

TRAMPOLINE NEWS No 2

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EDITORIAL

Malcolm Clark

I hope that News No 1 enabled many people to be advised of the Programme of international events, judging and competitive procedures that will be taking place this year under British Gymnastics. In future newsletters, we will be giving background information on various areas within our sport.

At the present time, representatives from coaching and judging are talking to the British Gymnastics Director of Coaching and Judging, **Mr. Lloyd Readhead**, to see how the BTF Awards can be modified, to fit into the British Gymnastics Scheme. The last meeting about coaching awards took place on **29 March**, and identified five grades of BTF coaching awards that can be cross referenced in the British Gymnastics coaching system. It is hoped to have the new syllabi agreed for introduction in 2001.

Talks are at present ongoing between **Martin Laws** and **John Beer** to decide how best Double Mini-trampolining can be developed.

In British Gymnastics, there is a separate Technical Committee for those with disabilities and it has been agreed that the old BTF Special Needs Programme will be incorporated into this committee; and at present, **Jenni Pizzuto** will be attending this committee, which is called '**Gymnastics and Movement for People with Disabilities Technical Committee**' (GMPDTC).

Also, British Gymnastics will be presenting its new proficiency scheme in September of this year. At the present time the BTF award scheme will be administered separately, and Regional Trampoline committees will need to arrange on how any generated finance can be incorporated into their budget.

Finally, may I remind you that the TTC urgently requires each Region's views on membership fees, so that these can be presented to the British Gymnastics working party later.

OLYMPIC DRAW

The draw for the **Starting Order** for all gymnastic disciplines in **Sydney 2000** was made by the FIG in **Lugano** recently. The Technical Presidents, followed by a Press Conference, where President Grandi was able to announce that all tickets for the gymnastics finals were already sold out, made the draw. The draw for **Trampolining** was as follows:

WOMEN

01. Furi, Akiko JPN
02. Moore, Jamie GBR
03. Vachinkova, Petra CZE
04. Khilko, Ekaterina UZB
05. Cockburn, Karen CAN
06. GER
07. Parilla, Jennifer USA
08. UKR
09. Karpenkova, Natalia BLR
10. Khoperia, Rusudan GEO
11. RUS
12. Forbes, Robyn AUS

MEN

01. Serth, Michael GER
02. Villafuerte, Alan NED
03. BLR
04. Wallace, Ji AUS
05. Chernonos, Olexandr UKR
06. RUS
07. Brearley, Lee GBR
08. Burai, Ali ALG
09. Wiesner, Markus SUI
10. Nakata, Daisuke JPN
11. Turgeon, Mathieu CAN
12. Martin, David FRA

FIG INSIGNIA

The TTC congratulates the following who have been awarded the coveted **FIG Pin**:

Jaime Moore 1999
Claire Wright 1999
Kirsten Lawton 1999

The FIG Pin is awarded to gymnasts who obtain at least 90% of the possible points at World Championships and Olympic Games in **Artistic** and in **Rhythmic Gymnastics**. In **Sports Aerobics**, **Sports Acrobatics** and **Trampoline** disciplines, the **FIG Pin** is awarded to all World Championship Finalists. This is a personal award and only gymnasts are allowed to wear it.

The award is non-transferable.

OLYMPIC JUDGES

In accordance with **FIG Technical Regulations**, the **TRA COM** officiates as judges at the Olympic Games. The **TRA COM** appoints additional judges, including one judge from the host nation.

With the **TRA COM** President in Sydney as Technical Delegate, the remaining judges from the **TRA COM** number five. As nine judges are required for a complete panel; and in agreement with both the **FIG** and the **Sydney Organising Committee for the Olympic Games (SOCOG)**, the **TRA COM** have appointed an additional five judges, which should cover all eventualities.

The criterion on which selection was made: Judges of the highest level, from countries with no gymnasts in the competition (with the exception of Australia), from as many continents as possible.

Rui Vinagre POR
Waldemar Okoniewski POL
Marcos Oliveira BRA
Eric Juhl Mogensen DEN
David Wareham AUS

The **TTC** congratulates the above on their selection.

The next meeting of the **TTC** will be held in **Sheffield** on the **7/8th July**.

The **Intercontinental Judges Course** which is being held in **Bratislava SVK** in 2001 has been re-scheduled as follows:

25 Jan:	Arrival of the participants
26-28 Jan:	Course
29 Jan:	Examination
31 Jan:	Departure

FIG WORLD CUP: GUILDFORD

The first ever **FIG Trampoline World Cup** to be held in the United Kingdom, is only a matter of 2-3 weeks away, and I am pleased to report that all arrangements are well in hand. With **23** participating nations; and a record number of entries in the men's individual competition (**51**) plus women's individual (**38**) and **25** synchro pairings, the **Guildford** event is certainly going to be a memorable one.

With the exception of the **Russians** all Olympic Qualifiers, will be present, including both **Jaime Moore** and **Lee Brearley**.

