







# WELCOME MESSAGE

n behalf of British Gymnastics, I would like to welcome you to the 2014 Aerobic British Championships .

During these championships you will be treated to a feast of superb gymnastics. If this is your first time at a gymnastics event I'm sure you will be amazed at the skill of our incredible British gymnasts.

Please be sure to show your enthusiastic support for all our competitors who have worked so hard to get to this prestigious event. To every gymnast, coach and club involved – congratulations for making it to the very top of our sport and best of luck for the championships.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank UK Sport for supporting our World Class Programme and Sport England for aiding our grassroots development. We would also like to thank our sponsor Milano and our preferred suppliers Continental, IHG and Alto Digital.

I hope everyone enjoys a wonderful weekend of fantastic gymnastics action.

ALAN SOMMERVILLE PRESIDENT, BRITISH GYMNASTICS





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# AEROBIC GYMNASTICS

# WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT?

erobic gymnastics is the most energetic of all the types and with routines performed either individually or in groups.

There is no special equipment involved, it's all about strength and stamina and awesome routines. You will see high-energy performances from all ages from children up to adults.



# COMPETITION INFORMATION

British Aerobic Gymnastics has a development structure that is now recognised by other leading Aerobic Gymnastics countries as one of the best in the world. Coaches, clubs and the Technical Committee members have worked hard to develop a structure that means all levels and ages of gymnasts can train and compete at an achievable and suitable level, that shows a clear pathway through the levels.

### REGIONAL AEROBIC CODE (RAC)

Regional Aerobic Code (RAC), is ideal for aerobic gymnasts starting their competitive journey, with elements and routines that provide a superb starting point and underpin the next level, NAC, beautifully. The gymnasts are able to be trained in most venues without the need for sprung floors or equipment, making it ideal for starter clubs and schools, as well as larger established clubs who use this level as introduction for gymnasts new to aerobics, and the gymnasts compete as individuals, pairs, trios and groups.

### **FOUNDATION**

FOUNDATION is for all gymnasts 9 years old, with its own compulsories - or skills that must be performed - which include a press up, straddle support, full air turn and pancake (split through), plus two other elements.

### NATIONAL AEROBIC CODE (NAC)

National Aerobic Code (NAC) is the next level for gymnasts to compete in, and again has a structure that allows gymnasts of all ages to compete, either as individuals or part of a pair, trio or group, under the same rules as the FIG gymnasts but with slightly lower elements and no compulsory moves. The NAC cup is awarded to the gymnast at the British Championships who acheives the highest score.

# FIG

FIG is the international branch of the discipline, that operates under the same rules used internationally, and each age group has its own compulsory skills that have been used to develop the gymnasts' skills. A compulsory from each skill family means that the gymnasts must train all parts of fitness in order to progress through the age groups and show flexibility, power, dynamic strength and static strength while at the same time show terrific fitness, control and choreographic skills.

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Great Britain also allows gymnasts to compete as same sex pairs at all levels nationally and RAC and NAC.

# COMPETITION SCHEDULE

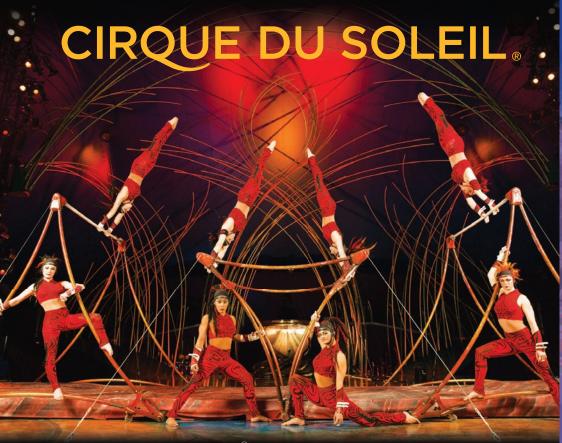
# **SATURDAY 11 OCTOBER**

10:00 - 10:51	NAC ND Individual	16:07 - 16:	11	NAC G2 Group	
10:51 - 11:06	Break	16:11 - 16:	26	Break	
11:06 - 12:51	NAC G1 Individual	16:26 - 17:	47	FIG G1 Individual Women	
12:51 - 14:00	Break	17:47 - 18:	02	Break	
14:00 - 14:46	NAC G2 Individual	18:02 - 19:	05	FIG G2 Individual Women	
14:46 - 15:03	NAC Senior Individual	19:05 - 19:	38	FIG Senior Individual Women	
15:03 - 15:06	NAC ND Pair	19:55		Medal Ceremony	
15:06 - 15:12	NAC G1 Pair				
15:12 - 15:21	NAC ND Trio				
15:21 - 15:39	NAC G1 Trio	The differe	ent codes below are explained on p9: Foundation Code		
15:39 - 15:49	NAC G2 Trio	NAC FIG	National Code International Code		
15:49 - 15:52	NAC Senior Trio	ND		onal Development is 10 - 11yrs	
15:52 - 15:58	NAC ND Group	G1 G2	Group 1 - 12 - 14yrs Group 2 - 15 - 17yrs		
15:58 - 16:07	NAC G1 Group	Senior 18yr		,	



