

annual report
2002



Gymnastics
Australia

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(January – December 2002)

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(Resigned October 2002)

Grant Harrison

(Appointed October 2002)

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Karen Myers

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- Women's Artistic:

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Women's Artistic Gymnastics:

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Rhythmic Gymnastics:

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General Gymnastics:

Jenny Collins

Sport Aerobics:

Karon Williams

Trampoline Sports:

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Sports Acrobatics:

Terry Jamieson

Affiliations

International Gymnastic Federation (FIG)

Australian Olympic Committee (AOC)

Australian Commonwealth Games Association (ACGA)

Pacific Alliance of National Gymnastics Federations (PANGF)

Sports Industry Australia (SIA)

Commonwealth Gymnastic Confederation (CGC)

International Aerobic Federation (IAF)

Association of National Aerobic Championships (ANAC)

Chairman & Chief Executive Officer's Report



Murray Chessell
Chairman

Elected
November 1996



Jane Allen
Chief Executive
Officer

Appointed
September 1997

Australia's leading gymnasts built on their growing international reputation, highlighted by the Women's team gold and individual medals in Manchester, while GA completed a full national competition program across all Gymsports, increased membership, introduced administrative improvements, undertook a major business initiative with the Great China Circus and strengthened its award winning Club 10 program in partnership with the ASC.

MANAGEMENT RESTRUCTURE

Following an internal review of GA's management and administration, three key departments were established. Staff Managers appointed to these areas were Matt Connell (Business), Jenny Collins (Development) and Karen Myers (Sport).

SPORT

International

Australian Gymnasts competed in excess of 30 major international events across six Gymsports.

In addition to the Commonwealth Games Women's team gold, outstanding individual efforts also produced gold medals for Philippe Rizzo (3), Allana Slater (2) and newcomer Sarah Lauren (1). In all, our medal tally in Manchester (achieved in the absence of Rhythmic Gymnastics) was 6 gold, 5 silver and 3 bronze.

Strong and consistent performances by Philippe Rizzo, Allana Slater and Jacqui Dunn on the World Cup circuit qualified them for the prestigious World Cup final in November against the world's best, where Philippe won silver on the high bar, Jacqui silver on the uneven bars and Allana, bronze on the floor.

Other outstanding performances included Lauren Farry (Sport Aerobics) in winning the individual womens ANAC World Championships, and Sports Acrobatics trio Elena Armenis, Tara Busbridge and Veronica Gravolin finishing 4th in the Sports Acro World Championships – outstanding results for two of our non Olympic sports which have limited financial support.

Our Rhythmic Gymnastics Team competed successfully in England in a pre-Commonwealth Games competition, finishing 2nd and our leading Rhythmic athletes have pursued other international competition opportunities throughout the year.

Our trampoline athletes also competed in international events in Canada and the USA and conducted a highly successful International Challenge at the Gold Coast in July.

National

Fourteen national events were successfully conducted and national champions are noted elsewhere in this report.

Cheerleading officially became part of General Gymnastics with the establishment of a national program, accredited coaching courses and a national championship. Over 400 competitors took part in the first event and judging by the interest generated, the number of participants will rise dramatically over the next two years.

High Performance Programs

Our international performance is a direct consequence of the world-class programs and commitment of those responsible for, and participating in, our high performance network at the AIS, VIS, WAIS, QAS and NSWIS. We continue to work closely with our partners in these programs to ensure that the considerable financial commitment is put to the best use and that our athletes gain the maximum advantage from these programs.

Sport Management Committees

Seven Sports Management Committees comprising dedicated volunteers with valuable technical knowledge, supported by a network of Program Managers employed by GA, continued to provide active and expert leadership and direction of their respective gym sports. The SMCs' structure, now firmly in place, continues to provide an excellent system of management of our multi-disciplinary sport.

DEVELOPMENT

Jenny Collins' department continued to deliver quality programs and services for our State Associations and affiliated clubs.

Phase two of the Club 10 Accreditation program was completed. Over 60 clubs helped trial the program in readiness for the national launch in 2003. National service standards were developed for affiliated clubs. For the second year in a row we were honoured to receive national recognition for this program in winning the ASC/Ausport National Sporting Organisation – Community Sport Award.

Education remains a priority and work continues to be done to ensure quality courses and resources are available to GA's Registered Training Providers, now expanded to include some non-traditional providers who are able to meet the required standards.

BUSINESS

Focus was on new business opportunities, e-business solutions and membership issues.

GA's new website was prepared in-house by Matt Connell and has become a major communication tool for GA. The website not only showcases our sport but keeps members updated and informed.

Membership grew by 8%. Membership data collection was refined and "flat fee" registration is proving successful. We also had some success in managing the impact on clubs of the public liability blow out, through our National Insurance Program.

Chairman & Chief Executive Officer's Report cont.

FIG

GA continued to actively support our International Gymnastics Federation (FIG) by representation on the FIG Council (Murray Chessell), WAG Technical Committee (Kym Dowdell) and General Gymnastics Committee (Jenny Collins). GA had much pleasure in hosting an FIG General Gymnastics Committee Meeting in Melbourne in February.

2005 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

GA was delighted to secure from the FIG, the rights to conduct the World Artistic Gymnastics Championships in Melbourne 2005, following significant financial support and encouragement from the Victorian Government through its Victorian Major Events Corporation.

This event is expected to provide a substantial boost for the sport in Australia and an excellent business opportunity for the Federation particularly given its programming in the lead up to the 2006 Commonwealth Games.

BOARD AND GOVERNANCE

There were six board meetings throughout the year. An executive committee and other committees ensured that board operations were closely aligned to corporate governance standards.

Graham Carey (QLD) retired from the Board in October with the appreciation of GA after more than two years of service. He was replaced by Grant Harrison, President of GKSA, who brought marketing and business skills as well as gymnastic experience to the position.

A National Planning Conference attended by State Presidents, State Directors, GA Board Members and Management staff, was conducted in Melbourne in October. Professor David Shilbury was the key-note speaker with the focus of the Conference being the co-ordination of our national/state management structures and service delivery systems.

FINANCES

GA incurred losses of \$165,320.85 for the calendar year 2002 against a budgeted deficit of \$57,668.

This was despite significant savings and surpluses in projects and events.

Significant and disappointing losses (\$214,328) however resulted from a joint venture project with Circusco International Pty Ltd for the promotion of a tour by the Great China Circus and Australian gymnasts (see details elsewhere in this report). These losses were covered from reserves and did not impact on current or proposed projects or operations.

GA remains reliant on the Australian Sports Commission for the funding of its development projects and High Performance Programs. We are also indebted to the AOC and ACGA for their assistance in the preparation of our athletes for the Olympics and Commonwealth Games. The involvement of our key partners is presented in detail following this report.

Craig Otto's "Acromat" continued its invaluable sponsorship with both direct financial support and the provision of first class equipment at our national events. The support of GK Leotards for our National Teams was also of importance.

Considerable time and effort was devoted to marketing. Sporting Frontiers Ltd was contracted in an unsuccessful attempt to develop other significant sponsorship of the sport. This area remains the major challenge for GA.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Gymnastics Australia continued to enjoy the enthusiastic support of its state associations, clubs, members and thousands of volunteers throughout the year.

Finally we would like to acknowledge the dedication and commitment of our colleagues on the GA Board and National Office staff who managed a successful year marred only by the painful financial outcome of the Great China Circus venture.

MURRAY CHESSELL
Chairman

JANE ALLEN
Chief Executive Officer

2002 MAJOR OUTCOMES

Business

- An overall increase of 8% in membership
- The release of Gymnastics Australia's new website
- Staging a National Planning Conference

Development

- The establishment of National Club Affiliation standards
- Winning the 2002 Ausport National Sporting Organisation – Community Award
- Incorporating Cheerleading into the General Gymnastics family

Sport

- Gymnastics' medal tally at the 2002 Commonwealth Games
- Philippe Rizzo's outstanding and consistent international results in 2002

Events

- Securing the rights to conduct the 2005 Artistic Gymnastics World Championships
- Successful staging of the Trampoline Sports International Challenge

Our Partners in Sport

OUR PARTNERS IN SPORT

Gymnastics Australia wishes to thank the Australian Sports Commission (ASC), Australian Olympic Committee (AOC) and the Australian Commonwealth Games Association (ACGA) for their continued support of gymnastics. This tremendous contribution allows us to provide the necessary resources, both financial and human, to achieve our objectives in our Strategic Plan which covers both the High Performance and Participation elements of our seven Gymsports.

Australian Sports Commission

Without the financial support of the ASC, Gymnastics Australia could not continue to operate at the current level. Their support is critical to our ability to plan and deliver our wide range of High Performance and Participation programs.

- 2002 Grant in total: \$2.09M
 - High Performance \$990,000
 - AIS (Men's & Women's program) \$900,000
 - Development Programs \$200,000
- Targeted Participation Growth Program \$360,000 (over a three year period)



Peter Bartels
ASC Chairman

Australian Olympic Committee

The support of the AOC in preparing our Olympic Team within the four year cycle is critical to the performance of the athletes and team officials. This support comes in varying ways from International travel grants, direct athlete support and competition opportunities.

- \$54,000 International Travel Grant
- Medal Incentive Scheme
- International Competition Opportunities
 - East Asian Games
 - Australian Youth Olympic Festival (AYOF)



John Coates
AOC President

Australian Commonwealth Games Assoc.

The support of the Australian Commonwealth Games Association in preparing our Commonwealth Games Team within the four year cycle has been focused prior to 2001 on our junior athletes. In 2001 the ACGA gave a tremendous boost to our Commonwealth Games preparation by injecting extra funds to prepare our team for 2002.

- \$95,000 for the preparation of our 2002 Commonwealth Games team
- \$18,000 for the development of junior gymnasts who are our potential Commonwealth Games athletes.



Sam Coffa
ACGA President

The Great China Circus & the Stars of Gymnastics Australia



In November 2001 some of Australia's top gymnasts "joined the circus" and toured the east coast with the world's leading circus performers from the Great China Circus in a production called, *Evolution – The History of Circus and Gymnastics*.

The "stars" including Ji Wallace, Lisa Skinner, Damian Istria, Danielle LeRay and Lauren Farry enjoyed every minute of the three week tour. The synergies between gymnastics and circus were obvious and our athletes readily fitted into the professional environment of the circus production.

Showcasing our sport as entertainment, and providing professional opportunities for our athletes is an important part of the GA business plan.

After a careful analysis of an attractive proposal presented by Circusco International Pty Ltd, (whose principals came from within the gymnastic community, and who had previously represented the Great China Circus in Australia and New Zealand), the board approved investment in the project on a joint venture basis.

A joint venture company was established, a professional production team was assembled and major venues in each of the eastern state capitals including Canberra and Newcastle, were secured.

The athletes named above, together with Peter Maamary and Rhiannon Jones, a young sports acrobatic team from Sydney, did an outstanding job, and Acrobatics Funatics (QLD), Gosford Gymnastics (NSW), AIS Gymnastics (ACT) and PIT Gymnastics (VIC), provided much appreciated local support in the performances.

Although ticket sales were professionally promoted through television, independent publicists and press advertising, sales fell far short of the target resulting in a disappointing financial outcome for GA and its partner.

This was not our first attempt at showcasing gymnastics as entertainment, but it was certainly the most ambitious and professional such venture ever attempted by GA. Although we incurred losses, this major undertaking provides us with invaluable experience for future ventures.



Lauren Farry
Sport Aerobics



Lisa Skinner
Women's Artistic



Ji Wallace
Trampoline Sports

Danielle LeRay
Rhythmic Gymnastics



Damian Istria
Men's Artistic

Thankyou to the Australian
Athletes who participated
in this experience.

Peter Maamary
Sports Acrobatics

THE GREAT
CHINA
CIRCUS

Rhiannon Jones
Sports Acrobatics

EVOLUTION



2002 Key Performances



Men's Artistic Gymnastics

Philippe Rizzo

- 6 Medals, 2002 Commonwealth Games
- Silver Medal High Bar, World Cup Final Stuttgart
- High Bar finalist, World Championships
- Semi finalist Parallel Bars, World Championships
- Gold Medal at Swiss Cup, with Romanian Partner
- Gold Medal High Bar, Cottbus World Cup
- 2002 SIA Individual Achievement Award Winner



Sport Aerobics

2002 Suzuki World Cup

- Bronze Medal - Senior Trio
(Leah Henville, Melissa Davies & Melissa Read)
- Bronze Medal - Varsity Individual Female
(Sandi Carmichael)

2002 ANAC World Championships

- Gold Medal - Lauren Farry
- AEROSkools Program Launch - Feb 2002**



Women's Artistic Gymnastics

2002 Pacific Alliance Championships

- Silver Medal - Senior Team
- Silver Medal - Junior Team

2002 Commonwealth Games

- Team Gold, 7 Individual Medals

2002 DTB Grand Prix/World Cup Final

- ALLANA SLATER: 3rd Floor, 5th Beam
- JACQUI DUNN: 2nd Bars



Sports Acrobatics

2002 World Championships - Riesa

- 4th All Around, Women's Three
(Elena Armenis, Tara Busgridge & Veronica Gravalin)
- FIG Pins were awarded to the above athletes for their results at World Championships

2005

Artistic Gymnastics **World Championships**

MELBOURNE



Gymnastics Australia has won the right to host the 2005 Artistic Gymnastics World Championships. The city of Melbourne has been chosen as the venue to host this most prestigious event from 21st - 27th November.

WHAT THE EVENT WILL INCORPORATE...

- ~ World class artistic gymnastics action
- ~ A purpose designed venue
- ~ Special promotional event opportunities for affiliated Gymnastics Clubs and their members
- ~ The support and dedication of hundreds of Gymnastics volunteers



Matthew Connell
Business
Manager

2002 saw a change in the management and administration of key work departments within Gymnastics Australia. A clear delineation was made between the areas of Development, Sport and Business. This report focuses on the Business arm of Gymnastics Australia and takes into account the following areas:-

EVENTS

Whilst specific events will be covered in more detail under the Sport department of this report, it should be highlighted the work undertaken by Gymnastics Australia within the Events area.

Headed by Shaun Doyle, Gymnastics Australia continues to maintain a busy schedule of events including National Championships for each competitive Gymsport, an Aussie GymFest for General Gymnastics (held every two years) as well as National Club Championships and International events.

The management and administration of National events is a key role of Gymnastics Australia and provides a necessary and essential component of each Gymsport. For a complete listing of all events undertaken throughout 2002, please see the Sport section of this Annual report.

The events undertaken by Gymnastics Australia are the culmination of much hard work and planning by the Gymnastics Australia Events team. This includes Shaun Doyle, Russell Smart, GymSport Program Directors, their Committees, State Associations local clubs, volunteers and organising committees. Thanks are extended to all, including the ongoing volunteer support of George Tatai and Steve Chetkovich.

MERCHANDISE

Gymnastics Australia continues to market and sell resources specific to the Gymnastics community. This includes a range of technical and club based resources such as manuals, videos, teaching aids, as well as apparel for teams and the public, stationary items and well as books and other promotional items.

In 2002, Gymnastics Australia began tracking sales of merchandise through the iMIS program. This enables the recording of sales against members and allows the review of items and their sales figures. The use of the iMIS program in processing sales is also ensuring a more customer focused approach is taken to the sale of Gymnastics Australia merchandise.

Gymnastics Australia's entire range of merchandise was also publicised via the website in 2002. Investigations have begun to establish e-commerce via the website in order to allow customers to purchase merchandise items "on-line". Thanks are extended to Suimai Hare (Merchandise Officer) for her work in this area.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

One of the key challenges facing Gymnastics Australia is the ability to capitalize upon

advancements in Information Technology to deliver tangible benefits to the sport.

A key objective of Gymnastics Australia is to provide better communication to its members and the general public and to this end, two major tasks in 2002 have been the continued development of the Membership Database (iMIS) and the redevelopment of the Gymnastics Australia website.

The divergence of these two essential tools, will ensure Gymnastics Australia and the sport in general is keeping pace with the Information Technology area and providing better service to members.

In July 2002, Gymnastics Australia released its new website (www.gymnastics.org.au). This was the result of six months of work and allowed the sport to be presented to the public as a unified body encompassing all seven Gymsports. The site is maintained and managed on site by Gymnastics Australia staff, with valuable input from selected members of the National Sport Management Committees. Whilst the site continues to develop on a monthly basis, it is essential that the site and the database continue to interact in order to provide the information required by members and effect more efficient processes including membership renewal and club search capabilities.

In order to effect better communication, Gymnastics Australia instigated a weekly "Latest News" e-mail service to Technical members, Clubs and personnel involved in the sport. This initiative has received praise from the community and will continue to be developed throughout 2003.

Substantial work was also undertaken throughout 2002 on a new Membership card for athletes and technical members. Work began in May 2002 on the concept of a CD-Membership card for our 2003 members. The card allows the sport to be promoted via multi-media content, including; video clips, athlete interviews, computer wallpapers, whilst also providing competition opportunities and links to key partners within the Gymnastic community.

The development of the CD-Membership card will be trialed throughout 2003 and closely monitored by Gymnastics Australia. Thanks are extended to the Australian Sports Commission for their support of the CD-Membership card concept.

TARGETED PARTICIPATION GROWTH PROGRAM

Under the direction of the Australian Sports Commission (ASC), Gymnastics Australia launched

two new "business - participation" initiatives in 2002. With an aim to substantially increase participation and attract increased club membership, the ASC invited National Sporting Organisations to apply for financial support to grow their sport.

Gymnastics Australia developed two business proposals and submitted these to the ASC for consideration; they were AEROSkools, a grass roots Sport Aerobics participation program aimed at schools/clubs culminating in event opportunities at a State and National level and GYMSkools, a fee for service Gymnastics program operated by an external provider (KidSkills Australia), aimed at primary schools.

Considerable work was undertaken in the early part of 2002 in establishing both programs and launching them in target areas, throughout Australia. The future success of these programs, will rely on continued focus and energy to draw greater participation in both programs as well as exploring the opportunities for attracting these participants to the club environment.

Thanks are extended to our National Co-ordinators of these Programs; Karon Williams (National AEROSkools Co-ordinator) and Linda Pettit (National GYMSkools Co-ordinator) for their hard work in establishing these programs along with the KidSkills Australia staff and appointed State AEROSkools co-ordinators.

MEMBERSHIP

Gymnastics Australia continued to grow in membership throughout 2002. Our three membership categories are Athlete, Technical and Club and all showed an increase in numbers in 2002. This is a positive sign, especially in the area of Technical Membership where an alarming trend of negative growth had been prevalent for the past three years.

In an effort to streamline the process of membership application and renewal, Gymnastics Australia worked with its State Associations to process Technical Membership renewals direct to the National Office in 2002. This relieved State Associations of extra workload early in the competition year and allowed them to focus on the processing of Athlete membership and the servicing of their Club affiliates.

In order to cope with the increased workload, Gymnastics Australia employed a full time Membership Services Officer (Danni Hanna) to handle the processing of all Technical memberships and work alongside Shaun Doyle in our Membership department.

Our Membership database (iMIS) continued to receive attention in 2002, with a variety of upgrades

to both the desktop client (used by Gymnastics Australia and its State Associations) and well as the Web Browser version used by affiliated clubs. It is clear that the work that has been undertaken over the past 5 years is starting to pay dividends with our Membership database playing a pivotal role across key departmental areas.

It is pleasing to note that a growing number of affiliated clubs have invested in both the Club Database program or the Gymnastics On-Line system in order to register their athletes. This will become increasingly important in future years as the sport undergoes rapid development in the Information Technology area. Clubs willing to invest in new systems and processes will find the results rewarding. Gymnastics Australia will continue to assist clubs in making the transition to new systems through its Club 10 program.

Furthermore, Gymnastics Australia assisted those clubs willing to invest in the Club Database program or Gymnastics On-Line by providing a trial Club IT Helpdesk. The Helpdesk allows clubs access to phone support for computer related issues or membership database queries. As the number of clubs accessing computer driven membership systems increases, the need to provide adequate training and support will be paramount to continued membership growth.

Thanks are extended to Shaun Doyle, Danni Hanna and Ben Kerswill (our Membership Team) for their continued growth of the Membership department. Acknowledgement is also made of Gymnastics NSW and Helen Colaguirri for their willingness to assist Gymnastics Australia in trialing membership processes. With the assistance of the Club 10 trialists and Club 10 Officers, the Membership area continues to underpin the organization and provide advancements to the sport in general.

