

FL NAWGJ News



Celebrating FL NAWGJ Judges

Hi Judges,

Yep, it's true....due to popular demand, the FL NAWGJ Newsletter is back in its' original form and format. The goal is to produce a newsletter every other month with emphasis on fun features and noteworthy mentions. Please feel free to submit anything you think would be of interest to share with the membership and we'll certainly give it sincere consideration.

We hope to focus more on faces and getting to know your fellow judges. As a refresher, your FL NAWGJ Board is listed below. Who do you know?

Happy Reading!! 😊



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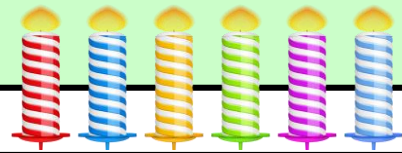


Jenn Ynestroza
Media Specialist

Celebrating June & July Birthdays

Katie Jerabek June 4
 Meredith Haas June 6
 Amy Diuguid..... June 7
 Janet Durant..... June 8
 Toyi Gainley June 12
 Elizabeth Simpson June 12
 Elena Lechner June 13

Taryn James..... June 15
 Jozlynn Jansen..... June 15
 Sara Monahan June 17
 Nicole Mills..... June 21
 Mary Rice..... June 25
 Jill Bosack..... June 26



Theresa PerryJuly 2
 Alexa TinsleyJuly 3
 Eileen KayeJuly 8
 Karen Coursen.....July 11
 Kelly FlaglerJuly 11
 Kevn McNamaraJuly 11
 Laly Sanz.....July 18
 Ivelisse MedinaJuly 21
 Denise WeaverJuly 23
 Jeanette CieslaJuly 27
 Hope Spivey.....July 27



JENNIFER HELLMICH of Bradenton is a National rated judge from Ohio who came to Florida last season and judged a few meets for us. Jennifer has decided to stop judging and focus on other things and we just wanted to say thank you for the time you've given and shared with us. We wish you all the best.

FL NAWGJ Steps Up



On behalf of Florida NAWGJ, THANK YOU to all the amazing volunteers who attended Level 9/10 Regional Championships this past April in Bradenton!

This event would not have been as great an experience for our Region 8 athletes. These young ladies are why we do it! We saw some outstanding performances.

Our Volunteers: Amy Diuguid, Janet Durant, Kelly Flagler, Jenamarie Henderson, Arika Hoyt, Maria Iankova, Tiffany Jennings, Katie Jerabek, Cat Johnston, Susan Lomas, Joan Lothrop, Ivelisse Medina, Sara Monahan, Susan Monahan, Carrie Rawlings, Mary Rice, Ali Shaw, Roysi Sierra, Aimee Sparkman, Hope Spivey, Nichole Wilder

Special thanks go out to Carrie Rawlings, Joan Lothrop, Arika Hoyt, and Mendi Knisley (South Carolina) for volunteering to assist with extra duties or sessions when needed. A special thanks also to Brad and Colleen for providing extra volunteers when we were short for sessions.

A summary of all the volunteers and the number of sessions each worked will be provided to Kevn McNamara (CPE Coordinator) and Patricia Lydon (FL SJD) for additional documentation.

Our volunteers made the weekend a great experience for the athletes, coaches and judges at this Regional event. You are all very much appreciated!!

Thanks again for volunteering!!

Jill Bosack
State Volunteer Coordinator
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New Judges ~ Welcome to FL NAWGJ

We've had several judges join our ranks over the past year. Some are brand new, and some have moved here from another state. Please say hello when you see them out on the floor or in the judging room and give them a big FL NAWGJ welcome!



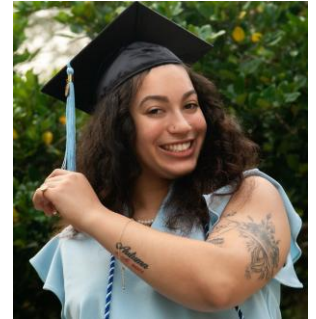
YAMELIS CRUZ
Saint Cloud
Rated 4/5



KAYDEN McNAUGHTON
St. Petersburg
Rated 4/5



IVELISS MEDINA
Orlando
Rated 4/5



MIKAYLA RUSH
Gainesville
Rated 4/5



JOZLYNN JANSEN
Venice
Rated 4/5



SARA HARP
Vero Beach
Rated 4/5, 7/8



JAMIE RUSH
North Port
Rated 4/5



LISA ENNIS
Ruskin
Rated 4/5



BETHANY FOLSOM
Gainesville
Rated 4/5



JENNY DULCEY
Miami
Rated 4/5



ELIZABETH SIMPSON
Englewood
Rated 4/5, 7/8



SOFIA RIZZO
Orlando
Rated 4/5

What You Should Know



Clinic Corner *by Arika Hoyt*

With the 2024-2025 competition season over, we now look towards summer fun and summer education! For judges looking for education and CPE opportunities throughout the summer, I have listed several opportunities below.

