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## EDITORIAL

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Dear Reader,

Happy New Year to you all!

Welcome to the First edition of **TRAMPOLINE NEWS** for the year! My thanks to JOHN BEETON who continues to keep us all informed, as well as all those who contribute to this important news letter. Please circulate as widely as possible.

With the new year in full swing, we would like to say a fond farewell to one of our long standing international competitors. **Jaime Moore** has been competing internationally for many years now as well as being our Olympian for our first Olympic Games. Following her wedding in the summer, she decided that the World Championships in Russia was to be her final competition. Jaime is looking to stay involved in the sport by way of coaching, so we would like to wish her the very best for her coaching career and hope to continue seeing her around.

This year we would hope to see more rising stars moving from National competition to International competition. With this in mind, I would like to wish everyone the best of luck for the coming National season, with the first competition being in Gloucester on the 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> of February. I hope that your season will get off to a better start than the Regional season! Due to the bad weather in January, many of the regions had to postpone their January Assessments and Regional D competitions. On the plus side, some regions were able to re-arrange their competition so that their Regional D competitors still got the opportunity to qualify for the Nat C competition! Our thanks go to all the competition organisers for their hard work, and who have been faced with a huge barrier and were able to clamber over it almost unscathed!

Great Britain is set to host many different international events in the lead up to the Olympic Games in 2012. One such event will be the **UEG International Training Camp**. Gillingham will be hosting this annual training camp, with the view of giving over 100 performers the opportunity to train alongside up and coming internationalists, as well as having a little fun along the way. This is a very exciting time for us all and this year, especially, we would really love to see even more Great British hopefuls attend such a great event.

2010 is also the year where the FIG have granted Trampoline Sports the authority to hold annual World Championships, with the 2010 event being held in the town of **Metz FRA** during the month of November, followed the week afterwards with the WAGCs.

However, the format for these particular World Championships will change slightly from that of the 2009 event with only Individual and Synchronised featuring in the Trampoline competition, and Individual events only in both Tumbling and Double Mini-Trampoline events. This will be the format for future World Championships where these fall on an even year. Where they fall on uneven years i.e. 2009, 2011, 2013 etc Team competition will be added.

It should also be noted that in the year of the Olympic Games NO World Championships will be held.

For the forthcoming WAGCs it is the intention to hold two trial events, with the Great Britain team being announced as soon after the National Championships as possible and to allow selected gymnasts the opportunity to raise the necessary funding to participate.

Information will be posted on the BG web soon as to the Selection Criteria for the WAGCs and any additional information that is required.

I can inform you at this stage however, that it is the intention to travel to Metz by coach departing the UK in time for team members to arrive in Metz in time to see the finals of the Senior World Championships. Exact travel arrangements will be announced shortly.






















It has also been confirmed that owing to her expertise in putting together a number of previous WAGC arrangements, British Gymnastics and the NTTC have offered the role of HOD to **Sharon Wood** for the 2010 event, and I am particularly pleased to announce that she has accepted the appointment.

Before I leave you, I would like to say one final farewell. **Brian Stocks**, CEO of British Gymnastics has retired from his post. We would like to thank him for all the support and guidance he has given to the sport during his period of office, and hope his successor can continue his good work, and continue to take British Gymnastics forward, into the future with successes galore.

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Rank	Flag	NOC	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1		RUS	11	9	11	31
2		USA	5	4	3	12
3		JPN	4	2	3	9
4		GBR	2	4	4	10
5		FRA	2	2	2	6
6		UKR	2	0	0	2
7		CAN	1	2	3	6
8		BLR	1	2	0	3
9		BRA	1	1	0	2
9		NZL	1	1	0	2
11		KAZ	1	0	0	1
11		ESP	1	0	0	1
13		AUS	0	2	1	3
14		POL	0	1	1	2
15		NED	0	1	0	1
15		POR	0	1	0	1
17		DEN	0	0	2	2
18		GRE	0	0	1	1
18		RSA	0	0	1	1
18		GEO	0	0	1	1
18		GER	0	0	1	1

The Final Medal Table at the conclusion of the WAGCs 2009



## INTERNATIONAL JUDGE SELECTION 2010

The NTTC has confirmed the following international judges to represent Great Britain at the various events throughout the current year:

### April

**07-11: FIG World Cup, Ghent BEL** – Elizabeth Scales

**18-25: UEG Senior European Championships, Varna BUL** – Peter Heames TRA, Sally Slinger DMT

**18-25: UEG Youth European Championships, Varna BUL** – Claire Thompson TRA, Bill Leach DMT

### June

**04-06: 4 Nations Annual Match, Prague CZE** – Bruce Craig

**09-13: FIG World Cup, Davos SUI** – Mike Phillipson

### July

**01-04: FIG World Cup, Wroclaw POL** – Peter Heames

### September

**01-05: FIG World Cup, Albacete ESP** – Sally Slinger

**22-26: FIG World Cup, Loule POR** – John Beeton

**00-00: GBRvGER Annual Youth Match, GER** – Bill Leach

### October

**06-10: FIG World Cup, Salzgitter GER** – Claire Thompson

### November

**09-16: FIG World Championships, Metz FRA** – Claire Thompson TRA, Martin Laws DMT

**09-16: FIG WAGC, Metz FRA** – Elizabeth Scales, Kevin Dixon-Jackson TRA, Steven Grist, Donna Grist DMT

## EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS Seniors / Juniors Varna, Bulgaria

Great Britain is expected to field their strongest team in both the senior and junior events in these championships in all three disciplines. However, with the retirement of three top senior men at the conclusion of the World Championships last November, our tumbling friends will be experimenting with a new men's squad at these championships.

