

2023 Concours Program Status Report
JCNA Concours Committee
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To: JCNA Board & 2024 AGM

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From: Jim Sambold, Chairman, JCNA Concours Committee -JCC

RE: 2023 Concours Program Report

Current JCC Membership:

NE Region: Jim Sambold – Chairman

NW Region: Les Garbutt

Canadian XK Register

NC Region: Paul Cusato

Jaguar Club of Ohio

SC Region: Jeff Snyder

Jaguar Club of Austin

SE Region: Dave Kirkman

North Georgia Jaguar Club

JCRC Hal Kritzman

Jaguar Club of Southern Connecticut

The 2023 JCNA Concours season records a total of 36 Concours events including the IJF.

The most prevalent issues that continue to remain in no particular order of significance:

- 1.) Training and certification events for currency.
- 2.) Proper recording on the JCNA website for testing and training.
- 3.) Holding Judges' Training sessions less than two weeks before the date of the event.
- 4.) Declaring Judges' Training session held the day before the event.
- 5.) Lack of organized entry of event results.
- 6.) Lack of due diligence by the host club Chief Judge confirming supporting club's Judges for currency in training and testing before the date of the relevant Concours.
- 7.) Late Membership payments/renewals from clubs to JCNA affecting Judges' names appearing on the JCNA Judging database.
- 8) Timely posting of Class results and Judging assignments. Some clubs 70-90 days or later after the event date.
- 9.) Some Chief Judges still have difficulty understanding the 3-year Testing rule.
- 10.) Chief Judges not understanding the criteria for an Apprentice judge to be assigned and an Apprentice being allowed to proceed as an individual Component Judge on their own.
- 11.) Use of incorrect JCNA numbers when the Judge is a member of 2 different clubs.
- 12.) Judges listed for class assignments with¹ no entrants in class.

- 13.) Entrants listed but no Judges listed for Class.
- 14.) Apprentice Judge not listed on the JCNA Website.
- 15.) Too many or too few Judges posted for class assignments on the Results page.
- 16.) Late or No notice to JCNA JCC Chair events results are ready for review.

Here are the issues by Region:

Northeast:

- 4 Clubs were affected by one or more of the following issues:
- 1.) Too Many or too few Judges posted for Class assignments.
 - 2.) Judges listed with No Entrants and Entrants listed with No Judges.
 - 3.) Late notice to JCNA JCC.

North Central:

- 4 Clubs were affected by one or more of the following issues:
- 1.) Judges listed with No Entrants and Entrants listed with No Judges.
 - 2.) Judges' Testing listed but no Training listed.
 - 3.) Classes Listed with Entrants but no Judges for Classes.
 - 4.) 1 event fully nullified.
 - 5.) Late notice to JCNA JCC.

Northwest:

- 4 Clubs were affected by one or more of the following issues:
- 1.) Too Many or too few Judges posted for Class assignments.
 - 2.) Judges listed with No Entrants and Entrants listed with No Judges.
 - 3.) Segmented Results posting.
 - 4.) Late notice to JCNA JCC.

Southeast:

- 4 clubs were affected by one or more of the following issues:
- 1.) Incorrect number of required judges.
 - 2.) Judge not listed in Training and Testing on the JCNA website.
 - 3.) Judges listed with No Entrants and Entrants listed with No Judges.
 - 4.) Wrong JCNA Number.
 - 5.) Late notice to JCNA JCC.

South Central:

- 4 clubs were affected by one or more of the following issues:
- 1.) Judges listed with No Entrants and Entrants listed with No Judges.
 - 2.) Wrong JCNA Number.
 - 3.) Apprentice Judge listed as Full Component Judge.
 - 4.) Late notice to JCNA JCC.

Southwest:

- 4 clubs were affected by one or more of the following issues:
- 1.) Judges listed with No Entrants and Entrants listed with No Judges.
 - 2.) Wrong number of Judges assigned to a class.
 - 3.) Late posting of event results.
 - 4.) 1 event fully nullified.
 - 5.) Late notice to JCNA JCC.

Major Penalty Decisions:

Two entire Concours Events for the 2023 season were nullified due to infractions of the Judging Rule book including holding the Judge's Training session less than the 30-day rule.

Final Note:

Similar to the 2021 and 2022 competition seasons, the 2023 season has followed in the comparative form given that 50% of the issues were due to the Chief Judges not following the rules and completing their responsibilities and the other 50% were at the Component Judge level for not following the rules. Despite the best efforts of the JCRC Rules Committee to keep testing and training to an acceptable level, some long-term certified Judges are still not as familiar with the rule book and process as they should be. Case in point, attempting to use the Judges' briefing the day of the Concours or the day before to suffice for the Annual Training session or holding the Training School session inside 30 days or less from the Concours event date and or incorrect understanding of the 3-year (Test Year + 2) Testing requirements.

Here are the review statistics for the 2023 Concours Competition season:

- 1.) 62% of the registered clubs have a Concours event.
- 2.) 19.4% of the club events required only one review session for the posted results.
- 3.) 36% of the club events required two review sessions for the posted results.
- 4.) 25% of the club events required three review sessions for the posted results.
- 5.) 14% of the club events required 4 or more review sessions for the posted results.
- 6.) 5.5% of the club events had their event disqualified.

The 2023 JCNA Concours Competition season was closed out on 12/31/2023 once again due to late notifications from member clubs.

The current training program with its variable testing criteria continues to be pushed to and outside the limits of the rules as voted for and approved by the membership body. The lackadaisical approach and personal interpretation are not working as can be seen with the number and types of issues that are present throughout a majority of the clubs. Increased frequency and mandatory training and testing appear to be the only viable solution to facilitate a reduction in the elementary errors generated across all regions of JCNA at both the Chief Judge and Component Judge levels.

JCNA Concours Committee discussion via email on Restorers as Judges.

JCNA Concours Committee meeting on 12/16/2023 via Zoom.

Review and discuss Rule Changes previously submitted to members via email for the 2024 AGM.

Reviewed the 2023 Concours Competition season.

Protest Reviews.

Judge's Online Training.

Chief Judge Online Exam.

The Committee has reviewed the proposed administrative updates for the 2024 Judging Guide and Rule Changes for the 2025 Concours season and agreed with the JCRC Committee.

Creation of an Instruction sheet for Adding a New Event to the JCNA Calendar and Requesting Sanction. The Instruction sheet will be added to the website for each Sanctioned Event as appropriate including the next revision of the Judge's Rule book.

Respectfully submitted,

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