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## 14 DAYS TO THE 2009 HYDRO-TURF APBA WATERCROSS NATIONALS

### **AWESOME AWARDS UP FOR GRABS AT THE US NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP**

**EASTPOINTE, MICH.** – With only 14 days remaining to the 2009 HYDRO-TURF APBA Watercross Nationals, presented by Mystic Lubricants, the event will once again be the largest racing event of the Summer with all the top racers from the United States in attendance. The event is a three-day national racing event that features the top watercraft racers from the United States and Canada that will also include many other foreign competitors as well this year. The 2009 APBA National Tour had participants from 35 different states compete as well as racers from 6 different countries. With close to 300 participants in 2008, winning Nashville is one of the biggest accomplishments a racer will have in their PWC racing career. If you are a top rider you will be in Nashville.

All the top riders in the U.S. are expected to be in attendance, including Chris MacClugage, Craig Warner, Erminio Iantosca, Brian Baldwin, Eric Lagopoulos, Dustin Charrier, Rick Sherker, Rob Greenwald, Keifer King, Jake Zier, Guy Greenland, Amy Green, Rachel MacClugage, Troy Snyder, Dennis Mack, Bill Haig, Jason Stoyer and many others will be in attendance trying to earn a shot at a U.S. National Championship title. The event has classes for everyone including the new Vintage Ski classes. The event is also the 13<sup>th</sup> and final points round for the HYDRO-TURF APBA Watercross National Tour.

The event will award more than \$40,000 in cash, prizes, contingency awards and trophies. In total more than 180 custom trophies and over 400 cool plaques will be presented to the participants. It is a tremendous number of awards, but the APBA feels it is very important to reward its racers for their accomplishments. The premier classes Pro-Am Ski GP and Pro-Am Runabout will pay out a minimum of \$1,000 cash to the winners of those class while Pro-Am Ski Stock and Pro-Am Runabout Stock paying a minimum of \$750 to the winners of those classes. All Expert and Pro-Am classes, as well as the Womens Runabout class will receive a cash payout and the more racers the larger the cash purse. There is no minimum number of riders to get paid. The top 10 riders in each of the 31 Watercross Nationals racing classes will receive awards from results during this prestigious event with top 3 taking home some beautiful, huge, custom cups and 4<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> earning a cool plaque.

All season long racers have accumulated points toward the APBA National Highpoints championships. The APBA National Highpoints system determines rider's annual ranking and 2009 number. The APBA will once again reward the APBA racers for their accomplishments with some great awards this year for the National Highpoints champions. The top 10 will receive awards with the top-three taking home an awesome custom trophy and 4<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> place earning a plaque that shows their 2009 National ranking. Special trophies will be presented top the 10 National classes. With double points on the line in Nashville, the National Championship and the prestigious #1 plate all come down to the final event of the season.

In addition to all the APBA Awards, Hot Products has stepped up to sponsor the Junior classes and will provide video games as prizes for National Highpoints champions in the Junior classes. The video units will come packed full of games and are a very valuable prize. There are many other sponsors of the Junior classes including Skat-Trak, Hydro-Turf, Monster Energy and Prowatercraft.com that support our Youth riders. Sea-Doo has once again stepped up with a great contingency program for Sea-Doo racers at the Nationals.

Nashville Shores Park is located on the 14,200-acre J. Percy Priest Lake that features 213 miles of scenic natural shoreline to explore. This is the same site that hosted the Nationals since 2001. The lake is absolutely beautiful, and except for several marinas, campgrounds, boat launches, and parks, including Nashville Shores, the rest of this huge lake is wide open. The combination of a first class facility, together with first class racing events, will make this a very exciting and memorable event. Whether you are racing or just coming to watch a great time is guaranteed in Nashville.

## **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

### **Thursday, September 3**

2:00 am to 7:00 pm Check-in and Safety Inspection All Classes

### **Friday, September 4**

6:30 am - 7:30 pm Check-In Novice, Junior, Veteran and Vintage Classes

8:00 am Riders Meeting

8:30 am - 10:00 am Practice Novice, Junior, Veteran and Vintage Classes

10:00 am - 5:00 pm Racing

11:00 am - 4:00 pm Check-In Expert, Pro-Am, Sport, Amateur and Masters

### **Events Running on Friday**

Watercross - All Novice, Junior, Veteran and Vintage Motos, Qualifying and LCQ's

### **Saturday, September 5**

6:30 am - 7:30 pm Check-In Amateur, Sport, and Masters Classes

8:00 am Riders Meeting

8:00 am - 5:00 pm Check-In all other classes and Jamboree events

8:30 am - 10:00 am Practice Amateur, Sport and Masters Classes

10:00 am - 5:00 pm Racing

1:30 pm Amateur Freestyle

7:00 pm Awards - All Friday and Saturday Classes

### **Events Running on Saturday**

Watercross - All Amateur, Sport and Masters Classes Motos, Qualifying and LCQ's

Amateur Freestyle

### **Sunday, September 6**

7:00 am - 7:30 pm Check-In Expert, Pro-Am, Run 800 Open and Womens Runabout Classes

8:00 am Riders Meeting

8:30 am - 10:00 am Practice Expert, Women's Runabout and Pro-Am Classes

8:30 am - 4:00 pm Racing

1:00 pm Pro Freestyle

6:00 pm Expert, Pro-Am, Women's Runabout and Pro Freestyle Awards

### **Classes Running on Sunday**

Watercross - All Expert, Pro-Am, Run 800 Open and Women's Runabout classes

Pro Freestyle

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