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RE: Australia Cheerleading National Federation Interim Officers

The International Cheer Union (ICU), recognized in 2016 by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) as the International Governing Body for Cheerleading, through a nomination process conducted by the stakeholders of Cheer in Australia, also confirmed by the ICU Governing Council - is pleased to announce the new ICU Australia Cheerleading National Federation (NF) Interim Officers.

Within accordance of the new ICU Australia National Federation approved Constitution with officer roles described within the Constitution, the Interim Officer positions are comprised into two (2) different positions respectfully: 1) Interim National Board Directors and 2). First/Interim State Representatives.

With more information to follow, the ICU Australia Cheerleading National Federation (NF) Interim Officers are as follows:

## **INTERIM NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS (7)**

- Genevieve ANDERSON-DAVIS (NSW)
- Lauren CARVOSSO (TAS)
- Krystle DAY (QLD)
- Liz GARDINER (WA)
- Kym GRIEVE (QLD)
- Willem MILLAR (VIC)
- Jacqui SAXBY (QLD)

## **INTERIM/FIRST STATE REPRESENTATIVES (6)**

ACT: Jill MCGAHON
 NSW: Blake PARKER
 QLD Phill HARRIS
 TAS: Zoe EROSS
 VIC: David LAMB

WA: Dominique WOOD

Through the transition process from Gymnastics Australia (GA) respectfully, the new ICU Australia National Cheerleading Federation will retain the name of "Australian Cheer Union (ACU)" until further notice- with more details of the ACU to be provided to the Australia Cheerleading Community in the coming weeks.

The ICU expresses its sincere gratitude to all involved in the development of this very important endeavor to fully establish an Australia Sport Authority compliant National Cheerleading Federation for the country, and ICU looks forward to a great future for all stakeholders of Australia Cheerleading in 2019 and beyond.

Initial projects for the ACU officers will include selection of the Australian National Team(s) for the ICU World Championships, coordination of the 2019 SportAccord Sports Festival in Gold Coast, Queensland on 8-10 May 2019, as well as collaboration with Australia's sport authorities and state sport authorities for formal sport recognition of Cheer. ACU can be contacted at <a href="mailto:australiancheerunion@gmail.com">australiancheerunion@gmail.com</a> for additional information.

## **About the International Cheer Union**

The International Cheer Union (ICU) was established, as the non-profit international governing entity whose mission is to advance cheerleading on a global scale. With 116 member nations, the ICU represents all geographical areas where cheerleading exists. The ICU promotes healthy competition, rule development and education for athletes, coaches, and parents. More information can be found on www.cheerunion.org.

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