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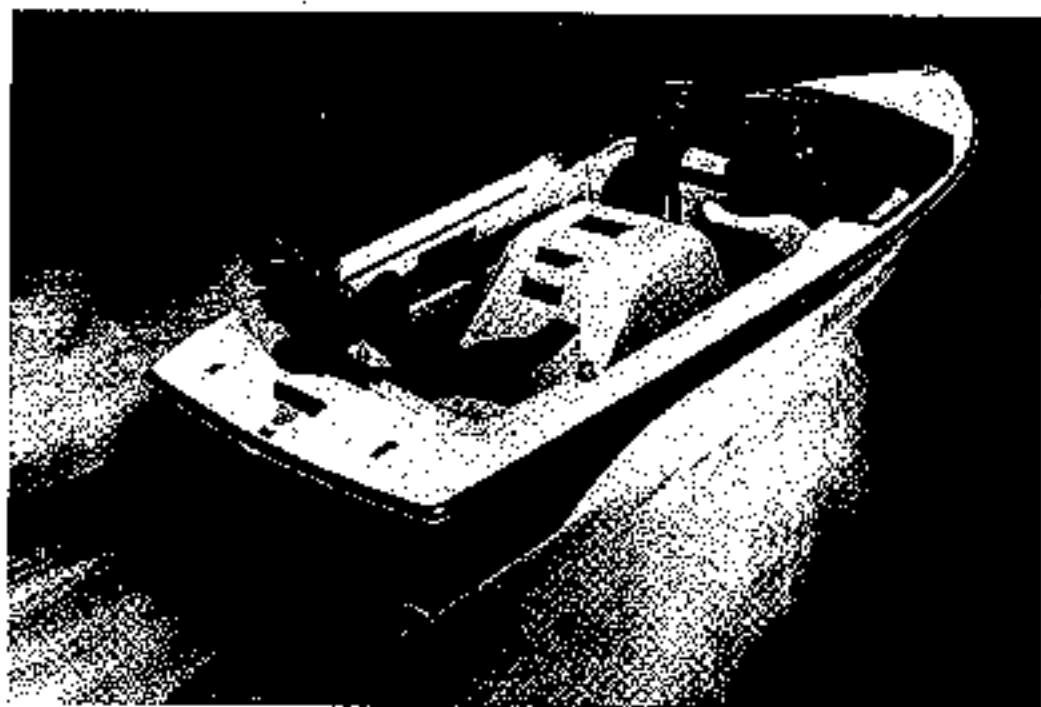
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Editor's Message

As we quickly approach the 1990's many changes are taking place in the world of Water Skiing.

Our new AWUSA Executive Director, like him or not, is paving new roads for us. The Pro-Tour is once again under new management. Show skiing has finally hit the tube, as bad as it might have been it still will spark interest in our sport.

With jumps getting longer, slalom lines getting shorter and new tricks next to impossible to execute, changes in all of these will undoubtedly be seen in the 90's.

With all these changes taking place around us the WWSF, which is the nation's largest and strongest state federation, must also change. We now have an execu-

tive director to handle our day to day business activities. We have restructured our board to give each sport division a separate director and voice.

Our long range planning chairman has put us on a goals oriented action plan and for the first time the WWSF and it's committees have, down on paper, written and defined goals and objectives for the future.

Think Tank has grown so big that a new facility was needed to handle it and major manufacturers are now willing to help underwrite this project.; Finally the Federation is once again going to be facelifted. A new name is needed to draw more attention to what it really is and going to be, a skiers magazine. More articles

will appear like Cynthia Parrett's series on show clubs. More photography and how to articles will appear in future issues. We invite articles and pictures from you our members. We want to be a publication that gives you what you want. **WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU.** A new for sale section will start to appear and we invite you to submit your items for sale (\$500 min. sale price). This service is free of charge. A lot is going to happen in the next few years and we're excited to be able to be a part of it. Be sure to stop me and say hi at Think Tank.

Till then,



Mike Bauman

Think Tank Thirteen

Convention Comments...

About some clinics...

Come to the seminars prepared! In order to take full advantage of the convention seminars, bring necessary items; take notes or feel free to video tape clinics.

Bring your workout clothes for seminars on doubles, trios, pyramids, swivel; we will also have weight lifting and an aerobics class.

Bring you personal swivel ski and toe-hold rope.

