

**HEASB WATER SKI CLUB**

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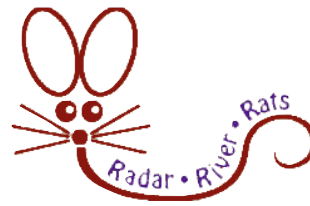


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the Radar River Rats  
celebrate

# 25 Years at Park Moabi

July 9 - 11, 2010 \*



Come Share the Memories... and make new ones



## TRIP INCLUDES

- 2 days Boarding & Water Skiing
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\*FOR THIS TRIP ONLY, a Membership form is required but the membership fee is waived.

# SOUNDING

# BORED

## Water Skiing—


by Catherine Ohl

It's hard to believe that the water ski season is almost here. The process of getting this newsletter out has been delayed since I have been busy traveling and procrastinating.

We've done a detailed analysis of our costs from last year two years and have decided to keep pricing same as 2009.

- Skier fee will be \$120 based on a gas cost of \$3.50 a gallon [or about \$4 in Needles]. If the price of gas exceeds this threshold, we may have to access a gas surcharge.
- Non-skier fee will remain at \$60 in spite of food and campground cost increases.
- The child fee of \$18 will be unchanged. We love your kids and welcome their energy and their free spirits.
- Individual membership will decrease to \$20. A family membership will decrease to \$40.

It's hard to believe that this is the Rat's 25th Anniversary.

 We will be celebrating it at the river on **July 9-11, 2010**. See page 2 flyer for details. We certainly hope a bunch of you old timers will join us.

Find us on facebook. Just search for **Radar River Rats**.

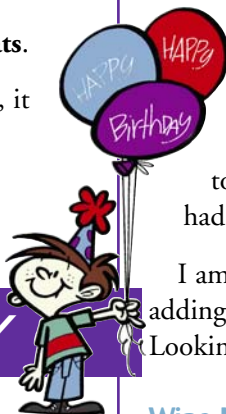
With all the snow we've had this winter in Colorado, it should be a great summer for water skiing & wake boarding. ■

*Catherine*

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

### June

Sean Griffin	6/6	Craig Henderson	6/13
Heather Pomeroy	6/8	Jordyn Mathis	6/14
Pam Fitting	6/8	Paul Jackson	6/15
Rob Fitting	6/9	Mounir Tanious	6/18
Greg Pomeroy	6/10	Andy Lauer	6/19
Jonathan Ausubel	6/12	Benjamin Kwon	6/23
		Michael Webb	6/27



## WINE MAKER DINNER

Sat., October 2, 5 PM  
10818 Viacha Dr, San Diego

**\$75\***



YES, please sign me up!  
Sorry I won't be able to attend.

### For Information—

- Call Gene at 858-467-9469

### Send Check—

- payable to **Can Do for MS** c/o Gene Fulkerson  
10818 Viacha Dr., SD, CA 92124

100% of proceeds to benefit  
**Can Do for MS (formerly The Heuga Center for MS)**



\* 100% Tax Deductible. Since this is a fundraiser for charity, there will be no refunds.

# Boat Driver

# UPDATE

by Gene Fulkerson

## Welcome to Summer—

Hope you have all had an excellent winter snow skiing or boarding. Since I am still retired, I continue to ski when and where and managed 50+ days in Utah, Idaho, Canada, Montana and Colorado. Life is good.

I would like to welcome back our very excellent boat drivers— **Catherine Ohl, Paul Jackson, Mark Mathis, and Craig Henderson**.

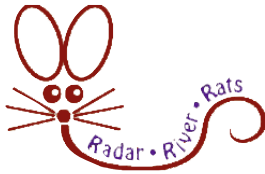
I am excited to start water skiing again as our boat drivers ready their boats for another fantastic summer at the river. Mark and Paul took a trip to the river in April to tune up their boats. In May, we towed Catherine's boat home for an overhaul as we had some bad rings. Should be like new.

I am hard at working embellishing the river menus and adding some new twists. Come out to the river for a taste. Looking forward to skiing with you all again in 2010.

## Wine Maker Dinner—

The date for the Wine Maker Dinner will be October 2, 2010. The name of the Heuga Center was changed to "Can Do for MS" so we are supporting the same charity. On a sad note, **Jimmie Heuga** passed away February 8, 2010 from complications due to his MS. He was such an inspiration and will be missed. ■

# THE RADAR RIVER RATS PROGRAM



Welcome to the HEASB "Radar River Rats" Water Ski Program. We hope that the following will answer many of the questions you may have concerning our river weekend trips to the Colorado River.

