

2026 Annual AGM Report to the JCNA Board of Directors

From: Hal Kritzman, Chairman, JCNA Judge's Concours Rules Committee (JCRC)

1. Members of the Jaguar Concours Rules Committee (JCRC)

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	<u>Term Ends</u>
NE Representative: Robert Silvestri, Jaguar Club of Southern New England	May 1, 2027
NC Representative: Mike Korneli, Wisconsin Jaguars Ltd.	May 1, 2027
NW Representative: Currently vacated.	May 1, 2027
SE Representative: Craig Kerins, South Florida Jaguar Club	April 30, 2028
SC Representative: Rufus Cobern, Jaguar Club of Austin	April 30, 2028
SW Representative: Pete Rieth, San Diego Jaguar Club	April 30, 2028

Technical Writer and Rule Books Editor: Steve Kennedy

2. Continuation of the Group:

I am happy to report that, as of this time, 5 of the 6 current members of the JCRC have agreed to continue on for the remainder of their 2-year terms (1 more year), or to be renewed for a new 2-year term.

Previous NW Representative, Vito Donatiello, who is no longer a JCNA member, will not have his vacancy on the committee filled as there is, apparently, no suitable candidate available from the clubs in that region to serve for the one year of his term he had remaining.

3. JCRC: Activity Report

a: Rule Book Administrative Changes, Clarifications, Rewrites and Additions

Immediately following the 2025 AGM, JCRC members and Steve Kennedy began work on completing the 2026 Rule Books. First, all the new rules passed at the 2025 AGM were incorporated into the 2026 Editions and then the more difficult task of a complete, page-by-page review of the wording of existing rules and protocols, and their placements within each chapter was undertaken as was done the year before by Steve Kennedy and me, with inputs from the other members of the JCRC, and from Jim Sambold (JCC). Clarifying the language of a rule and keeping each such existing rule that is utilized in several different chapters consistent in its meaning. This task has proven to be one that continues, even after last year's intensive work, to be a challenge. The task required a few rewrites of critical sections of the Rule Books, as suggestions for alternate word changes, or their placements were received from those asked to review our work in progress. An important aim of all this arduous work is to remove any perceived ambiguities that may have contributed to instances of rule or protocol infractions that were found to have occurred in past Concours seasons.

It must be emphatically emphasized that the "spirit" of a rule or protocol cannot be left to personal interpretation, but must be as precise as possible in its meaning and directive. We have tried to achieve that level of precision wherever we have found it necessary. As much as we have initially achieved for 2026, we consider our administrative changes to be a work in progress, especially with the incorporation of several, corrections to the list of items that were once believed to be non-authentic accessories, such as luggage racks, but now have been verified with Jaguar Factory part numbers and, with such, can now be accepted when added to various models in Champion Classes. These, last minute, administrative clarifications have been listed in an addendum and uploaded onto the JCNA website since many of the 2026 Rules books have already been printed and distributed. Such late clarifications and corrections will, as necessary, be phased into the 2027 Rules Book.

b: Important Rules Changes or Clarifications in effect for the 2026 Concours Season

A full 2026 Rule Book Synopsis was compiled by Steve Kennedy and was made available to the membership for download and review from the JCNA Website.

c: Concerns About Current and Future EV Jaguar Models

The JCRC is also concerned with the need to include improved judging rules and protocols for the judging of EV motor powered vehicles currently available, or presented in advanced marketing to debut in the future as a new "breed" of Jaguar.

If we are to still consider such an advanced, all EV future Jaguar to be a "classic" Jaguar, besides the existing C22/I (I-Pace) class, it will require us to create additional new classes for future EV models and special rules for judging such classes.

d: Concerns About the Current Methods of Determining North American Champion Awards (Carried over from 2025)

There is an increasing concern by many members of JCNA about whether the long-established method still being utilized by which an Entrant must compete in three concours to qualify for consideration for a North American Champion Award each year should continue. Providing a truly “equal playing field” throughout all the JCNA member clubs that have Concours has been a primary JCRC goal since its inception.

After many years of trying with improved Rule Books each year, adding additional models to our list of Judging Guides and very dedicated overseeing by the JCC, it is not yet a reality and may still not be truly attainable.

As some clubs find holding a club concours to be too difficult, I still maintain that a dedicated North American Championship Event, such as an IJF type Biennial, could replace the three Concours average as the method of determining a Championship Award. Regional Championships could remain as they are determined now with awards each year.

e: On-line Judge’s School Video and Certified Judge's Test

Some clubs have continued to complain about Judge’s School attendance requirements are too restrictive. In an attempt to alleviate time and distance concerns for Judge’s Schools, an online 2026 Judge’s School Presentation and a downloadable Certified Judge’s Test for clubs to utilize, are once again available on the JCNA website. Chief Judges will find them useful when full attendance at the Judge’s School by members of a club’s Judges’ pool is not possible or practical.

The ability to have an online Certified Judge’s School and the rule in effect for 2026 to require the annual Judge’s Test to be taken and passed each year of a Certified Judge’s term of certification will, eventually, result in creating a more properly informed Judge with a better understanding of all the new JCNA judging rules, protocols and procedures and any better familiarity with any alterations in the content sections of the annual Rules Book.