



THE BRITISH
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Dear All,

Well, I'm delighted to say that the great news is that we now have 375 members signed up for The British Stunt Register. This is a fantastic achievement and is a testament to the fact that the majority of members of the old JISC register wished to join and stay within the relevant stunt community.

This Newsletter and any other communications will now be limited to the British Stunt Register membership only.

As is human nature in these things, the majority of applications flooded in to the office in the last few days before the end of the month, which has left our administrator Emma completely snowed under processing those applications and trying to answer literally the thousands of emails with various questions asked. For this reason we would ask you to please bear with us on this as the overwhelming response will take time to deal with but we are doing our best and everything will happen in due course.

We'll be starting up a Facebook page just for members of the British Stunt Register not just as an applicable forum where proper discussions can take place, but as a proper source of correct information rather than the seemingly unpleasant rumour mill which the UK Stunt Forum Facebook page seems to put up! This site has NOTHING to do with the British Stunt Register. I gather it is full of some really unnecessary and rather unpleasant comments based on nothing more than hearsay and rumour.

Our Facebook site will be monitored and if anyone breaks the guidelines, post abusive comments, name names, make accusations etc, the comment would quickly be deleted and the member warned/removed.

I've had some very kind positive calls/emails from Full, Intermediate and Probationary members expressing support and for that I'm deeply grateful. The administration and running of the British Stunt Register is a team effort and we're all full of enthusiasm. Those messages of support just help to put the team in the frame of mind that is required to keep progressing forward and improve the lot of our stunt performers and coordinators.

I met quite a few of the new members both at the application meeting and also the first seminar we held for new members last week. Firstly, I'd like to personally congratulate you on becoming members after all your hard work to get there and secondly (and this is just as, if not more important) I was really impressed by the enthusiasm expressed not just in your personal statements, but in the questions asked which were well formed and we hope, covered any anomalies you may have had before that meeting.

A number of other members have been upgraded either to Intermediate or Full membership. They too had been mostly waiting in the wings sometimes for years, for Equity to get their act together for those upgrade meetings and we were pleased to congratulate them on their achievements.

Once all the applications have been processed and you all have your membership cards and other bits and pieces, which will come with, we'll be starting to address the business of seminars and courses for various disciplines.

Lastly, I would urge any of you who are Equity members (and once again, I'd urge you to join if you're not a member already) to attend the first seminar with reference to contracts and what they all mean! This is on Wednesday 7 March from 2.00 until 5.15 at Guild House which is Equity HQ - *please note: you will need to book a place through Equity*. I know it may not sound exciting, but actually, I think you'll be quite surprised when you get to realise the various differences between the companies awarding contracts in terms of daily hours, overtime rates, penalty payments, night work and Bank Holidays, resident locations and so forth. These rates are what you are entitled to and you (and the company and the coordinator sometimes) need to know that you are aware of the pre negotiated rules. Some of our older members will be there also and can give you some examples of instances where the company itself was unaware of their own contractual obligations and were made to pay the correct fees and also the correct contracts in order that people got the residual payments to which they were entitled. These residuals can carry on for years and years and every year I get payments from various companies some dating back to the 70's. Worth knowing about!

Best wishes to all of you as we continue to move forward.

Jim Dowdall

Chairman

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CREDITS IN THE STUNT BOOK

Due to members requests, the committee have decided to allow all credits in the stunt book to be accepted provided you have a corresponding stunt contract and the title is stunt related. For example Head Stunt Rigger, Stunt Rigger, Horse Master, Assistant Stunt Co-ordinator. We cannot accept Core Team as a credit unless its on your contract.



RECENT NEWS

We welcome our new probationary members:

SOLD!

The final bid for the membership number 007 was £1000, by Vic Armstrong. We are pleased to confirm that after the auction site fee is deducted both beneficiaries will be sent a cheque each for £475.

Thank you Vic.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS

Emma is working diligently to process all the applications along with the book entry forms, but she also copies up our minutes, answers numerous daily emails and assists those committee members who can dedicate their time to running the BSR on a daily basis. We hope to get your cards out at the end of this month or early March, so please bear with us and understand this is an extremely busy time

WORK FOLDERS

Also in the pipeline, each member will receive a British Stunt Register ring binder, for the probationary and intermediate members this is your work Log Book, and a script/document folder for full members.



The new website is coming along nicely and should go live in the next week or so - we'll let you know the date as soon as we can.

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UPCOMING EVENTS



Find our official page on



James Apps
Daniel Awde
Johnathan Brenner
Pablo Casillas Quian
Clayton Grover
Peter Guiney
Nadia Hansell
Octavia Hopwood
Steven Jehu
Ellie Keighley
Tomás Paredes de Dios
Joe Paxton
Catherine Peck
Christina Petro
Anton Simpson-Tidy
Neil Stoddart
Peter Syckelmoore
Anthony Traher

A new members seminar was held which they found very helpful.

...and we congratulate the following Upgraders:

Inter' - Dacio Cabellero
Inter' - James Cox
Inter' - Pablo Verdejo
Full - Ben Dimmock
Full - Gary Kane
Full - Paul Lowe
Full - Chris Pollard
Full - Matt Stirling
Full - Andy Wareham
Full - Ben Wright

The next **Horse Test** is arranged for the weekend of the 10th & 11th March at Fieldways Farm.

The next **Swim Test** is arranged for the 24th February at Leon Academy, Bletchley.

CONGRATULATIONS!

TO THOSE MEMBERS OF THE BRITISH STUNT REGISTER
WHO CAN BE PROUD OF THE RECOGNITION FOR THEIR
OUTSTANDING ENSEMBLE ACTION PERFORMANCES IN

GAME OF THRONES
AND
WONDER WOMAN



-And the winner was...

The big packet of Maltesers was sent to Gareth Milne who correctly identified Buster Keaton wearing his characteristic pork pie hat, taking a break on set.

Hope you didn't eat them all at once Gareth.

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