



2012

EUROPE & AFRICA U21 CHAMPIONSHIPS OFFICIAL BULLETIN 1

We have the pleasure to invite all E&A Federations to the **2012 EUROPE & AFRICA UNDER 21 WATERSKI CHAMPIONSHIPS** to be held in South Africa at Lake Grappa from 29 March to 01 April 2012.

We are greatly looking forward to seeing u here and receiving your intention to participate as soon as possible.

THE SITE

Lake Grappa is a man made lake located in the Northern Cape province of South Africa, just 10 minutes away from Kakamas, 15 from the famous Augrabies Falls and about 60 minutes from Upington airport.

Directions how to get to the lake by car can be found on Lake Grappa's web page at <http://www.lakegrappa.co.za> and will be published in the official website and Bulletin 2.

OFFICIAL WEB

Official homepage of the 2012 Europe & Africa U21 Waterski Championships U21 is <http://www.lakegrappa.co.za>. All Bulletins, forms, information and results will be published on this website.

ACCOMMODATION

There is a variety of hotels and guesthouses in the area:

Kalahari Gateway Hotel, Kakamas – approximately 15 minutes from the site.
www.kalaharigateway.co.za , +27 54 431 0838

Vergelegen Guesthouse, Kakamas – approximately 20 minutes from the site.
www.augrabiesfalls.co.za , +27 54 431 0976

Belvedere Guesthouse, Kakamas – approximately 15 minutes from the site.
www.augrabiesfalls.com , +27 54 431 1600

Augrabies Falls National Park – approximately 15 minutes from the site.
www.sanparks.org.za , (CHOOSE Augrabies Falls) +27 54 452 9200

Please make bookings directly with the guesthouse or hotel. If you have any difficulty please feel free to contact me. In Bulletin 2 there will be a separate form for flight and accommodation details, I will need all flight details as soon as possible.

**THE SOUTH AFRICAN WATERSKI FEDERATION & LAKE GRAPPA WELCOMES YOU TO THE
EA under 21 WATERSKI CHAMPIONSHIPS 29 MARCH – 1 APRIL 2012.**



OFFICIAL TOWBOAT

Official Towboats of the 2011 Europe & Africa Under 21 Waterski Championships will be a **Malibu Response Lxi**, equipped with Zero Off speed control.

PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE

Wednesday , 28 March

Arrival day / Accreditation / Registration
Practice
Jury Meeting / Team Captains Meeting

Thursday, 29 March

Preliminary Rounds
Opening Ceremony

Friday, 30 March

Preliminary Rounds

Saturday, 31 March

Preliminary Rounds
Finals

Sunday, 1 April

Finals
Medal Presentations
Closing Ceremony

AIRPORT

International airports in South Africa with connecting flights to Upington are Cape Town and Johannesburg. Very important – when you make your booking, on South African Airways or Airlink, please mention that you have sporting equipment with you so that they can use the necessary code for the extra allowance. **Confirmed SSR-reservation is mandatory.** Nearest Airport is Upington Airport, which is about 60 minutes car drive located from the site. A shuttle will be available from the airport to the site at a cost around **50,00 €/person per trip.**

TRAINING

Training at Lake Grappa is available from January 2012 on forward. Should you be interested to book please visit the website <http://www.lakegrappa.co.za> or email waterski@mweb.co.za for further details.



PRACTICE

Training times will be offered and sold in 15 minute intervals. Deadline for requesting training times on **Wednesday, 28th of March is January 15th**. All requests will then as far as possible be allocated in a fair way, giving all teams an equal opportunity to practice according to team size.

After January 15th the site will be offered on a first come first serve basis. For the rest of the days the site will be offered on a first come first serve basis. To reserve training slots for your team please mail Marica Visser at waterski@mweb.co.za.

The rate for training will be **240 € per hour**. **Training on site is to be paid in advance to confirm your booking**. Training should be paid by bank transfer or credit card (+3%). BANKDETAILS ON LAST PAGE OF BULLETIN.

