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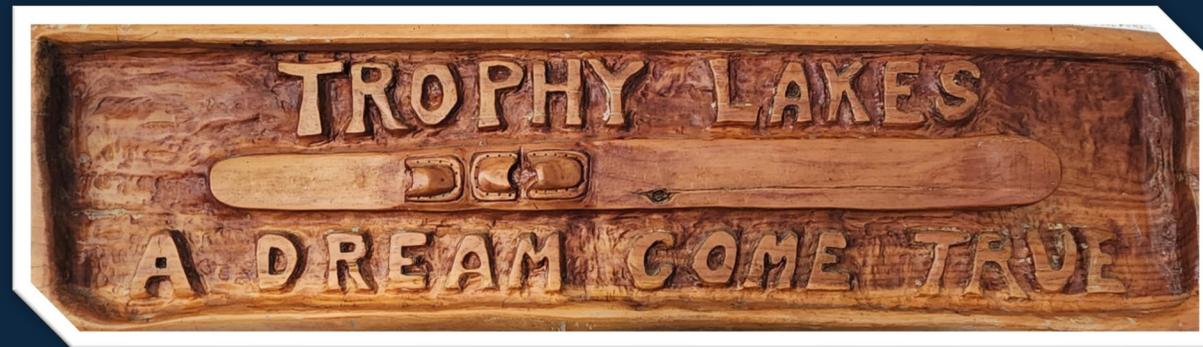
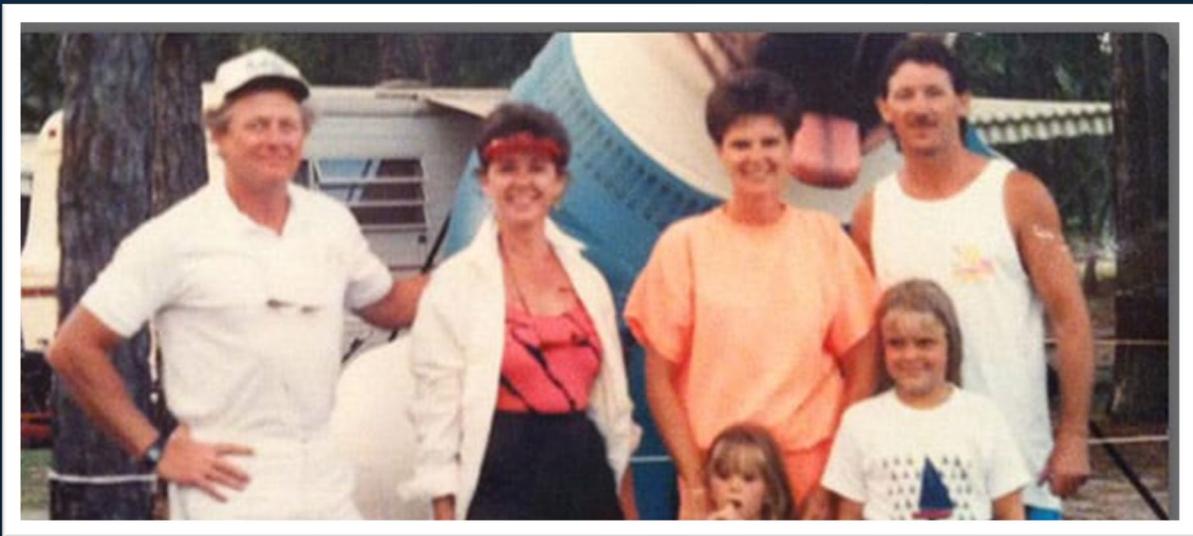
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- ★ Rick Anderson
- ★ Tish Fain
- ★ Jimmy Durham
- ★ Anderson Ski Bugs Waterski & Boat Club



Kim Bryant



1997 U.S. NATIONAL
WATERSKI CHAMPIONSHIP
OKEEHEELEE PARK, WPB, FL



The Best Damn Ski Lake. **Period.**

The site that deserves that title is ... drumroll ... Trophy Lakes. Wait, before you argue, hear us out
BY CHRIS TAUBER

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A scenic view of a lake with trees and a small boat. The text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

