

EAST MIDLANDS GYMNASTICS ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

RUSHCLIFFE LEISURE CENTRE, NOTTINGHAM

THURSDAY 24th February 2011

Present: David Spence (President/Treasurer);
Paul Lipton (Chairperson exec and WTC);
Jenni Harris (Acting secretary & WTC judging convenor)

Jim Franklin (Northants representative);
Peter Harris (Leicestershire representative);
Alisa Saunders (Lincolnshire representative & Witham Hill GC);
Joy Dulston (Rhythmic chair & Erewash Valley GC);
Susan Bennett (Acro TC Sec & Long Eaton SA);
Richard Payne (General Gym TC & Amber Valley);
Samantha Harding (East Mids RDO);
Emma Law (Derbyshire CDO & Acro competition sec);
Hazel Colton (Leicestershire CDO);
Alan Price (Regional Administrator);
Amy May Saunders (Witham Hill GC)
Richard Neely (Mansfield GC)
Jon Smith (Ashford & Selston GC)
Dean Walters (Derby City GC)
Marie Marshall (Erewash)
Chris Edwards (Nightflyers Trampoline club)

Apologies: Marie Mitchell, Kevin Flynn & Jenny Bott

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the AGM.

Minutes of 2010 A.G.M:

The minutes were proposed by Jim Franklin, seconded by Richard Payne & accepted as a true record by the meeting.

Chairman's Report:

2010 has proved to every bit as challenging as I thought it might be.

As you all know we had a few changes at the back of 2010. Sam Harding has settled into the RDO role and things are beginning to happen again.

Jenni Harris took up the post as acting secretary, so we at least have a stable core again. The Welsh President and Treasurer managed well and will start to transfer from the treasurer role in 2011 introducing Marie to the role ensuring we have continuity at all times.

Dave is a vital part of the Association and his guidance as president is key to our success.

Thank you again for your commitment when other mortals would have retired.

The good news is that as a region we are performing well. Our Elite Gymnasts are still dominating the top of the sport and our clubs are all still boasting good numbers. We still have large waiting lists even given current economic climate.

The government is still pushing fitness and well being and Gymnastics is well placed to support the nation's children in maintaining an active lifestyles and developing their core skills this should materialise into more opportunities for clubs in 2011. Financially we are holding up well and I am happy that the auditor has signed off the accounts with little input.

Staffing

Our Head count has remained unchanged. And thankfully BG haven't poached any one yet

Sam Harding - RDO , Alan Price – Workforce, Hazel Colton - CDO Leicester, Rachael Clerk - CDO Nottinghamshire, Emma Law - CDO Derbyshire

Again this still leaves two counties Northamptonshire and Lincolnshire with no CDO. We will continue to work with both Northamptonshire and Lincolnshire to look for opportunities to fund their CDO roles in the future and in the meantime Sam is covering

Communication - Still needs a large helping hand the same paragraph from 2010 still stands. I am conscious that we need to communicate effectively within our exec, the Counties and our clubs in a timely fashion. To this end our website is a critical tool. Just with the sheer numbers involved it is difficult if not impossible to get to everyone before the jungle drums take over the process.

In 2011 I want to encourage you all to be using the website at least twice a week.

Finally my sincere thanks to all our volunteers and staff for their hard work and commitment in 2010 and the excellent start to 2011.

Chris Edwards raised the point that it would be good to have a record of how many people were using the website, agreed Alan Price would look into this and give feedback.

Treasurer' Report:

ACCOUNTS

EAST MIDLANDS GYMNASTICS ASSOCIATION

BALANCE SHEET AS AT DECEMBER 31ST 2010

BANK BALANCE		01/01/2009	31/12/2009	01/01/2010	31/12/2010
CURRENT ACCOUNT	41450.03	32211.71	32211.71	25854.96	
30 DAY ACCOUNT	36613.05	36632.75	36632.75	6642.20	
12 MONTH BOND				30000.00	
EXPENDITURE OVER INCOME	-9218.62		-6347.30		
	68844.46	68844.46	62497.16	62497.16	

The above balance sheet and the documents attached have been produced from information supplied to me.

