



SEASONS GREETINGS TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND THE GLOBAL FAMILY OF ACROBATIC GYMNASTICS

LOOKING BACK OVER 2011

25th European Championships 9th Junior Championships. Incorporating the 6th European Age Group Games

Summary

The city of Varna situated in the East part of Bulgaria, on the Black Sea coast played host to the European Championships in Acrobatic Gymnastics from 20th – 31st October 2011.

A mixture of excellent organisation, hard work and endeavour from the ACRO TC/LOC, invited expert judges and volunteers all contributed to creating a championship that everyone involved can be proud of.

The new competition format, including individual titles seems to have a general approval. In some cases, it has “opened” access to finals and to medals to some countries which are not usually at that level.

Competition

We were pleased to welcome Monaco for the second time to a European competition. It is always rewarding to see in competition Federations that has benefited from assistance provided through the ACRO TC /UEG Training Camps, coaching and judging courses.

The Age Groups were held over two days before the start of the

Senior and Junior event. The new program was designed with the competitors as a prime consideration.

For future competitions we need to look at the format with a view to change. The present system will not allow us to expand the event which is our intention and is part of our development program.

Age groups

The quality, skill and application continue to improve and the Age Group program is proving an ideal introduction to competition through a controlled and planned system.

Junior Championships

The junior competition was of a high standard with some very good exercises especially in the mixed pairs, women’s pairs and women’s groups. The overall impression was a pleasing and skilful performance by many of the gymnasts.

Senior Championships

The senior competition provided some exciting performances as the bar seems to go high as each championship brings forth innovative balance elements and spectacular dynamic elements. There were a number of excellent performances.

Accommodation

Accommodation for the event was of a good standard.

Food

A range of foods were available including salads and vegetarian dishes. In general the food was of a reasonable standard and wholesome.

Transport

Repair works at Varna airport during the entire period of competition imposed on the organisers a need provide transportation from and to Burgas airport. .

Transport between hotel and competition venue was generally good.

Social

The closing banquets for Age Groups, Senior and Junior athletes were held in local venues and were appreciated by all attending.

Media

The juniors and seniors were filmed for Bulgaria national television; a live web cam broadcast was most popular for internet users.

THANK YOU ORGANISERS A GREAT JOB.

2011 TRAINING CAMP

[Arques France] - with 65 participants it was one of our most successful. The feedback from those taking part was positive and encouraging. We are now planning the Camp for 2012 and we will be attempting to make the event rewarding and a good learning experience for all those who attend.



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UEG COURSE FOR ACRO COACHES

Denmark 28 - 29 January 2012

As of 19th December it is confirmed that coaches from DEN, EST, FIN, IRL and ESP have enrolled on the course.

Objective

Participants will have sufficient knowledge and understanding to coach and develop the discipline within their own country.

Aims

To provide knowledge and understanding for those wishing to learn the basic requirements for the discipline of Acrobatic Gymnastics

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Venue

Silkeborg Sportscenter,
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Programme

To be devised when the number of participants is known.

Fee

The course is free.

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UEG TRAINING CAMP 2012

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Travel Information

Airport Frankfurt or Hannover, then train to Kassel. Transport from the train station Kassel will be organised by the OC.

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS 2013

The next championships are due in 2013 – we have not to date received any offers to organise the event.

OTHER EVENTS

STARS ABOVE THE BOUG RIVER", to be held February 21.02 - 27.02.2011 in Vinnitsa, Ukraine

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BRITISH OPEN TOURNAMENT – Stoke on Trent – UK 23rd 26th November 2012