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From the SJD.....

Hi everyone. Well the Summer of '01 kept most of us very busy with Regional Mini-Congress, GAT, the National Judges Course, NAWGJ Symposium, and testing. In between all that, I hope you all had a restful summer.

Here is some information you might be interested in from the National NAWGJ Board meetings that I attended in California. All SJD's and National NAWGJ Board members are now covered with liability insurance. To cover this expense, NAWGJ membership fees will increase by \$5. Professional will be \$55, New \$45, and Associate \$35. There will also be a late fee of \$10 for renewing your membership 30-90 days late and a \$30 fee charged for non sufficient funds (bounced checks).

As far as our fees, they remain the same. There were 2 changes. A 2 session meet now requires a 30 minute break. After 6 1/2 hours judging time, a 45 minute break is required. Judges have the right to turn down a meet in which sessions have been changed.

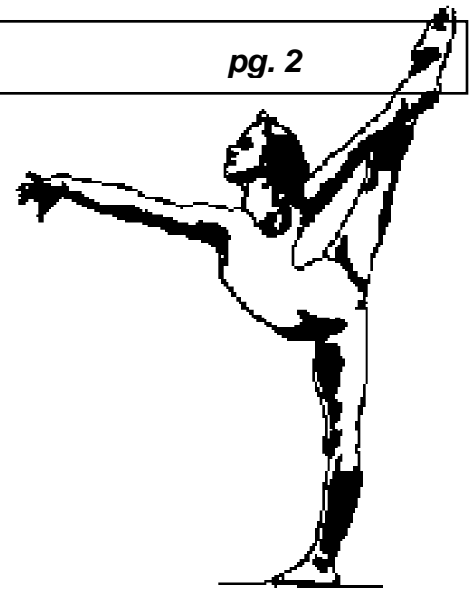
Remember, contracts must still be filled out ahead of time and mailed to Meet Director and Assigning Official even if you do not have all the information (times, etc.). Just fill them out with the information you do have.

Meals: Meals need to be balanced- the 3 food groups should be represented. Bagels and coffee are not considered breakfast.

It was suggested that NAWGJ put together its own fee schedule like we used to have for non-USAG competitions. Last of all, USAIGC is now talking to Carole Ide (NAWGJ President) about perhaps basing judging fees on a fee per gymnast payment.

You will see this newsletter contains a lot of important and valuable information. Please read it carefully. Also, if you haven't already done so, check out our new web site at :
txnawgj@tripod.com. It is awesome!

Pat



ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Texas was fortunate in having 2 wonderful judging clinics this summer- the Region 3 Mini-Congress in Dallas and the Annual GAT Convention in Austin. There were many good sessions for judges beginning and advanced. Thanks to all those involved in making these clinics so successful- clinicians and participants.

Judges Cup is coming !!!!

Each district will hold its own Judges' Cup. This year's sites are Karolyi's in the Houston area, National Elite Gymnastics in Austin, MetroPlex in Dallas, and the Midland YMCA in West Texas. Again we need your support. Thanks to you, our meet directors and everyone who contributes their time and effort, we are able to offer this special event to the gymnasts of Texas. Judges judging 2 or more sessions will get their NAWGJ membership renewed compliments of Texas NAWGJ!

Call for pictures!!

I would like to include pictures from the 4 Judges' Cup Meets in our next newsletter. Please send me a picture in the mail or via e-mail (JPEG format) so I can include some shots of our judges supporting this event. Thanks!
Leslie



Active Status:

Most of you have already turned in you 2001 blue Active Status card. YEAH! If you haven't please do so ASAP. The new deadline (set by JCI) is November 1 ,2001 for 2001 cards. This is to give Active Status coordinators and National Certification coordinator sufficient time to put together Active Status reports. All Active Status Coordinators must mail active status card to the JCI office by Dec. 1. A list of current active status will then be sent to each USAG State Director by Jan.15th of each year.

SO.....if you haven't sent me your completed card yet, please finish it up, keep a copy of it for yourself and send me the card right away.

