

GWA Judging Co-ordinators Meeting Notes

Brief Notes of Meeting held on 13th June 2013

No.	ITEM	DETAILS	ACTION
1.0	Attendance	Executive Director: Ruth Gibbons (RG) Gymsports Manager: Karyn Murray (KM) TC Liaison: Melissa Read (MR) MAG: Michael Williams (MW) WAG: Tracy Holmes (TH) RG: Conor Bush (CB) AER: Debbs van Hagen (DvH) & Kieran Gorman (KG) TRP: Laurie Zagari (LZ) ACR: Debbs van Hagen (DvH)	
2.0	Apologies	Nil	
3.0	Acceptance of Previous Notes	n/a	
4.0	For Decision Making	Nil	
5.0	For Discussion	<p>5.1 Business Arising from Previous Meeting</p> <p>4.1 Judge Fining Statistics – Issues raised have not been actioned to date. Will be reviewed by the newly appointed S&D Manager (Paula Dick).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggestion from DvH that a survey be put out to clubs to see the reasons why clubs are not providing judges. • The scenario where clubs who have changed ownership have a 2-year ‘grace period’ where they do not have to provide judges – this should be reviewed, as it’s often simply a change of owner, not a change in the coaching / judging staff and athletes. • All gymsports were advised that fining will need to be introduced for all gymsports which do not currently enforce this. Gymsports which do not currently have enough judges at a 	

		<p>certain level may be able to apply to the GWA Board to exclude specific levels from fines but they must outline the reason for this</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next meeting any changes to the Judge / Athlete ratio per gymsport needs to be outlined. <p>5.2 Review Official of the Year Regulations KM outlined the amendments to Official of the Year award information in the GWA Award Regulations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tie Breaker has been removed, nomination processed updated. <p>DSR Awards (Judging and Coaching) do not currently fall within the current GWA timeframes for Annual Awards.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the solution? • A second winner? <p>Recommendation that irrespective of the dates, the GWA winner should be put up for the award. Judging Co-ordinators asked to put in some further thought and bring any ideas to next meeting.</p> <p>5.3 Budget for Judges Invitational Events Budgets will be required for all future Judges Invitational events.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For 2013, this includes WAG, RG, TRP, ACR & AER. • All anticipated expenses over \$25.00 need to be included in the event budget to be able to claim expenses back. • KM went through the Event Budget templates which each JC can use for their event. <p>5.4 Process to claim expenses of \$25.00 KM went through the updated expenses claim form, which all JC's can use for 2013.</p> <p>5.5 Judges Assembly – Review of 2014 Budgets and Action Plans</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final figures were provided for each gymsport - \$1.50 contributions to the Judges Assembly (from 2012 entries) as well as the Profit & Loss Statements from Judges Invitational for each gymsport for 2012. • Budgets and Actions Plans will need to be reviewed ready for 2014. Some gymsports have already encountered additional expenses (i.e. the new routers in Hall 1 and Hall 2 for a wireless update) so budgets may need to be updated slightly to reflect this. Updated 	<p>To be placed on the Agenda for next meeting for any further feedback.</p> <p>Tahnee Cowie and Adelaide Jackson to send out Event Budget Templates to each Judging Co-ordinator ASAP.</p> <p>Claim forms to be sent out to JC's for use in 2013.</p> <p>Judging Co-ordinators to provide updated budgets ready for September meeting.</p>
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		figures to be ready for the September meeting.	
6.0	For Noting	<p>6.1 Review of Judges Travel for 2014 - Survey Many gymsports have encountered problems with GWA regarding the treatment of judges with regards to State Team Travel. A survey is to be compiled and distributed to all State Team Judges to complete and return to GWA so feedback can be completed and considered for 2014 planning.</p> <p>The gymsports' plan for Judges can be outlined in their respective State Team Action Plan.</p> <p>6.2 Judging Co-ordinator Reports Written reports should be circulated prior to the meeting and only any questions raised from these reports will be discussed at meetings.</p>	MR to create survey and distribute to State Team Judges
7.0	Next Meeting	8th September 2013 (Combined Judging Co-ordinator & Gymsports Meeting)	

