

## **SCORING COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Wednesday, September 10, 2003

Present: Jackie McDaniel, Chair and Bob Wiegand, East Zone committee member.

Also: Monte Johnson, Mandy Haeuser, Megan Spring, Audie McDougall, Jayne McCallom, Jan Raio, Chris Urata, Barbara Longstaff, Sue Johnson, Norma Longmire, Toby Smith, Dave Scoons, Stephanie Dianne Shek, Jeanne Steed, JoAnne Bennett.

Called to order at 4:30 pm.

1. Introductions were made and Jackie thanked the Scoring chairs for their help this past year. Ron Edgerton – North; Candie Deatherage and Dave Olson – South; and Bob Wiegand – East.
2. Reports from this past year were presented. Masters had a power failure and we moved to another pool for a day. The Masters complimented the scoring staff on their mobility. For Collegiates we discovered the need for 4 computers – 2 to be dedicated specifically to the spread sheets needed for this meet. The Junior Championship and the U.S. National Championship meets both went well. The Age Group Championships in Florida and the U.S. Open both had long days due to a compressed schedule and it is hoped this problem will be solved for future meets. The Open had 17 combo routines which were well accepted. At the Open,, the results were emailed to those clubs who wanted them (they signed up at registration). This did cut down on the amount of paper needed, but there was some confusion among some clubs.
3. The sites for 2004 were discussed as to which scoring chairs were responsible for which meets. North Zone – U.S. Collegiates and U.S. Age Groups. South – U.S. Juniors and the U.S. Open. West – U.S. Nationals and Masters.
4. Sue Albrecht-Johnson mentioned that the Officials are looking at separating each of the divisions which are judged, so that instead of just a technical or execution score and an artistic or overall score, each athlete will receive 6 or 7 scores. This will necessitate utilizing a spreadsheet rather than the scoring program as we now use (for Routines only). This is in the future and is just beginning to be looked at. The athletes feel this will be more beneficial to the athletes and support the idea. Sue also mentioned the continued need for folders for judges at each meet.

Jackie spoke to the use of the Club Entry form this past year. Every one seems to agree that the form is easy to use and it certainly makes scoring easier. Jackie asked Jeanne Steed to mention at the Masters meeting on 9/11 that they need to use the “Figure Group” column to indicate both the Figure category being entered or the Technical Solo (TS) being done.

5. The results from meets were discussed and an alternative to the present practice of copying everything. It was discussed that the USSS office puts results on the

web, but not all the judges' scores (which is what the coaches and athletes look for). Jackie mentioned the rationale behind not giving results via disk and this was discussed. Jackie asked Sue to go to the Officials meeting 9/11 and ask them if they would agree to having a disk given instead of paper for results of the meets. We can copy results onto a text file which would make the results available without the judges' evaluations and would not necessitate having the Scoring program. This is going to be presented at the Board of Governors' meeting.

The problem of late entries was discussed with several methods proposed as to how to deal with them. It was mentioned that in the rulebook it states that no late entries will be accepted after the deadline. This committee suggests this policy be adhered to not just nationally but at local meets also.

6. Bob Wiegand mentioned the clinic he holds at Lake Placid every fall for scoring and invited anyone who wants to attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 pm to continue in the Rules Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie McDaniel  
Scoring Chair

**\* Report accepted by the Board of Governors on September 14, 2003 \***