

President's Update May, 2017

To All NGJA Members,

With the completion of all the JO Regional competitions and the NCAA Championships, here is an update on several initiatives in the NGJA through May, 2017:

- 1. The 2017 judging season Wow the 2017 judging season is almost over! There 3 competitions remaining with JO Nationals, the US Qualifier and USA Championships.
- 2. FIG Brevet Certification Courses Congratulations to the 47 judges who have successfully passed one of the FIG courses around the world!
- 3. FIG Brevet Course in the USA There will be a FIG course held in the US from June 7-11. Presently, there are 30 judges registered to take this course. If you have any questions, contact Lisa Mendel at the USAG office.
- 4. NCAA Proposal The NGJA has presented the NCAA with a proposal to select and assign officials to the NCAA Championships in 2018. This proposal will be reviewed by the NCAA Men's Gymnastics Rules Committee and voted on in late June of 2017. Hopefully, they will accept this proposal.

I hope you had a successful 2017 judging season!

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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?

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