



KyokushinSHIN Karate

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Australian Kyokushin Open Championships

The 2013 AKKA Nationals was another great success, sadly, the event was marred by the fact that twenty or so overseas fighters entered from as far afield as South Africa, India and Iran, needless to say that every one had their visa refused. Nevertheless, with eighty fighters in the draw, it was a busy, eventful and full day. In the Male Open Heavyweight Division, the "Old Warhorse" Andre Nakad gave Elias Kavadias a great battle and was unlucky not to get the flags, but when a fighter takes a fight to the flags it comes down to an opinion and the judges thought Elias had won. Another unlucky fighter was Mohammad Rezaie who was well ahead in the fight, but lost on a "Genten". In the end it was Elais against Hamid Zandi with Hamid getting the win. The final of the Female Open Heavyweight Division had Melanee Barclay facing Ysobel Jaorjourns, Ysobel put a up great fight, but the more experienced Melanee proved too strong in the end. The Male Open Middleweight Final between Jacob Comelli and Abbas Tefalli had was another very close bout and saw Jacob coming on very strong in the second half and getting the win. The Female Middleweight final between Shannyn Johnstone-Ward and Lisa Hodder was without doubt the fight of the tournament; these very powerful females do not know what "taking a step back" means and went for each other with every technique in the book. In the end it must have been the most difficult decision for the tournament for the judges, in the end they went for Lisa, making her the 2013 Champion. The final of the Male Open Lightweight Division had Cameron Fordham taking on the very experienced Luke Argento, Cameron took the fight to Luke, but Luke is too smart a fighter to be taken in by the young fighters "go hard" strategy and let Cameron have his head, only to come back even stronger as Cameron started to tire and a great win. The Female Open Lightweight Division was full of talent the final however, as so often is the case, had two of the most experience fighter in Leticia Franchi and Tamasin Walsh facing off and another non stop action packed fight ensued. In the end it was another close call with the win going to Tamasin.

The Australian Open Non Contact Championships were record event with 254 fighters in the draw. It took three fighting areas and a full day to get through so many fights. Congratulations to the match officials and the tournament staff who worked tirelessly to get through so many bouts and make it run like clockwork.

2013 Australia Full Contact results:

Male Open Heavyweight Division:

- 1st Place: Hamid Zandi
2nd Place: Elias Kavadias
3rd Place: Mohammed Rezaie

Female Open Heavyweight Division:

- 1st Place: Melanee Barclay
2nd Place: Ysobel Jarjoura

Male Open Middleweight Division:

- 1st Place: Jacob Comelli
2nd Place: Abbas Tefalli
3rd Place: Nicholas Tapril

Female Open Middleweight Division:

- 1st Place: Lisa Hodder
2nd Place: Shannyn Johnston-Ward

Male Open Lightweight Division:

- 1st Place: Luke Argento
2nd Place: Cameron Fordham
3rd Place: Chris Solidarios

Female Open Lightweight Division:

- 1st Place: Tamasin Walsh
2nd Place: Leticia Franchi
3rd Place: Fiona O'Neil

Female Heavyweight 3rd & 4th Kyu Division:

- 1st Place: Leah Haar

Male Middleweight 3rd & 4th Kyu Division:

- 1st Place: Jordan Wallis

Male Lightweight 3rd & 4th Kyu Division:

- 1st Place: Julius Wsol

Male Heavyweight 5th Kyu & Under Division:

- 1st Place: Bryan Vincent
2nd Place: Daniel Lancaster
3rd Place: George Vezmar

Male Middleweight 5th Kyu & Under Division:

- 1st Place: Ari Slamer
2nd Place: Luke Spies
3rd Place: David Baylis

Male Lightweight 5th Kyu & Under Division:

- 1st Place: Dale Law
2nd Place: Ben Prochazka
3rd Place: David Baylis

Male Heavyweight Colts:

- 1st Place: Dale Mannell
2nd Place: Lachlan Dukes

Male Middleweight Colts:

- 1st Place: Joe Russell

Male lightweight Colts:

- 1st Place: Samuel Shields
2nd Place: Alex Vullings
3rd Place: Phil Phung Dang

Female Heavyweight 16 – 17 Years Division:

- 1st Place: Tilly Jones
2nd Place: Tzara Brooks
3rd Place: Alanah Jeffrey

Fighting Spirit Award: Fiona O'Nel

Best Technique: Samuel Shields

2013 Australian Non Contact Championships

Male Open Division:

- 1st Place: John Stassi
2nd Place: Kyuss Brooker
Equal 3rd Place: Daniel Fitzgerald/Richard Freitag

Female Open Division:

- 1st Place: Mdeisha Saunders
2nd Place: Karina Narayan

Male Open Masters Division:

- 1st Place: Paul Wilson
2nd Place: David Lothingham
Equal 3rd Place: Darren Purkis/Bundit

