



Agenda ~ WAG Program Assembly ~ Thursday March 31st, 2022

Location: North Surrey Sports & Ice Complex + Online video conference (Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/92295099755?pwd=bUQ2b1NaZDk1UWdlWjRoL1RLMDlrQT09)	Time: 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
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Order of Business

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1	Welcome and call to order (confirmation of voting delegates) Land acknowledgement Explanation of live proceedings and remote technologies (chat + voting)	Momona Komagata	Information
2	Agenda 2.1 Additions to agenda 2.2 Approve agenda	Momona Komagata	Input Motion
3	Meeting minutes 3.1 Amendments or additions to past minutes [Sep 2021] 3.2 Approve past minutes [Sep 30, 2021]	Momona Komagata	Input Motion
4	WTC Chair Report	Jesse Jakins	Information
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6	Judging Chair Report	Adriana Schemel	Information
7	New Business 7.1 Vision for the program 7.2 Team BC/ competitive 4-year plan 7.3 Coach Development Plan 7.4 Calendar conflicts & competition schedules (including Championships and Trials) 7.5 2022-2023 Calendar - Compulsory Champs timing - Possibility of Xcel provincials 7.6 Mini huddles/camps: feedback on these resources 7.7 BCWG: future ages and vision	Momona Momona Momona Momona Momona Momona Jesse	Input Information Input Information Information Input Input Input Input

	7.8 CWG: general information 7.9 Xcel update 7.10 WAG Retreat	Momona Momona Momona	Information Information Input
8	WTC Elections: 8.1 Review voting procedure 8.2 Naming scrutineer 8.3 Nominations for Chair (applied and from the floor) and nominee statement 8.4 Election for Chair 8.5 Nominations for Member-at-Large (applied and from the floor) and nominee statement 8.6 Election for up to 6 Members at Large 8.7 Nominations for Athlete Rep (applied and from the floor) and nominee statement 8.8 Election for Athlete Representative 8.9 Destruction of the ballots	Momona Momona Momona Candidates Momona Momona Candidates Momona Candidates Momona	Decision Decision Decision Motion
9	Adjournment	Momona Komagata	Motion



Agenda ~ WAG Program Assembly ~ Thursday September 30th, 2021

Location:	Time:
Online video conference	8:00 pm – 9:30 pm

Location: Zoom

Attendees: Adriana Schemel, Alana Jensen - Flip City, Andree Montreuil – LGF, Angie Walker – Flip City, Anna Mataganova – VIP Gymsports, Barb Fraser – TAG, Bobbie Worrall – GBC, Brianna Rapanos, Chantelle Yates - North Peace Gymnastics Association, Chris Sheremeta – OGC, Christine Ormerod – GBC, Cody Pearson Van Horne - Smithers Saltos, Crystal Gilhooly, Dorina Stan - Flicka, Dumitu Avarvarei – LGF, Heather Ivanitz - Kelowna Gymnastix, Janice Fowler – Phoenix, Jared Goad – Flicka, Jayleen Lim – KGTC, Jennifer Dober – Delta, Jesse Jakins – Kelowna Gymnastix, Jodie Hinks – Prince George, Kaitlynn Ellis – WRG, Karl McPherson – Duncan Dynamics, Kristina Sharp – Delta, Kyna Fletcher – Chimo, Laura-Ann Chong, Louise Demers – Nanaimo, Lynne Ethier – Twisters Gym Club, Manuela Stegmann - Springers Gymnastics, Michelle Dillon - Power River Gymnastics, Miriam Lipetz – WRG, Moa Linde - Elk Valley, Momona Komagata – GBC, Nancy Beyer- Club Aviva, Nicky Carroll, Nicola Marynowski – Trail, Nikki Jarvis – LGF, Renata Allan – Falcon, Puneet Bains – RGA, Saskia Berndt – Chimo, Sherri Taylor – Flip City, Tracy Welbourn – Nanaimo, Todd Sader – CRGA, Toni Vance, Yareni Mendoza – Balance

