

Committee Meeting 23rd November 2014

Start time; 10.30am Venue; Ipswich

<u>Agenda</u>

Apologies: Phil D, Tony F, Karly G, Neil P, Emma A, Kim M, Sarah J.

Present: Stuart K, Nicki W, Andrew J, Dave K, Kim H, Robin A, Clare W, Paul K, Rachel P.

Last meeting minutes

Approved

Reports

Chairs report

SK went to BG Regional committee Chairs' meeting on 16th October. National meeting for all regional chairs. BG in a new planning period to 2021. Fen 2015 is consultation process with clubs/chairs/technical chairs. The board will identify long term priorities, examine core business, and optimise revenue streams. Presently the national body relies on 38% government funding. The challenge is to understand the clubs, internal and external communications, identify investment into the region. £2,000,000 project to underpin the sport.

BG has invested £113,000 into EGA administration and £50,000 into a project.

Large clubs (>500 members) will be given direct contact with a person at BG.

40,000 enquiries during 'Tumble', 200,000 viewed videos, 600,000 viewers' hits.

25 places were available to the east for reduced coach courses. Coach courses were still being cancelled.

Block booking not thought to be a BG priority as bronze membership has increased.

ECGA/NTTC meeting report

No ECGA meeting recently

Feedback from trampoline exec meeting. Coach ed – level 1 and 2 will have e-learning element, talks about L3 being too long and too expensive. For HPC, people will need to provide evidence that they have worked with the performers. 8 modules in total. DMT coach ed - courses are available but are being re-written. Bulk of L1 common core is elearning which has been well received. Judging report – revalidations mostly finished, no more until 2017. East have 88 judges registered. Regional judges who wish to be considered for the Spring series 2015 can put their names forward to Andrew Jones, regional judge rep. Anyone not revalidating will need to redo the same level course again to be qualified. TPD clarification of the new routines, which Trampoline East is already running. Competition structure as per new handbook – 2 qualifying events, top 2 from each grade can qualify for regional finals. New regional team final. Top 3 will qualify for the National final. NDP 7 & 8 no changes to routines. TOF removed from level 7, focus on execution. No Synchro at NDP, FIG level only. No score or medals for incomplete routines. Physical preparation for all levels – more details will come out in 2015. Performance pathways – camps and clinics, Olga, Liverpool. Planning zonal clinics. Discussing possibility of camps for coaches. National squad update – creating a team ethos, people working as part of the team. We have been set targets at Olympics, World Championships which will reflect whether trampoline gets any funding.

Treasurer's report

Balance £2717. Couple of invoices to pay – Domain renewal and t-shirts/hall hire for schools. Any invoices wider than schools issues will need to be approved by the committee.

Welfare report

Free online foundation safeguarding course for 16 and 17 year olds available on the BG website, also suitable for younger coaches, young leaders and those doing proficiency (suitable for age 13+).

All BG safeguarding and protecting children policies and documents have been updated in October.

DBS Check policy and guidelines updated in November.

BG Health, Safety and Welfare policy updated in November.

Club Welfare Officers Day was a success with increased numbers from the last few years, now planning next years and will get a date on Trampoline East and ECGA website as soon as it is confirmed. Feedback form sent to all Club Welfare Officers to gain feedback for next year on certain aspects of the day. This event may now circulate around 3 counties rather than being based solely in one county.

Updated Time to Listen course will start from next year, I attended the necessary training on Saturday 15th November, no-one else from our region was present to the best of my knowledge.

This year British Gymnastics is seeking nominations for those people in the role of Club Welfare Officer or Volunteers who have made 'going the extra mile' contributions to

safeguarding children and young people in Gymnastics during 2014. The nominations can be from Regional, County or Club level. Awards will be presented to those selected at the Regional and County Welfare Officer Conference on the 7th February 2015. Closing date for nominations to Heidi Saxon at BG, 30th November

Other point of note: Essex county welfare officer has resigned.

Judging report

Andrew Aistrup now a judge tutor – club judge. Will be attending the tutor's course next year. Anyone not attending the conference will no longer be a tutor. Changes to National judges- zonal will be Nat Cat 1, National will be Nat Cat 2. Qualification will depend on the results from the exam. Mandatory re-examinations will take place to reassess on at each cycle. FIG news – casting has been taken out of the judging syllabus. There is a system being developed to automate this. Currently no pictures for judging of straddle and pike – AJ will circulate pictures now released.

TRI Squad report

Changes to squad criteria – focus on the younger gymnasts – 8 to 11 years. Will be put through strength conditioning, flexibility and move skills. Older gymnasts will be selected based on the existing squad members and is by invite only, with some flexibility – details are on the website. There will be 4 squad dates – 2 x 3 hour blocks, juniors first then youth. The squad will now be self-funded.

Coaching Courses report

As we head towards the end of 2015, the Region is running one more Level 1 course at Sawston and an L3M2 course at Sawston. It is interesting to note that the Level 3 modules have been heavily subscribed, but a lot of people have travelled from all over the UK to attend as there are few running in other regions.

I have been working with the other tutors in the region to develop a regional course diary for 2015. Initial dates have been suggested, along with venues/areas and we are waiting for confirmation of those dates. It should be noted that we do not have the dates for the National Schools finals which are in March, nor do we have the dates for the proposed regional Open competitions or the National League competitions. The course dates can be amended to fit these, but the sooner we get those details the better.

I have been told that demand for courses in the east of the region is non-existent, currently there is only ONE expression of interest for courses from people in Norfolk or Suffolk. As such, Michelle Ellis is not keen to sanction a course in Norwich or Ipswich. Clubs in those areas are encouraged to visit the BG website and raise an expression of interest for courses as this will lead to courses being offered closer to their areas.

BG are keen to also run a Level 2 up-date day in 2015, as the numbers may be low for this and the costs high, we may seek to run it alongside an existing course, either a Day 1 of a Level 1 or Level 2 course or share a hall with a Level 3 module. This will depend on potential numbers and we will keep

the regional committee advised. Again, it is recommended that clubs encourage coaches to complete an expression of interest form on the BG website.

Finally, DMT courses will be run in our region in 2015. The new courses have been trialled and we are now waiting for the go-ahead for planning. Once more, we recommend that interested coaches complete an expression on interest form. The form can be found at http://www.british-gymnastics.org/coaching/coach-membership/course-interest-form

Web-site report

Need to encourage more people to like the Trampoline East facebook page. Some updating required on the website which is being worked through

Disabilities rep report

NPRG meeting on 6th December. Have we had an invite? SJ to attend. Nicki will check if expenses are available.

Schools report

Programme should be out on Monday. Need to include more disabilities group competitors within the schools competition. – They need to have a letter of eligibility from a health professional to compete.

• Open/NDP routines discussion

Full structure to be agreed by 15th January to be issued to the clubs. At the regional comp on 22nd Feb, a debriefing and Q&A session will be available.

- Date for Trampoline East championship.
- Possibly 28th June. Robin will get a cost from Hatfield Uni.
 - Roles on the committee.

Robin Atkins title changed to Regional Championships rep.

AOB

We need some more scorecards – SK will organise this.

Cambridge comp in March will need a DMT and landing area being brought to the comp. BG vets competition was on 1^{st} November. Ipswich 4 won the team veterans trophy. Very nice and friendly competition.

All reports need to be in writing to the committee before the meeting to be available for discussion on the day and reduce the time spent discussing them.

Next Meeting date

22nd February after the next competition.