



**\$70,000+ in prize money!**

### **Competitions**

- The GPG Series of elite Men's Artistic Gymnastics (MAG) competitions features athletes competing to garner points for their placement on each apparatus.
- Gymnasts receiving the top five (5) points on an event at each competition according to their ranking are eligible for prize money.
- "Athlete of the Day" will be voted on by fans in the stands at each competition. The athlete with the most votes will win additional prize money.
- A Meet Total Point Winner will be awarded additional prize money at each GPG meet (excluding the Championship).
- A Series Total Point Winner will be awarded prize money at the Championship, along with the designation and award: "2023 Dusty Ritter GPG Series Champion".

### **2023 GPG Season Schedule**

Date	Event	Location
<u>January</u>		
14-15	Beach Blast Invitational	Galveston, TX
21-22	HGA Invitational	Houston, TX
28-29	Stanford Open	Palo Alto, CA

### **2023 GPG Championship Event**

<u>February</u>		
3-5	Blackjack Invitational	Las Vegas, NV

Each of the competitions above will have one (1) elite session (Saturday night) featuring some top elite gymnasts in the USA and internationally.

### **Eligibility for Prize Money**

The acceptance of prize money may affect a current or prospective NCAA student-athlete's eligibility and could potentially make them ineligible to compete in the NCAA. Please consult an expert before making a commitment to accept prize money. Below is the current NCAA bylaw:

*12.1.2.4.1 Exception for Prize Money Based on Performance -- Sports Other Than Tennis. In sports other than tennis, an individual may accept prize money based on place finish or performance in an athletics event. Such prize money may not exceed actual and necessary expenses and may be provided only by the sponsor of the event. The calculation of actual and necessary expenses shall not include the expenses or fees of anyone other than the individual (e.g., coach's fees or expenses, family member's expenses). (Adopted: 4/25/02 effective 8/1/02, Revised: 12/12/06 applicable to any expenses received by a prospective student-athlete on or after 8/23/06, 4/26/12, 1/19/13 effective 8/1/13, 4/25/18)*

## **Prize Money Per each GPG Season Meet**

(excluding Championship)

<b>Award/Placement</b>	<b>Cash Prize Amt per place</b>	<b>Total Amount of Events per Meet</b>	<b>Cash Prize per Meet</b>	<b>Cash Prize Season Meets</b>
1st Place	\$1,000	6	\$6,000	\$18,000
2nd Place	\$700	6	\$4,200	\$12,600
3rd Place	\$400	6	\$2,400	\$7,200
4th Place	\$150	6	\$900	\$2,700
5th Place	\$75	6	\$450	\$1,350
Athlete of Day	\$500	1	\$500	\$1,500
Meet Total Point Winner	\$750	1	\$750	\$2,250
Total \$ Amt Per GPG Season Meet			<b>\$15,200</b>	
Total \$ Amt for all Season Meets				<b>\$45,600</b>

## **Prize Money for the GPG Championship Meet (“The Blackjack”)**

<b>Award/Placement</b>	<b>Cash Prize Amount</b>	<b>Total Amount of Events</b>	<b>Cash Prize Total</b>
1st Place	\$1,500	6	\$9,000
2nd Place	\$1,000	6	\$6,000
3rd Place	\$700	6	\$4,200
4th Place	\$350	6	\$2,100
5th Place	\$200	6	\$1,200
Athlete of Day	\$500	1	\$500
Meet Total Point Winner	\$1,000	1	\$1,000
Series Total Point Winner*	\$2,000	1	\$2,000
Total \$ Amt for GPG Championship			<b>\$26,000</b>

\*The Series Total Points Winner is a combination of points based on a gymnast’s total points from their best two (2) meets, which can include the season meets and championship.

## **Judges**

There will be two judges per apparatus (D1/E1 and D2/E2). The panels will consist of judges assigned by the state of each competition.

## **Point System**

- The point values for event rankings (Series Meets and the Championship) are below:

<b>Place</b>	<b>Points</b>
1 <sup>st</sup>	10
2 <sup>nd</sup>	7
3 <sup>rd</sup>	5
4 <sup>th</sup>	3
5 <sup>th</sup>	1

## GPG SIMULATION (using just 4 athletes for simplification)

### Winter Beach Blast Invitational

	FX	PH	R	V	PB	HB	Athlete of Day	Total Pt Winner	Total
<b>Marc Jones</b>	Place	1st	3rd	5th		4th		1st	
	Points	10	5	1		3			<b>19</b>
	Prize \$	\$1,000	\$400	\$75		\$150		\$750	\$2,375
<b>Mike Smith</b>	Place	2nd	4th	3rd		5th			
	Points	7	3	5		1			16
	Prize \$	\$700	\$150	\$400		\$75	\$500		\$1,825

### HGA Invitational

	FX	PH	R	V	PB	HB	Athlete of Day	Total Pt Winner	Total
<b>Steve Wood</b>	Place	2nd	3rd	4th		3rd			
	Points	7	5	3		5			20
	Prize \$	\$700	\$400	\$150		\$400	\$500		\$2,150
<b>Tom Clark</b>	Place	1st	4th	2nd		4th		1st	
	Points	10	3	7		3			<b>23</b>
	Prize \$	\$1,000	\$150	\$700		\$150		\$750	\$2,750

