

T & T Elite Program Committee

October 11-12, 2008

Meeting called to order at 10:15 a.m. MDT

I. Roll Call

Members Present:

Shaun Kempton, Elite Program Committee Chair

Beverly Lloyd, JumpStart Committee Chair

George Drew, Scholarship Camp & Financial Support Committee Chair

Jared Olsen, Athlete Representative

Others present:

Ann Sims, Sr. Program Director

Kathy Tyler, Program Manager

I. Reports

1. George Drew - Scholarship Camp – attached
2. Bev Lloyd - JumpStart – attached

II. Motion to approve the 2009 Athlete Financial Policy pending the approval of the Athlete Support Committee.

Motion: George Drew

2nd: Beverly Lloyd

APPROVED – Unanimously

III. Motion to remove the rule allowing 16 yr olds to compete as Senior Elite.

Motion: George Drew

2nd: Beverly Lloyd

APPROVED: Unanimously

IV. Motion to distribute High Performance Pool as follows: \$2,000 each to 2008 Olympians, Chris Estrada and Erin Blanchard, \$2,000 to Kalon Ludvigson, silver medalist at World Cup Final

Motion: Beverly Lloyd

2nd: Jared Olsen

APPROVED: Unanimously

V. Discussion was held regarding 2009-2010 National Team Selection Procedures.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:30 pm, October 12, 2009.

Motion: Beverly Lloyd

2nd: Jared Olsen

APPROVED: Unanimously



**Report From
5th Annual USAG T&T Scholarship Camp
August 3rd – August 9th, 2008
Corey Lake: Three Rivers, Michigan**

The Camp

This August brought 128 USAG and 4 Canadian T&T Athletes together for a week of training, boating and fun found on the waters of Corey Lake, Michigan. Camp Wakeshma was again the home base for a very successful training camp that not only benefited the participants, but provided 8,050.00 of support for the USAG T&T Scholarship Fund.

The Participants

132 athletes ranging in age from 8 to 17 traveled from 24 states and Ontario, Canada to make this a special event. Additionally, 17 coaches were in attendance to help and learn from the world-class clinicians. 24 outstanding individuals representing national team members, elite athletes, retired athletes and local family volunteers gave of themselves and their time to participate as assistant clinicians and boating staff, and equipment managers

The Core Staff

2008 Clinicians and Organizational Staff...

Scholarship Camp Gymnastics Center Director: Peggy Rayson

Clinicians: Beck, Jon
Boger, Doug
Galvez, Sergio
Null, Robert
Sandford, Dave
Swafford, Mary
Umenhofer, Joy

Camp Trainer: Catherine Cabral (Ontario)

Management Staff:

George Drew, Scholarship Camp Director, Camp Physician
Beth Tomczak, RN: Asst. Scholarship Camp Director, Staff Kitchen Director
Craig Johnson, Transportation, Waterfront Boating Safety
Jeremy Waldrige, Promotion, Video, USAG Counselor Staff Supervisor
Abby Bennink, Director, Camp Wakeshma

Junior Staff (USAG Counselor Staff, Assistant Clinicians)

*** Previous camper!

Allen, Kile

Balkan, Aubree
Brown, Jeffrey ***
Corner, Kenneth ***
Courtad, Melissa
Dinh, Rose ***
Findley, Kari
Hackett, Justin ***
Herron, Daniel
Johnson, Susannah ***
Kniffen, Brenda ***
McDonald, Amy
Muzzarelli, Andrew
Prosen, Sarah
Runkle, Christine
Runsten, Tyler ***
Sloan, Brandon ***
Speed, Ashley ***
Terrell, Tyler
Volkert, Michael ***
Waligora, Krissy ***
White, Austin

The Sponsors

Ross Equipment, Vaughn Smith

4 – Eurotramps, full set-ups
1 – DMT, full set up
1 – full tumbling set up

The Results

3,800.00 returned to capital improvements for DMT. Concrete slab poured for level, safe landing area.

8,050.00 Donated to Scholarship Fund - from camp profit, donations

4,540.00 camp profit

3,510.00 additional donations in excess to camp fees

Next Year: 2009 Camp Dates:

Staff Report: July 30, 31 August 1.

Athlete Drop Off: Sunday, August 2nd

Athlete Pickup: Saturday, August 8th

Discussion Points:

- 1) Potential Visa Nationals Conflicts
- 2) Marketing to WAG hopefuls
- 3) Beth Tomczak, Craig Johnson and Jeremy Waldrige potential Service Star Award Recipients

JumpStart Committee Report

The jump start testing will take place in November. States have until the 16th to test by. The state chair will then send the results by email to Jeremy on the form that will be sent to them. They will send the hard copy for Crissy to go over as well. I hope this year we will not have any mistakes. Jeremy and Crissy will be working on the added tests this weekend in Colo. I hope we can get it right this year. I think each year has gotten better, and I am hoping for the best year yet.

The jump Start committee changed a couple of the strength and flexibility tests. The way we test the shoulder flexibility was changed to help keep the shoulders from rotating and popping out, (double jointed people) we added a mat for the athlete to lay on, not just on the floor, it also made it easier to test. We felt like the coaches didn't teach the athlete the safest way to do standing back tucks, because it was a timed event some of the kids were just hucking back and scaring the testers to get as many done as they could. We replaced the tucks and back rolls with the power jumps. It will be a safer test and all the age groups can test the same skill. We tried these new skills at the jump start camp in Calif. They worked well with the athletes we had test them. We worked out the new percentages on how the tests are weighted also.

I think the turn out for test administrators at nationals was pretty good. The courses went well. Peter and Mig did a good job with the new testers, and Crissy, Sherry, and I helped with the returning testers.

Megan has worked hard on the tumbling skills and routines and the judging for them both. As always she has done a fantastic job. Peter and Sherry have changed the tramp skills, and the compulsory routines, and the judging guide. They both have worked hard and have done a great job.

I think we will be ready for the Jan. testing.