



Marist Johnsonville Kyokushin Karate Club



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Welcome

I would like to welcome our new students and those back after the short break from formal training during the Xmas/New Year holiday period.

Most of the senior (adult) members have continued to participate in less formal classes over that period and most of you will be aware that we held a succesful grading for black/brown belt candidates (seniors and juniors) on January 16.

With the holiday period behind us, it is time for instructors and students to set new goals for the coming year. It is also beneficial to reflect on the challenges and successess during 2015.



Australian National Tournament

Last August, Sensei Bev-Anne and I were invited to attend the 39th annual Australian National Tournament, hosted by Hanshi John Taylor and AKKA in Sydney.

The event was of a typically high standard and I was very privileged to be asked to referee the finals of the senior bouts.

Of particular note was that fact that, for the first time ever, junior students were permitted to participate in contact fighting (as well as the non-contact divisions).

Given that 2016 will see the AKKA celebrate the 40th year of consecutive Nationals, we are planning to show our support by taking a team (of seniors and junior) across the Tasman.

The tournament will be held on the 20th and 21st August. There will be both Non Contact and Contact fighting and also Kata. As it is the 40th Anniversary of AKKA, Kancho (our Japanese President – 9th Dan) will be attending.

All Students that make the trip will also have an opportunity to participate in Kancho's training seminar.

New Black-belts

Sempai Lachlan (Lachie) Jennings, together with Sempai Russell Dye (from Sensei Ron's dojo in Auckland) has recently been elevated to the rank of Shodan (1st degree black-belt) following a gruelling 4 hour test of his technical and physical skills.

CONGRATULATIONS SEMPAL LACHIE!

(A copy of the grading programme and Lachie's related essay is also on our webpage.)



KYU Grading Results

The following students were promoted during the past 6 months.

Seniors:

Shodan -	Lachlan Jennings
1 st Kyu -	Dean Davern Finn Horwell Michael Norman
2 nd Kyu -	Alana Mnerdanis Adam Jennings
3 rd Kyu -	Christina Narayanan
4 th Kyu -	Olivia Rundle Antony Batten
5 th Kyu -	Bethan Streatfield
6 th Kyu -	Norman McIntyre Shaun Lewis Brett Jennings
9 th Kyu -	Salvi Iovine Meg Jennings

Juniors:

1 st Kyu -	Neiko Love
2 nd Kyu -	Caleb Austing Zeus D'Mello Meghan Jennings Jonathan Nguon
3 rd Kyu -	Luke Cassidy Archie Reeve Joseph Rundle
4 th Kyu -	Anton Keller Jasmine Nguon Alisa Norman Tyler Norman Alyssa Narayanan
5 th Kyu -	Joshua Narayanan Matthew Lowes Mckenzie Kemp Marcus Chen Zac Scott Kaita Hummel-Jibiki Hiro Hummel-Jibiki
6 th Kyu -	Ena Kikuchi Sam Dunn Liam Love Angis Conder Connor Kemp Lukasz Mojsa Chiaki Lin

Juniors:

7 th Kyu -	Matthew Batten Aayush Nataraj Layton Harding James Poudyal Annaliese Blumhardt Allana Caldwell Joseph Greene Samuel Penhey
8 th Kyu -	Gabriel O'Connor Nathan Blumhardt Lucas Bell Paxton Trieu Luke Caldwell Cameron Beasley Christopher Nguon Dominic Naidu
9 th Kyu -	Caitlin Grove Caitlin Guidera
10 th Kyu -	Jayden Grove Zachary O'Connor Aamena Mangera Amber Graham

Website Reminder

Our website is under the name of our branch: nzkyokushinkarate.co.nz

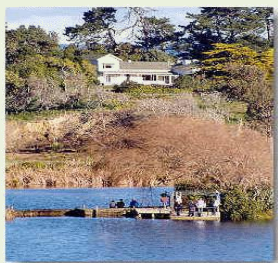
It includes a page for Marist Karate Club (including a calendar of events) and several photos, past and more recent.

NZ National Camp

We are planning to host another National Camp in Otaki in 2016.

Whilst a date has yet to be finalised, we are hoping to hold the event later in the year (instead of June), when the weather is more conducive to outdoor training.

Hanshi John Taylor (9th Dan) has indicated that he will again be likely to accept an invitation to be our special guest instructor – as long as the date does not clash with his other commitments.



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Hanshi Taylor

2015 Awards

The worthy recipients of the 2015 Junior Marist Awards were:

Jim Jennings Spirit Shield – **Archie Reeve**

Star Award – **Marcus Chan**

Most Improved Male – **Chiaki Lin**

Most Improved Female – **Alisa Norman**



Easter Tournament

Hastings will once again hold their annual tournament. We have in the past had a great success at this tournament. If you are interested in attending can you please see Sensei Bev-Anne. The entry forms have been received and are be available on request, this will probably be the only New Zealand tournament for this year. There will be Kata, Non-contact and Contact divisions. We encourage you all to attend.

Training Fees

A reminder that fees are current set as follows:

Primary (including intermediate) school aged students - \$65 per school term

Secondary school aged students - \$80 per school term

Adults - \$95 per 3 month term.

A 20% discount will be applied for

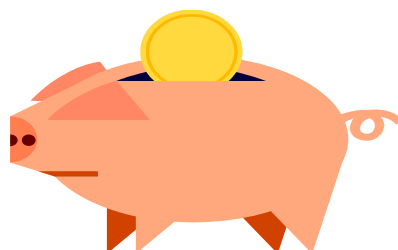
Bank Account:

Term fees, overseas membership fees and grading fees can be paid by direct credit into the following account:

Bank: BNZ

Account Name: NZKK

Account Number: 02-0560-0047907-000



Club Jackets

We are soon to place another order for more of our black and gold Marist Karate tracksuit tops.

These cost \$80 each and are very good quality.

Please see Shihan or Sensei Bev-Anne if you wish to



Thank You

Thanks to for the gifts that a number of students gave us at the end of last year.

Perhaps the most novel (and tasty) presents was from Marcus – iced cupcakes with chocolate karate figurines.

DELICIOUS!



OSU!

Shihan Peter

