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## **WELCOME**

While we are all having great fun out on our favorite waterways, the aim of this newsletter is to let you know what is happening across Australia and build a sense of community with other towedwatersports enthusiasts, as we all share a similar passion! Thank you to all our contributors for this issue!

### **PREFERRED PARTNERS PROGRAM**

A big welcome and thank you to our preferred partners, Liquid Elements WA, Mac's Waterski World, Prowake Gold Coast and Skin Ski and Surf Yarrawonga.

Our amazing partners are providing exclusive WAWA member benefits for you. As you get ready for Christmas and the summer ski season, don't forget to take advantage of the fantastic offers available from our preferred partners, see page 2 for details of the offers.

Welcome to the launch of the WAWA newsletter

### **INTRODUCING MWSC** THE HOME OF WATERSKIING

In an exciting partnership with the Mulwala Water Ski Club, WAWA has established a physical home base. Situated in the perfect location for the future growth of our sport, the Mulwala Water Ski Club stands as the largest licensed water ski club in the world! The vision is for the "Home of Waterskiing' to be the ultimate gathering spot for towed water sports enthusiasts. With the amazing facilities of the Max Kirwan Ski Park and the fantastic amenities at the MWSC club, it's the perfect opportunity for WAWA members to engage, learn, and thrive in our vibrant community.



Our elite, world-class watersport athletes will return to the Yarra River to compete in the Moomba Masters Championship from 7 to 11 March 2024.

This prestigious international event will see the world's best competing for the top spot to win the coveted Moomba Masters title. With the Victorian Southern Waters Ski Show team invited to provide daily demonstrations, the Moomba Masters in Melbourne showcases the multi-disciplinary aspects of our sport.



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#### WHAT IS WAWA COMMUNITY MEMBERSHIP?

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WAWA is passionate about connecting people involved in towed water sports and are launching exciting programs, aiming to boost entry-level participation and elevate high-performance athletes. As part of this initiative, we're excited about our 'free' membership category 'Community Member', designed to connect recreational water sports enthusiasts who are not participating in WAWA events.

**GET ON BOARD!** encourage all your friends and family to join this vibrant network to stay informed and build a community that can stand together to advocate for our favourite waterways – keeping them open, clean, and protected for everyone's enjoyment, and best of all it's FREE! **JOIN HERE** <a href="https://www.awwf.com.au/membership/">https://www.awwf.com.au/membership/</a>



Thank you to our administrators and boat crews for getting behind the new Concussion protocols. This is an important checklist to keep athletes safe, it can be carried on a printed card in the boat or accessed via the app 'Concussion Ed'. Next time you're out on the water, ask your boat crew if they have a Concussion card or the Concussion Ed App downloaded? It is also important to know that someone does not need to be knocked out to have a concussion. Full details are on the WAWA website.

# WAWA DIVISIONS CALENDAR LINKS

Click here for <u>BAREFOOT</u>
Click here for <u>WAKEBOARD</u>
Click here for <u>WATERSKI</u>
Click here for SHOW SKI



Liquid Elements is excited to offer up to 10% off in-store to all WAWA members. Don't forget to mention WAWA to one of their friendly staff, so they can apply your discount!

136 St Albans Road, Baldivis, WA 6171



The team at Mac's Waterski World are super excited to offer 10% off Waterski Equipment Discount Code: WAWA10 Instore or online click here > macs.com.au



ProWake are excited for the opportunity to provide WAWA members a 10% discount storewide Discount Code: PROWAKE10 Click here > prowake.com.au



We are proud to be partnering with WAWA and excited to offer 10% off anything and everything in our ONLINE store Discount Code: WAWA2024 Click here > yarraskinski.com.au



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#### **OUT AND ABOUT...**

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### **ALL THE NEWS** FROM QUEENSLAND!

Waterski QLD had a great 2023, hosting Come & Try Days, including one for women, and sending many skiers to represent the state and country at national and international tournaments. They've held tournaments across three regions for all skill levels and ages, including participants from Disabled Waterski Queensland. Additionally, they've organized Ski Schools at Coolum's OzSki to nurture iunior skiers and hosted the Australian Junior Ski Squad in September. Click this link to read the full report.

Waterski OLD are excited to be hosting the Nationals at Easter in 2025, and their focus during 2024 is on getting ready for this event. Waterski QLD can't wait to welcome everyone to the **Sunshine State again!** 

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING IN WA?

This year, WAWSA produced a professional promo video, "Let's Get on the Water," showcasing each division's on-water activities to promote new memberships. The video has family-friendly appeal, watch it here https://www.waterskiwa.com.au/

The next video project will focus on promoting water safety rules and the proper use of ski boats and equipment. Collaborating with the WA Dept of Transport, WAWSA aims to provide accurate information, especially for inexperienced water skiers and jet skiers.



QLD team skiers at the 2023 Australian Nationals at Bonney's WA

### **MAJOR EVENTS CALENDAR**

2024 WAWA Wakeboard Nationals 1 & 2 March 2024 at Murray Bridge, Australia

2024 WAWA Waterski & Disabled Nationals - 28 March to 1 April (Easter) at Mulwala, Australia

2024 WAWA Barefoot Nationals - 8 to 13 April at Perth, Australia

2024 IWWF Under 17 Waterski World Championships 27 July to 3 Aug at Predator Bay, Canada

2024 IWWF Over 35 Waterski World Championships 4-8 Sept at Botaski, Spain

2024 IWWF Barefoot World Championships 5 to 12 October at Aubendale, Florida, USA.

2024 iWWF Wakeboard World Championships - dates and venue to be announced

2024 IWWF Disabled World Championships - (dates and venue to be confirmed)

2025 IWWF Show Ski World Championships - 22 to 25 March at Mulwala, Australia

2026 WAWA Show Ski Nationals (dates and venue to be confirmed)