

# PA NAWGJ NEWS

January 2021

## 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.

## Covid Concerns

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

If you have any questions not answered by the Meet Director's Checklist that will help determine if you will accept an assignment, please contact the Meet Director for more information.

## 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.

## Kwiz Korner | Questions

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

1. Which of the following is a false statement?
  - A. A virtual LIVE meet on a platform such as Zoom means that is possible for the judges to officiate a meet from their homes, regardless if the athletes are gathering in one gym to compete, or whether the athletes are all competing from their own gyms.
  - B. A virtual RECORDED meet on a platform such as Flyp10 means that it is possible for the coach to record the athlete's routine from their own gym, and send a recording to the judge for evaluation.
  - C. In Pennsylvania, a virtual recorded competition may be used for both mobility and qualification.
  - D. In Pennsylvania, a virtual live meet may be used for both mobility and qualification.
2. Which of the following is a true statement?
  - A. At a virtual competition where the judges are officiating from home, judges are paid the normal hourly rate and any appropriate per diem between sessions.
  - B. At a virtual competition with 3 or more sessions, where the judges are officiating from home, judges will allow up to 2 hours of unpaid break time
  - C. At a virtual competition where the judges are officiating from home, it is required to have a Meet Referee that is NOT also assigned to judge an event.
  - D. If judges are officiating a virtual live meet on the Zoom platform, they must register for at least a free Zoom account to perform all tasks required during the competition
3. Which of the following is a true statement?
  - A. Because of the increased time it takes to run a virtual competition, meets may now finish no later than 10:30 PM
  - B. Because of the increased time it takes to run a virtual competition, meets may now start open stretch at 7:00 AM
  - C. At all virtual meets the judges must use an electronic scoring system (ProScore, LiveMeet, etc.) in order for the Meet Director to officially submit the results
  - D. Inquiries are not allowed for live virtual competitions

Do you want something included in the next newsletter?  
Let me know! Email me at [blitzmarcy@gmail.com](mailto:blitzmarcy@gmail.com)

Save the dates...

## UPCOMING CLINICS/EVENTS

**Master Compulsory Workshop - June 4-6 | Atlantic City**  
**June 11-13 | Reno**

Learn the new compulsory routines for 2021-2029!  
More information to be shared when it becomes available.

**National Congress - June 24-27 | St. Louis, MO**

Please see the USA Gymnastics website for more information and to register for National Congress.

**Region 7 Congress - July 14-19 | Baltimore, MD**

Stay tuned for group registration information that will be shared as it becomes available.

## PA/DE NAWGJ YEARS OF SERVICE BANQUET

We intend to host this event at Region 7 Congress in 2021 if it is safe to do so at the time. More information will be out as it becomes available and we hope you will plan to attend and help us celebrate our longstanding members!

Thank you!

Please join me in thanking our assigners, Leslie Boyer and Patty Spisak for going above and beyond in assigning this season. We appreciate all that you do!

## 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.
- Please let Marcy Blitz know if any of your information in the judges directory is incorrect so it can be corrected.
- If any of your information changes (i.e. rating, address, etc.) please notify NAWGJ, USAG and the SJD.
- 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, 2021, the rate for mileage reimbursement for judges is \$.56/mile to reflect the recent adjustment in the IRS standard mileage rate.

# 2021 state meet schedule • REVISED



April 30-May 2 | Xcel States, Centre Elite  
May 7-9 | Level 4 States, Erie Gymnastics  
May 7-9 } Level 6 States, Girls Co-Op  
May 14-16 | Level 3 States, Dynamats  
May 14-16 | Level 7 States, Xquisite  
May 21-23 | Level 5 States, KMC

## BUDGET 2021

Beginning November 1, 2020 for current fiscal year.

Approximate beginning balance on 10/31/2020 - \$89,500

### Income -

Clinics - \$10,000  
Assigning Fees - \$5,500  
Raffles - \$2,000  
Interest Earned - \$15  
Total Funds Available - \$107,015

### Expenses -

Testing Year Gift Certificates - \$35,000  
Years of Service Banquet - \$2,500  
National Judges Cup - \$2,000  
National SJD Meeting - \$2,000  
SJD Attendance at Regional Congress - \$750  
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 - \$600  
Education - State Clinics - \$2,000  
          Western Critique Clinic - \$2,000  
          Eastern Critique Clinic - \$2,000  
          New Judges Clinic - \$2,000  
Outstanding educational gift certificates - \$21,350  
Camp gift certificates - \$1,000  
Total - \$77,224

## IMPORTANT EMAIL ADDRESSES

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Marcy Blitz, SJD | blitzmarcy@gmail.com  
Cookie Batsche, NAWGJ President | cbatsche@tampabay.rr.com

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@ptd.net

## BE SURE TO CHECK OUT THE FOLLOWING WEBSITES -

[www.panawgj.org](http://www.panawgj.org)  
[www.region7usagym.com](http://www.region7usagym.com)  
[www.pagymnastics.com](http://www.pagymnastics.com)  
[www.usa-gymnastics.org](http://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.C | 2.B | 3.B

# Judges' Expense Voucher

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Meet: \_\_\_\_\_

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

<b>DAY 2</b>
Report Time:
Meet End Time:
Total Time on site:
Number of breaks x 30 minutes: *Minimum of 2 30 minute break times required for meets of 3 or more sessions. Maximum of 2 hours break time for the day.
Total time on site - break hours = hours paid

<b>DAY 3</b>
Report Time:
Meet End Time:
Total Time on site:
Number of breaks x 30 minutes: *Minimum of 2 30 minute break times required for meets of 3 or more sessions. Maximum of 2 hours break time for the day.
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