a busy gal and that means that I am looking to step down from editing the club newsletter (yup, this fancy looking document you're reading right now). However, I want to make sure it's in good hands.

So, the club and I are asking for a volunteer who is interested in a bit of computer work every three months (it's a quarterly thing). I promise to make myself very available to give you all my materials and what little wisdom I've gained over the past three years.

If you're interested, please reach out to either one of the club officers or me (ehenelson <at> gmail.com). Thanks!



We're Online

- ▶ <http://convairwaterski.com/> has all of the documents, forms, and up-to-date info about club happenings
- ▶ <https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/cwsc/info> is our email list server and lets us post updated documents
- ▶ www.meetup.com/sdwaterski/ is a great tool to help new people find us, so sign up to represent the club
- ▶ You can also "like" our Facebook page to help spread the word: www.facebook.com/sdwaterski
- ▶ Find us on Instagram [@sdwaterski](https://www.instagram.com/sdwaterski) for pics of the fun
- ▶ And, start tweeting at us: <https://twitter.com/sdwaterski>

Convair Waterski Club

Membership Application - January thru December 2018

*Note: Membership renewals must be post-marked by **February 15, 2018** to qualify for the \$150 renewal rate.*

Membership renewals post-marked after February 15, 2018 are subject to the new member rate of \$185.

Member Last Year? Yes No Member in Previous Years? Yes No

First family member dues	New	Renewal
Name: _____ Email: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> \$185	<input type="checkbox"/> \$150
Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____		
Home Phone: (____) _____ Cell: (____) _____		
Work Phone: (____) _____ Fax: (____) _____ Birthdate (mo/day): ____/____		
I am interested in (circle): Boat Driving Boat Launching Boat Manager Trip Leader Other _____		

Second family member dues	New	Renewal
Name: _____ Email: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> \$95	<input type="checkbox"/> \$85
Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____		
Home Phone: (____) _____ Cell: (____) _____		
Work Phone: (____) _____ Fax: (____) _____ Birthdate (mo/day): ____/____		
I am interested in (circle): Boat Driving Boat Launching Boat Manager Trip Leader Other _____		

Family Members under 14 years of age		
Name: _____ Email: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$0
Name: _____ Email: _____		
Birthdate (mo/day): ____/____		

Waiver:	What to do:
<p>I assume and understand that water-skiing is a potentially hazardous sport, that equipment failures occur from time to time without warning, and that variations in wind and water conditions, boat traffic, submerged obstructions, and other hazards to water-skiing exist. In using Convair Waterski Club (CWSC) equipment or facilities or participating in any CWSC activities, I recognize and accept such dangers, and assume full responsibility for such risks, and hold CWSC and/or their officers, employees, volunteers or agents harmless against any and all bodily injury, and/or property damage resulting from such risks.</p> <p>If the member/guest is a minor (below the age of 18), both the minor and his/her lawful custodial parent/parents/guardians, must sign below. The undersigned parent/guardian additionally warrants that they have the sole right to determine the risk and grant permission for the minor to participate.</p> <p>Member Name: _____ Date: _____</p> <p>Signature: _____</p> <p>For Minor Members:</p> <p>Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Date: _____</p> <p>Signature: _____</p>	<p>Make Check Payable to:</p> <p>Convair Waterski Club</p> <p>Send Check & Completed Application Form to:</p> <p>Convair Waterski Club 7430 Park Ridge Blvd Suite 231 San Diego, CA 92120</p> <p style="text-align:center;">or</p> <p>Place Check & Completed Application Form in Briefcase</p>