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## 2006 Australian Open Kyokushin Championships (part 1)

With quite a few late entries, the Australian Kyokushin Karate 2006 Open Full Contact Championships saw over a 110 fighters taking apart, so it was a big day, not only for the fighters, but for the officials as well.

The finals as always opens with the Female 16 & 17 Years Division and what a great start it was, when Shannon Johnstone-Ward fighting out of the Ballarat dojo took on Shihan Peter Mylonas' Kempo fighter Sonja Stojkov. Both girls gave a great display of courage and determination, going hard at it from the first bell in a no nonsense "toe to toe" bout. By any standard, and especially for such young females, it was a tough two minutes, which left everyone scratching their heads as to which way the judges would go. Perhaps the difference was the number of clean front kicks Shannon managed to land, but in any case it was close and the judges went for Shannon. The 16 & 17 Years Female Heavyweight division was equally as hard when Charnwood fighter Sarah Morrissey took on Wollongong's Chantelle Gibson. It was a replica of the previous fight, hard hitting, strong powerful kicks and a no "beg your pardon" fight. The action was so hectic, something had to give and it was Chantelle who lost control and accidentally punched Sarah in the face, incurring a penalty. No doubt realizing that she now had to come from behind, Chantelle lifted the pace, resulting in punching Sarah in the face again, getting herself disqualified, giving the title to Sarah. The Male Colts Lightweight Division had some spectacular action when David Muresan from the Gold Coast Combat Centre took on Benjamin Lyon from the Peter and Maria Rich Fighting arts Fitness Centre in Glenroy. This fight had every technique that a fight could have, strong punches, hard low kicks, well executed high kicks and even jumping spinning back kicks, giving the audience a great display of fast action and a taste of what was to come. Again another tough decision for the judges, and they went for Ben. The male Colts Heavyweight Division saw a couple of up and coming heavyweights who will no doubt make their mark in the adult division in the not too distant future in Nicholas Prince, another strong fighter from the Wollongong dojo, who took on Mathew Coles from the Batemans Bay dojo. Mathew put up a great fight, but Nicholas was relentless, never letting Mathew rest, and the constant hits began to wear Mathew down towards the end, making it an easy decision for the judges giving the title to Nicholas. Now it was the adults turn and the first final was the Male 5<sup>th</sup> Kyu & Under Division which had Ben Burrage, the favorite for this event taking on Geoffrey Jones who also hails from the Wollongong dojo. Ben may have been the favorite, but Geoffrey had other ideas and took to Ben in fine style in another "do not give him a chance to get going" tactic. It certainly worked and Geoffrey constantly had Ben on the back foot. Ben never really got going, giving Geoffrey the title. The Male Middleweight 5<sup>th</sup> Kyu and Under, had its own excitement when two Bondi Junction fighters fought out the final of this division. Alan Taylor and Tsuyoshi Yamagushi were both determined to walk away with the title. Club mates they may have been, but it was a winner take all attitude that existed between the two. Some very hard punches from Alan made the difference in the final outcome

of a very close match and the judges awarded the title to Alan Taylor. The Female 5<sup>th</sup> Kyu & Under Division saw Ipswich fighter, Julie McQueen, face off against Jessica Joss from the Charnwood dojo. It was a "take no prisoners" fight with both fighters simply refusing to take a backward step. Everyone waited to see who would be the first to wilt, and when the bell finally sounded, they were still full of fight and still pounding away at each other. The judges would have hated having to make a decision, but make a decision they must and they went for Julie in a split decision. It seems the AKKA Wollongong dojo just keeps turning out great young fighters when they produced another winner in the Male 5<sup>th</sup> Kyu & Under Heavyweight Division, in Errol Ibrahim, who took on another good fighter in Dale Heald from the Burnie dojo. Dale put up great fight but was unable to hold out Errol. The Lightweight 4<sup>th</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Kyu Division had a very good Shidokan fighter in Keiji Midokawa, who had the job of taking on Troy Winn from the Ocean Grove dojo. Lightweights are fast but these two had speed to burn and used every bit of it in an effort to KO his opponent and this fight alone was worth the price of admission. However both were too fast to be knocked out and it was the judges who were given the job of deciding who won and they opted for Troy. It was now the adult female's turn to show what they could do, when Parkes fighter Stephanie Dunford took on Kingcliffe fighter, Celia Pennay. It looked like Celia had decided that nothing was going to stop her getting the title this year and she went for Stephanie in a big way, with hard punches and very powerful low kicks. Stephanie put up a strong defence but was unable to keep Celia at bay and won the 2006 title. The males were soon back in the action when Seido fighter Voon Chin took on Charnwood's George Tanevski in the 4<sup>th</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Kyu Middleweight Division. Voon took the fight to George, but George who is very experienced just waited for Voon to tire. He then picked up the pace and very quickly had Voon on the back foot. From then on it was difficult for Voon to get back into the fight. He did survive but lost on the flags. When both fighters are from the same dojo, it is often a lack lustre fight, but not when Ballarat fighters Rohan Smith and Simon Ross met in the 4<sup>th</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Kyu Heavyweight Division final. Both fighters produced the heavyweight attitude we all love, simply pounding your opponent into submission. When the smoke finally cleared, it was Rohan who got the nod and the title.

