

EAME 2007 International Judging Seminar Results

EAME Wakeboard International Judging Seminar



Antwerp, Belgium



Thank you to all those who recently attended the EAME Wakeboard International Judging Seminar held in Antwerp, Belgium, this was the 9th year for the International Seminar and workshop for Region EAME Wakeboard.

Firstly I would like to take this opportunity of thanking Alain Nieves and the Belgium Water Ski & Wakeboard Federation for organizing and hosting a successful weekend. I would also like to thank Alain and Claes Scheffer for assisting with the seminar together with Christine Tuaz for running the Calculation Programme workshop.

The purpose of the seminar and workshop is to increase the knowledge of all attending in the area of wakeboard judging and calculating and it was good to see 21 delegates from 8 countries attending. The seminar was held on an International basis with the highest examinations being available. Whilst I recognize the video examination is more difficult than being in the boat, it is important that judges have a very good understanding of the level of difficulty of the riders tricks and also that they can make sufficient notes to be able to differentiate between two riders doing the same trick. Please do not be disappointed if your result is not successful and would ask you to get in the boat as much as possible to gain experience this year. We cannot look at individual papers, I therefore offer a brief summary for each of the wakeboard judging examinations taken:

National Level 2 - The results for the multi-choice examination were excellent, however, the video analysis needs more attention. Numerous people wrote the trick correctly but did not record whether the trick was completed well or not, a few people did not know the tricks executed. Bunny hops were not recorded either

National Level 1 (International Level 2) – Good recognition of tricks for a number of judges, but comments were missing for intensity and missed/poor grabs and composition. There were also blank spaces left for difficult tricks where clearly people did not know what tricks they were and some confused a back roll to blind with a KGB. This level was taken by some and it was evident that this level of examination was too high, it must be remembered that it is a progressive examination and learning process with experience. The Rules also clearly state 'Prior to taking their exam, all candidates must have acted as an official at 4 National Calendar competitions', which, in some instances, may not have been the case. Congratulations to Nils Kroen, however, the Rules state 'All candidates must be aged 18 years or over'. Although the result still stands, Nils will not be able to judge at this level until he reaches 18*.

International Level 1 - This is the most difficult and highest level possible for boat wakeboard, therefore, the level of riding and examination questions are reflected this way. Congratulations to Nick Vandommele for an excellent result with good recognition and comments reflecting the riders ability and competition of the trick.

I hope you find these general comments constructive. If you have not been successful in the examination do not be discouraged, just like riding - experience and practise is required to achieve results. I look forward to seeing you all in 2007. Best wishes and have a great Summer.

Colin Hart, President EAME Wakeboard

Results

Level	Name	Surname	
Nat Level 3	Nikki	Matheussen	PASS
Nat Level 3	Katty	Lechantre	PASS
Nat Level 3	Elena	Khudyakova	PASS
Nat Level 2	Christian	Zwartjes	FAIL
Nat Level 2	Remi	Breivik	PASS
Nat Level 2	Katty	Lechantre	FAIL
Nat Level 2	Elena	Khudyajova	FAIL
Nat Level 2	Frankwin	Bos	PASS
Nat Level 2	Nikki	Matheussen	PASS
Nat Level 1	Yvette	Vergunst	PASS
Nat Level 1	Nicolas	Chastrusse	FAIL
Nat Level 1	Nils	Kroen	PASS *
Nat Level 1	Rob	Huysmans	FAIL
Nat Level 1	Wilco	De Vriers	FAIL
Nat Level 1	Jean-Philippe	Richonnier	PASS
Nat Level 1	Olivier	Geytenbeck	PASS
Int Level 1	Nick	Vandommele	PASS

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Calculation

First Name	Name	Country	Pass
Per	SCHEFFER	SWE	INT 1
Nick	VANDOMMELE	BEL	INT 1
Yvette	VERGUNST	NED	INT 2
Jean-Philippe	RICHONNIER	FRA	INT 2
Nikki	MATHEUSSEN	BEL	INT 2
Olivier	GEYTENBEEK	NED	INT 2
Elena	KHUDYAKOVA	RUS	NAT 2
Nicolas	CHASTRUSSE	FRA	NAT 2
Bos	FRANKWIN	NED	NAT 2
Rob	HUYSMANS	BEL	NAT 2
Christian	ZWARTJES	BEL	NAT 2
Wilco	DE VRIES	NED	NAT 2
Katty	LECHANTRE	BEL	NAT 2
Nils	KROON	NED	NAT 2