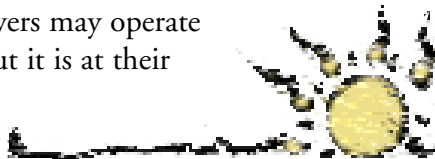
## Water Ski Weekends—

The intent of a Rats water ski weekend is to SKI, have lots of FUN and RELAX in the SUN (or shade) with like-minded water skiers.

We provide the boats, water skis, vests, sunshades, instruction for beginning skiers, sandy beaches for camping and sunning, five meals, and all the beer and soda you can drink at the river. All this is yours for only \$120 plus carpool expenses.

Non-skiers & children are welcome to join in the fun for \$60 & \$18, respectively, plus carpool expenses. The non-skier and child fees cover meals, drinks, and camping. Non-skiers and non-skiing children will not be able to ride in a Club boat during Club hours.

Club boats are scheduled to operate Saturday, from 8 AM to 5 PM, and on Sunday, from 7 AM to noon. There will be a one hour break for lunch on Saturday. Boat drivers may operate extended hours, but it is at their discretion.



## 2010 Colorado River Schedule

**\$120\***

- 2 Days Water Skiing • Sandy Beaches •
- Camping • Ski Equipment Provided •
- Instruction • Water Games • Happy Hour •
- Food • Beer • Wine • Soda •

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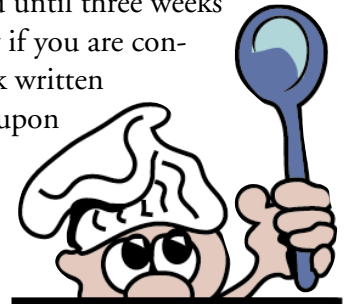
**October 22-24**

## Signing Up—

You must be a member of the HEASB Water Ski Club aka Radar River Rats to sign up for a water ski trip. To join the club, fill out the membership application found in this package and send to the location indicated on the form. To sign up for a trip, you will need to fill out the reservation form included in your new member package or on the web site.

We take up to eight skiers per boat. After we fill a boat, we designate a driver for the Club. You should be notified by the Monday evening before the trip about your status and carpool arrangements. **Be sure to sign up early so we can guarantee a boat driver.**

Your check will not be cashed until three weeks before the trip date, and only if you are confirmed on the trip. Any check written for over \$120 will be cashed upon receipt.



## Camping—

Our weekend trips are scheduled at Park Moabi, 11 miles south of Needles, CA. Our campsite is along a sandy stretch of beach on the Colorado River and is somewhat secluded from other campers. You can sleep on the beach, in the bushes, in your tent or in your vehicle (or in a hotel in Needles).

Running water and flushing toilets are at our campsite, while hot showers and a small market are available in the main campground about a mile away. The River water temperature is usually in the low to mid 70s. Air temperatures can reach as high as 120°F in the summer and drop as low as 45°F at night in the early spring and late fall. Sunshades (at times with misters) are provided by the Club.

## Hook-Ups—

There are **only four hook-ups** available on our point. The location of each hook-up varies depending on which campsite we have for the weekend. You must tell us when you sign up if you would like a hook-up. You will be notified of hook assignments by the Trip Coordinator. Boat drivers and board members have priority followed by those who sign up first.

  
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It will cost you an additional \$20 per day which you will pay when you check in at Park Moabi. You will also need to bring a long extension cord with you (just in case).

### Campground Fees—

Park Moabi now has some confusing and inconsistent procedures for making campground reservations which affects our reimbursement policy. When we make a reservation, we pay in full the fees for four vehicles for Friday & Saturday nights.

The first four vehicles to arrive on Friday night will not have to pay anything unless hook ups are required. We are hoping to be able to designate who gets the credits. But until then, if you are not an approved carpool and you get our credit, you will have to pay the trip leader the \$50 for the credit you received for the camping fee.



### Everyone Helps—

There is at least one trip leader on each of our weekend trips. We expect everyone to lend a hand when asked as it makes the trip fun for everyone. Breakfasts are do-it-yourself meals. Lunch and dinner are group projects.

