



Media Release from Moama Water Sports Club

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The Water Ski Racing Fraternity will be turning its attention to the Murray River on Saturday 13th October for the 2007 Barrie Beehag Ski Race. The event is run from the Deep Creek Marina to the Torrumbarry Weir and return. Racing starts at approximately 11am after a briefing at the Deep Creek Marina Boat Ramp at 9am.

The event is conducted by the Moama Water Sports Club with the support of the Perricoota Boat Club, and is fast building as a must race in the ski racer's calendar.

The event attracts people of all ages to the Murray river to watch, observe, compete or enjoy the show put on by the 400 or so competitors that will be competing in the event.

Will *Hellbent* take out the overall honours again, continuing the terrific season they are having on the water so far with wins in the Hawkesbury 120 & the Grafton Bridge to Bridge. Or will *Chief*, *Fastcash* or *Jim Beam Racing* take out the honours.

The oldest competitor is Ron Trengrove, driving *Totally Senile* one of 28 boats in the Unlimited Inboard / Outboard class.

In the 8 Litre class, last year's winner *Exertion* will be out to take honours again, but *Sportspage* and *Agrovation* will be pushing the team to do their best time.

MOC, will see *BL Marine*, last year's class winner lead the field, from *Petty Cash* and *Ace Racing* – can they better their time of 29:34 from last year to take first place this year.

Last year after winning the 6 Litre, Lenny Retallick (*Cinders*) announced his retirement, so he will not be defending his win, but we are sure that you will be able to hear him on the bank as he watches the action on the water. *Kamikaze* and *Ultra Rage* would have to be favourites for the 6 Litre class, but with 26 entries in that class everyone is in with a chance.

SMOC and *Stalker* last year's winner will lead the way. *Stalker* is a new boat this season, so it will be interesting to see how Brad Groves handles the new boat on the river. *Mickey D* and *Kaned It* along with *Little Man* would have to be contenders to win the SMOC class.

2.5L Outboard a new class for this season and *Streaker Racing* is the first of this class on the water, followed by *High Roller* and *Kane-It-Again*.

Revenge was last year's winner in Juniors and again this year they have another run, with skiers Aiden Cuff and Ben Pearse. They will need to watch out for Jarryd Tannenberg & Ashley Johnson behind *All Fired Up* and Riley Jones and Jordon Easton behind *Sonic*.

60mph and this class of 13 entries will be lead off by *Backfire*, last year's winner.

There are many places to watch all the action on the water. From the Victorian side of the river anywhere from Torrumbarry Weir to the Fraser Road boat ramp would be good.

On the NSW side the Deep Creek Marina is the best position. Entry to the Marina is by gold coin donation, with catering available and activities for the kids.

Race programs are available from Monday 8th October at the Echuca and Moama Newsagency's.

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