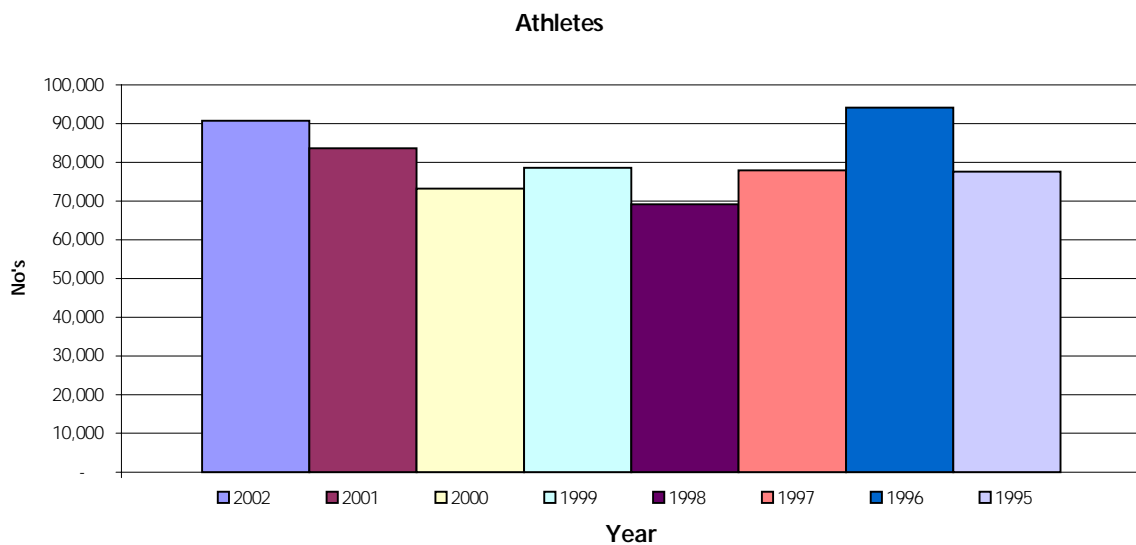
CONCLUSION

In summary the Business area of Gymnastics Australia has contributed greatly to the consolidation of sport throughout 2002. With a renewed focus on the Information Technology area in 2003 and beyond and a key objective to provide better service and benefit to our membership, the Business arm of Gymnastics Australia will be well prepared to capitalize upon future growth initiatives.

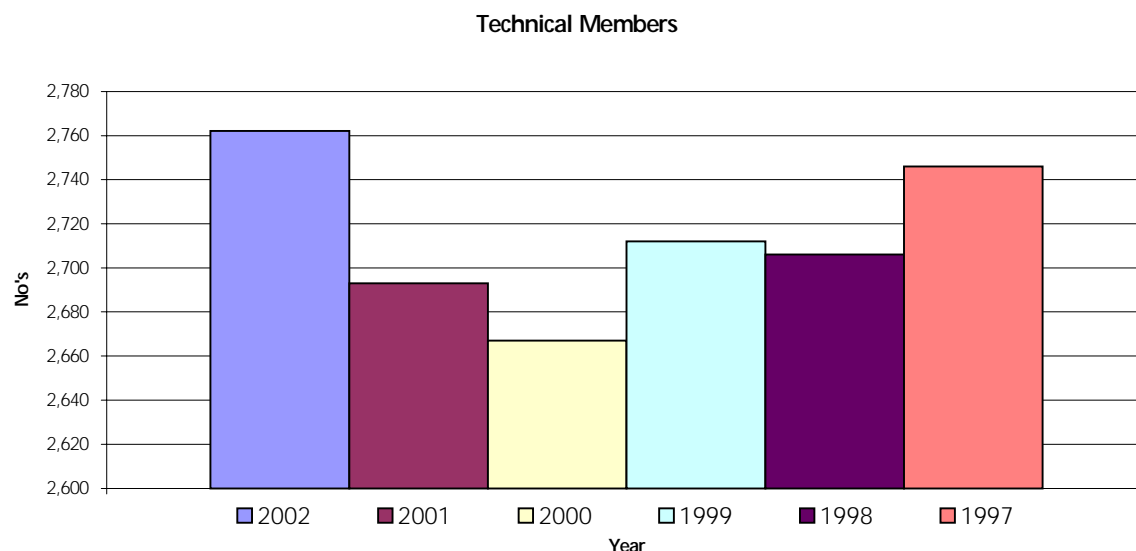
Matt Connell
Business Manager

2002 Membership

1995 - 2002 Athlete Registration Graph



1997 - 2002 Technical Registration Graph



2002 Registrations Table

STATE	ATHLETES	TECHNICAL	CLUBS
ACT	2,300	32	9
NSW	25,393	896	196
NT	1,175	44	11
QLD	20,261	579	139
SA	14,059	278	106
TAS	2,555	67	14
VIC	18,683	633	112
WA	6,377	214	65
TOTAL	90,803	2,743	652

Development Report



Jenny Collins
Development
Manager

2002 was an extremely busy and rewarding year for the Development Unit, which includes the two key areas of Education and Club 10. This year concluded with Gymnastics Australia taking out, for the Club 10 Project, the National Sporting Organisation – Community Sport Award for the 2002 Ausport Awards. This national acknowledgment was fantastic recognition for all who have been involved in the Club 10 pilot. Following is a summary report on the activities undertaken within the areas of Club 10 and Education.

CLUB 10

Following a detailed evaluation of the pilot carried out throughout 2001, which confirmed the project's success, the Club 10 project was continued into a 2nd phase pilot for 2002. This involved expanding the pilot to incorporate a larger number of affiliated clubs. The work undertaken by the 29 pilot clubs in the previous year could again be trialed in anticipation of releasing the scheme to all affiliated clubs in 2003. The Phase 2 pilot had two key components:-

- New pilot clubs (40 in total across Australia) responsible for trialing scheme as new entry clubs. This included all components such as;
 - :affiliation and entry into Club 10 scheme procedures
 - : revised Club 10 Quality Improvement checklist
 - : Accreditation application and audit procedures
- Phase 1 clubs – 29 in total across Australia Due to involvement in the scheme throughout the previous year, these clubs were accredited into the 5 categories and were responsible for trialing the benefits scheme associated with Club 10. In addition annual renewal procedures were also trialed.

As well as expanding the number of clubs involved in the scheme a number of State Associations also appointed a Club 10 Officer within their staffing team to be responsible for the Phase 2 pilot. The Club 10 Officers network consisted of 10 staff, across Australia, who worked directly with the 69 clubs involved in the pilot.

A key outcome of the Phase 2 pilot was the adoption of a national club affiliation process by all States. This important achievement included:-

- Adoption of affiliation standards & conditions across Australia, which also included minimum standards in regards to Insurance coverage
- Use of a consistent affiliation form; across all States

- Administrative links to the National database program, iMIS to ensure the newly developed " Club Search" facility could operate with correct contact information for each affiliated club
- Introduction of " Club 10 Briefing workshops" as part of the club affiliation procedures across Australia

Another key outcome coordinated as part of the Phase 2 pilot was the linking of the Club 10 scheme to the Government's Active Australia Provider network. This saw all gymnastic clubs achieving Star 3 or above accreditation also being immediately recognised and awarded with Active Australia Provider status. Again, this recognition provided by the Australian Sports Commission, confirmed the importance and benefit of the Club 10 framework in providing services to affiliated club members and a framework, which encouraged clubs along a pathway of continuous improvement.

Congratulations and thanks must be extended to every club and Club 10 Officers involved in the Phase 2 pilot. The enormous amount of work undertaken throughout 2002 ensured that an excellent operational framework, support resources and benefits scheme was finalised for release to all affiliated clubs in 2003. Congratulations must also be extended to the representatives who form the Club 10 Advisory Committee for their foresight and commitment to ensuring implementation of Club 10 as the gymnastics club affiliation scheme.

EDUCATION

Another key development area within the sport is Education. Linda Pettit joined the National Development team staff, in a full time capacity from February 1st to coordinate this area.

2002 was an extremely busy year with the re-accreditation of the Federation's six Level 1 Coaching courses (MAG, WAG, RG, GG, AER, KIN) by the Australian Sport Commission's (ASC) Education unit. In addition, two new Level 1 courses (Trampoline and Cheerleading) were also finalised and submitted for Accreditation under the ASC's National Sport Accreditation Scheme. Accreditation of all courses was achieved and will

be valid for another four year period. A Level 2 Coaching Course for Trampoline Sports was also accredited with the ASC during 2002.

Throughout the year a strong focus was on refining administrative procedures and operational guidelines across the education area. Key activities included:-

- The processing of Technical Memberships directly by the Federation
- Reviewing and expanding the Course Providers Licence scheme so that other Providers, external to State Associations could be recognised,
- Establishment of a course sanction process which utilises the iMIS database as an administrative tool. This also enables the sport to produce an annual national calendar for coaching courses/workshops and ensures details are logged onto the database when a person enters an education course.
- Establishment of a National Presenters team to assist in the delivery of quality courses across Australia

All of the above activities were presented and considered at great length at the State Directors meetings to ensure co-ordination and unification across Australia. Thanks are also extended to both Victoria and Queensland who actively trialed the course sanction procedures prior to their release to ensure a smoother implementation process could occur.

In the later half of the year a special resource design meeting was held to consider and assist in the development of a new updated coaching resource for the Level 1 Coaching courses now in place. Development of the resource, to be titled

“Jump into Gymnastics” will be continued throughout 2003 with an anticipated release date in 2004. This resource will replace the Federation's very popular 'Introductory Gymnastics', which is no longer in publication.

Congratulations are also extended to Tim Lees (QLD High Performance MAG Coach) who was selected and represented the Federation as an “Expert” Presenter for the 1st FIG Coaching Academy held in Malaysia in mid February. Gymnastics Australia was also invited by the FIG to present their Level 1 MAG and WAG courses in Qatar in December. Special thanks are extended to both Tim Lees and Kate Debnam (QLD) who took on this task and travelled to Qatar to present the courses to over 50 participants.

IN CONCLUSION

The Club 10 pilot has been extremely successful and achieved all planned outcomes. The education area has seen enormous administrative enhancements and is well positioned for the future. I wish to sincerely thank and congratulate all those involved from State Associations, Clubs and Gymnastics Australia's staff team. I would like to make special mention and acknowledge the enormous work and assistance given by the National Development team, Nerine Cooper, Brad Edwards and Linda Pettit, who have continued to be enthusiastic and committed to improving all operational areas regardless of the work load that change always brings. I am confident that the sport of Gymnastics will reap the rewards in years to come from the changes that have been implemented in 2002.

Jenny Collins
Development Manager



2002 Aussie GymFest



Karen Myers
Sport
Manager

With the establishment of the key work departments of Business, Development and Sport in 2002, this created an ideal opportunity to co-ordinate the roles and responsibilities of the individual Sport Program Managers under the "Sport" banner. This also ensured a support system was established for members of the volunteer National Sport Management Committees (SMC).

The team of Program Managers supporting their respective SMC's includes the following personnel:

MAG	-	John Curtin
WAG	-	Karen Myers
RG	-	Danni Peers
GG	-	Jenny Collins
AER	-	Matt Connell
TRP	-	Russell Smart
ACR	-	Russell Smart

MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

A great deal was undertaken throughout 2002, to facilitate the standardisation and production of a range of management and administrative tools aimed to assist each SMC with their operations. A consistent format was applied across all Gymsports, with regard to the following operational documents:

- National Selection Policies
- National Technical Regulations
- National Squad Handbooks
- National Competition Handbooks
- National High Performance Plans

It was the role of the Sport Manager to liaise and assist each Sport Program Manager to provide operational tools that were required within their sport as well as provide advice and support to the Program Managers on daily administration matters.

A new Athlete Biography template was also established and utilised on the GA website. The template was used to record all National Squad athlete personal data and event results. The template was adopted and modified for each Gymsport and used as a tool to collect and archive pertinent athlete data.

NATIONAL SQUADS AND TEAMS

National Team Uniform

Before the establishment of the "Sport" department, each SMC created their own National Team uniform which was not only confusing in the community but also expensive and difficult to maintain appropriate stock levels.

Under the direction of the Sport department, a single National Team Uniform including tracksuits, polo fleeces, t/shirts, backpacks and jackets, has been created, that services the needs of all gymsports. The establishment of a National Team Uniform Register has also allowed each Gymsport

to track the movement and fit out of all National Team members and ensure stock levels are maintained for all appropriate events.

National Tours and Training Camps

Throughout the year Gymnastics Australia conducts a large number of National Training Camps and overseas Tours. Relationships have been established with the GA Tour Operator and the Australian Institute of Sport, where advice and experience can be passed onto the Program Managers to assist them with their arrangements.

REPRESENTATION

There are many occasions when Gymnastics Australia is required to be present at conferences or meetings on "Sport" matters where it is impossible to have all Program Managers present.

It is the responsibility of the Sport Manager to attend these meetings and bring all the relevant information back to the respective Program Manager.

Meetings attended during the year included:

- ASC Elite Program Reviews and Workshops
- ASC Conferences
- ASC Selection Policy Workshop
- AOC Team Management Meetings for Athens 2004.
- AOC Section Manager Workshops
- ACGA Briefing meetings for 2002 Commonwealth Games
- ACGA Section Manager Workshops
- ACGA "Target 2006" forum

The Sport Manager also acted as the point of contact for all ASDA matters ensuring the register of athletes was maintained for drug testing purposes and all Program Managers were fully conversant with ASDA drug testing and education procedures.

CONCLUSION

The seven sports within Gymnastics Australia are all supported by very committed National Sports Management Committees. On behalf of all Program Managers, thanks are extended to these volunteer members who give many hours of their time to the sport. Their technical expertise and work are invaluable to the ongoing development of the Sport department.

KAREN MYERS
Sports Manager

2002 COMMONWEALTH GAMES

Manchester, UK



MEN'S ARTISTIC MEDALS

Team:	Bronze
Philippe Rizzo:	Gold - Pommel Horse Gold - Parallel Bars Gold - High Bar Silver - All Around
Damian Istria:	Silver - High Bar

WOMEN'S ARTISTIC MEDALS

Team:	Gold
Allana Slater:	Gold - Vault Silver - Uneven Bars Silver - Balance Beam Bronze - All Around
Sarah Lauren:	Gold - Floor
Alexandra Croak:	Silver - Vault
Jacqui Dunn:	Bronze - Balance Beam

Men's Artistic Gymnastics



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National Judging Committee

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Daren Wolfe

Judges Education

Officer

Brian Wade

Judging Services

Officer - Intl

Paul Szyjko

Judging Services

Officer - Nat

Julian Fritz

National Coaching Staff

Sergei Chinkar

Warwick Forbes

Xiong Songliang

The Men's Program continued to show positive growth and development in 2002. The development of a strong junior competitive base is becoming more evident. The increased depth of junior international athletes starting to forge their way into the national team is especially notable and promises the possibility of exciting times ahead in the international arena.

INTERNATIONAL PERFORMANCES

Philippe Rizzo continued his outstanding international success during 2002. His six medals at the Manchester Commonwealth Games included three individual gold medals on Pommels, Parallel Bars and Horizontal Bar, and a silver medal in the All Around final to compliment an individual bronze medal on Floor as well as the bronze medal in the Team event. Philippe also continued his successful World Cup series campaign on Horizontal Bar, winning the Turnier der Meister event in Cottbus, Germany in March and then going on to claim the silver medal in the World Cup final in Stuttgart. Philippe also performed admirably in the World Championships finishing 6th in the Horizontal Bar final a mere 0.075 outside the gold medal position and also qualified 8th for the Parallel Bars semi-final.

The senior men's team finished in the bronze medal position in the Manchester Commonwealth Games. The team also finished with the bronze medal behind USA and Japan at the Pacific Alliance Championships in Vancouver. Our junior men's team also performed well in the junior Pacific Alliance Championships with Karl Lorenz winning the gold medal on Pommel Horse and Josh Jefferis claiming bronze medals on Rings and Horizontal Bar. Our junior international athletes performed strongly throughout the year with four athletes qualifying for the senior national squad (Josh Jefferis, Karl Petersen-Stock, Slavic Shorinov and Sam Simpson); an outstanding result and exciting prospects for the future.

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

Turnier der Meister – Cottbus, Germany (March)

Philippe Rizzo won the gold medal on High Bar (9.562 in the winner's final) and established himself as the Number 1 ranked gymnast on High Bar in the FIG World Ranking Lists. He also qualified for the Parallel Bars final and placed 5th (8.975). **Dane Smith** finished 4th in the Vault final (9.319) in his

first World Cup event after qualifying 3rd for the final.

OBI Team - Cup Berlin, Germany (March)

An Australian junior team participated in a 16-day tour to Germany and Switzerland in March. Two Australian teams competed in the OBI Cup in Berlin where they placed 7th and 13th out of 16 teams; many of which were junior national teams from various European countries. The OBI Cup has become a high standard competition, attracting strong teams from throughout Europe. The gymnasts then participated in a 5-day training camp at the NKL club in Liestal, Switzerland, culminating with our team participating in the Swiss junior team selection for the European Championships. **Gymnasts:** Karl Petersen-Stock and Vincent Van Berkel (VIC), Adrien Janssen (NSW), Sam Offord (SA), Ryan Wong and Natan Geva (QLD), Ian Greenwell (WA), Kirk Newman (AIS) **Officials:** John Curtin (GA), Greg Corsiglia (VIC), Victor Trofimov (QLD)

Open Levels Tour - Hawaii (March / April)

The Open Levels Tour was very successful with the gymnasts achieving excellent results in the USA Region 1 Championships. There were many wonderful experiences with gymnastics goals and social and cultural experiences all forming part of a great tour. **Gymnasts:** Jonathon Bellamy, David Engelbert, Ben Wood, Kyle Thompson, Andrew Kerr (NSW), Clinton Gazeley, Ben Sorohan, Jared Crunkhorn, Nicholas Mackenzie, Jamie Shillington (QLD), Casey Douglas, Andrew Clothier (WA), Luke Rammell (NT) **Officials:** Kath Graham (Manager), Bruce Edwards (Head Coach), Daren Wolfe (Assistant Manager and Coach), Assistant Coaches - Max Holmes, Matthew Whitland (NSW), Andrew Parkes (WA), Lesley Thompson (Judge) and Karen Shillington (Chaperone)

Pacific Alliance Championships – Vancouver, Canada (May)

The team participated in a training camp with Canada and a few US National Team members at the US Olympic Training Centre in Colorado Springs, USA prior to travelling to Canada where our Senior Team competed well to finish in the bronze medal position behind strong teams from USA and Japan. Damian Istria was our best-performed gymnast in the All Around competition (53.675). He qualified for 3 finals, placing 6th on



2002 NATIONAL SQUADS

Senior Squad A

Damian Istria QLD/QAS
Josh Jefferis QLD/QAS
Adrian Looney QLD/QAS
Philippe Rizzo NSW/AIS

Senior Squad B

Ian Bartlett NSW/NSWIS
Pavel Mamin QLD/AIS
Justin Ng NSW/AIS
Karl Petersen-Stock VIC/VIS
Slavic Shorinov VIC/AIS
Sam Simpson QLD/QAS
Dane Smith QLD/QAS

U/18 Squad A

Joshua Jefferis QLD/QAS
Karl Lorenz VIC/AIS
Karl Petersen-Stock VIC/VIS
Slavic Shorinov VIC/AIS
Sam Simpson QLD/QAS

U/18 Squad B

Ian Greenwell WA/WAIS
Adrien Janssen NSW/NSWIS

U/17 Squad A

Thomas Pichler QLD/QAS
Vincent Van Berkel VIC/MIS

U/17 Squad B

Jack Coates QLD/QAS
Michael Donnet QLD/QAS
Samuel Offord SA
Chris Martin NSW/NSWIS
Daniel Read ACT/AIS

Prashanth Sellathurai NSW/NSWIS

Ryan Wong QLD/QAS

U/15 Squad A

Natan Geva QLD/QAS
Peter Hum SA
Tristan Skalina QLD/QAS

U/15 Squad B

Genya Bepalov WA
Jonathan Chien SA
Daniel Davis QLD
Pavel Elagin QLD/QAS
Martin Jozwiak WA
Matthew Schiappadori QLD/QAS

Luke Wiatowski NSW/NSWIS

U/13 Squad A

Matthew Curtis QLD
Arran Gray WA
Jesse Higgins QLD
Campbell Howieson QLD
Sebastian Hui NSW
Thomas Mackay NSW
Michael Mercieca NSW
Daniel Perica NSW/AIS
Zacheri Photinos QLD
Tom Pickette NSW/AIS
Valery Shorinov VIC/AIS
Luke Wadsworth VIC/VIS

U/13 Squad B

Matthew Hodgson Van Daal QLD
Sean O'Hara SA
Iskandar Sharazuddin WA
Sam White NSW

Rings (9.200), 4th on Vault (9.162) and 4th on H Bar (9.050); Phil qualified for Floor final and finished 6th (8.100); Ian qualified for Pommel Horse final but was substituted by Phil in the final (8.950 - 4th). In the Junior Team competition Sam Simpson unfortunately broke his ankle on Vault in the 2nd rotation and the team was unable to finish the competition. Karl Lorenz (50.600) and Josh Jefferis (50.050) performed very well in a strong All Around competition, finishing 8th and 9th respectively. Karl won the only Gold Medal for Australia on Pommel Horse and Josh performed strong throughout taking Bronze Medals on both Rings and H Bar after qualifying for four apparatus finals.

