



Home Country Association affiliated to British Gymnastics and representing the Regions of: East, East Midlands, London, North of England, North West, South, South East, South West, West Midlands, Yorkshire and the English Schools

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Affiliated to: *The Commonwealth Gymnastics Confederation and The Commonwealth Games Council for England*

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Who are English Gymnastics?

The formal Home Country Association for England, supported by British Gymnastics and Sport England. It was constituted in 2004, to represent and speak as the voice of the ten English Regions who are its members. The Association became a company Limited by Guarantee (not for profit) in 2012 and has a Board of Directors, who are also the Chairs of the ten English Regions, and the English Schools Association. English Gymnastics works in partnership with its Regions and British Gymnastics, to add value to the sport in England.

The Objectives of English Gymnastics

With its formation as a company, English Gymnastics published the following Letter of Intent within the sport, which defined and reinforced its role and objectives.

Vision:

To provide the opportunity for all individuals in England, with an interest or talent for gymnastics, to be able to realise their full potential within the sport.

English Gymnastics:

The role of the Governing Body remain the direct responsibility of British Gymnastics, the English Gymnastics Association Limited, provide a structure to support Gymnastics Clubs, Counties, and Regions in England. The English Gymnastics Association intends to:

- *Provide a Home Country voice and structure for gymnastics and campaign to ensure that the needs of gymnastics are met*
- *Provide a Home Country voice for the ten English Regions and the English Schools Association*
- *Support coach and judge education programmes*
- *Deliver Home Country competitions, including Home Country Championships*
- *Support UK Policies for child protection, equity, health & safety and others*
- *Facilitate grassroots and elite programmes outside of World Class programmes up to Home Country level*
- *Monitor membership at Home Country level*
- *Select and prepare Teams for Commonwealth Games and other relevant International events*

Delivery:

The English Gymnastics Association Ltd comprises ten English Regions and the English Schools Gymnastics Association. The majority of delivery takes place at Club, County and Regional level. The Board of Directors comprises the Chair of each of the Regions and an English Schools representative, plus the Officers of the Association. English Gymnastics remains committed to play a strong role in the development of Gymnastics in England and provide the conduit between the Regions (its members) and British Gymnastics (it's partner).

Support Package from British Gymnastics

The English Association is delighted to announce funding from British Gymnastics (BG) to assist, support and further develop value added programmes and initiatives for the sport in England.

England Administration Manager: As part of the Support Package from BG, Jan Charlton has been appointed to this part-time post with effect from 2nd January 2014. Jan will be well known to many, as the former Executive Manager of BG, a post she left in November 2013, as a result of her family move back to the North of England. We wish Jan well in her new post.

Regional Assistance: Funding to each English Region to help defray essential Regional Executive costs of their vital services to Regional Clubs and development.

Projects and Programmes of the EGA: Additional finance to further support and develop value added programmes in England.

Funding Cycle 2013-2017 – from Sport England

England, comprising the ten Regions, is again fortunate to have been awarded an £11m grant from Sport England, covering the period 2013-2017. This funding will be managed by BG and delivered by staff employed by them. Programmes will include initiatives to increase Club facilities, Volunteer and Club Support, Disabilities, Talent Identification and improved Pathways, Festivals and Mass Participation opportunities.

English Annual Championships 2012 and 2013

In 2012 and 2013, the Men's and Women's Artistic Championships were both successfully staged in March each year at the new Europa Gymnastics Centre. Entries to this event continue to grow.

2012 Women's Championships

Senior Champion: Jennifer Pinches (Liverpool)
Junior Champion: Gabby Jupp (Sapphire)
Espoir Champion: Tyesha Mattis (East London)

2012 Men's Championships

Senior Champion O/18: Kristian Thomas (Earls)
Senior Champion U/18: Frank Baines (Southport YMCA)
Junior Champion: Brinn Bevan (South Essex)
Boys Champion: Donnell Osbourne (Earls)

2013 Women's Championships

Senior Champion: Hannah Whelan (Liverpool)
Junior Champion: Ellie Downey (Notts)
Espoir Champion: Georgia-Mae Fenton (Europa)

2013 Men's Championships

Senior Champion O/18: Max Whitlock (South Essex)
Senior Champion U/18: Nile Wilson (City of Leeds)
Junior Champion: Gianini Regini-Moran (Europa)
Boys Champion: Euan Cox (Pegasus)

English Championships for Men/Women in 2014

The 2014 English Championships will be held from 14th to 16th March 2014, at the Robin Park Leisure Complex, Wigan. This event will also be the first selection event for the Commonwealth Games (Glasgow) 2014.

English Rhythmic Championships 2012

This event was held at the GMAC in Birmingham.

Under 11 Champion: Stephanie Antonova (HSG Swallows) - 69.967
Under 12 Champion: Leah Munday (HSG Swallows) - 81.933
Junior Champion: Megan Balabey (HSG Swallows) - 83.733
Senior Champion: Keziah Gore (City of Canterbury) - 89.500

English Rhythmic Championships 2013

Under 11 Champion: Leah Alcock (Canterbury) - 29.50
Under 12 Champion: Christianna Vitanova (Elite) - 35.800
Junior Champion: Tyler Brummitt (Esprit) - 44.150
Senior Champion: Stephanie Sherlock (Esprit) - 47.717

English Rhythmic Championships 2014

Again to be held at the GMAC, Birmingham on 11th May 2014.

Leverkusen, Germany – Women’s Artistic International

England entered a Senior Women’s Team at the Leverkusen International in October 2013.

Gymnasts were: Loriah James (Heathrow)
Katy Bramley (Notts)
Lucy Brett (The Academy)

The Team won a Bronze Team medal. German National Teams won Gold and Silver medals.

Rushmoor Rosebowl International – 26th/27th October 2013

England entered an A and B Team at the above competition. England A Team won the event, with the B Team taking 3rd place. Other International Teams were Ireland, USA and South Africa.

England A Team:

Katy Bramley (Notts)
Natasha Raymund-Jayadev, Georgina Harris and Millie Kennard (CMIG)
Polina Poliakova (Norfolk Academy)

England B Team:

Amelia Montague and Maia Anderson (Tolworth)
Eden Edwards (City of Birmingham)
Morgan Finnegan (CMIG)
Jasmin Harkin (Port Regis)

Coaches:

Barry McLaughlin, Jane Leigh and Ross Falsetta.

Congratulations to all gymnasts and coaches.



Clothing Sponsorship – Milano

We are delighted to announce sponsorship from Milano Pro Sport of clothing for the England Squads.
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New England Competition

The EGA staged the first competition on 16th November at New College, Leicester for Novice and Intermediate Women's gymnasts. This event is aimed at providing an additional competition, but at England National level, for our younger gymnasts. The EGA Board are considering other National events that could be staged.

Congratulations – Queen's Birthday 2013 & New Year Honours 2014

We would like to offer our sincere congratulations to the following members, who have been honoured with Queens Awards over the last year:

Christine Bowker

Chairman of Yorkshire Region / EGA Director

Awarded the MBE for her Services to Gymnastics and the Community (Huddersfield, W Yorks) in the 2013 Queens Birthday Honours

Lyn Fairbrother

Former Chair of the Women's National Technical Committee

Awarded the MBE for her Services to Gymnastics in the 2014 New Year Honours

Avril Spriggs

Former Women's Artistic Judge and former Chair of the BG Ethics & Welfare Committee

Awarded the MBE for her Voluntary Service to Gymnastics in the 2014 New Year Honours

English Gymnastics – Board Directors

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