Have your entire club's pyramid team there to actually learn bigger structures and safer,

quicker ways up and down. Cypress Gardens pros, Janesvilles' and Badgerlands' pyramid teams will be there to assist in large act climbing.

About special extras...

The dollar amount charged you for the entire weekend **only** covers hotel costs for the meals. The raffle/auction is the only fundraiser for the WWSF. Please come prepared to bid on items and support the Federation. Thanks.

Get in on the great deals offered in the expanded exhibit hall.

Make sure that you come Friday night for the ceremonies, beginning with the official welcome and the preliminary rounds of doubles tournament competition.

Make hotel reservations and register for the convention now.

The banquet will be a sit-down served dinner, and the guest concert by Don Lewis courtesy of Yamaha is sure to be outstanding. He has commanded as much as \$25.00 per seat in performances. We will all then kick up our heels with his sound system DJ...bring your happy feet!

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Committee

Notes

In an effort to promote waterskiing as a spectator sport in Wisconsin, the Publicity and Promotion Committees are designing a brochure to be used by the Department of Tourism and local Chamber of Commercés.

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Janesville, WI 53547-0269

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Shewano							
Isthmus	x	x	x	x			
Kwahamots							
Misnqua			x				
Whitewater			x				
Wausau	x	x	x	x			
Browns Lake	x	x	x	x			
Chain Skimmers							
Aqua Skiers	x	x	x	x			
Shermalot				x			
Chain Skiers							
Webfooters		x		x			
Lauderdale							
Waterbugs							
Badgerland	x	x	x	x			
Menomin Trolls				x			
Rock Aqua Jays	x	x	x	x			
Critz							
Aquanus				x			
Oconto							
Rainlander							
Waterboard							
Capital City							
Ski Decorah							
Minneiska				x			

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Barefooter News

by Jon DeBelak

The World's Best Barefooters

Congratulations to the US Barefoot team who for the second time won first place overall at the World Barefoot Tournament.

It was close, only 121 points out of 1100 points separated first and second place. The Australians out jumped the U.S. spreading their distances from 19.3 meters to 21

meters while the U.S. went 17.5 meters-19.3 meters. The Aussies are using a new technique of "Bumming" the ramp, actually setting on the water when they approach the bottom of the ramp.

Rick and Lori Powell were top finishers in men's and women's overall. Ron Scarpa received second and Jennifer Calleri took third overall. Six members of the U.S. team contributed scores, while all eight Australians were part of their total score. All four of the U.S. women's scores counted. Peter Fleck and Steve Merrill

competed, but did not contribute to the winning score. Ferrell and Fox were out before competition.

The site conditions were "bad" at best as the tournament was held on a busy river in Downtown Melbourne. Turn around times of 1 1/2 minutes dragged out the tournament for the average size crowd. Despite the stalling there were many surprising falls due to the backwash.

Australia has an awesome team, but as the cards fell, the US came up the winner.

Barefoot Tournaments 1989

Feb. 24-25	Barefoot clinics-Think Tank	Glycopia Village, Oconomowoc
May 27-28-29	Memorial weekend	
June 8-9	Cincinnati Show Skiers Barefoot Tournament	
June 17-18	Ohio State Barefoot Championships	Defiance Ohio
June 17-18	Fergus Falls Barefoot Open	Minnesota Barefoot Association John Kretschmer 218/335-4625
June 24-25	Barefoot Tournament	Buckeye Barefoot Club
July 1	Little Crow Barefoot Open	Spicer, MN Joe Knapp 612/477-4219
July 9-8	Wisconsin State Barefoot Tournament	Badgerland, Neosho pond Jori DeBelak 414/245-3263
July 14	Wisconsin State Show Tournament Barefoot Endurance	Wisconsin Rapids, WI Joff Thomson, 414/446-3220
July 28-29-30	Midwest Regional Barefoot Tournament Ski Kats Ski Club	Peoria, IL-Canton Bob Burn 609/674-8365
August 19-20	Minnesota State Barefoot Tournament	Ed Burr 612/546-6255
Aug. 25-26-27	National Barefoot Tournament	

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Aqua Skiers	x	x	x	x			
Shamotol				x			
Chain Skiers							
Wabcooters		x		x			
Lauderdale							
Waterbugs							
Badgerland	x	x	x	x			
Menomón Trots				x		x	
Rock Aqua Jays	x	x	x	x			
Cráiz							
Aquanuts				x			
Oconto							
Rhineland							
Waterboard							
Capital City							
Ski Decorah							
Minnesota				x			

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Show News

Note: This is the first of a series of articles featuring the individuals and teams that are Wisconsin show skiers. The goal of these articles is to promote waterskiing within our state and to provide further recognition to these hard-working people.