Gymnasts: Damian Istria, Josh Jefferis and Sam Simpson (QLD), Philippe Rizzo and Karl Lorenz (AIS), Ian Bartlett (NSW) **Officials:** John Curtin (Manager - GA), Sergei Chinkar (Coach - QLD), Vladimir Vatin and Yu Bo (Coaches - AIS), Julian Fritz and Greg Smyth (Judges - QLD)

Commonwealth Games – England (July)

The Australian Team placed third in the team competition behind England and Canada. The team was affected by illness and injuries in the lead up to the competition, however, to the team's credit, they gave it their best shot under adverse circumstances. The crowd was certainly very loud, providing a great atmosphere for the competition. The entire team put in a great effort, however, the highlight of the competition for Australia was the performance of Philippe Rizzo in both the All Around and Individual Apparatus Finals. Philippe bagged five individual medals, including three gold, to go with the bronze in the team competition. This was an outstanding performance and well deserved, continuing his great run of achievements over the past 12 months. **Ian Bartlett** was the team reserve. **Officials: Coaches** - John Curtin (GA), Sergei Chinkar (QAS), Vladimir Vatin (AIS) **Judges** - Tim Quinlivan and Daren Wolfe (QLD), Paul Szyjko (SA), Josh Holmes (NSW) **Physio** - Chris Brady (QLD)

Team Competition: **Bronze**

P. Rizzo (AIS) **Gold** (PH,PB,HB), **Silver** (AA)

D. Istria (QAS) **Silver** (HB), **Final:** V (5th)

P. Mamin (AIS) **Finals:** R (5th), V (6th)

D. Smith (QAS) **Final:** FX (6th)

J. Ng (AIS) **Final:** PH (8th)

French International – Paris, France (October)

Philippe Rizzo performed well in this event as he fine-tuned routines for the World Championships. Results included 9.35 on P Bars (10th), 9.275 on Floor (8th) and 8.90 on H Bar (13th)

World Championships – Debrecen, Hungary (November)

Philippe Rizzo had an outstanding competition finishing 6th in the Horizontal Bar final (9.65) just

0.075 outside the gold medal position. He also qualified 8th for the Parallel Bars semi-final (9.412), finishing 14th after a fall and achieved a 9.00 on Floor Exercise in the qualifying round just missing the semi-final. Pavel Mamin ranked 33rd in a very strong Rings competition with a creditable 9.087.

Gymnasts: Philippe Rizzo (AIS), Pavel Mamin (AIS) **Coach:** Vladimir Vatin (AIS). **Judge:** Brian Wade (ACT).

World Cup Final – Stuttgart, Germany (November)

Philippe Rizzo won the Silver Medal at the World Cup Final on the Horizontal Bar. In a very "hot" field Philippe scored 9.662 to finish just 0.013 behind the Gold Medallist Aljaz Pegan (SLO) on 9.675.

Swiss Cup and Arthur Gander Memorial – Switzerland (December)

Philippe Rizzo concluded his successful European circuit in December 2002 by winning the Swiss Cup with partner Monica Rosu from Romania. Philippe's outstanding performances continued on P Bars (9.525), H Bar (9.600) and Floor (8.950) and along with Rosu, the pair were able to win the event ahead of Bulgarians Jordan Jovtchev and Evgenia Kusnetzova and Romanians Potra Dan and Leonida Florida.

FIG BREVET JUDGES

FIG 1:	Daren Wolfe Tim Quinlivan Brian Wade	Paul Szyjko Josh Holmes Julian Fritz
FIG 2:	John Curtin Tony Hilton	Greg Smyth
FIG 3:	Rob Perel Rohan Kennedy Kath Graham	Warwick Forbes Nedal Alyousef Peter Abbott

NATIONAL LEVEL 4 JUDGES

Matthew Whitland Lesley Thompson Michael Thompson Trent Lawrie Andrew Martin	John Hargreaves Danny Miles Ian Bartlett Blaz Puljic
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NOP - OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR

1995 Jeff Cheales	1999 Trevor Kaminski
1996 Vic Blinman	2000 Daren Wolfe
1997 Kath Graham	2001 Paul Szyjko
1998 Rob Allan	2002 Brian Wade

2000-2001 NATIONAL AWARDS

Snr Intl. Gymnast:	Philippe Rizzo
Jnr Intl. Gymnast:	Joshua Jefferis
Coach of the Year:	Sergei Chinkar
Open Levels Gymnast:	Luke Rammell
Open Levels Coach:	Martin Shields
Judge of the Year:	Brian Wade
Coach Encouragement:	Hayden Appleton-Seymour
AUS Judges Hall of Fame	
Inductees:	John Hargreaves Kath Graham



Australia V France – Noumea (December)

A friendly competition against France was held in Noumea in December. **Gymnasts:** Adrian Looney, Dane Smith (QAS), Slavic Shorinov, Pavel Mamin (AIS), Ashley Mullen (NSWIS) **Officials:** Xiong Songliang (NSWIS), Robert Perel, Greg Smyth (QLD). All reports were extremely positive from both the Australian Team and the French Federation with the hope of future exchanges expressed by all involved. Adrian Looney (52.25) was the highest ranked Australian in the All Around followed by Slavic Shorinov (51.45). Pavel posted an outstanding 9.70 on Rings and Dane scored 9.40 on Vault to highlight strong individual performances.

NATIONAL COMPETITIONS

National Clubs Championships - Canberra (July)

Congratulations to Northern Beaches Gymnastics Club (NSW) on achieving the honour of Champion Club for the 7th year in succession. Lawnton Gymnastics Academy (QLD) was 2nd in a closely contested event, by only 10 points, for the fourth consecutive year and PIT Gymnastics Club (VIC) placed 3rd overall. The top 6 overall club ranking was rounded out with Manly Warringah (4th), Wollongong (5th) and Maroochy Beach (6th). The National Clubs Championships continues to be a well-attended event with more clubs climbing into the top rankings and the various divisions experiencing some closely contested events.

National Open Clinic – Canberra (July)

The Open Levels Clinic was successfully completed at Woden Valley Gymnastics Club. Two clubs, Woden Valley and Banyule attended with a total of 25 gymnasts. Peter Abbott was the coordinator of the clinic and was assisted by Bob Morton from WVGC.

Men's National Championships – Brisbane (September)

Brisbane Grammar School hosted the Men's National Championships for the second year. It was extremely successful and Gymnastics Australia is very grateful in particular to Julian Fritz and Steve Hemy from the BGS for their assistance in pulling this event together in the school's wonderful indoor sports facility. Adrian Looney was crowned the Senior International Men's All Around National Champion. Queensland won the Cheales-Williamson Shield for the overall Champion State. Australia narrowly defeated New Zealand to once again claim the Trans Tasman Trophy. A summary of the key results is provided in the table below.

Junior National Training Camp – Canberra (December)

The 2002 Camp involved 23 gymnasts and 6 coaches with all HPC programs represented. The main objective of the camp was preparation of the athletes for the AYOF selection trial.

2002 AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS - BRISBANE

Senior Intl AA Champion	- Adrian Looney (QLD)	L8 Open AA Champion	- Anthony Weston (VIC)
L10 U/18 AA Champion	- Karl Petersen-Stock (VIC)	L8 Open Winning Team	- Victoria
L10 Open AA Champion	- Jonathan Bellamy (NSW)	L7 U/13 Intl AA Champion	- Matthew Curtis (QLD)
L10 Comb. Winning Team	- Queensland	L7 U/13 Intl Winning Team	- New South Wales
L9 U/17 AA Champion	- Thomas Pichler (QLD)	L7 U/13 Nat AA Champion	- Reece Mills (NSW)
L9 U/17 Winning Team	- Queensland	L7 U/13 Nat Winning Team	- New South Wales
L9 Open AA Champion	- Trent Lawrie (QLD)	L7 Open AA Champion	- Luke Ingham (QLD)
L9 Open Winning Team	- Queensland	L7 Open Winning Team	- Queensland
L8 U/15 AA Champion	- Tristan Skalina (QLD)		
L8 U/15 Winning Team	- Queensland		

NB: AA denotes All Around Individual Competition

2002 NATIONAL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS - CANBERRA

1st: Northern Beaches Gymnastics(NBG) (NSW)

2nd: Lawnton (QLD)

3rd: PIT Gymnastics (VIC)

DIVISION 1: Champion Club - PIT Gymnastics (VIC)

Floor: PIT
Vault: PIT
Pommels: PIT
Parallel Bars: PIT
Rings: PIT
Horizontal Bar: PIT

DIVISION 2: Champion Club - Lawnton Gym. Acad. (QLD)

Floor: Bayule
Vault: NBG
Pommels: Lawnton
Parallel Bars: Lawnton
Rings: Lawnton
Horizontal Bar: Lawnton

DIVISION 3: Champion Club - Lawnton Gym. Acad. (QLD)

Floor: Lawnton
Vault: Lawnton
Pommels: Lawnton
Parallel Bars: Lawnton
Rings: Airbourne
Horizontal Bar: Lawnton

DIVISION 4: Champion Club - Northern Beaches (NSW)

Floor: NBG
Vault: NBG
Pommels: Manly W.
Parallel Bars: NBG
Rings: NBG
Horizontal Bar: NBG

DIVISION 5: Champion Club - Epping YMCA (NSW)

Floor: NBG
Vault: Wollongong
Pommels: Epping
Parallel Bars: Epping
Rings: Epping
Horizontal Bar: Wollongong

DIVISION 6: Champion Club: Northern Beaches (NSW)

Floor: Maroochy B.
Vault: NBG
Pommels: Campbelltown
Parallel Bars: Lawnton
Rings: NBG
Horizontal Bar: NBG

Adrian Looney
2002 Senior AA
Australian Champion



Philippe Rizzo



strength



Reach for the Stars – Canberra (December)

The competition was held in Canberra in December in conjunction with the AYOF selection trial. This very successful event on the national calendar provides an opportunity for gymnasts to compete in an international standard competition venue and to train and compete with some of Australia's best junior international athletes.

Australian Youth Olympic Festival (AYOF) Selection Trial - Canberra (December)

Our junior international athletes showed pleasing progress in the selection trial with some excellent performances. Joshua Jefferis in particular, scored 51.95 in the All Around, indicating his intentions to be a serious contender for the Senior National Team in the coming year. The following outstanding individual performances deserve a special mention: Joshua Jefferis - Pommels (8.8), Rings (9.3), Parallel Bars (9.05); Slavic Shorinov - Pommels (9.3); Sam Simpson - Pommels (9.1). Karl Petersen-Stock (ankle) and Matthew McKelvie (wrist) sustained injuries during the competition and were unfit for selection for the AYOF. The Australian Team selected to compete in the AYOF included **Gymnasts:** Josh Jefferis, Sam Simpson, Thomas Pichler, Michael Donnet (QAS), Sam Offord, Peter Hum (SA), Daniel Read (AIS), Adrien Janssen (NSWIS) and **Officials:** John Curtin, Victor Trofimov (QLD), Yu Bo (AIS), Jeb Silbury (SA), Xiong Songliang (NSWIS)

JUDGING

International Assignments

The following judges represented Australia overseas in 2002

- OBI Cup (Germany)
John Curtin
- Pacific Alliance Championships (Canada)
Julian Fritz, Greg Smyth
- Commonwealth Games (Manchester)
Daren Wolfe, Paul Szyjko, Josh Holmes, Tim Quinlivan
- World Championships (Hungary)
Brian Wade
- Australia V France (Noumea)
Greg Smyth, Rob Perel

Judges Accreditation

Four new National judges were welcomed to the ranks in September, with Ian Bartlett and Blaz Puljic (NSW), and Trent Lawrie and Andrew Martin (QLD) successfully passing the National Judges assessment. This brings the total number of national judges to 9 along with the 15 FIG judges currently accredited in Australia.

Recognition

2002 NOAS Official of the Year:
Brian Wade (ACT)

Australian Judges Hall of Fame Inductees:
John Hargreaves (TAS) and Kath Graham (ACT)

It is with regret that we note the passing of David Allan in October. Dave was the New Zealand National Judging Coordinator, and has been instrumental in the development of men's gymnastics in that country over the past decade. Dave was a good friend of many of the judges and coaches in Australia, and both his presence and good-natured humour will be sorely missed.

CONCLUSION

In closing, I would like to thank once again the MAG Sports Management Committee and their sub committees for their enormous efforts in 2002. In particular John Curtin, in his role as National Program Director, whose tireless efforts to coordinate the National Team and maintain a strong national program, is greatly appreciated.

Philippe Rizzo continues to be Gymnastic Australia's most successful international gymnast. His talent and experience in the Senior National Team will be needed to secure 2004 Olympic team qualification at the 2003 World Championships in Los Angeles. I look forward to 2003 and the successes it will bring.

Tim Quinlivan
National Technical Director
Men's Artistic Gymnastics

Women's Artistic Gymnastics

Preparation for Commonwealth Games was the focus of 2002, culminating with the fantastic victory for our team in Manchester.



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Jill Wright

National Coach

Peggy Liddick

Education Co

Sue Synnot

Development Co

Michelle DeHighden

National Levels Committee (Until Nov 2002)

Members

Jean Lang

Daniel Benson

Natalie Moore

National Levels Committee (From Nov 2002)

SMC

Karen Myers

Helen Colagiuri

Judging

Jean Lang

Members:

Kylie Shadbolt (QLD)

Elise Pryce (WA)

Karl Metcalf (NT)

Jackie Cadwell (VIC)

Belinda White (SA)

Daniel Benson (NSW)

Nikki Cochrane (ACT)

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS

The first major International competition for the year was Pacific Alliance, which was held in Vancouver, Canada. Both our Senior and Junior teams placed second behind very strong teams from USA. As a forerunner to Commonwealth Games China came to Australia for a competition which was held in conjunction with Levels 4 – 6 National Clubs. Although the Chinese girls looked great at training the Australian girls competed well and had a strong victory.

World Championships in 2002 was an Individual Apparatus event and the competitions that Australia competed in both prior to and after Worlds were focused on individual results. Allana Slater and Jacqui Dunn represented Australia at these events.

Friendship Classic (23/24 March 2003)

SENIOR DIVISION

- Alexandra Croak: 1st All Around, 1st Vault, 1st Beam, 3rd Bars, 3rd Floor

JUNIOR DIVISION

- Melissa Munro: 1st All Around, 1st Vault, 2nd Bars, 1st Beam, 2nd Floor

Cottbus Grand Prix (23/24 March 2002)

Vault	-	Allana placed 6 th in final
Bars	-	Jacqui placed 1 st in Final and then won silver in winners final
Floor	-	Allana placed 1 st in final and then won gold in winners final

Pacific Alliance (1 – 5 May 2002)

- Junior Team 2nd Place
- Aleea Newton 4th AA
6th Vault
5th Floor
- Melissa Munro 5th AA
4th Beam
3rd Floor
- Stephanie Moorhouse 6th AA
3rd Vault
2nd Bars
- Senior Team 2nd Place
- Alexandra Croak 4th AA
3rd Vault
4th Floor
- Jacqui Dunn 5th AA
3rd Bars
2nd Beam
- Allana Slater 8th AA
2nd Floor

Australia vs China (7/8 July 2002)

- Team 1st
- Allana Slater 1st AA
1st Vault
3rd Bars
2nd Beam
1st Floor

- Sarah Lauren 3rd AA
4th Vault
3rd Beam
2nd Floor
- Jacqui Dunn 1st Bars
- Stephanie Moorhouse 5th AA
5th Beam
- Alexandra Croak 4th Floor

Commonwealth Games (26 – 30 July 2002)

- Team 1st
- Allana Slater 3rd AA
1st Vault
2nd Bars
2nd Beam
- Sarah Lauren 1st Floor
- Alexandra Croak 2nd Vault
- Jacqui Dunn 3rd Beam

Marsillia Gym Cup (8/9 November 2002)

- Allana Slater 2nd AA
3rd Bars
2nd Beam
4th Floor

French International (18 – 21 October 2002)

- Allana Slater 2nd Beam

Glasgow Grand Prix (25 – 27 October 2002)

- Allana Slater 2nd Bars
7th Beam

World Championships (20 – 24 November 2002)

- Allana Slater 27th Bars
19th Beam
27th Floor



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WAIS, WSG

**2002 SENIOR
NATIONAL SQUAD**

Nicole Alexander
(AIS/NSW)

Alexandra Croak
(AIS/NSW)

Jacqui Dunn
(AIS/SA)

Danielle Kelly
(QAS/QLD)

Allana Slater
(WAIS/WA)

Kylie Tanner
(QAS/QLD)

Jessica Zarnay
(QAS/QLD)

**2002 JUNIOR
NATIONAL SQUAD**

Belinda Archer
(AIS/ACT)

Sarah Lauren
(WAIS/WA)

Stephanie
Moorhouse
(VIS/VIC)

Melissa Munro
(AIS/NSW)

Monette Russo
(VIS/VIC)

Hayley Tyrell
(AIS/NSW)

Kelly Worthington
(WAIS/WA)

**DTB Cup/World Cup Final (29 Nov – 1
Dec 2002)**

- Allana Slater 3rd Floor
5th Beam
- Jacqui Dunn 2nd Bars

China Motor Cup

- Stephanie Moorhouse 8th AA
4th Floor
- Nicole Alexander 3rd Floor

TRAINING CAMPS

These were held prior to Pacific Alliance and Commonwealth Games. As the other events were Individual events the gymnast's preparation was done in their own programs with Peggy Liddick working with the personal coaches.

**SUB JUNIOR PROGRAM - 2001 and
Beyond**

This program continued to grow in 2002. The National Coach travelled around Australia to ensure that all gymnasts, coaches and judges both knew and understood the routines. We are now starting to see the benefits to the gymnasts who have worked through Stage 3 and are in Stage 4.

LEVELS 4-6 NATIONAL CLUBS

Again held at the AIS and hosted by Gymnastics ACT. The numbers at this event increase every year as more States/Clubs become involved. The inclusion of the Australia vs China Competition allows many of our younger gymnasts and newer coaches to see international standard gymnastics both at training and in competition.

LEVELS 7-10 NATIONAL CLUBS

This was held in Sydney at a new venue on the Northern Beaches. All agreed that this was a great place to hold the competition as trips to the beach could be organised between competitions. Numbers at this event are declining – possibly because of the popularity of the Reach for the Stars Competition at which clubs are able to bring their gymnasts from all Levels. The National SMC is looking at the possibility of combining the two WAG National Clubs events into one competition in 2004.

The Apparatus Challenge was again held but with a new format. The top gymnasts on each apparatus from the Level 9/10 Division were selected to compete against the Junior National girls. It was pleasing to see that the medal winners at this event came from both the Level 9/10 girls and the Junior National girls.

REACH FOR THE STARS

LEVELS 4-6 & 7-10

The December program at the AIS is always busy and this competition provides both the WAG and

MAG clubs with a friendly competition at the conclusion of their year. Included in the 2002 Reach for the Stars was the trial to select the Australian team to compete at the Australian Youth Olympics in January and the Open Challenge. This popular competition gives the Levels, Junior National and International girls an opportunity to compete together.

USA LEVELS TOUR

This team of six was selected from the level 9/10 Division at National Clubs. Gymnasts who nominated and were selected were:

Felicity Hallam	NSW
Aime Hawkins	NSW
Jessica McIlwraith	NSW
Holli Lawler	VIC
Chloe Jackson	QLD
Taleah Reilly	QLD
Coaches:	
Daniel Benson	NSW
Belinda Wall	QLD

PUBLICATIONS

Both the National Levels Manual and the Sub-Junior Manual were updated and reprinted.

JUDGING

Sub-Junior Courses were held in most States to ensure that States had the required number of judges to qualify their gymnasts for National Championships.