ENTRY FORMS & ENTRY FEE

2012 EUROPE & AFRICA U21 CHAMPIONSHIPS fee is **120,00 € per skier**.

Entry forms must be completed online at www.waterskitournament.eu and be submitted by the closing date of 20th March 2012. Late fees will apply in accordance with E&A rules.

The entry fees can be sent in advance, ELECTRONIC PAYMENT or paid in cash on arrival on site. (Euro's and South African Rands will be accepted)

Account Name: SATWA U21 EA CHAMPS

Bank: NEDBANK

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 901 700 4401

SWIFT CODE: NEDSZAJJ

Ref: ENTRY EA + COUNTRY NAME

Once payment is made, please fax your proof of payment to **+27 86 684 0169** or email to: waterski@mweb.co.za

CEREMONIES

Opening and Awards Ceremonies are being arranged throughout the tournament. Further details and costs will be circulated in the next Bulletin.

INTENTION TO ENTER

Federations wishing to send a team to compete at the EUROPE & AFRICA CHAMPIONSHIPS U21, should complete the "intention to enter" form online at www.waterskitournament.eu as soon as possible. The deadline date according to E&A rules is 28 January 2012.

It's important you send us your intention to enter as soon as possible to make sure that the competition runs smoothly.



TRANSPORTATION

It is the responsibility of each team to arrange their own transportation to **LAKE GRAPPA GUESTFARM and** between it and their chosen hotel OR guesthouse for each day of the competition.

If the team is unable to do this, then the organizer will endeavour to make the necessary arrangements on your behalf, however, the cost will be the responsibility of that team.

CATERING

Full on-site catering will be provided for the teams. Further details will follow in Bulletin 2.

We will also have a bar on site opened all day with hot & cold refreshments, sandwiches, ice creams, etc...

SKI STORAGE

The organization will supply secure storage for competitors equipment. Whilst security staff will be on site, the organization is not responsible for equipment that is lost or damaged.

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TO ENTER SOUTH AFRICA

A valid passport with at least 2 (TWO) EMPTY pages.

Visa requirements for entering South Africa

A valid visa, if required.

Sufficient funds.

A return or onward ticket.

Yellow fever certificates are required if the journey starts or entails passing through the yellow fever belt of Africa or South America .

Foreigners who do not need a visa

For stays up to 90 days

If you are a passport holder of the following countries/areas you do not need a visa for stays of LESS THAN 90 days:

- African Union
- Argentina
- Austria
- Belgium
- Botswana
- Brazil
- Czech Republic
- Denmark
- Ecuador
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Iceland
- Israel
- Italy
- Jamaica
- Liechtenstein
- Luxemburg
- Malta
- Monaco
- Netherlands
- Norway
- Paraguay
- Portugal
- San Marino
- Singapore
- Spain
- St Vincent & the Grenadines
- Sweden
- Switzerland
- United Kingdom
- Uruguay
- Venezuela

For stays up to 30 days

If you are a passport holder of the following countries/areas you do not need a visa for stays of LESS THAN 30 days:

- Antigua
- Barbuda
- Barbados
- Belize
- Benin
- Bolivia
- Cape Verde
- Costa Rica
- Cyprus
- Gabon
- Guyana
- Hong Kong
- Hungary
- Jordan
- Lesotho
- Malaysia
- Malawi
- Maldives
- Mauritius
- Mozambique
- Namibia
- Peru
- Poland
- Seychelles
- Slovak Republic
- South Korea
- Thailand
- Turkey

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Bank details:

Account Name: Marica Visser

Bank: FIRST NATIONAL BANK

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 525 9000 8135

SWIFT CODE: FIRNZAJJ

Ref: TRAINING EA + COUNTRY NAME

Once payment is made, please fax your proof of payment to **+27 86 684 0169** or email to: waterski@mweb.co.za

PAYMENT BY CREDIT CARD

VISA / MASTERCARD NUMBER _____

EXPIRY ____/____/____

CARD SECURITY CODE (CSD) _____

Last 3 digit number printed on the back of the card signature strip

I authorize Lake Grappa Guestfarm to take payment from the above credit card.

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** ____/____/____

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