Order of Business

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1	Welcome and call to order (confirmation of voting delegates) – <i>Meeting called to order at 8:04</i> Land and holiday acknowledgement Explanation of remote technologies (chat + voting)	Momona Komagata	Information
2	Agenda 2.1 Additions to agenda - BCWG update - CSI update 2.2 Approve agenda	Momona Komagata Andree Montreuil Jennifer Dober	Input Carried
3	Meeting minutes 3.1 Amendments or additions to past minutes [Oct 2020] (<i>none</i>) 3.2 Approve past minutes [Oct 26, 2020]	Momona Komagata Heather Ivanitz Chris Sheremeta	Input Carried
4	WTC Chair Report (<i>attached Appendix 1</i>)	Jennifer Dober	Information

5	Technical Coordinator Report (<i>attached Appendix 2</i>)	Momona Komagata	Information
6	Judging Chair Report (<i>attached Appendix 3</i>)	Adriana Schemel	Information
7	Technical Director Report (<i>attached Appendix 4</i>)	Christine Ormerod	Information
8	<p>New Business</p> <p>8.1 Virtual Camp with Judges' Cups - Topics? <i>Participants suggested sessions for Xcel coaches and judges to review deductions, HP session on the new code of points, Safesport session, RED-S session.</i></p> <p>8.2 Other camps - Timing/method/levels? <i>See above.</i></p> <p>8.4 GymCan update <i>Information was given regarding yet unconfirmed new athlete attire regulations, unconfirmed new name for the Canadian JO program, the addition of level 9 14+ to CC, unconfirmed 2022 CC format and the signed USAG video licensing.</i></p> <p>8.5 Xcel message <i>Thank you to the community for all the feedback and passion for the sport of gymnastics. We will move forward in consultation with the WTC and the GFA.</i></p> <p>8.6 Additions <i>BCWG update – this is under progress, the tech package is being updated and will be shared asap.</i> <i>CSI update – GBC was granted a 30 day extension to finalize the criteria and the list. Final announcements should be made shortly.</i></p>	<p>Momona Komagata</p> <p>Christine Ormerod</p> <p>Momona/Christine</p>	<p>Input</p> <p>Input</p> <p>Information</p> <p>Information</p> <p>Information</p>

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10	Adjournment – <i>Meeting adjourned at 9:34</i>	<p>Momona</p> <p>Komagata</p>	Information

September 30, 2021

WAG Assembly Report
WTC Chair Jennifer Dober

Dear WAG Community,

Firstly, thanks to Momona who hit the ground running in her new position. It has been a whirlwind of a first month. She has accomplished a lot already and there is more good stuff to come. As an example, I am excited to tell you that the WTC is working towards a virtual training camp. Laura-Ann Chong (the newest member of our committee who came on as our Athlete representative) has been instrumental in initiating some great ideas that will surely keep athletes inspired and motivated. This is tentatively set for the weekend that Virtual Judges' Cup will be judged in November 20-21 and targeting level 6 and up.

Our last year was a crazy one with COVID and cancellations of events but one of the things I am most proud of and grateful for, was how active BC stayed throughout the ordeal. I think it is fair to say that BC was by far the most "gymnastically" active province. We had webinars and workshops for coaches and judges, working groups pushing forward with new initiatives and virtual competitions. This is what we did to keep our sport going and it helped so much to keep everyone connected and motivated. No other province did this as well as we did. Congratulations to all of us!

One of benefits of virtual events was that for some, it made events more accessible. Participation is sometimes limited by cost, travel time or logistics but those were less of an issue in this case. It was great to see more athletes from all over the province competing and for different judges to be able to collaborate and build relationships.

Thank you to the judges who embraced the virtual competitions and adjusted without breaking stride. Adriana and the WJC facilitated this. It was a huge success. We were lucky to have Kevin Morse close by and that he was able and willing to adjust K-Score to make it all possible.

Congratulations to our High Performance athletes who persevered despite all of the additional challenges this season and to our many virtual National Champions.