In December, in Canberra prior to the Reach for the Stars competition, a National Levels Course and a National Sub-Junior Course were run. This initiative of holding judging courses in December at the AIS will continue as the week of National Championships is too busy to run any judging courses. The facilities at the AIS are ideal for these courses and conducting them prior to the event allows judges the flexibility of coming only for the course or combining their attendance at the course with either judging or coaching responsibilities at Reach for the Stars.

2002 ANNUAL AWARDS

Snr Gymnast:	Allana Slater (WA)
Jnr Gymnast:	Stephanie Moorhouse (VIC)
Elite Coach. Team:	Western Australian Institute of Sport
Levels Gymnast:	Ilyna Rytova (VIC)
Levels Coach:	Nedal Alyousef (VIC)



↖ ↗
Alexandra Croak (NSW)
*2002 Senior All Around
Australian Champion*

balance



2002 AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS - MELBOURNE

Senior International

Team: Queensland

All Around: Alexandra Croak (NSW)

Junior International

Team: Victoria

All Around: Stephanie Moorhouse (VIC)

Junior National

Team: Western Australia

All Around (U/13): Amy Lauren (WA)

All Around (Over 12): Monique Blout (ACT)

Sub Junior - Stage 4

Team: Western Australia

All Around: Chloe Sims (QLD)

Sub Junior - Stage 3

Team: Victoria

All Around: Natasha Honeywood (NSW)

2002 NATIONAL LEVELS CHAMPIONSHIPS

LEVEL 7

Team: Victoria

All Around: Sarah-Jane Dawson (NSW)

LEVEL 8

Team: Queensland

All Around: Chloe Jackson (QLD)

LEVEL 9

Team: New South Wales

All Around: Taleah Reilly (QLD)

LEVEL 10

Team: Victoria

All Around: Iryna Rytova (VIC)

2002 NATIONAL CLUBS

Champion Elite Program: *Bunnerong (NSW)*

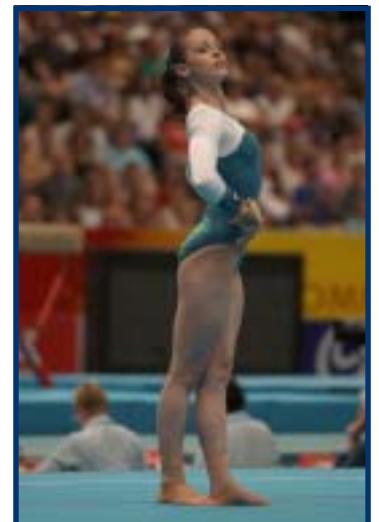
Champion Levels Club:

Lakeside Gymnastics (NSW) - L4-6

Cromer & Epping YMCA (NSW) - L7-10



Stephanie Moorhouse (VIC)
2002 Junior AA Australian Champion



**Sarah
Lauren (WA)**

CONCLUSION

Thank you to the staff at Gymnastics Australia and the State Association offices for their help, always given cheerfully. Also to the State Technical Directors and Judging Coordinators – the work that you do for the gymnasts, coaches and judges in your States is invaluable.

To the gymnasts – whatever your Level or Program – thank you for your hard work throughout the year – you are our sport.

Helen Colagiuri
National Technical Director
Women's Artistic Gymnastics



Sport Management Committee

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**National Education
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Nicole Higham

We had anticipated that this year, 2002, would be one of consolidation, in respect to the technical direction received from the FIG Rhythmic Technical Committee. Quite to the contrary, between July 2001 – December 2002 we have been challenged with 14 FIG Errata that have resulted in changes to the FIG Code. These continual adjustments and modifications have been unsettling to the Australian Rhythmic community, but it is our duty to ensure that the technical direction that we are commissioned to provide, is up to date with the World R.G. technical information. To say the least it has been extremely difficult for our Elite Coaches and Judges to prepare our potential 2003 World Championship team members for the Olympic qualification competition.

Development of a Group Competitive Program

The aim of the SMC is to provide a Group Program for the school system that can be both user friendly for the schools and clubs. This program will add to the current schoolgirls schedule.

This has been a major undertaking in respect that our National Education Coordinator did not come into office until March 2002.

- ✓ Categories and Grades Technical supplement 2002-5 for the National program Manual is completed and published.
- ✓ Key people have been identified for the steering committee for the National School Girls event.
- ✓ Concept paper & regulations to be based principally on the Independent School Girls Competition. This format is presently very strong in NSW and QLD – Nicole Higham is the NSW IGSSA R.G. Coordinator.
- ✓ Promotional brochure to be produced and be distributed Nationally – Sept 2003.
- ✓ Target competition date 2004 September/Oct.
- ✓ Initial information to be distributed and discussed at Australian Championships and National Clubs 2003.

National Program Manual

The National Program Manual was released at the 2002 December AIS Camp. There was a marked improvement in the technical skills of the Levels gymnasts at the Australian Championships 2002, testimony to the development of the coaches and gymnasts via the Manual guidelines.

Key Tours and Camps

Our gymnasts have competed in Russia, Slovenia, Ukraine, Latvia, France, Slovakia, Holland, Cyprus, England, Canada, Portugal, Belgium, Bulgaria, New Zealand. Also they have attended camps in Russia, Bulgaria, Holland and Canada in 2002. Officials on various representative tours have been Margaret Lanz, Robyn Pride, Lisa Bradley, Nicole

Higham, Jo Edinger, Jo Mansfield, Phoebe Papas, Molly Smith, Helen Turnbull, Sandra Button, Teresa Evans, Meryl Papas, Delia Halmu.

Pacific Alliance Championships (April 2002)

Gymnasts: Eliza Gower, Tanya Vahala, Kate Riley, Amanda Lee-See, Amy Khera, Courtney Holloway. Both the Junior and Senior teams were placed 4th. Amanda Lee-See gained a Silver medal for her Ribbon performance.

Commonwealth Championships (April 2002)

Gymnasts: Eliza Gower, Tanya Vahala, Penelope Blackmore, Kate Riley.

The challenges of the 2001 Code continued throughout 2002 with Coaches, Meryl Papas, Lisa Bradley and Delia Halmu literally having to make changes to gymnast's routines according to the understanding of the requirements of the Judges at each particular competition. Australia gained the Silver team medal and Tanya Vahala received a Silver medal for her Hoop routine.

Malaysian National Championships

We sent a young team of officials, Coach Phoebe Papas and Judge Molly Smith with Amy Leonard to the Malaysian Championships. It is necessary for young officials to attend such events to understand the mechanics and protocol of International competition prior to embarking on FIG Events. Amy gained a bronze medal for her Ball exercise.

Nemesia Tournament – Cyprus

Penelope Blackmore won a Bronze medal for her Rope exercise in Cyprus. This is the first time we have competed in this tournament. Penny was accompanied by her Coach Delia Halmu and Judge Helen Turnbull.



2002 NATIONAL SQUADS

SENIOR

Penelope Blackmore (NSW)
Eliza Gower (QLD)
Tanya Vahala (VIC)

JUNIOR

Kate Dolan (WA)
Rebecca Gysi (NSW)
Courtney Holloway (WA)
Lena Kotova (VIC)
Amy Khera (VIC)
Amanda Lee See (QLD)
Heidi Meuwissen (NSW)
Amelia McVeigh (NSW)
Lyndsey Murton (NSW)
Jessica Veal (NSW)

DEVELOPMENT

Eloise Bankowski (QLD)
Johanna Bear (QLD)
Elizabeth Cumming (WA)
Chloe Hayes (WA)
Sara Jammal (NSW)
Emma McCarthy (WA)
Ashta Murugesan (QLD)
Tegan Neylan (WA)
Keziah Oliver (QLD)
Danielle Papadothomakos (SA)
Jessica Sandru (SA)
Brianna Savige (QLD)
Tanita Still (VIC)
Kayla Tilling (SA)
Tanya Vulin (WA)
Zarah Walker (QLD)
Claire Xian (SA)
Lyn Yu (SA)

National Clubs 2002

The Host club was Queensland Academy of Rhythmic Gymnastics. Meryl Papas and her amazing team of workers held yet another successful National Clubs Championships. QRGA hosted an invitational Level 4-6 tournament prior to the National Club event. Queensland Academy of Rhythmic Gymnastics won Club of the year.

TRAINING CAMPS

Level 4-10 January 2002: The program of the January camp was very comprehensive due to the release of the National Program Manual and the continued devolvement of the Categories and Grades program. The Levels Code has taken a positive direction in judging and provides a challenge for all level of gymnasts.

Levels 4-10 December 2002: The focus of the December Camp was Categories and Grades. The document, which covers all aspects of this work, is the multiples supplement to the National Program Manual.

Stages Camp: Each year the Stages gymnasts come into camp for their Medical and skills testing, and each year we see a marked improvement in the preparation of our young elite gymnasts. We are delighted to have our "younger" Stages gymnasts in attendance in camp. This camp is their introduction to representation in sport and it provides them with an opportunity to meet some of the people who they will be involved with during their sporting career. Credit must go to the individual program coaches and the National Coaching Staff for the technical improvement of our Elite gymnasts. The NCS have developed a National Warm up which is to be taught to all National Squad gymnasts in preparation for their representative tours/competitions.

Invitational Camps: In July 2002 the Victorian High Performance Centre invited Eva Serrano - World Championships Bronze medallist to run a clinic. This camp was an open invitation to all gymnasts across Australia. Jo Edinger and Jo Mansfield took their club gymnasts to Canada to explore the draft 2003 Code and to work with BB Ignatova.

Australian Championships – 2002/3

South Australia was a wonderful host again and has provided us with memorable Championships over the past 3 years. We are now in the position that it is necessary to limit our entries as the program is becoming too large and thus financially not viable. In an endeavor to reduce our program to within the time frame, the SMC has met and discussed the program and associated costs at length with GA. We reduced the Finals program

and this proved very successful so we will remain with this format.

CONCLUSION

The SMC thought that 2002 would be a year of consolidation and stability rather we have been extremely busy keeping up to date with the ever-changing regulations from FIG and incorporating them in our National Programs. I must thank my colleagues on the SMC who continue to encourage the RG Community to challenge themselves in developing the sport. Danni Peers and Jane Allen and the staff of Gymnastics Australia are always ready to support our goals and provide us assistance. We appreciate and thank Danni for her commitment to RG. Jane Allen is always clear, decisive and objective in her advice and I personally thank her for that.

ROBYN PRIDE

National Technical Director
Rhythmic Gymnastics

2002 ANNUAL AWARDS

SNR Gymnast of the Year: Eliza Gower (QLD)
JNR Gymnast of the Year: Amanda Lee See (QLD)
Elite Coach of the Year: Meryl Papas (QLD)
Levels Coach of the Year: Phoebe Papas (QLD)

2002 AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONS

Senior Elite: Eliza Gower (QLD)
Junior Elite: Amanda Lee See (QLD)
Stage 4: Jessica Veal (NSW)
Stage 3: Keziah Oliver (QLD)
Level 10: Iris Honrade (NSW)
Level 9: Naazmi Johnston (NSW)
Level 8: Eleanor May (VIC)
Level 7: Genevieve McManamey (NSW)



Amanda Lee See (QLD)
*2002 Junior All Around
Australian Champion*

grace



Eliza Gower (QLD)
*2002 All Around
Australian Champion*



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National Program
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**Sports Officer
(GG)**

Nerine Cooper
**Kindergym
Representative**
Heather Mooney

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Heather Smith (QLD)
Margaret-Mary
Opstelten (QLD)
Petrina Hutchinson (VIC)
Nerine Cooper (GA)

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Advisory
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Annie Rohrlach (SA)
Denise Gustafson (QLD)
Janet Leather (NT)
Heather Mooney (SA)
Jenny Collins (GA)

**Cheerleading
Working Committee**

Nerine Cooper (GA)
Lyn Parker (QLD)
Margaret-Mary
Opstelten (QLD)
Tina Burger (QLD)
Lyndal Johns (QLD)

2002 was a year of growth for General Gymnastics, particularly within the area of Cheerleading. The Aussie GymFest was an outstanding success with athletes from across Australia travelling to Brisbane and the Gold Coast for the exciting 4 day program. General Gymnastic specific pages were added to Gymnastics Australia's web site to further support this major Gymsport of the Federation. Following is a summary of the key projects, resources and developments that have been undertaken and/or completed throughout the year.

MANAGEMENT

VOLUNTEER COMMITTEES

2002 was a year of consolidation in regards to the management structure for General Gymnastics. No elections were held for positions on either the General Gymnastics or Kindergym Australia Advisory Committees. Two meetings were held throughout the year, however improved communication with Committee Members will be required in future years to ensure effective coordination & utilisation of Committee Member's expertise. I wish to take this opportunity to acknowledge and thank Renay Jol (WA) for her contribution to General Gymnastics as a member of the National Advisory Committee. Renay, holding the position of Program Coordinator – Club resigned from the Committee in October.

STAFFING

Nerine Cooper, employed by the Federation in a full time capacity as National Club 10 Officer, was assigned the additional role of Sports Officer for General Gymnastics to assist with the workload within this area. Cheerleading was a key focus area for Nerine and I wish to sincerely thank her for all the support and assistance provided throughout 2002.

MEMBERSHIP

ATHLETES

A 17.1% growth in membership was achieved with a total of 44566 members being registered across Australia. This was also the first year that Cheerleaders could register direct with the Federation, with a total of 500 new members joining throughout 2002. Unfortunately, a slight decrease in membership was experienced within the Kindergym area with a total of 18692 participants being registered by the close of the year, compared to 19200 in the previous year. The decrease could, in the main, be contributed to the closure of several regional South Australian based clubs due to the price of insurance.

COACHES

Within Technical Membership, it was very pleasing to see a continual growth in the number of Level 1 General Gymnastics Accredited Coaches, with a

total of 130 being recorded at the close of the year. This is a 32% increase on the previous year. The Kindergym area has remained stable with a total of 376 Leaders being active and accredited again in 2002. With the newly accredited Level 1 Cheerleading Coaches Course being released in July, only 6 Coaches had successfully completed their assessment work and gained Level 1 Accreditation by the close of the year.

EVENTS

2002 AUSSIE GYM FEST

The 2002 Aussie GymFest program incorporated a number of new program elements, including the 1st National Cheerleading Championships and 1st National AusTeam Championships. The four-day event was held on Queensland's wonderful Gold Coast at the Runaway Bay Sports Super Centre and at Brisbane's Southbank Parklands from July 10th – 14th. 624 participants attended, representing clubs from Western Australia, Northern Territory, Tasmania, Queensland, New South Wales and Victoria, along with a 12 member mature ladies team from Osaka, Japan.

The GymFest is the Federation's pinnacle event for General Gymnastics and with the new program elements, offers all participants a range of exciting performance and competition opportunities. Sincere thanks must be extended to Nerine Cooper and Margaret-Mary Opstelten for their lead role in organising this successful event. Thanks are also extended to the 16 member Event Crew who gave an enormous amount of their time to ensure the four day event ran smoothly.

OSAKA FESTIVAL 2002

Congratulations are extended to the North Queensland Cowboys Cheerleaders, consisting of 12 team members and led by Team Manager Lyn Parker, who were selected to represent Australia at the prestigious Osaka Gymnastics Festival. Over 6000 participants from Japan, Sweden, Australia, Denmark and Germany attended the event, held during October. The team were involved in both program elements which included indoor displays and city performances.



2002 National Course Presenters Team

Myles Cavill (QLD)
Nerine Cooper (QLD)
Robyn Crowe (VIC)
Kerryn Cormick (VIC)
Belinda Cox (NSW)
Kate Debnam (QLD)
Brad Edwards (VIC)
Petrina Hutchinson (VIC)
Brooke Kneebush (VIC)
Phil Noak (SA)
Margaret Mary
Opstelten (QLD)
Alida Scott (WA)
Lisa Shuck (VIC)
Russell Smart (VIC)
Kate Sigsworth (NSW)

WORLD GYMNAESTRADA

Following the 2002 Aussie GymFest thirty-three (33) display teams had sought and received sanction to be part of the Australian World Gymnaestrada Display team. This event will be held in Lisbon, Portugal in July 2003.

EDUCATION

2002 saw the Federation seek re-accreditation of their Level 1 General Gymnastics and Kindergym Coaching Courses. This was successfully received in September and will be valid for a four year period. In addition, a Level 1 Cheerleading Coaches Course was developed and submitted for Accreditation with the Australian Sports Commission. Again, accreditation was successfully gained (March 2002) and will be valid for a four year period.

PROMOTION

The Federation's annual promotional event, "Gymnastics Week", was staged at the end of May, with over 50 clubs across Australia participating. Additional promotional resources were developed and released to clubs via Gymnastics Australia's special GymWeek web site.

PROGRAM AREAS

GENERAL GYMNASTICS

A special Design Committee was formed by the Federation to review current General Gymnastic programs and resources, such as Gym Fun and Gym Skills, with the purpose of developing a new up-to-date resource for Coaches and Teachers. Development of a new program, known as GymMix, commenced and will be completed during 2003.

The 1st AusTeam Championships was staged as part of the Aussie GymFest program and involved over 50 competitors. This new and exciting event incorporates team performances on floor, floor with hand apparatus, vault/mini-tramp and tumbling. Congratulations to Acrobatics Fanatics (QLD) who placed first in this event. Congratulations are also extended to all participating teams with the top four placings being:-

1. Acrobatics Fanatics (QLD)
2. Alice Springs Gymnastics – Flyers (NT)
3. Alice Springs Gymnastics – Novice (NT)
4. PIT Gymnastics (VIC)

CHEERLEADING

The Cheerleading workgroup, under the coordination of Nerine Cooper, have continued development of the Level 1-3 program, which will

include a video, music CD and manual. The program forms the basis of the Level 1 Coaching Course and the National Championship Event Regulations.

The 1st National Level 1 Coaching course was held in conjunction with the Aussie GymFest and involved over 50 participants. The 1st National Cheerleading Championships, staged as part of the Aussie GymFest program, involved over 400 participants and was held at Brisbane's Southbank Parklands. Congratulations to Perth Angels (WA) who took out the Overall Champion Team for the year. Congratulations are also extended to all participating teams. A summary of the top three placings is detailed at the end of this report.

Once again, Gymnastics Australia was invited to be involved in the Australian Rugby League Grand Final ½ time entertainment. Over 120 Cheerleaders were involved in the 3-day training camp and performance, providing both the sport of Gymnastics and Cheerleading with enormous exposure to the 80,000+ strong crowd that attended the Grand Final. Thanks and congratulations to Lyn Parker for her coordination of this opportunity and to Committee members Nerine Cooper and Margaret-Mary Opstelten for all the assistance provided in staging the National camp. It is hoped this may become an annual event for Cheerleading members.

KINDERGYM

The Crew Club membership scheme was continued throughout 2002 and saw over 18,000 benefit packs distributed to members via their clubs. The pack included a specially designed Passport booklet for the collection of weekly stickers and stamps, along with a Crew animal character sticker. In addition, web site pages were updated to incorporate information specifically relating to Kindergym.

Unfortunately, due to other priorities and a change in communication strategies, the popular "Kindergymagic" newsletter for Leaders was not continued throughout 2002.