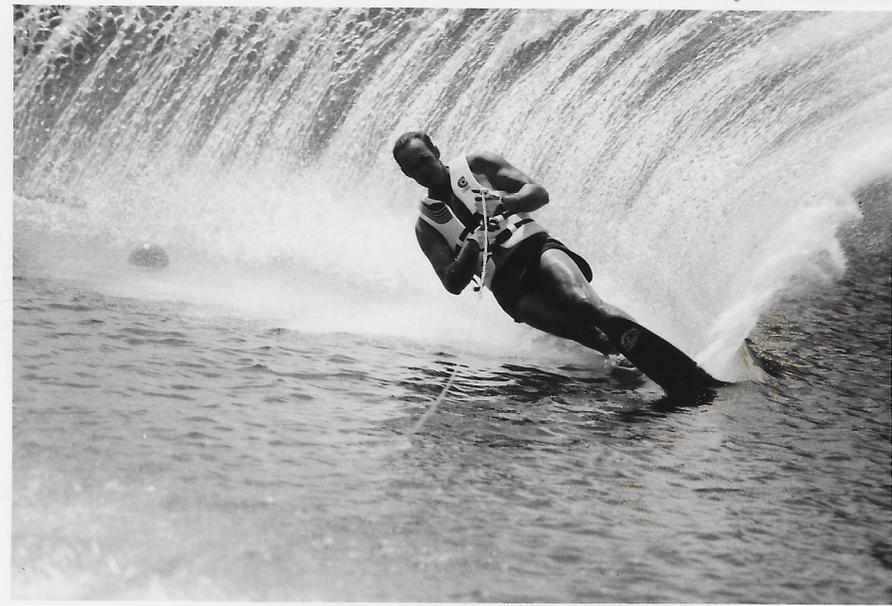


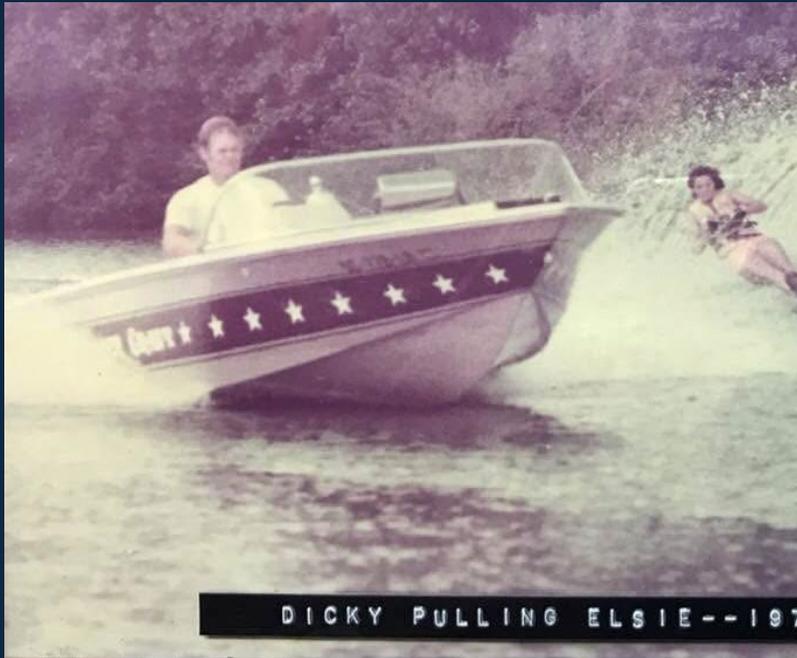




Dicky Anderson

Anderson, SC





Natalie Hamrick - Halt

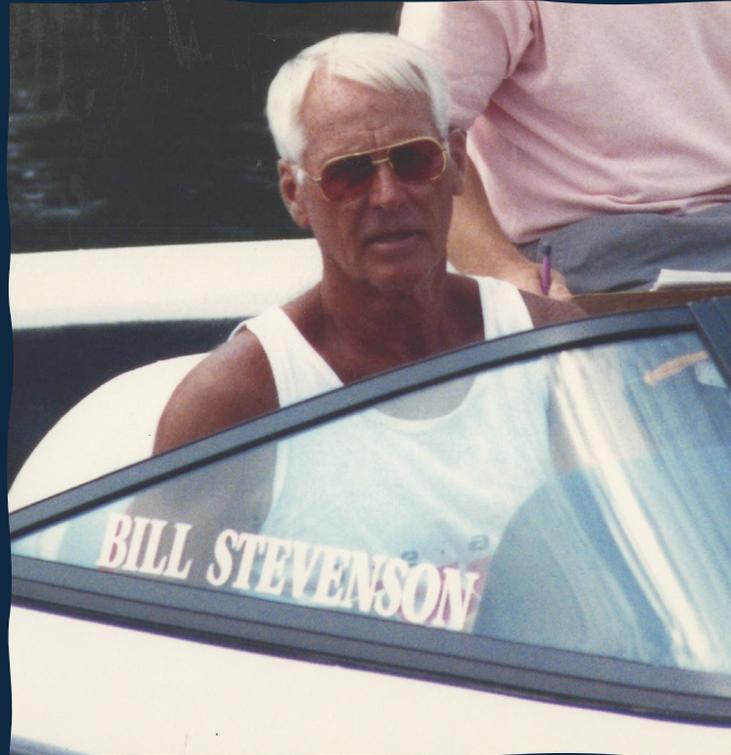


- SC Women 1 record holder 1996
- Open Women National Slalom Champ 2003
- World Cup competitor and top 5 finishes
- 2nd Woman to Run 39
- USAWS National Athlete of the Month April 2001





Bill Stevenson





Competitive Achievements

- Began competing in the mid-1950s
- Trained at Cypress Gardens
- 7-Time Southern Region Overall Champion
- National Overall Champion: 1966, 1968, 1970
- Member of the 1957 U.S. World Water Ski Team

A Leader Off the Water

- Transitioned from athlete to official
- One of the most trusted and respected boat drivers in the U.S.
- Officiated:
 - 27 Southern Regionals
 - 15 Nationals
 - 10 Masters
 - 3 World Tournaments

Jeff Rodgers

USA Waterski – 2015 Hall of Fame



Two-time world record-holder and 2003 world champion

30+ year water ski career with global recognition

Began tournament skiing at age 17; won first Nationals in 1984 (boys' division)

Won multiple national and pro tour titles

Set 16 national records and two world records

Career-defining moment: first skier to run a full pass at 41' off at 36 mph (August 1997)

Set a world record of 1 buoy at 43' off

Won gold in men's slalom at 2003 Water Ski World Championships (Clermont)

Earned bronze (2005) and silver (2007) at Water Ski World Championships

In 2012, set Masters Men record: 1-1/4 buoys at 43' off

Recognized as one of the greatest water skiers of all time









Roger Dilling



USA Waterski – 2023 Award of Distinction

'A GREAT HONOR'



Roger Dilling poses in his home office.

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Roger Dilling is pictured in his official capacity decades ago as a homologator — someone who sets up courses for water skiing on a lake.

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL

*Seneca retiree to be honored
with top water ski award*

Roger Dilling is an 88-year-old Air Force veteran, teacher, and longtime Seneca resident

Honored with the **Award of Distinction** by the **USA Water Ski and Wake Sports Foundation**

Recognized for decades of **behind-the-scenes contributions** to water skiing

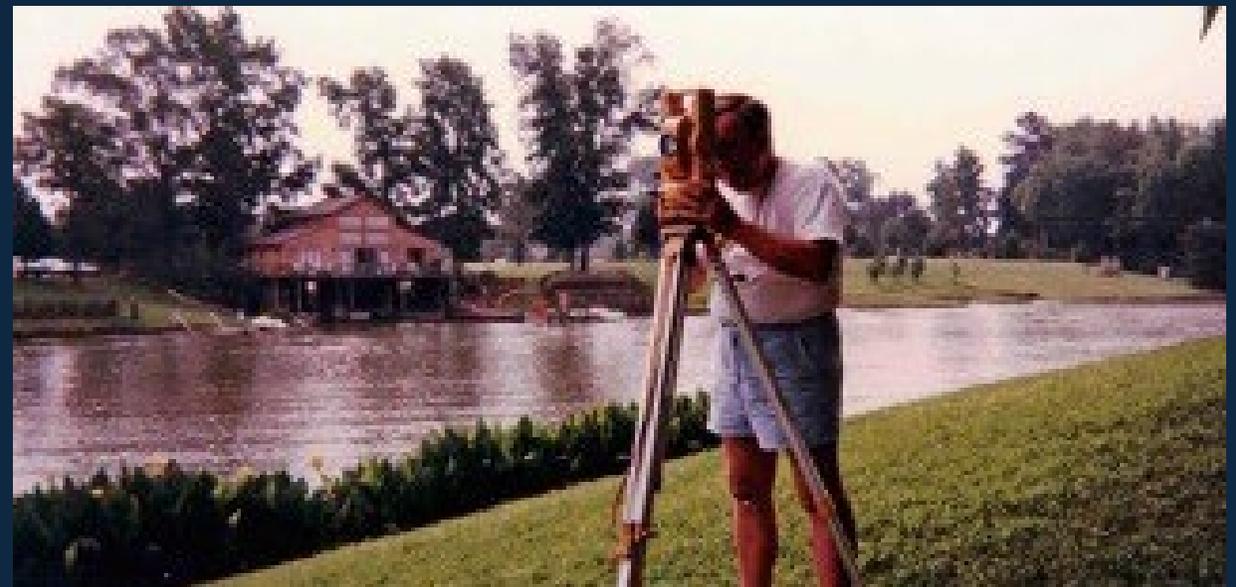
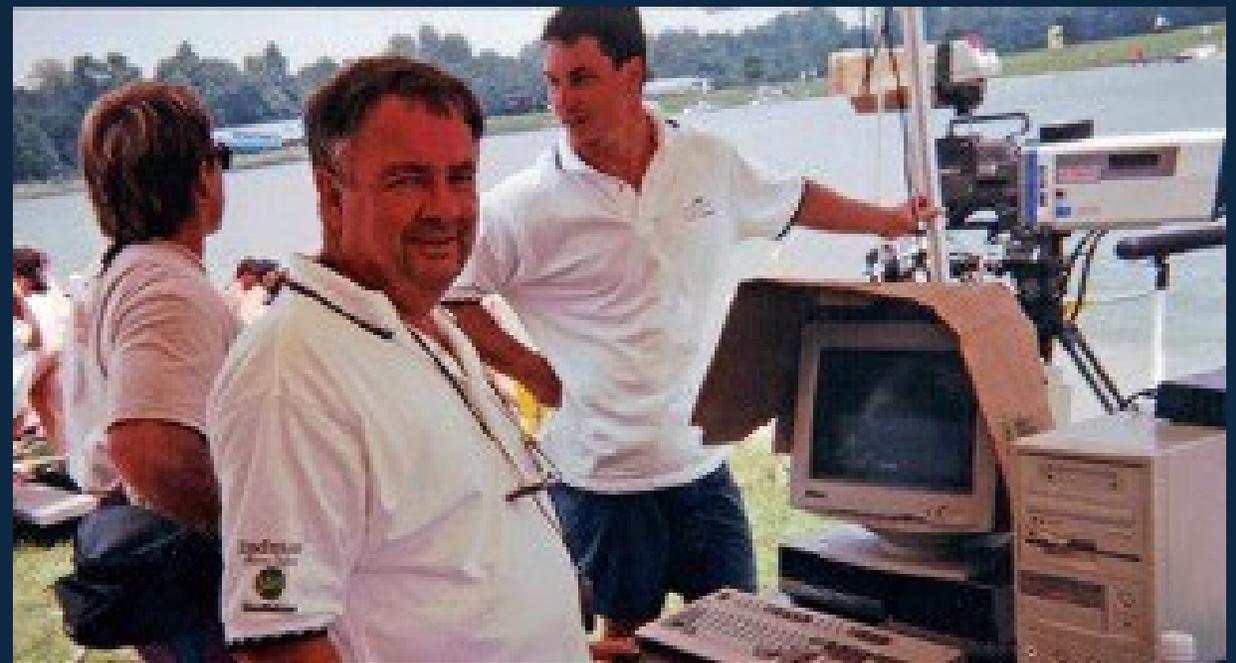
Competed only once, but made a lasting impact as a **homologator** (certifying ski courses)