Level 4 Vault Run Deductions Clarification

When evaluating the new Level 4 vault, the judges have some new areas to evaluate. The run is one of these areas. Two deductions have been adapted to aid in the evaluation of the run. They are as follows: *Failure to accelerate during the run...up to 0.30*, and *Failure to maintain horizontal running speed to the board...up to 0.30*. There has been confusion in the interpretation, as well as how to apply these deductions. The purpose of this article is to clarify the use of these deductions.

Failure to accelerate during the run ...up to 0.30

This deduction refers to the gymnast reaching a **maximum speed** "SOMEWHERE" during the run.

Examples for applying this deduction:

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| □ The gymnast performs a very slow jog all the way. | Deduct 0.30 |
| □ The gymnast starts very slow and builds to a jog. | Deduct 0.20-0.25 |
| □ The gymnast starts slow and builds to a good pace. | Deduct 0.10-0.15 |
| □ The gymnast runs fast but you feel she could be faster. | Deduct 0.05 |
| □ The gymnast runs like a "track star"☺ | Deduct 0.00 |

Failure to maintain horizontal running speed to the board...up to 0.30

This deduction would be applied when the gymnast slows her speed during the run but especially before the board. (I.e. long leaping steps or stutter type steps)

Examples for applying this deduction:

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| □ The gymnast has a good run but massively stutter steps before the board. | Deduct 0.25-0.30 |
| □ The gymnast has a good run but does huge slow leaping steps before the board. | Deduct 0.25-0.30 |
| □ The gymnast has a good run but moderately stutter steps before the board. | Deduct 0.20-0.25 |
| □ The gymnast has a good run but does moderately slow leaping steps before the board. | Deduct 0.10-0.15 |
| □ The gymnast has a good run but slightly stutter steps before the board. | Deduct 0.00-0.05 |
| □ The gymnast has a good run but does slight leaping steps before the board. | Deduct 0.00-0.05 |
| ○ Note: If the gymnast has a slow "jog type" run but maintains this rate all the way to the board, apply only the failure to accelerate deduction. Do not deduct for failure to maintain horizontal running speed. | |



High School Updates:

Re: 2001-2001 Girls Clarifications for
 Texas High School Gymnastics Coaches Association
 Re: THSGCA Rules Governing Judging Specifications for Girls
 (USAG Rules & Policy is applied to TX high school unless otherwise by TSHGCA)

COMPULSORY:

The Texas high school girls gymnastics program follows the **USAG Level 6** compulsories except for the following:
Bars: allow straddle swings between the rails in both directions.

OPTIONALS:

The Texas high school girls gymnastics program follows the **USAG Code of Points for Level 8** optionals except the following:

1. High School **Vault Values:**

Round-off entry vaults are NOT allowed in the high school program

Squat	7.0	HS 1/2	9.1	HS-1 1/2	9.9
Stoop	7.5	Yami 1/2	9.1	1/2- 1 1/2	9.9
Straddle	7.5			1/1 on- 1/2 off	9.9
		1/2 - 1/2	9.2	Tuck Tsuk	9.9
Handspring	9.0	1/4 - 3/4	9.2		
Yami	9.0			HS - 2/1	10.0
1/4 on	9.0	HS - 1/1	9.8	1/2 - 2/1	10.0
1/2 on	9.0	Yami- 1/1	9.8	1/1 - 1/1	10.0
Hecht	9.0	1/2 - 1/1	9.8	Tsuk (pike or layout)	10.0
1/4 - 1/4	9.0	1/4 - 1 1/4	9.8	HS front	10.0
		1/1 on-HS off	9.8	Any flip/twist	10.0

2. C, D, and E skills are allowed.

3. **Start value will be 9.7 - a maximum bonus of +.3 additive value (AV):**

a. Difficulty Value (DV): **+0.2 max.** (+0.1 for C element, +0.2 for D or E element)

b. Combination Value (CV): **additional +0.1** to come from connective value

1. Bars: B+C (or reversed) = +0.1; C+C (or more) = +0.2; flight of B and LA/180° turn = +0.1

2. Beam & Floor: same as USAG

Individual skills may receive bonus only one time. If the C, D, or E element is needed to count as one of the 4 B's required, it would still be awarded bonus.

