**Region 2 Newsletter August 28, 2020**

The email distribution for this newsletter was taken from the USA Gymnastics website members list July 31, 2020. I know things may be tight but please renew your professional memberships. Your state does get a $6 rebate per professional membership. The next newsletter will use the current list of members.

I hope this finds you doing well and staying safe. The new name for JO is Athlete Curriculum for Excellence (ACE) so Tiffany is now the RACECC.

The updated Operating Code <https://usagym.org/PDFs/Women/Rules/operatingcode.pdf> (changes are in red) and Rules and Policies are posted at these links. <https://usagym.org/PDFs/Women/Rules/Rules%20and%20Policies/2020_2021_w_rulespolicies.pdf>

Oregon State University is conducting a search for a new assistant coach. Interested candidates can apply at Oregon State University Portal | Assistant Coach for Gymnastics  
[https://jobs.oregonstate.edu/postings/93893](https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fjobs.oregonstate.edu%2Fpostings%2F93893&data=02%7C01%7C%7C85d0e58b2833447f905708d848904227%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637339131712117841&sdata=x7YobMhlrUGo6sWjY9E1kbgjuoPm5oTiGS53SL1aHGc%3D&reserved=0)

Applications are accepted through Monday, August 31.

Reminder: The Region 2 Camps for fall are cancelled.  Depending on how things progress in each state, we are considering a Winter camp for Levels 8 – 10 on December 18 - 20. The decision will be made at our next committee meeting which will be the end of September/beginning of October.

National Congress: Link here to hear Li Li discuss the direction of USA Gymnastics. <https://usagym.org/pages/post.html?PostID=25613>  Awesome job to our Region 2 members who presented in the National Congress! Frank Sahlein, Casey Chandler, Linda Mulvihill, Dianne Palmer, Laurie Reid, Susan Riley, and Marian DeWane.

New from USA Gymnastics: A “living document” on returning to competition. It can be found at <https://usagym.org/PDFs/About%20USA%20Gymnastics/covid/returntocompetition.pdf>

Transitions: A long time Region 2 member Frank Sahlein and his wife Lourdes are moving to Puerto Rico. They have been long time supporters of the region and we wish them the best!

Get well wishes to Linda Mulvihill who broke her clavicle in 2 places.

Virtual Sanction – information will be coming soon about virtual sanctions from USA Gymnastics.

**Sanctions:**  Remember to have a valid sanction you must have an active Club with USA Gymnastics.  All on the floor must be USA **active** Members as well as all athletes.  For a score to count to move up levels or count as a qualifying score, these requirements must be met.

Bids are open for ACE Regional Championships Level 7 -10, 2022. The day prior, the Regional Level 6 Invitation will be held.  Questions? Please call Marian.  Bids are due by April 1, 2021. The 2022 Xcel Regional meet will be held by Northwest Aerials.

News from Joint USAG/NAWGJ Committee on Safe Re-entry during COVID-19 pandemic:  The document, Ten for 10, is a check list of ideas to ensure the safety of gymnasts, coaches and judges.  NAWGJ appreciates the work you are doing to provide a safe environment at gymnastics meets in the upcoming year. We look forward to working with you to help all participants have a safe and enjoyable experience. As you consider the modifications you will make to provide a safe environment, we thought it would be helpful if you had some ideas that our judges have suggested to facilitate their own safety as well as those with whom they interact. We recognize that different venues present different challenges and that conditions will vary. Please complete this checklist and return it to your assigner so that judges can be prepared for different meet settings. We thank you in advance for doing the best you can to promote the safety of all participants.

**Calendar information from the last newsletter:**

The Level 6 invitational will be hosted by the Region and is used to help fund athlete apparel. We are hoping to have 3 full sessions.  Please plan to bring your athletes.  😊

Calendar 2020 - 2021:

March 26-28 State meets last weekend

March/April Various dates Xcel State Meets

April 15 Regional Level 6 Invite Helena, Montana

April 16 – 18 Regionals Levels 7 – 10 Helena, Montana

April 23 – 25 Xcel Regional Gold, Platinum & Diamond Boise, Idaho

May 7 -9 Level 9 Westerns  TBA

May 14 – 16 Level 10 Nationals TBA

June 11 – 13 Compulsory Workshop Reno, Nevada

June 24 – 27 Olympic Trials St. Louis Enterprise Center

June 22 – 27 USA Championships St. Louis (for all other disciplines)

June 22 – 27 National Congress St. Louis America Center

Possible Future Dates:

Please note, this is **NOT** final, dates are subject to change depending on circumstances.

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| WAG | Last weekend 9/10 State | Regionals | East/West | JO’s |
| 2022 | 3/25-3/27, 2022 | 4/22-4/24, 2022 | 5/13-5/15, 2022 | 5/20-5/22. 2022 |
| 2023 | 3/24-3/26, 2023 | 4/21-4/23, 2023 | 5/12-5/14, 2023 | 5/19-5/21, 2023 |
| 2024 | 3/15-3/17, 2024 | 4/12-4/14, 2024 | 5/10-5/12, 2024 | 5/17-5/19, 2024 |
| 2025 | 3/14-3/16, 2025 | 4/11-4/13, 2025 | 5/2-5/4, 2025 | 5/9-5/11, 2025 |
| 2026 | 3/13-3/15, 2026 | 4/10-4/12, 2026 | 5/1-5/3, 2026 | 5/8-5/10, 2026 |

The approved agenda for the fall Region2 Committee meeting:  Please contact your state chairman with your opinions!

Agenda Items:

Call to Order

Financial Report: Marian and discussion on previous suggestions:

              Level 10 entry fee to Level 10 Nationals (have the region no longer pay – this would provide half the funds for Level 10 apparel)

              Level 6 Invite run by Region day before Regional meet (Use to raise funds for Level 10 apparel)

              Head Taxes (Raise the tax to cover athlete apparel?)

States Pay the Level 9 apparel costs for Level 9 Western Championships ($125)

Reports Regional Chairs:

Linda Mulvihill RTCC

Dianne Palmer RXCC

              Qualification to Regional Meet

Tiffany Quincy RACECC

Qualification to Regional Meet

Denise Green R2NAWGJ

Reports State Chairs:

Charlene Moss SACC Alaska

Pam Zak SACC Hawaii

Mark Kindelspire SACC Idaho

Josh Burnham SACC Montana

Meg Doxtator SACC Oregon

Sandy Flores SACC Washington

New Business:

Gymnastically yours,

Marian