

## Do your Kids Love the WATER?

### Check out the EZ-Ski Combo from Connelly

My family has been on the water since we moved to Edmonton back in the 1970's. We used to go out to Long Lake every weekend to go camping, waterskiing and fishing. I remember being about 7 years old and trying to water-ski for the very first time.

Do you remember when you first learned something... Everyone had advice, funny that hasn't changed much.

However, the words I must have had stuck in my head were "DON'T LET GO OF THE ROPE" now remember I was 7 and pretty new to the sport of water-skiing. Well I fell and did exactly what they told me "I NEVER LET GO OF THE ROPE" and I remember drinking lots of water, choking and trying to breathe. Nevertheless, I was proud I never let go of the rope. Well, what I didn't realize until I got out of the water was the rope had wrapped around my legs and I had such bad rope burn, that it hurts even now to think of how much it burnt and how sore it was. I couldn't sit or sleep for days. And pants, no way could I put anything other than underwear on.



Now it's been a long time since that day and I have to say I eventually got over that fear and actually became a pretty good water-skier. Now my dad has a new boat, my kids are 3 and 5 and I would love them to learn to water-ski, but not the way I did. Which is why when I saw the EZ-Ski at the Wizard Lake Marines' booth this year at the Boat show I was soo soo keen on trying it with the kids?

Who ever invented this must have had an experience like mine when they were younger.

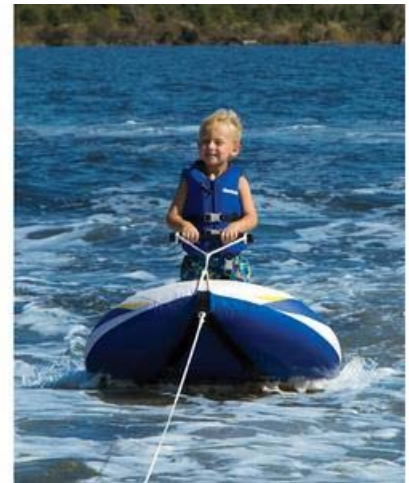
*This is perfect fun for toddlers.*



They don't have to hold the rope too hard, the rope is attached to the Ez-Ski and then they hold the handle to the EZ-ski. My 3 year old can sit the whole time, as her balance isn't quite there when on the water. My 5-year-old son can sit down or stand up. Which ever he prefers, it works for him.

As a parent it truly takes the **fear and frustration** out of trying to teach my kids how to hold the rope, keep your legs together, hold the rope with one hand while they wipe the water out of their face while getting out of the water. They just have to put their feet into the bindings, it's that easy. On the bottom, there is the front of a ski boot for the feet to tuck right into. It's great for their confidence, the kids feel they can do it on their own and the pulling them out of the water is a breeze.

With the proper confidence that you build with the kids about water, this Ez-Ski is easy to mount from the shore of the boat, the kids are able to enjoy and have fun. They are not "beat up and exhausted" when they are done skiing.



So, if your family loves the water, camping and boating, be sure to stop by Wizard Lake Marine in Calmar, just 10 minutes west from Leduc and talk to Clint before packing up for the beach. The kids will enjoy the time in the water and who knows they may be the next best World Water-Skiing champion.

Don't forget to send me photos. Actually, I want a video, because it's the laughter that you'll hear instead of the Tears with the Ez-Ski Combo.

Enjoy the summer.

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