

## GWA Judging Co-ordinators Meeting Notes

### Brief Notes of Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2014

No.	ITEM	DETAILS	ACTION
1.0	<b>Attendance</b>	Gymsports Manager: Karyn Murray (KM) Services & Development Manager: Paula Dick (PD) TC Liaison: Melissa Read (MR) WAG: Tracy Holmes (TH) RG: Conor Bush (CB)	
2.0	<b>Apologies</b>	Ruth Gibbons,(GWA ED), Laurie Zagari (TRP), Debbs van Hagen (AER), Kath Arendt (ACR) & Michael Williams (MAG)	
3.0	<b>Acceptance of Previous Notes</b>	The previous notes were accepted by TH & KM	
4.0	<b>Business Arising from previous minutes</b> <i>(combined Nov Gymsports &amp; JC Meeting)</i>	<p><b>Set up of computers at MAG / WAG events</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Separate meeting with MAG &amp; WAG Judging Co-ordinators and Gymsports Section Event Staff will be set to establish the plan for solving computer set-up issues at MAG &amp; WAG events</li> </ul> <p><b>Changes to Judge Nominations in the Event Policy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7 working day judge nominations – approved and added to the GWA Event Policy.</li> <li>Clarification required regarding ‘new’ clubs (as a result of change of ownership) from last year. From 2014, clubs who change ownership will now only have 1 year in which they are exempt from judge fining. However the ‘new’ clubs in 2013 were given 2 years and therefore still have 1 year left before judge fining is to be implemented.</li> </ul>	<p>GWA Gymsports Section to arrange meeting with TH &amp; MW</p> <p>GWA to clarify whether these clubs from 2013 still have 1 year remaining before implementation of judge fining system.</p>
5.0	<b>For Decision Making</b>	<p><b>5.1 GWA Regulations – Association Awards</b></p> <p>5.1.1 Official of the Year Nomination Process</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increasingly frequent issue with ties for the Official of the Year Nominations, as all gymsports give their top judge maximum points.</li> </ul>	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Judging Co-ordinators requested to consult their TC's / Sub-Committees and come up with some suggestions as to how the criteria can be amended to ensure that the points ranking for each judge can be justified and more easily compared with other gymnsports.</li> <li>Reminder that each Judging Co-ordinator needs to ensure that they present the points ranking / spreadsheet to the TC each year for review, as there are concerns that this is not occurring for each gymnsport.</li> </ul> <p><b>5.2 Judge Fining</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Deferred to a later meeting as only 2 gymnsports present.</li> </ul> <p><b>5.3 Fundraising from Class 3 events</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Currently, the money raised from these events need to be utilised within the current calendar year.as the funds are deposited into the respective Gymnsport account.</li> <li>However, should the Judging Co-ordinator's approve, the money raised can instead be transferred straight into the Judges Assembly account, so that Gymnsports can access the money from there without any time restrictions.</li> </ul>	<p>JC's to provide feedback at June meeting</p> <p>JC's to ensure that spreadsheet is reviewed by TC prior to submitting to GWA</p> <p>MR to add Judge Fining to June Agenda</p> <p>JC's to discuss with their TC as to whether they are happy for the money to transfer to this account.</p>
6.0	For Discussion	<p><b>6.1 Additional Judging Annual Award</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Feedback from clubs is that there is no award that caters for 'mid-level' judges (i.e. not a Rookie or Long Service). Comparisons drawn between Community Award and how this will be different.</li> <li>Suggestion that JC's take this request back to their TC's / Judging Sub-Committees and bring feedback to next meeting.</li> </ul> <p><b>6.2 Judge Funding for Australian Championships</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Smaller gymnsports are currently struggling to be able to fund all of their judges travelling to Australian Championships and are having to place restrictions on the number of judges that can be funded.</li> <li>These gymnsports are currently in the process of developing Judge Funding Criteria (similar to what WAG &amp; RG currently have in place) so they can establish who is eligible for</li> </ul>	<p>JC's to provide feedback on the relevancy of this award at the June meeting</p>

		<p>funding (should the number of judges applying be more than able to be funded as specified in their budgets)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discussions also about whether the funding amount could potentially be varied from one gymsport to the next to allow each gymsport to provide judges with at least a small amount of funding – i.e. a gymsport could potentially fund two judges @ \$350 instead of one judge @ \$700</li> </ul>	<p>JC's to discuss the possibility of varying funding amounts with their TC and provide feedback at the June meeting before this item is tabled with the GWA Board.</p>
7.0	For Noting	<p><b>7.1 Judging Co-ordinators Reports</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Development Squad clinics were tabled by CB and what the plan is going to be for gymsports wishing to run athlete development clinics in 2014. PD provided preliminary feedback as S&amp;D will be handling these clinics from now on (rather than the Gymsports Section)</li> <li>TH tabled that draft &amp; final judging panels be placed on the website (on the gymsport event page) to assist with the communication between event organisers / judges / clubs – approved.</li> </ul> <p><b>7.2 Judges Assembly Budgets and Action Plans</b> All of these are now completed and sent to the Board for approval at the Feb Meeting, with the exception of MAG (which will go to a future Board Meeting once some of the issues are worked through).</p> <p><b>7.3 Judges Invitational Budgets</b> JC's reminded that budgets for these events are due in to the GWA office ASAP.</p>	<p>PD to outline the process to be circulated to TCs to assist with their planning.</p> <p>Draft &amp; Final Panels to be placed on the GWA website by the Event Officer.</p> <p>JC's to send JI budgets in to GWA Event Officers. Event Officers to ensure these budgets are received during March.</p>

<b>8.0</b>	<b>Next Meeting</b>	<b>June 2014 (Combined Gymsports &amp; Judging Co-ordinator Meeting) 12th June 2014.</b>	
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# GYMSPORTS/JUDGING CO-ORD REPORT

## WAG – MARCH 2014

### Strategic

- Elite & State Team Operational plans outstanding. State Team plan to be reviewed at March meeting. Elite will require more liaising/discussion with GA given recent GA position changes.
  - More information regarding GWA plans also required in order to ensure appropriate alignment.

