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Photo Cutline: L-R: Carlee Michna, Courtney Stevens, Jordyn Vause, Madison Thompson in Siesta Key for USLA Competition.

Junior Lifeguards Capture Gold at USLA Competition

Junior lifeguards joined forces to represent the United States Lifesaving Association (USLA), Emerald Coast Chapter, in the USLA Southeast Regional Junior Lifeguarding Championship. The Emerald Coast Chapter brought home a total of 47 wins in several categories: **Beach Run, Run/Swim/Run, Beach Flags, Surf Swim, Swim Relay, Paddleboard and Ironman. Beach Safety Chief Tracey Vause** expressed how proud we are of our Emerald Coast Juniors: "They raced like champions and represented our area with pride and professionalism." The winners are listed below:

Beach Run

Zach Hartzog - 1st Place
Blake Hartzog - 2nd Place
Ashley Gunn - 5th Place
Courtney Stevens - 6th Place
Madison Thompson - 7th place

Run -Swim -Run

Blake Hartzog - 3rd Place
Barrow Holloway - 4th Place
Chris Wise - 4th Place
Matt Wise - 4th Place
Chase Watkins - 5th Place
Jordyn Vause - 7th Place
Ashley Gunn - 8th Place

Beach Flags

Mason Bruns - 3rd Place
Jordan Vause - 3rd Place
Barrow Holloway - 4th Place
Kyle Champaign - 4th Place
Carlee Michna - 5th Place
Courtney Stevens - 5th Place
Chase Watkins - 5th Place
Chris Wise - 8th Place

Surf Swim

Matt Hardy - 5th Place

Swim Relay

A Team - 2nd Place
Carlee Michna
Blake Hartzog
Chase Watkins
Ashley Gunn
Matt Wise

AA Team - 3rd Place

Jordyn Vause
Madison Thompson
Kyle Champaign
Ross Meeks
Nick Giordano

Paddle Board - Soft Division

Barrow Holloway - 1st Place
Chris Wise - 1st Place
Matt Wise - 1st Place
Zach Hartzog - 2nd Place
Blake Hartzog - 4th Place
Carlee Michna - 4th Place
Madison Thompson - 5th Place

Paddle Board - Hard Division

Matt Wise - 1st Place
Kyle Champaign - 2nd Place
Madison Thompson - 3rd Place
Carlee Michna - 4th Place
Nick Giordano - 5th Place

Ironman

Matt Wise - 1st Place
Chris Wise - 2nd Place
Blake Hartzog - 3rd Place
Nick Giordano - 4th Place
Barrow Holloway - 4th Place
Carlee Michna - 5th Place
Madison Thompson - 5th Place
Chase Watkins - 5th Place

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