

PA NAWGJ NEWS

January 2023

Pennsylvania Judges Cup

Pennsylvania Judges Cup was held at AJS Pancott this year the weekend of December 16-18. 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
Janet Bufalino
Amy Busse
TC Carr
Jane Caruso
Carla Ceralde
Barbara Cutillo
Marianne Edwards
Alison Fischer
Ashlie Grimes
Jessica Guffey

Julia Harris
Stella Hewlett
Jeannette Jefferson
Denise Johnson
Linda Kothe
Betsy Lee
Tamara Lomanovitch
Cindy Loring
Anne Malone
Michelle Marshall
Abby Menna
Amy Miller
Jan Morrow
Margie Myers
Jean Noecker

Kris Olson
Mary Ann Olson
Lynn Ross
Connie Schultz
Debi Schwab
Kate Shiller
Alison Shuey
Tracy Siverson
Maggie Tamburro
Tia Tedder
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) -

- Which of the following applies when a coach inadvertently touches an athlete during a release move on bars (The coach does not assist the gymnast with element completion)
 - Each judge takes 0.5 for a spot. No VP, SR, D/E bonus and connection bonus is awarded
 - The chief judge takes 0.5 for a spot. VP, SR, D/E bonus and connection bonus is awarded
 - Each judge takes 0.5 for a spot. VP & SR are awarded. No D/E or connection bonus is award.
 - There is no penalty when the coach inadvertently touches the athlete in this circumstance.
- Which of the following additional matting scenarios is unacceptable for floor exercise?
 - Two 8" skill cushions are placed on the floor throughout the routine for different tumbling passes
 - A sting mat and an 8" skill cushion are placed in opposite corners of the floor simultaneously
 - A sting mat is placed on top of an 8" skill cushion
 - All of the examples are acceptable.
- Which of the following is not a Chief Judge responsibility?
 - Instruct assistants/volunteers to ensure they can perform their assignment (timing routines, timing falls, etc.)
 - Notify judges on other events when a warning has been issued for incorrect attire
 - Ensure that the range of scores is allowable
 - Check your event's apparatus to ensure it meets requirements and inform the meet director of any issues that need to be addressed

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 -

Crystal Hinnebusch	Jeannie Lippert	Joyce Shaffer
Debbie Hinnebusch	Abby Moffit	Patty Spisak
Barb Jani	Kathy Ritchie	Mike Tautin
Toni Kardos	Audrey Rozinsky	Stacy Upham
Donna Kreckel	Charity Ruhl	Laura Winters

Save the dates...

UPCOMING CLINCS/EVENTS

Region 7 Congress - June 23-25 | Harrisburg, PA

See your email for information about group registration with PA/DE NAWGJ.

National NAWGJ Symposium - July 13-15 | Grand Rapids, MI

Registration is open at www.nawgj-symposium.com. This event is eligible for CPE credit. Email your receipt to Marcy Blitz and PA/DE NAWGJ will reimburse current PA/DE NAWGJ members \$105 (half of the early bird registration fee).

National Congress - August 25-27 | San Jose, CA

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 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.

Please also fill out one of these forms for every NCAA assignment as the contracts come directly from the schools or NCAA and not NAWGJ.

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, 2023, the rate for mileage reimbursement for judges is \$.655/mile to reflect the recent adjustment in the IRS standard mileage rate.

BUDGET 2023

Beginning November 1, 2022 for current fiscal year.

Income -

Judges Cup - \$45,650
Clinics - \$10,000
Assigning Fees - \$5,500
Raffles - \$2,000
Interest Earned - \$15
Total - \$57,665

Expenses -

Judges Cup - \$33,840
National Judges Cup - \$3,500
National SJD Meeting - \$2,500
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
Assistance for National Symposium - \$10,000
Outstanding gift certificates - Educational GCs - \$17,150
Testing GCs - \$17,800
Camp gift certificates - \$2,000
Total - \$96,514

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 4th. The All-Star team competed in a level 7 session and placed 2nd. Individual winners included Izzy Emswiler (Xquisite) on beam, Malin Farnham (Xquisite) on bars, Bella Baiocchi (Aerials) on vault, Elise Ramous (Gymsport) on vault. The meet was held January 6-8 in Denton, TX. Barb Cutillo, Laurie Lengel and Martha Dunn volunteered their time.

The team members were -

Bella Baiocchi | Aerials • Eve Bentz | Xquisite
Lainey Buterbaugh | Xquisite • Kaydee Chobanian | Elegance Elite
Charlotte DeGrands | Xquisite • Harper Dennison | Xquisite
Izzy Emswiler | Xquisite • Malin Farnham | Xquisite
Teddi Irvin | Xquisite • Evelyn Munch | Xquisite
Elise Ramous | Gymsport • Sarah Yang | Centre Elite



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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

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2. D
3. B

Judges' Expense Voucher 2022-2023

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 = hours paid:

DAY 2
Report Time:
Meet End Time:
Total Time on site = hours paid:

DAY 3
Report Time:
Meet End Time:
Total Time on site = 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 ~ 232 Noble Circle, Valencia, PA 16059