Show skiing has made tremendous advances in recent years, expanding the scope of ski productions. Who could better represent this trend than the Wiemerslage sisters of the White-water Minnieska Ski Team.

Lori, 21, a senior and Susi, 19, a sophomore, are both majoring in business at UW-Whitewater. They have been active in show skiing since their pre-teen years.

Their first introduction came while watching the Minnieska show skiers from the dock at the family summer home in Whitewater. The sisters have gone from initial curiosity, to full involvement in all aspects of show skiing.

Susi, the 1989 show director, and Lori, the assistant show director, are assisting in the choreography, theming, and designing of costumes for Minnieska productions.

With the Wiemerslages, show skiing becomes a family affair. Mom Wiemerslage handles all the music while one can find Dad Wiemerslage behind the wheel of the main towboat, a position he has had for many years. Lori and Susi can see only advantages from having such family participation in a sport.

"Our team (Minnieska) is becoming more family-oriented; everyone is friends," stated Susi. Maybe this

can explain why the Minnieskas² have had such a strong showing in tournaments in recent years.

The rewards of show skiing come in the form of trophies, but also in personal accomplishments.

"Waterskiing has given me self-confidence, taught me leadership capabilities," Lori said. "With a team approach, you have a sense of involvement and definitely learn patience."

Due to the club size, approximately 30 skiing participants,

Having a sister so closely associated with skiing has definitely paid off for these two. Their movements are synchronized on the water without the need to call each move. Their styles are alike. And while Susi tends to be the innovator of new moves, both motivate each other to improve.

Through all their hard work on the water and behind the scenes, one thing is evident. Both Susi and Lori share a genuine love of waterskiing. Neither is quite sure what the future holds for them after college.



Susi in the front, Lori in the foreground

Minnieska skiers have the opportunity to try more acts. The Wiemerslage sisters have skied tricks, a wivel, swivel ballet, ballet line, and pyramid. In 1982, their team took first at Lambs Farm and twice the ballet took top awards at the Wisconsin State Show Tournament. One of their memorable moments came when their trick act scored the most points for their team in tournament action in 1988.

Lori would like to stay active in show skiing but maybe not in the competitive mode. Susi would like to pursue skiing professionally.

When asked who influenced them the most in their amateur career in skiing, both enthusiastically replied, "Mom and Dad! They have always been there supporting and motivating us. They wanted to make skiing fun."

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News & Notes

DNR 1988 BOATING STUDY: Results of the DNR Boating Study for 1988 showed 363 boating accidents, 52 were ski related and 9 were alcohol related.

MIDWINTER REGIONAL MEETING: The Midwinter regional meeting will be held the weekend of February 18-19. This year's site will be the Sheraton Inn, O'Hare outside of Chicago. Call for reservations and mention AWSA for possible room discount, 314/297-1234; 6810 N. Mannheim Rd., Rosemont, IL 60018.

REGIONAL GUIDE: Ads for the regional guide are due by January 13, 1989 to Debbie Alexander.

DNR BOATING REP ATTENDS MEETING: Dale Morey, the boating laws administrator for the DNR was in attendance at the November Federation Board meeting. He enlightened the Board on several of the problems that WWSF members were having and promised a continued working relationship with WWSF.

Morey is going to be sure to contact WWSF on new boating legislation that could affect water

skiers and also notify WWSF immediately upon his knowledge of any problems concerning skiers in Wisconsin. He also advised the board of the proper forms to use to secure jump and slalom course permits.

Dennis Koch, WWSF Legislative Chairman, will stay in touch with Morey and compile sample permits and regulations for future use. If anyone is having any problem with their local municipalities or the state please contact Dennis Koch. WWSF may be able to help.

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RULES

1. Entry must be received by February 1, 1989.
2. If more than one entry of the same name is submitted the one with the earliest postmark will be judged.
3. Same name entries with artwork will take precedence over earliest postmark.
4. The Federator Committee will judge the best three entries. These will be displayed at the Federation Booth at Think Tank with a voting box.
5. Mail entries to Mike Bauman c/o WWSF N83 W13430 Leon Rd., Menomonee Falls, WI 53051.
6. Only WWSF Members may vote.

