# ERTC MINUTES 21<sup>ST</sup> APRIL 2013

**Present:** Stuart Kelly, Dave Kingaby, Paul Kitchen, Andrew Aistrup, Sonia Verdicchio, Andrew Jones, Neil Pike, Ann Harvey, Nicki Weller, Tony Fagelman, Rachel Paul



Apologies: Alex Deller, Karly Good, Emma Armitage

Meeting started 3:15pm approx.

# 1. MINUTES

Last meeting minutes approved and on website.

#### 2. E-Votes

None arising.

#### 3. CHAIR'S BUSINESS

ECGA meeting report – Stuart attended on Nicki's behalf. AJ approval for funding on Brevet judge course – congratulations given as AJ passed. Stuart still chasing for amount of ring-fenced money for trampolining.

#### 4. Welfare report

Committee agreed to support the reminder of rules governing social networking with minors/under 18s. Once update/reminder is written this can go onto the website. Noted that the welfare officer's day clashes with the South Shields gala.

#### COMPETITIONS REPORT

NP apologised for late communications, this should improve in next 2-3 weeks. Entry for Easton should be out in next week. Some issues with payments for ECGA – Jenni/Alf are chasing the clubs directly. Number of officials was tight at Ipswich competition with no reserve officials.

#### DMT REPORT

2nd competition of season has been run. Coaching course in October will run either at Saffron Walden or Cambridge Regional College. Tutor Jason Richardson. Date TBC.

Need to increase DMT judges – we can put experienced judges on execution for now. AJ to speak to Peter Heames to see if enough interest to run a judging course. Next comp due October. Judges need to be at least county level TRA judges.

# 7. DEVELOPMENT SQUAD REPORT

Jack Kelly is pleased with the way things are moving at present. Region is suffering by its own success in numbers qualifying – pushing criteria of qualification to squad. Wildcards are pushing numbers beyond. Criteria likely to change next year – FIG B only automatic rights to squad but not those in other squads, plus Nat C only, then push for wildcards. We should be encouraging coaches to attend whether they have performers or not – emphasis on coach ed. JK requires feedback and testing results for the end of the month – some clubs are submitting information late.

#### 8. Courses report

All coaching courses due to run between Jan and March were cancelled due to lack of interest. On questioning this is due to lack of funds. Bursary is only paid retrospectively. L3M1 planned for summer – likely to be postponed temporarily so a L2 update day can be run beforehand. M2 scheduled for later on in the year. L2 scheduled for September.

Judges course being run in Ipswich is full (16) – another one running in June in Brentwood – 2 Sundays. Only 6 people involved so far so need more to run the course. County/Regional course in discussion to be run – AJ to chase up.

AJ invited to join Judging committee reporting to National Technical Committee. Revalidation likely to happen next year. – All judges will be expected to attend. Judging info for website has been started, including emphasis on rule changes. DK offered help with putting together.

#### 9. COMPETITORS' FEEDBACK

None received.

#### 10. REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Run as an open – grades H (TBC), G, F, E, D, C, and Fig A/B (Combined). Trampoline only. Normal age groups and sexes as per an open – split/grouped as needed.

For Fig A/B - FIG A requirements will be used (10 somersaults, 2 elements counting for difficulty in first routine which can't be repeated in second otherwise difficulty cannot be awarded)

Trophies as normal for this main part of the competition, but no teams/team-medals. A champion of each grade will be named as the highest scoring male and female in each grade, regardless of age, with perpetual trophies for each.

On top of this - Each club then nominates sets of ten people that form a club team. These 10 get points based purely on form (no tariff) to decide which club wins. If someone drops out they can be replaced before the competition starts (no substitutions after the competition starts). Winning club gets a shield. Everyone in the competition gets ordered on total form score, with 1st place 1 point down to 200th (or whatever) with 200 points. The points for the nominated 10 are added up and the club team with the lowest number of points wins. Where two people have the same form scores they will all get the same points. i.e. if there are 23 people in 8th place with a form score of 45.0 then they will all get a score of 8.

Entry costs £7.50 per competitor, £10 per club team.

# 11. WEBSITE UPDATE

Material going onto website as and when it is given. Clubs need to syndicate newsfeed into their own Facebook/website pages so all members can see – DK offered help with setting this up.

Web site advertising – trampoline on line website has been running for a number of year and is popular/well used site. They have asked if they can use/place info/advertise their site on ours – Committee declined for now.

# 12. BANK ACCOUNT

Nothing has happened regarding the account so far. Need to get a community bank account opened. Also need a constitution for the region. DK will try to pick up forms.

### 13. FUNDING VIDEO FOR CLUBS

Email from Amy Clarke re video she helped create regarding different phases of funding. SK to pass on to DK to have a look at.

#### 14. Invoice for English Championships leotard

Sprung Loaded have agreed to pay.

#### 15. AOB

AGM to be after Hitchin grading on October 6th. Proxy forms to go out a month before. SK to check if Hitchin rooms are available.

We have opportunity to run DMT at Hitchin although issues with lack of space. Preference is for the DMT/TRA to run on the same day, either at the same time if space is available, or consecutively.

Easton open 10/11/13 – will be individual, syncro and Russian Roulette syncro. NP offered to do scores.

Young leaders – run by BG – they have volunteers available but nowhere to volunteer so currently are only volunteering for gymnastics competitions. SK to email Sarah Parker to see what we can do to help.

# 16. **NEXT MEETING**

To be after Easton Regional competition.

The meeting closed at 16:15.

