

JUDGING CO-ORDINATORS MEETING

Minutes of Meeting held on the 23 July 2009 at 6.30pm

No.	ITEM	DETAILS	ACTION
1.0	Attendance	Tracy Holmes (WG), Karen Gilgallon (RG), Pam Walker (TRP), Robyn Kuhl (GWA), Sam Williams (GWA), Sharron Isard (GWA) Jodie Behan (GWA) 8.25pm	
2.0	Apologies	Karon Williams (AER), Jane Collins (ACRO), Debbs van Hagen (ACRO), Michael Williams (MG), Richard Kural (MG), Ann Ranieri (CHR/AER),	
3.0	Acceptance of Previous Minutes	Minutes of the previous meeting held on the 30 April 2009 Accepted: Tracy Secoded: Pam	
4.0	Business Arising from Previous Minutes	<p>4.1 Green Shirt Pilot Scheme (RG & TRP)</p> <p>RG – the July L1A course has been cancelled, the next course is in October with two competitions to follow. Extension required from DSR. TRP – L1 course held in June with 7 participants, 3 attended the May competition and 2 attended the July competition. The scheme was well received by parents, the announcement over the PA is supported by the resources supplied by DSR. The new judges feel that the colour of the t-shirt makes them feel too conspicuous compared to the other judges in navy and white uniform. JC's believe that a badge would be more appropriate for gymnastics.</p> <p>4.2 Selection Criteria – Service to Judging Community</p> <p>WG SMC approved. TRP & RG JC's agreed to discuss the 'Service to Judging Community' at their next SMC meeting and provide feedback to SW by mid August. If three sports agree it will then be taken to the Board to be approved for distribution in October as per the JC Jan meeting minutes (Refer 5.1).</p> <p>4.3 Judging Fines / Flow Chart</p> <p>RK & SI presented the following information.</p>	<p>RK to request extension from DSR for TRP & RG. Recommend a badge rather than a t-shirt.</p> <p>TRP & RG SMC to provide feedback to SW by mid August.</p> <p>If approved by 3 Gsports then take to Board for approval before distributing in Oct.</p>

Statistics

Currently have a total of 173 judges being – Judge only (103), Coach/Judge (70)

In 2008 we ran 68 comps with 7088 competitors

To date in 2009 we have run 41 comps with 3892 competitors (as of 23/07)

In 2009 we have 23 competitive clubs of which 12 are 1 discipline only (plus 3 HPC)

In 2009 (Jan-July) GWA has sent 36 'please explain letters' re Judges Fining System

- no fine = 14
- fine = 8
- dispute/unresolved = 14

Philosophical Issues

Is there enough judges to run all events?

Clubs have either;

- put judges into system
- struggled but attempted to put judges in system
- increased athletes costs to cover fine

How do we deal with this?

Has created ill feeling & large additional workload at all levels – is this what we want?

Fining Pathway

3 working days to supply GWA judges (is this enough time?) - \$100 fine

Clubs need to wait for Rotation Schedule rather than work plan

Breakdown/Issues

Clubs putting in dummy names

Clubs putting in tbc

Clubs not including emails or club email only

Clubs putting judges with incorrect level

Clubs not allocating enough judges

Delays in getting rotation schedule out to clubs (GWA office, unregistered athletes etc)

Panels coming into office late

With so much on the calendar what do we do with genuine mistakes?

During discussion the following points were noted;

