



**Media Release**  
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**Moama Water Sports Club**

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**Mark Cranny and Team Hell make it two years in a row.**

Mark Cranny and Damien Matthews won for the second year in a row – the outright winner of the Barrie Beehag Ski Race, held at Deep Creek Marina on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2007. Mark drove his boat Hellrazor, Damien was the observer and with skiers Jason Walmsley and Chris Gelle the covered the 64 kilometre course in a record time of 23:23.12. This also made them class winners for the Unlimited Inboard / Outboard class.

101 boats fronted the starters: Terry Bennett and Ray Lohead for the event. There were many families on the bank watching the action at Deep Creek Marina. Along the river to the turn around point at Deep Creek Marina there were many camps of day trippers and campers watching the action on the water.

No injuries were reported for the weekend, but some boat engines might require a bit of work to get them back onto the water again – but that is the sport of water ski racing.

Nine records were broken for the weekend which saw some fast speeds on the water.

Unlimited Inboard / Outboard was won by Hellrazor narrowly from Fastcash towing Chris Taylor and Michael Gunther – there was only one separating the teams on the return leg. Third in the class was Jim Beam Racing towing Ross Harris and Mathew Brooks.

Sportspage was the winner in the 8 Litre class towing Travis Oliver and Steven Rowe – they were also the third fastest outright and broke the record for their class. Second was Agrovation towing Michael Kelly and Grant Turner. Third was Outlaw towing James Kennedy and Darren Apps.

In MOC the first three place getters broke the record set last year. This years winner of MOC BL Marine also held the previous record. BL Marine towing Shaun James and Jason Hartley completed the course in 29:20.83. Petty Cash towing Robbie Skennerton and Gerard Atkins were second and Ace Racing towing Dave Parnis and Troy Boyer were third.

Untamed was the winner in 6 Litre towing Ashley Fraser and Wayne Watson in a time of 30:19.90. Second was Bandit towing Craig Williams and Brett Smith and third was The Clog towing brothers Paul & Nick Byvoet.

In SMOC outboard the first two place getters along with brothers in opposing teams broke the record for the class set last year by Stalker. Nick Groves skiing with Shane Floyd behind Kaned It bet his brother Brad who was driving Stalker with skiers Andrew Morgan and Mark Williams – there was only 5 seconds and 66/100 of a second between them. Third in the class was Little Man towing Kaine Milliard and Greg Norton.

Saint'n was the winner in the 2.5 Litre class towing Shaun Hewitt and Darren Radford. Second was Kane It Again towing youngsters William Groves and Aidan Rowe. Third was High Roller towing Regan Leary and Brett Sampson.

Juniors and the winner was Ballistic in a time of 31:48.26 with skiers Lloyd Woolman and Clinton Stratton doing the skiing. Second was Cinders towing Dayne Tannenber and Beau Duggan. Third place went to Black Ice towing Kate Wright and Tayla Wright.

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The 60mph class saw Breakaway take the honours in a time of 37:51.55 with skiers Andrew Hinterholz and Suzie Gelle. Backfire was in second place towing Nick Poyser and Ryan Payne and third place was The Units with Doug Perry and Stephen Smith doing the skiing.

A great weekend was had by all, full results can be found on the Southern 80 web page [www.southern80.com.au](http://www.southern80.com.au)