



**Acrobatic Gymnastics Program Committee  
Conference Call \* September 27, 2015  
Minutes**

Conference call began at 8:10pm EDT

**Attendance:**

Carisa Laughon, Acro Program Committee Chair  
Ronda Francis, Elite Committee Chair  
Sarah Thomas, JO Committee Chair  
Kari Duncan, Technical Committee Chair  
Michael Rodrigues, Athlete Representative  
Elizabeth Millard, Acro Program Director (non-voting)

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The Program Committee convened to discuss the 2016 Acro Calendar and other initiatives for 2016 (as listed below), especially those which may have a budget impact. The budgeting process was discussed and the 2016 Acro budget will be developed to incorporate the approved initiatives and calendar events.

**2016 Acrobatics Gymnastics Program Calendar DRAFT**

(NOTE: Pending budget approval - this is a working document and all events are subject to change)

January 8-10	National Judges Clinic * Orlando, FL (may include concurrent National Coaching Clinic)
January 10-11	Local Judges Course * Orlando, FL
February 11-13	Flanders World Cup * Puurs, BEL (National Team senior, junior, age group)
February 12-14	WOGA Classic Invitational and International * Frisco, TX (open to Level 7 and up)
March 2-6	Maia International Acro World Cup * Maia, POR (senior non-funded)
March 23-29	World Age Group Championships * Putian, China (arrive early for training)
April 1-3	World Championships * Putian, China (arrive early for training)
Spring	ICT meet opportunity (TBD based on receipt of official invitations)
June 8-13	USA National Championships * Providence, RI (National Team selection)
July 8-10	National Congress, Program Committee face-to-face meeting * San Jose, CA
October 7-9	World Cup * Poland (National Team senior, junior, age group)
October 13-16	Developmental Camp * National Training Center, TX
Fall	ICT meet opportunity (TBD based on receipt of official invitations)
November 3-11	National Team / AGT / ICT / ADGT camps (roll-over) * National Training Center, TX

**Other Calendar and Budget Considerations and Initiatives include:**

- Instead of a World Team Training Camp, delegations will plan to arrive early in China to have time to acclimate and have additional training time together.
- National Team Regional Training Camps (two camps per region; 4 regions)

- Additional support for senior national team members, such as covering a portion of training camp travel expense
- Judges education with October or November training camp
- Program Development: including materials development, video development, printing, travel expenses (consider Acro Development Centers?)
- FIG Coaching Academy (host in the USA if possible in 2016 or move to 2017)

### **2017 Considerations**

The Program Committee also discussed items that may not fit into the 2016 calendar, but would be priorities for the 2017 season.

- Acro Cup
- Intercontinental Judges course (TBD)
- International Judges Course in USA
- FIG Coaching Academy in USA
- Freedom Cup

Conference call ended at 11:01pm EDT