Gymsport and Judging Coordinator Meeting

Men's Artistic – June 2013

Performance

- *Events*
 - Completed the following events since last gymsports meeting:
 - Qualification competitions (3); Judges' Invitational; Team Pennants; MAG Assessment Day

- *Event Statistics*
 - See MAG gymsport report of Melissa Read for June Tech committee meeting.
 - Slight decrease in numbers for MAG assessment Day and MAG Judges' Invitational from last year, however a slight increase in numbers for each of the qualifying competitions and MAG Team Pennants.

- *State Teams*
 - *Update*
 - State team has been selected after the qualification competitions.
 - There was disagreement within the selection committee regarding the interpretation to be given to particular selection criteria that affected one athlete. A clarification was sought from the National committee, and the result was that the athlete was selected.
 - Selection committee informed at selection meeting that GWA 'policy' is that people cannot undertake more than one role at national championships (e.g. coach and judge). Selection committee concerned as to the advent of such policy, and that it may be inapplicable to for the Men (who have limited people to undertake such roles).
 - First state team training occurred on 1 June.

GYMSPORTS & JUDGES CO-ORDINATORS MEETING WAG – June 2013

The March – June period has been very busy already for WAG. Two events run by the WAG TC, FIG Course, Beginner Course, 2 x State Team Selections, and numerous Region interactions.

Finance

- NA for June Meeting

Performance

• **Events & Event Statistics**

Events have generally run well, and there is only a very minor change in competitor numbers from 2012. Initiatives to address this are not yet expected to have impacted these. 2014 is expected to start showing growth.

- WAG NLP QC #1
 - Statistics: 75 in 2012; 71 in 2013
- WAG NLP QC #2 & #3
 - QC#2 Statistics: 76 in 2012; 74 in 2013
 - QC#3 Statistics: 37 in 2012; 36 in 2013
 - Vault: unfortunately the second vault was not in a state to be used. Recommendation made to GWA Facilities/Events sections regarding appropriate set-up in future. MAG & WAG did co-ordinate well though.
- WAG Elite QC #1
 - Statistics: 29 in 2012; 30 in 2013
- WAG Winter Challenge
 - Statistics: exact TBA. IDP 10 & Junior Athletes have travelled to Russia to compete. This will result in reduced numbers for this comp.
 - Issues:
 - Cleanliness of GTC needs to be reviewed.
 - Day 2 – lights turned off early. Represents significant safety concern.
- **State Teams**
 - *Plan:* NA for June Meeting
 - *Note:* WAG TC completed first draft of Operational Plan at May meeting
 - *Update*
 - Elite Athletes still going through GA Qualification process. This process is quite labour intensive for the judges. Analysis spread sheet sent to GA after every comp.
 - NL Athletes reaching WA Qualification Score (comparing against 2012)
 - Level 7: 11 in 2012; 13 in 2013
 - Level 8: 5 in 2012; 4 in 2013
 - Level 9: 3 in 2012; 4 in 2013 (5th pending)
 - 1st State Team Training held Sat 1st June
 - Co-ordinated well with MAG team.
 - Issues with Electrical equipment. Had obviously tripped earlier in the day. Delayed start to Floor rotation.
 - Judges involvement in the State Team needs to be reviewed. Currently its very exclusive and the issue with accommodation arrangements has caused significant angst. A more inclusive situation needs to be considered.
 - *Review:* NA for June Meeting
- **High Performance:** NA for June Meeting
 - *Note:* WAG TC initiated drafting Operational Plan at June meeting.