D.Spence Treasurer

C.McGlasham Auditor

17/02/11

EAST MIDLANDS GYMNASTICS ASSOCIATION**BANK RECONCILIATION - 31/12/2010**

Balance per Bank Statement - 30 day notice A/C		6642.2
Balance per Bank Statement - Treasurers A/C	26689.96	
Less cheques drawn - not presented	835	25854.96
12 Month Bond		30000.00

62497.16

Figures broken down for above

E.M. Association funds		53734.28
WTC Sponsorship funds		1502.32
WTC Registration funds		2620.75
CDO Sponsorship		2000.00
Derbyshire leadership grant		532.74
Gen/WTC Judging refund		512.00
Special events		691.07
Trampoline fund		767.00
MTC fund		137.00
		62497.16

East Midlands Fund Comparison

y/e 31/12/2008 (increase £10028.56)

y/e 31/12/2009 (increase £5206.56)

y/e 31/12/2010 (increase £2756.98)

Figures in blue are all ring fenced

D.Spence

02/01/2011

2010 INCOME/EXPENDITURE BREAKDOWN BY DISCIPLINE

DISCIPLINE	CODE	EXPEND	DISCIPLINE	CODE	INCOME	B/FWD 2009
ADMIN. POST			ADMIN. POST			
BG Payment	27	£15,745.00	Transfer	T	£11,649.00	
TOTALS		£15,745.00			£11,649.00	£15,246.40
GENERAL			GENERAL			
Hall hire	9	£2,504.73	Comp. Entry fees	F	£5,965.00	
Medals/trophies	10	£400.00	Comp. Door fees	M	£647.00	
TOTALS		£2,904.73			£6,612.00	£1,355.64
WTC			WTC			
Medals/trophies	10	£158.63	Comp. Entry fees	F	£6,349.00	
Comp. Fees Nat	12	£1,030.00	Door fees	M	£1,719.90	
Entry fee refund	18	£60.00	Nat. entry fees	O	£230.00	
Hall hire	9	£3,965.00	Grades badges	X	£3.50	
Comp. Expenses Nat.	14	£272.40				
Comp expenses local	11	£193.87				
Stationary	8	£168.34				
Judging course exp.	17	£1,356.60				
TOTALS		£7,204.84	TOTALS		£8,302.40	£2,087.17
ADMINISTRATION			ADMINISTRATION			
Trophies	10	£167.09	Affiliation fees	C	£3,489.00	
Stationary	8	£59.19	BG Rebate	D	£11,881.00	
Affiliation refund		£3.00	Bank interest	H	£9.27	