While most travel and in person competitions were restricted, I am happy to report that Andree Montreuil was able to travel to judge at a World Cup Event in DOHA in June. Congratulations to Shallon, Dorina and Gord on their successful Olympics! Congratulations to Sydney Turner and Barb on their recent success in Hungary. Go BC and Go Canada!

Lots of you are working hard to learn and teach the new Compulsory routines. Our expert choreographers are delivering clinics throughout the province. Gabi Kovacs, Heather Ivanitz, Toni Vance and Kaitlynn Ellis are doing an awesome job getting the info out there. A few courses have happened already with great results and there are more scheduled. (one in Kimberly this weekend).

Finally, thank you to John, Crystal and of course Andree for their ongoing mentorship and contributions to our sport. They are such valuable resources and so generous with their time. They are always willing to give information or advice. I know I speak for myself and others when I say we are VERY grateful for all they have done.

APPENDIX 1

I am resigning as Chair of the WTC, but hope to be able to continue to contribute as a Member at Large. Kyna Fletcher is willing and certainly more than able to take on this position. I recommend we embrace that opportunity and take advantage of her leadership and expertise while she is offering it.

I hope we'll all continue working towards collaborative decision making, good communication, following functional procedures and developing strong relationships where everyone supports each other in their efforts to make our sport and our athletes the best that they can be.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer Dober



**WAG Program Coordinator Report
2020-21 Season
July 18, 2021
Crystal Gilhooly**

Overview

Virtual events abound, Gymnastic BC and the WAG Program was full of online activity and continuing professional education. We hosted a number of high-profile clinicians virtually and saw excellent participation from all over the province. In some cases we saw increased participation in some events due to the fact that virtual attendance was possible. Our clubs hosted 12 virtual WAG competitions this season, including the BC Virtual Optional Championships and the BC Virtual Compulsory Championships. Thank you to all of the volunteers, clubs and coaches for the extra work that allowed athletes to experience competition, even if it wasn't the type of competition we are used to. Thank you also to the judging committee, who spent considerable time with Kevin Morse developing the systems that would be used at our Championships.

Registered Member / Participant Numbers

	Xcel	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Aspire	10	HP	TOTAL
2017		236	196	273	174	65	271	133	91	49	33	33	8	1562
2018		255	236	275	181	65	259	107	90	48	37	40	13	1606
2019		202	294	341	148	58	311	137	77	51	32	34	18	1703
2020		206	269	314	182	69	281	144	83	50	33	49	13	1692
2021	537	173	163	207	145	46	277	109	67	39	19	37	13	1832

Major Competitions:

BC saw WAG athletes, coaches and judges represented at the following international events from July 2020:

- 2021 Olympic Games – Shallon Olsen, and coach Dorina Stan, Flicka Gymnastics; Judge: Gordon Bennett
- 2021 Doha Apparatus World Cup Judge: Andrée Montreuil

The WAG Program also congratulates other Team BC members who are attending the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games:

- Sam Smith and Coach Curtis DeWolff (TG)
- Jeff Thomson, MAG Technical Committee
- Richard Ikeda, Liaison, Team Canada

Xcel

The WAG Program introduced Xcel as part of the process to offer more optional routine opportunities for high-school aged athletes. After review and consultation with the community, Gymnastics BC developed Xcel within WAG, while keeping Interclub Performance in GFA. There were Xcel categories in nearly every virtual event offered, with excellent participation by clubs and judges. Many coaches and judges expressed feedback that the increased structure allowed for a more meaningful competitive experience, and they look forward to further development of the program. After only one year of virtual competitions we have received positive reviews of the Bronze Silver and Gold categories, and we look forward to continuing to review and evaluate all programming to further serve our members.

Junior Olympic & Aspire

Our Junior Olympic athletes this year started in January and sailed through to an incredible Championships to the finish. The virtual nature to this competition this year meant that travel was no restriction, athletes had the advantage of competing in their own gyms, and as a result we saw increased diversity in Provincial and Canadian Champions. Nine different clubs claimed BC Champions in the Compulsory Category, and 12 different clubs claimed an Optional Provincial Champion. While our BC Optional athletes didn't get a chance to try for Westerns, eleven clubs were represented on the JO 9 and 10 Teams to the 2021 Virtual Canadian Championships. Congratulations to Kennedy Duke of LGF and Mikayla Gilfillen of Vancouver Phoenix who captured the All-Around Canadian Champion ranks. Congratulations to Lila Bulka, Mikayla White, and Selena Gonzales who won "Best Choreography" awards.