We Want a Name that is more identifiable with the sport of water skiing.

Think Tank Thirteen

February 24-25-26, 1989, Oconomowoc, Wisconsin

...An Invitation from the Chairman

Dear Fellow Skiers:

Happy holidays to all. Last year was the biggest and best year ever for the Wisconsin Water Ski Federation's annual winter convention. All in all, I was quite pleased with the operation and management of the weekend's events, however, I would really like to see greater attendance and participation.

Therefore this year I am extending a personal invitation to all water skiers in the entire nation, but specifically in the Midwest Region, to attend what I believe has grown to be the largest and most comprehensive water ski convention anywhere!

The WWSF Think Tank is by no means the same as it has been in the past, nor is it like many of the other states conventions. The best names in every aspect of our sport are in attendance. Both national and world reknown speakers and instructors invade the midwest each year for our seminars.

Please make copies of the registration form in this issue of the Federator and distribute them to all of your skiing friends, whether they're affiliated or not! We all need to get the word-out that this is a fantastic opportunity for all those interested in skiing to learn helpful hints and join together to talk skiing in the off-season.

This year we are moving the convention to a new location. Think Tank Thirteen will be held at the Olympia Resort in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin. (intersec-

tion Hwy. 67 at I-94 between Milwaukee and Madison) on February 24, 25, & 26. This new and larger facility offers us tremendous opportunities. Many additions and improvements are planned for this year. The changes made last year and this will improve the organization, content, operation, and enjoyment of TTT.

1) Registration will remain open on Friday night as well as Saturday morning and will be in a separate room. This will remove congestion and facilitate a smoother process. **YOU MUST REGISTER TO ATTEND THE BANQUET DINNER/DANCE!**

2) More than double the meeting space with high ceilings enabling such things as full team pyramid climbing clinics, spacious workouts, etc. We will also be able to offer a number of extra clinics without having to cut some of the well-attended tanks short simply to offer a variety of others.

3) More than double the exhibition space enabling a greater number and wider variety of exhibits with more freedom of movement and easier accessibility to what is already the hottest pre-season market for deals on equipment.

4) A number of new facilities such as actual weight rooms for clinics on conditioning and a mirrored aerobics room for a clinic on choreography and body positions.

5) A larger banquet hall enabling all of those wishing to attend the banquet to do so!

6) More sleeping rooms enabling us to fit everyone into one complex. (Note: There is a **guaranteed room rate of \$56.00 per night whether there are 1 or 4 in the room, and the layout of the room sections will allow us to better set up the quiet wing and keep it quiet for those wanting rest at night. CALL NOW FOR RESERVATIONS: In Wisconsin + (414) 567-0311; out of state 1-800-558-3310.**

7) This is a resort complex and this means that other family members not as "into" skiing will have a number of things to do outside of the convention such as indoor tennis, racquetball, ice skating, downhill or cross-country skiing just to name a few. There are also two 350+ seat movie theatres to send the kids to in the afternoon or evening.

8) Besides the facility itself offering new attractions, we will enhance those extra activities such as the fashion show, doubles tournament, and banquet to which we have all become accustomed. There will be fun and important gatherings starting on Friday night, so please plan to be there then if at all possible!

This year the moderators and presentors will be better prepared with some focus already in mind as to the direction of the tanks. There will be more personal instruction and less theoretical discussion. The emphasis will be placed on individual needs.

Once again the best names in the skiing world will be at your finger-

tips for advice. You will only get as much instruction and information out of the weekend as you put into it. Get involved, ask questions, raise your hand and persist if you don't understand or get a satisfactory answer. Don't think that any question is dumb. We all learn from each other. Someone else just may be wondering the same thing.

As you can tell, a great deal of thought has been put into this year's convention. We will have media coverage in the metropolitan Milwaukee area. This is an

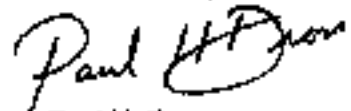
excellent opportunity to promote the entire sport, and Think Tank Thirteen should be the showcase for amateur water show skiing, as well as for barefooting and traditional 3-event instructing.

However, it is my firm belief that one of the things which makes Think Tank so special is the fact that it allows all of us the chance to get together in the off-season with our skiing friends.

