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PAHF announces 2013 Pan American Elite Teams

The Pan American Hockey Federation is pleased to announce the 2013 Pan American Elite Teams.

Since 2007, Pan American Elite Teams have been named every two years to recognize the top players in the Pan American region. Hockey specialists present at the 2013 Pan American Cups in Brampton (men) and Mendoza (women) were consulted for the selection of this year's Elite Teams.

The 2013 **Men's** Pan American Elite Team is led by Kwandwane BROWNE, captain of the Trinidad & Tobago team, selected a record fourth time to the PAHF Elite Team. Four players were nominated for the third time (Mexican Francisco AGUILAR, American Pat HARRIS, Canadian Scott TUPPER and Argentinian Lucas VILA).

Pan American Champions Argentina have the strongest representation with four players (Facundo CALLIONI, Gonzalo PEILLAT, Lucas REY and Lucas VILA) while Pan American Cup runner-up Canada is represented by Scott TUPPER and newcomers Matthew GUEST and Mark PEARSON. The achievements of Trinidad & Tobago, bronze medalists in Brampton, were rewarded with the nomination of three players (Kwandwane BROWNE, Mickell PIERRE and Akim TOUSSAINT).

Altogether, the 2013 Men's Pan American Elite Team is made up of players from seven different countries: Argentina (4), Canada (3), Trinidad & Tobago (3), Brazil (2), USA (2), Chile (1) and Mexico (1).

The 2013 **Women's** Pan American Elite Team is led by Argentinean superstar Luciana AYMAR, who once again dazzled opponents and spectators in Mendoza and is nominated for the fourth time to the continental Elite Team. Pan American Champions Argentina dominated the voting, with four other players selected (Agustina ALBERTARIO, Rosario LUCHETTI, Carla REBECCHI and Macarena RODRÍGUEZ).

The USA, silver medalists in Mendoza, had three players selected (Rachel DAWSON, her third nomination to the Elite squad, Katie REINPRECHT and Kathleen SHARKEY), while Canada's return to the podium was rewarded with the selection of three first-time nominees (Kate GILLIS, Hannah HAUGHN and Danielle HENNIG).

Three South American players picked up their second Elite selection (Camila CARAM and Claudia SCHULER from Chile, Janine STANLEY from Uruguay).

Altogether seven countries are represented on the 2013 Women's Pan American Elite Team: Argentina (5), USA (3), Canada (3), Chile (2), Mexico (1), Uruguay (1) and Guyana (1).

2013 Pan American Elite Team	
Men	
Francisco AGUILAR	MEX
Kwandwane BROWNE	TTO
Facundo CALLIONI	ARG
Matthew GUEST	CAN
Pat HARRIS	USA
Christian LINNEY	USA
Mark PEARSON	CAN
Gonzalo PEILLAT	ARG
Mickell PIERRE	TTO
Lucas REY	ARG
Hubertus REINBACH (GK)	BRA
Sven RICHTER	CHI
Ernst ROST ONNES	BRA
Akim TOUSSAINT	TTO
Scott TUPPER	CAN
Lucas VILA	ARG

2013 Pan American Elite Team	
Women	
Agustina ALBERTARIO	ARG
Luciana AYMAR	ARG
Camilla CARAM	CHI
Marlet CORREA CONEJO	MEX
Rachel DAWSON	USA
Kate GILLIS	CAN
Hannah HAUGHN	CAN
Danielle HENNIG	CAN
Rosario LUCHETTI	ARG
Carla REBECCHI	ARG
Katie REINPRECHT	USA
Macarena RODRÍGUEZ	ARG
Claudia SCHULER (GK)	CHI
Kathleen SHARKEY	USA
Janine STANLEY	URU
Alysa XAVIER (GK)	GUY

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