### Risk Management

- NA for this period.

### Finance

#### Judging & Judges Committee

- *Judge Budgets* – WAG Budget has been reviewed, submitted and approved by the GWA Board for 2014.
- *Jl P/L Statements* - Under review by Judging Committee. Some queries attached to expenditure listed under “Perth International” items.
- *Judge Travel Subsidy* – All judges applying for travel funding for National Championships must submit funding request form to GWA & WAG Judging Co-ordinator by 10<sup>th</sup> March. Judging Committee to review all travel requests against criteria Travel Funding policy.
- WAG has selected the partial travel package for Nationals this year – GWA to book accommodation, ground travel and insurance only.
- *Judges Invitational Budget* – being prepared by Colleen Ballantyne (Jl Co-ordinator).
- Request by GWA for WAG to purchase chair trolleys for judging chairs – waiting on quote from GWA then quote to be presented to Judging Committee for consideration.

#### WAG TC

- Planning for Fundraising activities: in order to make WAG Talent Squad less financially dependent on the WAG Judges Committee.
- WAG TC to outline budget for WAG Talent Squad. Requires input from GWA Office.

### Performance

- *Events* – NA for February
- *Event Statistics* – WAG TC unable to comment as statistics have not been provided.
- *State Teams*
  - *Plan* – this will be key agenda item for March meeting. Review of 2013 plan to be conducted, review of key issues encountered with Elite team required.
- *High Performance* - NA for February. WAIS Athletes traveling in GA teams though ☺.

### Planning

- *Calendar* – NA for February
  - *Note:* WAG TC would like to start investigating holding the Perth International in 2015
- *Tech Regs / Event Handbooks* – NA for February
- *JC Action Plans* – 2013 plan reviewed and 2014 update completed.
- *Annual Awards* – WAG would like a review of ‘Award of Merit’ competitions. YOG is an IOC event, with only one Oceania place. This should be considered as an appropriate competition for recognition.

### Education

- WAG Talent Squad 2013 #2 Training – 9<sup>th</sup> February. Well attended with very good Club coach engagement and involvement. Issues with Expert Coaches accreditations though.
- National 7 – 10 judging workshops to be held on March 4<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> to prepare judges for upcoming Qualification events.

## Judge Coordinator – RG – 03/03/14

### Strategic

The TC is working towards a “talent” squad for our level 5 and 6 gymnasts to prepare them for level 7. At this stage it is not cost effective and would not be able to run without depletion of Judges Assembly funds. It is understood that Services and Development will be assisting in this area for gymsports.

The TC strongly urges that this is looked at as soon as possible by Services and Development, so that we can hold the event at the end of this year.

### Risk Management

NA for this period.

### Finance

Includes the following:

- *Judge Budgets* – Judge Budget was updated and approved by the Board in February. This has been revised since due to the need to bring Teresa Evans over to run the Advanced Silver course, and adjusting the cost of course presenters.
- *JI P/L Statements* – Received at beginning of the year. Budget updated accordingly. It is noted that it is still not clear what the charges are. It was be more beneficial if each item was labelled so we have a clear understanding what the cost was for.
- *QC#2 Fundraising* - it has been recently understood that if funds are not used in the calendar year, then the money is put into the greater gymsport pool. It is understood that as this is the first year that RG and other gymsports have tried to use the raised funds, the money will be put into the Judges Assembly budget. RG does not raise significant amounts due to the low number of people and spectators involved in the sport, and therefore requires a couple of years to accumulate money. It would be more beneficial to the sport if this money is allowed to accumulate in the Judges Assembly, and not the gymsport.

### Performance

Includes the following:

- *Events* – NA for February
- *Event Statistics* – No statistics provided.
- *State Teams*
  - *Plan* – Action plan and KPIs were reviewed in the February TC meeting. Size of the team is expected to be greatly reduced from 2013, however goal is to still to improve performance and team enjoyment.

### Planning

- *Annual Awards* – no comment

### Education

- RG Advanced Silver course was held on 14-16<sup>th</sup> Feb. Course was run by Teresa Evans and 4 participants attended. All passed.
- The Intermediate Bronze course was originally scheduled for the 1-2<sup>nd</sup> February, however repeated delays in receiving the course materials from GA has meant that the course has had to delayed until the 15-16<sup>th</sup> March.

## **Gymsports meeting – ACR – March 2014**

### **Strategic**

- Acro are struggling to get numbers for judges to judge at the qualifying events and athlete entry numbers are very low. The committee are in the process of coming up with ways to recruit for both issues.

### **Risk Management**

- None.

### **Finance**

- *Judge Budgets:* Updated budget has been submitted to GWA.

### **Performance**

- *Events:* planning for Q#2, run by the TC, is on track, the first event was cancelled as there were no entries. To date there are only 2 entries for the second qualifier as many senior acrobats have retired and a lot of the clubs are focussed on entering National clubs and not Nationals.

### **Education**

- The advanced course was cancelled as the course was not ready and we are planning on running a beginner course in march and an Intermediate bronze in May. We also need to run an advanced silver as soon as we can to get judges accredited for the trials.