

SPORT: Surfing

EVENT: 2017 VISSLA ISA World Junior Surfing Championship

PLACE: Hyuga, Japan

DATE: 27 SEPT 2017

Length: 3:06

00:03 **Color**

00:52 **Action**

- 00:53 Morgan Cibilic, Team Australia
- 01:02 Hiroya Miwa, Team Japan
- 01:09 Leo Etienne, Team France
- 01:16 Noah Hill, Team USA
- 01:23 Wallace Vasco, Team Brazil
- 01:27 Leilani Mconagle, Team Costa Rica
- 01:33 Kirra Pinkerton Team USA

01:40 **Interview** (Leilani Mcgonagle, Team Costa Rica)

03:04 **Interview** (Alister Reginato, Team Australia)

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Moody weather and upsets reigned on the fourth day of competition at the **2017 VISSLA ISA World Junior Surfing Championship**. The world's best junior surfers showed their talent and posted excellent scores despite the challenging, rainy conditions at Okuragahama beach in Hyuga, Japan.

Team Hawaii's pair of past Gold Medalists, **Brisa Hennessy** (2016) and **Summer Macedo** (2015), both struggled in their Main Event heats and fell to the Repechage Rounds. If they are to repeat as World Champions, they will have to take the long route to the Grand Final through the Repechage Rounds.

ISA President, Fernando Aguerre, said:

"Today we saw some of the favorites fall victim to new emerging surfers, intent on following in the footsteps of the numerous past ISA Junior World Champions that have used this event as a platform to become the best in the world.

"Today is the midway point through the event, and now it's all downhill towards the Finals and the first ISA World Champions crowned in Japan in 17 years. It's going to be an exciting finish to the week."