For breakfast, you have a choice of cereal, bagels, donuts, muffins, burritos or eggs. Saturday lunch is cold cut sandwiches. Sunday brunch is garbage omelettes, pancakes or whatever is left over. The dinner menu varies from trip to trip; it will include bar-b-que chicken with bar-b-que'd steak, tri tip, pork loin, fresh ahi or something special cooked up by our chef. If you require special foods, we encourage you to bring what you need.

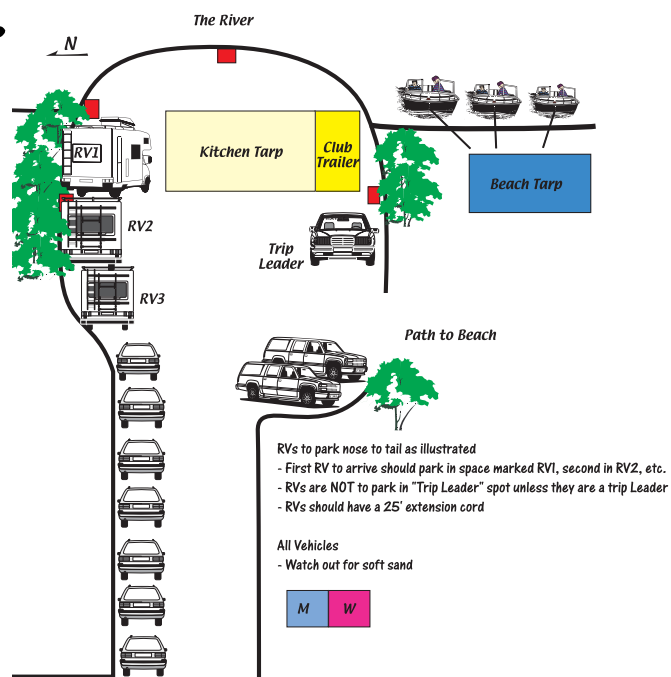
The Club owns a trailer that is fully stocked with skis, vests, a BBQ, beer, soda, paper goods, cooking utensils, sun shades, etc. The trailer will be out on our campsite early Saturday morning. First thing that gets done before skiing is the trailer gets unloaded and camp is set up. The reverse is done on Sunday.

### Suggested Items to Bring—

Hat/Visor	Tent	Swim Suit
Sunglasses	Sleeping Bag	Tee-Shirt
Sunscreen	Air Mattress	L/S Shirt
Sandals	Insect Repellent	Life Jacket (optional)
Towel	Flashlight	Ski Gloves
Beach Chair	Drinks for Friday	Ski/Board (optional)

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### Liability—

The Hughes Employee Association South Bay (HEASB) Water Ski Club, the Radar River Rats (RRR), Hughes Employees Association (HEA), and Raytheon Employee Association (REA), shall not be held liable to anyone for injury or loss incurred by him/her while traveling to, participating in, or traveling from an activity sponsored by the Club, including Club meetings, Club trips or while using any facilities controlled by the Club. The HEASB Water Ski Club is a non-profit organization.



