

# **LONDON GYMNASTICS**

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### **Annual General Meeting Report 2018**

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### **Highlights for previous year**

- 2017 has been the year of judges and judging for LG Acro. We started in February with the revalidation process for all existing judges. Only one judge decided not to revalidate their qualification.
- The TC set the ambitious target of a minimum of 1 Acro judge at every Acro club, and to double the number of LG Acro judges, whilst at the same time up-skilling existing judges no mean feat
- We followed the revalidation process with an 'introduction to judging' course for parents who wished to take on the daunting task of judging.
- This was followed up in the clubs with coaches mentoring Parents in readiness for the full judging course.
- The parents, together with a number of 'young coaches' and 'old gymnasts', took the course and exam.
- Consequently we have met our target of a minimum 1 Acro judge in every Acro club and doubled the number of judges in the region. The 'new' judges are now gaining experience at the Acro Stars and Club Competitions in readiness for the challenge of the major competitions to come.
- As well as qualifying new judges, a number of existing judges have up-skilled their qualifications. This puts us in an unenviable position in the future, as long as we can sustain this quota of judges!
- 2017 also saw the new gymnastic cycle with amendments to the Acro National Development Plan. To support the clubs, the TC put on an NDP clinic for coaches, run by the Acro National Chairman and a practical level 5 & IDP workshop for coaches, run by an LG Technical Expert.
- LG Acro maintained their usual successful standard in gymnastics with the LG Acro team winning the Inter-Regional Championship Cup at Southampton for the 4<sup>th</sup> time.
- We followed this with across-the-board success at the NDP final with only 2 partnethips NOT winning medals. We narrowly missed out on winning the NDP ACRO National Team Cup to Yorkshire, but that has only made us more determined to win it in 2018! watch this space.
- 9 LG Acro partnerships trialled for the European games held in October. 6 partnerships finally were selected to the BG team, 3 junior partnerships and 3 senior partnerships. A successful competition, but a bitter sweet finale for some gymnasts university & A levels beckoned.
- The Acro Stars programme was up-dated to reflect the changes to the NDP. Mini Stars now shows more developmental progression with 4 levels instead of 3, judging sheets with descriptive deductions and accompanying notes for coaches and judges. Tumble stars was up-dated to be more closely aligned to the Acro requirements, specific judging sheets are in the pipe line.
- Shooting Stars in now also in line for up-dating with new categories to be added
- The Acro Event Rules were amended to support the professionalization of the Regional Championships and prelims.

As ever, I must thank the TC for all their hard work and support. I would like to single out Carol Bailey, the treasurer, who keeps us and the finances all in line.

I must thank the Events Team who make the Prelims look so professional, and me so efficient.

Finally, I must thank the coaches and gymnasts who never cease to amaze me with their brilliance, and the pleasure that they give to lay men like me.

#### **Concerns**

- Sustaining the number of judges that we have finally got
- Continuing to produce a professional standard of event, without braking the bank
- Managing the balancing act of inclusivity and exclusivity
- Providing sufficient opportunities for gymnastic involvement at all levels
- Increasing the number of disability partnerships

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## **Looking Forwards:**

- Up-dating Shooing stars An increased number of Acro Stars Events.
- Already thinking about 2018 prelims!
- LG Acro involvement in The World Age Games and the World Games

### **LONDON GYMNASTICS - ACROBATICS & TUMBLING**

### ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR 1st JANUARY to 31st DECEMBER 2017

Income	2017		2016	
Regional Acro Prelims				
- Entry Fees	6,429.75		5,585.72	
- Door money	4051.18		3001.63	
- Commission	522.35		331.95	
Regional Tumbling Prelims				
- Entry Fees	2,473.50		2,155.34	
- kit	221.50			
other comp entry fees			530.00	
Surplus re kit purchases			88.37	
TOTAL	1;	3,698.28	00.07	11,693.01
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Expenditure				
Regional Acro Prelims				
<ul> <li>Venue Hire + catering</li> </ul>	2,902.00		2,860.00	
- Judges fees & expenses	1,038.54		1,100.40	
- Medals/trophies	574.09		307.85	
- Other exp (refresh, printing, accom. etc)	702.14		776.70	
Entry to Southern prep comp	1,160.00		1,060.00	
Entry to NDP Finals	3,015.00		2,550.00	
tumbling kit	555.30		692.50	
Regional coach expenses / fees	832.50		260.00	
Other expenses	106.50		327.59	
Acro stars exp (medals/certs)	192.00		234.87	
judge/coach education	409.25		979.00	
TOTAL	1	1,487.32		11,148.91
Profit/Loss	:	2,210.96		
B/F Balance @ 1/1/2017		6,903.74		
+ profit/loss	:	2,210.96		
C/F balance 31/12/17	,	9,114.70		
Note: Includes amount to be Tfd to LG Tumblin	4,249.70			

Carol Bailey 24/02/2018