- that while there are problems it has increased judge numbers from clubs attending courses and competitions.
- clubs need to work together to supply required number of judges.
- clubs are struggling to provide the number of judges required
- even big clubs are struggling to supply required number of judges
- not enough judges to facilitate the number of competitions.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - can't keep younger athletes as judges anymore so it is difficult to keep them in the sport. - need parents/adults and it is difficult to get them involved - the fining system is forcing clubs to get judges - be more relaxed about genuine mistakes - RG doesn't get a work plan prior to the final work plan with a rotation schedule <p>What do other states do in regards to fining? eg Qld RK - some do /some don't, other states run far less events, clubs run events in other states</p> <p><u>Recommendations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensure all gymsports receive a draft work plan - Include info on website regarding breakdowns/issues, consider electronic survey to ascertain main issues etc - 3 days very short, consider making closing date 5 weeks instead of 4 to give 4 days instead. Survey clubs - Email must go to club and Club Judge Liaison in regards to judging requirements - We know that it is an issue for clubs, consider bringing clubs in (3+ discipline) for a meeting and walk through issues after competition season. - Sending out fining letter to club and cc to gysport judge co-ordinator so that they are prepared if contacted by club. <p>4.4 Judge Credit System Judge Credits can be used post event as long as JC liaises with GWA Can be used for any competition, only 1 per session and not over multiple sessions (WG/MG not club levels) Credit System Pilot as per JC minutes July 2008 Clarifications Point 2 – 1 credit per judge per competition Point 4 – can only use one credit per session It was agreed that this would be reviewed at the next meeting</p> <p>4.5 Cheer Judges from non-member groups Needs to be raised at AusCheer management meeting and commission as to how the sport deals with non gymnastics members entering events and proposed intro of fining to cheer in 2010.</p>	<p>RK to check with Gymsports section</p> <p>GWA to consider a survey to clubs</p> <p>SW/SI to update flow chart & competition checklist</p> <p>GWA to organise meeting if required</p> <p>SI to cc JC's fining letters</p> <p>SW to document Judge Credit System for JC to send to clubs</p> <p>Review Credit System at next meeting</p> <p>RK to take to AusCheer management meeting</p>
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5.0	General Business	<p>5.1 Judges Sign-in Sheets</p> <p>GWA now have samples from each gym sport Judges will only be paid if they have signed in and the sheets are returned to office (SI) The floor manager must ensure sign in sheets are in the box . PW noted that she takes TRP sheets home after each comp, RK noted it is thus her responsibility to bring them into GWA office.</p> <p>5.2 WG Judge Scholarship</p> <p>WG Judges Invite budget 10% = \$1800 (GWA Board returning 10% admin fee to judging communities for development education) Form has been sent out to L3 Judges, 1 form returned to GWA so far The old form tabled at Board, new form might meet board queries, email response required to meet timeframe Other sports to consider implementing in 2010 TH to provide word version to SW so that other sports can use as a template</p> <p>5.3 Judge Education Update</p> <p>JB handed out information regarding the new G-Educate courses being ready and the system for next year. JB advised that presenters can present up to the level that they hold an accreditation. This information is in the GA DRAFT Course Presenter Training and Accreditation Policy #3 page 4. Reviewed May 2009. The meeting asked if GA had revisited 15 yr olds being eligible to attend courses & to judge in the new education structure.</p> <p>5.4 Judging Course Dates/Forms for Jun-Dec</p> <p>TRP forms submitted JB has done bookings for all courses that are on the calendar. All gym sports are to advise asap.</p> <p>5.5 Minimum numbers for Education Courses</p> <p>Understand the frustration from a club perspective but can't run a L1 course with less than 6 people especially for MG/WG. Participation numbers guideline from GA distributed. All other states charge much more for judging courses. GWA want to keep prices as low as possible but still need to try and cover some of the costs. JB is currently undertaking a cost analysis and comparison for all states.</p>	<p>Review process next meeting, SI to attend</p> <p>TH to provide responses to Board questions to be sent via email</p> <p>TH to send SW word version</p> <p>JB to ask GA about 15 yr olds for judging courses</p> <p>All gym sports are to advise of courses asap.</p>
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6.0	Reports	<p>6.1 MG Will be asking the Board for L4&5 dispensations as not enough judges in the system to meet judging requirements.</p> <p>6.2 WG See attached Double panelled sessions are they 2 competitions or 1 competition for judge requirements? 1 session so it is the total number of gymnasts that determines judge requirements GWA needs to try to have a balance of clubs within the session when doing Work Plan How do we continue to facilitate block buster weekends? What are the Country clubs required to provide? Refer Tech Regs Mod 1 p22 and July 2008 JC minutes</p> <p>6.3 RG See attached</p> <p>6.4 AER May not be able to run their next competition due to a lack of judges</p> <p>6.2 TRP See attached</p> <p>6.3 ACRO</p> <p>6.4 CHEER See attached How do we provide experience for new judges? Suggestions: Invitational & club events, line judges, more than one session rotate judges for sessions</p>	<p>MG SMC to request dispensations</p> <p>GWA to review workplans</p> <p>SW to review Country Club requirements & send to SI & TH</p>