Judging refund							
FIG/Nat	18	£1,000.00	Refunds	U	£160.00		
Awards	29	£1,275.05	Merchandising	K	£245.50		
Honorarium	3	£1,500.00	Misc	N	£53.00		
Transfer Admin.post		£11,881.00					
Refunds		£172.00					
Web site	21	£235.00					
Excutive meetings	22	£84.80					
TOTALS		£16,377.13	TOTALS		£15,837.77	£5,115.27	
Derby leadership			Derby leadership				
Merchandising	15	£333.50					
TOTALS		£333.50					£866.24
Judging WTC/GEN							
Rebate	18	£488.00					
TOTALS		£488.00					£1,000.00
SPECIAL EVENTS			SPECIAL EVENTS				
Awards	29	£1,000.00	Awards	W	£2,500.00		
Expenses	11	£285.00	Entry fees	F	£170.00		
Hall hire	9	£829.93	Door fees	M	£386.00		
Trampoline repair	16	£250.00	Grants				
TOTALS		£2,364.93	TOTALS		£3,056.00		
2009 INVOICES							
Tutor expenses	17	£1,500.00					
TOTALS		£1,500.00					£1,500.00
MTC			MTC				
Nat.comp. Fees	12	£900.00	Nat. entry fees	O	£900.00		
Hall hire	9	£736.50	Comp. Entry fees	F	£2,136.93		
Judging expenses	17	£45.00	Door fees	M	£510.05		
Merchandising	15	£51.81	Squad fees	G	£170.00		
TOTALS		£1,733.31	TOTALS		£3,716.98		£333.31
MTC R/F			MTC R/F				
			Raffle	N	£137.00		
			TOTALS		£137.00		
RHYTHMIC			RHYTHMIC				
Squads	30	£4.80	Comp. Entry fees	F	£58.50		
Medals/trophies	10	£50.40					
TOTALS		£55.20	TOTALS		£58.50		£496.57
SPORTS ACRO			SPORTS ACRO				
Nat. entry fees	12	£2,130.00	Comp. Entry fees	F	£3,403.00		
Hall hire	9	£905.00					
Comp. Expenses	11	£112.80					
TOTALS		£3,147.80	TOTALS		£3,403.00		£164.51
WTC SPONSOR			WTC SPONSOR				
Merchandising	15	£742.67	Sponsorship	A	£1,015.00		
TOTALS		£742.67	TOTALS		£1,015.00		£1,229.99
WTC REG			WTC REG				
			Registration fees	B	£2,025.00		

			Video reg.	L	£475.00	
			TOTALS		£2,500.00	£120.75
TRAMPOLINE			TRAMPOLINE			
Hall hire	9	£3,101.02	Comp. Entry fees	F	£7,667.00	
Medals/trophies	10	£2,402.96				
Comp. Expenses	11	£804.60				
Nat. entry fees	12	£375.00				
Stationary	8	£47.08				
Nat. comp. Expenses	13	£75.00				
TOTALS		£6,805.66	TOTALS		£7,667.00	£179.80
TRAMPOLINE R/F			TRAMPOLINE R/F			
			Income		£137.00	
			TOTALS		£137.00	

David Spence summarised the Accounts above.

The auditors had been unhappy with lack of receipts/ proof of expenditure and in 2011 invoices etc need to be produced before cheques paid out.

The accounts were proposed by Richard Payne, seconded by Richard Neely & accepted by the meeting.

COACH EDUCATION ACCOUNTS

ADMINISTRATOR POST BALANCE SHEET

BANK STATEMENT AS AT 31/12/2010	£12596.00
LESS PRESENTED CHEQUES	£3149.00
BALANCE	£9447.00
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31/12/2010	
CURRENT A/C	£9447.00
DEPOSIT A/C	£27600.40
12 MONTH BOND	£20360.00
TOTALS	<u>£57407.40</u>

D.Spence
Treasurer
02/01/2011

C.McGlasham
Auditor

Alan Price presented the Coach Education accounts . It was explained as these accounts have not clear end of year and are rolling it is difficult to present accurate figures. The accounts were proposed by Richard Payne, seconded by Dean Walters & accepted by the meeting

Appointment of Auditors

The current auditor Chris McGlashan is happy to continue, proposed Richard Neely and seconded by Jim Franklin. The meeting accepted the appointment.

Setting of Annual Affiliation Fee:

It was noted that although the fee had remained unchanged at last year's AGM at £46, in fact only £45.00 had been charged. It was agreed that the fee of £46 remain for 2012. Proposed by Paul Lipton, seconded by Dean Walters & accepted by the meeting.

Technical Reports: Those reports received were handed out or read

Reports were received from the following disciplines: Acrobatic; General; WTC; Rhythmic & coach education

ACRO & TUMBLING REPORT

We currently have 9 Acro / Tumbling Gym Clubs in the region, 8 of which are GymMark accredited and a further 2 or 3 clubs competing in Tumbling only.

Competition Report - Once again we held 4 competitions in the region and have the same planned for the forthcoming year. Entries to all competitions were high and we have seen some fantastic results at national and international level.