4. **Element Exceptions** to USAG Code of Points:

- Bars**
1. Layout Flyaway (dismount) = B
 2. Layout Flyaway 1/1 (dismount) = C

With the new high school bonus for 2001-2002, Level 9 or above rated judges will be used for all TX high school optional meets with one judge panels. Level 8 rated judges may serve as panel judge on meets up to and including Regionals. *Tech. Comm clarified that Level 8 rated judges may serve alone at meets prior to the District Meet providing all coaches attending agree. Area Assignors were so advised.*

Equipment:

Vault: 120-125 cm

Bars: Both bars may be raised or lowered to any height

Beam: 120 cm (1200 mm or 47 1/4 inches)

TEXAS NAWGJ IS NOW "ONLINE!"

If you missed the NAWGJ State Meeting held at GAT over Labor Day weekend, you might have missed this very important and exciting bit of information. Texas NAWGJ now has an official website. We hope to use this site to keep our members up to date with judging issues and the goings on in our state. Things such as technical updates, clinics and testing dates, Safety Certifications, judge's education topics, newsletter and other important topics will be posted regularly on this site. I designed this site with the hopes that it is easy to use and pleasant to look at. My goal is to be one of the first sources that Texas judges go to for current and up to date information. I hope you find the site worth while. Please feel free to sign the guest book after you have visited. Your comments are important to me. This web site is an on-going project that will surely evolve over time- it is in no way complete. The nature of a web site it to change and grow. I hope you are pleased.

Check it out at:
<http://txnawgj.tripod.com>

Leslie Patterson
WebMeister



2001-2002

**Texas High School Gymnastics Coaches Association
Judges' Expense and Fee Schedule**

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Meet: _____

Rating: _____ Social Security #: _____

In order to standardize judging fees for Texas High School meets, all judges will be placed into one of two categories.

Category One: Women Level 9, Level 10, Nations, & Brevet - Men Nationals & FIG

Category Two: Women Level 5/6 & 8 - Men State & JO

Fee Schedule

(To be used at all Dual Meets, Tri-Meets, Multi-School Invitationals & Districts)

Hours	Category One	Category Two
2 (or less)	\$60.00	\$40.00
2.5	\$70.00	\$50.00
3	\$80.00	\$60.00
3.5	\$90.00	\$70.00
4 (or more)	\$100.00	\$80.00

(There will be a set fee for Regional & State Championships regardless of rating)

\$85 per session & \$50 for Finals

\$10 per day Chief Judges fee will apply to Regional and State Championships

STATE MEET: THSGCA approved an additional \$100 per judge for the State Meet

Mileage will be \$0.32 per mile (or whatever a school district allots for mileage)

Per Diem will be \$10 per meal (unless supplied by meet host)

(Assigning Officials and meet directors have the right to negotiate fees if needed)

Expense Report

Category (circle one) :

Category One

Category Two

Session 1 Time: _____ Fee: _____

Session 2 Time: _____ Fee: _____

Session 3 Time: _____ Fee: _____

Travel # of miles _____ @ \$0.32 = _____

Airline Travel _____

Parking _____

Tolls _____

Meals # of meals _____ @\$10 = _____

TOTAL FEE: _____

Judge's Signature _____ Date: _____

APPLICATION TO JUDGE THE TEXAS HIGH SCHOOL STATE MEET

April 18-20, 2002

Abilene Christian University - Abilene, TX

Co-hosted by Abilene High School and Cooper High School

This application will be accepted as an affirmation of your continuing commitment to the Texas High School gymnastics program. If selected for the State Meet, you may also be expected to be available for the District or Regional meets by your NAWGJ District Assignors.

