

## JUDGING CO-ORDINATORS MEETING

### Minutes of Meeting held on the 28 January 2010 at 6.30pm

No.	ITEM	DETAILS	ACTION
1.0	<b>Attendance</b>	Tracy Holmes (WG), Karen Gilgallon (RG), Debbs Van Hagen (AER), Laurie Zagari (TRP), Ann Ranieri (CHL) Fiona Harling (ACRO), Desiree Jones (WG), Sam Williams (GWA), Robyn Kuhl (GWA) Jodie Behan (GWA) from 7.30-8.15pm	
2.0	<b>Apologies</b>	Michael Williams (MG)	
3.0	<b>Acceptance of Previous Minutes</b>	Minutes of the previous meeting held on the 29 October 2009 Accepted: Tracy Holmes Secoded: Desiree Jones	
4.0	<b>Business Arising from Previous Minutes</b>	<p><b>4.1 Green Shirt Pilot Scheme (RG &amp; TRP)</b></p> <p>RG – Held L1 Judging Course in October, 8 candidates attended and passed. Green Shirts and info given out in November for RG Spectacular competition. (\$23.10 for photocopying) The program was well received by participants and promoted to the audience during the event. The participants would prefer a badge rather than a shirt. TRP – Unsure when they should wear the shirt but this might be resolved with a badge. GWA to provide more information about the program.</p> <p>The Green Shirt Program and logo has been promoted to all clubs and technical members on the 2010 GWA calendar. \$500 towards printing of calendar. \$200 remaining from DSR funding.</p> <p>SW is meeting with Jonelle Burns from DSR on 5<sup>th</sup> February to review program. The meeting recommended that we continue with the program providing the t-shirt is replaced with a badge or similar. RG and TRP are keen to continue. Look to expand further into additional sports. First Beginner courses ACRO – 28 Feb, MG/RG/TRP – 7 Mar Provide more info at judge course for candidates - add to course boxes Promotion via flyers at competitions, include on programs, website etc</p> <p><b>4.2 WG Judge Scholarship</b></p> <p>TH advised that only the pdf is available from WG. Other gymsports felt that they didn't have enough money at this stage to provide a scholarship. WG to continue to pilot program. Other sports to consider when more money is available. RK provided some further background</p>	<p>SW to meet with Jonelle Burns to discuss recommendations, funding and expanding program.</p> <p>WG to continue pilot program.</p>



this is to reflect the overall cost to the entire gymnastics community of everything pertaining to the State Gymnastics Centre facility, to this end the following will apply in relation to costs of the meeting room;

- Education Courses – the cost of the meeting room / gymnastics hall (s) is budgeted in the overall course cost.
- Meetings – will be budgeted per gymsport or in the case of Gymsports Meeting / Judging Co-ordinators meetings a central GWA Board administration cost centre.
- Workshops (no presenter fee) – in 2009 there was approximately 20 centralised GWA workshops (and 40+ club workshops). Dependant on venue this will be reflected if required within the Judging Education budget of each gymsport. (eg: Club facility charge, Challenge Stadium charge, Loftus Centre charge, GWA charge)

The board room will be a \$25 fee for a morning, afternoon or evening session.

JB arrived 7.30pm

#### **4.5 Judge Reimbursements and categories for 2010**

Recommendations accepted by Board at the Nov 2009 meeting

#### **4.6 2009 Judge Reimbursements**

RK referred to email response from October below;

In relation to payments for 2009 the following have now been processed and cheques distributed;

- MG = 6 competitions (end of June 2009)
- AER = 4 competitions (complete for 2009)
- CHEER = 3 competitions (complete for 2009)
- WG = 10 competitions (end of June 2009)
- ACRO = 3 competitions (complete for 2009)
- TRP = 4 competitions (end of July 2009)
- RG = 3 competitions (end of June 2009)

GWA apologised for the delay in processing these across all gymsports for all competitions. Given the substantial administrative workload for this entire task which includes checking all registrations, reconciliation of judging nominations against actual judging panels / judging sign-in sheets, letters etc in relation to the judging fines and collation of judging payments, GWA office (Operations section) concurs with the meeting's recommendation of two payments per year. This has also been agreed to by the Board.

