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CRITERIA AND INVITEES TO 14TH JUNIOR MASTERS ANNOUNCED

ORLANDO, FLA (February 24, 2006) —The Masters Steering Committee has released the water ski invitation criteria for the 14th Junior Masters Water Ski Tournament to be held at Callaway in Pine Mountain, Georgia, May 26-28, 2006. The Junior Masters event is part of the 47th Masters Water Ski & Wakeboard Tournament, ® sponsored by Correct Craft.

The Masters Committee meets annually to discuss the invitation criteria for the upcoming year's event due to the ever-changing environment of waterskiing. The committee has developed a comprehensive list of criteria to ensure that the world's very best junior athletes are invited to the 14th Junior Masters.

A complete list of criteria for invitation to ski the 14th Junior Masters Water Ski Tournament follows:

1. 2005 Defending Junior Masters Event and Overall Champions.
2. 2004 IWSF Junior World Championships Event and Overall Champions.
3. Top 7 on final IWSF Junior World Water Ski Ranking List, published as of March 1, 2006.
4. Top 5 on the IWSF Junior World Water Ski Overall Ranking List, published March 1, 2006.
5. 2005 Junior U.S. Open – Boys and Girls Water Ski Event and Overall Champions.
6. 2005 U.S. Nationals Girls 3 and Boys 3 Three-Event Water Ski Event and Overall Champions.
7. Performance in an IWSF sanctioned record-capability tournament between November 1, 2005 and May 21, 2006 which is equal to or exceeds the performance level of the 5th Ranked skier on the final 2005 IWSF Junior World Water Ski Ranking Lists,** published as of March 1, 2006.

It should be noted that the Junior Masters tournament will begin a little earlier this year —Friday morning at 8:00 a.m. with the Junior Masters preliminary round. Other important information follows:

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- ❖ To qualify, an athlete must be 17 years of age or younger as of **January 1, 2006**.
- ❖ Only Contestants invited to compete in two events may drag a third event with a valid EP or higher rating to qualify for Overall.
- ❖ The direction of the jump ramp will be determined by the Chief Judge and moveable for the Junior Masters, as it has been for the Masters, if it would have an impact on the event.
- ❖ Changes to the invitation letter and Information Sheet will be modified to establish a required RSVP/Entry and Fee due by April 14. A late fee will be applicable to Entry Fees received after April 14th. If Entry and Fee have not been received by April 28th, the invitation is rescinded.

Junior Masters Competitors qualified to date are listed below, additional qualifiers will be added.

Junior Men

Alexander Anthony, Pierre Ballon, Martin Bartalsky, Herman Beliakou, Thomas Casero, Stephen Critchley, Maxime Damour, Sebastian De Freitas, Thomas Gilbert, Bernardo Graf, Martin Kolman, Zdenek Kolman, Loukas Lamprou, Matteo Luzzi, Kevin Melnuk, Stelio Merolla, Adam Pickos, Storm Selsor, Jonathan Travers, Christopher Windle and Zack Worden.

Junior Women

Marion Aynaud, Rebecca Bond, Michale Briant, Iris Cambray, Nancy Chardin, Ambre Frac, Caroline Hensley, Alex Lauretano, Evdokia Liakou, Whitney McClintock, Irena Rohrer, Haley Runion, Karina Sergeeva, Danielle Shipe and Brooke Smith.

Watch for the Masters website at www.masterswaterski.com to be live by March 17.

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