2002 CLUB 10 CLUBS

2002 Club 10 Advisory Committee

Jane Allen (GA)
 Nadine Weight (ACT)
 Kris Mathieson (NSW)
 Paula Arnol/
 Debbie Gill (NT)
 Teresa Evans (QLD)
 Denzil O'Brien (SA)
 Sue Hope (TAS)
 Jane Farrance (VIC)
 Gratton Wilson (WA)

Club 10 Officers National

Nerine Cooper
 Brad Edwards

State

ACT

Mary Hewett

NSW

Justin Hayes

QLD - NTH

Brenda Lofthouse

QLD - STH

Kim Medcalf

SA

Tamara Jerram

TAS

Brad Edwards

VIC

Ros Bradley

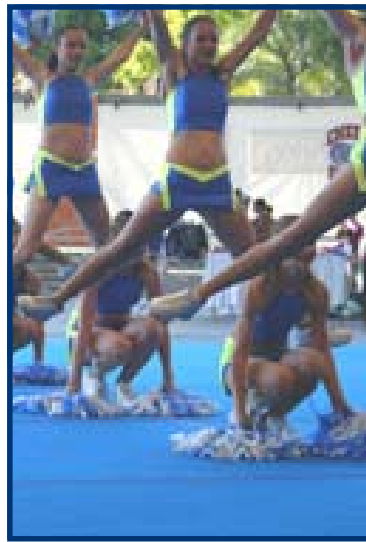
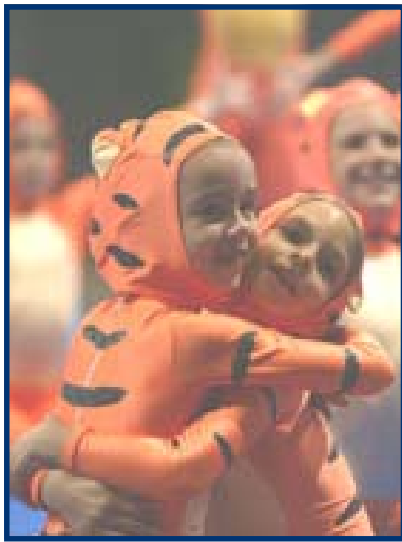
WA

Sam Marsh

NORTHERN		SOUTHERN	
CLUB	STATE	CLUB	STATE
Canberra City	ACT	Koorana	SA
Southern Canberra	ACT	Burnside Kindergym	SA
Woden Valley	ACT	Unley Kindergym	SA
Nepean Gymnastics	NSW	Gym West	SA
Gladesville RSL	NSW	Tea Tree Gully	SA
Westfields School	NSW	Aerial Gymnastics	SA
Mittagong RSL	NSW	Murray Bridge Gymnastics	SA
Central West Gym.	NSW	Walkerville YMCA	SA
Wollongong PCYC	NSW	Prospect Enfield K'Gym	SA
Epping YMCA	NSW	Burnie Gymanstics Club	TAS
Gosford Gymnastics	NSW	Hobart Gymnastics Academy	TAS
Inverell Boys Club	NSW	Wildcats Gymnastics Club	TAS
Lakeside Gymnastics Academy	NSW	Devonport Gymnastics	TAS
North Coast Gymnastics Academy	NSW	Kingborough Sports Centre	TAS
Scallywaggs Gymnastics	NSW	Launceston PCYC	TAS
Top End Rhythmic	NT	West Tamar Gymnastics Club	TAS
PCYC Gymnastics	NT	Kaygees Gymnastics Club	VIC
Palmerston Gymnastics	NT	Jets Gymnastics	VIC
Springers Gymnastics	NT	Waverley Advanced GC	VIC
Alice Springs Kindergym	NT	YMCA of Moonee Valley GC	VIC
Alive Springs YC	NT	PIT Gymnastics - Mill Park	VIC
Alice Springs Gymnastics	NT	Grips International	VIC
Darwin Gymnastics Club	NT	MLC Gymnastics	VIC
Atherton	QLD	Goulburn Valley GC	VIC
Barron Valley	QLD	Maffra Gymnastics	VIC
Innisfail	QLD	Albury Wodonga Gymnastics	VIC
Malanda	QLD	Northern Districts GC	WA
Mareeba	QLD	West Coast	WA
Southside	QLD	Vital Gymnastics	WA
Tully	QLD	High Flyers Gymnastics	WA
Beaudesert Gymnastics	QLD	Roleystone Gymnastics	WA
Club Dynamite	QLD	Star Mites Gymnastics	WA
Heatley Gymnastics	QLD	Icon Fitness	WA
Lawnton Gymnastics Academy	QLD		
Moranbah Community GC	QLD		
Townsville Gymnastics	QLD		

2002 ANNUAL AWARD WINNERS

GG Club of the Year: PIT Gymnastics (VIC)
GG Coach of the Year: Tina Burger (QLD)
Kindergym Leader of the Year: Annie Rohrlach (SA)
Volunteer of the Year: Lyn Parker (QLD)
Special Recognition Award: Petrina Hutchinson (VIC)
 Kathy Batibasaga (QLD)



2002 National Cheerleading Championships

Overall Champion Team – Perth Angels (WA)

Hot Shots – Dance, Cheer & Chant Division:

- 1st – Townsville Dance & Cheerleading (QLD)
- 2nd – John Paul College Starlets (QLD)
- 3rd – Cairns Cheerleading (QLD)

Hot Shots – Tumbling, Stunts and Dance Division:

- 1st – Townsville Dance & Cheerleading (QLD)
- 2nd – John Paul College Starz (QLD)
- 3rd – Jollettes Cheerleaders (WA)

All Stars – Dance, Cheer & Chant Division:

- 1st – Perth Angles (WA)
- 2nd – John Paul College Starz (QLD)
- 3rd – Caboolture Vipers (QLD)

All Stars – Tumbling, Stunts and Dance Division:

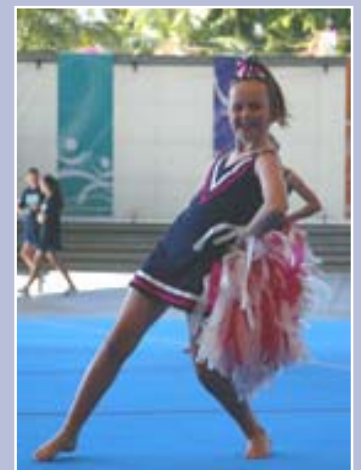
- 1st – Perth Angels (WA)
- 2nd – Scallywaggs All Starz (NSW)
- 3rd – PIT Gymnastics (VIC)

Open – Dance, Cheer & Chant Division:

- 1st – Heatley Gymnastics KFC Cowgirls (QLD)
- 2nd – Heatley Gymnastics KFC Top Gun Nth Old (QLD)
- 3rd – Heatley Gymnastics KFC Top Gun Townsville (QLD)

All Stars – Tumbling, Stunts and Dance Division:

- 1st – Heatley Gymnastics KFC Cowgirls (QLD)
- 2nd – Heatley Gymnastics KFC Top Gun Townsville (QLD)
- 3rd – Acrobatic Fanatics (QLD)



CONCLUSION

I wish to sincerely thank and congratulate all members of the General Gymnastics, Kinderym and Cheerleading Committees for their dedication and support throughout 2002. Special thanks also to all National Office staff and Board Members for their assistance and ongoing support.

I also wish to congratulate all nominees and winners of the 2002 National General Gymnastics Awards. These Awards continue to grow in prestige, based on the increase in nominations being received.

I am sure 2003 will be a busier year and will also see a renewed focus on the promotion and defining of General Gymnastics.

Jenny Collins
Program Director



2002 was a year where Sport Aerobics continued to attract new athletes into the competition arena with the launch of the AEROSkools Program and the staging of the National Championships in Melbourne attracting over 500 athletes. At an international level the politics of sport did affect Australian representation at two of the three major international events. While the number of Australian athletes competing overseas was down, the results were outstanding with Lauren Farry achieving a World Championship title in 2002.

Sport Management Committee

National Program Manager

Matt Connell

National Technical Director

Karon Williams

Education Coordinator

Libby Boak

Events & Participation

Kerryn Cormick

FIG Brevet Judges

Category II:

Libby Boak

Karon Williams

IAF/ANAC Brevet Judges

Category I:

Annette Chatterton

Category II:

Libby Boak

Karon Williams

INTERNATIONAL SELECTION TRIALS

The International Selection Trials and National Squad Training Camp were held at the AIS in Canberra from the 25th – 27th January. Camp personnel included a skills coach, judges, choreographers and a team of medical officers from CSC Health in WA. All athletes were required to perform their routines in front of a selection panel. Immediately following the trial, all athletes attended an intensive two days of training where they received expert advice and guidance from camp personnel. Athletes were assessed on the standard of their performance and their overall application to set tasks throughout the two days of the camp.

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

Suzuki World Cup

The first event on the international calendar was the Suzuki World Cup held in Tokyo from the 13th – 14th April 2002. This was the 13th World Cup run by the International Aerobic Federation. A total of 116 athletes representing 17 participating member federations competed in 6 categories of competition. For the first time, two new youth categories were introduced that showcased the talent of young athletes from around the world.

Australia was well represented with the WA Senior Trio (Leah Henville, Melissa Davies and Melissa Read) winning the bronze medal, Sandi Carmichael winning bronze and Kieran Gorman placing 6th in the Youth Varsity category. Lauren Farry placed 4th in the Senior Female category. Karon Williams represented Australia on the judging panel and was the spokesperson for Gymnastics Australia at the IAF World Congress. Kerryn Cormick was the official Coach for the Australian Team.

ANAC World Championships

The ANAC World Championships were held in Miami Beach Florida from the 5th – 10th August 2002. With the FIG threatening to ban athletes from future FIG events if they attended the ANAC World Championships and the threat of possible sanctions on Gymnastics Australia by the FIG if Gymnastics Australia supported sending a team to the event, it was decided not to send athletes to the event. A period of reprieve was requested to the ANAC to allow Gymnastics Australia to investigate the issues at hand and to present its case to the FIG. All National Squad athletes were kept informed of the situation and accepted Gymnastics Australia's decision.

Lauren Farry was invited by the Director of ANAC to compete at the event. She competed fully understanding the repercussions that could be imposed on her by the FIG. Lauren was not perturbed by these threats and successfully competed winning the World Championship title in the Individual Female category.

FIG World Championships

The FIG World Championships were held in Klaipeda Lithuania from the 29th – 31st July 2002. Leah Henville was the only Australian athlete to compete in the event. Unfortunately Stuart Fisher had to withdraw due to illness. It was unfortunate the FIG World Championships and the ANAC World Championships were only five days apart. The majority of National Squad athletes trained for selection to compete at the ANAC World Championships. With the decision made not to send a team to the ANAC event, time did not allow athletes to enter the FIG event.

Karon Williams judged at the event and Trudi Nurse was the appointed coach. Karon also attended the FIG Round Table Discussion where the ANAC and FIG issues were discussed amongst the 33 member federations present at the meeting.

New Zealand National Championships

The New Zealand National Championships provided the opportunity for National Squad athletes that missed out competing at the ANAC and FIG World Championships with the chance to compete in an event close to home. The event was held on the 12th October at Selwyn College Theatre, Kohimarama Auckland. All Australian athletes achieved a top 3 placing indicating the high standard of performance of our National Squad athletes. All athletes and officials thoroughly enjoyed the experience and every effort will be made to ensure Australia is represented at future New Zealand events.

Libby Boak was the Head of Delegation and judged at the event. Justine Bratanavicius was the appointed Coach.

National Championships

The 6th National Championships were held at the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre on the 31st August – 1st September. Over 500 athletes from the beginner through to the elite competed at the event. The popularity of the Sport Aerobics Levels divisions was evident by the 83% increase in entries compared to 2001. The event was hosted by Gymnastics Australia and special thanks must go to the GA staff for their time and effort in running the event over the two days.

AEROSkools PARTICIPATION PROGRAM

In 2002, with funding assistance from the ASC, Gymnastics Australia launched its AEROSkools program in WA, SA, VIC and TAS. AEROSkools is a Sport Aerobics participation program conducted within schools/clubs that aims to introduce basic sport aerobics movement patterns within a fun and challenging program culminating in the development

energy

Lauren Farry (NSW)
2002 ANAC Champion &
Australian Champion



AEROSkools Participants



2002 NATIONAL SQUAD

Lauren Britten (QLD)
Lauren Farry (NSW)
Summer Van Loenhout (WA)
Robert McGroarty (WA)
Melissa Davies (WA)
Emily Sharp (SA)
Sandi Carmichael (SA)
Claire Manners (VIC)
La Shae Pentony (VIC)
Chris Behan (NSW)
Stuart Fisher (WA)
Chloe Sargent (WA)
Kieran Gorman (WA)
Anthony Ikin (QLD)
Leah Henville (WA)
Katrina White (VIC)
Erin Pugh (VIC)
Stephanie Sarantakos (VIC)
Diane Sarantakos (VIC)
Kylie Halliday (SA)
Emily Melville (WA)
Jayde Keating (QLD)
Jenna Phillips (QLD)
Carly Rees (QLD)
Carmen Hayward (ACT)
Melissa Read (WA)

2002 ANNUAL AWARDS

Senior Athlete of the Year:

Lauren Farry (NSW)

Youth Athlete of the Year:

Sandi Carmichael (SA)

Coach of the Year:

Trudi Nurse (WA)

Official of the Year:

Carolyn Diakoumis-Volos (NSW)

2002 AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONS

Snr Elite Male: Chris Behan (NSW)
Snr Elite Female: Lauren Farry (NSW)
Snr Elite Mix Pair: K Piper, T Crowe (NSW)
Snr Elite Trio: J Fetterplace, K Fetterplace, K Cater (VIC)
Snr Nov Female: Eleanor Bunn (VIC)
Snr Yth Female: Sandi Carmichael (SA)
Snr Yth Male: Kieran Gorman (WA)
Snr Yth Trio: K Gorman, H Davies, S Van-Loenhout (WA)
Snr Yth Group: K Parker, M Crawford, C Ramsden, A Kelly (VIC)
Int Yth Female: Chloe Sargent (WA)
Int Yth Male: Martin Warren (QLD)
Int Yth Trio: E Clarke, J Sewell, N Looi (VIC)
Int Yth Group: K McLardie, A Dane, A Robertson, K Sewell (VIC)
Jnr Yth Trio: S Williams, T Savio, M Yang (VIC)
Jnr Yth Group: L Yang, G Corbett, A Nicholson, T Ecker, S Verdaasdonk, M Attwood (VIC)
Jnr Female L1: Caitlin Murphy (NSW)
Jnr Male L1: Dylan Henry (VIC)
Jnr Trio L1: C Murphy, A Burgess, C Harris (NSW)
Jnr Group L1: M Nathan, A Hawkins, A Mitchell, C Muttodon, R Dillon, A England (VIC)

Int Female L1: Lauren Healey (NSW)
Int Trio L1: P O'Brien, S Mitchell, A Smith (VIC)
Int Group L1: R Quinton, C Wetherman, C Vannatter, A Woodward, E Smyth, C Dobell (VIC)
Snr Female L1: Natali Keentok (NSW)
Snr Trio L1: B Walls, S Cervenak, R Coe (QLD)
Snr Group L1: H Nee Chin, C Goldblatt, C Guthrie, M Santo, L Silcock (VIC)
Jnr Female L2: Victoria Van Loenhout (WA)
Int Female L2: Alexandra Kane (WA)
Int Trio L2: S Rizzardi, P Maynes, S Adamson (VIC)
Int Group L2: E Ballin, E Hudson, J Martelli, N Melacrinis, J Kavos (NSW)
Snr Female L2: J oeleen Green (WA)
Snr Trio L2: T Samphier, D Thompson, S Hollingsworth (VIC)
Snr Group L2: P Harris, S French, K Fleet, C Sounders (VIC)
Int Female L3: Alessia Lapenna (QLD)
Snr Female L3: Katherine Aquino (WA)
Snr Trio L3: K Aquino, J Dunn, B Tung (WA)
Step: R Johns, E Nicholson, M Bellesini, A Peterson (VIC)

INTERNATIONAL RESULTS

IAF Suzuki World Cup, Tokyo Japan

Elite Trio: L Henville, M Read, M Davies (WA) 3rd
Elite Female: Lauren Farry (NSW) 4th
Yth Varsity: Sandi Carmichael (SA) 3rd
Kieran Gorman (WA) 6th

ANAC World Championships, Florida USA

Elite Female: Lauren Farry (NSW) 1st

FIG World Championships, Klaipeda Lithuania

Elite Female: Leah Henville (WA) 27th

New Zealand National Championships

Int Yth Female: Chloe Sargent (WA) 1st
Lauren Britten (QLD) 2nd
Snr Yth Female: Carly Rees (QLD) 1st
LaShae Pentony (VIC) 2nd
Elite Male: Chris Behan (NSW) 1st
Elite Trio: D Sarantakos, S Sarantakos, E Pugh (VIC) 1st
Elite Female: Claire Manners (VIC) 2nd
Emily Melville (WA) 3rd

of a Sport Aerobics routine. Schools can enter teams into state or national events. The program forms part of the ASC's Targeted Sports Participation Program. A total of 183 schools and clubs registered in the program in 2002. The following staff were appointed in 2002:
National Co-ordinator: Karon Williams
VIC Co-ordinator: Kerryn Cormick
SA Co-ordinator: Kay Semple
WA Co-ordinator: Alida Scott

2002 AEROSkools STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

WA: 5 July - Somerville Baptist College, Murdoch

SA: 28 July - Walford Anglican Girls School, Hyde Park

VIC: 9 August - Ivanhoe Girls Grammar School, Ivanhoe

2002 AEROSkools NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

30th August
Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre

EDUCATION

Libby Boak (Education Co-ordinator) and the National SMC completed a review and update of the Level 1 Sport Aerobics Coaching Course and the Sport Aerobics Judging Course. Both courses were amended to align with the Gymnastics Australia Common Rules.

CONCLUSION

As Sports Aerobics continues to grow in stature the opportunities for athletes to compete at a state, national and international level have also increased. Athletes' achievements in 2002 are nothing short of amazing and Australia's reputation of producing world class athletes remains in tact.

Special thanks must go to the athletes for their outstanding performances in 2002; to the coaches for their work with the athletes in preparing them for competition; to the judges for their time and effort in attending training courses and judging events; to the members of the State and National Sport Aerobics Management Committees for their efforts in organising events, ongoing education and promoting the sport. I would like to say thank you to the staff at Gymnastics Australia and all the State Associations for the guidance, assistance and support; and to all the volunteers that have dedicated their time to the sport.

Karon Williams

Sport Aerobics Technical Director



Sport Management Committee
National Program Manager
 Russell Smart
Chairperson
 Allen Cullen
 (Resigned Oct)
 Chuck Smith
 (Appointed Nov)
National Judging Coordinator
 Melanie Tonks
National Education Development Coordinator
 Belinda Cox
National Program Development Coordinator
 Darren Gillis
National Elite Coordinator
 Jarrod Heriot
National Trampoline Coach
 Nikolay Zhuravlev
National DMT Coach
 Kerry Smyth

2002 ANNUAL AWARDS

International Athlete
 Scott Brown
International Coach
 Nikolay Zhuravlev
International Jnr Athlete
 Christie Jenkins
National Athlete
 Gregory Clune
National Coach
 Melanie Tonks
NOP Official
 Allen Cullen

2002 was a year of regrouping for Trampoline Sports. An Elite Coaches conference for each discipline of Trampoline, Double Mini Trampoline and Tumbling was formed to allow direct input to the National SMC on elite matters. Gymnastics Australia employed a National Elite Coordinator to oversee and respond to the recommendations from the Elite Coaches Conferences. This proved to be successful.

A second focus area was to develop a "National Club Levels" competition in an effort to spread participation to all athletes in all levels. Queensland Gymnastics and the Robertson Gymnastics Club held this event successfully and the event will continue to be developed over the next few years until it can stand alone on the National calendar.

Our athletes enjoyed a range of events over the year and achieved some great results.

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

Australian International Challenge – Gold Coast, Australia

Date: 3-4th July 2002
 Counties: Canada, Japan, New Zealand, Australia, South Africa
 Australian Team: 104 athletes, 7 coaches.

The objective of the competition was to provide international competition experience for non-European countries in the year prior to World Championships and World Age Group Games. It was unfortunate that USA, Brazil and Argentina were unable to compete but with 247 competitors present, the competition was still of a high standard.

Australia won 11 gold, 13 silver and 12 bronze medals in the 32 events that were contested. Carly Ward was our most decorated competitor winning 2 gold and a silver medal from 3 events with Khali Ridge winning a gold and a silver medal, Christie Jenkins winning 2 silver medals, Chris Chatfield winning a silver and a bronze medal and Ilyan Keay winning 2 bronze medals.

Congratulations to the coaching staff of Nikolay Zhuravlev, Kerry Smyth, Nikki Ahrens and their assistants, Belinda Cox, Cherie Rutherford, Judy Perrin and Bennie De Roo for their efforts in supporting and directing such a large team. Also congratulations to the team manager Jarrod Heriot and his assistant managers, Helen Wilden and Karen Kelso for supervising and caring for such a large team.