Applied **engineering expertise** to build and certify ski courses globally

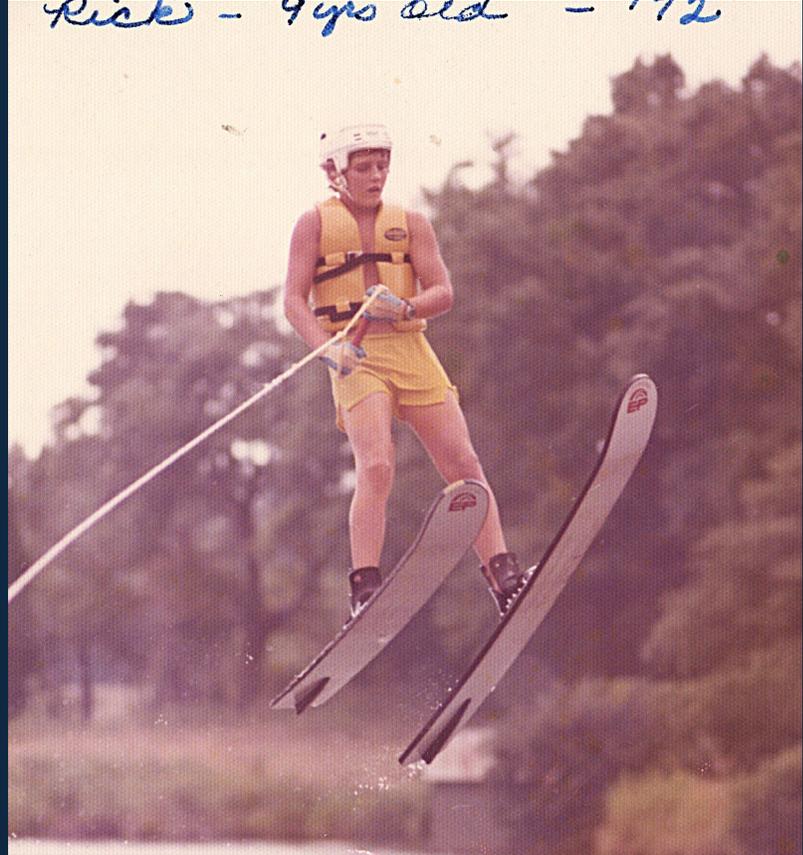
Helped **develop technology and software** for competitions

Played a key role in introducing water skiing to the **Pan American Games**

Lifelong dedication has shaped **modern tournament water skiing**







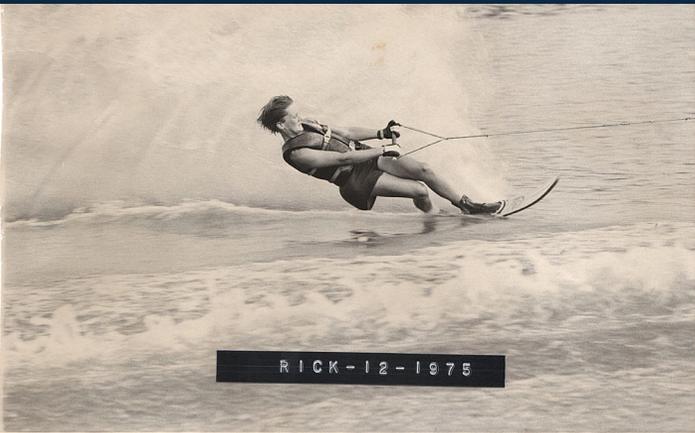
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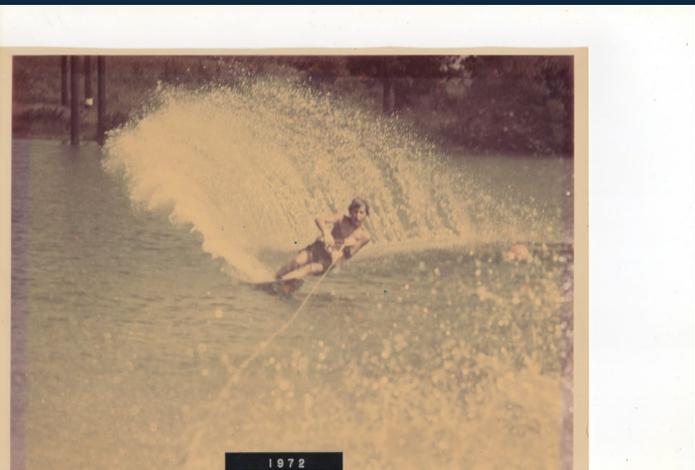




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Tish Fain





- National Jr. Girls Overall Champion1974
- National Jr. Girls Jump Champion1974
- National Jr. Girls Slalom Champion1974
- National Women's Overall Champion1979
- National Women's Overall Champion1980
- National Women's Jump Champion1980
- National Women's I Overall Champion1981
- Southern Regional Overall Champion1974
- Southern Regional Overall Champion1977
- Southern Regional Overall Champion1979
- Southern Regional Overall Champion1980
- Southern Regional Overall Champion1981
- All-American Overall1974
- Jr. All-American Overall1978
- Girls Overall Hawaiian Open1978

Skiing has enabled me to set goals and build dreams. These dreams have given me the confidence to believe in myself and, with lots of dedication, I have been lucky enough to find success. I measure this success not just in "winning", but in the many "friends" I have made. These friends are the true "trophies" of skiing.

