

PA NAWGJ NEWS

January 2022

Pennsylvania Judges Cup

Pennsylvania Judges Cup was held at AJS Pancott this year the weekend of December 17-19. What a success! A big THANK YOU to the following judges for volunteering their time or making a donation -



Susan Adamczyk
Marcy Blitz
Leslie Boyer
Kristin Bradford
Amy Busse
TC Carr
Jane Caruso
Barbara Cutillo
Destini Duke
Marianne Edwards
Alison Fischer
Ashlie Grimes
Jessica Guffey
Stella Hewlett

Jeannette Jefferson
Denise Johnson
Linda Kothe
Betsy Lee
Tamara Lomanovitch
Cindy Loring
Anne Malone
Michelle Marshall
Terry McGirk
Abby Menna
Carole Micsion
Amy Miller
Jan Morrow
Margie Myers
Stephanie Myers

Jean Noecker
Kris Olson
Mary Ann Olson
Lynn Ross
Marilyn Schnaars
Connie Schultz
Debi Schwab
Kate Shiller
Tracy Siverson
Maggie Tamburro
Tia Tedder
Monique Vaughn
Kathy Vicario
Patti Walters
Shannon Watson
Debbie Yohman



**And thank you,
thank you, thank you
to Laurie Lengel for planning
and organizing the entire
weekend!**

Do you want something included in the next newsletter?
Let me know! Email me at blitzmarcy@gmail.com

Kwiz Korner | Questions

Test your knowledge with the following questions (answers can be found later in this newsletter) -

1. Which of the following situations would not receive a 0.2 deduction for incorrect attire following a warning? (Select all that apply)
 - A. Wearing ankle length skin tone leggings under the leotard
 - B. Wearing black lycra shorts over the leotard
 - C. Wearing a capri length unitard
 - D. Wearing a scoop back leotard where the outer portion of the scapula is visible
2. Which of the following situations violate the regulations regarding jewelry during competition? (Select all that apply)
 - A. Wearing a series of stud earrings
 - B. Wearing a nose ring covered with a band aid
 - C. Wearing a medical alert bracelet covered by athletic tape
 - D. Wearing a barbell across the top portion of the ear
3. Which of the following is the correct procedure for the Chief Judge to follow when a gymnast is inappropriately attired during a competition?
 - A. The CJ warns the coach and gymnast that an attire violation needs to be corrected or a 0.2 deduction will occur on all subsequent events
 - B. The CJ warns the coach and gymnast that an attire violation needs to be corrected and notifies the judges on the following event that a warning has been given
 - C. The CJ notifies the MR that an attire violation exists and provides the MR with gymnast and club information. The MR will then handle the notification of coaches and judges. A 0.2 deduction will occur on all subsequent events if corrective action isn't taken.
 - D. The CJ notifies the MR that an attire violation exists and provides the MR with gymnast and club information. The MR will then handle the notification of coaches and judges. A one time deduction of 0.2 will occur if corrective action isn't taken.

***Please note the attire deduction is 0.1 for Xcel

CRITIQUE CLINIC



A Critique Clinic was held at Falcon Gymnastics. A special thank you to Charity Ruhl for organizing the clinic, as well as for hosting, which raised money for the NAWGJ education fund. Also,

thank you to the following judges for volunteering -

Martha Dunn	Jeannie Lippert	Charity Ruhl
Crystal Hinnebusch	Valerie Miller	Joyce Shaffer
Debbie Hinnebusch	Kathy Ritchie	Patty Spisak
Sherri Horne	James Rossi	Stacy Upham
Barb Jani	Audrey Rozinsky	Laura Winters
Toni Kardos		

Save the dates...

UPCOMING CLINCS/EVENTS

Virtual Practice Judging - 1/24, 2/9, 2/24 | Zoom
Zoom links will be emailed out prior to each session. Each session will be available for 1 1/2 hours of CPE clinic credit. The session on 1/24 will focus on Xcel, the session on 2/9 will focus on compulsories, and the session on 2/24 will focus on optionals

Region 7 Congress - June 24-26 | Site TBD
Stay tuned for more information and group registration instructions

National Congress - August 18-21 | Tampa, FL
Please see the USA Gymnastics website for more information and to register for National Congress once it becomes available.

GymJAS Reminders

- Please log into the system and accept all outstanding contracts. If you need to decline a meet please let the assigner know as soon as possible so they can work on a replacement. ***It is important that you create a contract in addition to accepting the meet. By accepting the contract you can also accept in one step!***
- Please log into the system and make sure your availability is as up to date as possible. This will help the assigners out very much!
- Contact your assigner if you are affiliated as soon as possible.

Activity Reports

Please enter a Professional Activity Report anytime you go into a gym in your role as a NAWGJ judge and you do not have a NAWGJ contract.

There is a NEW button on GymJas called "Activity Reports". This form allows you to report professional activity (mock meets, in-gym experience, Training Camp, volunteering, etc.) related to your role as a NAWGJ gymnastics judge in case a report is needed for General or Professional Liability Insurance documentation. You DO NOT need to fill out this form for any activity where you receive and accept an official contract from NAWGJ -- it is just for those activities that do not come with a contract.

As an active NAWGJ judge, you are covered by insurance during all of these activities in the event an accident should occur, and this form simply assists with documentation.

REMINDERS/UPDATES

Please NO solicitation!
Our personal information is to be used for professional reasons only.