### Board Meetings—

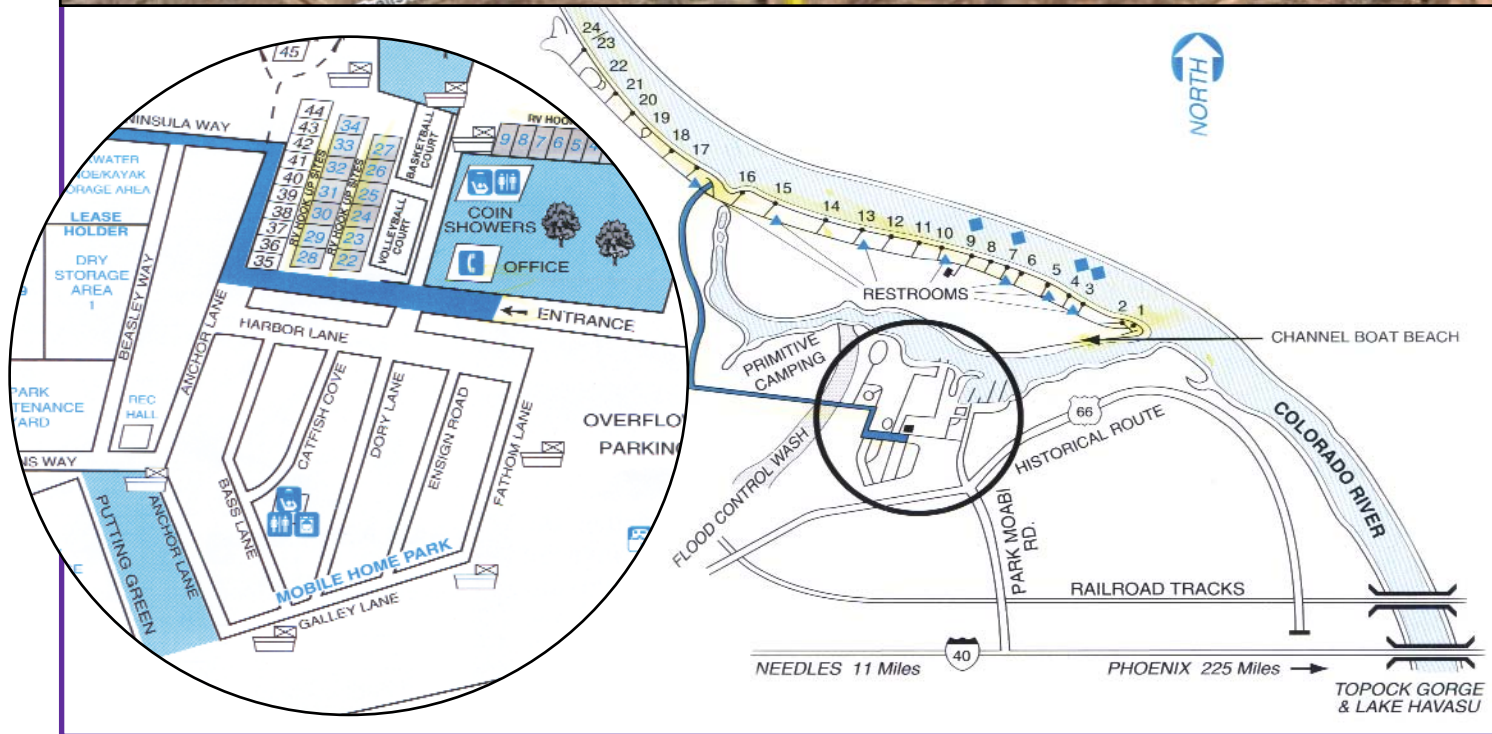
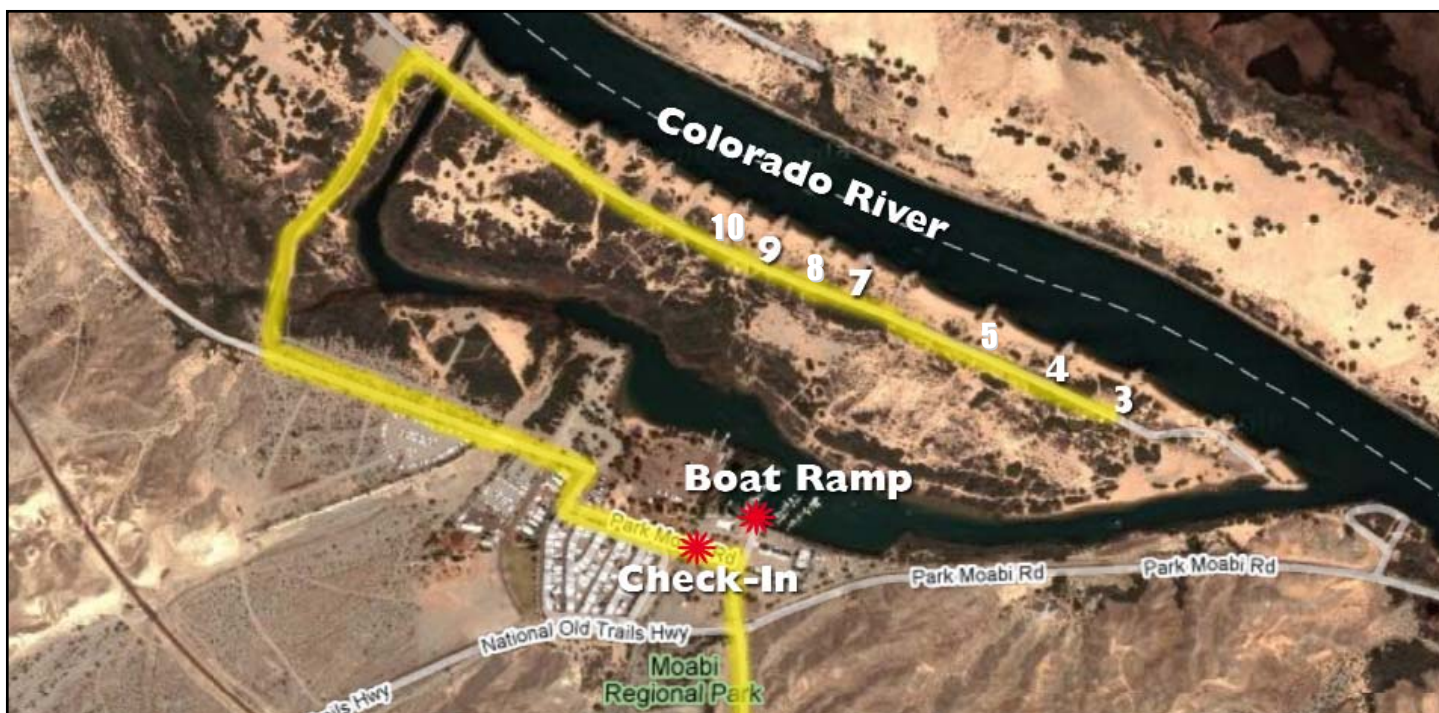
Monthly board meetings are held on the third Monday of every month from March through November in the South Bay. We meet at a board member's home. Call 858-467-9469 for location. ■