—Tish Fain

Introducing... Tish Fair

1980 U.S. NATIONAL WOMENS OVERALL SKI CHAMP

Tish



Fair

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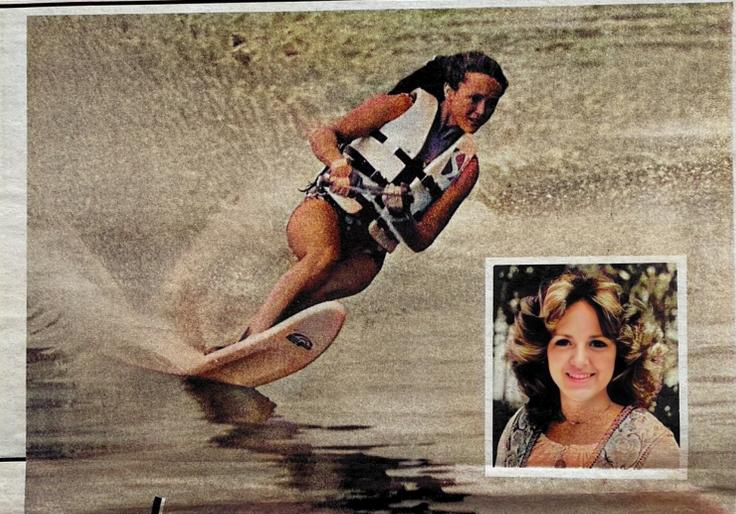


Photo by Fain

Clemson freshman wins skiing championship

Skiing titles have become a way of life for Clemson freshman Tish Fain. But, the championship she won during the middle August was perhaps the most satisfying of them all on the 18 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Fain.

The summer of 1979 was Ms. Fain's first season in the women's division during water skiing competition. Previously, she had been in the girls' (17 and under) and year in, year out, was one of the top com-

Tish reached the nationals due to her EP (exceptional performance rating) and her victory in the Southeastern Regional Tournament that was held in Atlanta during July.

This championship, however, was the most surprising.

"Yes, I was tickled to death to win especially since I tricked 370 points, the most I had ever done," Tish commented. When asked if she was happier with either the national title or her all-time best both sort of even. At the time, (trick points total) was more than I ever wished for because they cut you so bad at the nationals." The judges at the national contest are certified and have been awarded their senior judgeship, a position that is reached in three or four years of work and must be renewed. The judging for the national meet is so qualified that scoring is more difficult for the competitors. "It is really sort of ridiculous," Tish stated.

The fact that she broke her all-time best in the tricks, during the allotted two second runs without falling, is not as amazing as the fact that Tish had a six day layoff before her opportunity to compete all the meet.

"Mom and Dad offered a two hour drive away from the tournament site to get practice. But, I said no because the only boat they had at the practice site was a Master Craft, a boat with a small wake, and I was used to skiing behind a Corbett Craft, which

has a large wake."

Tish continued, "I said no because I had left with enough confidence and I was really sort of up and I wasn't going to break up that feeling."

During competition, the skier can ski behind the boat of their choice, or a Tish put it, "a fishing boat if you want to."

Before the tricking part of her competition, Tish received some assurance from her father.

"He was out there sort of calming me down and giving me some confidence and he said, 'You're only going out there to beat yourself Tish and not all of these other people around you. If you happen to do good enough to beat them; great, but otherwise don't worry about it.'"

Tish continued that her mother was, "excited and nervous and everything but she never let me know how bad she was. She was actually a basket case."

Before taking to the water, Tish knew that she needed at least 3300 points to hold first place. She had practiced by tying her tricks to a tree and going through the motions on land. The rest is history. Tish emerged with her highest trick total over and Sunday evening, she was crowned the women's national champ.

Also this summer, Tish traveled to Texas to participate in the Mercruiser International Ski Jump Classic. There she met ski jump champion Wayne Grindich, a former ABC "Superstars" winner. He held the record for men's jumping at 180

feet until it was broken at the tournament by John Mondor who leaped 187 feet.

"That tournament was really exciting. It was fun," Tish revealed.

The tournament held many new experiences for Tish. It was her first pro tournament, there was a lot of food, including Texas-style spare ribs, fancy parties and skiers from around the world.

"They lost my skis on the flight out and in Dallas I told a attendant that I needed my skis. Luckily they found them and the everything turned out okay. That was the only place they got lost," Tish sighed.

"They are special," Tish stated about her parents. "It (the national title) did them good too, as much work as they do."

Tish also lists dancing as an activity since her mother owns a dancing school in the Clemson area.

"Tricks is like dancing because you 'split', select a location to concentrate on, you won't get dizzy. You also lead with your head and shoulders and your feet follow you in both tricks and dancing," said the freshman champ.

The practicing from mid-February to November, either in Florida or on Lake Hartwell, paid off handsomely.

If the trend continues, the Fains will be clearing more shelves in the near future for more national title trophies.

The only problem Tish Fain has now is topping her first season in the women's division.

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trailing the tiger by cobb oxford

Tish Fain wins second straight national title

In what she terms "a unique occurrence," Tish Fain won her second consecutive National Women's Open Water Skiing Championship last weekend in Tyler, Texas. This is the Clemson sophomore's third national title. Her two women's open titles have come in only two years of competition in the open division.

The Fain family left for Tyler, Texas on Wednesday with confidence and returned early Monday morning with the medals signifying another national crown.

"When we got there it was 111 degrees, and everything had turned yellow," Fain said.

The tournament began at 6:45 a.m. on Friday in an attempt to avoid some of the blazing Texas afternoon heat and because one of the two lakes that was supposed to have been used for the competition had dried up completely. So, the tournament was limited to just one lake.

Slalom event Her first competition on Friday was the slalom event.

"I was not thinking about the fact of being the defending national champion because I did not want to get nervous. My dad stayed with me and talked to me before I skied, and just before I got ready to go, he moved around to the other side of the lake to watch," Fain said.

Her father is Clifford Fain, a professor in the ceramic engineering department. He also is the adviser for the Clemson Water Ski Club, and he has a broad knowledge of the sport of water skiing. Her mother, Lou, manages a dancing school in Clemson.

She came in fourth in the slalom event with a total of 45 and one quarter boys.

The event started with Fain 15 feet off of a 75-foot tow line or 60 feet. After one pass, the line was shortened by 22 feet and then 28 feet more before she finally fell.

Jumping competition Later Friday afternoon, Fain went into her second event, the jump. And she came through like a true champion. On her first jump she sailed 105 feet, which added five feet to her personal best of 100 feet.

"Before the jumping, I started to get real nervous, and so I tried to get calmed down and relaxed and think," Fain said.

"You have three jumps and the 105 feet was my first one. You're supposed to take it kind of easy on the first one," Fain laughed.