Athletes who compete in the JO levels are critical members – their experiences in events like BC Games and Westerns often inspire them to take up coaching, judging and volunteering. We must continue to support their development and positive experiences in sport. According to Canadian Women & Sport, one in three girls leave sport by the time they reach adolescence, and 1 in 4 are not planning to return after the COVID-19 pandemic. Keeping strong membership in our levels categories is a critical part of our long-term sport and community development, and our role in this is to provide meaningful competitive opportunities in which the participants feel supported, engaged and valued.

High Performance

High-performance clubs, athletes, coaches and judges continued to work hard to develop and prepare for the post-pandemic sport experience. Despite having very few opportunities to compete, there were many athletes who prepared for or competed in HP categories this season. Congratulations to Club Avivia, Flicka Gymnastics, Flip City Gymnastics, Okanagan Gymnastics, TAG Sport Centre and Vancouver Phoenix Gymnastics who pursued high performance competition this year and each were awarded with athletes named to the Canadian High Performance List.

The WAG Program would like to acknowledge the work of many of the people in the past who have laid the foundation for BC to have an incredible number of seven people attending Olympic Games. From providing funding, to providing opportunities, and for well thought out long-term programming. In particular, thank you to Nancy Beyer and Andrée Montreuil,

previous WAG Coordinator and Technical Director, respectively, who had a strong vision for providing much of the framework, development, advocacy and support for Shallon, Dorina, and Gord from Gymnastics BC for many years. Their long-term commitment to High Performance and vision for BC athletes are critical factors in the results that we see today.

The publicity for the Olympic Games often provides a much-needed membership and revenue boost for gymnastics clubs all over the world, and BC is no different. While the foundation of our sport is based in our developmental and recreational programming, it is also the high-performance athletes who carry our sport to the world stage and inspire our smallest members and their parents early on. Please send out your individual congratulations to those who attended, and use it as an opportunity within your clubs to promote our incredible sport.

Camps, courses and clinics:

No in-person events were held this year, yet many virtual events were. Thank you to John Carroll and Bobbie Worrall for facilitating the online nature of these events. Bobbie also taught judges to use the Adobe Connect platform, enabling all our judging courses to be moved online.

Virtual Courses and Workshops included:

RED-S Workshop with Jennifer Sygo

Back Pain (Spondylolisthesis/Spondylolysis) with Dr. Mahmoud Zaerian

Hamstring Injuries in Gymnastics with Dr. Mahmoud Zaerian

Technology and Performance with Dr. Mahmoud Zaerian

Growing Athletes: Who's Responsible? With Carl Neinhuis

Managing Fear with Carl Neinhuis

3 Virtual Team Meetings for all JO Teams to Canadians, with judge feedback

Virtual Team BC Coaches Meeting

Virtual Team BC Training Camp: Team BC competed against Team SK, Team YK and Team NL at the Virtual Garden City Invitational prior to Canadians, with the provinces organizing internal prizes and rankings.

Introduction to Xcel with Saskia Berndt

Year-End Recap of Xcel with Kaitlynn Ellis

15 judging courses, and dozens of online CPE hours

Funding Summary

This year, the Gymnastics BC and WAG Program is proud have provided (amounts approximate):

- \$6500 AAP Funding;
- \$3500 HP Competition Funding, covering every athletes' participation in every Virtual Elite Canada and Technical Trial from February to June;
- \$5500 Canadian Championships funding, covering every athlete's entry fee for this event. No WAG HP or Canadian Championship athletes needed to pay their entry fee out of pocket this year for any GymCan virtual events.
- \$3500 supplementing judges' development to prepare for the upcoming Compulsory Program Change, including plans to attend the Virtual Master's Chorographers Workshop, and developing Xcel initiatives
- \$3000 assisted in the preparation of athletes for Canadian Championships, and covered the entry fee to the Garden City Invitational, which was used as a training camp, as well as supporting the judges who spent additional time supporting these athletes with helpful feedback
- \$2000 to support IST initiatives, including Webinar presenters and clinicians to assist with CSI-targeted athletes

Thank you to our Bookkeeper and Member Services Coordinator Catherine Dubinsky, who supported the distribution of this funding to our members.