9.0	Any Other Business		
10.0	Next Meeting	29 October 2009	

WG Judging Co-ordinator's Report July 2009



- National Championships: 12 National and FIG Judges represented WA on panels at Nationals this year. It was a very long 8 days for those judging Elite and Levels but a very worthwhile experience. For 4 judges, it was their first time judging at Nationals and they all did a fantastic job. A special mention of the 20 lower level judges who filled jobs as Judges Assistants over the 17 sessions – we couldn't have done it without them! Also, thanks to Desiree Jones who did an enormous amount of work in the preparation and during Nationals, both in her role with the GA Commission and for the WG SMC.
- WG Judging Scholarships: Funding documents submitted. 2 Scholarship types – National Exposure and Regional. The National Exposure Scholarship will be used in 2009 to fund 1 or 2 judges to the Border Challenge Competition (Second State Team), and the Regional Scholarship funding 2 Regional Judges to travel to State Champs/Club Level States to judge. Anticipated expenditure - \$1950.
- 2009 Cycle Judging Courses: Short presentation done at Nationals. Still unsure about who is eligible to present courses. Will seek further clarification at GA Advisory Meeting on 8th August in Melbourne which I will be attending.
- Judge Credits: Information tabled and to be distributed to Clubs. 5 Clubs earned up to 3 credits each – Total 14. Data will be kept on impact using credits has on judging panels.
- Lateness of panels: In most cases, panels are unable to be submitted to GWA by the Friday week before the competition due to delay in Office. Most panels being submitted by Monday before. Still having issues with Clubs not having nomination forms in by closing date – hence \$100 fine.
- Clarification required on the following:
 1. Request for credits to be used at Club Level competitions – I have no objection to this as long as it is not abused. Clubs only allowed to use one credit per session and not for competitions running over multiple sessions.
 2. Double paneled sessions – are the two sides of the draw considered 2 separate competitions? Do Clubs need to provide the correct amount of judges for each set of panels or just a total overall?
 3. Country Clubs – do they fall in to line with metro clubs in 2009 in regards to providing judges or is it the same as in 2008?

Tracy Holmes
WG Judging Co-ordinator

RG Judging coordinators report

Judging coordinators meeting
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State Championships

- Ran well, but it was a long weekend with 7 sessions to judge, I would like to thank all the judges who helped make the event run smoothly.
- Great to have Stephanie Schahinger Brevet judge from South Australia attend.
- Visiting gymnasts from Victoria were also most welcome and added some different routines for the judges to see.
- Some imputing errors were located in level 7 and senior international and result in two ribbons and on medal being requiring re-awarding correct results will be put in the newspaper by victor and will be prepared for the web.
- Score sheets that were produced but the office did not work properly. Teams were not in the score sheets which was an added stress of finding which gymnast were in the team this held up presentations after an already long session.
- There were some discrepancies between different orders of work with start times of session and the order in which gymnast were coming on to the floor.
- Sheets will be given back to coaches at the office from Thursday morning so they can prepare for state team training.

Judging Accreditations and fining

- I have now been provided with a list of accredited judges by the office. There are still some issues with judges who are not on this list who should have accreditations.
- Some clubs have been stressed by receiving letter informing them they will be finned because of problems with judge. The office has informed me the clubs just need to respond and provide the information back to the office as to what has happened eg a judge was sick and I have said they do not need to replace them for that session.
- Judges fine flow chart is on the web.

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Judging Courses:

F.I.G. Course: Tony Burton has completed the F.I.G. Course and will be able to present the Level 3 Course in October.

A Level 1 Course was present on 7th June with the 7 participants completing and passing the exam. All of these candidates were given a Green Shirt at the Course and will wear them at their first Competition.

Green Shirt Programme:

Several new Level 1 Judges have worn their new shirts at the last two competitions. These have been generally well accepted.

We are awaiting news from our National body as to whether Judges may upgrade at the New Courses to be presented in October. If this is possible it will save time next year with courses as there are several judges waiting to upgrade.

Currently we have:

6 Level 3

5 Level 2

15 Level 1

5 ??

We will certainly need more upper level Judges next year.

Pam Walker

Trampoline Judging Co-ordinator