"Once I was in the air, I knew I had a good jump because I had one coming."

"There is a certain float to a good jump. If you feel that float that you are used to every now and then, it's a good feeling. When you feel that, you know that it is a good jump," Fain said.

When she looked over at her mother and father, who make signals to her while she is jumping, they just made signals for some minor adjustments. They did not have much idea on how to improve on her first jump of 105 feet.

Her second jump was only 98 feet, and she came back with a final jump of 102 feet. With her best jump of 105 feet, she was able to claim first place and the gold medal in the jumping competition.

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"You never have the title locked up."

"All of my championships are special. They are all nice surprises."

"It was 111 degrees when we arrived. Can you imagine?"

When all three events are completed, the skier with the highest total of NOPS points claims the overall title. For example, the 105-foot jump counted over 800 NOPS points by referring to a chart that determines the point total to be awarded.



A national champion in action — Tish Fain doing her tricks

Tish Fain to cross sea for competition

CLEMSON — Tish Fain, three-time National Overall Waterski Champion and the current U.S. Womens National Jump and Overall Champion, leaves this week for Belgium to ski in the European International Cup Championship.

Fain was invited by, and will be the guest of the Belgium Waterski Federation. Invitations were issued to three U.S. Skiers (one female and two males). They will be competing against skiers from Belgium, England, Germany, France, Italy, Australia, Sweden, Spain, Czechoslovakia, and Luxembourg, Luxembourg.

Competition will be held this Saturday and Sunday near Brussels.

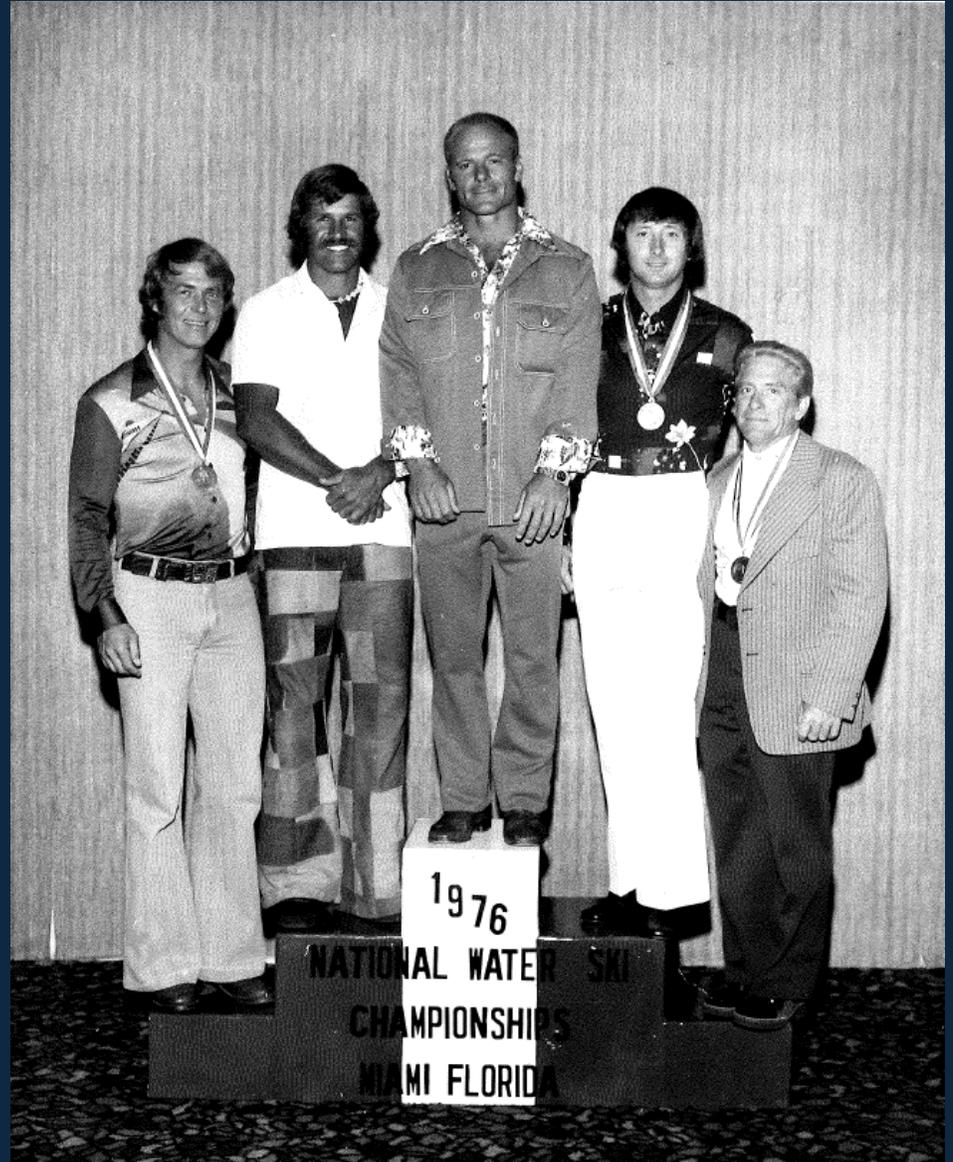


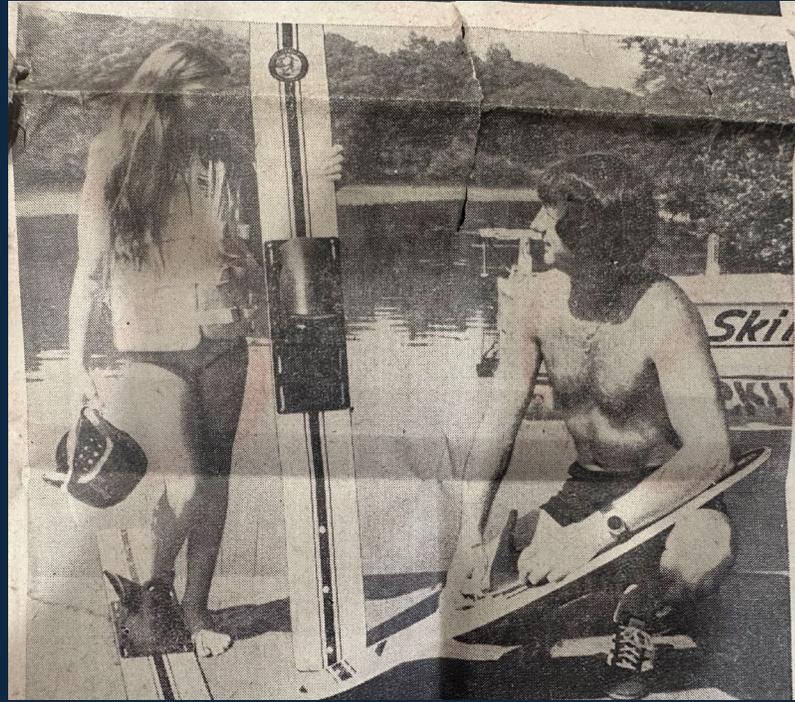
Tish Fain

Jimmy Durham

Greenville, SC







Jimmy Durham & Tami – A Dynamic Duo in Water Skiing, Coach and a Father:

