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## 2017 International Cup Contingent Team Managers Selected

**April 4, 2017** - Today the Canadian Baton Twirling Federation is pleased to announce the Team Managers for the Canadian Contingent to the IBTF Grand Prix at WBTF International Cup in Pore?, Croatia. Jenna Jemieff has been selected as the Team Manager for the Grand Prix contingent. Steven Kopas and Nancy Lightheart have been selected as the International Cup contingent Team Managers.

The Team Manager program was expanded by the CBTF Executive this year, to account for the large contingent that will be travelling. We are very proud to have such wonderful and experienced Team Managers for our contingent this year and we look forward to working with Jenna, Steven, and Nancy to make the competitions great for our athletes, judges, officials, and supporters in Croatia.

The CBTF Executive acted as the selection committee. The committee was chaired by President (CBTF President).

Jenna holds a degree in Kinesiology from the University of Calgary. Jenna has attended the World Championships/International Cup nine times as an athlete, once as a coach, and twice as a judge. Jenna owns and operates her own dance and baton studio, Inspire Dance Studio, in Olds, Alberta. Jenna was previously Team Manager for Alberta at the 2010 Canadian Team Trials.

Steven holds a Bachelor of Science (Honours Kinesiology) degree from the University of Waterloo and is also a member of the Ontario and Canadian Athletic Therapy Associations. Steven has been involved in Baton Twirling since the age of 5, and represented Canada 7 times at the World Championships. Steven was previously Team Manager for Canada between 2008-2012 and again in 2016.

Nancy holds a Bachelor of Physical Education with a specialization in Athletic Therapy from the University of Alberta. Nancy also brings a life-long history of involvement in Baton Twirling. She represented Canada at the World Championships from 1987-1991 and was a member of Canada's gold-medal winning Team in 1991. Previously, Nancy was Team Manager at the 2015 Grand Prix and International Cup, and she was one of the CBTF representatives for the 2017 Pan-Pacific Cup in Stockton, California.

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