

*OFFICIAL BULLETIN #3*

# 2026 PAN AMERICAN WATER SKI CHAMPIONSHIP - PARAGUAY



# TOURNAMENT SITE

The Paraguayan Waterski and Wakeboard Federation (Federación Paraguaya de Esquí Náutico y Wakeboard - FEPEW) is pleased to welcome you to the 2026 Pan American Water Ski Championship, to be held in the Republic of Paraguay.

The tournament site is Lago Manene, based in the city of Ypacaraí, located 35 km from the city of Asunción and the Silvio Pettirossi International Airport.

## LAGO MANENE SITE RECORDS

### Men's:

- Slalom Record: 0@9.75 Charlie Ross 🇨🇦 (Junior Panam Championship)
- Tricks Record: 12.400 Points Jake Abelson 🇺🇸 (Junior Panam Championship)
- Jump Record: 58.8 Mts. Tobias Giorgis 🇦🇷 (Latin American Championship)

### Women's:

- Slalom Record: 4@11.25 Daniela Kretchmer 🇵🇷 (Latin American Championship)
- Tricks Record: 8.370 Points Alexia Abelson 🇺🇸 (Junior Panam Championship)
- Jump Record 44.3 Mts. Agustina Varas 🇵🇷 (Latin American Championship)

# PARAGUAY

Paraguay, known as the "Heart of South America", is a fascinating country with a rich history, diverse culture, and beautiful landscapes. Located in the center of South America, Paraguay is bordered by Argentina to the south and southwest, Brazil to the east and northeast, and Bolivia to the northwest.

## Currency

The official currency of Paraguay is the Guaraní (PYG), represented by the symbol Gs. The value of the Paraguayan Guaraní against the US Dollar currently fluctuates between 6.000 and 6.200 guaraníes per dollar.

Currency exchange can be done at exchange bureaus (casas de cambio) located at the airport or in shopping malls, which are open from 08:00 to 17:00, as well as at banks operating from 08:00 to 13:30. ATMs (cajeros automáticos) are available 24 hours a day for your financial convenience.

## Weather

During the week of the tournament in October, temperatures in Asunción and the central region of Paraguay usually fluctuate between 28°C and 30°C (82°F - 86°F). Nights can be cooler, with temperatures dropping to around 20°C (68°F).

## Electronic Devices

The standard voltage in Paraguay is 220 volts, with a frequency of 50 Hz. This means that electrical and electronic devices designed to operate at this voltage and frequency should function properly in the country.

If your devices operate at a different voltage than Paraguay's standard (220V), you will need a voltage converter to prevent damage to your electronic equipment. However, mobile phone and laptop chargers generally work without any issues. For better connectivity, it is recommended to obtain prepaid SIM cards.



# SAN BERNARDINO

Known as Paraguay's premier summer resort city on Lago Ypacaraí, San Bernardino is located just 50 km from Asunción and 35 km from Silvio Pettrossi International Airport. It is a highly popular vacation and leisure destination in Paraguay, welcoming visitors from all over the region.

San Bernardino will serve as the host city for the event, located 15 km from the Tournament Site.

Lago Ypacaraí spans between the Central and Cordillera departments of Paraguay. It is world-famous thanks to the traditional guarania song "Recuerdos de Ypacaraí," composed by Zulema de Mirkin and Demetrio Ortiz. The lake is located approximately 37 km from the nation's capital, Asunción, and is surrounded by the cities of Luque, Areguá, Itauguá, Ypacaraí, and San Bernardino. The lake provides a scenic backdrop for recreation, tourism, and art. During the summer season, it is a favorite spot for families who come to enjoy its shores and beautiful landscapes.

# GENERAL INFORMATION

## DATES

October 6th to 10th, 2026

## Participating Countries



USA



CANADÁ



PARAGUAY



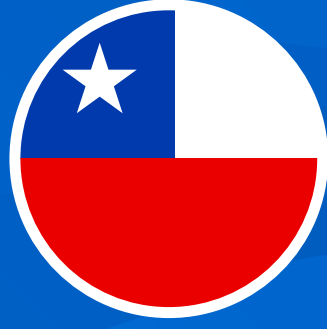
ARGENTINA



BRASIL



COLOMBIA



CHILE



PERÚ



MÉXICO



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# LAGO MANENE SITE CONDITIONS

The championship will be held on a man-made lake, 650 meters in length, featuring turning islands at each end. The width on the north side is 95 meters, and the south side measures 65 meters.

The prevailing winds are from the northeast. The lake is specifically oriented to minimize wind effects and is further protected by surrounding vegetation.

Coordenadas: 25°25'49"S 57°15'36"W

# TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Official Towboat: Ski Nautique (2025 Model)

Support / Backup Boat: Ski Nautique 200 (2015 Model)





# UNOFFICIAL TRAINING

**Unofficial Training Schedule Training**  
slots will be allocated according to  
the number of skiers and each speci-  
fic discipline.

**Unofficial Training Fees USD 350.00**  
per hour.

**Reservation:**

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# OFFICIAL TRAINING

## Official Training Dates

These training sessions will be under the responsibility of the Tournament's Chief Judge. Dates are to be confirmed by the Chief Judge and the organizer.

## Official Training Schedule

Whenever possible, time will be shared according to the number of competitors registered for the tournament. Therefore, participating Federations are requested to send their Intent to Enter and lists of competitors as soon as possible to accommodate practice schedules.