- ❖ **Jimmy Durham, a veteran performer and ski school operator, introduced his daughter Tami to water skiing at just 29 months old.**
- ❖ **Mentor from the Start:** Jimmy recognized Tami's natural talent early and nurtured it with expert guidance, patience, and encouragement.
- ❖ **Built for Performance:** With Jimmy's coaching, Tami learned to ski on one ski before age 4 and was jumping ramps by age
- ❖ **Competitive Success:** Under her father's mentorship, Tami won multiple trophies and handled trick, slalom, and jump events with ease.
- ❖ **Immersed in the Environment:** The Durhams lived and breathed performance—working as ice skating pros and teaching at ski resorts.
More Than Just Training: Jimmy emphasized performance, confidence, and resilience. His calm approach allowed Tami to develop independence and joy in the sport.
- ❖ **Still a Dad at Heart:** Despite her success, Jimmy reminds us that Tami is still a little girl—one who crawls into her dad's lap to watch TV at night. "Tami's very professional because she's been around it all her life." – Jimmy Durham

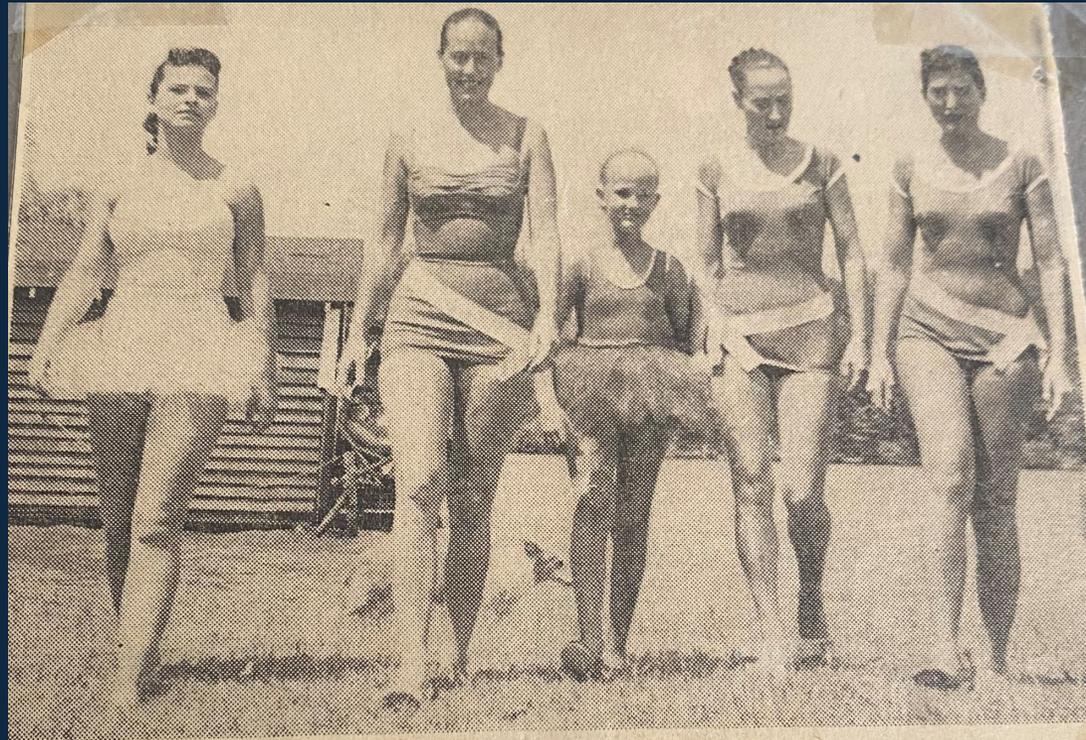
Anderson Ski Bugs



ANDERSON SKI BUGS



SCENES LIKE THESE will highlight the Anderson Ski Bugs water show at Bill's Landing at Broadway Lake on July Fourth. Anderson (11 a. m.) and afternoon (3 p. m.) for benefit of the Salvation Army's Christmas Tree Fund. No admission will be charged, but the club hopes to raise money through concessions, programs and special parking.



IN SKI BUGS' WATER SHOWS

Here are five of the members of the Anderson Ski Bugs who will be doing tricks in the big free water carnival at Broadway Lake Saturday at 11 a. m. and 3 p. m. They are: Julia Linkscale, Muriel Davidson, Shan Carmichael,

Wilma Carmichael and Doris Skinner. Proceeds from the concession stands, parking, etc. will go to the Salvation Army Christmas Tree Fund. — (Daily Mail Photo.)



DORIS SKINNER, a Lady Bug, is shown skimming over the water at Broadway Lake, where she will be seen in the free water show at Bill's Landing the morning and afternoon of July 4.

JUNE 22, 1959

SkiBug Skiers Place In CWF

COLUMBIA—Several members of the Anderson Skibugs competed in the Carolina Water Festival at Lake Murray over the weekend against champions from Cypress Gardens, Fla., and San Diego, Calif., and came out with some trophies.

Leading the trophy winners was Jerry Poore who competed in the junior boys division and took first in tricks, second in slalom and second in jumping for an overall second in the division.

Tommy Cleveland was third in tricks and third overall in the boys division while Neal Hall was third in the slalom in the boys division.

Gene Bobo, jumping with an injured knee against world champion Joe Cash of Cypress Gardens, managed a leap of 97 feet. Cash's best effort of the day was 121 feet.

Anderson SkiBugs Shine at 1959 Carolina Water Festival

June 22, 1959 – Lake Murray, SC

•Anderson SkiBugs competed against national champions from Florida and California.

•Jerry Poore:

- 1st in Tricks
- 2nd in Slalom & Jumping
- 2nd Overall – Junior Boys Division

•Tommy Cleveland:

- 3rd in Tricks
- 3rd Overall – Junior Boys Division

•Neal Hall:

- 3rd in Slalom – Boys Division

•Gene Bobo:

- Jumped 97 feet with an injured knee
- Competed against World Champion Joe Cash (121 ft)



FUTURE SCENES

These are some scenes you'll be seeing at the Anderson Ski Bugs two benefit shows at Broadway Lake July 4. Shows will be presented at 11 a. m. and 3 p. m. in the lake off Bill's Landing. Above, Heyward Henderson and Joe Bill Madden demonstrate a few of the things to come at the big July 4th showing which will give all profits to the Salvation Army Fund. There will be no admission charge but contributions will be received.

Plans For Ski Bug Shows July 4th Almost Complete



"LOOK MA, NO HEAD"

This is a sample of what water-ski lovers will get Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Stonecipher's Lake at Toccoa, Ga. The Anderson Boat and Ski Club will present a show there sponsored by the Toccoa Jaycees and Boys Clubs. Above, Gene Bobo, jumping, cuts a flip, and lands on skis. Skeet Davidson is standing. The "Clown Act" will be just one of the many clever, exciting, and humorous acts to be presented at Toccoa Sunday.

