

Sport Aerobics SPTA Meeting
Saturday October 1st, 2005
Auditorium 2, Sydney Sports Centre

Meeting opened: 1.00 pm

Present: Annie Bolton, Natasha Woodcock [SA], Justine Bratanavicius, Jenny Campbell, Judith Gillen, Rebecca Rowe, Eleanor Bunn, Kerryrn Cormick [VIC], Pam Behan [NSW], Chris Behan, Debbs Van Hagen, Trudi Nurse, Jo Hammond [WA], Julie Hodges, Liz Lyons [QLD], Karon Williams [GA]

Apologies: Nil

Introduction of SMC: Karon Williams, Eleanor Bunn, Kerryrn Cormick, Liz Lyons

3 Opening Address [Karon Williams]

2005 has seen:

- Success of Kieran Gorman in overseas competition
- Improvement in the standard of performances by all states
- Numbers are increasing in most state competitions
- Appointment of judges is still proving a concern and is currently being addressed. QLD is currently running Level 1a/b courses to focus on Levels which seems to be a successful initiative.

4 Events Report

International Events: excellent results seen throughout 2005

- Suzuki World Cup – Kieran Gorman 3rd, Chris Behan 5th, Eloise Kane 9th
- FIG World Series - Kieran Gorman 4th
- ANAC - Kieran Gorman 1st, Martin Warren 1st, Trio 1st, Chelsea Carroll 2nd, Eloise Kane 4th

5 International Affiliation:

- Affiliations held with FIG, ANAC and IAF
- No FISAF and Schoolaerobics affiliation. GA does not place any restrictions on athletes attending these events

6 2005-2006 Sport Aerobics Selection Policy

- Available on GA website
- Check latest news that comes out every Monday for updates
- Policy explains all selection processes including appeals, lists of events and responsibilities
- The November Technical Bulletin will include details of how to apply for official positions – international events
- New qualifying scores for National and Development make all processes transparent

- 7 2005-2006 National Squad
 - Qualifying scores currently set at 18 points for seniors and 16 points for juniors – International Stream athletes only.
 - Training camp will be held in late February or early March
 - IAF Suzuki World Cup team for April 2006 will be chosen from 2005 National Championships. Athletes will be monitored until the team is chosen.
 - After National Squad training camp other teams for international events will be chosen
 - ANAC & NZ Championships are good starting points for the international career of athletes.
 - Trudi Nurse asked about the possibility of funding for the senior athletes to be a priority with the younger athletes self funded. Karon Williams suggested Trudi send a recommendation addressed to the National SMC.

- 8 2005-2006 Development Squad
 - Squad qualifying scores are 7.5 for National A/B and 14.5 for International Stream athletes
 - Squad members to be advised by letter
 - GA budget will include sessions for the Development Squad at the same time as the National training camp
 - Athletes in the squad can be considered for the National Squad by submitting a video of a full performance to Karon Williams with the accompanying literature. Videos will be distributed to the selection committee and National SMC for feedback.
 - Trudi Nurse asked if there is procedure in place to identify talented athletes.
 - Karon Williams suggested she could send a letter to inform the athlete/parent of the pathways available to them.
 - Kerryn Cormick posed question if all athletes should complete at least one year of levels before entering optional routines

- 9 2006 National Stream Rules and Competition Pathways
 - National A with A-E elements
 - National B with A and B elements
 - FIG elements used by both National and International streams
 - Karon Williams distributed the 2006 draft and asked for feedback within the next 2 weeks
 - Coaching courses are currently being rewritten with pathway being Beginner, Levels 1,2,3, High Performance coach and Course Presenter

- 10 2006 Aeroskools Report
 - Aeroskools is now run by the State organisations. Some difficulties were experienced but structure will continue in 2006.
 - New 2006 kit will have 1 x level 1 routine, 2 x level 2 and 1 x level 3

- New badge system to be introduced. National SMC working on creating criteria for passing each level.
- Kerryn Cormick is co-ordinating the:
 - i. Re-evaluation of routines to ensure the video and written instructions match.
 - ii. Making of changes to routines so they are congruent ie all same elements and 32 jumping jack phrase.
 - iii. Videos made of one routine by each state in set format
 - iv. Video to be made and distributed to all states for format to be copied
- Karon Williams to set timelines

11 Questions

- Trudi Nurse -Will judges specialise or cover all areas? Cover all areas
Could an assistant coach self fund and travel with the Australian Team? No, as only 1 coach per country allowed
- Points about Nationals for 2006:
 - i. Good choice of venue
 - ii. Clock needed in warm up area
 - iii. TV/Camera to allow relay of event to warm up area
 - iv. Marshalling seems to be very early for performance
 - v. Leotards to continue on podium as per FIG rules
 - vi. Event to be professionally videoed

Meeting concluded: 2.20pm

Actions

Action	Carried out by	Status
Re-evaluation of Levels routines	Kerryn Cormick	Active
Setting timeline for evaluation of Levels routines	Karon Williams	Active
Development of new Levels routines	Kerryn Cormick	Active
National Squad training camp dates	Karon Williams and National SMC	Active
Letters to Development squad	Karon Williams	Active
Develop badge system for Levels system	National SMC	Active