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U.S. Ski & Snowboard Names 2024-25 U.S. Nordic Combined National Team

Steamboat Springs, CO (9/18/24) – U.S. Ski & Snowboard has announced the official 2024-25 U.S. Nordic Combined National Team. This year's roster reflects the depth of talent, skill, and dedication required to compete on the international stage, showcasing athletes who combine the precision of ski jumping with the endurance of cross-country skiing. The U.S. Nordic Combined teams will represent the nation in major competitions, including the upcoming FIS World Cup, World Juniors and World Championship events.

U.S. Nordic Combined National Team

A Team

- Ben Loomis Eau Claire, WI
- Annika Malacinski Steamboat Springs, CO
- Niklas Malacinski Steamboat Springs, CO
- Stephen Schumann Park City, UT

B Team

- Alexa Brabec Steamboat Springs, CO
- Kai McKinnon Lake Placid, NY

C Team

• Carter Brubaker - Anchorage, AK

D Team

- Skyler Amy Anchorage, AK
- Haley Brabec Steamboat Springs, CO
- Ian Carmak Park City, UT
- Augie Roepke Park City, UT
- Arthur Tirone Steamboat Springs, CO
- Ella Wilson Steamboat Springs, CO
- Caleb Zuckerman Hanover, NH

This year marks an exciting time for Nordic Combined in the U.S., as the teams continue to build on strong results on the international circuit from last year. With major changes in the funding structure for the sport, Nordic Combined USA was established in June 2024 to provide funding for the coaching, equipment, and travel expenses of the US National Team as well as develop a sustainable model for the future of the sport in the United States.

"This team has great potential for the year ahead." said Jill Brabec, President, Nordic Combined USA. **"We are committed to funding these athletes so that they can pursue their sport at the highest level and represent the US on the international stage."**

Brabec also shares, "Our sport is facing a critical time with a decision looming from the International Olympic Committee regarding the addition of women and continued inclusion of men in the 2030 Olympics. This is the only Winter Olympic sport that does not allow women. The success of our National Team and our ability to promote the sport and raise awareness are critical to the future of the sport."

Fans can watch the athletes compete in US Nationals in Lake Placid, NY on October 1213. The action then moves to Europe for the first World Cup in Ruka, Finland Nov 29-Dec
1. Skiandsnowboardlive.com will broadcast live and replay of all World Cup Nordic
Combined events except for those in Austria, which can be viewed on Peacock.

About Nordic Combined USA

Nordic Combined USA, Inc. (NCUSA) is a nonprofit organization committed to reviving and supporting the sport of Nordic Combined in the United States. Nordic Combined, a legacy Olympic event that merges the endurance of cross-country skiing with the skill and adrenaline of ski jumping, has deep roots in winter sports history, dating back to the 19th century. NCUSA is dedicated to fostering a sustainable program that supports athletes from grassroots development through to elite competition, including the U.S. National Team.

NCUSA's mission is twofold: to provide financial and operational support to the U.S. National Team, ensuring they have access to world-class coaching and training, and to nurture the next generation of athletes through local clubs and programs. The organization is also a key advocate for the inclusion of both men's and women's Nordic Combined in future Olympic Games, aiming to secure a bright and equitable future for this one-of-a-kind sport.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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