# MAP OF PARK MOABI

This is a Google Map of **Park Moabi**, located 11 miles east of Needles, CA along the Colorado River, where the Rats camp and play ten weekends throughout the summer. We don't get the same camping spot (called a point on the Peninsula) every weekend. The Point Tracker on the right should help you find where we are located on any given weekend. ■

## Point Tracker

June 25-27	Pt. 5	July 23-25	Pt. 10
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# Ski, Board & Boat Etiquette—

The club takes up to eight skiers per **club boat**. Non-skiers and non-skiing children will not be able to ride in a club boat during club hours.

At times we have boats on the beach that are not designated as a **club boat** for the weekend. If invited for a run feel free to take them up on their offer. Since they are not being reimbursed by the club for their expenses, it would be appropriate to offer them some gas money.

**Club boats** are required to be in operation from 8 am – 5 pm on Saturday and from 7 am to noon on Sunday. There will be a one hour break for lunch on Saturday. Brunch on Sunday will be around 10 AM. Boat drivers may operate extended hours, but it is at their discretion.

It is recommended that a **club boat** go out on a ski run with no more than four (4) skiers plus the driver. This requirement will help cycle the skis and skiers and reduce the amount of time a boat is out at one time.

A minimum of one skier and another skier/observer plus the driver are required for any given run.

All skiers shall have a chance to take one ski run before any skier goes out for a second run.

When filling their **club boat**, boat drivers should attempt to give priority to the skiers with the least number of runs for that day.

Each time a **club boat** goes out, each skier will be allowed **ONLY ONE** ski, wake board, trick ski, barefoot **OR** air-chair run. A driver may limit a skier's run to ten (10) minutes. This should allow a boat to return to the beach to pick up another load of skiers in approximately 1 hour, 15 minutes. **AGAIN NO DOUBLE RUNS.**

A **club boat** is not required to operate if conditions (wind, rain, lightening, etc.) make skiing unsafe.

It is required that you have fun and to help out when asked. ■



# KID'S KORNER

## 4 kids & grandkids

### Spring is here...Water, Sun and Fun

While childhood memories are often filled with carefree days, emergency room doctors know it as "trauma season." Tragedies peak during the warmer months because children are supervised less, have more free time and engage in more outdoor activities.

### Water Safety Tips for Kids—

- If you do not know how to swim, always wear a life jacket.

*If you fall, get pushed in or accidentally get near deep water, a life jacket can keep you floating on the surface until you can get help. Even strong swimmers should wear a vest in deep or rough water.*

- Swim with a buddy.

*You've probably heard this many times, but it's worth saying again. If you get into trouble, your friend can get help fast.*

- Always go feet first into unfamiliar water.

*There could be rocks or tree stumps in rivers and lakes. Even pools can be more shallow than they look. So always check out the depth of water before you dive in.*

- If you see someone in trouble, signal the lifeguard or responsible adult.

*Don't try to rescue the person yourself — you could get pulled under the water. Wave your hands over your head to signal the lifeguard or another adult.*

- Don't EVER pretend you are drowning. It wastes lifeguard's time and may take their attention away from someone who really needs help.

- It's a good idea to stay near people who know you and will notice if you are in trouble.