A black belt is a white belt who never gave up – Just enjoy the journey

Female Open Masters Division:

1st Place Tracy Whitehead
2nd Place: Karen Cirillo

Female 5th Kyu & Under Division:

1st Place Clem Terrac
2nd Place: Sarah Fordham
Equal 3rd Place Dianne Beatty/Jessamine Barker

Male 5th Kyu & Under Division:

1st Place Ben Prochazka
2nd Place: Matt Thorne
Equal 3rd Place Tom Perelli/Adam Camerlengo

Male 16 17 Years Division:

1st Place Carl Wolterman
2nd Place: Shane Foley

Female 16 17 Years Division:

1st Place Phoebe Webb
2nd Place: Natalie Rustkowski

Male 13 – 15 Years Division:

1st Place Jordan Nubulsi
2nd Place: Ryan Lewis
Equal 3rd Place Glyn Kendal/Brandon Smith

Female 13 – 15 Years Division:

1st Place Alanah Jeffrey
2nd Place: Tilly Jones
Equal 3rd Place Makalya Nasko/Livinya Dean

Male 10 – 12 Years Division:

1st Place Aaron Nabulsi
2nd Place: Chase Verri
Equal 3rd Place Jason Elshoui/ Dallas

Female 10 – 12 Years Division:

1st Place Alysha Gilchrist
2nd Place: Jenifer Millens
Equal 3rd Place Olivia Adams/Monique Woodham

Male 8 & 9 Years Division:

1st Place Aiden Lewis
2nd Place: Lou Irvine
Equal 3rd Place Tyson Fitzgerald / Lance Strong

Female 8 & 9 Years Division:

1st Place Brydie Mason
2nd Place: Lily Shields
Equal 3rd Place Nia Golding/ Golding

Male & Female 6 & 7 Years Division:

1st Place Maddy Wolterman
2nd Place: Dane Perica
Equal 3rd Place Ashley Carrol/ Malea Callaghan

Male & Female 5 Years & Under Division:

1st Place Jonathan Levy
2nd Place: Jason Shen
Equal 3rd Place Anasts Stassi/Cameron Lucas

Electric Run:

Hi guys, this year we were wanting to do 'The Electric Run' and participate together as a Dojo team. It's similar to the colour run except it's at night, with live music and amazing light displays. The Electric Run will be held at Sydney Olympic Park on November 16th. Not only does this run raise money for the Cancer Council but it provides us with a fun opportunity to bond together and get to know each other a little better. Children under 7 are free which is a great opportunity for the families to come out and be involved. We were hoping to get a team together, Sign up fee is currently \$55 per person or you can sign yourself up individually for \$60. These prices will increase at the end of October so we were hoping to have a group organised by then. **Google Electric 'Run'** for more details. Please see *Sempai* Karina or *Sempai* Ysobel at the Bondi Junction dojo or email me at ysobeljay@gmail.com. We are looking forward to it!

Jargon buster: Antioxidants: DNA

A double helix shaped molecule containing the genetic code that instructs cells how to behave. Damage to DNA is believed to play a major role in the formation of cancer and other degenerative diseases.

IKO-Matsushima organisation site:

<http://www.kyokushin-matsushima.jp/>

Training: "When you're not training somebody else is and when you meet, they'll win"

Bad joke of the month:

Teacher: Harold, what do you call a person who keeps on talking when people are no longer interested?

Harold: A teacher

Quote of the Month:

My many years I have come to a conclusion that one useless man is a shame; two is a law firm and three or more is a government. John Adams

IKO-MATSUSHIMA 2006 WORLD CUP:

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The Great New York Heat Wave of 1896

At the end of the 19th century, New York City was home to some 3 million people, many occupying the notoriously cramped and stifling tenements of the Lower East Side and other low-income neighborhoods. When 10 days of relentless heat baked the Big Apple in August 1896, these abysmal living conditions went from an uncomfortable reality to a death sentence for an estimated 1,300 New Yorkers. Roasting in their jam-packed bedrooms and barred from sleeping in public parks by a citywide ban, many tenement dwellers sought a breath of fresh air on rooftops, fire escapes and piers. A sizable share of the heat wave casualties occurred when people fell asleep, rolled from their perches and plummeted to their deaths; others succumbed to heat stroke and other heat-related ailments. More than 1,000 horses died during the crisis. Even as the death toll mounted, the city government did little to address the disaster, and the heat wave was on the verge of waning by the time the mayor called an emergency meeting. One relatively obscure official emerged as a hero: Theodore Roosevelt, the city's police commissioner, who had angered New Yorkers earlier in the summer by cracking down on taverns that stayed open beyond the legal closing time. The future president instructed the police force to distribute free ice in tenement neighborhoods and provide ambulance services to the sick. According to some historians, the heat wave salvaged Roosevelt's faltering political career and ultimately helped propel him to the White House.

Confucius:

"The superior man is modest in his speech, but exceeds in his actions."