Planning

- *Calendar*: NA for June Meeting
- *Tech Regs / Event Handbooks*: NA for June Meeting
- **JC Action Plan Progress**
 - *7.3 Education*
 - WAG Judging Packs for all participants. All Beginner course candidates provided packs, all FIG's provided practise sheets & able to attend group practise sessions.
 - Education Day planning initiated by the JC.
 - *7.4 Events*
 - Planning for 2013 Judges invitational has started by the JC.
 - *7.6 High Performance Development*
 - Support FIG development through FIG course funding. 5 judge receiving funding.
 - Potential FIG candidates targeted. 2 new judge candidates attended course.
 - International Exposure Scholarship criteria being developed by JC.
 - *7.7 Recognition and Recruitment*
 - Recognition Pins eligibility being reviewed, ready for distribution at State Championships.
 - Desiree Jones nominated for, and voted for, GWA Life Membership.
- *Annual Awards*: NA for June Meeting

Education

- 9 WAG Judges/Coaches sat FIG Courses in March/April. All 9 attained FIG status
 - 2 x Cat II; 2 x Cat III; 5 x Cat IV
- Beginner Judges Course (26th May): x candidates. All provided DVD's and preparation packs.
- Intermediate Judges Course (26th May): cancelled due to insufficient numbers. Numbers deemed too low for JC to subsidise.

Other Items of Note

- WAG TC and JC working with GWA Facilities on the purchase of Bars (funded by WAG JC)

Judge Coordinators Meeting – RG – 13 June 2013

Performance

Includes the following:

- *Events:*
 - We have run all three qualifying competitions. Due to the low qualifying mark, nearly all gymnastics qualified after the first competition. It is hoped that due to the success in qualifying for so many in the first competition, that the community will support a higher qualifying score next year.
- *Event Statistics*
 - No statistics on spectator numbers or finance have been provided to report on anything of use.
- *State Teams Update:*
 - The first state team training for the Levels gymnasts occurred on the 8th June.
 - As part of the RG TC Action plan, Janine Murray will speak to the team to emphasize the importance of the team, not the individual. This will occur during the second state team training on 29th-30th June.
 - Similarly, coaching plans have been requested from the head coaches, and these will be sent to Melissa. This is intended to improve communication between the coaching team.
 - Four judges will be travelling with the team; Karyn Murray, Karen Gilgallon, Tahnee Cownie and myself.

Planning

- *JC Action Plans Reports:*
- Completed to date:
 - Updated policy for travel funding to Australian Championships
 - Updated policy for sponsorship for FIG course
 - Workshop for new cycle – for judges, with coaches allowed as observers
- Actions remaining for 2013:
 - Policy for judging sponsorship – funding technical membership for a judge for one year
 - Judging “Cheat sheets” for beginner judges
 - Social fundraiser night
 - Judges Invitational
 - Look at involvement with regional program – use of RG Skools program
 - Getting more people qualified to present judge education courses

Education

- An Intermediate Course was set to run in March – this did not go ahead due to lack of numbers
- The beginner course in October to be moved to earlier in the second competition season to allow new judges an opportunity to judge.
- It would be helpful for the education courses to be listed on the calendar – it is very difficult to ascertain when courses were scheduled.
- An updating workshop for the new code of points was held on 17th March 2013, run by Teresa Evans. Three Brevet, three Advanced and two Intermediate Bronze judges attended. All passed the course.
- FIG has announced that international judges courses may be allowed to proceed, but it is not certain when they will commence scheduling.

GYMSPORT & Judges co-ordinators Meeting - Aero– June 2013

Finance

NA for June:

Performance

Includes the following:

- *Events*

So far we have had two events (aero series 1 &2). Aero series 1 had a large number of issues ranging from lack of volunteers, problems with scoring program and also the event was held in hall 1 as the floor requires repairs in hall 2. Aero series 2 ran better than series 1 thanks to a number of meetings and changes put in place by the TC however sadly the floor was not repaired in time therefore the event was held at NDGC and not at Loftus.