Make plans now to take advantage of this convention. Don't stay home—you'll be sorry you did.

Please come and enjoy good friends, provocative conversation, and warm times during the winter months. This is an exceptional weekend to get fired up for the upcoming ski season.

Ski Ya' Later,



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Chairman
Think Tank Thirteen
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Hartford, WI 53027
(414) 673-6973

Think Tank Thirteen

Second Annual Mastercraft Indoor Doubles Championship

GENERAL COMMENTS

This will be a two day event. These changes are to better handle the numbers of contestants and the time constraints. We were all impressed with the quality of performances at last year's championships. We certainly expect better things in 1989. This year the event will be run more like a tournament. Please read the rules carefully. There are specific operational and scoring changes you will need to be aware of in order to prepare.

COMPETITION RULES

- 1) qualifying rounds will be held on Friday night, starting at 9:00 pm. The finals will be held on Saturday afternoon after the fashion show.
- 2) The preliminary rounds will consist of a compulsory round and an optional round. There will be two divisions—Class A and Open. On Friday night, each contesting pair will be required to perform their choice of three of the four lifts

and transitions listed below for their respective division. At the completion of the entire field of contestants' compulsory lifts, each pair will then return to the stage to perform their optional routine (run similar to last year).

- 3) Each team will consist of two individuals: one male and one female. Each team must provide their own music, costumes and props. These are not required and remain at the competing pairs discretion. The sound system will be provided, but have your tapes prepared, cued to the right point, and furnish someone who is familiar with what you need done with it/them.

- 4) The compulsory lifts will be done separately, placing the partner down between moves. There will be no music during this phase. Contestants will be judged on technical merit only during these lifts. Judges will pay attention to timing, execution, and fluidity of motion, as well as

correct body positions, and how each couple "looks" during the transitions.

- 5) There will be a four minute maximum set-up period between pairs. Order will be determined by the luck of the draw with divisions mixed and running together. This is during the optional round. Contestants' presentations will consist of three parts: a.) stage introductions no more than one minute in length; b.) three passes—the first facing right, next facing left, and the last facing right. Each pass will be no longer than 40 seconds and there will be a 15 second "rest" time between passes with the partner remaining on shoulders; c.) the concluding stage work no more than one minute in length. There will be 20 second rest between the start intro and passes and the passes and final intro. Basic time line=4 min. set-up; 1 min. intro; 20 sec. rest; right pass (max 40 sec.); 15 sec. rest; left pass (40 sec.); 15 sec.;

right pass (40 sec.); 20 sec. rest;
final 1 min. stage work.

6) There will be two sets of judges scores for the optional routines. The first for technical merit with similar considerations affecting scores. The second will be for artistic impression-judges here considering musical interpretation, make-up, costuming and showmanship, etc.

7) The high and low scores will be dropped in each set and totaled. The scores will be kept by the official scorer until all totals are finished so as not to have crowd feedback affecting scoring. Spectator appeal will be included in the artistic impression scores.

8) Official chief judge may call conferences to discuss unsafe moves, etc. The time will signify time overruns.

9) Each team is encouraged to supply spotters which will not affect scores and if costumed may

enhance artistic impression.
10) Penalty points will be deducted as follows: 5 points for each time overrun; 10 points for each unsafe move as voted by simple majority of judges.

11) Ties will be broken by tossing out the next high and low scores and retotaling again.

12) Here are the compulsory lifts. You must choose to do three of the four below for your respective division.

Class A:
side step-1 arm balance-side step
seat press-back drape
side step-back attitude
back drape-barbell-back drape

Open:
360 Attitude-side step
side/back step-1 arm balance
tabletop
Back drape-back attitude
front attitude-back attitude

13) The top three finalists in each

division will compete with an optional routine again on Saturday afternoon. Scores will be carried over and a draw will determine order of presentation. All rules will be the same for operation and scoring. The same precise optional routine will be allowed.

14) There will be a team competition on Friday night only. Teams will consist of two or more pairs on stage together and the timing of moves, rests, etc. will be run the same as the optional rounds. We will crown the team champions on Friday night.

I am looking forward to excellent routines, and we will (hopefully) be getting media coverage in the Milwaukee area for this event!! Pick your compulsory moves, get to a gym and start working. Most of all, be safe and good luck.