## 2006 Results:

The 2006 Australian Open Kyokushin Open Championships was another great two days, full story next issue. The results are as follows:

### Full Contact:

#### Male Open Heavyweight division:

1<sup>st</sup> Place: James O'Neil (Kyokushin Charnwood)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Con Koolbanis (Shihan Mylonas Kempo)  
Equal 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Michael Archer (Kyokushin Unanderra)  
Eddie Sorrensen (Kyokushin Corio)

#### Female Open Heavyweight Division:

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Penita Davies (Kyokushin NZ)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Melanie Agapiou

#### Male Open Middleweight Division:

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Dean Hinch (Kyokushin Bell Post Hill)

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2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Dean Treloar (Kyokushin Ballarat)  
Equal 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Jason Baltov (Kyokushin Unanderra)  
Luke Trotz (Shihan Mylonas Kempo)

**Female Open Middleweight:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Michelle Harmer (Kyokushin Parkes)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Naomi Wood (Kyokushin Bondi)

**Male Open Lightweight Division:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Luke Argento (Kyokushin Bell Post Hill)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Masayuki Sakamoto (Kyokushin Bondi)  
Equal 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Daniel Larkins (Kyokushin Bell Post Hill)  
Wayne Nichols

**Female Open Lightweight Division:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Margerate Le (Shihan Mylonas Kempo)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Belinda Wilson (Seido NZ)  
Equal 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Hiroki Suzuki (Kyokushin Leisure Link)  
Monica Baltovska (Kyokushin Ballarat)

**Male Heavyweight 4<sup>th</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Kyu Division:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Rohan Smith Kyokushin Ballarat)

**Male Middleweight 4<sup>th</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Kyu Division:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: George Tanevski (Kyokushin Charnwood)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Voon Chin (Seido Juku Braodway)

**Female Middleweight 4<sup>th</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Kyu Division:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Celia Pennay (Kyokushin Tweed Heads)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Stephanie Dunford (Kyokushin Parkes)

**Male Heavyweight 5<sup>th</sup> Kyu & Under Division:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Erol Ibraim (Kyokushin Unanderra)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Dale Heald (Kyokushin Burnei)  
Equal 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Gerald Tognan (Kyokushin Geelong YMCA)  
George Camorra (Kyokushin Bell Post Hill)

**Female Heavyweight 5<sup>th</sup> Kyu n & Under Division:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Julie McQueen (Kyokushin Ipswich)

**Male Middleweight 5<sup>th</sup> Kyu & Under Division:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Alan Taylor (Kyokushin Bondi)

**Male Lightweight 5<sup>th</sup> Kyu & Under Division:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Geoffrey Jones (Kyokushin Unanderra)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Ben Burrage (Tamworth fighting Arts)  
Equal 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Michael Winn (Kyokushin Ocean Grove)  
Kentaro Aota (Shidokan)

**Male Heavyweight Colts:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Nicholas Prince (Kyokushin Unanderra)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Mathew Coles (Kyokushin Batemans Bay)  
Equal 3<sup>rd</sup> Daniel Matos (Budoshinkai Jitsu)  
Michael Schonbas (Shihan Mylonas Kempo)

**Female Heavyweights 16 & 17 Years Division:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Sarah Morrissey (Kyokushin Charnwood)

**Male Lightweight Colts Division:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Benjamin Lyon (Fighting Arts Centre)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: David Muresan (Gold Coast Combat Centre)  
Equal 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Alexander Le (Shihan Mylonas Kempo)  
Broadie Eadie Kyokuhsin Griffith)

**Female Lightweight 16 & 17 Years Division:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: S. Johnstonene-Ward (Kyokushin Ballarat)

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**This month's bad joke:**

"Father, father! I'm marrying Mrs. Lotsabazooma!!"

"But son every man in town has been to bed with Mrs.

Lotsabazooma." The son thought this over for a minute then replied, "Well it's not a very big town though is it?"

David Pevzner

**Things kids say:**

"A super-saturated solution is one that holds more than it can hold."

"Mushrooms always grow in damp places and so they look like umbrellas."

"The body consists of three parts- the brainium, the borax and the abominable cavity. The brainium contains the brain, the borax contains the heart and lungs, and the abominable cavity contains the bowls, of which there are five - a, e, i, o, and u."

"The pistol of a flower is its only protection against insects."

"The alimentary canal is located in the northern part of Indiana."

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**"2006 Upcoming events":**

**8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> Sept.** NSW Spring Camp & Green Belt & Over

**11<sup>th</sup> September** Bondi Junction Under Green belt grading

**12<sup>th</sup> September** Bondi Beach Under Green belt grading

**16<sup>th</sup> September** Mt Druitt grading

**24<sup>th</sup> September** Sydney Junior Games– Contact Shihan Peter Mylonas at - mylonas@kemporyu.com

**8<sup>th</sup> October** NSW Non Contact Teams & Individual Kata Championships

**4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Nov.** 2006 World Cup -Karate Full Contact Championships Entertainment Centre Sydney

**4<sup>th</sup> December** Bondi Junction Under Green belt grading

**5<sup>th</sup> December** Bondi Beach Under Green belt grading

**9<sup>th</sup> December** Mt Druitt grading

**22<sup>nd</sup> December** Bondi Junction last training for 2006 – End of year dojo photographs

**This month's quote:**

"The measure of your success usually comes down to who wins the battle that rages between the two of you. The '**you**' who wants to stop, give up, or take it easy, and the '**you**' who chooses to beat back that which would stand in the way of your success - complacency." Chris Widener

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**New Members:** I would like to welcome the following new members to the dojo. Madelaine Abel-Trick – Sheldon Caines – Arkady Vidaev – Melinda Baksi

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