### Stanford Open

	FX	PH	R	V	PB	HB	Athlete of Day	Total Pt Winner	Total
<b>Mike Smith</b>	Place		1st	4th		3rd	5th		
	Points		10	3		5	1		19
	Prize \$		\$1,000	\$150		\$400	\$75	\$250*	\$1,875
<b>Steve Wood</b>	Place	2nd			1st	4th	1st		1st
	Points	7			10	3	10		<b>30</b>
	Prize \$	\$700			\$1,000	\$150	\$1,000	\$250*	\$750

\* tie

### Blackjack Invitational (Championship)

	FX	PH	R	V	PB	HB	Athlete of Day	Total Pt Winner	Total
<b>Marc Jones</b>	Place	2nd		3rd	1st		2nd		1st
	Points	7		5	10		7		<b>29***</b>
	Prize \$	\$1,000		\$700	\$1,500		\$1,000		\$1,000
<b>Mike Smith</b>	Place	1st		2nd	3rd		4th		
	Points	10		7	5		3		25
	Prize \$	\$1,500		\$1,000	\$700		\$350		
<b>Steve Wood</b>	Place	4th	2nd	5th	2nd	5th	1st		
	Points	3	7	1	7	1	10		29**
	Prize \$	\$350	\$1,000	\$200	\$1,000	\$200	\$1,500	\$500	
<b>Tom Clark</b>	Place	1st		3rd			5th		
	Points	10		5			1		16
	Prize \$	\$1,500		\$700			\$200		

\*\* Tie broken

#### \*\*TIE BREAK REPORT

	FX	PH	R	V	PB	HB
<b>Marc Jones</b>	<del>2nd</del>		<b>3rd</b>	<del>1st</del>		<del>2nd</del>
<b>Steve Wood</b>	<b>4th</b>	<del>2nd</del>	<del>5th</del>	<del>2nd</del>	<del>5th</del>	<del>1st</del>

\*\*Tie broken in 4th round

## Simulation of Series Total Points Winner

<b>Marc Jones</b>	FX	PH	R	V	PB	HB	TOTAL
W. Beach Blast	10		5	1		3	19
Championship	7		5	10		7	29
Event Pts	17		10	11		10	48
<b>Mike Smith</b>	FX	PH	R	V	PB	HB	TOTAL
W. Beach Blast	7		3	5		1	16
Stanford Open		10	3		5	1	19
Championship	10		7	5		3	25
Event Pts	10	10	10	5	5	4	44
<b>Steve Wood</b>	FX	PH	R	V	PB	HB	TOTAL
HGA Invitational	7		5	3		5	20
Stanford Open	7			10	3	10	30
Championship	3	7	1	7	1	10	29
Event Pts	10	7	1	17	4	20	<b>59</b>
<b>Tom Clark</b>	FX	PH	R	V	PB	HB	TOTAL
HGA Invitational	10		3	7		3	23
Championship	10		5			1	16
Event Pts	20		8	7		4	39

Red = discarded points, green = counted points, black **bold** total points for winner

## Awards & Prize Money

- All prize money for an athlete will be forfeited if they do not participate in all their medal and prize money presentations during the awards' ceremony.
- The top five (5) prize money winners at each meet (Series Meets and Championship) will be required to appear for photos as the conclusion portion of the award ceremony.
- If any prize money winner declines payment, the funds will be redistributed to the next qualified gymnast(s) according to the ranking and points.

## Tie-Breaking

### By Apparatus

In case of a tie in points at any place, the final ranking and prize money will be determined by respecting the following criteria:

1. The gymnast with the highest E-score prevails
2. The gymnast with the highest D-score prevails

### By Total Points Winner (Meet)

In case of a tie in Total Points for a meet, the final ranking and prize money will be determined by respecting the following criteria:

1. The gymnast with the highest apparatus ranking from the six events prevails
2. If there is still a tie, this procedure continues by considering the 2<sup>nd</sup> event, 3<sup>rd</sup> event, and so on

### By Total Points Winner (Series)

In case of a tie in Total Points for the series, the final ranking and prize money will be determined by respecting the following criteria:

1. The gymnast with the most total points from the Championship prevails
2. If there is still a tie, the gymnast with the most total points from the next most recent Season Meet prevails, and continuing in reverse chronological order

### By Athlete of the Day

In case of a tie in votes, the prize money will be split equally by those tied.

*Note: If after application of any of these tie-breaking rules there is still a tie, the prize money of the tied ranks or points will be added and divided by the number of ties.*

### **Prize Money Distribution**

All prize money for USA athletes will be distributed to each athlete directly upon completion of a 1099 form at the conclusion of each competition. Prize money for international athletes will be transferred to their national gymnastics federation (NF), unless distribution is approved by the organizers for delivery to another organization. USA IRS rules will be strictly respected.

### **Prize Money Contingency**

Full prize money will be distributed based on the number of eligible athletes participating. If there are eight (8) eligible gymnasts participating, regardless of number of apparatuses, all prize money will be distributed. For every number less than eight (8), the lowest place(s) will be removed from the prize money table. For example, seven (7) athletes would mean only four (4) apparatus prize money places, and so on.

### **MAG Foundation USA**

Stands for Men's Artistic Gymnastics Foundation USA. The non-profit created in support of men's gymnastics in the USA.

*Note: The prize money sponsor reserves the right to declare the winner of any prize money disputed or unclaimed.*