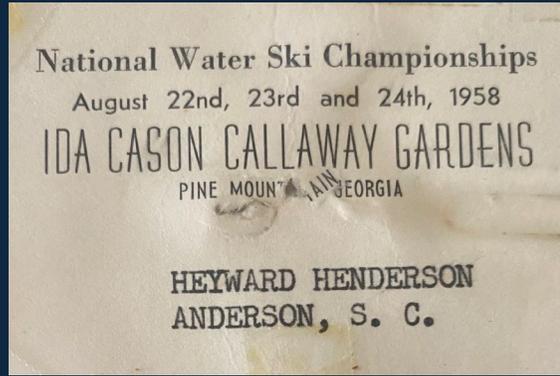


FINISHING TOUCHES

These Anderson Ski Bugs committee heads for the two big shows at Broadway Lake tomorrow at 11 a. m. and 3 p. m. make final plans today. They are: Skeet Davidson, president of the Ski Bugs; Lewis Poore, concession chairman; Richard Hammond, parking chairman; and Betty Jo Bare, show director (seated). Proceeds go to the Salvation Army Christmas Tree Fund. — (Daily Mail Sports Photo by Gerald Shore).

WATER

Gene Bobo – 1st Men's Jumping — 1st Men's Slalom William Skinner – 4th Men's Jumping Tommy Cleveland – 2nd Boys Jumping — 3rd Boys Slalom Heyward Henderson – 1st Boys Jumping — 4th Boys Slalom



1959
Georgia Open Amateur Tournament
 John Cason, Callaway Gardens, GA
 • **Gene Bobo** – 1st Men's Jumping, 2nd Men's Tricks, 1st Overall
 • **Jon Acker** – 1st Boys Tricks, 2nd Overall
 • **Neil Hall** – 3rd Boys Tricks, 11th Overall
 • **Heyward Henderson** – 2nd Men's Slalom, 4th Overall



FIRST PLACE WINNERS IN CAROLINAS WATER SKI TOURNAMENT
 L To R, Mary Van Walbach, Eugene Bobo, Dan Canady, C. R. Malott, Rella Jean Lancaster, Sonny Sifford, Heyward Henderson, David Ford, Nat Taylor; Foreground, Sandra Fay Folker

71-Foot Jump Wins Water Ski Event

A 71-foot jump gave Sonny Sifford of Charlotte first place in men's jumping, the final event of the 2nd Carolinas Water Ski Tournament at Wrightsville Beach yesterday.

Sifford also won the Men's Overall Trophy based on his performances in the various men's events. Some 2,500 persons were on hand to view the events on the third day of the tournament.

It was sponsored by the Star-News Newspapers through the Cape Fear Ski Club.

Trophies were awarded to winners in 12 events and medals presented to second and third place winners.

Sifford set a new standard in winning the Men's Jumping as his jump was six feet more than the first place winner of the event in the 1956 tourney.

In second place was Bob Hornsby of Newport News, Va., followed by William Skinner, Anderson, S. C.

Another double winner of the three-day event appeared in the Men's Slalom. Eugene Bobo, who had won in Men's Trick Riding on Saturday, was the only contestant in a field of 29 to run the slalom course with a perfect score of 16.

A run-off for runnerup spots was necessary as five skiers tied with 15 points. The five were Bob Hornsby of Newport News, Va., Malcolm Boren of Greensboro, Howard Buller of Fayetteville, Sifford, and Bill Smith of Wilmington.

Sifford and Hornsby finished second and third respectively. The others tied for fourth.

Bobo almost made it a clean sweep in the men's events. He jumped 73-feet from the ramp, but fell after making his landing.

Skiing exhibitions by a professional group from Panama City Beach, Fla., were held Sunday. The group, headed by Earl "Pappy" Hollowell, who also directed the

tourney, kept fans spellbound with several outstanding acts.

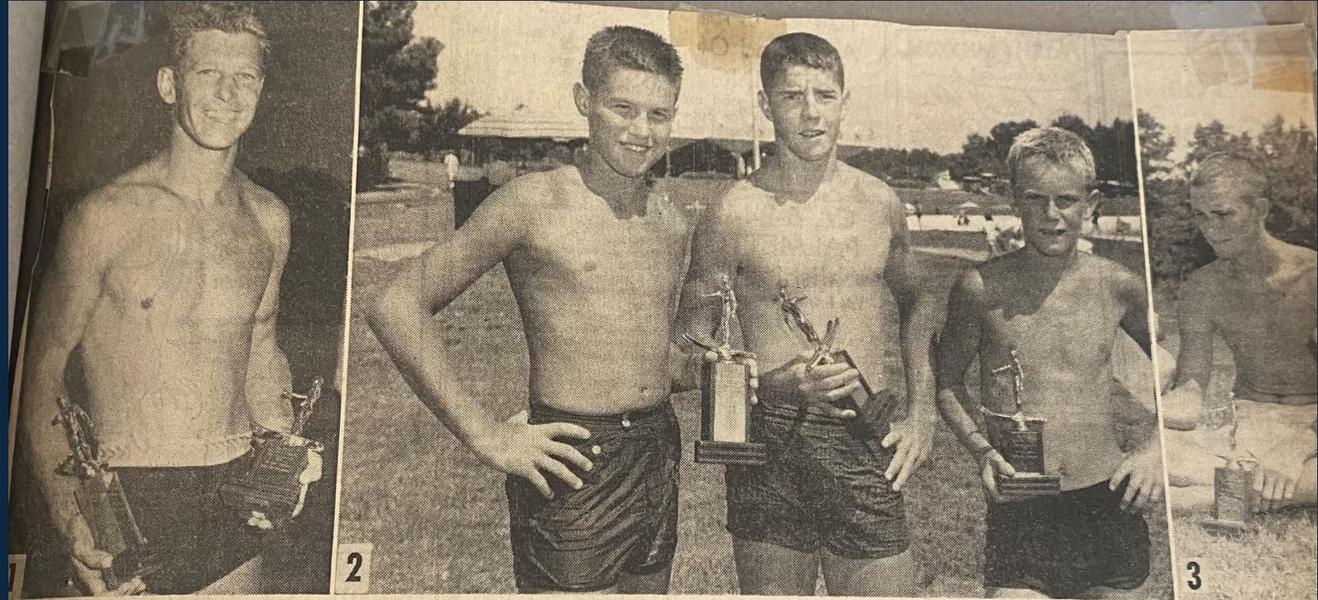
First act was Mike Ross' vaulting over the jump ramp in a speedboat. The second was the difficult and dangerous kite act, performed by Bobby Hall. Hall rose around 70 from the water.

The Boys Jumping, first event of the day, was won by Heyward Henderson of Anderson, S. C. In second place was Tommy Cleveland of Anderson; and David Ford of Gastonia was third.

Dr. Hugh Hunsucker captured top honors in the Veterans' Jumping, with C. R. Malott of Wrightsville Beach.

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ANDERSON ENTRIES SHINE IN GEORGIA SKI MEET

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NO ADMISSION

Thousands Expected For Water Shows Today At Broadway Lake

The Anderson Water Carnival at Bill's Landing, Broadway Lake, will be put on twice today for the benefit of the Salvation Army Christmas Tree Fund. No admission will be charged for the 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. performances that feature 21 acts.

HIGHLIGHT of the show will be Gene Bobo's flying kite on which he will sail into the air up to 100 feet, the kite pulled by a tow boat traveling up to 35 miles per hour.