2010 saw East Midlands produce National Champions in both Acro and Tumbling at the NDP finals. Congratulations to the L4 men's group and L4 mixed pair from Loughborough Acro and Charlie Peat from Erewash (Elite 1 11/12yrs tumbling). We also picked up 2 silver and 3 bronze medals at the championships.

Our tumblers from Derby City also had great success at the British Tournament, taking 3 of the titles. - Greg Townley rounded off a great year when he became the World Age Group Tumbling Champion (Age 13/14) at the championships in Metz. Representing Great Britain he finished with a score of 34.00, 1.5 points ahead of his nearest rival from Russia. He was also crowned Derbyshire Junior Sportsman of the Year 2010.

Coach & Judge Development - Since the last AGM, 2 judges passed their National Acro Judging Exam with a further 1 passing the theory paper (awaiting date for practical assessment). All current judges who haven't upgraded their qualification in the current cycle need to attend an update course in order to keep a valid qualification. This is planned for 16 July at Rushcliffe and details will shortly be issued on the EMGA website. We are also holding a Regional Judging course on 17 July and a club judge early September, with the exam planned to take place in October. A level 1 acro coaching course is booked to start in march at Derby City Gymnastics Club. This will result in approximately 8 new coaches to region.

GENERAL GYMNASTICS REPORT

2010 was a successful year.

Four competitions took place all these were very well attended with approximately 600 gymnasts taking part.

In 2011 we will be holding 5 competitions

- The U8 yrs floor & vault on Sunday 20th March Chesterfield (this has 147 entries).
- Over 8 Floor & Vault Primary 2 on Sunday 12th June Chesterfield.
- Over 8 Floor & Vault Primary 1, Advanced and Advanced plus on Sunday 26th June New College Leicester.
- Over 8 four piece Primary 2 boys & girls on Sunday 13th November New College Leicester.
- Over 8 four piece Primary 1 & Advanced boys & girls on Sunday and Advanced plus for girls only 27th November New College Leicester.

The last 2 competitions were well attended in 2010 and have been made two competitions in 2011. In the four piece competition the boys will use parallel bars and the girls use the beam.

WOMENS REPORT

Another successful year for WA in the East Midlands. Our women gymnasts have capitalised on Becky Downie's achievements and we have had gymnasts from the region at the worlds and the commonwealth Games and not to mention countless internationals.

As a region we still have gymnasts competing at all levels both in Elite and Challenge cup. This is an impressive result for such a small region. It also reflects on the high quality of our coaches. There is a real visible improvement in the overall quality of our gymnasts. A trend, we must keep up. We have some real depth to our discipline and we must continue to invest in our coaches to maintain the standards we now expect.

In our competitions we have the new competition team of Marie and Vicky who have done a sterling job of organising the competitions in 2010. Our competitions continue to grow in size and are a real show piece for women's artist gymnastics. New college facility is holding up well and we can see some promising developments to increase capacity in 2011.

Jenni has settled in to judge convenor and technically we are as strong as in previous years. We have struggled to find a chair for the WTC and this must be a priority going forward in 2011.

As with 2010 we will be looking to recruit support from each of the counties to complete the WTC. We cannot continue with just the same core people. If we can't fill the TC then we will have little choice but to employ paid support staff and levy the cost back onto the clubs/gymnasts.

Finally many thanks to my committee who have delivered yet again.

RHYTHMIC REPORT

General - The change in the competition format for Rhythmic, with the emphasis being put on group/team work has had a major impact on the clubs in the Region. It is hard to keep gymnasts enthusiastic, with very few competitions for them to enter. One of the ways we are achieving this is by offering dance & acro classes instead of the Regional Training session and opening it up to all gymnasts in the region whatever their level.

The region has lost two of its top gymnasts over the last year, both to Birmingham City, Frankie Jones and Catherine McNicol.