Athlete, Coach and Judge Development

We have a strong relationship with CSI Pacific, and our athletes make use of their services. Our current initiative with CSI is awaiting the approval of the WAG/MAG/TG Gold Medal Pathway/Podium Pathway documents. Thank you to Jesse Jakins who led this portfolio on the WTC.

Dana Lainchbury led the revision of the Physical Testing program, which now gives options for Xcel and developmental athletes and coaches.

The WTC added a new member to the committee, joining TG and MAG with having an Athlete Representative. Laura-Ann Chong was elected to this position. Congratulations Laura-Ann and we are excited to have you back in the BC gymnastics community.

Thank you to Jennifer Dober, who is now serving as Interim Chair, and worked on coordinating clubs for an unofficial leo for the athletes qualified to Canadians, and for her continuing work in organizing camps, leading selection processes, and supporting WTC initiatives.

The WTC and WJC worked together to develop a Club-Judge Matching Program for JO 9-10-HP clubs. In its inaugural year, clubs and judges were matched to support preparation for Canadian Championships. Thank you to Bobbie Worrall and Angie Walker for their contributions to this portfolio.

Thanks to Yareni Mendoza and Nikki Jarvis for compiling feedback for the Passport Program. In its final stages, the Passport Program is looking for a few more edits before release. If you are interested in participating, please contact WTC Chair Jennifer Dober.

In January 2020, Heather Ramsbottom updated her "Strength and Conditioning Manual for Gymnastics." It includes a full-year training program adaptable for gymnastics of all levels through to HP, and it also includes an injury screening tool as well. Heather's injury screening tool will likely become part of the required participation for CSI targeted athletes. This program was promoted amongst the CSI athletes and those attending Canadian Championships, and is available on the WAG page of the website.

There were 15 Virtual Judging Courses and dozens of hours of CPE Clinics conducted throughout online this season. Judges were present at each of the WAG activities offered this season. We have 154 judges in total, with 134 Provincial Judges, 4 National Judges, 12 HP Judges, 3 Brevets, and 1 Foreign Brevet judge. We continue to have high numbers of judges at the JO 3-5 and 6-8 level. This is because of the methodology in how we structure our courses – that each level can be offered in one day, and this year, the online nature allowed the information to be broken up over two days. Next year we will likely see the judging courses taught in a mix of online and in person. Thank you to Judging Chair Adriana Schemel, who led her committee to do the work to develop the virtual processes, and to BC Championships Competition Head Judges Momona Komagata, Bobbie Worrall and Kaitlynn Ellis for their extra work and support of the WAG athletes and coaches.

To conclude, I would like to thank all the current GBC Staff who are all one part of a team to help support the WAG Program, and specifically to Nathan Kindrachuk, our Safety Officer who worked tirelessly to ensure our clubs had direction to navigate the COVID-19 epidemic.

Thank you also to the past GBC staff who put in place many of the systems that allowed the WAG Program to grow as much as it has. Thank you to John Carroll, Andree Montreuil, and Nancy Beyer for their mentorship, technical vision and leadership, and for your constant challenge to all of us to not only be the best coaches, athletes, and judges that we can be, but also – to be the best people that we can be.