The main details of these events are outlined in Kieran Gorman's report

- *Event Statistics: numbers are increasing. The second series ran to two sessions a first for aero.*
- *State Teams*
 - *Nationals in September therefore state teams is still in the early phase of selection trials.*
- *High Performance: To date we have had three athletes travel to Suzuki World Cup event early in the year and all did a great job in their performances given it was the first event on the new code with significant changes to the code.*

Planning

- The workshop we planned to run this coming weekend for judges was cancelled due to lack of enrolments. I plan to make another date and do more recruitment to make sure we have candidates ready for the new courses in 2014.

Education

- To date two candidates (myself & Kieran Gorman) attended the advanced silver course in QLD and the FIG course in Canberra. Both of us were successful in passing the course.
- In the state I have run two workshops since returning on artistry and video practice judging for judges in the state.
- Numbers of aerobics judges are low and therefore the demands on those that hold an accreditation are high. My main aim for 2013/4 is to recruit more judges as the sport is growing to make sure we have enough officials to support and sustain the sport into the future.

Debbs van Hagen

Aerobics Judging Co-ordinator

GYMSPORTS & JUDGES CO-ORDINATORS MEETING – TRAMPOLINE – JUNE 2013

Events:

So far we have held 1 Levels Competition and 2 Selection Trials. We have had a number of issues to deal with and most have now been sorted. GWA having to step in to sort some of the issues.

The State Team has now been selected and the numbers have tripled from last year to represent WA.

Planning:

We will be having an update Workshop for the Advanced Judges prior to Nationals so that we can Judge at these events.

Education:

We have held a Beginners Judging Course and an Intermediate Judging Course is being held this weekend, both these courses have large numbers and will be run on the 2009 – 2012 Code of Points as the new Courses have not yet been released.

We are planning to do a Workshop later in the year to help our judges re-accredit to the next level under the new Code of Points, which will help facilitate the large number of higher level athletes competing in Trampoline this year.

Laurie Zagari

GYMSPORTS AND JUDGING COORDINATOR MEETING – ACRO – JUNE 2013

The March to June period has had the ACRO community busy with 2 new qualified FIG judges, Beginner Coaching Course, Qualifying Competitions and State Team Selections.

Finance

- NA for June meeting

Performance

- *Events and Event Statistics*
Qualifying #1 Competition was cancelled due to a low number of entries. We are finding that the events schedule for this year was not ideal and needs review in 2014. The issue is that the bulk of our events are held for selection trials for Nationals but this only caters for Levels 6 and up. Levels 1-5 are able to compete in these events but are not ready as their peak event is in October.
Qualifying #2 Competition ran with very small groups.
Loftus Challenge Competition held at Jednorog Gymnastics Club, due to the WAG/MAG Competition held at the State Centre, ran with small numbers and the actual competition ran smoothly with only a few minor problems with volunteers not fulfilling the positions allocated and the scoring computer system not working.
- *State Teams*
 - *Update*
State Team selections were held and all gymnasts that applied, qualified and were selected to go Sydney Nationals. Support team were also selected. Judge was selected and the issue with travel and accommodation arrangements has left the issue to be reviewed for 2014.

Planning

Includes the following:

- *Calendar*
ACRO WA has won the right to run the 2013 National ACRO Clubs Competition in October 2013 and plans are under way for a successful event. The event will be held at Loftus the first weekend in October. We would ask for all of the support from all clubs and gymsports where possible.
- *Tech Regs / Event Handbooks*
The qualifying criteria were amended to bring into line with the new FIG 2013-2016 cycle.
- *JC Action Plans*
JC held an updating Judges Clinic to introduce the new FIG cycle.

Education

- Beginners Coaching Course held finally. Number of clubs was well represented.
- Fiona Harling & Debbs van Hagen attended the FIG course in Canberra in March and both successfully passed. These are the first two FIG judges acro has ever had in WA.
- Debbs & Fiona ran a workshop for all coaches & judges upon their return which was very well attended and well received.

Debbs van Hagen & Kath Arendt
Acro TC and JC