Individual Medal Winners for Australia

<u>11-12</u>				
Ind. Trampoline	Women	Jaimi Meyer	2 nd	
Tumbling	Women	Stevie Hoiles	1 st	
		Chloe Ahearne	2 nd	
	Men	Reece Thompson	1 st	
Syncro	Women	Hayley Tagell/ Katrina Yoeman	2 nd	
	Men	Jason Osbourne/ Jason Johnson	2 nd	
		Georgie Fung/ Joel Williams	3 rd	

13-14

Ind. Trampoline	Women	Christie Jenkins	2 nd
	Men	David Cullen	3 rd

DMT	Women	Christie Jenkins	2 nd	
	Men	Jarrold Spear	1 st	
Tumbling	Women	Tegan Straub	2 nd	
	Men	Greg Clunes	1 st	
Syncro	Women	Ashlee Rideout/ Suzanne Stewart	2 nd	
	Men	Nathan Horne/ Ty Swaddling	2 nd	
<u>15-16</u>				
Ind. Trampoline	Women	Ilyan Keay	3 rd	
	Men	Chris Chatfield	2 nd	
DMT	Women	Cassie Midas	3 rd	
	Men	Matthew Hansen	1 st	
		John Bevan	3 rd	
Tumbling	Women	Jessica Petrovic	2 nd	
		Jackie Melvold	3 rd	
Syncro	Women	Vanessa Robinson/ Ilan Keay	3 rd	
	Men	Liam Kelso/ John Bevan	1 st	
		Chris Chatfield/ Chris Hodge	3 rd	

17+

Ind. Trampoline	Women	Carly Ward	2 nd
		Khali Ridge	3 rd
	Men	Scott Brown	1 st
		Victor Zhuravlev	2 nd
DMT	Women	Carly Ward	1 st
Tumbling	Women	Belinda Law	3 rd
	Men	Mark McLaughlin	1 st
		Trent Brumwell	3 rd
Syncro	Women	Khali Ridge/ Carly Ward	1 st
		Tammy Farmer/ Cassie Farmer	3 rd
	Men	Ben Wilden/ Jonathon Dore	1 st
		Damien Ryan/ Damien Kelso	2 nd

World Cup – Edmonton, Canada

Date:	16-17 th August 2002
Athletes:	Scott Brown, Viktor Zhuravlev, Jonathon Dore & Ben Wilden.
Coach:	Nikolay Zhuravlev
Judge:	Brett Austine



Action from the 2002 Australian International Challenge

2002 National Squad Members

Senior

- Scott Brown (NSW)
- Chris Chatfield (VIC)
- Carla Dellwo (VIC)
- Jonathon Dore (NSW)
- Robyn Forbes (VIC)
- Jacinta Harford (VIC)
- Damien Kelso (QLD)
- Neesha Lethbridge (VIC)
- Mark McLaughlan (QLD)
- Khali Ridge (NSW)
- Damian Ryan (VIC)
- Jessie South (QLD)
- Carly Ward (QLD)
- Adrian Wareham (VIC)
- Ben Wilden (SA)
- Victor Zhuravlev (NSW)

Junior

- Gregory Clune (NSW)
- David Cullen (NSW)
- Alan James (QLD)
- Cassie Middis (QLD)
- Vanessa Robinson (NSW)
- Christie Jenkins (VIC)
- Ilyan Keay (NSW)
- Jackie Melvold (NSW)
- Matthew Mitcham (QLD)
- Adri Pretorius (VIC)
- Ashlee Rideout (QLD)
- Jarrood Spear (QLD)
- Anna Vivash (QLD)



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Results

Ind. Trampoline	Ben Wilden	21 st
	Scott Brown	22 nd
	Viktor Zhuravlev	32 nd
	Jonathon Dore	34 th
Synchro	Viktor Zhuravlev/ Scott Brown	8 th
	Jonathon Dore/ Ben Wilden	15 th

World Cup – Greensboro, USA

Date: 23-24th August 2002
 Athletes: Scott Brown, Viktor Zhuravlev, Jonathon Dore & Ben Wilden.
 Coach: Nikolay Zhuravlev
 Judge: Brett Austine

Results

Ind. Trampoline:	Scott Brown	15 th
	Viktor Zhuravlev	28 th
	Jonathon Dore	31 st
	Ben Wilden	60 th
Synchro	Jonathon Dore/ Ben Wilden	14 th
	Viktor Zhuravlev/ Scott Brown	20 th

18th European Championships – St Petersburg, Russia

Date: 19th November 2002
 Athletes: Scott Brown & Viktor Zhuravlev
 Coach: Nikolay Zhuravlev

Results

Ind. Trampoline:	Viktor Zhuravlev	29 th
	Scott Brown	=33 rd

2002 Australian Trampoline Sports Championships

The 2002 Australian Championships were held at Central Coast Youth Club in Gosford, NSW 29th September to 3rd October. The NSW State Association and NSW Trampoline Technical Committee ran the event. My sincere thanks go to all the staff and volunteers that assisted to make this event so successful.

National Champions:

Ind. SNR (M) TRP: Scott Brown (NSW)
 Ind. SNR (W) TRP: Robyn Forbes (VIC)
 Ind. JNR (M) TRP: Christopher Chatfield (VIC)
 Ind. JNR (W) TRP: Christie Jenkins (VIC)
 SNR (M) DMT: Damian Ryan (VIC)
 SNR (W) DMT: Jacinta Harford (VIC)
 JNR (M) DMT: Matthew Hansen (NSW)
 JNR (W) DMT: Christie Jenkins (VIC)

SNR (M) Tumbling: Mark McLaughlan (QLD)
 SNR (W) Tumbling: Jessie South (QLD)
 JNR (M) Tumbling: Gregory Clune (NSW)
 JNR (W) Tumbling: Adri Pretorius (VIC)

SNR (M) Synchro TRP: Scott Brown/
 Viktor Zhuravlev (NSW)



SNR (W) Synchro TRP:	Khali Ridge/ Shilo Long (NSW)
JNR (M) Synchro TRP:	Jarrold Spear/ John Beavan (QLD)
JNR (W) Synchro TRP:	Ashlee Rideout/ Suzanne Stewart (QLD)
Team Trophy:	Victoria
SNR (M) TRP Team:	NSW
SNR (W) TRP Team:	Victoria
JNR (M) TRP Team:	Victoria
JNR (W) TRP Team:	Queensland
SNR (M) DMT Team:	Victoria
SNR (W) DMT Team:	Victoria
JNR (M) DMT Team:	Queensland
JNR (W) DMT Team:	Victoria
SNR (M) Tumbling Team:	Queensland
SNR (W) Tumbling Team:	Victoria
JNR (M) Tumbling Team:	Not Contested
JNR (W) Tumbling Team:	Victoria
SNR (M) Synchro TRP Team:	NSW
SNR (W) Synchro TRP Team:	NSW
JNR (M) Synchro TRP Team:	QLD
JNR (W) Synchro TRP Team:	QLD

National Age Title winners:

Ind. Trampoline

MEN

9-10 Yrs:	Aiden Thomas (NSW)
11-12 Yrs:	Luke Warner (VIC)
13-14 Yrs:	Jarrold Spear (QLD)
15-16 Yrs:	Matthew Hansen (NSW)
17+ Yrs:	Ian Cooper (NSW)

WOMEN

9-10 Yrs:	Samantha Rosenberg (QLD)
11-12 Yrs:	Jaimi Meyer (VIC)
13-14 Yrs:	Christie Jenkins (VIC)
15-16 Yrs:	Ilyan Keay (NSW)
17+ Yrs:	Gyanne Watson (QLD)

Double Mini Trampoline

MEN

9-10 Yrs:	Timothy Laird (QLD)
11-12 Yrs:	Jason Osbourne (NSW)
13-14 Yrs:	Matthew Mitcham (QLD)
15-16 Yrs:	Christopher Chatfield (VIC)
17+ Yrs:	Ian Cooper (NSW)

WOMEN

9-10 Yrs:	Kaitlyn Duignan (QLD)
11-12 Yrs:	Fiona Salvair (QLD)
13-14 Yrs:	Christie Jenkins (VIC)
15-16 Yrs:	Cassie Middis (QLD)
17+ Yrs:	Desiree Stuart (QLD)

Tumbling

MEN

9-10 Yrs:	Not Contested
11-12 Yrs:	Reece Thompson (QLD)
13-14 Yrs:	Gregory Clune (NSW)
15-16 Yrs:	Malcolm Johnston (NSW)
17+ Yrs:	Benjamin Jones (QLD)

WOMEN

9-10 Yrs:	Kimberly Yalong (QLD)
11-12 Yrs:	Haylea Blundell (VIC)
13-14 Yrs:	Danica Hilton (QLD)

15-16 Yrs:	Adri Pretorius (VIC)
17+ Yrs:	Nicole Paulsen (VIC)

Synchronised Trampoline

MEN

9-10 Yrs:	Patrick Cooper/Connor Vale (QLD)
11-12 Yrs:	Julian Napier/Matthew Delforce (Q)
13-14 Yrs:	Daniel Webber/Ty Swadling (NSW)
15-16 Yrs:	Alan James & Joel Healy (QLD)
17+ Yrs:	Trent Brumwell & Dean Evans (QLD)

Synchronised Trampoline

Women

9-10 Yrs:	Katelyn Duignan/Shannon Easy (Q)
11-12 Yrs:	Jaimi Meyer/Julienne O'Rourke (VIC)
13-14 Yrs:	Ashlee Rideout/Suzanne Stewart (Q)
15-16 Yrs:	Christie Jenkins/Olivia Hoare (VIC)
17+ Yrs:	Felicity Lovegrove/Gyanne Watson (Q)

National Age Team Trophy:	NSW
National Age Trampoline Trophy:	NSW
National Age DMT Trophy:	QLD
National Age Tumbling Trophy:	QLD
National Age Synchronised Trophy:	NSW

COACHES EDUCATION

The Level Two Coaches Course committee of Malcolm McBride, Gail Stiffle & Michael Johnston, headed by Belinda Cox have work tirelessly to develop this course. Part 2 was run at the 2002 Australian Championships with 40 participants. It is also confirmed that Part 3 will be run at the 2003 Australian Championships, which will complete the Level 2 Course process for many of the 40 Part 1 participants and give Trampoline Sports their first wave of Level 2 accredited coaches.

CLOSING

A huge amount of work was achieved in 2002, which would not have happened without the devoted work of the SMC committee members.

Allen Cullen resigned as Technical Director in October 2002 to spend more time with family and his new job. Allen has been in this role since the merger of Trampoline Sports into Gymnastics Australia in 1999. His energy and devotion to Trampoline Sports was second to none.

Gymnastics Australia on behalf of the Trampoline Sports community sincerely thanks Allen for his tremendous work in guiding Trampoline Sports through a very difficult period.

Russell Smart

National Program Manager
Trampoline Sports



**Sport
Management
Committee**
**National Program
Manager**
 Russell Smart
Technical Director
 Terry Jamieson
**National Education
Development
Coordinator**
 Myles Cavill
**National Judging
Coordinator**
 Pamela Ryan
**National Program
Coordinator**
 Lachlan Hoole
**National Technical
Services**
 Brad Stock

Over the past 12 months, Sports Acrobatics in Australia has pitched itself higher than ever before. The participation of new States into National Championships and the increase entries has set the tempo for exciting times to come.

2002 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS, Riesa Germany

Acrobats: Women's Three: Elena Armenis, Tara Busbridge & Veronica Gravolin

Coach: Yuriy Stepchenkov

Results

4th Place - All-Around

2nd Place – Balance Routine

6th Place – Tempo Routine

5th Place – Combined Routine

The 4th place all-around was an excellent result by the girls in their first World Championships. All three girls received their FIG pins.

2002 AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Conducted at Brisbane Boys Grammar School from 4th to 6th October 2002.

Many Thanks to Gymnastics Queensland for running the event.

National Champions:

Level 10 Mixed Pairs: David Crank & Olivia Wright (NSW)

Level 10 Women Three: Amanda Leatherday, Levana Marin & Melinda Brough (QLD)

Level 9 Mixed Pairs: Peter Maamary & Rhiannon Jones (NSW)

Level 8 Mixed Pairs: Laura Saba & Jarrod Woolnough (VIC)

Level 8 Women Pairs: Danielle Swindells & Kathryn Bray (NSW)

Level 8 Women Three: Bianca Ilacqua, Caitlin Hespe & Kate Murray (NSW)

Level 7 Mixed Pair: Jamie Broadbent & Madelin Bisby (QLD)

Level 7 Women Pair: Shelby Lacey & Kacie Wingate (NSW)

Level 7 Women Three: Britta Edwards, Pia Grose & Shannon O'Shea (QLD)

Level 6 Mixed Pairs: Peter Booth & Louise Khong (VIC)

Level 6 Women Pairs: Erin Simmonds & Jessica Simmonds (NSW)

Level 6 Women Three: Megan Cutajar, Courtney Southwell & Caitlin Douglas (NSW)

Level 5 Mixed Pairs: Mitchell Nicholas & Chelsea Dobbs (QLD)

Level 5 Men Four: Glen Wimberley, Adam Wimberley, Wesley Mengel & George Stratford (QLD)

Level 5 Men Pairs: Mitchell Saba & Tim Cooke (VIC)

Level 5 Women Three: Dana Fox & Renee Williams (QLD)

Level 5 Women Three: Karie Osborne-Crowley, Morgan Jansson & Freya Noble (NSW)

Level 4 Mixed Pairs: Iain Murrell & Nina Oyama (NSW)

Level 4 Women Pairs: Johanna Blight & Kristen Smith (NSW)

Level 4 Women Three: Rachael Ibrahim, Kirby Mowbray & Jessie Mutholland (NSW)

Team Trophy: NSW

Total Athletes: 242

(NSW:94, NT: 8, QLD: 91, VIC: 44 & WA: 5.)

Total Coaches: 11

Total Judges: 17

JUDGING & COACH EDUCATION

Two Level 1 Judges courses were held in NT, one in Darwin and the other in Alice Springs, producing 14 new Judges. One Level 1 Coaches course was also held in Darwin early 2002 assisting NT greatly with accredited coaches to cover the three clubs now involved with Sports Acrobatics. Thank you to Myles Cavill and Dianne Smith who conducted the courses.

The Level 2 Judges course was completed and presented in Queensland, NSW & Victoria. Many thanks to Pamela Ryan & Dianne Smith for presenting these courses.

CLOSING

Sports Acrobatics in Australia has continued to grow and develop in both the participation and elite areas. Australia has been lucky to receive a couple of coach imports in the past few years that have contributed greatly to our success in the International arena. Special thank you must go to Agnes Sajgal & Yuriy Stephenkov for much of this success in 2002.

In closing I wish to sincerely thank the National SMC of Sports Acrobatics for their hard work and direction. The State Associations for their support and specially NT and WA for learning about Sports Acrobatics and assisting to develop the Sport in their State.

Russell Smart
 National Program Manager
 Sports Acrobatics



2002 NATIONAL SQUAD

Senior National Squad

Women's 3:

Mia Romano, Lisa Jones & Rebecca Buffrey

Senior National Development Squad

Women's 3:

Bianca Ilacqua, Caitlin Hespe & Kate Murray

Development Squad

Mixed Pairs:

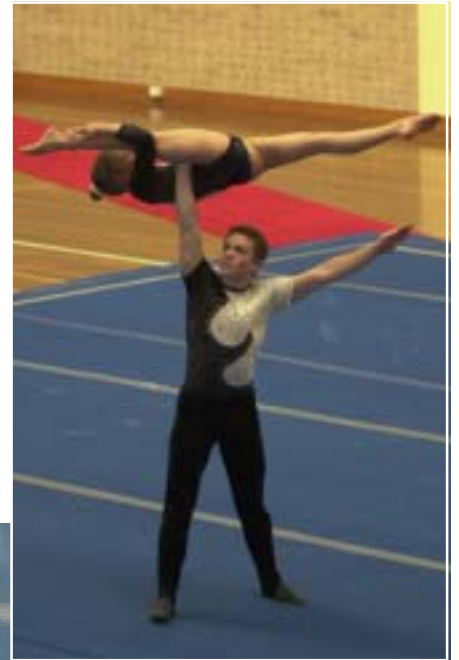
Peter Maamary & Rhiannon Jones

Women's 3:

Renee Quail, Jessica Ward & Ashleigh Ryan

Women's 2:

Alex Cooper & Monika Ba Pe



2002 Australian Championships

tempo

Australian Capital Territory



Gymnastics

Australian Capital Territory

President

Robert Weight

Executive

Director

Nadine Weight

Membership

Gymnasts

2300

Technical Members

32

Clubs

9

During 2002 the ACTGA has continued its commitment to raising the profile of gymnastics in the ACT and improving both programs and administration enabling us to provide a higher level of support to our members.

2002 IN REVIEW

- Participated in the Raising the Bar program.
- Both ACTGA and clubs attended a number of Sport and Recreation seminars.
- Continued to hold in-service programs for schoolteachers.
- Workshops held for coaches and judges.
- Held two major events during 2002 National Clubs and Reach for the Stars.
- Produced our own Web site.
- Continued our co-operative agreement with Gymnastics Australia.
- Trampoline introduced into the ACT with Canberra Trampoline Sports Club affiliating with ACTGA
- Regional NSW clubs participate in ACT events.
- Schools program expanded to include thirty schools.
- New manual produced for State levels 1 – 10
- Participated in the Club 10 program
- Club 10 officer appointed.

STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 2002 State Championships were held for all Levels in both MAG and WAG with the MAG competition being held at Woden Valley Gymnastics Club and the WAG event held at Southern Canberra Gymnastics.

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

This year saw the ACT send state representatives to represent them at the Women's, Men's, Trampoline and Sports Aerobics Australian Championships.

To all of our valuable volunteers and officials, thank you for your assistance and support. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

Nadine Weight
Executive Director

EVENTS

The 2002 National Clubs Championships attracted over 700 participants and saw over four thousand routines performed and evaluated.

The Reach for the Stars was once again a very successful competition with over forty-eight teams participating. This event has now become part of the National calendar.

My sincere thanks to Canberra City Gymnastic, Southern Canberra Gymnastics and Woden Valley Gymnastics who provided the volunteers that made it possible to run the event.



Gymnastics
New South Wales

President
Peter Read

Executive Director
Kris Mathieson

Membership
Gymnasts
25,393

Technical Members
896

Clubs
196

It is with much pleasure that I am able to begin my report by taking the opportunity to congratulate all gymnasts, coaches and officials who represented New South Wales and Australia during 2002. While the focus of Gymnastics NSW is fun, fitness and friendship for the membership, representation of state and country is the pinnacle of any sporting achievement. Special recognition needs to be made of the achievements of Philippe Rizzo in securing the first World Championship gold medal for artistic gymnastics and his outstanding performance at the Commonwealth Games in Manchester. Detailed achievements and outstanding performance of other gymnasts will be covered in the Gymsport sections throughout the annual report.

The year 2002 has proved to be a particularly challenging and at times rewarding one. The further progression in the workings of the Sport Management Committee structure is now becoming more widely accepted but there is still an improved structure of communication within Gymnastics NSW required to ensure that effective service delivery is provided for the member. This improved communication will become the focus of the management of the organisation for 2003.

It is timely to remind all that the Sport Management Committee, duly elected by the membership, is responsible for the technical and competition aspects of the sport, with the administration and communication provided by management. The NSWGA board will focus on financial planning and management, strategic planning, policy and procedure, marketing and promotion, facilities, sponsorship and liaison with government agencies. Day to day operational matters and the link with clubs and members is provided in the most part by the staff at NSWGA office. This structure which encompasses gymnasts, officials, clubs, committees, board and employees is the Gymnastics NSW organisation. Collectively we are Gymnastics NSW, all working toward a common goal of providing fun, fitness and friendship through participation in a wide range of sport and recreation programs.

It is pleasing to see the number of registered gymnasts continues to slightly increase each year. This can be attributed to the addition of extra Gymsport programs but is largely due to the active local promotion of gymnastics by clubs and coaches and the quality programs they offer the community within their region. The flat fee membership system is definitely improving the administration requirement by

the club and assisting with management of cash flow at both the club and state office. Additional programs that are being offered within Gymnastics should continue to attract participation from the market and in turn lead to continued increase in registered members. It is anticipated that further new initiatives will ensure that all who participate in Gymnastics will be proud of their association with the state and national body.

The national Club 10 trial continued into phase two of the project with 69 clubs participating throughout the country. Club 10 will become the framework for the national affiliation and accreditation system for all gymnastics clubs from 2003. Improved quality systems and programs delivered to the community by member clubs will become the benchmark that determines how the sport is perceived and accepted by the community. Gymnastics has an outstanding opportunity to capture a larger slice of the early childhood participation market by delivering quality programs in a safe environment, key elements that the public is demanding. Club 10 will provide the framework to assist clubs with this service delivery to the market.

Kris Mathieson
Executive Director

Northern Territory



Gymnastics
Northern Territory

President

Paula Arnol
(Resigned July)
Debbie Gill
(Appointed August)

Membership

Gymnasts
1,175

Technical Members

44

Clubs

11

2002 was an interesting experience for Gymnastics Northern Territory. I took on the role of President following the resignation of Paula Arnol in July. I would like to thank Paula for her efforts leading the Association through 18 months of change following the departure of a number of key people and long-term Board Members.

