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U.S. Water Ski Team Selected To Compete At Pan American Senior Water Ski Championships

Twenty two athletes will represent U.S., Oct. 23-26, in Bujama, Peru

POLK CITY, Fla. – USA Water Ski & Wake Sports is pleased to announce the 2019 U.S. Senior Pan American Championships Water Ski Team that will represent the United States at the 2019 IWWF Pan American Senior Water Ski Championships, Oct. 23-26, in Bujama, Peru. The team consists of 22 water ski athletes from four – 35+, 45+, 55+ and 65+ – age divisions.

Athletes selected to compete in the 35+ division were: Brian Ansel (Madison, Wis.), Lauren Malitz (San Antonio, Texas), Kyle Petit (Santa Rosa Beach, Fla.), Jimmy Siemers (Round Rock, Texas) and Jeff Surdej (Wilmington, Ill.).

Athletes selected to compete in the 45+ division were: Russell Gay (Winter Garden, Fla.), Lori Krueger (Martindale, Texas), Brenda Nichols (Winter Garden, Fla.), Marc Shaw (Ocoee, Fla.) and Kyle Tate (Winter Garden, Fla.).

Athletes selected to compete in the 55+ division were: Anne Bennett (Zachary, La.), Connie Bergmark (San Diego, Calif.), Janie Fausold (Pleasant Grove, Calif.), Mitch Grau (Carrollton, Texas), Tina Lindsey (Martindale, Texas) and Greg Tate (Auburn, Wash.).

Athletes selected to compete in the 65+ division were: John Able (Houston, Texas), Brenda Cavenaugh (Santa Rosa Beach, Fla.), Leza Harrison (Chuluota, Fla.), Steve Lohr (Milford, Va.), Dennis Longo (Coral Gables, Fla.) and Steve Raphael (Southlake, Texas).

In addition to individual medals being awarded in slalom, tricks, jumping and overall, an overall team title will be at stake. Team scoring will be calculated from all of the age divisions combined, per the IWWF 35+ competition rules. The best five team scores from each event (in the preliminaries or the finals) – but with a maximum of two scores from the age categories – are added together to obtain the team score.

Marc Shaw (Ocoee, Fla.) will serve as the coach. The teams were selected by the 35+ Sub Committee of the American Water Ski Association’s International Activities Committee.

USA Water Ski & Wake Sports 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.