The composition of the TRA and DMT squads will also be interesting so soon after **St Petersburg!** Team selection is expected to be announced in early March.

Equipment for these Championships has been confirmed as follows:

Trampoline: **EUROTRAMP 4/4m beds**

DMT: **EUROTRAMP**

Tumbling: **SPIETH**



©Singapore 2010

The Singapore 2010 Organising Committee unveiled the first Youth Olympic Games Mascots in November 2009: **Lyo** (pronounced Leo) and Merly.

**Lyo** is short for "Lion of the Youth Olympics". A sports lover, he is fun-loving and hopes to inspire young people to keep fit

and enjoy sport for life. He symbolises young people's boundless energy, their determination to live life to the full and zeal to strive for excellence.

**Merly** got her name from "mer" (meaning the sea) and "ly" stands for liveliness and youthfulness. A passionate advocate of environmental protection, Merly believes that everyone has a role to play in working towards a sustainable future. She also wants to encourage young people to play an active role in their communities and promote respect for one another.

#### Naming the mascots

From 14 August to 6 September 2009, members of the public had been invited to name the mascots. About 375 entries were received from more than 20 countries. Lyo was named by Sean Pang Yi Wei, while Tung Chi Jun picked the name for Merly. Sean and Chi Jun, both Singaporeans, had the opportunity to be amongst the first to meet Lyo and Merly in person at the unveiling ceremony.

Lyo and Merly will be appearing at many Singapore 2010 events in the coming months to help create buzz and excitement for the Games.

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## 4 Countries Annual Match GBR FRA GER POR

Due to be hosted by British Gymnastics in 2010 this match has had to be cancelled owing to the request of participating nations to change the format from that of the original Heads of Agreement which indicated that this event would be for seniors, to that of a youth / junior event for 2010 and for future matches, as it was thought that the seniors now have a surplus of major events that are available to them, whereas the youth / juniors do not. This, along with the non availability of NTTC funds to host the match due to the proposed change in status, left the NTTC with no option other than to cancel the planned event, which was due to be held in **Bath** early in April.

The cancellation of this long standing annual match is very much regretted. Hopefully, we will be able to continue participation in future years.

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## 2010 World Championships Equipment

It has been confirmed that the **Trampoline** equipment for the **2010 World Championships in Metz FRA** will be:

#### GYMNOVA 5x4 beds

We await information on the equipment type for both **DMT** and **TUM**.



## Mike's Great Wall of China Hiking Challenge

April 24<sup>th</sup> – May 4<sup>th</sup> 2010

As many of you who read this newsletter and keep up to date with what's happening in the trampoline world will know, **Mike Phillipson (NTTC Judging Organiser)** has been suffering from **Advanced Type B Lymphoma Cancer** during the last 9 months or so.

Having received the diagnosis last Easter Mike has undergone Chemotherapy and Radiotherapy during the year. Having lost about 3½ stone in the month around Easter (not a recommended way to lose weight) he is now well on the road to recovery so much so, that Mike has taken up a **Macmillan** sponsored challenge to hike/walk/climb along and around the **Great Wall of China** for 5½ days covering a gruelling 120 miles, most of which appears to be up hill.

Mike hopes to raise **£4000** for Macmillan Cancer Support by doing this. No doubt all of you know someone somewhere who has suffered from Cancer so you all know what a worthy cause Macmillan is.

You can help support Mike by sending in donations either as a cheque made payable to **(M. Phillipson Acc No 39631087)** sent to Mike at **1 Eastling Down Farm Cottages, Sandwich Road, Waldershare, Dover CT15 5AS.**, Or! you can donate online by going onto the **Just Giving** website, reading his story and making a donation. [www.justgiving.com/mike-phillipson](http://www.justgiving.com/mike-phillipson)

In a future edition of the Newsletter Mike will no doubt be able to let you know a little about the walk when he completes it and how much money was raised. **Ed.**

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## Trampoline in the line up for 2010 BUCS Championships

**British Universities & Colleges Sport (BUCS)**, the national organisation for higher sport in the UK which represents 150 universities and colleges, has introduced two new sport disciplines - **Trampolining** and **Indoor Archery** - to its 2010 Championships programme, which is being hosted in Sheffield and surrounding Yorkshire venues from **10 -14 March**.

Trampolining adds to the growing list of Olympic sports featured at the Championships, which already includes Badminton, Table Tennis, Swimming and Hockey.

## NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COACH (TRAMPOLINE) APPOINTMENT

The NTTC and World Class are pleased to announce the appointment of **Sue Lawton** as a **National Development Coach** for **Trampoline**. Sue will be responsible, in conjunction with the National Trampoline Technical Committee and British Gymnastics World Class Trampolining Programme for the planning, organisation and delivery of a National Trampoline Development Programme. The primary aim of the programme is to accelerate the development of emerging talent within Trampolining, incorporating the use of a range of sports science resources within a technical framework to maximise athlete progression. This programme will be paramount to the conversion of individuals into the senior World Class status and to ensuring the long-term success of the sport.

Part of the National Development Coach remit is to:

- 1) Initiate, in conjunction with the NTTC / WC TRA, a National Trampoline Development Programme to underpin World Class Activities.
- 2) Design and deliver an annual programme consisting of an agreed number of National Development Squad sessions - providing technical input and incorporating the use of sport science resources to enhance athletic performance.
- 3) Engage and feedback to personal coaches, promoting consistent and continued athlete development in the home environment.
- 4) Assist athletes and coaches to develop training and competition strategies to maximise their potential.
- 5) Monitor progress and provide recommendations to NTTC/WC Selection Panel on the selection of athletes for this programme and international competitions
- 6) Contribute to the evolution, development and promotion of a 'high performance' culture and seamless performance pathway within trampolining.
- 7) Maintain excellent communication with the NTTC/WC TRA about the National Development Programme and its progress against agreed goals
- 8) Ensure compliance with mandatory and best practice regarding child protection, health, safety and welfare in all matters and activities.

All members of the NTTC wish Sue every success in her appointment which she will take up with immediate effect.

## European Championships 2010 Selection Events

February and March will see the various hopefuls vying for a place in the Great Britain team travelling to **Varna BUL** during the month of April to participate in the European Championships at both Senior and Junior levels.

The important dates for the trials are as follows:

### Selection Event 1: Senior and Junior Individual Trial

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2010

South West Gala, GL1 Leisure Centre, Gloucester

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### Selection Event 2: Senior and Junior Individual and Synchro Trial

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2010

Yorkshire Gala, GEMTEC Arena, Hull

**FIG A & FIG B: 1 Compulsory, 1 Voluntary + Final**  
(if ranked by right in the top 8, see below)

**Note:** Selections for the synchronised event will come from the Selection trial on **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> March, Yorkshire Gala GEMTEC Arena, Hull.**

In order to be considered for Synchronised selection, the following minimum degree of difficulty must be shown in the selection event:

- **Senior Men: 14.0**
- **Senior Women: 10.5**
- **Junior Boys: 10.4**
- **Junior Girls: 7.3**

Pairs will be selected from this trial in rank order of finish subject to FIG rules (only one pair may come from outside the individual performers) provided they demonstrate the ability to finish in the top 8 of the Senior or Junior European Championships (considered as qualifying scores of approximately 83 points for men, 79.7 for women, 74.7 for boys and 73.5 for girls).

The NTTC members wish all trialists every good wish in their endeavors. **Ed.**





Dates	Title	Venue	Participants
07 - 11 April 2010	<a href="#">Trampoline FIG World Cup</a>	GENT (BEL)	Senior
20 - 25 April 2010	<a href="#">Trampoline European Championships</a>	VARNA (BUL)	Senior and Junior
9 - 12 June 2010	<a href="#">46th Nissen Cup/World Cup</a>	DAVOS (SUI)	Senior
1 - 5 July 2010	<a href="#">Trampoline FIG World Cup</a>	WROCLAW (POL)	Senior
14 - 26 August 2010	<a href="#">Youth Games of the I Olympiad</a>	SINGAPORE (SIN)	Junior
3 - 4 September 2010	<a href="#">Feira Internacional de Albacete</a>	ALBACETE (ESP)	Senior
15 - 19 September 2010	<a href="#">Trampoline FIG World Cup</a>	ASTRAKHAN (RUS)	Senior
22 - 26 September 2010	<a href="#">Loulé World Cup - Portuguese Republic Centenary Competition</a>	LOULE (POR)	Senior
8 - 9 October 2010	<a href="#">Trampoline FIG World Cup</a>	SALZGITTER (GER)	Senior
11 - 13 November 2010	<a href="#">27th Trampoline World Championships</a>	METZ (FRA)	Senior
17 - 19 November 2010	<a href="#">Trampoline World Age Group Competitions</a>	METZ (FRA)	Age Group
16 - 19 November 2011	<a href="#">28th Trampoline World Championships</a>	BIRMINGHAM (GBR)	Senior
23 - 26 November 2011	<a href="#">International Age Group Competition</a>	BIRMINGHAM (GBR)	Age Group
10 - 16 April 2012	<a href="#">European Championships</a>	WROCLAW (POL)	Senior, Junior and Age Group
27 July - 12 August 2012	<a href="#">Games of the XXX Olympiad</a>	LONDON (GBR)	Senior

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