A critical point for GNT was the workshop for Board Members and staff held in June and facilitated by Gymnastics Australia CEO, Jane Allen. Over two days the Board reviewed our current constitution then developed a completely new constitution that reflected a new management structure. The new structure brings us into line with national office structure, allowing easier liaison with GA and identification of responsibilities of individual Board Members. The new constitution was unanimously accepted at the AGM, as was the adoption of a flat fee structure. With the election of a new Board of Management (but mostly the same faces) under the new constitution, I became chairperson of the Board.

Following the June workshop the Board developed a renewed sense of purpose. I am proud of the way all Board Members set aside vested interests and worked together for the good of the Association. I would like to thank all Board Members for their efforts during the second half of the year, but especially Linda McKenna, Linda Robertson and Karl Metcalf, who took on significant additional responsibilities following the resignation of the Administration and Finance Officer, Kim Medcalf. I must also give special thanks to our new Development Officer, Sharon Hartley who coped admirably with all the change as she tried to settle into her position.

EVENTS

Territory

NT was very fortunate to have two FIG judges attend our Championships in 2002. Ellena Papas (RG) helped our local judges cope with the intricacies of the new code and ran a workshop for judges while here. Dianne Smith (ACR) ran a judges' course before the Championships and workshops for our National Championships competitors during the Championships. The advice and experience of both judges on their judges' panels was invaluable. The encouragement they gave to our gymnasts and Technical Members was much appreciated. I would like to thank GA for their assistance in making these judges available.

National

MAG: Level 9 gymnast, Luke Rammell, was selected as captain of the Australian team for the National Levels Tour to the USA Region 1 Championships in Hawaii. He competed in Junior Olympic Class 1 against 40 competitors. He won

gold on Horizontal Bar and came 18th overall. We are very proud of this outstanding achievement. NT had two competitors at National Championships: Luke Rammell and Fletcher Willis, both in Level 9. Luke was awarded the Australian Levels Men's Gymnast of the Year and followed this up with 3rd overall, silver on Horizontal Bar and bronze on Floor.

WAG: Five NT gymnasts attended National Championships: Hannah Beere, Sally Beere, Alexis Lenders and Rekeesha Fry (all Level 7) and Natasha McKenzie (Level 8). The girls competed well and gained valuable experience in this level of competition.

ACR: NT had three teams compete at National Championships: one Level 4 Women's Pair (Katie Strobel and Ashlea Beckett) and two Level 4 Women's Trios (Danielle Robertson, Skye Merrett and Kirsty Robertson, and Sarah Dawes, Modenna Reid and Angela Harrison). All gymnasts and coaches had benefited from the training with Dianne Smith during NT Championships and their performances exceeded expectations.

With the challenges of 2002 behind us, and with sincere thanks for the support of GA staff, especially CEO, Jane Allen, Northern Territory is looking forward to a successful 2003.

Debbie Gill
Chairperson



Gymnastics
Queensland

President
Graham Carey

**Office
Administrator**
Teresa Muirhead

Membership
Gymnasts
20,261

Technical Members
579

Clubs
139

2002 has certainly been a busy and productive year for Gymnastics Queensland, particularly in regards to re-shaping our State Office and implementation/adoption of effective management practices across operational areas to ensure the Association could become more service focused for members.

It has also been a great year for participation in Queensland with registration's hitting a top of 20261 gymnasts from our 139 member clubs.

MANAGEMENT

The Board of Management negotiated an arrangement with Gymnastics Australia that saw GA staff providing management services to the Association throughout the year. This agreement not only ensured that management and governance support could be provided to the Board and staff but the financial saving resulting could be re-directed into the Club Services area, again ensuring the Association could become more service focused.

The key focus of Jenny Collins' appointment to the Executive Director position was to implement administration practices and management policies to ensure the long term and efficient operations of the Associations office. While many key areas were addressed throughout the year, much work is still required and will continue over the coming year.

GOVERNANCE

An enormous amount of work was completed to ensure the Association's Constitution could be revised taking into account new business practices, structures and the growing needs of our sport. The revised Constitution, and supporting By-Laws, positions Queensland well in regards to structure and operations framework, for the oncoming years.

Adoption of the revised Constitution in May included the implementation of a new business style board structure. The smaller size Management Committee (7 members from 13) allows the Board to take on a governance role, specifically focussing on policy and strategic direction for Gymnastics within Queensland.

A key achievement in the later half of the year was the adoption of operation policies and procedures to ensure effective and efficient management throughout the year. This included:-

- ❖ Production and adoption of a Board Members Handbook outlining each positions' role and responsibilities, code of conduct for Board Members, GO's operational structure etc.
- ❖ Adoption of meeting procedures
- ❖ Issuing of a Policy and Resource folder to each Board Member

In addition to their normal tasks the Board also commenced developing the Association's 2003-2005 Strategic Plan. This process incorporated consultation with key stakeholders along with the staging of a number of special planning workshops. This task will be completed in the early months of 2003.

FINANCES

A key focus of Management throughout 2002, in partnership with the Board of Management, was Financial Management to ensure improvement in both operational practices and the Association's financial

stability. An excellent result has been achieved within this area for 2002.

Gymnastics Queensland's relationship with our Government partner, Sport and Recreation Queensland, has never been more professional or productive. We are extremely thankful for their outstanding support and the entire sport, including both elite and participation elements along with club services, education and events, all benefit from this partnership.

SPORT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES

The revised Constitution has seen the adoption of a new management structure for all Gymsports, which will ensure the representatives involved in the Gymsports can be more responsible, and accountable, for the overall management and directions of their sports. 2002 was a year for learning and it will be another year, at least, before the benefits of the re-structure can be appreciated.

Each SMC was charged with the task of preparing Technical Regulations, Event Regulations, Project budgets (for the first time) and their 2003 calendar of events. The first "Joint Technical" meeting was also staged in the later half of the year. As part of the State Office re-structure we have appointed staff to support and assist each SMC.

HIGH PERFORMANCE PROGRAM

Fantastic work has been undertaken by the Management team at our very successful State Training Centre. This specifically focused on improving management and finance practices. While this enormous amount of work has been undertaken, all involved have also continued to ensure that the coaching team could maintain their support and dedication to the athletes. This has ensured that Queensland has continued to have representatives on National squads and on Australian teams.

CLUB SERVICES

The Board of Management worked extremely hard to support improvement within the area of Club Services. This led to the appointment of two full-time Club Services Officers in July. A more extensive club visitation program will be undertaken as part of the implementation of the new Club Affiliation and Accreditation scheme, Club 10 during 2003.

CONCLUSION

Gymnastics Queensland is indebted to our member clubs, athletes and hundreds of volunteers for their support and on-going commitment to Gymnastics. The fantastic and enormous amount of work that has been undertaken by Board Members and staff also needs to be acknowledged as this has led to a very successful end of year result.

Teresa Muirhead
Office Manager



Gymnastics
South Australia

President
Grant Harrison

Executive Director
Denzil O'Brien

Membership
Gymnasts
14,059

Technical Members
278

Clubs
106

This has again been an interesting year for GSA. During the year it appeared that our numbers were declining, and that we would lose a number of clubs, with some indicating that they would not re-affiliate in 2003. By the end of the year, it was clear that while our club numbers had declined slightly, the overall membership numbers were stable, a very good result.

On the other hand, a significant number of rural clubs, particularly kindergyms, have experienced declining numbers, and it means that the flat fee system is constantly challenged. The Board intends to review the current system in 2003, and make some refinements.

The introduction of Club 10 has been a highlight of 2002. We were successful in obtaining grant funding from the Office of Recreation, Sport and Racing for a full-time Club 10 Officer, from July 1 2002, and we are of course hopeful of this funding being renewed for 2003/2004. Having a full-time person, Tamara Jerram, to oversee the transition from trial phase to full implementation has been invaluable, and also allowed us to return Heather Mooney to her original Kindergym Development Officer role. Tamara worked closely with the Phase 2 clubs, as we planned for the national roll-out of Club 10 early in 2003. We anticipate much interest from the clubs in participating in the Club 10 process.

We were also fortunate to obtain funding for a half-time Education Officer, providing for a dedicated position for the first time. Kate Johnson has been working closely with GA, to rationalise our updating systems and to set up a structured education delivery process. Again, this position is based on annual funding, and these uncertainties place great pressure on both the organisation and the individuals concerned. However, this is the nature of sports funding, and we resolve to take every advantage of these positions while the funding supports us.

The introduction of a user-pays system for the national public liability insurance scheme was surprisingly smooth. The very large clubs, which experienced an enormous increase in the cost of insurance, were able to verify that obtaining similar cover outside the scheme would be at exorbitant cost, or not possible, and the smaller clubs appreciated the benefit of a cost system which more accurately reflected their membership base.

GSA again hosted a most successful National Rhythmic Gymnastics Championships in July 2002, with over 150 participants.

SA's participation in the AEROSkools program was valuable. While there were relatively low numbers of participants in the State Championships, the number of schools actually involved in the program

has been quite high, and we are confident that in 2003 there will be an increased level of participation. Our Sport Aerobics SMC is following the program with much interest, as there is very strong support for extending the sport into schools in South Australia.

Our athletes have achieved at the highest levels during 2002, with Jacqui Dunn's achievements at the Manchester Commonwealth Games a particular highlight. Her consistency at international level has been an inspiration to the girls in our High Performance Program. Similarly our boys' achievements at national level have been most rewarding, and Sam Offord's move on to the AIS from our program a particular highlight. In trampoline, Ben Wilden has performed consistently throughout the year, culminating in a good performance at the National Championships, and in Rhythmic Gymnastics, good performances at the nationals resulted in selection to the National Development Squad for Kayla Tilling, Lynn Yu and Danielle Papadothomakos, with Jessica Sandru being selected for the Junior National Squad. Our sport aerobics athletes performed well at their National Championships, with Emily Sharp, Hayley Wood and Sandi Carmichael being successful.

Discussions with the AIS have resulted in an excellent relationship being established, in which a clear pathway for our MAG athletes has been mapped out, with support from the AIS helping our athletes to achieve their best. On-going discussions with SASI have resulted in access to various SASI services, and while there is no financial support at this stage, the relationship is a valued one. It was particularly pleasing that our coach Jeb Silsbury was successful in gaining an AIS scholarship for 2003, and we acknowledge the support of GA in this process.

In summary, 2002 was a stable year for the Association, and we look forward to an exciting 2003, with Club 10 in full swing.

Denzil O'Brien
Executive Director



Gymnastics
Tasmania

President
Sue Hope

Membership
Gymnasts
2,555

Technical
Members
67

Clubs
14

2002 has been a strong and positive year for gymnastics in our state. The number of gymnasts registered is at an all time record of 2553. This reflects not only the success of our flat fee system but also strong growth of some clubs.

Club 10 has continued to show pleasing progress in 2002. I would like to take this opportunity to commend our Club 10 officer Brad Edwards who has been a very strong and useful resource for our State. This year has seen a further four clubs enter the program, bringing our total so far to seven.

Our own initiative Tassie Clubs has also been utilised this year to effect with the Coaching Director and myself visiting North and North Western clubs to assist in their development.

WAG has been particularly pleasing for me in 2002. From the first competition (held in the Kingborough Sports Centre's new premises) through to State Championships in August, I have never known such a mood of co-operation and friendliness. This has resulted in a record number of entries in State Championships and a willingness with clubs to enter candidates for judging courses. I would like to congratulate Mark Moncur and his committee on a job well done.

Gymnasts and judges numbers have increased, our state team had their most successful results in over 10 years and the Women's Technical Committee has started to form a group of committed and co-operative individuals for the good of the sport. The year began with a Women's Technical Forum attended by representatives from over the state. At the forum we set out our goals for the future and how we were going to achieve these goals. Considering this was a new cycle plus the change over to the new Vaulting horse the competition season progressed very smoothly this year. There was a concerted effort by all clubs to work together and respect each other and this has resulted in a huge increase in the number of gymnasts attending competitions.

This was always going to be a tough year from a judging point of view. We have a really good group of young judges coming through who will be very good judges given the right experience and guidance. Being a new cycle we ran judges courses at all levels with over 30 new judges participating in level 1 judges courses throughout the 3 regions of the state. Judging is the area that will require the most work and investment of time and money in the future so that it may continue to grow in numbers and quality.

This has been another difficult year for MAG with lower registrations and less activity than in recent years. However there have been a number of positive outcomes:

- The new Levels scheme is up & running and new judges qualified to officiate in it
- The State Squads have continued with gymnasts from 3 clubs participating
- The Level 7 Open team represented us with competence at Nationals
- Both Novice Events were viable with 3 clubs attending each

Out of the 5 clubs offering Rhythmic programs only 2 were actively involved in competitions this year. Understandable due to the complexity of having to choreograph new routines for each level. Sadly we had to farewell Burnie from the Rhythmic arena as their coaches, Kay and Katrina Kelly, moved interstate early in the year. The numbers of gymnasts participating in the sport has remained fairly constant even though our older more experienced gymnasts from the last few years have

nearly all now retired. There does seem to be an increase in younger gymnasts entering the sport at the lower levels. Throughout 2002, Tasmanian Trampoline Sports has progressed rapidly and successfully in the interstate and national arena. Our goals for 2002 have been achieved, and an increase in participant numbers in the southern and northern centres is evident. The standard and depth of performance at Interclub is greater than in previous years.

The Squad system used extensively this year has indeed enhanced the level of performances in Tasmania. It has acted as a guide for coaches on when, where and how to get their athletes to the National level, and be named in the Tasmanian State Team. Squad members have been invited to participate in a state training session with a different interstate coach each time. This has been made possible by a grant from Gymnastics Tasmania to part-fund these expenses and has been greatly appreciated. Tasmania is looking forward to a continued working relationship with them all and others in the future.

The Tasmanian Trampoline Sports Championships was moved to Friends School this year. The 2002 Championships were in fact our largest championships yet. Two Tasmanian clubs competed (Hobart and Launceston PCYC), with 26 competitors (up from 11 in 2001). A sure sign our sport is developing within the state. Our coaches have had the opportunity to update and gain experience through working alongside both interstate coaches and myself at regular State Training sessions. The different techniques and styles gained from this experience have benefited the development of our coaches. A Level 1 Judging Course was held in Launceston in October. Due to this we now have an abundance of Level 1 Judges and can almost fill two full panels for our Interclubs (Levels 1-3 only). A Level 2 Judging Course will be held hopefully early next year.

In the coaching director's area there was less activity in the accredited courses offered this year, with only MAG/WAG and GG covered. On a positive note, some clubs have taken the initiative of offering update courses to coaches and I believe this should be encouraged in the future. The importance of the supervising or mentor coach in each club needs to be recognised and these people need supporting where possible. Not only are they critical in the accreditation process of new coaches, but also in the provision of updating of qualified coaches.

For some coaches, updating seems to be a difficult chore rather than the normal behaviour of any practising professional. Whilst there may be occasions when an accredited course provides good updating opportunities, I agree with GA that this should be the exception rather than the rule.

This year the State Championships were held on 24th and 25th August at the Kingborough Sports Centre. The Trampoline Sports State Championships were separated from the other disciplines and held three weeks earlier on 3rd and 4th August at the Friend's School. There was a total of 173 competitors who competed in the 4 disciplines over the 3 days of competition, 7 RG, 15 MAG, 48 TRP, 103 WAG. WAG and TRP both noticeably increased their numbers while there was a decline in MAG and RG numbers.

Thanks for the support from our Clubs, Board, Technical Committees, Gymnasts, Coaches, Judges and Volunteers for a great effort during 2002.

Sue Hope
President



Gymnastics Victoria

President

Geoff Sussman

Executive

Director

Jane Farrance

Membership

Gymnasts

18,683

Technical

Members

633

Clubs

112

Congratulations to all Victorian Clubs. Membership has increased to a fantastic 18,500. Contributing factors are, the success of the Flat Fee system, the return of several clubs to GV affiliation, the work of clubs to increase their membership and finally, the successful introduction of our newer sports has also contributed to the growing numbers.

The Club 10 phase two pilot was conducted in Victoria with 4 clubs. The importance of the pilot cannot be underestimated as the Club 10 system is shaping the direction and future development of gymnastics in this country, and specifically Victoria for many years. It is an exciting project, GV are fully behind it, and so too we trust are our clubs.

The insurance issues are still with us, but it is pleasing to see that our clubs have managed the process of increased fees and risk management well. Gymnastics Victoria has put in place many processes to improve risk management, clubs are encouraged to seek assistance in this area from the Club 10 team. The higher cost has impacted most heavily on the smaller clubs not only in terms of dollars, but also in the conduct of their services

The gymnast registration process was out-sourced to Gymnastics Australia in a bid to reduce double handling and increase efficiency. The system will continue through 2003 in a more streamlined manner. The growing alignment of Gymnastics in each state with the National body is showing positive results best illustrated with the Club 10. The resultant strength of the sport will only increase. Victoria appreciates the support and leadership demonstrated by Gymnastics Australia.

The Commonwealth Games were a highlight for all gymnastics and we congratulate all the athletes and officials. The High Performance Centre and Swinburne have developed into the focal point for gymnastics in Victoria. The Centre is used for most coach education, the Leaps and Bounds conference, state squad and state team training. Swinburne facilities are used for theory sections of courses, many SMC meetings, parent meetings and the Annual Awards night.

With support from VicHealth, Gymnastics Victoria has concentrated on assisting clubs to create healthy environments for their members. To create smoke-free policies and smoke free gyms also to promote healthy eating as a way of life and to offer healthy food choices at every opportunity. These two issues are to be imbedded in the Club 10 Star rating system.

Our partnership with Sport and Recreation has enabled us to support our development services, to develop Sport Aerobics, and to initiate relationships with other sports to develop the concept of all sports using gymnastics as part of their basic training.

We also are indebted to the VIS for their ongoing support, and the exciting step of including the MAG program as a tier 2 sport.

To the Board, Technical Directors, Committees, volunteers and GV staff, for your tireless work and boundless energy, thank you.

Jane Farrance
Executive Director



Gymnastics
Western Australia

President
Peter Ruttledge

Executive Director
Gratton Wilson

Membership
Gymnasts
6377

Technical Members
214

Clubs
65

For Gymnastics in Western Australia, 2002 was another year of outstanding success on the international stage and this was further enhanced by a significant increase in overall membership at Club level. The past year has also seen the expansion of the Club 10 Program to include a total seven trial Clubs. This project has been very well received and we look forward to its full-scale introduction in 2003.

Sound financial management and increased revenues have contributed to the Association delivering a healthy profit of \$29,840 to 31st December 2002, and have brought our balance sheet to a surplus position of \$10,326. This achieves a goal of more than ten years' standing and consequently is particularly pleasing.

HIGHLIGHT

In the international arena, during the year, we saw a range of outstanding gymnastic performances by our Western Australian, and Australian athletes. The highlights of which were at the Commonwealth Games in Manchester where Allana Slater, Sarah Lauren took out no less than two individual gold medals, and a team gold. This is a magnificent result for Women's Gymnastics in WA and a credit not only to our athletes, but to coaches Nicolai Lapchine, Jo Richards and Program Manager Liz Chetkovich. Allana and Sarah's final medal tally reads as follows:

Allana Slater: Team Gold, Vault (Gold) Uneven Bars (Silver), Balance Beam (Silver), All Around (Bronze)

Sarah Lauren: Team Gold, Floor (Gold)

Allana followed up this performance with a third placing on floor at the World Cup Final in Stuttgart, and representation at the 2002 World Championships. Sarah, following her success at the Manchester Commonwealth Games decided to retire from gymnastics to concentrate on other aspects of her life. We wish her well in that decision.

GYMSPORTS

Each one of the seven gymnastic disciplines is expertly run by a Sports Management Committee (SMC) who has the responsibility for their own discipline's specific technical matters, events, participation and State teams. In 2002 we have continued to see the development of our SMC structure and credit must go to each of the SMC's for the successful management and delivery of their respective disciplines.

Men's Gymnastics

In Men's Gymnastics following on from the strong growth in the Men's High Performance Program we saw international representation from John Carroll, Ian Greenwell, Arran Gray and the successful National selection for Martin Jozwiak. WA was also represented internationally by Levels gymnasts' Andrew Clothier and Casey Douglas.

Women's Gymnastics

Women's Gymnastics has had a very positive year as outlined earlier with exceptional international results. At Women's National Championships in the Levels section we also saw our Level 7 team finish a highly creditable fourth, spearheaded by Corri Keating who was second overall. The Women's SMC have also been very productive developing and working to their Strategic Plan and restructuring the WAG competitive streams to include a fourth competitive stream in 2003.

