

**National Water Ski Team**

**Kevin Melnuk**



**Hometown:** Mississauga, ON  
**Date of Birth:** August 13, 1988  
**Height:** 5'8"  
**Weight:** 162 lbs  
**Coaches:** Matt Rini, Jason McClintock, Freddy Krueger  
**Training Ctr.:** LODI in Jerseyville, IL and Clermont, FL  
**Years on Team:** 1 (5 on development team)  
**Events:** Jump, Slalom, Tricks  
**Sponsors:** Vitamin Water, Deluz Clothing, Water Ski Promotions, LLC, Family



	<b>Slalom</b>	<b>Tricks</b>	<b>Jump</b>	<b>Overall</b>
<b>Best Score</b>	2.5 @ 11.25m	8225	208 ft	-----
<b>2010 Preliminary World Ranking</b>	245th	56th	17th	23rd

**Athlete Profile**

- Kevin considers his greatest strength to be his determination to succeed. "Every time I ski I give it my best."
- He got involved in water skiing through his father. "We had a small cottage on a lake where my dad taught my brother and me how to ski."
- My greatest influence would be any athlete that gives it their all and tries their hardest. Not everyone is athletically gifted, so I admire those with the determination to improve in their sport. Those people inspire me to work hard.
- His hobbies include working out, cars, and soccer
- An important lesson Kevin has learned over the past couple of years is: "It is important to sometimes relax and don't focus too much because over doing it may have a negative effect on your skiing."
- Some of his future goals include pursuing architecture or engineering as a career.
- Kevin has achieved one of his goals this season by making the U21 Pan Ams Team.
- Kevin's favorite movie is Wedding Crashers.

**Notable Performances**

- 2009 World Water Ski Championships - 9th in Jump
- 2009 Canadian National Championships - 1st in Jump, 2nd in Tricks, 1st Overall
- 2008 Canadian National Championships - 3rd Overall, 1st U21
- 2008 Can Am Invitational - 1st in Jump, 2nd in Slalom, 2nd in Tricks
- 2008 Pan Am Championships - 1st in Jump, 3rd in Slalom
- 2007 Canadian National Championships - 2nd overall
- 2005 Junior Masters - 3<sup>rd</sup> overall
- 2005 Boarderline - 1st jump
- 2004 Canadian National Championships - 1st overall

