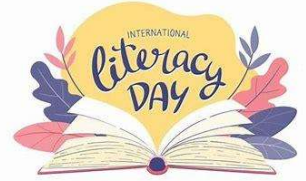


FL NAWGJ News



September 2022

Celebrating FL NAWGJ Judges

Make sure to read over the new 2022-2023 USAG FL Travel Guidelines for Judges that came attached to this newsletter. Here are some exciting highlights:



- The Meet Director must provide single rooms to judges that require a hotel room. **NEW**
- Judges who prefer to share a room must contact their Assigner as soon as possible after signing contract and at least 4 weeks prior to the start of the competition. **NEW**
- Judges will be paid from report time to the end of competition (no break time will be subtracted). **NEW**
- All drivers will be paid the standard IRS rate for the entire round-trip mileage including solo drivers. Current rate is 62.5/mile. **NEW**
- If a meet site or hotel charges for parking, the meet host must pay all judges parking fees.
- Verification of mileage is required – printed or electronic verification will be accepted provided the judge can show that the mileage is from home (not a business).
- If a Meet Director provides a meal at the site, a judge cannot receive per diem even if they bring their own food or do not eat the provided meal.
- Per diem for 2022-23 season is \$20.00 per meal - \$60.00 per day maximum.

Happy Birthday!!

Marci Kaplan September 8
Nichole Wilder September 8
Jessica Peck September 13
Serena Albauer .. September 21
Anne Walker September 22

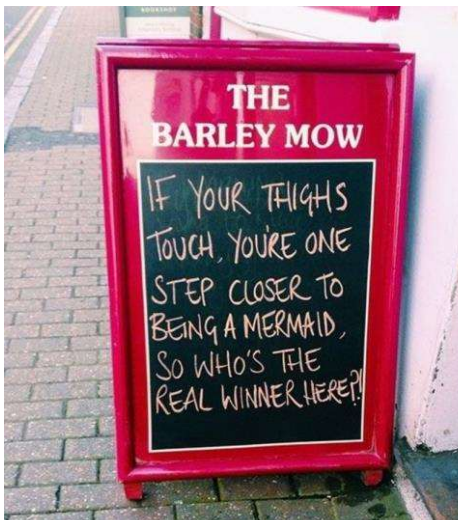
Ali ShawSeptember 26
Sonya Petrova ...September 27
Nikki Spinelli.....September 27
Alicia Sanchez...September 29

Testing Progress & Tips to Remember

Congratulations!!

Many judges have taken their Optional exams and the successful passing rate is overwhelmingly positive! Congratulations to all judges who have already tested and passed. Check out the judges here who have upgraded their ratings as of this date. Enjoy the pay raise!

Enjoy the pay raise! Effective immediately. 😊



NAME	OLD RATING	NEW RATING
Albauer, Serena	10	National
Aser, Glenn	10	National
Bevil, Bill	10	National
Bosack, Jill	4/5	7/8
Ciesla, Jeanette	10	National
Coakley, Brianna	10	National
Cobb, Dawn	10	National
DeRuvo, Karen	7/8	9
Dixon, Kristi	4/5	7/8
Gwinn, Cindy	9	10
Harrington, Kamryn	10	National
Iankova, Maria	4/5	7/8
Kollmeyer, Katie	10	National
Lomas, Susan	10	National
Lothrop, Joan	4/5	9
Musall, Brenda	4/5	7/8
Pusateri, Sue	10	National
Sanchez, Alicia	7/8	9
Shaw, Ali	10	National
Spinelli, Nikki	1	National
Stultz, Janet	7/8	9
Tinsley, Alexa	9	10

There's an EASY one-step process to accept your judging contracts on GymJas. Just go down to the second to last link on your homepage and click on the link called "Create a contract". Follow the prompts to accept and this process sends a copy of your contract to you and the Meet Director. It is extremely important that the MD gets a copy.

- [Create a contract](#) to generate and send contracts. *This is the link you want to go to....*

It's that easy!