RK noted it is also important to note that the GWA office have incurred the following issues when

- undertaking the above tasks;
- No judging panels received from Judging Co-ordinators
  - No judging nominations received from Clubs (or only received by either GWA office or Judging Coordinator)
  - Judging panels / nominations received late
  - Incorrect information received in relation to judging accreditations, number of judges supplied
  - Unregistered judges (particularly at the beginning of the year)
  - Judges coaching and judging in the same sessions – sorting this issue out
  - No sign-in sheets, lost sign-in sheets or incomplete sign-in sheets
  - Non-attendance of judges due to extenuating circumstances
  - Implementation of the credit systems
  - Delay in response from clubs in relation to the ‘please explain’ non-attendance / no panels submitted letter
  - Complaints from clubs (Numerous across all gym sports with the exception of AER)

RK advised that this was a message we collectively need to communicate with both our clubs and judging communities – improvements in any or all of the above will assist greatly with the overall administration for all sections of the community - the office staff, judging coordinators and clubs.

#### **4.7 Calendar 2010**

SW advised that the calendar had been updated, printed and distributed  
 Change of date TRP Adv Course from 13-14 Feb – 27-28 Feb due to course materials being ready from GA.

#### **4.8 Judges Assembly Funds**

RK referred to email dated 11/11-2009 response from October below;

*In way of background at the 31 May 2007 GWA Board meeting (Section 4.6) the GWA Board discussed concerns in relation to the Judges Assembly as at this stage WG, MG and RG were the only current members. It was also noted at the meeting that as a group there had not been a meeting for at least three years. To this end the GWA Board suspended all activities of the Judges Assembly pending a complete review of its activities and the need to ensure parity between all the gym sports. An initial meeting (in conjunction with the GWA Board working groups) was to be convened on the 26 July 2007. Over the time we have then looked to hold meetings on a quarterly basis.*

*So specifically in relation to the Judges Assembly further information is available in the following documents;*