Rhythmic Gymnastics

There is a new sentiment of cohesion and co-operation in the WA Rhythmic community. This was highlighted when our Rhythmic gymnasts and coaches had a successful Australian Championships both on and off the arena with Team gold in Stage 3, Team silver in Level 7, and Tanya Vahala finishing second overall senior. On the international scene congratulations to both Tanya Vahala and Courtney Holloway.

General Gymnastics

Over the past year we have seen dramatic changes in the general gymnastics area. We have witnessed an outstanding Gymfest event, the continued development of the WA Wheel team and the introduction of cheerleading to WA. WA's Perth

Angels scooped the pool of Australia by taking out overall first place at the first ever Australian Cheerleading Championships.

Sport Aerobics

In Sport Aerobics WA athletes produced an outstanding display at the 2002 Australian Championships winning twelve gold medals, five silver and three bronze. In addition, nine team members were selected into National squads. In the international arena we were represented by the following athletes, and officials:

• WORLD CUP

Leah Henville, Melissa Read and Melissa Davies – Elite Trio
Kieran Gorman - Varsity Individual division
Karon Williams - Judge

• WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Leah Henville – Individual Female division
Trudi Nurse – Coach
Karon Williams - Judge

Trampoline Sports

Congratulations must go to our Trampoline Sports SMC who have successfully managed the introduction of Trampoline Sports to the sport of gymnastics. The Trampoline SMC also sent a WA team to Gosford NSW for the Australian Championships.

Sport Acrobatics

2002 saw our first WA Sports Acrobatic team at Nationals. Ably coached by Ken Caraher the team (all West Coast gymnasts) produced some excellent results, including a third placing by Kzysztof Pudelek and Catherine Trignell in Mixed Pairs Level 6.

REGIONS

In country WA we have seen the professional delivery of gymnastics services through three Regional Gymnastic Associations, North West, Great Southern Central South, and the South West. The manner in which these Associations efficiency run coaching and judging courses, events and workshops is a credit to gymnastics, and is highly regarded by other sports. Particular congratulations should go to North West Regional Gymnastic Association for the professional manner in which they have conducted their activities. The North West has also seen its first ever state representative with Leanne Morup from Broome, accompanied by Coach Raelene Malcolm, competing for Western Australia at the National Sport Aerobics Championships in Melbourne.

CONCLUSION

A special well done must go to all State representatives in Western Australian Gymnastic teams who proudly competed for our state at the various Australian Championships, and other events throughout the year.

Gymnastics is a great sport, and your support is appreciated in helping as many people as possible enjoy its qualities. I offer thanks to the Volunteers, Clubs and our dedicated staff for their efforts in the expert delivery of gymnastics to the community in Western Australia for the past year. Special mention and thanks should be made of four recently retired volunteers for their outstanding contribution to our sport; President - Peter Ruttledge, Finance Director – Mike Mullin, Planning Board Member Bruce Barnard, and Women's Judging Coordinator – Jane Collins. I also highlight the help gymnastics receives from all the Association sponsors and other partners including; BHP Billiton, Woodside Australian Energy, Healthway, the Department of Sport and Recreation, the Western Australian Institute of Sport, the Town of Vincent and Gymnastics Victoria.

Gratton Wilson
Executive Director

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2002

Last Year

This Year

832,054.04	<u>MEMBERS FUNDS</u>	791,446.20
<u>-40,607.84</u>	Opening Balance	<u>-165,320.85</u>
<u>791,446.20</u>	Surplus (Deficit -) for the year	<u>626,125.35</u>
	Represented by:	
	<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>	
500.00	Petty Cash	500.00
35,052.31	Cash on Deposit - ANZ Bank	36,183.39
590,861.36	Investments - at cost	590,861.36
301,786.89	ANZ Bank Account AGF	354,196.62
182,544.64	Trade Debtors	215,590.85
-1,500.00	<u>Less</u> Provision for Doubtful Debts	-1,500.00
987.64	Other Debtors	28,000.00
3,333.00	Office Rental Bond	3,333.00
58,953.50	Prepayments	15,773.27
141,273.77	Stock on Hand	156,576.31
<u>10,321.68</u>	Work in Progress	<u>111,070.18</u>
1,324,114.79		1,510,584.98
	<u>INVESTMENTS</u>	
	Kidskills Australia Pty. Ltd - at cost	80.00
	<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>	
312,128.87	Furniture & Fittings - at Cost	321,098.87
<u>207,142.59</u>	<u>Less</u> Provision for Depreciation	<u>229,042.09</u>
104,986.28		92,056.78
<u>1,429,101.07</u>	TOTAL ASSETS	<u>1,602,721.76</u>
	<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>	
217,203.79	Trade Creditors & Accrued Expenses	241,997.72
90,612.96	GST Liability	31,290.40
10,687.46	Provision for Long Service Leave	11,637.46
61,146.73	Provision for Annual Leave	71,156.83
247,379.96	Prepaid Government Grants & Sponsorship	328,447.54
7,536.01	State Technical Membership Funds Held	13,434.07
3,087.96	Trust Funds - Individual Members	14,489.14
	Trust Funds - 2003 World Gymnaestrada	<u>264,143.25</u>
<u>637,654.87</u>	<u>Deduct Total Liabilities</u>	976,596.41
<u>791,446.20</u>	NET ASSETS	<u>626,125.35</u>

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TRADING PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2002

Last Year		This Year
189,063.05	Merchandise Sales	201,777.37
128,989.39	Opening Stock	141,273.77
<u>137,542.25</u>	<u>Add</u> Purchases & Stock Overhead Costs	<u>145,723.09</u>
266,531.64		286,996.86
<u>141,273.77</u>	<u>Deduct</u> Closing Stock	<u>156,576.31</u>
<u>125,257.87</u>	Cost of Merchandise Sold/Written Off	<u>130,420.55</u>
63,805.18	Gross Profit(Loss) from Trading	71,356.82
	Membership & Affiliation Revenue	
32,000.00	Affiliation Fees - State Associations	32,000.00
179,301.93	Technical Membership	187,074.21
<u>285,706.22</u>	Member Registration Fees	<u>343,680.00</u>
497,008.15		562,754.21
	Less Direct Membership Expenses	
91,627.83	Membership Expenses	74,113.67
6,240.03	Magazine & Bulletin Production	-
15,792.51	Kindergym Registrations	14,700.95
<u>-15,240.59</u>	Net Membership Insurance	<u>-49,077.56</u>
<u>98,419.78</u>		<u>39,737.06</u>
398,588.37	Net Income from Membership	523,017.15
	Sponsorship & Royalties Etc.	
76.11	Royalties Received	-
4,670.97	Licence Fees Received	5,960.70
113,629.69	Television Rights Received	-
<u>158,510.40</u>	Sponsorship General	<u>94,739.54</u>
276,887.17		100,700.24
249,654.20	Government Grant Income	424,200.00
	Other Income	
43,526.21	Interest Received	44,099.04
7,432.00	State Registration Scheme	19,800.00
	GymSkools Management Fees	20,000.00
4,721.07	Sundry Income	3,946.97
<u>-533.00</u>	Disposal of Fixed Assets	<u>561.28</u>
<u>55,146.28</u>		<u>88,407.29</u>
1,044,081.20	TOTAL INCOME	<u>1,207,681.50</u>

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TRADING PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2002 *(continued)*

Operating & Administration Expenses

35,685.00	Accounting / Audit Fees	39,925.00	
5,109.74	Bank Charges & Govt Taxes	5,249.51	
1,952.13	Cleaning & Waste Removal	330.00	
1,228.64	Computer & General Consultancy Costs	1,882.41	
28,283.00	Depreciation	27,952.50	
6,146.23	Electricity & Gas	4,756.56	
34,203.26	Expenses - National Office Staff & Board	33,497.15	
1,871.60	General Expenses	2,270.75	
-27.27	Image / Branding	-	
5,656.09	Insurance - AGF	8,132.96	
7,073.78	Internet Costs	7,014.07	
15,546.50	Lease of Equipment	19,930.31	
765.00	Legal Fees	6,412.60	
23,031.55	Marketing & Sponsorship Expenses	43,640.61	
58,093.14	Meeting Expenses	51,378.91	
2,814.78	Motor Vehicle Expenses	819.82	
1,250.16	Office Relocation Expenses	-	
1,536.92	Payroll Tax	14,611.40	
19,225.83	Postage & Courier	16,232.63	
28,640.68	Printing Stationery & Photocopying	17,179.02	
1,723.50	Promotions / Goodwill/Public Relations	3,196.50	
1,958.14	Rates & Taxes	1,559.01	
39,996.00	Rent of Premises	39,996.00	
3,002.06	Repairs & Maintenance	3,731.04	
1,516.50	Resource Library Materials	1,444.09	
193.75	Royalties	-	
561,077.89	Salaries & Leave Provisions	748,161.34	
3,191.08	Salaries / Indirect Costs	3,838.83	
4,357.52	Staff Training & Amenities	429.52	
7,744.21	Subscriptions, Registrations & Affiliations	5,389.02	
51,416.16	Superannuation Contributions	71,345.03	
37,972.48	Telephone & Facsimile Expenses	28,510.59	
	Travel & Accommodation	1,575.22	
10,594.09	Workers Compensation Insurance	14,259.80	
<u>1,002,830.14</u>	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES		<u>1,224,652.20</u>
41,251.06	Net Operating Surplus (-Deficit) (Excl. Project Funding and Extraordinary Item)		-16,970.70
81,858.90	Net Surplus from Projects carried out during year Significant Item - Loss Great China Circus Project	-65,977.85	<u>214,328.00</u> 148,350.15
<u>-40,607.84</u>	Net Surplus (-Deficit) for year		<u>-165,320.85</u>

Financial Notes

Notes to Financial Reports for the year ended 31st December 2002

These notes should be read in conjunction with the financial statements.



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Statement of Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with applicable statements of Accounting Concepts and Accounting Standards.

Results for Year

The Federation made a loss of \$165,320.85 for the year (2001 - \$40,607.84).

This loss is after recording a significant item of \$214,328 being the Federation's share of the loss in the joint venture promotion of a tour by the Great China Circus. This project was introduced by a promoter, Tony Barber and conducted as a joint venture with his wife's company, Circusco International Pty Ltd. It was supported financially by NSWGA.

In a major undertaking by the Federation, the Chinese circus company and selected Australian gymnasts, toured major venues in Brisbane, Newcastle, Sydney, Canberra and Melbourne, where local gymnasts were also given the opportunity to participate. Significant shortfalls in anticipated revenues from ticket sales resulted in total revenues of \$486,119 against expenditure (substantially as budgeted) of \$972,032. All liabilities of the project have been satisfied in full by the joint venture parties.

Short Term Investments at Cost are Financial Property Trust Securities listed on the Stock Exchange the market value of which was \$617,828 at 31st December 2002.

The Furniture, Fittings and Equipment have been valued at cost less an appropriate provision for depreciation based on the remaining useful life of each asset.

The Trade Debtors have been reviewed and in the opinion of management are all recoverable in the normal course of business.

Stock on Hand has been reviewed and re-valued to the lower of cost or net realisable value. The

net result of this is a write down of \$12,940 (2001 \$8,005) that is reflected in the trading gross profit. This stock represents items held for resale at the AGF office.

Work in Progress (projects) has been reviewed and is valued at cost. It is believed the value shown is fully recoverable on completion of the various projects in 2003.

Investments. The Federation has acquired a 20% holding (80 shares of \$1) in a private company Kidskills Australia Pty Ltd during the course of the year. These shares were acquired to facilitate the processing of grant funds to this venture the aim of which is to promote Gymnastics in schools initially in Tasmania, Victoria, New South Wales and Queensland.

All Current Liabilities have been reviewed and reflect all known liabilities of the Federation

Income Tax

The AGF is exempt from Income Tax.

Government Grant and Sponsorship monies received in 2002 that will be expended in the first half of 2003 are included as current liabilities on the basis that these funds would be refundable in the event that they were not expended in the manner for which they were provided.

Employee Benefits

Provision has been made for Long Service Leave and Annual Leave in accordance with Statutory Obligations.

Economic Dependency

The AGF is substantially reliant on appropriations of funds from the Australian Sports Commission to fund current levels of operation.

Constitution

The Australian Gymnastic Federation Inc is an association incorporated under the Associations Incorporations Act of the ACT on 14th August 1981, Registered Number A827.

In accordance with a resolution of the Board, in our opinion the accompanying financial statements of the Australian Gymnastic Federation:

- show fairly the operating result of the Federation for the year ending 31st December 2002 and
- show fairly the financial position of the Federation as at 31st December 2002.

Other than as outlined above no matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year that have adversely affected or may adversely affect the operations or results of the Federation in financial years subsequent to the 2002 financial year.

MG CHESSELL - Chairman

K WILLIAMSON - Vice Chairman

JA ALLEN - CEO

Auditor's Report



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Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of Australian Gymnastics Federation Inc. (Financial Year 1st January 2002 - 31st December 2002)

SCOPE

We have audited the financial report of Australian Gymnastics Federation Inc ("AGF") for the year ended 31 December, 2002, consisting of the Balance Sheet, Trading Profit and Loss Statement and the Financial Notes. The Board are responsible for the preparation and presentation of the financial report and the information it contains. We have conducted an independent audit of this financial report in order to express an opinion on it to the members.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the financial report is free of material misstatement. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report, and the evaluation of accounting policies and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with applicable Australian accounting standards, other mandatory professional reporting requirements (including Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views) and statutory requirements so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of AGF's financial position and its performance as represented by its results from its operations.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

AUDIT OPINION

In our opinion, the financial report of AGF:-

- i) provides a true and fair view of its financial position at 31 December, 2002, and its performance for the period then ended; and
- ii) complies with applicable Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements.

We also state that in our opinion:-

- (a) the accounting records and other records and the registers required to be kept by AGF have been properly kept in accordance with relevant statutory provisions; and
- (b) we have been given all information, explanations and assistance necessary for the conduct of the audit.

Stannards, Accountants & Advisors

Michael B Shulman
(Registration No: 16388)
Registered Company Auditor

Dated: 10th May 2003
Melbourne

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Accountants and Advisors



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Life Members

T.H. (Harry) Morris*
W.E. (Bill) Wilson*
J.R. (Jack) Carey*
J.J. (Jim) Brown*
J.A. (Jim) Thompson
L.M. (Lance) Otto
V.L. (Val) Beitzel
F.T. (Frances) Crampton
J.E. (Jim) Barry
K.B. (Ken) Williamson
E.A. (Anne) Bigham
R.B. (Bob) Wherrett
J. (Jeff) Cheales
M. (Margaret) Lanz
* Deceased

AWARD OF MERIT

Graham Bond – QLD
Joan Caelli – VIC
Barry Cheales – QLD
Stan Davies – VIC
Ena Duffield – QLD
Nelleck Jol – WA
Jane Schmid – NSW
Maureen Strauss – WA
Phil Teare – VIC
Chris Timpson – ACT
John Wilby – QLD
Dexter Lorbach – VIC
Anne Bigham – SA
Jeff Cheales – QLD
Margaret Lanz – VIC
Alistair Low – VIC*
Frank Vig – QLD
Ken Williamson – VIC/ACT
Peter Chen – NZL
Keith Russell – AN
Yoshiteru Matsuzaki – JPN
John Atkinson – GBR
Bob Wherrett – TAS

Warwick Forbes – ACT
Ju Ping Tian – ACT
Dr Peter Fricker – ACT
Dr Don McIntosh – VIC
Lee Caelli – VIC
Gene Schembri – ACT
Jonathan Hooper – VIC
David Zuker – VIC
Kym Dowdell – QLD
Steve Chetkovich – WA
Jacky Wood – ACT
George Tatai – VIC
Tony Davis – VIC
Helen Colagiuri – NSW
Tim Quinlivan – QLD
Kathleen Graham – ACT
Elizabeth Chetkovich – WA
Margaret Mary Opstelten – QLD
Allen Cullen – NSW
Karon Williams – WA
Pamela Ryan – NSW
* Posthumously

ROLL OF HONOUR - GYMNASTS

Men's Artistic

Graham Bond – QLD
Shaw Byng – NSW
Stan Davies – VIC
Brennon Dowrick – ACT
Benny de Roo – NSW
Peter Hogan – NSW
Peter Lloyd – VIC
Ken Meredith – QLD
Lindsay Nylund – WA
Ted Trainer – NSW
Bret Hudson – NSW
Andrei Kravtsov – QLD
Philippe Rizzo – NSW

Women's Artistic

Monique Allen – NSW
Jan Bedford – WA

Joanna Hughes – VIC
Wanita Lynch – WA
Julie-Anne Monico – ACT
Val Norris – WA
Lisa Read – NSW
Val Roberts – VIC
Kerry Bayliss – SA
Leanne Rycroft – SA
Kylie Shadbolt – QLD
Rebecca Stoyel – SA
Jenny Smith – WA
Marina Sulicich – SA
Michelle Telfer – WA
Kellie Wilson – QLD
Salli Wills – WA
Zeena McLaughlin – VIC
Lisa Skinner – QLD
Allana Slater – WA
Trudy McIntosh – VIC
Jacqui Dunn – SA

Rhythmic Gymnastics

Karen Ho – WA
Kasumi Takahashi – VIC
Danielle LeRay – NSW

Sport Aerobics

Juanita Little – NSW
Dean Wright – VIC
Lisa Osborne – VIC
Patsy Tierney – SA
Anthony Ikin – QLD
Emily Sharp – SA
Brooke Winzer – VIC
Kira Morrison – SA
Sandi Carmichael – SA
Lauren Farry – NSW
Leah Henville – WA
Melissa Read – WA
Melissa Davies – WA

Trampoline Sports

Ji Wallace – QLD

FIG ELITE PINS

Men's Artistic

Phillip Cheatham NSW 1979
Lindsay Nylund WA 1979
Werner Birnbaum NSW 1981
Shaw Byng NSW 1983
Robert Edmonds QLD 1983
Gennady Glyberman VIC 1983
Ken Meredith QLD 1983
Minouru Yamazaki NT 1983
Grant Carlyon QLD 1987
Tim Lees VIC 1987
Brennon Dowrick ACT 1989
Peter Hogan NSW 1989
Bret Hudson NSW 1995
Andrei Kravtsov QLD 1999
Philippe Rizzo NSW 2000

Women's Artistic

Kerry Bayliss SA 1979
Marina Sulicich SA 1979
Kellie Wilson QLD 1984
Keri Battersby VIC 1984
Debbie Graham NSW 1985
Leanne Rycroft SA 1985
Monique Allen NSW 1987
Kellie Larter TAS 1987

Lisa Read NSW 1987
Carolyn Stewart NSW 1987
Katie Watts VIC 1987
Jenny Clack WA 1989
Jodie Rogers NSW 1989
Kylie Shadbolt QLD 1989
Michelle Telfer WA 1989
Jane Warrilow WA 1989
Joanna Hughes VIC 1991
Julie-Anne Monico ACT 1991
Brooke Gysen WA 1992
Lisa Moro VIC 1995
Kirsty-Leigh Brown NSW 1995
Ruth Moniz NSW 1995
Lisa Skinner QLD 1996
Jenny Smith WA 1996
Trudy McIntosh VIC 1999
Allana Slater WA 1999
Brooke Walker VIC 1999
Jacqueline Dunn SA 2001

Rhythmic Gymnastics

Karen Ho WA 1983
Ann Maree Kerr VIC 1983
Antonietta Guida WA 1985

Kristy Darrah WA 1997
Leigh Marning NSW 1999
Bree Robertson NSW 1999
Danielle LeRay NSW 1999

Sport Aerobics

Michael Betts QLD 1995
Juanita Little NSW 1995
Sonya Shepherd WA 1995
Patsy Tierney SA 1995
Eddie Walton WA 1995
Dean Wright VIC 1995
Todd Butland QLD 1996

Trampoline Sports

Adrian Wareham VIC 1999
Ji Wallace QLD 1999
Jacinta Harford VIC 1999

Sports Acrobatics

Chantelle Blackburn QLD 2000
Megan Bolton QLD 2000
Elena Armenis QLD 2002
Tara Busbridge QLD 2002
Veronica Gravalin QLD 2002



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VISION

*Gymnastics for Everybody....
enriching lives through sport*

MISSION

*To promote and develop participation through the provision
of products and services of the highest quality.*

GOALS

*Identify & respond to the needs of clubs and other Gymsport providers
Develop an effective and efficient national service delivery network
Provide comprehensive National and International programs
Design & implement e-business solutions
Identify & develop new business*