**Official Training Fees:** USD 350.00 per hour or the equivalent rate per minute.



# PAYMENT INFORMATION

Payments can be made via bank transfer using the following details:

**Bank:** ITAU PARAGUAY S.A.

**Account holder:** Edgardo Wasmosy

**Account number:** 110040453

**Currency:** USD (US Dollars)

**SWIFT code:** UBBRPYPX

**Address:** Oliva 349. Asuncion, PY

In accordance with current regulations, an entry fee of USD 350.00 (three hundred and fifty US dollars) will be charged per competitor. A competitor competing in both their age division and the Open division must pay two entry fees.

# ENTRY FEES & DEADLINES

## Intent to Enter

The **Intent to Enter** letter must be submitted by email no later than **75 days before the start of the competition.**

**Deadline: July 23, 2026.**

Please send an email including the following information:

- Tentative competitor names
- Age divisions
- Gender
- Discipline
- Names of reserve competitors (if applicable)

Please send your email to:

**javierjulioski@gmail.com**  
**lagomanene@gmail.com**

## Entry Forms

Entry forms will be accepted up to 60 days before the start of the competition. Deadline: August 7th.

**Register here: IWWF - EMS**

## Registration Form

Registration forms will be accepted until the deadline established by the organizer; after this date, a late fee penalty of USD 10.00 per person per day will apply.

## Entry Fee

The entry fee per skier is USD 350.00



# ARRIVAL & TRANSPORTATION

Airport and Travel Time Invited Federations must arrive at Silvio Pettirossi International Airport in Asunción. The airport is located approximately 1 hour away from Lago Manene and the city of San Bernardino.

**Official Event Transportation** The Paraguayan Waterski and Wakeboard Federation will only provide transportation for the appointed Event Judges from the airport to the hotel and vice versa, as well as from the hotel to the lake and vice versa.

**Visiting Teams Logistics** Visiting federations must arrange their own transportation. The Paraguayan Waterski and Wakeboard Federation will provide all necessary information for car rentals or group transportation.

**Event Organizer / Logistics Manager:**  
Edgardo Wasmosy  
**Email:** lagomanene@gmail.com  
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**Shuttle Service** There will be a bus shuttle departure in the morning from the host hotel to the lake, and one in the afternoon for the return trip. All costs for this service will be covered by each country's respective Federation.

Those who have their own rental or private vehicles are free to travel independently. Please note that between the city of San Bernardino and Lago Manene, there is a toll booth with an approximate cost of USD 2.00 each way.

# PANEL OF OFFICIALS

**Chief Judge:** Felipe Leal 

**Chief Scorer:** Diego Restrepo 

**Scorer:** Maritza Concha 

**Homologator:** Juan Carlos Osorio 

**Appointed Judges:**

Robert Ritter 

Dan VanDyk 

Russ Dickson 

Miguel Munoz 

Facundo Ahumada 

Nikki Lee 

Jeffrey Armstrong 

**Drivers:**

Mario Pigozzi 

Scot Ellis 

Antonio Peraza 

**Safety director:**

Dionisio Gamarra 

# PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE

**Sunday, October 4th**  
Official practice

**Monday, October 5th**  
Official practice

**Tuesday, October 6th**  
Competition -  
Opening ceremony

**Wednesday, October 7th**  
Competition

**Thursday, October 8th**  
Competition

**Friday, October 9th**  
Competition

**Saturday, October 10th**  
Competition –  
Awards Dinner



# ACCOMMODATION AND HOUSE RENTALS

The city of San Bernardino is known for welcoming visitors from all over the region and, therefore, features a wide range of available tourist hotels. It also has excellent house and apartment rental services (Airbnb), which are used by families and groups, especially during vacation periods.

The Official Hotel will be [name to be confirmed], located 21 km from Lago Manene, offering a comfortable stay close to the event. The prices of other hotels and real estate agencies are the following:

## Tatano posada boutique



This hotel, surrounded by gardens, is located on Guillermo Naumann Avenue, 21 km from Lago Manene and 3 km from the town center.

The picturesque and bright rooms feature free Wi-Fi, air conditioning, and, in some cases, a terrace or balcony.

### Reservation:

Giselle Irala (+595) 972 164 026

### Price for 7 (seven) nights:

“Tatano” room: 1470 USD \*

“Bar” room: 686 USD \*

(\*) Reference prices and subject to change.

# Hotel Los Alpes



# Tava Glamping



**Rooms from** 150 a 200 USD per night. \*  
**Reservations:** +595 981 336 349

This hotel, surrounded by gardens, is located on Guillermo Naumann Avenue, 12 km from Lago Manene and 3 km from the town center.

The picturesque and bright rooms feature free Wi-Fi, air conditioning, and, in some cases, a terrace or balcony.

**Reservations:** +595 982 714 357

**Price per nights:**

**Double:** 45 USD8 \*

**Triple:** 55 USD \*

**Quadruple:** 77 USD \*

# La Suiza Suites



**Rooms from** 155 a 200 USD per night. \*  
**Reservations:** +595 9762 24680

# Casa Blanca Real State

**House rentals:** Rossana Ibarra +595 972 771 724

(\*) Reference prices and subject to change.

# CAR RENTAL



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# TURISBOT

**TURISBOT** is an AI-powered chatbot accessible via WhatsApp that provides comprehensive travel and destination information about Paraguay through both text and audio. It is available globally, 24/7, and supports more than 254 languages.



Paseo de artesanía de la Candelaria

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Areguá



Peatonal Ntra. Sra. de la Asunción

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San Bernardino



Paseo la galería

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/BCcH7eatFITTcQup6>

Asunción



La cuadrita gastronómica

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/sCnFtupV9HYsZzPy7>

Asunción



Lago Ypacarai

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/iCdLJy6c9zVMDISY7>

San Bernardino

