

Chairman's Report

2012 the fourth year of the GBPF has been a year of changes, the most important of which was The reintegration of Northern Ireland & Scottish Power lifting into the GBPF this has vastly improved our position in respect of our application for governing body status. I would like to thank our General Secretary for all the time and effort he has invested in both the re-integration and the application for governing body status. I also wish to thank the officers Of Northern Ireland Powerlifting Federation and Scotland Powerlifting for their work in achieving the basis for successful Home country involvement in all GBPF activities.

We had our first Four Nations championship involving all home countries for many years. This excellent championship was promoted by Rob Thomas and the Welsh powerlifting association. Also on the home front the GBPF have now in place an effective anti-doping program which it is hoped can be expanded in the future this of course being dependent upon our financial position. We have streamlined our expenditure with the help of our financial director, and it is hoped that There will be funding available in the future to help improve things on both the home and International fronts

National championships have been very successful in 2012 with the possible exception of the senior event, the poor attendance probably due to a late change of date and venue.

The classic event held in Horncastle was the most successful GBPF event for a long time, for this we have to thank all involved lifters and officials and promoter Marc Giles and Horncastle Powerlifting Club.

Members who have represented GBPF at international championships have had a great deal of success notably class winners Jenny Hunter, Jean Maton, Rob Palmer, Kevin Jane, Graham Mellor and Craig Williams.

I would like to thank all our international team members, coaching and management staff.

I wish all our members success and enjoyment in the sport of powerlifting and remember all members of the Executive are very approachable.

Fred Sterry

GBPF Chairman