A Gym Jamboree was organised by Northampton with help from Billings and NVRGC with dance and acro workshops for all ages and abilities followed by games then a display where girls performed group, duet and trio routines. This was a big success and we are hoping to persuade Jenny Bott to make it an annual event.

NVRGC were the only club from the region who entered a team in the newly established U11 National Group League. They competed 2 routines, Rope & Free, over 3 competitions finishing 5th overall, with their highest placing being 4th at the British Group Championships.

EVGC Rhythmic took part in the Christmas Ice Show at Nottingham Arena during December, this went very well and they hope to be asked back in 2011.

International - Hannah Dulston (EV) competed for Great Britain along with four other gymnasts from around the Country at the 30th Rhythmic World Championships in Moscow as part of the RG Group. This group is very much in its infancy and hopes to compete at the 2012 London Olympics

Results - Zonal grades were hosted this year by the West Midlands, and the EM Regional Championships were incorporated in Nene valley's novice competition 'The Rose Cup'. Next year the event will be hosted by the East Midlands at Weavers Leisure Centre Wellingborough.

British Championships 2009 – Megan Golub (EV) U10 12th - Shania Farrell (EV) U11 5th - Jasmine Wangpanya (EV) U11 7th - Emma Cowley (Billings) U11 13th - Analisa Hinson (EV) U12 5th - Catherine McNicol (EV) Junior 5th - Hannah Dulston (EV) Senior (14th)

National Grades Finals

The following gymnasts competed at the National Grade Finals

Abigail Bradshaw (Billings), Eloise England, Madeliene England, Georgia Weall

Regional Champions

Senior	Hannah Dulston
Junior	Catherine McNicol
U12	Analisa Hinson
U10	Megan Golub
U9	Phoebe Collins
U8	Jaime Parsons

COACH EDUCATION REPORT

Despite a few initial small issues the transfer of Awarding Body Status for coaching qualifications from British Gymnastics to 1st4Sport has been successful. All Level 1 and Level 2 courses are provided as a 1st4Sport recognised centre by the region.

Level 3 and above courses / modules are organised nationally by British Gymnastics but are advertised on the regional website.

2010 saw 14 Level 1 courses provided by the region with attendance from 132 candidates and 3 Level 2 courses with 32 candidates.

Assessments in 2010 saw 94 new Level 1 coaches qualify (71 from East Midlands) and 24 new Level 2 coaches (22 from East Midlands).

Regional Workforce

- Recent tutor training for Time to Listen tutors has resulted in the region now having 3 qualified tutors and one who is undertaking training

- 3 new tutors have completed their initial training and are now working towards becoming fully qualified
- Future workforce requirements have been forwarded to British Gymnastics ready for the next tutor training programme
- 3 new assessors have completed training, allowing them to assess candidates
- 2 assessors have completed their professional discussion with the external verifier and have therefore gained the full IAPS qualification
 - the remaining candidates who have completed their 2nd practical assessments are working on completing their portfolio's ready for their professional discussion
 - two assessors still have to complete their 2nd practical assessments
- Following the withdrawal of providing Safeguarding & Protecting Children courses by British Gymnastics, the Region has registered with ScUK in order that it can now provide them. The first course was run in Leicestershire in December

No reports were received from: Trampoline; GMPD or MTC

Election of Executive Members:

ROLE	ELECTED	PROPOSED	SECONDED	DUE FOR RE-ELECTION
Chairperson	Paul Lipton	Richard Payne	David Spence	2013
Secretary	Jenni Harris	Paul Lipton	Jim Franklin	2013
Treasurer	See Below	Emma law	Jim Franklin	2014
Publicity officer	VACANT			
Welfare & Ethics Officer	Glennis Derry			2012
Young persons advisor	Amy May Saunders	Paul Lipton	Jenni Harris	2013
English Gymnastics Rep.	Kevin Flynn			Non elected post
Volunteer co-ordinator	VACANT			
Chairs of technical committees	See TC table below			

David Spence will stay as Treasurer until the end of 2011, Marie Marshall will take over as treasurer 1st January 2012. It was decided that in view of mandates to get sorted and the information/knowledge that would need to be passed over Marie Marshall would be Deputy treasurer in 2011 while David could pass on his wealth of knowledge.

