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Good evening MD NAWGJ judges

The Virtual Judging Clinic will be held Monday October 27 , we will start promptly at 6:30 PM below is the zoom information needed to join the meeting.

This is not a CPE accredited clinic, We do hope all will join we plan to have additional virtual clinics in the following months.

I would like to thank all of the coaches that have sent in videos and our educational committee for putting this clinic together.

<https://calendar.app.google/5toiuGDTEwAsyMhb8>

Jane Flynn is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: MD NAWGJ Practice Judging

Time: Oct 27, 2025 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/88953545660?pwd=9yQA2KLj8AxmaFJCltX55CEDZ3H03V.1>

Meeting ID: 889 5354 5660

Passcode: 2DgG6Y

Mentorship program:

Please contact Sarah Mcshane: Mentorship Coordinator



mcshaners@verizon.net if you are interested in becoming a mentor and if you would like a mentor.

A huge thanks to all judges that have volunteered.

Green Flag award MD NAWGJ



Congratulations to Tony Eusini Maryland NAWGJ Green Flag award winner for 2025 !!!

Tony is a distinguished Level 10 judge whose decades of experience in both judging and coaching have left an indelible mark on the gymnastics community.

As the MD NAWGJ Meet Director, Tony has successfully led three major competitions, each executed with precision, professionalism, and a genuine passion for the sport. His leadership has consistently elevated the quality of these events, earning praise from athletes, coaches, and fellow officials alike.

Beyond his technical expertise, Tony is a dedicated mentor who has played a pivotal role in guiding new judges through their transition into the MD NAWGJ organization.

Tony embodies a “can-do” attitude and radiates a spirit of generosity and kindness that is truly contagious. His selfless contributions, tireless work ethic, and uplifting presence make him not only a valued colleague but a cherished member of our gymnastics family.

Thank you, Tony, for your outstanding contributions and unwavering dedication—you are deeply appreciated and celebrated.

Judges Cup :

Assignments for the judges cup will be sent ,2 weeks prior to the meet. 10/27/25 latest.

Theme Dreaming of a perfect 10!

Costumes: FANCY PAJAMAS ... NO SWEATS

Meet: Host Gym: Thrive, Saturday 4 sessions Sunday 3 sessions

PLEASE do not forget to bring the food that you were assigned.

Parking remember to park at the furthest building on the left hand side as you drive up the driveway to THrive

Judges will meet in the judges room which is located in the field house (last building from the gym)

PLEASE remember if you work both days your NAWGJ membership is paid for by SJD . Your USAG membership is paid by you and you will then get

reimbursed once you send on the NAWGJ invoice along with the receipt.

NAWGJ Educational Expenses :

NAWGJ has approved the purchase of ipads and or tablets up to \$399 as an approved educational expense.

MD NAWGJ Educational expense amount for 2025-2026 will be announced after the Judges Cup.

PLEASE review the below proposal for 2026-2027 Judging season, think about , reflect on how this would affect you.

If you have concerns please contact me via email with your concerns , and suggestions of a counter proposal.

Again this would take place **next season**, it is important that all judges have the opportunity to review the proposed changes.

Thank you Jane

Future Assigning Policy Update: Judge Requests and Assignment Preferences **2026-2027 Proposal**

Currently, when a judge is specifically requested by a meet director, the assigner notifies the judge and offers the opportunity to accept or decline the assignment without penalty. However, due to recent and past instances where judges have declined such requests and subsequently were assigned to other meets based on personal preference, the MD-NAWGJ Committee will revise the Assigning Handbook **next season**.

The revised policy will address the potential consequences of declining a meet for which a judge has been requested and is listed as available in Gymjas, regardless of stated meet preferences or comments in the General Comments section. This change is intended to preserve the integrity of the assigning process and maintain positive relationships with meet directors. While a judge's Meet Preferences in

Gymjas are taken into account during the assigning process, they do not guarantee assignment to a preferred meet. Similarly, the General Comments section—used to communicate relevant assignment details and additional preferences—is also considered, but does not ensure accommodation. Examples of appropriate comments include:

- Judge affiliations
- Out-of-state or college meet assignments
- Travel limitations
- Conditional availability (e.g., limited but open to being contacted if needed)
- Friday availability contingent on full weekend assignment
- Friday availability after a specific time
- Carpooling arrangements with specific judges
- Family considerations
- Affiliation with a gym that does not compete all levels

Beginning next season, all preferences—whether listed in the Meet Preferences section or in General Comments—will be treated as considerations only. They will not guarantee assignment (with preferences) unless the situation involves an unforeseen or sensitive circumstance, in which case it will be referred to the State Judging Director for review and final determination.

Note: This policy will not apply to pre-existing out-of-state or college assignments that are clearly documented in the General Comments section.



Congrats to our newest Level 10 Judge Carmela Solito !.....

Looking forward to seeing all those fancy PJS at the Judges Cup !!!!

Take care

Jane

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