*GWA Board minutes – 15 January 2009 (Section 4.3)*

*GWA Judging Coordinators minutes – 29 January 2009 (Section 5.4)*

	<p><i>At this meeting the GWA Board accepted in principle four year plans from MG (no budget supplied), WG (amendments required), RG and TRP (no budget supplied). The GWA Board acknowledged the plans from ACRO and AER, but requested more information. At the time of these meetings the CHEER plan was unavailable.</i></p> <p><i>At the February GWA Board meeting (Section 6.3) GWA Board released the 'held funds' as per the \$1 per competition entry fee, and pending resolution of the above, the WG, MG and RG monies held in 2008 GWA audited accounts (as per the GWA Annual Report 2008 = \$71,290 and 2007 = \$39,634 – please note that this includes both Judges Assembly and Scholarships).</i></p> <p><i>Speaking to Sally, some Judging Coordinators had contacted her in relation to these, and TRP SMC was approved additional funding to facilitate the attendance of a judge at a FIG judging course. So whilst, individuals present at the meeting may not have personally received the information, this information was and is available, noting that approval for expenditure is still upon the status of each of the four year judging plans as per the above information. It is certainly of concern that RG are concerned they are in the 'red', this will need to be reviewed at the completion of the financial year and in conjunction with a revision of their four year plan.</i></p> <p><i>Can I suggest as a way forward that the 2010 Judging Coordinators and SMC Chairpersons make an appointment with Sally and myself (sometime in late February / March 2010) so as we can proactively address this issue on a gymnsport by gymnsport basis;</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Status of the individual four year plan (noting WG request to amend their budget)</i></li> <li>• <i>2009 Actual 'income and expenditure' in relation to budget (noting RG's concerns)</i></li> <li>• <i>Completion of budget for those gymnsports that have not completed their budget or need to revise it</i></li> <li>• <i>Completion of four year plan for those gymnsports that have not completed all / some of this information</i></li> <li>• <i>Do we need to apply for a DSR Coach in Resident Grant (as per Education requirements)?</i></li> </ul> <p><i>Finally, so as to provide this information on a formally distributed basis this is the breakdown of the 2008 GWA Annual Report figures ;</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>MG Judges = \$6,258.79 *</i></li> <li>• <i>WG Judges = \$21,607.52 *</i></li> <li>• <i>RG Judges = \$2,896.00 *</i></li> <li>• <i>AER Judges = \$180.00</i></li> <li>• <i>TRP Judges = \$537.00</i></li> <li>• <i>ACRO Judges = \$203.00</i></li> <li>• <i>CHEER Judges = \$885.00</i></li> </ul> <p><i>*Including 2008 Judges Invitational</i></p> <p><i>In relation to the 2009 figures these will be incorporated in the 2009 GWA Annual Report figures.</i></p>	<p>JC's to organise meeting with RK and SC as per 4.2</p>
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5.0	Reports	<p><b>5.1 MG</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report attached</li> <li>• RK advised that the Board were concerned about the front loading of competitions. The Board requested MG SMC survey clubs prior to implementing and that the survey had been supportive of the proposal. This will be reviewed for 2011.</li> <li>• DvH commented on the lack of support and mentoring to MG senior level judges in comparison to WG. Concerned that we are more likely to lose judges than gain them.</li> </ul> <p><b>5.2 WG</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report attached</li> <li>• Study packs, practice sheets, study sessions conducted prior to course to prepare for Adv Silver</li> <li>• Looking to run Judge Functions eg bowling</li> <li>• Allocating club representative on judge committee to improve communication with clubs</li> <li>• RK congratulated WG on their initiatives</li> </ul> <p><b>5.3 RG</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 accredited presenters, 6 courses in 2010 / 4 at the start of the year</li> <li>• Code of points change and getting reaccredited will be a challenge</li> <li>• Hoping that the material will be ready for courses</li> <li>• With Nationals in Perth, hoping to enthuse lower level judges to be line judge, secretary etc so that higher level judges don't need to fill these positions</li> <li>• Budget has been a struggle, hopefully more time this year to complete</li> </ul> <p><b>5.4 AER</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DvH new to judge co-ordinator role in 2010</li> <li>• Concerned that presenters will need to reaccredit but the adv course is at the end of the year</li> </ul> <p><b>5.6 TRP</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Laurie new to judge co-ordinator role in 2010</li> <li>• Not enough support and education in the past looking to run more workshops in 2010</li> <li>• TRP in WA is becoming more competitive but still don't see the skills required for judging course in the community which makes it difficult for judges</li> <li>• DJ suggested using videos from Nationals, write out DD and STC to see the moves, go through video again</li> </ul>	
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		<p><b>5.7 ACRO</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Co-ordinator from 2009 resigned for personal reasons, position not filled for 2010</li> <li>• DvH and FH currently sharing role but looking to ACRO community to assist</li> <li>• 6 candidates for Int Bronze &amp; Adv course in November – all passed</li> <li>• 4 courses planned for 2010</li> <li>• Promoting in clubs for beginners and int courses</li> <li>• Need to find out about presenters qualified</li> <li>• Nat Champs Nov 2009 on new code, DSR Coach in Residence</li> <li>• RK DSR grant applications need to be submitted 12 weeks prior to the course so we need to know early if you require a presenter from interstate</li> </ul> <p><b>5.8 CHEER</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report attached</li> <li>• Ann is the new National Judge Co-ordinator for Cheer</li> <li>• 2 courses in 2010, Cheer will be running L1 &amp; 2 this year not G-educate as theirs will be the last to be written</li> <li>• RK advised that there were ongoing discussions regarding AUSCheer and non-member clubs and issues around the provision of judges</li> </ul>	<p>JB to follow-up regarding ACRO presenters</p> <p>JC to give at least 14 weeks notice if DSR grant required for presenter</p>
6.0	General Business	<p><b>6.1 Judging Course 2010</b></p> <p>JB presented information packs for 2010 including Process Outline and resource materials available from GWA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presenter time paid for all parts of the course including setup, pack up, etc</li> <li>• Resit for presenter time will be paid – monitor during 2010, review for 2011</li> <li>• Payment for WG Adv course has not been processed as yet</li> <li>• Results process comes into GWA and JB will fax to GA</li> </ul> <p>JB left meeting 8.15pm</p> <p><b>6.2 Judging Requirements &amp; Fining System for 2010</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AR asked as club RG coach/judge has resigned, can we provide judges from other sports to be line judges and secretaries to meet requirements.</li> <li>• KG advised that she would prefer that the club ask another RG judge to judge for them</li> <li>• SW tabled the 4 conditions proposed by WG SMC that had been distributed for comment from</li> </ul>	<p>JC to provide judge workshop confirmation forms for April – July to JB asap</p>