Election of Technical Committee Members

WTC	ELECTED	PROPOSED	SECONDED	DUE FOR RE-ELECTION
Chair	Paul Lipton			2012
Secretary	Alisa Saunders			2013
Comp secretary	Marie & Vicki Mitchell			2012
Judging Convenor	Jenni Harris			2012

Member	VACANT			
MTC (see below)	ELECTED	PROPOSED	SECONDED	DUE FOR RE-ELECTION
Chair	Neville Burr	Jenni Harris	Jim Franklin	2013
Secretary				
Entries officer	Sue Snelgrove			2012
Comp secretary	Karen Rate			2012
Member	VACANT			
Member	VACANT			
RGTC (see below)	ELECTED	PROPOSED	SECONDED	DUE FOR RE-ELECTION
Chair	Joy Dulston			2012
Secretary	Deborah England			2012
Members	Helen Barber			2012
	Jenny Bott			2012
	Joanna Gardner			2012
	VACANT			
ATC	ELECTED	PROPOSED	SECONDED	DUE FOR RE-ELECTION
Chair	Dean Walters			2012
Secretary	Susan Bennett			2012
Comp Sec	Emma Law	Dean Walters	Susan Bennett	2013
Members	Kathryn Lacey	Dean Walters	Susan Bennett	2013
	VACANT			
	VACANT			
GGTC	ELECTED	PROPOSED	SECONDED	DUE FOR RE-ELECTION
Chair	Richard Payne			2012
Secretary	Brenda Payne			2012
Members	Jon Smith			2012
	Kerry Bishton	Alex Shaw	M Mullett	2013
	Angela Savage	M Mullett	Mick Newton	2013
	Alex Shaw	Jon Smith	Richard Payne	2013
TRAMPOLINE TC	ELECTED	PROPOSED	SECONDED	DUE FOR RE-ELECTION
Chair	Kevin Redgrift	Chris Edwards	Dean Walters	2013
Secretary	VACANT			
Members	VACANT			
	VACANT			
	VACANT			
	VACANT			
GMPD TC	ELECTED	PROPOSED	SECONDED	DUE FOR RE-ELECTION
Chair	Jon Smith	Richard Payne	Jenni Harris	2013
Secretary	VACANT			
Members	VACANT			
	VACANT			
	VACANT			
	VACANT			

MTC – No members present - to contact Neville Burr and check who is in each role and that Neville is happy to continue as chair. [E mail response from MTC they meet as a committee without specific titles and all work together but are happy to carry the titles as above.](#)

RGTC – suggested at least 2 members be rolled over to 2013, Joy to arrange this so that back to requirement of only 50% of committee up for re-election each year.

The above members were elected to the Regional Technical Committees

Acceptance of County Representatives on the Executive Committee

Derbyshire: Richard Payne/Dean Walters/Emma Law
Leicestershire: Peter Harris
Lincolnshire: Variable but correspondance to Alisa Saunders

Northamptonshire: Jim Franklin

Nottinghamshire: Rachel Clerk to feed back and try and get a rep attending meetings

Date of AGM 2012:

Thursday 1st March 2012 – Rushcliffe Leisure Centre

Close of meeting:

The Chair brought the meeting to a close at 9:15pm

2011/12 Regional Committee meeting dates:

Thursday 17th March 2011 – 8pm Coalville GC

Thursday 23rd June 2011 – 8pm Coalville GC

Thursday 8th September 2011 – 8pm Coalville GC

Thursday 17th November 2011 – 8pm Coalville GC (Budget Meeting)

Thursday 19th January 2012 – 8pm Coalville GC

23rd February 2012