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BG Funded Discipline

For years TeamGym has been classed as a 'non-Olympic discipline', while Artistic and Trampoline have been classified as 'Olympic' disciplines. More recently, there has been a terminology shift to refer to the 'non-Olympic' disciplines as 'BG Funded' disciplines. This is a welcome change and better representative of the considerable support and funding TeamGym now receives from British Gymnastics.

An eye on the future

TeamGym is growing. We now have 6 levels of competition, plus disability rules, Zonal Clinics, National Programme, coaching courses and a symposium. These initiatives have been conceived and developed by a dedicated few. However, this cannot sustain the continued growth of the discipline. To supply the growing demands of the sport we need to work harder to bring through our talented gymnasts, coaches, judges and leaders. As such, we are developing pipelines for gymnasts, coaches and judges to help support their continued development. These pipelines are information gathering and analytical tool to monitor progress and identify where more support is needed.

The Gymnast (athlete) Pipeline has been in operation since late 2017 at the request of the director of sport.

That pipeline identified that our supply of high performance provision would soon be outstripped by demand. Consequently we introduced the national programme , as well as clinics in Wales to prevent a bottleneck at the Zonal Clinics.

More recently we have started to roll out a coaches pipeline and also a judges work record as part of the judging pipeline.

For any questions relating to the pipeline please email peter.tranckle@british-gymnastics.org

New Level 6 & 5 Rules

The current Level 6 & 5 rules can be found on the BG website under competition handbooks <https://www.british-gymnastics.org/technical-information/competition-handbooks/teamgym>

Save the dates:

9th – 11th August 2019

UEG TeamGym Symposium in Tallin, Estonia

There will be a focus on developing the sport.

25th – 30th Aug 2019

UEG Level 1 Course in Wolfurt, Austria

Details have just been released for this course. Application for this course is via British Gymnastics and we require TeamGym Level 2 as a minimum prerequisite. Please also note that these course are for CPD as the course is not accredited in the UK. Anyone interested should email Ellie.round@british-gymnastics.org

30th Aug - 1st Sept 2019

UEG High Performance Camp in Copenhagen, Denmark

This is a new camp with higher minimum age and skills prerequisites than the other UEG TeamGym Camps. As gymnasts get older they tend to get fewer. TeamGym is a discipline which is challenging this trend. However, there is still a need to support and network gymnasts for long term athletes development and sport for life. That is why this camp has been conceived. The minimum age is 18 years. The prerequisites for males are double straight backwards on tumble and 2.5 twisting double straight on trampet. The prerequisites for females are double backs on tumble and double straight 180 on trampet. There will be a rate for gymnasts and a rate for coaches. Please note that gymnasts do not need to attend. More details will become available soon for this camp. Anyone interested should email Ellie.round@british-gymnastics.org

27- 29th Sept 2019

UEG Level 3 Tumble & Trampet Course in Roskilde, Denmark

Details for this course will be released soon. Application for this course will be via British Gymnastics and we require TeamGym Level 5 as a minimum prerequisite. Please also note that these course are for CPD as the course is not accredited in the UK. Anyone interested should email Ellie.round@british-gymnastics.org

16th – 17th Nov 2019

BG TeamGym Symposium

This year the symposium will aim to have technical input for both coaches and judges with options. The venue has not yet been confirmed, but it will either be the South Region or Wales. The weekend will also host the National Planning and Review Meeting where a maximum of 2 representatives per region will be invited to attend. More details to follow.

Upcoming CLOSING DATES.....

English Tournament 2019 – 26th May 2019

Championship Series 2019 – Noon on the 14th of June 2019

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