State:

FL State Clinic
June 21st and 22nd
Harbor City Gymnastics
Dev Program LV 6-10

FL State Compulsory/Xcel Clinic
July 26th and 27th
Lakewood Ranch Gymnastics
Xcel and Compulsory Program

Registration for either/both FL State Clinics: [USA Gymnastics Florida](https://usagymnastics.org/Florida)

Regional/National:

National Congress & Trade Show
August 8-10
New Orleans, LA
Registration: <https://usagymrc.com>

Regional Congresses
(See Website for dates & locations)
Registration: <https://usagymcongress.com>

All other CPE opportunities throughout the country (Live and Virtual) can be found on the USAG website under Education. This site is regularly updated with new opportunities throughout the year.

[Upcoming Live Courses • USA Gymnastics](#)

Finally, if you have not done so, please send 2024-2025 CPE forms to Kevn McNamara @ kevn.kmm@GMAIL.COM as soon as possible.

Thank you for your time, energy, and dedication to FL NAWG and USA Gymnastics FL. Please let me know if you have any education questions and I hope you all have a great summer!

Arika Hoyt
FL NAWGJ Clinic Chair



Please feel free to reach out to Arika at arikahoyt@gmail.com with questions or comments.

Retirement News

CHEERS TO 39 YEARS by Denise Weaver



DENISE WEAVER

with hubby and 5 of their grandchildren.

... I just want to extend my sincere gratitude and appreciation to my fellow Florida Judges, as well as all of the coaches and the Florida state committee who believed in me and gave me a chance to judge at the DP National level! I'm blessed to Judge my final competition in Salt Lake City; it was an amazing experience :-)

How did it all begin...Immediately following the conclusion of my UF college gymnastics career, I took a position at Brown's North in Gainesville, to coach alongside Cindy McLane who was already judging. It wasn't long before she insisted, I mean, encouraged me to become a judging official. She was a wonderful mentor and so on September 13, 1986, I judged my

first gymnastics meet only 8 days after giving birth to my first daughter (via C-section 🤪) ...almost inconceivable thinking about it today! But I have such a passion for the sport, as many of you do as well, I was young and determined that I could do it all. So, I was able to coach, judge, choreograph and eventually open TNT Gymnastics in 2005, as well as be a gym parent to all three of my daughters and my two stepdaughters who all competed at some point. I love Gymnastics ❤️

I firmly believe in the developmental benefits it provides to children... it teaches self-discipline, time management, resilience, fortitude, and gratitude! I still have a passion for the sport; however, I am just ready to prioritize my weekends to Family, Faith and Friends. I will miss all of my judging friends the most! I feel so blessed to get to know so many beautiful and amazing women!

My advice, try not to go to bed at night still thinking about that one or two incorrect wrong start values you posted during that 12-hour day, when in actuality you nailed 99% of them! You are better than you give yourself credit. And I hope I had the chance to make you laugh 😂. Keep smiling :)

Kind Regards,

Denise (Dee) Weaver



Thank you for sharing this beautiful journey with us Denise and we wish you all the best as you move through your next adventures in life.

Judges On Vacay



MARTHA SANTIAGO went to Italy



DEBBIE HYDE went to Madrid, Spain



SUSAN LOMAS took a cruise through Alaska

Susan's Helicopter Tour: <https://www.facebook.com/share/v/16C6ZZGvdE/>



Calendar & Upcoming Events

June 10..... FL State Meet Availability DUE [State Availability form](#)

June 15..... Deadline to register athletes for FL NAWGJ TC in July

June 15..... Father's Day



June 18-21 AAU National Championships, Ft. Lauderdale

June 22-23 USAG FL State Clinic @ Harbor City, Levels 6-10

July 4..... Independence Day



July 12-13..... FL NAWGJ Xcel Training Camp @ Tampa Gymnastics

July 18-20..... Level 6-8 Training Camp, Atlanta, GA

July 26-27..... USAG FL State Clinic, Comp & Rec @ Lakewood Ranch

July 31 All USAG & NAWGJ memberships expire
(wait until 8/1 or after to renew your Safe Sport)



~ Mark Your Calendar ~ Upcoming Events in 2025

- ❖ August 1, 2025: 2025-2026 competitive season begins
- ❖ August 1, 2025: Assigning begins (update your availability in GymJas)
- ❖ August 8-10, 2025: National Congress, New Orleans, LA
- ❖ August 30-31, 2025: OMG Invite, Orlando
- ❖ September 1 – November 1, 2025: National/Brevet Eligibility forms accepted (send to RJD – Evelyn Chandler)
- ❖ September 13-14, 2025: Judges' Cup / Aloha Invite, Winter Haven