

Rhythmic Technical Committee

Dear all,
Please find attached April updates.
Kind regards

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FIG Updates

Please see attached recent newsletter clarifying some of the recent changes to the Code of Points, which has been published by the FIG.

For gymnasts who are performing in International competitions, please see an update on the FIG Apparatus Norms which can be found [here](#).

Open Individual Apparatus & Group Seeding

Congratulations to everyone who took part in the Open Individual Junior & Senior Competition and Group Seeding event. Overall Results below, full information can be found [here](#).

Junior Individual

	Hoop	Ball	Clubs	Ribbon
Gold	Alice Leaper	Milda Leipate	Alice Leaper	Milda Liepate
Silver	Isabella Lyons	Alice Leaper	Leyla Yilmaz	Leyla Yilmaz
Bronze	Liza Breykin	Agnessa Pavlova	Isabella Lyons	Elena Gill

Senior Individual

	Hoop	Ball	Clubs	Ribbon
Gold	Alexandra Mokrova	Alexandra Mokrova	Christiana Vitanova	Alida Bogdanova
Silver	Christiana Vitanova	Christiana Vitanova	Alexandra Mokrova	Elise Woodland
Bronze	Alida Bogdanova	Diana Punt	Elise Woodland	Louise Christie

Group Seeding

	Espoir	Junior	Senior
1	Llanelli Diamonds	City of Birmingham Stars	Esprit Rhythmic
2	Ribby Hall	Ribby Hall	City of Bath
3	Gib Gems	Elena	I-Star Academy Storm

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Bath Open

The Bath Open will take place at the University of Bath on 2^{nd/3rd} June. Closing Date is **Friday 27th April**. For more information, please contact [Jessica](#)

GBR International Representation

This month saw a GBR team attend the Pesaro World Cup, Italy on 13th-15th April. Representing GBR were Alida Bogdanova and Christiana Vitanova, supported by Eva Bavlova as coach and Maria Foster as judge.

Good luck to the GBR team of Alice Leaper, Isabella Lyons, Agnessa Pavlova and Leyla Yilmaz, who will travel to Portugal to compete in the Portimao International Tournament on 6th-8th April, supported by Ana Hanmer as coach and Laura Hogg as judge.

Calendar Update

Please find attached the latest calendar information

BQT Feedback

We are aware that there have been some queries amongst coaches as to the scoring at BQT. The requirements and assessment criteria for each of the BQT exercises is set out in the NDP. For the flexibility exercises, as has been the case since the assessment criteria were changed two years ago, if the difficulty is not performed exactly as described (eg in split, or with correct ring shape), then a score of zero is given. This change was made to stop gymnasts scoring marks for stretched feet etc, when actually they do not perform the difficulty in the first place.

The purpose of BQT is to ensure that gymnasts competing at the Elite level of our sport have a good foundation in their physical preparation ensuring their health and long term development. Accordingly, the gymnasts who pass BQT and qualify for British Championships are intended to be those who have the potential to compete internationally to a high level. The number of gymnasts who passed BQT this year is broadly the same as over the last few years.

Coaching Role at Competitions

Clubs are reminded on the coaching criteria for entering BG events, as can be found in the competition handbook. Please pay particular attention to the requirement that the supervising coach must be the one on the entry system except in exceptional circumstances, and that the assistant coaches are only accredited for pastoral care not in a coaching role, and that coaches may not represent more than one club in a session.

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