

NATIONAL JUDGES REPRESENTATIVE
AGM REPORT SEPT, 2015

Respectfully Submitted by Ron Kopas

--Once again, I was glad to work with Dale White, Jackie Stewart on the judges assignments for the CBTF IC qualifier, Canadian Winner/Championships and the IC cup/Grand Prix. There were 4 assignments and it took 3 months to prepare, mark, add feedback and sent results. Worked from end of Sept. until end of Dec. The selection committee reviewed the assignment results and also the professional considerations to select our judges for the above competitions. The Selection Procedure/Policy is on the CBTF Website to review.

Thanks to Jeff for sending out the assignments with a personal number assigned to each applicant, so they could not be identified during the grading.

There were a total of 18 applicants, 8 Novice, 6 Veterans and 4 USA.

Assignment 1-Solo

Assignment 2-3 Baton

Assignment 3-Medley

Assignment 4-Teams

Thanks to Kim Maureen Johnson and Elan Paluck for assisting me for the Key for the Medley event. I also helped Dale and Jackie on their US assignment.

--I attended every bi-weekly Webinar meeting with the Education Committee for the full year. Working on all technical material for CBTF.

--Worked on & presented the judges section on "What's New" webinar Jan. 2015

--Presenter with Kathy Forsythe on Webinar on Choreography. combined with USA.-Feb. 2015

--Sent out "Everything Judges Need to Know"-based on new pre events and grading procedures.

--Webinar meeting-"How Do We Deal With Large Division" for judges on ICQ, ICC, Grand Prix and Canadians.

--Sent out-"Judge What You See"-to all judges.

--Set up a Library for all our individual, pair and team events. Arranged the Primary and Consultants panel for the keys of all the different events. We now have 35 or more performances for future M2 exams, focus meetings, practice judging etc. Thanks to all the judges who assisted me with this library. Maureen Johnson, Wendy Cruickshank, Loren Dermody, Brenda Bennett, Leisha Strachan, Sherrie Carter, Dale White, and Ginette Groom. I did all of the events as well, either as Primary or Consultant. Primary did scoring plus comments and Consultants only gave scores for the keys. Big thank to Jeff Johnson, for submitting us the performances links for all these events.

--Preparing for the ICC/GP competitions: The WBTF masters are very small, so I made new masters for all the ICC/GP events for our Canadian judges, solo, 2/3 baton, artistic twirl, artistic pairs and teams/groups. Hope this was beneficial to our judges.

--Masters Course: May 2015-Examiner-Kathy Forsythe
3 took the course.
Jennifer DeWolf
Tracy Dunsford-certified
Shannon Webster-certified

--Updated the Judges Database as of July, 2015.

--Did an assignment for the musicality grid for WBTF new Judging system.

--Made scripts for the new solo role models for CBTF.

--Made grids (fair to superior) for Aerials, Rolls and Contact for the WBTF new judging system.

--Made scripts for the Artistic Twirl and Artistic Pairs role models and they were also accepted by the WBTF as the official scripts.

--Attended all the webinar meetings for the bi-weekly Educational Committee. Continued working on technical issues for CBTF.

--I presented focus meetings at the Alberta Provincials, Saskatchewan Provincial and Ontario Provincials. Full focus meeting at the Canadian Championship and updated all the M2 and Master judges who attended. Thanks to the judges, for doing a great job on events assigned for the focus meeting. M2 and Master judges have to update every four years to maintain their certification. Those judges that attended the above focus meetings are update to 2019. M5 judges have till Dec. 31/2017 to take their Masters to be certified for the World Cup events. IC qualifier also had a full focus on all the IC events and those attending are also updated until 2019.

--I did not receive all of the competition sanctions. Thanks to the provinces that sent the judges list for their provincials and open competition; also adding the head judge. I don't think I got all of the open competitions listing this year.

--Judged at Alberta Provincials, Ontario Provincials, Saskatchewan Provincials, IC qualifier, Canadian Championships, ICC and Grand Prix plus a total of 8 open competitions.

--CBTF website www.cbtf.ca **Please continue to use the website**, it has a world of information. This is the method of keeping everyone in the know. Jeff does a wonderful job of posting all the necessary information for all CBTF Professionals and members.