- If you are an affiliated judge, and you are listed as a head judge when event assignments are released, please let your meet referee and event assigner know immediately so that she may make the proper changes.
- **If your CPE credits are not up to date, you may not be assigned to sanctioned meets.** In an unusual circumstance where there is an absolute necessity to assign a judge who is delinquent in completing their CPE credits, the judges' compensation will be reduced by \$5.00 per hour. Please refer to pages 32 of the Rules and Policies for further information pertaining to CPE credits.
- If any of your information changes (i.e. rating, address, etc.) please notify NAWGJ, USAG and the SJD as well as update your GymJas account.
- Please do not wait until the last minute to renew your USAG membership, safety certification, safe sport and/or background check. If any of your dates are not current, you will not be allowed on the floor at a sanctioned meet.
- If you are on any medication, please keep a list of your medications in your purse in case of emergency. Also, be sure to carry on your medications if you are flying to any away meets.

MILEAGE UPDATE



Effective January 1, 2022, the rate for mileage reimbursement for judges is \$.585/mile to reflect the recent adjustment in the IRS standard mileage rate.

Covid Concerns

Please do **NOT** come to a meet sick this season! Please contact your assigner as soon as possible if you are sick.

BUDGET 2022

Beginning November 1, 2021 for current fiscal year.

Income -

Judges Cup - \$42,800
Clinics - \$10,000
Assigning Fees - \$5,500
Raffles - \$2,000
Interest Earned - \$15
Total - \$60,315

Expenses -

Judges Cup - \$32,790
National Judges Cup - \$3,500
SJD Attendance at Regional Congress - \$1,000
State board meeting - \$500
Operating supplies - \$1,500
Telephone/Internet/Website fees - \$1,250
Gifts (memorials, hospitals, etc.) - \$500
Donation to Helping Hands - \$250
Bank Charges - \$24
Assigning Website - \$700
Education - State Clinics - \$2,000
 Western Critique Clinic - \$2,000
 Testing year clinic - \$4,000
Outstanding educational gift certificates - 48,150
Camp gift certificates - \$2,000
Total - \$100,164

LEVEL 7 NATIONAL JUDGES CUP TEAM

Pennsylvania sent 2 Level 7 teams to the National Judges Cup. The PA State Team represented PA in the state team competition and finished 3rd. The All-Star team competed in a level 7 session and placed 1st. Individual winners included McKenna Bailey (Xquisite) on bars, Charlotte Degrands (Xquisite) on floor and all-around, Harper Dennison (Xquisite) on beam, Hadley Parks (Hershey) on beam and all-around, Lyndlea Rhoades (Xquisite) on beam, and Karlee Santana (Co-Op) on floor and all-around. The meet was held January 7-9 in New Orleans, LA. Barb Cutillo, Linda Kothe, Charity Ruhl and Martha Dunn volunteered their time.

The team members were -

Mckenna Bailey | Xquisite • Gia Carlough | Hershey
Charlotte Degrands | Xquisite • Harper Dennison | Xquisite
Sarah Diaddezio | GymOlympic • Lily Mayer | Hershey
Elyse Mccrum | Centre Elite • Hadley Parks | Hershey
Lyndlea Rhoades | Xquisite • Karlee Santana | Co-Op
Alaina Scolieri | Xquisite • Keirra Sholl | Hershey



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CPE cards are to be sent to
Connie Schultz by June 1.
Please send them to her at the following address -
2555 Prince Drive, Coplay, PA 18037
or email them to her at cmsjudge@pta.net

BE SURE TO CHECK OUT THE FOLLOWING WEBSITES -

www.panawgj.org
www.region7usagym.com
www.pagymnastics.com
www.usa-gymnastics.org

It is your responsibility to let the assigner know if you are going to be affiliated at a meet. Please let the assigner know as soon as possible.

Kwiz Korner | Answers

1. A and B
2. B and D
3. D

Judges' Expense Voucher

Date: _____

Meet: _____

NAME/ADDRESS	MILEAGE		MEALS	MISCELLANEOUS Itemize	SUBTOTAL	FEE			TOTAL
	Miles	\$ Amount				DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	
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DAY 1
Report Time:
Meet End Time:
Total Time on site:
Number of breaks x 30 minutes: <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;"> *Minimum of 2 30 minute break times required for meets of 3 or more sessions. Maximum of 1 hour break time for the day. </div>
Total time on site - break hours = hours paid

DAY 2
Report Time:
Meet End Time:
Total Time on site:
Number of breaks x 30 minutes: <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;"> *Minimum of 2 30 minute break times required for meets of 3 or more sessions. Maximum of 1 hour break time for the day. </div>
Total time on site - break hours = hours paid

DAY 3
Report Time:
Meet End Time:
Total Time on site:
Number of breaks x 30 minutes: <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;"> *Minimum of 2 30 minute break times required for meets of 3 or more sessions. Maximum of 1 hour break time for the day. </div>
Total time on site - break hours = hours paid

Reminder: Meet Referees need to mail the original copy of this sheet within 5 days of the meet. Eastern judges mail to Leslie Boyer and Western judges mail to Patty Spisak.
 Leslie Boyer ~ 107 Crossings Lane, Lewisburg, PA 17837 | Patty Spisak ~ 9911 LeGrand Drive, Wexford, PA 15090