*If you are with a group of people, have a check-in time and place to meet. Be sure*

*you show up on time so you won't give the adults gray hairs.*

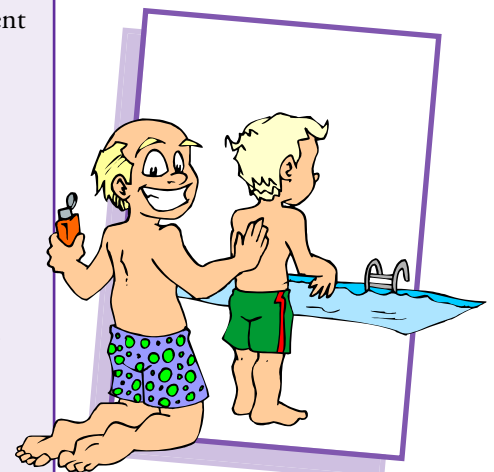
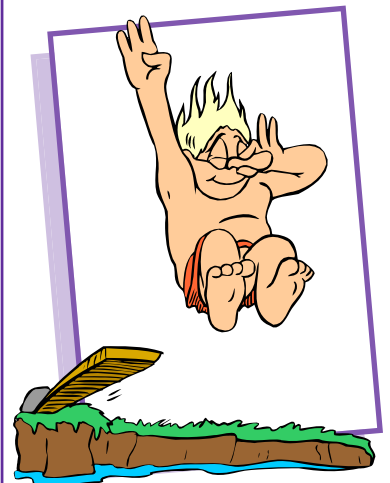
- Don't let your friends tease you into something you don't want to do. *Even if all your friends are jumping in, don't do it if you are afraid or feel like you can't handle it. Knowing your limitations is nothing to be embarrassed about.*
- Make sure you always follow the adult in charge's instructions!
- Wear sunscreen! ■



### Online Safety for Kids—

Kids, here's are some Safety Tips for you when you go online.

- Don't ever give out information about yourself like your last name, your phone number, where you live, or where you go to school.
- Never e-mail a picture of yourself to strangers.
- If somebody emails something to you that makes you uncomfortable, don't look around or explore. Tell your parents.
- Making plans to meet your internet buddies in real life is a really bad idea. People in real life can be very different from how they are online.
- Don't open up e-mails, files, or web pages that you get from people you don't know or trust.
- Don't ever give out your password, except to responsible adults in your family.
- Always follow your family's rules for the using the internet.
- Don't ever do anything that costs money. ■







# 2010 HEASB Water Ski Club Membership Application

Please, ONE application form per membership type (Individual or Family)

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Home Ph: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_  
**E-Mail Address:\*\*** \_\_\_\_\_ Business Ph: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Birthday (Mo/Day): \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\* Note — Email will be the tool used for most of our communication with members. Please print clearly.**

Raytheon Payroll Number: \_\_\_\_\_ LOC: \_\_\_\_\_ Bldg: \_\_\_\_\_ M/S: \_\_\_\_\_

The membership year is from April 1 through March 31.



Please check (ONE only) the type of membership that applies to you:

\_\_\_ \$20 **Single Membership**

\_\_\_ \$40 **Family Membership** (two or more skiers at same address and includes skiing kids under 18)

**There is no membership fee for a non-skiing child under the age of 12.  
However, ALL skiers must be members, regardless of age.**

**Submit application with your check payable to HEASB Water Ski Club by mail to:  
Membership, P.O. Box 3080, El Segundo, CA 90245**

We are always looking for volunteers. I may be interested in helping run the club: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to volunteer / suggest / comment: \_\_\_\_\_

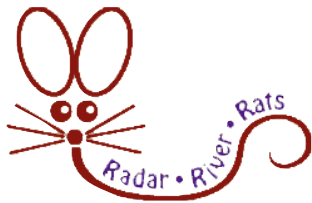
WAIVER: I hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators waive and release any and all rights and claims I may have against HEASB Water Ski Club, Radar River Rats, Raytheon Employee Association (EA) or its representatives, agents, or board members of any and all injuries. The Raytheon Employee Association (EA) is a non-profit organization that has no association with Hughes Aircraft Company, Raytheon Systems Co., or Boeing.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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\* Please note: Our skis and wake boards are best suited for Beginners to Intermediates. We suggest that if you require more advanced equipment that you rent them from your local sporting goods store.

Everyone is Welcome – Beginner to Expert, Family and Friends!

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