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Newsletter

JULY 2026

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Jan 1 - Oct 31 - Reimbursements can be submitted for Education Package during "testing year" 2026.
- July 15 - Educational materials from IL NAWGJ -SGC will be sent to all members
- Aug 1 - Testing begins for Level 6-10



CONGRATS !!

**TO ALL WHO HAVE RECENTLY
TESTED AND PASSED**

GOOD LUCK !!

**TO ALL WHO PLAN TO TEST
AFTER AUGUST 1**

*Please check your email after July 10
for helpful Educational Presentations.*



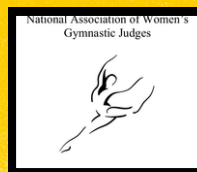
Congratulations to
OUR NEW NATIONAL JUDGES

*Connie Urich-Rodriguez
Lillian Carrico
Tanya Chmielewski
Tracey Rogers*



TOP NEWS

- FOR REIMBURSEMENTS TO BE SUCCESSFULLY PROCESSED, COMPLETE A SEPARATE ONLINE FORM FOR EACH RECEIPT.
- CLICK HERE FOR [LINK TO : WAG JUDGES CPE ANNOUNCEMENT.](#)
- PLEASE USE THE ONLINE DIGITAL CPE FORM. FOR 2026-27, THIS DIGITAL CPE WILL BE THE MANDATORY FORM WHICH MUST BE USED. ([LINK TO CPE FORM](#))
- EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS FOR LEVELS 6-10 COMING SOON!
- NAWGJ HAS DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES. PLEASE CLICK THE LINK ON THIS PAGE TO REVIEW.
- THE NEW CODE IS HERE!!! SEE PAGE 3.



**LINK TO NAWGJ'S
DISCIPLINARY
PROCEDURES**

Rule 1 Impartiality and Objectivity:

Judges must, at all times, perform their duties without bias, prejudice, or favoritism towards any athlete, team, coach, or organization. Decisions must be based solely on the rules and the performance presented, and judges must not discriminate against any participant due to race, color religion, sex, handicap, ethnicity, or national origin.

[Link to Google Form](#)

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Our lil' Midwest corner

Highlights of Hillary's Recognition Speech

For more than four decades, Hilary has dedicated herself to the sport of gymnastics with a level of commitment that few can match. Her journey began in 1984 when she earned her Class 3 rating. Never one to stop at a single accomplishment, she continued her pursuit of excellence, earning her Class 1 rating in 1987. That same year, she successfully completed the Elite Course, setting the stage for a distinguished career as one of our sport's most respected judges.

Over the years, she has devoted countless hours of volunteer service to both NAWGJ and USA Gymnastics. Whether serving as Illinois Assigner, Illinois State Judging Director, Region 5 Regional Judging Director, Test Administrator, Petition Administrator, Newsletter Coordinator, Education Coordinator, Benefits Administrator, or CPE Coordinator, Hilary consistently stepped forward whenever her expertise and leadership were needed.

Her judging experience is equally remarkable. Hilary has judged Class 1 and Class 2 Regionals, more than five Level 9/10 Regionals, over ten National Judges Cup competitions, seven Level 10 National Championships, and nine Level 9 Eastern Championships. She even helped bring one of our sport's premier events to Illinois when she co-chaired the National Judges Cup in 1992.

Hilary has a gift for making people smile. Whether she's sharing a joke, telling a story, or recounting one of the many funny experiences from her years as a teacher, she has a way of bringing laughter into any room. Her sense of humor has made meetings shorter, long competition weekends more enjoyable, and friendships stronger.

Hilary's love for gymnastics has never been limited to one discipline. In addition to her extensive contributions to women's gymnastics, she has also enjoyed judging IHSA Boys Gymnastics and IHSA Girls Gymnastics, further demonstrating her commitment to supporting athletes and the sport at every level.

What stands out most about Hilary is the way she has combined excellence with generosity. She has been a mentor to countless judges, a trusted resource for administrators, and a steady presence for athletes and coaches. She has given her knowledge freely, offered guidance willingly, and always worked to make our judging community stronger.

We thank you!

Appreciate you!



Life is good

BREAKING NEWS

Digital CPE Form for 2026-2027

Here is the LINK



It's Here!



Link to
NEW DEV
OPTIONAL CODE
OF POINTS

Key Info

- The Code is digital
- You can download onto: 1) iPad iOS 18 or greater
2) Amazon Fire OS 8 or greater
- Cost of Code of Points is \$80.00

Need help studying?

- IL NAWGJ SGC will be distributing Educational Presentations through email for study purposes.
- Level 10 updates and changes will be emailed July 5th.
- Level 6-8 updates and changes will be emailed July 15th

Reimbursement **INFORMATION**

Complete separate reimbursement forms for the Code of Points and your Testing purchases, but reimbursement funds will be given in one single check.

ARE YOU A NEW MEET REF ?

I JUST FOUND OUT I'M A MEET REFEREE.
WHAT DO I DO?
HERE ARE GREAT LINKS TO HELP...

[IL MEET REFEREE CHECKLIST](#)

[IL MEET REFEREE JUDGES MEETING TEMPLATE](#)

ARE YOU A NEW JUDGE ?

Please contact me, Christi Kearns if you are a new judge. I can help assign you to a mentor!

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Link to Updates

<https://nawgj.org/https-usagym-org/updates/>

NATIONAL LINKS

- [Category Description & Eligibility Criteria - USA Brevet & National](#)
- [Brevet Course Eligibility Form](#)
- [National Course Eligibility Form](#)
- [Documentation - USA Brevet & National](#)
- [Activity Involvement - USA Brevet & National](#)
- [Leadership Approval Form - USA Brevet & National Eligibility Course-Leadership Credit](#)

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IMPORTANT COMMITTEE LINKS

- [Joint Xcel/Technical Committee minutes from May 13, 2025](#)
- [Xcel Committee minutes from May 13-14, 2025](#)
- [Joint Dev. Program/Technical Committee minutes from May 12, 2025](#)
- [Dev. Program Committee minutes from May 12-13, 2025](#)
- [Technical Committee minutes from May 12-14, 2025](#)

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