

## MEMORANDUM

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<b>TO:</b> AER Community	<b>FROM:</b> Gymnastics New Zealand
<b>CC:</b>	<b>ATT:</b>
<b>RE:</b> <b>GNZ Super Series 2020 – AER Format and further detail</b>	<b>NOTE:</b>

Dear Aerobics Community,

### **We are running a Super Series and this is why!**

The focus is not about winning, although we will run a 'leader board' for each category for fun. The intention of these events is to give athletes the opportunity to practice their routines and skills in a fun, no pressure environment and it should be all about them and what they want to achieve. We want to make the series purposeful but barrier free.

We are aiming to create hype around Aerobics, both regionally and nationally, and will be promoting the series on all GNZ media Channels. We want to celebrate getting back to business for the athletes and showcase what they can do.

### **Where are the events?**

We will run two events in the South Island (clubs with Endorsed Events for 2020) and two in the North Island (Aspire Aerobix and Hamilton City Gymnastics).

If there are other clubs that are interested in hosting an event as part of the Gymnastics New Zealand Super Series, please contact [events@gymnasticsnz.com](mailto:events@gymnasticsnz.com) by **8.30am on Wednesday 24th June**.

A calendar will be released on, or before, the 29<sup>th</sup> June.

### **GNZ Super Series AER Format**

There will be two Aerobics 'zones', the North Island and the South Island. Athletes can choose to compete in as many events as they like within their zone but only the top score from one of the events they attend will be counted. We would encourage athletes to attend both (or more if other clubs wish to host events) of the events on offer but understand that travel and finances may be a barrier to this.

The following categories will be offered;

- Individual – Open, ADP and International



- Multiples (Pairs/Trios/Groups) - Open, ADP and International
- AeroDance – Open and International

There will be no age brackets within each category for the Super Series.

A normal competition format would run alongside the GNZ Super Series. At the event organiser's discretion, placings/awards could still be given in each age category.

### **Judging**

Each routine will be judged as per the category rules but for the purpose of the Super Series leader board, the difficulty score will not be included;

***Artistry out of 10 + Execution out of 10 = score out of 20 divided by 2.***

For the purpose of the GNZ Super Series portion of the event, and to encourage more opportunities for our judges and reduce costs for running the events, panels must have a minimum of 1 x Senior Judge, 2 x Junior Judge and 2 x Elementary Judge.

As these events are not Endorsed Qualifying Events, a reduced panel is acceptable. Athlete's should still receive quality judging and an opportunity for feedback for each athlete would be encouraged.

### **Coaching**

Athletes will have the opportunity to compete in the category that they wish to compete in for 2021 (Age/Stream). This provides an opportunity for athletes to experience competing at that level. Please note, for athlete's competing in a new category, the scores received will not be used for entry in to the international stream in 2021.

As mentioned above, athletes may have the opportunity to apply for specific feedback from the judging panel. More detail in how to apply will be released with the event information from each event holder.

### **GNZ Super Series Event Organiser info**

There are no levy collections from GNZ to host an event within the GNZ Super Series however, all athletes will need to be affiliated through your Friendly Manager (FM) database.





Registration for the GNZ Super Series will be talked through in more detail at the upcoming webinar (see details below).

Event Health and Safety plans will be required for every event; these will need to be sent to GNZ 2 weeks prior. There are numerous examples on GNZ Club Portal to aid you, if necessary.

For ease of data collection, the official entry form and score programme must be used.

The GNZ Super Series structure is in addition to regular levels and divisions which will be run as usual.

### **What is next?**

We will look to hold a National GNZ Super Series Webinar through Zoom on Wednesday 24 June at 10am. We will record the webinar and make this available for all those who cannot attend. Details below;

#### *Join Zoom Meeting*

<https://zoom.us/j/92645145150?pwd=S3owaDd5NWowRm5RU3piTk5qVkRkQT09>

*Meeting ID: 926 4514 5150*

*Password: 819259*

At this webinar, we will go through the format of the events and the logistics of information flow to GNZ.

In the meantime, we encourage you to get in touch if you have any questions.

Many thanks

Gymnastics New Zealand and the Aerobics Technical Committee