Think Tank Thirteen

Second Annual Mastercraft Indoor Doubles Championship Contest Registration Form

Participant Name _____

Partner Name _____

Please designate one member of your team to be the contact person.

Address of Contact: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone: _____

Background information on team (be sure to include number of years skiing, club affiliation, hobbies, work and other interesting facts) _____

Please enclose \$10.00 (\$5.00 per person) and send to: WWSF, 1123 North Water, Milwaukee, WI 53202

Think Tank Thirteen

1989 Schedule of Tanks

Saturday	Expo Ct.	Oconomowoc	Nashotah	Waukesha	Madison	Ottawa	Okauchee	Qty Center
9:00 am		Show Driving Tank		Jump Judging	Show Photos			Pyramid Climbing Clinic
10:00 am	Freestyle Jumping Clinic		Judging Doubles	Slalom Skiing Tank	Costume Tank	Announcing		
11:00 am		Pick-up Driving	Show Foot'n		Handling Finances /Budgeting	Secretary's Forum		
NOON	LUNCH BREAK---LUNCH BREAK---LUNCH BREAK---LUNCH BREAK---LUNCH BREAK---LUNCH BREAK							
12:30 pm 1:00 pm	Beginning Doubles Clinic	Show Judges Forum	Cub Promotion /Sponsorship	Slalom Judging	Sound Tank	Show Props	Knee-Boarding Clinic	
1:30 pm 2:00 pm		Show Directors Forum		Tourny Jumping Clinic	Show Production & Theming	Makeup Tank & Role Playing	Safety Tank	
3:00 pm 3:30 pm	Trios & Conventioneals Doubles	Swivel Skiing Clinic	Tourny Barefootn	3 Event Forum		Fund Raising		Weight Training & Conditionin in spa area
4:00 pm	Fashlan Show							
4:45 pm	Doubles Finals							
6:30 pm	BANQUET DINNER/DANCE---BANQUET DINNER/DANCE---BANQUET DINNER/DANCE---BANQUET							
Sunday	Expo Ct.	Oconomowoc	Nashotah	Waukesha	Madison	Ottawa	Okauchee	Qty Center
7:45 am				Worship Service				
8:00 am								Breakfast Buffet
9:30 am	Show Jumping	Show Judges Video Critique	Barefoot Instruction Clinic	Tourny Tricks Clinic	President's Forum	Rope Making		
10:30 am								
11:30 am	Int. & Adv. Doubles	AWSA Show Committee Forum	Barefoot Forum	Judging Tricks	3-Event Driving	Hot Dog Skiing		
1:00 pm								

Think Tank Thirteen

Don Lewis to Provide Banquet Entertainment

Don Lewis will provide the entertainment at Think Tank Thirteen Banquet on Saturday, February 25, 1989. Lewis's appearance is sponsored by Yamaha Corporation.

Don Lewis is an extraordinarily talented entertainer who combines the brilliance of a master musician and a master vocalist, with, the technical genius of an electronics wizard.

Lewis' numerous musical credits include studio work with Quincy Jones, Marvin Hamlisch, the Brothers Johnson, Billy Preston, Sergio Mendez and he consulted on the Michael Jackson Captain EO film.

He has toured with the Beach Boys and performed two years as a soloist at the Newport Jazz Festivals at Carnegie Hall earning a standing ovation both years. He has also performed as a guest soloist with the Denver Symphony, the Colorado Springs Symphony, the Portland Maine Symphony and the Kansas City Philharmonic.

With a fantastic array of electronic equipment, Don's performances cover the entire spectrum of musical moods from rock and pop to jazz, gospel and classical. Serious and sensitive ballads form a counterpoint to upbeat jazz and rock classics and, to keep the audience on its toes, an occasional rendition of "A Fifth of Beethoven" or the "hallelujah chorus" balances the repertoire! Phil Elwood of the San Francisco Examiner wrote, "I was wholly absorbed in Lewis' genius."

Don Lewis has been in the vanguard of the electronic music revolution since its inception and has dazzled audiences worldwide with the virtuosity of his live performances and recordings.

Electronic music expert Bernie Krause calls him simply, "The best in the business." Don has actively integrated his engineering background with his performance career and he built his own synthesizer system because the manufacturers weren't producing polyphonic keyboard.

Since that time, Don has been a consultant to ARP, Roland and Yamaha in product and voice design. The instruments which Don is currently playing include Yamaha's HX-1 (a totally new concept in keyboards), and a Roland D-50.