Please accept this as my wish to be considered to judge the above State Meet. I hereby agree to abide by the rules established by the Texas High School Gymnastic Coaches Association (THSGCA) and the National Association of Women's Gymnastics Judges (NAWGJ). In addition I hereby agree to accept the current (2001-2002) Texas high school fee structure.

I understand that to be eligible to be considered to judge this meet, this form will have to be postmarked and returned to the address below by February 1, 2002.

Name: _____ Rating:* _____ Dated: _____

Address: _____

Phones: home:_____ work:_____ e-mail:_____

*With the bonus rules for 2001-2002, Level 9 and above will be considered for high school meets.

Circle the county below in which you reside for Regional determination:

Region I (Northeast Texas): Camp, Cass, Collin, Dallas, Delta, Denton (only Carrollton & The Colony), Ellis, Falls, Fannin, Franklin, Grayson, Gregg, Harrison, Henderson, Hopkins, Hunt, Kaufman, Lamar, Marion, Morris, Navarro, Panola, Raines, Red River, Rockwall, Rusk, Shelby, Smith, Titus, Upshur, Van Zandt, Wood.

Region II (South/Southeast Texas): Anderson, Angelina, Aransas, Atascosa, Austin, Bandera, Bastrop, Bee, Bell, Bexar, Blanco, Brooks, Brazoria, Brazos, Burlison, Burnet, Caldwell, Calhoun, Cameron, Chambers, Cherokee, Comal, Colorado, Coryell, DeWitt, Dimmit, Duval, Edwards, Fayette, Fort Bend, Freestone, Frio, Galveston, Gillespie, Goliad, Gonzales, Grimes, Guadalupe, Hardin, Harris, Hayes, Hidalgo, Houston, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Jimm Hogg, Jim Wells, Karnes, Kendall, Kenedy, Keene, Kerr, Kimble, Klegerg, La Salle, Lavaca, Lee, Leon, Liberty, Live Oak, Llano, Madison, Mason, Matagorda, Marerick, McMullen, Medina, Mialm, Mills, Montgomery, Nacogdoches, Newton, Nueces, Orange, Polk, Real, Refugio, Robertsons, Sabine, San Augustine, San Jacinto, San Patricio, San Saba, Starr, Sutton, Travis, Trinity, Tyler, Uvalde, Victoria, Walker, Waller, Washington, Webb, Wharton, Willacy, Williamson, Wilson, Zapata, Zavala.

Region III (West/Northwest Texas): Andrews, Armstrong, Bailey, Baylor, Borden, Brewster, Briscoe, Brown, Callahan, Carson, Castro, Childress, Cochran, Coke, Collingsworth, Concho, Cottle, Crockett, Crosby, Dallam, Dawson, Deaf Smith, Dickens, Donley, Ector, El Paso, Fisher, Floyd, Foard, Gains, Garza, Glasscock, Gray, Hale, Hall, Hansford, Hardeman, Hartley, Haskell, Hemphill, Hockley, Howard, Hudspeth, Hutchinson, Irion, Jeff Davis, Jones, Kent, Knox, Lamb, Lipscomb, Loving, Lubbock, Maritn, Menard, Midland, Mitchell, Moore, Motley, Nolan, Ochitree, Oldham, Parmer, Pecos, Potter, Presidio, Randall, Regan, Reeves, Roberts, Runnels, Scheicher, Scurry, Schackelford, Sherman, Sterling, Stonewall, Swisher, Taylor, Terrell, Terry, Throckmorton, Tom Green, Upton, Val Verde, Ward, Wheeler, Wilbarger, Winkler, Yoakum.

Region IV (North Central Texas): Archer, Bosque, Bowie, Clay, Commanche, Cooke, Denton (except Carrollton and The Colony), Eastman, Earth, Hamilton, Hill, Hood, Jack, Johnson, Limestone, McLennan, Mantaque, Palo Pinto, Parker, Somervell, Stephens, Tarrant, Wichita, Wise, Young.

Return with postmark no later than February 1, 2002 to:

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