Respectfully Submitted,

Crystal Gilhooly
WAG Program Coordinator

2020-2021 WAG Judging Chair Report

Province : **British Columbia**

Date of report : **September 30, 2021**

WAG Judging Chair : **Adriana Schemel**

Responsibilities and Duties of BC WAG Judging Chair:

- **Chair and submit a report for the Annual Judges' Meeting (AJM)**
- **Set and circulate the agenda and chair a minimum of four WJC meetings**
- **Attend WTC meetings and reports on the WJC activities as needed**
- **Represent BC at the P/T Judging Chair Meeting**
- **Liaise with GBC staff and GymCan regarding all judging related matters**
- **Submit to GymCan all required judges' reports**

Number of Active judges registered in the Province: **154**

Breakdown of each level:

National	Brevet Candidate	3 Brevet, 1 Foreign Brevet
	JO National	4
	HP National	12
Provincial	JO 1-5	59
	JO 6	64
	JO 7	
	JO 8	
	JO 9	11
	JO 10	

Clinics/Courses in the Province:

Xcel -	2 Courses	- 60 participants
JO 3-5 -	4 Courses	- 65 participants
JO 6-8 -	4 Courses	- 68 participants
JO 9-10 Review	4 Sessions	- 22 participants
HP Review/Practice	1 Session	- 10 participants
TOTAL		- 225 participants

CPE Webinars

- Intro to Judging
- Commonly Misunderstood JO Rules
- Unusual Skills & Connections
- JO 3 Video Practice
- JO 6 Video Practice
- JO 8 Video Practice
- Introduction to Virtual Judging (Zone 8)
- Xcel Year in Review

Mock Meets

- 12 with in-person judges

Approved competitions

Number of competitions with Level 9 & Level 10 gymnasts:

8

Travel opportunities for judges:

Andrée Montreuil- 2021 Doha Apparatus World Cup, June 23-26, 2021

**Gordon Bennett- 2021 Tokyo Olympic Games, July 23-August 8, 2021
2021 World Cup (Slovenia), September 2-5, 2021**

Recruitment of new judges:

16

Retirement of National Judges in the Province:

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Competitions:**National Competitions**

-Elite Canada -3 Judges
 -Technical Trial #1 -3 Judges
 -Technical Trial #2 -3 Judges
 -Technical Trial #3 -3 Judges

-Canadians Novice/JO -6 Judges

Inter-Provincial Competitions

-1 hosted by BC -746 athletes, 34 judges

Provincial Sanctioned Competitions

In-person- 2 -184 athletes, 10 judges
 Virtual- 13 -3500 athletes, 51 judges

Total Panels Judged

853

2020-2021 WAG Judging Chair Report

BC Judges were very busy this past season despite the difficult year. We were fortunate to have had provincial guidelines that allowed athletes to keep training for the season. The hard work of the WAG program, including many coaches, the WTC and the 10 dedicated WJC members resulted in an easy transition to a successful virtual competition season. BC had by far the largest competition season in Canada with 184 athletes registered at in-person competitions and 3,500 registrations in virtual competitions!

During the lockdown last spring to early summer, BC held 6 online judging webinars via Zoom. After this, the WJC concentrated on creating online judging courses. The courses were held on the Adobe Connect platform. Clinicians were able to use features such as Breakout Sessions, Whiteboards, and Polling to enable participation resulting in fully engaged participants. Judges from other provinces registered in a few of the courses. BC judges enjoyed meeting them and it was important and valuable for us to receive their input and feedback. This season, we will hold both in-person and virtual judging courses. National 9-10 courses will be held virtually across Canada.

Last season, BC held two online courses for Xcel, four JO 3-5 and four at the JO 6-8 level. Four review sessions for JO 9-10 were held and judges were allowed to credit these review sessions as a course for the CPE requirement for this season only. One HP review session was also held by our Brevet judge Andrée Montreuil. The courses resulted in 225 registered participants, 16 of which were new judges. Thank you to WJC member Bobbie Worrall who organized all courses including preparation of the course material, the Adobe Connect platform and overseeing the course clinicians

Anna Mataganova, Crystal Gilhooly, Cyndi Fairbrother and Momona Komagata who also helped in the preparation of the courses. Thank you to Saskia Berndt for preparing and recording the Xcel Judging Course, to Andrée Montreuil for the HP review session and again to Momona Komagata for preparing and holding all JO9-10 review sessions.

