

# SHOCKWAVE

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**T**hey come to Lake Havasu with smiles on their faces, because everyone knows that the Shockwave Regatta weekend is the time for renewing old friendships and enjoying the planned activities.

From the Friday evening hospitality party, where backs are slapped and hugs are freely given, the Shockwave Regatta weekend is underway. After getting checked in and examining the new items at the Shockwave booth (hats, soft-sided coolers, towels, shirts, etc., all adorned with the Shockwave logo), it's time for these boaters to encircle the Jokers Wild Hot Wheels track. The Hot Wheels Race at the Shockwave

Regatta is the focal point of the evening; with over 100 cars sold, it takes "Uncle Larry" almost two hours to get down to the race finals, where the winner walks away with the \$100 first-place prize.

With typical Lake Havasu summer weather for Saturday (just above 100 degrees), these boaters are ready for a day on the water. The poker run takes these Shockwaves from one end of the lake to the other, with stops manned by Flusche Realty at Havasu Springs and the Channel Mini Market under the London Bridge. After all, that's what Lake Havasu and a Jokers Wild Promotions Regatta is all about—getting out on the lake and enjoying the thrill of letting your Magnatude or Tremor roar across the water.

One thing is guaranteed at this annual event: good times! The Shockwave Regatta brings together these like-minded boaters, where over the years many have become year-round friends. The 2006 regatta was no exception, and as happens every year, the weekend ended too soon for these boaters. One thing is assured when the temperatures warm during the Summer of 2007—Shockwave owners will once again congregate on this jewel of a lake nestled in the Northwest corner of Arizona, and good times will be had by all. Isn't it almost time for another Shockwave Regatta? ■

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