SECRETARY'S NOTES

David Pickup

The **TTC** meet every 2 months on average, with the date for the remainder of the year being **7-9 July**, **8-9 September** and **18 November**. The **British Gymnastics Trampoline Technical Assembly**, where the committee will be elected, is scheduled for **Sunday 3rd December 2000**, at a venue still to be arranged. However, this is certain to be in 'mid-England'.

The **TTC** is the committee responsible for trampolining; and so covers *coaching, competitions, judging* and *internationals*, as well as *proficiency, schools, special needs* and *squad*, and has links with Officers concerned with all of these areas. Links are being developed with many aspects of British Gymnastics, including its provision for *finances, news, press* and *'the voice of trampolining'* within British Gymnastics.

During this merger time, many matters require attention. Many anomalies require being resolved, and matters of new policy require to be put in place.

If there are aspects of trampolining that is not being attended to, and you think that they should; and it is inappropriate for just Regional attention, then please inform the **TTC**, via myself in the first instance. The Agenda for **TTC** meetings is normally dispatched to member's one week prior to the meeting.

COACHING

Bert Scales

A proposed draft **Trampoline Coaching Syllabus** has been prepared and, once this has been agreed, it will be circulated, including **BG** and **BTF** websites, to provide opportunity for feedback from a wider audience of tutors and coaches. The draft syllabus is fashioned to follow **BG** pattern for all other disciplines, having the standard 5 levels of award.

Content of the Trampoline Specific courses follows closely **BTF** practice, which should facilitate recognition of current **BTF** qualifications. The intention is for direct transfer to the equivalent level of coach in British Gymnastics. The entry level Coach award will, as now, allow **'stand alone'** coaching. Changes include: *common core studies, post course learning, record keeping* and, at the highest level, *attendance at national squad training*.

Further work to be done includes finalising the **Trampoline Coaching Syllabus** and the preparation of supportive resource materials; inviting contribution from experienced tutors and coaches, for all levels.

Target for introduction is **January 2001**.

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WHO ARE WE?

Well! Trampolinists are probably the best thing since 'sliced bread' to arrive on the gymnastic scene in the UK in recent years; and what is more, we should be telling everyone connected with British Gymnastics about us. **How?** By sending photographs and articles of interest, including *results, courses, squads, summer schools* etc., to the editor of 'The Gymnast':

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Trevor is waiting on your articles and photographs! 'The Gymnast' is published BI-monthly and is the Official Magazine of British Gymnastics.

Apologies to **Jaime Moore** for the miss spelling of her name in **Issue No 1** of Trampoline News. My thanks to **Lorraine George** for pointing out the error, and for offering to proof read future editions! **Ed.**

TECHNICAL ASSEMBLY

The **BG Trampoline Technical Assembly** will be held on **Sunday 3rd December 2000** at the **Novotel, Birmingham Airport**, starting at **1430 hrs.** Further details will be issued shortly.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

John Beeton

The **FIG World Cup** to be held in **Guildford** later in the month has been uppermost on peoples minds these past few weeks, but news is also filtering through from **Newry**, that preparations for the **Martin Cup** (scheduled during this month) are also finalised, and I am certain that both events will be hugely successful.

Following the Guildford event, **John Beer** and his team depart for **Vienna AUT** to participate in the last of the present trampoline world cup series, and we wish them well.

Other international competitions of British interest still to take place during the current year include:

22-23 Sep Olympic Games Sydney
28-30 Sep GBR v GER Youth Match Duisburg
15-22 Oct European/Youth Championships Eindhoven
15-17 Dec FIG World Cup Finals Dessau

JUDGING

Peter Heames

We plan to run an International Judges course to re-qualify our existing brevet judges, in **February/March 2001**, together with some of our current National Judges. It is hoped that our two nominated representatives to the FIG course in **Bratislava SVK** will be successful and able to run this course. February is an awkward month, with national half term holidays taking up three weekends. The first weekend is possible but we feel would not give sufficient time for preparation etc. The likely date will be the weekend of **Friday 8th to Sunday 10th March**, avoiding a clash with the two grade 1 events currently scheduled for the 2nd or 3rd and 16th or 17th. A list of participants will be put forward for approval at the next TTC meeting, together with qualifying criteria.

I can now confirm that the one-day **Judging Seminar** will be held at **Lutterworth Grammar School & Community College** on **Sunday 5th November 2000**. The purpose of the day will be to bring together those actively involved in judging (circuit judges and tutors).

FIG Code of Points: the FIG has circulated Information on the time-scale for approving these. As soon as they are approved by FIG, **Mike Phillipson** (Judging Events) and myself will amend the old BTF Rules as appropriate. The new Code will be issued in Autumn 2000 in readiness for the start of the next Olympic cycle.

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If you have read and enjoyed this edition of Trampoline News, I would ask you to pass it on to others. Perhaps Divisional/Home Country Secretaries could photocopy to their members – this would allow for as wide a distribution as possible. On the other hand, if you have not enjoyed this issue, I would still ask you to pass it on! **Ed.**

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