# **SUNDAY 12 OCTOBER**

10:00 - 11:18	FND Individual	15:47 - 15:57	FIG G2 Mixed Pair
11:18 - 11:33	Break	15:57 - 16:03	FND Trio
11:33 - 12:51	FIG ND Individual	16:03 - 16:21	FIG ND Trio
12:51 - 13:00	FIG G1 Individual Men	16:21 - 16:36	FIG G1 Trio
13:00 - 14:00	Break	16:36 - 16:43	FIG G2 Trio
14:00 - 14:26	FIG G1 Individual Women	16:43 - 16:50	FIG Senior Trio
14:26 - 14:33	FIG G2 Individual Men	16:50 - 16:56	FIG ND Group
14:33 - 15:00	FIG G2 Individual Women	16:56 - 17:02	FIG G1 Group
15:00 - 15:26	FIG Senior Individual Women	17:02 - 17:12	FIG G2 Group
15:26 - 15:41	Break	17:12 - 17:15	FIG Senior Group
15:41 - 15:44	FIG ND Mixed Pair	17:30	Medal Ceremony
15:44 - 15:47	FIG G1 Mixed Pair		



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# ONES TO WATCH RHYS WILLIAMS & KEIRA LANDEN

We caught up with mixed pair Rhys Williams and Keira Landen who placed 7th at the 2014 World age group competition in Mexico...

**Q.** How and why did you get in to aerobic gymnastics?

# RHYS

I started doing aerobic gymnastics to keep fit. I always enjoy this kind of sport, also I was no good at football!

# **KEIRA**

I tried ballet but didn't like it so my mum found the gymnastics club.



**Q.** How much training do you have to do to be a top aerobic gymnast and what kind of things are involved?

### RHYS

I train for at least eight hours a week. Training includes improving elements, training routines and choreography - as well hard conditioning and long stretches.

# **KEIRA**

To be a top gymnast I have to train on a regular basis three times a week to keep my fitness up, the training involves working on my skills and elements which are needed for our routines. Constant conditioning is needed to keep my fitness levels up. Having a healthy diet helps to keep me fit.





**Q.** What is it about your partnership that makes it work so well do you think?

# RHYS

I have been with Keira in a pair for seven years. We get along well and are able to work well together as a team. We are able to do lots of the same elements and both pick up choreography at the speed.

# KEIRA

Me and Rhys get on really well, we are good friends and we work well together.

**Q.** What are your hopes for the future as a pair?

# RHYS

I hope to carry on improving as a pair going into Group 2. Also we hope to improve on our 7th position at the European Championships next year.

### **KEIRA**

I'd like to continue to stay on the GBR squad as a pair and compete at the European Championships and the World Championships in Group 2.





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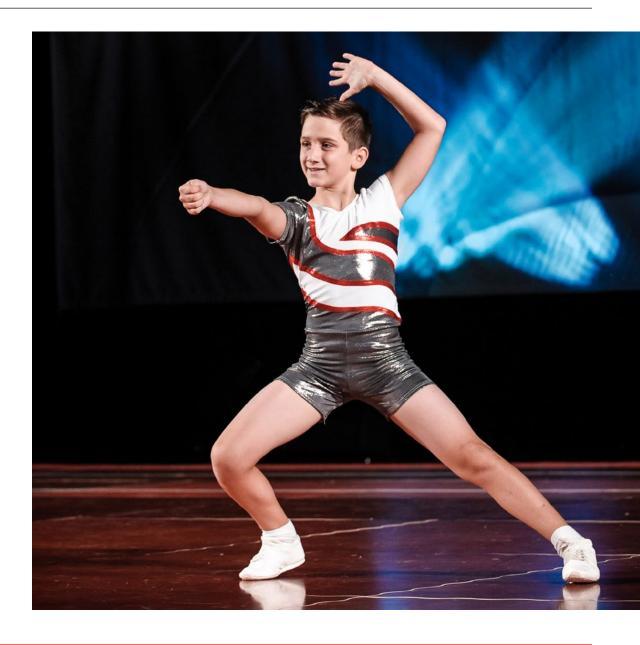
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# **SPECIAL THANKS**

The Aerobic Technical Committee

Hartford School of Gymnastics

Volunteers: Jenny Robinson, Tash Hunt, Terri Augier, Trina Farrance & Deb Antoine





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Mainstream gymnastics sessions can be adapted to include people with a physical or learning disability, sensory impairments or health conditions. But if you'd prefer to start with dedicated classes, this one is for you. As you're starting out, you'll learn the fundamentals of gymnastics and how to build your strength, control and flexibility. As you begin

to develop your physique and technique, there really is no limit to how far you can go. From local challenges to elite international competitions. Of course, you can also get involved just for the fun and fitness.

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  warming up or competing. Please make sure that your flash is turned off each time
  you use your camera. Video cameras may only be used, if operating from battery. Also,
  the use of tripods in the seating and walkways is forbidden.
- Please note there maybe strobe lighting, fog effects and loud noises during these championships.
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