		<p>the JC in Nov 2009 and discussed at the Club 10 Star 3&amp;4 Forum on the 18 Jan 2010</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Feedback from the clubs was discussed</li> <li>• After discussion the following was agreed;</li> </ul> <p><u>Conditions to be included;</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Although judges must be nominated for each session they have athletes in, there will be times where not all the judges will be required</li> <li>• When there are multiple sessions, where a competition (same level and age group) goes over more that one session, the judge must judge all sessions.</li> </ul> <p>The meeting noted that this condition was a clarification from last year that had been intended but not clearly documented.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Where a club is required to provide more than one judge they are encouraged to provide at least one judge who is able to judge difficulty (D score). (This will be reviewed at the end of 2010 to include as a requirement in 2011.)</li> <li>• WG Double Panel sessions (when two competitions are run simultaneously) each competition is run as a separate competition and clubs are to provide the correct number of judges for both competitions.</li> </ul> <p>It was noted that there had been confusion regarding this in 2010 with some clubs combining and some clubs separating. Also information from GWA sometimes only gave the total number of gymnasts rather than having two separate totals. GWA needs to separate clubs in double panel sessions where possible.</p> <p>It was noted that on occasion this would place a large burden on individual clubs. GWA will view all extenuating circumstances on a case by case basis.</p> <p><u>Agenda item for next meeting – Reward System 2011</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How do we implement a reward system for 2011</li> <li>• Crediting our multidiscipline clubs who may provide more judges in one sport and not have enough in another</li> <li>• Providing a reward system for clubs who have consistently done the right thing</li> <li>• How do we deal with clubs who don't do the right thing</li> <li>• How do we encourage clubs to take on new disciplines</li> </ul>	<p>SW to provide GWA Gymsports with recommendations</p> <p>SW to advise Gymsport section</p> <p>Agenda item – April</p>
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		<p><b>6.3 Official of the Year Awards</b></p> <p><u>ANZ and Womensport West Awards</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tabled proposal developed by DJ and KM for ANZ and Women's Sport West Official Awards</li> <li>• RK provided Board feedback that there was concern that Olympic games was only 4 sports, needed to benchmark equivalent across all disciplines. Also needs to show State based activities.</li> <li>• AR believed that it should include Olympics for ANZ and Women Sport West award only DSR should be separate and include state based activities as per the current GWA regulations.</li> <li>• DJ commented that if you want to win ANZ or Womensport West you need to have been to an Olympics so it should have the highest rating.</li> <li>• There was agreement from all JC's that this was appropriate for the ANZ and Women Sport west awards</li> <li>• The following additions were to be added to the events table; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Add World Age Championships at 15 pts</li> <li>- Add GWA Winter &amp; Spring State Championships at 1 pt</li> </ul> </li> <li>• SMC Chairperson from each gymsport will be responsible for providing nominations to GWA</li> </ul> <p><u>GWA Gymsport Official of the Year Award</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TH proposed that the process for this award be changed from club nomination to JC/SMC nomination;</li> <li>• JC nominates leading judges and works out points. Submitted to SMC for approval for Gymsport Official of the Year award.</li> <li>• Tie break system for overall official to used if required</li> <li>• Other awards should still be nominated by clubs</li> <li>• All JC agreed to the above recommendations</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RK raised concern that some gymsports were only giving the one award rather than two</li> <li>• AR advised that in Cheer this was because none of the judges met the requirements</li> <li>• It was agreed this would be further discussed at the next meeting</li> </ul> <p><u>Number of Awards – agenda item form April</u></p> <p><u>Multiple disciplines award – agenda item for April</u></p>	<p>SW to update Award Regulations and provide to the GWA Board for ratification</p> <p>SW to update Award Regulations and provide to the GWA Board for ratification</p> <p>Agenda item – April</p> <p>Agenda item – April</p>
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		<p><b>6.4 State Team Judges</b></p> <p>SW advised that Ruth Gibbons had provided the following information recommended by the Head of Delegation review meeting and approved at the January Board meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All judges in the State Team are to make their own arrangements for all State Team Travel. This includes flights, accommodation and ground travel.</li> <li>• All judges will be provided a refund of up to \$675 upon all receipts being provided on the appropriate forms to the GWA Operations Manager.</li> </ul> <p><u>Evening courses versus weekend courses – Agenda item for next meeting</u></p>	<p>Agenda item - April</p>
<p><b>7.0</b></p>		<p><b>7.0 Next Meeting – 22 April 2010</b> Meeting closed 9.50pm</p>	