

Day 1:

The MG Nationals kicked off on Tuesday with the Level 8 Open division. The team placed a credible third with each competitor putting in good performances.

Tonegato led the team with stellar performances on rings - full out dismount, vault - pumpy layout tsuk, High Bar - endo healy and full out dismount and floor - 2/1 twist, front 1/1 punch front, 3/2 dismount. Forrest showed good clean lines all around and helped pull the team out of a challenging pommel round with a stuck handstand dismount. Conway sustained a jammed ankle trying to nail a layout tsuk on vault but after some magic from the physio Luise bounced back to hit his moy on PBars, salto over the bar on high bar and good floor - 3/2 twist, 1/1 twist forward and 2/1 dismount. Earle was the big improver with solid performances all around particularly on rings and PBars where he finished a good clean set. Phillips sustained injury in warm up and competed a reduced set but impressed with a good cross sequence on rings.

The U12's shaped up against some tough competition on Wednesday morning. The team event for this division will be presented after round two. The NSW team showed good form on floor and pommel with most boys completing the full bonus set.

The U14's competed Wed lunchtime with all four boys putting in good sets. Thompson led the way with a big rings - uprise to h/s giant just shy of h/s and nailed double tuck. Massey showed big improvement and nailed a good set on pommel. Swan-McLean showed good leg form with a pumpy tsuk and Stathakis finished a clean round to finish off a good event. The team awards for this division are presented following round two of competition.

Wednesday evening saw the U18's and seniors hit the floor. In a nail biting round of competition NSW were leading after 5 rounds however had a shocker on HB to succumb the lead to VIC by 0.1. Standouts were the perennial favourite Prashanth 16.00 pommel when he completed almost every skill in the code and he nailed a clean set on P Bars and rings - 1/1 twist double straight dismount, Wiwatowski nailed a 2/1 kasamatsu on vault, 3/2 twisting thomas and 5/2 punch half on floor, stacey stepped up with a 5/2 twist to punch full, double front and 2/1 forward to punch 1/2 and a 3/2 twisting double off the rings, Mercieca finished a clean set on pommel and rings - kip to swallow, uprise to cross and double lay dismount, Martin hit a good set on PBars tippelt, healy, double pike. Angel nailed a stellar double front on floor and finished with a double tuck, Hui nailed a 1/1 tusk to score a credible 15.00, O'hashi narrowly missed a high kovacs, and an injured Rickards showed clean lines on pommel and floor - 2/1 fwd and punch double front.