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International quality for Wakeboard cable contest

The first stage of the national wakeboard circuit cable took place in July 25 and 26 at Fúria Cable Park. The contest, homologated by the Portuguese Wakeboard and Wakeskate Association (APWW) is inserted in the Wakeboard Portugal project and has reached a world-class quality with the athletes “landing” on spectacular tricks.

“Wakeboard is a sport that can be practiced by boat or cable, and has reached at this contest an international quality level with Bernardo Branco, who landed a toe-side 900 and a Tantrum-to-Blind in the same run and Fernando Faria showing his recognised intensity in all his tricks, showing that national talent can reach international competitive levels if we ensure the continuity of organizing contests, as it has happened. Clearly with Wakeboard Portugal project we will see this progression, says André Matos, APWW President.

The contest was organised by fúria.pt and it had the participation of about 30 athletes, some of them international, who have competed in the categories: Open Wakeskate – Male; Boys Wakeboard; Masters Wakeboard; Open Wakeboard – Female and Open Wakeboard - Male

The winners by category are:

Boys Wakeboard:

- 1º - Luís Rocha
- 2º - Xavier Segadães
- 3º - Francisco Mendes

Wakeboard Masters:

- 1º - Tiago Cunha
- 2º - Samuel Martinez
- 3º - Luís Segadães

Open Wakeboard – Female:

- 1º - Ana Cunha
- 2º - Joana Leitão
- 3º - Rute Marta

Open Wakeskate - Male:

- 1º - Daniel Braga

2º - Tiago Miguel
3º - Bernardo Branco

Open Wakeboard - Male:

1º - Bernardo Branco
2º - Fernando Faria
3º - Bento Pimenta

“Wakeboard is fun, emotion and spectacle but is also security, beautiful lines and perfect tricks. This weekend we were able to show a different way of practicing wakeboard and wakeskate through cable which turns this sport much more accessible to all”, adds André Matos, President of the Portuguese Wakeboard and Wakeskate Association (APWW).

About the “Wakeboard Portugal” project

The municipalities of Abrantes, Ferreira do Zêzere, Mação, Sertã and Vila de Rei, the Tourism of Centre and the Portuguese Association of Wakeboard and Wakeskate (APWW) in partnership with EIPWU (7 Wonders projects organizers) joined on the promotion of the Central Region of Portugal through wakeboard, a sport that is growing worldwide and has more practitioners than surf in the US.

The strategic plan for this project includes the realization of the top Wakeboard event, the WWA Supra Wakeboard World Championships next September, the creation of a resort with cable parks at Castelo do Bode Lake and the nationals on this region.

This project will position Castelo do Bode Lake as an international place of excellence for wakeboarding and wakeskating.

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