REMEMBER: All judges must be fully compliant by **September 1, 2022** in order to retain any 2022 FALL contracts they may have received. This includes renewing all memberships and CPE is turned in.

All judges must have completed their Optional exams by **October 1, 2022** in order to retain any 2023 SPRING contracts they may have received. This means having a new optional expiration date of 12/31/26.



National/Brevet Rated Judges

The USA Gymnastics Florida Committee has authorized testing reimbursement in the amount of \$200 for all National/Brevet rated judges. Here are the requirements that must be met in order to receive the funds:

1. Must have been actively judging in Florida for the past 2 years.
2. Must volunteer at one of the following activities (no substitutions, may volunteer at more than one and must volunteer for a minimum of 3 sessions).
 - a. July 22-24, 2022, 6/7/8 Training Camp at Lake Mary Metro. **Closed**
 - b. April 14-16, 2023, Level 9/10 Regionals in Bradenton
 - c. May 28-30, 2023, Xcel Regionals in Ft. Lauderdale

Those who have completed 2.a. above will receive their reimbursement check in a few weeks. The funds are a generous gift from USAG Florida, but will be coming through the NAWGJ account. Please thank our State Chair, Toni Rand and all members of her Committee for this kind gesture of appreciation for your hard work and commitment to our sport.

Volunteer registration for the remaining 2 activities will be put out by Kevn McNamara in the coming months. Please plan to attend at least one event. All ratings are welcome and we're going to need a LOT of auxiliary judges. Stay tuned for more info. Thank you!

Level 10 and Above Rated Judges



The National Office has moved the TOPS competitions for routines to the State Chairman and their Committees - TOPS athletes will pass the physical abilities by zoom on dates set by the National Office which are posted on the National web site. In the Spring the TOPS athletes need to enter Invitational competitions and compete the TOPS compulsory routines. Invites will send a request to the State Chair & the State Committees that they wish to host TOPS and it is up to the State to approve it – which they most likely will approve these requests.

Not a lot of athletes will compete TOPS, therefore Meet Directors may place them in any session that works for them - with other DEV athletes and levels. However, only Elite compulsory rated judges are currently rated to judge the TOPS athletes and there are a limited number of judges that currently have this rating - so they are going to provide an online TOPS Course for level 10 & above judges that wish to receive a RATING to judge TOPS (it will not be the elite compulsory rating). There will be no test - they just need to sign up and do the course, which will be available sometime this fall.

More information about this Course will be sent out as it becomes available.

Calendar & Reminders

- September 1Deadline to be compliant to retain FALL judging contracts
- September 3Superhero Fall Bash 2022, United Flip Force
- September 9-11National Team Camp, University of Alabama, www.region8gymnastics.org
- September 10Harvest Moon Critique Meet, Lake Mary HS
- September 16-18.....FL Judges' Cup at Wiregrass Complex in Wesley Chapel
- September 17Practical Exams for Levels 8, 9 & 10 @ Judges' Cup - morning
- September 17Vault/Bars Live Practice Session w/ Cookie @ Judges' Cup – afternoon,
can receive 2 hrs. clinic CPE and PIP
- September 23-25.....2022 Penquin Invite, Park Ave Gymnastics
- September 23-25.....Panama City Beach Cup, Edgewater Gymnastics in Panama City
- September 24-25.....Daytona Beach Bash, ACE Gymnastics
- September 24-25.....TF AAU Fall 1st Qualifier, Naples Progressive Gymnastics
- September 24-25.....TF AAU Fall 1st Qualifier, Ancient City Gymnastics



Mark Your Calendar Upcoming Events in 2022

- ❖ October 1, 2022 – Deadline to take Optional exams for Spring 2023 meet assignments.
- ❖ October 14-16, 2022 – Regional 8-10 Training Camp, GGA/Atlanta, www.region8gymnastics.org
- ❖ October 31, 2022 – Happy Halloween
- ❖ November 20, 2022 – South FL Brush Up Clinic
- ❖ November 24, 2022 – Happy Thanksgiving
- ❖ December 3, 2022 – Orlando Brush Up Clinic