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U.S. Wakeboard Team Places Fourth
At 13th IWWF Wakeboard World Championships

U.S. athlete Alex Albin wins individual gold medal

POLK CITY, Fla. – The U.S. Wakeboard Team placed fourth and three U.S. riders earned individual medals at the 13th IWWF Wakeboard World Championships, Nov. 19-23, in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. Athletes from 31 countries competed in the biennial event. Australia won the gold medal (675 points), Japan earned the silver (433 points) and Italy earned the bronze (415 points).

Divisions for competition at the IWWF Wakeboard World Championships were as follows (all ages taken as of Jan. 1, 2019): Boys/Girls (14 and Under); Junior Men/Junior Women (18 and Under); Master Men/Master Women (30 Years and Over); Veteran Men (40 Years and Over); and Open Men/Open Women (Open). Riders are scored on Composition, Intensity and Execution.

The U.S. Wakeboard Team tallied 391 points in finishing fourth. Members of the 2019 U.S. Wakeboard Team were: Alex Albin (Discovery Bay, Calif.), 14 Under Boys; Dayle Cartwright (Naples, Fla.), Veteran Men; Ashton Coker (Winter Springs, Fla.), Open Men; Adam Fields (Littleton, N.C.), Masters Men; Chad Lowe (Sebastopol, Calif.), Veteran Men; Tarah Mikacich (Orlando, Fla.), Open Women; Danny Thollander (Winter Park, Fla.), Open Men; and Cathy Williams (Orlando, Fla.), Veteran Women.

Albin won the gold medal in Under 14 Boys, scoring 79.44 points. Japan's Riito Shikai earned the silver medal (72.11 points) and Italy's Stefano James Comollo earned the bronze medal (70.22 points).

Cartwright earned the silver medal in Over 40 Veteran Men, scoring 51.33 points; Williams earned the silver medal in Over 40 Veteran Women, scoring 47.67 points; Fields placed fourth in Over 30 Master Men, scoring 53.00 points; and Mikacich placed fifth in Open Women, tallying 50.56 points.

Other division winners were: Sienna Curren (Australia), Under 14 Girls (70.33 points); Mariana Nep (Brazil), Over 30 Master Women (75.50 points); Charlotte Broadbent (New Zealand), Over 40 Veteran Women (48.89 points); Travis Osborne (Australia), Over 40 Veteran Men (60.44 points); Lucas Langlois (France), Over 30 Master Men (59.78 points); Mackenzie McCarthy (Australia), Junior Women (74.56 points); Sam Brown (Australia), Junior Men (86.89 points); Alice Virag (Italy) Open Women (66.44 points); and Nic Rapa (Australia), Open Men (92.00 points).

Complete results can be viewed at http://www.iwwfed-ea.org/boatwake/19UAE002/.


USA Wakeboard is one of nine sport discipline organizations of USA Water Ski & Wake Sports, which is affiliated with the International Waterski & Wakeboard Federation (world governing body) and is recognized by the United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee and Pan-American Sports Organization as the national governing body of organized water skiing and wakeboarding in the United States. Note to media: This press release as well as additional information can be found at https://www.usawaterskiandwakesports.org/. To unsubscribe from future emails, please reply to this email with “REMOVE” in the Subject Line.