



# President's Update

June, 2017

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**To All NGJA Members,**

I hope everyone's summer is off to a good start! Here is an NGJA update to start your Memorial Day Holiday. Please make sure to read #4!

FIG Brevet Certification Course in the USA – June 7-11 are the dates for the FIG course to be held at the USOTC. There is still a few open spots. Contact Lisa Mendel at the USAG office immediately if you are interested in attending.

P&G Championships in Anaheim – August 17-19 are the dates for the USA Championships in Anaheim. The NGJA will hold its annual meetings at this time. NGJA members are invited to attend and observe. More information on the date and time will be provided next month.

NCAA Proposal – This proposal is being reviewed by the NCAA Men's Coaches and we are hearing favorable responses! The NCAA Gymnastics Rules Committee will vote to accept/deny in less than a month. You can read the proposal at NGJA.org in the box under Latest NCAA News.

NCAA Road to Nationals website – If you judge NCAA competitions, I encourage you to go to [https://www.roadtonationals.com/results/charts/ch\\_home\\_awayM.php](https://www.roadtonationals.com/results/charts/ch_home_awayM.php) . This is a very interesting score analysis page comparing season average scores to home and away scores. I encourage you to spend some time here and review scores across the country. I invite anyone interested to share your conclusions with me as I have many of my own!

NCAA Initiatives for 2018 – get ready for some big changes in the NCAA program!

- a. Emphasis on applying FIG rules at NCAA competitions
- b. NCAA Judges Challenge in December – 3 week competition with awards
- c. NCAA NALs to align NCAA judging with FIG
- d. Evaluated NCAA routines on NGJA.org for education and comparison

I hope you have a successful 2017!

**Mike Juszczyk**

**NGJA President**

PS – Below is a list of New Year's resolutions sent to me by Tom McNamee and published in the January update. How many have you been able to implement so far in 2017???

- Visit a gym once a month to review the new rules and assist in routine construction (NCAA and/or JO)
- Refer to the NGJA Gym-Duel routines before every assignment to brush up on the routines and rules.
- USE SYMBOLS! Even if you only use a few to start, you can add more as you go.
- Try to learn the Level 8 JO Pommel Horse rules! You never know when you may need to judge PH
- If you are really bored try to learn all the JO exceptions and extra skills.
- For all the old, I mean really experienced judges... Have you identified and worked to mentor an up and coming or new judge?