The Assessment Program for New Judges was created and implemented in BC in 2019. BC did not administer any judging assessments last season as it was decided that assessments should take place at live sanctioned competitions.

BC introduced the Bronze, Silver and Gold levels of the Xcel program in the summer of 2020. We required a minimum rating of JO 6-8 to judge the Xcel program. BC judges were asked to adjudicate the remaining GFA Interclub level at many competitions.

The WTC created a Judge/Coach mentorship program this season. Surveys were sent out to coaches and judges to see if there was a desire to have judges assigned to clubs for one season. There was an enthusiastic response; many judges and coaches signed up and this program ran for a few months. Thank you to Bobbie Worrall for heading up this initiative on the WJC side. The WJC is collecting feedback to measure the benefits of this program in hopes to continue the program this season.

The WJC continued the use of the Judges Availability Google Doc as our main organizational tool. This evolving set of spreadsheets had many additions this year including Judges' Records linked to first names. Attached links, which are continually being added, go directly to GBC, GymCan or USAG websites, keeping the information current as they update automatically.

BC's largest adjustment last season was Virtual Judging. The WJC quickly developed a virtual judging process which we fine-tuned with each competition. We are very fortunate to have local Kevin Morse on our team. His scoring system, KScore, is one which we have used for a few years at our competitions. Kevin Morse added virtual features to his website such as Judging Sheets and Scoring Pads. Clubs could register athletes, send videos and view results via the KScore website. We did have one competition which used the Sportzsoft system. Judges were quick to learn this US based system but preferred KScore for ease of use and fewer technology glitches. Kevin was extremely accommodating, making quick changes to his website as per our requests. Virtual competitions were a lot of work for many, including all the filming and submitting of routines. Judging these competitions also took many hours not only to organize but to work through many technical complications. Thank you to the many judges who participated in virtual judging. Their patience and expertise let to a successful virtual season. The majority of the work was done by the head judges. Thank you to Cyndi Fairbrother and Tara Watt for taking on the role of head judge and thank you to Momona Komagata, Bobbie Worrall and Kaitlynn Ellis for continually volunteering to take the role of Head Judge for the largest competitions we held.

The Availability, Panels and Expenses APE is a Google Doc which is used for competitions in BC. The APE has streamlined the way we assign judges to competitions while adding transparency. All APEs are linked to the Judges Availability Google Doc. Last season, we added new sheets to the APE to assist with Virtual Judging. We added a Judges Feedback sheet where we shared information among

the judges, such as approved equipment modifications, judging clarifications and missing videos. Another sheet added was the Club Feedback sheet. This sheet gave judges the opportunity to give feedback to individual clubs for their athletes. This feedback was sent out to the clubs at the end of each competition. After the first few competitions, judges started to feel comfortable with virtual judging. This allowed us to invite Shadow Judges to participate on the panels. Overall feedback for this program was positive. We had both new and experienced judges as shadows. Thank you to all judges who spent time after their sessions to work with shadow judges. Most shadow judges were assigned panels at competitions near the end of the season.

Our 8th and largest virtual competition was the Garden City Invitational held in late May. 746 athletes were registered in this competition. BC athletes that qualified to represent the province at Canadians used this competition as a training camp. Judges were assigned to give detailed feedback as they have done at training camps prior to national competitions in past years. BC was excited to invite Alberta, Saskatchewan, Newfoundland and the Yukon to compete in a challenge at this competition. One judge from each participating province was invited to judge alongside BC judges. This was a highlight that virtual competitions have allowed this year. The WJC plans to continue virtual competitions by holding two separate Judges' Cup competitions virtually this season. This will allow both athletes and judges from remote parts of the province to participate. We also hope to keep inviting both athletes and judges from other parts of Canada to participate.

We are proud to have had BC judges assigned to judge at all national competitions last season. Brevet judges Andrée Montreuil, Crystal Gilhooly and Gordon Bennet judged at four national competitions, while national judges Momona Komagata, Krista Cameron and Cyndi Fairbrother were selected to judge the JO sessions at Canadians.