Don also utilizes a set of bass pedals and a Vocoder (a synthesizer which produces real time

voice generated choral effects). Joel Selvin of the San Francisco Chronicle wrote, "When Lewis opens his mouth to sing, out come a dozen voices."

Since 1977 Don has resided in his beloved "Bay Area" and pursued a career of performing/composing for film and video and music education. In 1986 Don was a guest lecturer at the Stanford Computer Music Summer Session and he has just completed teaching in the California State University Summer Arts Program. Don is currently a member of the Vivarium team, a group of artistic people gathered together by Apple Computer to develop an exciting concept in education for children.

Don lives in Pleasanton with his wife Julie and his two sons, Marc and Paul and dog "Blackie." He is active in his community and works with youth music programs in the schools and his church.



Don Lewis

Think Tank Thirteen

Registration Form

PLEASE PRINT

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (day): _____ Quiet Wlng?: _____

Club Affiliation: _____ AWSA Member: yes no

Additional names of all those registered on this form:

Name: _____

Name: _____

Think Tank Package (includes Dinner, Dance, Breakfast and all tanks)

Entire Package:	Before 2/1/89	After 2/1/89	Number	Total \$
Adults	\$22.00	\$30.00	_____	=\$ _____
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			TOTAL =\$ _____

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

HOTEL: You must make your hotel reservation directly with Olympia **BEFORE** January 24, 1989. The room rate is \$58.00 single or double. Maximum 4 persons per room will be strictly enforced. If you wish to make a reservation see form on page ____ or out of state call 1-800-558-3318; in Wisconsin call 1-414-567-0311.

REGISTRATION: You may pick up your convention registration packet with tickets, and program in the Olympia Expo Center registration area Friday evening or Saturday morning. **YOU MUST PRE-REGISTER TO ATTEND THE DINNER/DANCE.**

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 1, 1989

Complete entire form and send to:

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1123 North Water Street
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Wisconsin Water Ski Federation

APPLICATION FOR INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP

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(Winter mailing address)

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(For family memberships, please list all family members here)

(Memberships are due at Think Tank.)

Club affiliation (if any) _____

Please mail your completed form to: Wisconsin Water Ski Federation
1123 North Water Street
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Think Tank Thirteen

Exhibit Booths Still Available...But Not for Long!

Exhibit booths are still available for the 1989 WWSF Ski Expo during Think Tank Thirteen at the Olympia Village in Oconomowoc. The expanded room at Olympia will allow for more exhibitors, larger display areas and most of all increased show attendance. This will be the midwest's premier water ski show. **DO NOT MISS OUT!**

-Display coats:	10' x 10'	\$80	10' x 20'	\$150
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	25' x 25'	\$250	20' x 35'	\$280
	25' x 35'	\$350	35' x 35'	\$500

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Set-up: Friday, February 24, 1989, 3:00 pm-10:00 pm
Display hours: Sat. 8:30 am - 5:00 pm, Sun. 9:00 am -1:00 pm
Security: Provided Friday and Saturday nights

For more information contact: Jeff W. Thomson, Think Tank Expo Chairman
8968 Hwy 110, Fremont, WI 53904, 414/446-9220

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Think Tank Thirteen

Over 40 Seminars to Choose From...

The general title and brief description of each seminar and tank planned for this year's convention is listed.

The schedule and room assignments listed on a separate page are subject to change depending upon confirmation from speakers.

This convention is designed to be an opportunity for a free exchange of ideas covering different aspects of our sport. This year there should be some major discussions about how to enhance participation in each sport discipline. It provides a marvelous chance to learn from the best and to add direction for the future. Professionals and dignitaries that have committed to attending are listed at the end. Also listed are some contacted but as yet unconfirmed speakers.

Freestyle Jumping- instruction covering mechanics of helicopters, front and back flips, one-ski tricks, etc.

Beginning Doubles- personal instruction from the best couples on basic lifts and how to practice.

Trios/Conventional Doubles- similar hands on learning of moves.

Show Judges Video Critique- get to know what the judges are looking for when scoring acts, crawl inside their minds so you can better design your show schedule and performance.

Intermediate and Advanced Doubles- similar to Beg. Doub. but come and watch just how the

best couples learn from each other.

Show Driving- how to design patterns for better flow and to reduce wave interference, how to work together as a team to improve scores.

