

# Acrobatic Gymnastics European News



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## News Highlights

**EUROPEAN TEAM Championships and Age Group Games - POLAND October 2010**

**A record number of people visited the UEG web-cam broadcast to view the European ACRO Championships.**

**Judge's notation sheets prove to be a huge success.**

**UEG Congress election results, new TC members.**

**Seasons Greetings.** As this will be last newsletter for 2009 the ACRO TC/UEG take the opportunity to send seasons greetings to all our friends and wish you good luck, health and happiness for the coming new year.

**Competitions.** Following a very successful European Championships last September/October in Vila do Conde - Portugal, we now start planning and look forward to the **EUROPEAN Senior and Junior TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS [and Age Group Games] TO BE HELD IN POLAND IN OCTOBER 2010.** [Pending UEG confirmation].

It is our hope that we can count on your support for this event!! Over the past year we have made some changes to our competition program, changes that the Acro family have wanted. It is important that we now show that the discipline can increase and grow as a competitive sport.

The number of teams entered for the last Team event was disappointing. The requirement for a team is very flexible, and should be achievable by most countries. The competition is very open as all scores count for final positions.

A Team for the Championships is composed of:  
1 Group [men or women] and  
2 Pairs, which may be from the same or different category.

**More information will follow regarding the Team Championships**

## NOTATION SHEETS

### JUDGING European Championships

The ACRO TC/UEG introduced a new concept for recording Judge's deductions at the last European Championships. Pre-printed forms were issued to judges prior to each round. On completion the sheets were returned to the CJP and Superior Jury for analysis. It is hoped that the information gathered can and will be used to identify required areas for continuing Judge Development.

## TRAINING CAMP

**Our camp in 2010 will be in Switzerland from August 15 to 21, 2010 at the Gymnastics Hall of Bois-des-Frères in Geneva,**

## UEG CONGRESS - ELECTIONS

The elections for the cycle 2010 - 2013 were held in Tel Aviv, Israel in early November 2009. As a result of the elections we have a new UEG President; Mr George Guelzec [FRA] will take up his position as from January 2010.

## NEW ACRO TC MEMBERS ELECTED.

There were 2 changes on the ACRO TC, Kerstin Hoffman [GER] and Urszula Wojtkowiak [POL] was elected as new members.

I was pleased to be re-elected and intend to carry on with the good progressive and successful outcomes the ACRO TC have achieved over the past few years.

It is important to mention two former TC members, Norbet Mullman and Dragamir Draganov, not only for the support and work during their time with the ACRO TC / UEG but also for their contribution to acrobatics over many years.

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ACRO TC / UEG Committee for the next four years are:

Laurie Colton – President

Carine Peridy – Vice President/Secretary

Galina Kovalchuk

Dmitry Vinnikov

Kerstin Hoffman

Urszula Wojtkowiak

Bernardo Tomas

The TC meets for the first time in Vienna during the UEG Transfer of Authorities 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2010

It is our intention to continue with the development program and the work we have completed in encouraging new countries to participate in competition. Furthermore by offering support and help when and where required.

We will maintain our working relationships with the FIG ACRO TC, working in unison and co-operation. The focus of our intention will be reaching a common target of increasing the number of participating countries involved with Acrobatics.

Our aims and objectives are clear and achievable. For our next European Championships we are aiming for at least 25 Federations sending competitors to the event. By the end of the present 4 year cycle, there is no reason why we should not have 30 or more countries taking part in our events and Championships.

The ACRO TC is committed to work hard in order to reach our goals, and we look forward to your help by supporting our events.

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## Calendar COMPETITIONS AND EVENTS

Stars above the Boug River",  
February 22nd - 28th 2010  
Vinnitsa, Ukraine.

Information - [golyak@vn.ua](mailto:golyak@vn.ua)

Russian open tournament  
Acrobatics and Tumbling  
Memorial for the Honored Master of Sports,  
VASSILY MACHUGA

May 11 – 15, 2009

Krasnodar, Russia

Information - [boss@alkmedia.ru](mailto:boss@alkmedia.ru)

UEG training Camp  
Geneva – Switzerland  
August 15<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>

Applications to UEG e-mail [info@ueg.org](mailto:info@ueg.org)

International Tournament for Clubs  
"The Mayor's Cup"  
22-26 April 2010

Samokov – BULGARIA

Information e-mail: [bul\\_acro@abv.bg](mailto:bul_acro@abv.bg)

British Open Tournament  
Stoke-on-Trent  
26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> November

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European Team Championships for seniors  
and juniors and European Age Group  
Games – October 2010 - Poland

**More information will follow**