

## **WTC REPORT EAST MIDLANDS 2022 AGM**

Firstly I would like to thank Alisa, Alison, James & Katie for their support over the past year.

In 2021 we held a couple of events with reduced entries. We have started seeing pre COVID numbers entering events in 2022 and a full programme is planned. We have combined some competitions over a full weekend running events on Saturdays and Sundays and thereby cutting down the number of weekends taken up with regional events.

No squads were run in 2021 (apart from 1 on zoom) – we are looking at selection currently and getting 3-4 squads set up. With the demise of Loughborough the plan is to spread these around clubs prepared to host in the region. No decision has been made on a lead coach for these squads and we may well look at using guest coaches from outside the region where possible to increase coach education at the same time and bring fresh ideas into the region.

There have been no judging courses held in the region. Brevet judges have revalidated and National judges have had 2 evenings of online revalidation with videos to judge and are awaiting an online workbook type test but there will be no formal exam this cycle. It is thought revalidations for regional and club judges will be similar. There are very few changes to the womens code this cycle except for artistry and a presentation on this has been circulated and promoted to all clubs and judges in the region.

2022 will be an ongoing learning curve for all of the discipline as our rules and ethos has changed considerably in the past year and we are now working on fully understanding the new pathways available for the gymnasts. We look forward to seeing the increased opportunities with less age limitations see more gymnasts flourish and have greater opportunities.