BC is also honoured to have had judges at international competitions. Andrée Montreuil was invited by FIG to attend the 2021 Doha Apparatus World Cup as a Reference Judge June 23-26. Gordon Bennett was assigned to represent Canada at the Olympic Games in Tokyo, Japan July 23-August 8. He also attended the World Cup in Slovenia September 2-5.

BC judges had an active and successful season. Judges were given opportunities to judge at several virtual competitions. However, many judges decided to take the year off. We anticipate having judges who will need to make up for missing course and CPE hours this fall. We also lost a few judges. We ask that coaches help recruit judges by asking athletes if they would like to start judging, specifically those who have recently retired from the sport but still have a passion for gymnastics.

Finally, I would like to thank the Women's Judging Committee for their hard work over the past year. Anna Mataganova, Bobbie Worrall, Colleen Kaminski, Cyndi Fairbrother, Kerrie Turner, Lisa Laundry and Saskia Berndt. I would also like to thank the GBC staff members who guided our committee John Carroll, Crystal Gilhooly and Andrée Montreuil.

Respectfully submitted,
Adriana Schemel

Technical Director Report
for the WAG Technical Assembly
Sept 30, 2021
Submitted by Christine Ormerod

First off, I would like to thank everyone for their time and patience during this transitional phase with staff at Gym BC. This has all been in an effort to improve operations and communications throughout the province. Please bear with me as I am new to the province.

Covid -19 Vaccine Card Update:

By order of the Provincial Health Officer (PHO), proof of vaccination is required to access some events, services and businesses. You must have at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine. By October 24, you must be fully vaccinated. The requirement is in place until January 31, 2022 and could be extended. You don't have to show proof of vaccination at events like:

- Worship services
- Indoor youth recreational sport for people 21 years old or younger
- Before and after school programs for K to 12 students
- Student events and activities in K to 12 public and independent schools
- Indoor organized events with less than 50 people, except adult sports

More information can be found here: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/vaccinecard.html>

Gymnastics Canada

Momona and I recently attended the WAG Virtual AGM. Amanda Tambakopoulos (WAG Program Manager) presented a review of 2020 and a preview of some upcoming camp, events and educational sessions. The WPC has decided to go forward with two separate Nationals for this year. WAG JO categories occurring on one weekend and WAG HP/MAG categories occurring a second weekend as an event format option for 2022/2023. RFP were sent out Sept 17th for all disciplines. The WPC also put forth a motion to adjust section 2 and include JO9 14+ category for Nationals this year which was passed. There still has not been confirmation of Program Managers or specific staff restructuring outline moving forward.

Canadian Sport Institute (CSI)

Through a continued partnership with viaSport, and CSI we are working to build and update our criteria and Targeted list of Athletes. I have been working with our liaison Dave Hill to finalize the approval by Sept 30th

Funding

This year Gymnastics BC and the WAG program budget looks like it will be much the same as last year. (Amounts are Approximate)

- \$6500 AAP Funding;
- \$3500 HP Competition Funding, covering every athletes' participation in every Virtual Elite Canada and Technical Trial from February to June;

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- \$5500 Canadian Championships funding, covering every athlete's entry fee for this event. No WAG HP or Canadian Championship athletes needed to pay their entry fee out of pocket this year for any GymCan virtual events.
- \$3500 supplementing judges' development to prepare for the upcoming Compulsory Program Change, including plans to attend the Virtual Master's Chorographers Workshop, and developing Xcel initiatives
- \$3000 assisted in the preparation of athletes for Canadian Championships, and covered the entry fee to the Garden City Invitational, which was used as a training camp, as well as supporting the judges who spent additional time supporting these athletes with helpful feedback
- \$2000 to support IST initiatives, including Webinar presenters and clinicians to assist with CSI-targeted athletes

Activity Messenger

We are excited to announce our new partnership with Activity Messenger! AM is a complete mobile-first communication platform for sports which will include forms/waivers and electronic signatures.

In conclusion I would once again like to thank everyone for their patience and support.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine Ormerod