Pick-up Driving- where to be positioned, how to work with the low-boat team, what to do for injuries, how to collect skis, etc.

Show Judges Forum- this is for judges to get together to discuss amongst themselves how to score better, how to get more judges started, possible different ways to score shows, etc.

Show Directors Forum- a round table discussion covering mechanics of operating shows and practices, how to handle personal moves, how to implement ideas, etc.

Swivel Clinic- learn how to do tricks on the ski, how to prepare passes, how to practice, how to choreograph routines for flow.

Show Jumping- discussion on putting together a successful act in terms of order of jumps, skiing whip-ups, what to do on falls, how to combine what you can do into an act.

AWSA Show Committee Forum- your chance to tell the national committee where the shortcomings are, directions for the future.

Judging Doubles- for the judges to learn what to look for in moves and positions, what is more

difficult, etc. Put the info to work at the doubles tourney finals.

Show Foot'n- designing show barefooting acts that run smoothly, don't have falls, utilize talent, and score well.

Club Promotion and Sponsorship- learn how you can get more fans to attend your shows, turn negatives into positives, and sell your club to the local community.

Tournament Barefooting- what it takes to run a tournament, how to prepare mentally, how to score runs, etc.

Barefooting Instruction- learn specifics and mechanics of jumping, wake-crosses, tricks, and starts in a one-to-one setting with the best in the world.

Barefoot Forum- how to get started in tournaments, how to practice your runs, how barefooting can be promoted, how to make tournaments more appealing to spectators.

Jump Judging- learn how to judge 3-event jumping.

Slalom Skiing- how to prepare for the course, choosing a ski that fits your style, how to handle that extra buoy.

Slalom Judging- what constitutes a 1/4 or 1/2 buoy and how you can use this to your advantage on the course to win by a 1/2 buoy margin.

Tournament Jumping- similar to the slalom clinic but covering me-

chanics of the approach, pop, air-time, and handling the landing.

Tournament Tricks- learn how to perform new moves on the skis and how you can design your runs to score more points.

Judging Tricks- how to keep track of all those moves!

Costumes- what looks good on the water, essentials of sewing, budgeting for better looks at cheaper rates, where to get material.

Finances and Budgets- get the most out of the money that comes in by knowing where it goes out, how to keep track and fill out government forms.

Sound- what you need to compete, what works best for the least amount of money, how to tape, how to organize the music and voices and special effects.

Show Production and Theming- learn how to theme a show, come up with ideas and carry them to the water, covering all aspects of designing an entertaining production.

3-Event Forum- discussion on course installation and government approval, how to increase tournament attendance, getting more people involved at a grassroots level.

President's Forum- round table discussion on how to better manage the business of the club, organization as a key to success.

3-Event Driving- how to drive for practice sessions, how to get started in tourney driving, how you can help the skier behind the boat.

Announcing- improve your score by increasing vocabulary, enunciation, articulation, inflection, and even playing a character role, also

use your body language.

Secretary's Forum- learn how to handle the work that gets dumped upon you, why the secretary is so valuable a position, and what you need to increase communication and membership services.

Show Props- why you need them, when, what for, how to get them, hints for making better ones.

Make-up and Character Roles- learn why make-up is of utmost importance, that it be applied correctly, how to do this, what to use, how to change looks with it, and also learn how to improve your skiers acting abilities.

Fund Raising- you need the money and now get great suggestions from everyone what works for them, how to run events that produce, and ear-marking for specific purposes.

Rope-making- know how to make ropes that will work for you and your act, how to make changes in length, adding colors, making take-off loops, modifying for specific act needs.

Show Photos- learn to take great shots of yourself and others and use them to promote your events and shows.

Safety Tanks- learn how to handle injuries on shore and out on the water, what to do in emergencies, how to and what to watch out for at tournaments, good safety sense, knowing those rules that cost you points, what the judge looks for.

Weight Training and Conditioning- how to prepare for the upcoming season, how to avoid injuries, how to properly lift for bulking and toning.

Kneeboarding and Hotdogging- how to compete in kneeboard

tournaments, how to perform new tricks, what you need to do to go about it safely.

Pyramid Climbing- have your entire team there to learn different ways to build, climb down, and land bigger pyramids, know the mechanics of proper steps to the top, how to support more on top, and how to get more out of each climb.

Here is a tentative list of clinic instructors:

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February 24-26, 1989

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