Other top acts include the all-girl pyramid, thus the show offers beauty as well as thrills.

Although no admission will be charged, the Anderson Ski Bugs, who are putting on the shows, hope to raise money for the Salvation Army through sales at concessions stands, parking fees at the Red Fez parking lot, and free will offerings.

Thousands of people are expected to attend each performance, because this stacks up as the biggest show of its kind in South Carolina and Georgia today. They will be buying cold drinks, sandwiches, etc., and from these sales the Ski Bugs hope to make a Merry Christmas possible for needy children who will be Santa Claused by the Salvation Army.

HIGHWAY PATROLMEN will help direct traffic to and at Bill's Landing, where the show may be viewed, and traffic signs will be posted on roads leading to the lake, designating the directions from both the Anderson-Belton and Anderson-Abbeville highways. The lake lays between these two roads, about five miles southeast of Anderson.

Boat owners may view the show from the lake, and they are asked to have anchors so that their craft will not float into the show area.

Also, the Ski Bugs will have chairs for rent for those viewing from the bank. This rental money also will go to the Salvation Army.

Lt. Jack Waters of the local S. A. Citadel will have several people on duty at the two shows to help in the concessions stands



COMING IN FOR LANDING after going over the ramp at Bill's Landing, Broadway Lake, are (LR): Joe Bill Madden and Heyward Henderson. They will be seen in Water Carnival there today at 11 a. m. and again at 3 p. m. as part of a 21-act show by the Anderson Ski Bugs. No admission will be charged. Proceeds from sales of concessions, chairs, parking, etc., will go to the Salvation Army Christmas Tree Fund. (Independent Photo by Gerald Shore).

and take up a free will offering. **THIS IS THE** full program which will be shown at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m., listing the order in which the acts will be given, and the performers. The show will last about an hour and 45 min-

utes. Previous plans to hold boat races between the two shows have been abandoned at the request of the Broadway Lake Commission.

1 — Boat Color Guard — A salute to the Fourth of July by Frances Thompson and Ted Ta-



TOMMY CLEVELAND, director of the Anderson Ski Bug Club-sponsored Anderson Ski Tournament at Broadway Lake Saturday and Sunday is shown above with a few of the many trophies to be given away during the meet at Bill's Landing. (Independent Sports photo by Kayle Turner.)

Flying On A Kite

I suppose every boy has flown a kite./ And, more than likely, every boy probably has wished a few times that he could go up with it and float around in the lazy breezes or fight the stiff winds. One boy I know has seen that dream come true, except that he had to wait until he was a man to experience the thrill.

"What's it like?" I asked Gene Bobo, who will ride the kite at the Anderson Water Carnival at Broadway Lake this morning and this afternoon.



BOBO

"It's quite a thrill," he said, "but the sensation you get from hanging on to the kite is hard to explain. I was a little scared the first time I went up, and when it took a quick, short dive I thought about the first time I rode in a small airplane and we hit an air pocket and dropped right quick."

But what about a person who has never flown on a kite or in a plane? What would be a comparison? "I don't know," Gene said at first, and then he added, "I suppose it could be compared with riding in a car and suddenly hitting a quick drop in the road; you know, your stomach becomes light."

As you will see at the Water Carnival this morning or this afternoon—shows at 11 a. m. and 3 p. m.—Gene will go up about 75 to 100 feet. "Things begin to look small when you get up there," he said. "Even the tow boat seems to be much smaller."

It's like being on the fourth or fifth floor of a building and looking out the window at pedestrians and cars. They seem smaller.

Andersonians To Take Part In Ski Tournament

Anderson will be represented in the Carolina Water Festival at Lake Murray this weekend. Seventeen-year-old Tommy Cleveland earned his expert skier rating and will be in the Saturday-Sunday finals.

Gene Bobo and Skeet Davidson are two other local skiers on the entry list.

Jon Lewis Acker, 14-years-old, is also at the Carolina Water Festival tournament which is sponsored by the Columbia Sertoma Club and the Palmetto Ski Club.

It is the first sanctioned water ski tournament in South Carolina and it is attracting the top skiers from this section of the country.

The highlight of the weekend will be a "kite-act".

Ample parking for automobiles will be available at no cost. Traffic will be controlled by the South Carolina Highway Patrol, Lexington County Sheriff's Department and other law enforcement officers.



Lake Murray – Carolina Water Festival

- **Historic First:** This was the first sanctioned water ski tournament in South Carolina.
- **Anderson Representation:** The Anderson Ski Bugs were prominently represented, including:
 - **Tommy Cleveland (17)**, known for expert slalom skiing and barefooting.
 - **Gene Suber and Steve Davidson**, young but talented local skiers.
 - **Lewis Acker (14)**, among the youngest competitors.
- **Events Included:** Slalom, tricks, jumping, barefoot skiing, and form skiing.
- **Law Enforcement Showcased:** The event included demonstrations by the S.C.



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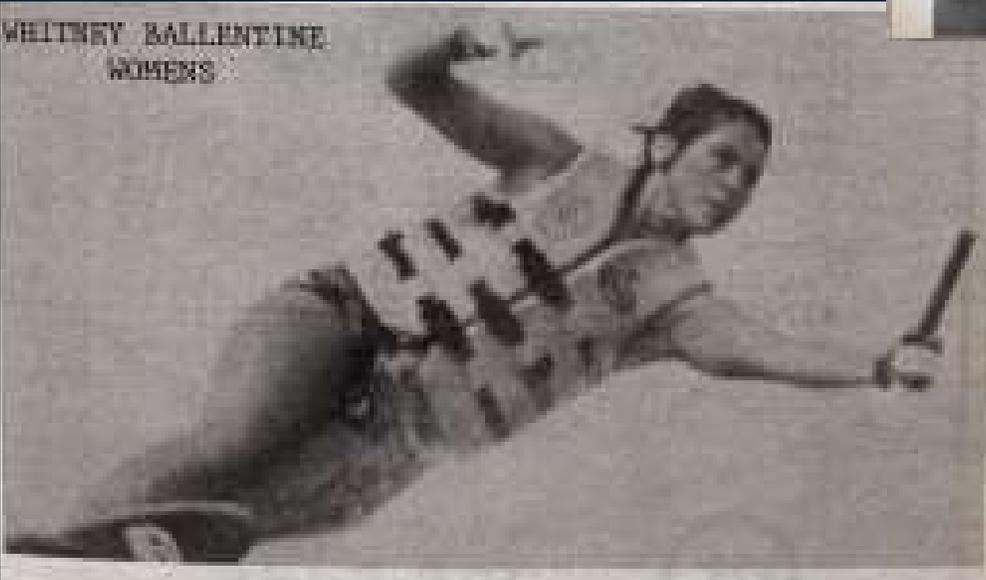
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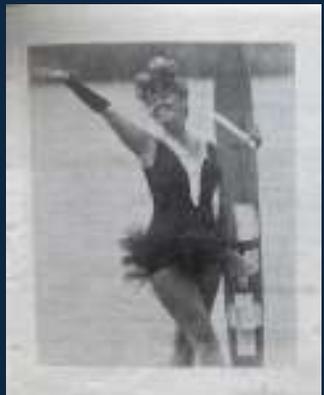
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