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友 DATEBOOK

1. Jul 26/Aug 2, Kendo Leaders Summer Seminar, Kitamoto, Japan.
2. Jul 27/28, University of Waterloo Kendo Club 15th Annual Tournament and Godo Keiko. Guest of Honour: Taro Ariga, founder of the Club.
email uw_kendo@hotmail.com
3. Aug 2/5, 6th Annual Toronto Kendo Club Summer Camp.
4. Aug 10, PNKF Kendo and Iaido Shinsa, Sat, Kent Commons Recreation Center, 525 4th Avenue N. (corner of 4th & James Street), Kent, Washington.
Iaido 8am-12noon; Kendo 12:30-4pm.
5. Aug 18, Aiea Taiheiji Kendo Club Tournament, Sun.
6. Aug 31/Sep 1, final selection for Team USA, California.
7. September, nominations for new PNKF Board due.
8. Sep 14, PNKF Board meeting, Sat, 2:30pm, Renton.
9. Sep 20/21/22, AUSKF Iaido Seminar, Taikai, and Shinsa, Fri/Sat/Sun, Renton.
10. Oct 12, PNKF Board meeting, Sat, 2:30pm, Renton.
11. Nov 9, PNKF Taikai, Sat, 9:30am, Renton.
12. Nov 23, PNKF Board meeting, Sat, 2:30pm, Renton.
13. Nov 23, All Hawaii Kendo Championships, Sat, Waiakea Uka Gym, Hilo, Hawaii.
14. Jun 2003, World Naginata Championship of the International Naginata Federation (INF), last week of June, hosted by the US Naginata Federation (USNF), San Jose State University.
15. Jul 1/9, 2003, 12WKC, Glasgow, Scotland. <http://www.kendochampionships.com>

AUSKF IAIDO SEMINAR, NATIONAL TAIKAI AND SHINSA, SEPTEMBER 20/21/22, RENTON DOJO The PNKF is pleased to be hosting this year's AUSKF Iaido Seminar, National Taikai, and Shinsa. **Instructors:** Yamaguchi Takeshi, Iaido Renshi 7th Dan & Kendo Kyoshi 7th Dan; Kato Shozo, Iaido & Kendo Kyoshi 7th Dan; Konno Tatsuhiko, Iaido Renshi 7th Dan & Kendo Renshi 6th Dan; Murakami Ichiro, Iaido 5th Dan & Kendo Kyoshi 7th Dan; Thomas Hooper, Iaido & Kendo 6th Dan. **Location:** Renton Community Center, with accommodations available at the Silver Cloud Inn directly across from the Dojo. **Preliminary Schedule:** **Friday** Registration/Check-In/Pay for Exam 3-4pm; Opening Introductions/Koryu 4-6pm; dinner break 6-7pm; Koryu continued/Kendo keiko 7-8:30pm. **Saturday** ZenKenIai 9-11:30am; lunch break 11:30am-12:30pm; AUSKF National Taikai 12:30-3pm; ZenKenIai 3:30-5:30pm; Participants' Banquet 6:30-8:30pm; Awards Presentation 9pm. **Sunday** Shinsa Preparation 8-9am; AUSKF Shinsa 9:30am-12noon; lunch break 12-1pm; ZenKenIai 1:30-4pm; Closing Ceremony 4-4:15pm. **Contact person:** Brian Blomquist email: brianb@concur.com phone: 425-497-6411. **Cost:** \$80 for AUSKF members and \$130 for non AUSKF members. Fee includes Saturday & Sunday lunch, and Saturday banquet. For those wishing to compete in the AUSKF National Taikai, there's an entry fee of \$10. There are also the usual exam fees for those testing for rank. **Complete details** have been sent to each regional Federation, and posted on the PNKF website <http://www.kendo-pnkf.org/>

14th CANADIAN KENDO FEDERATION CHAMPIONSHIPS - June 29-July 1, 2002, Steveston BC

Junior

- 1st place - K. Negishi, Vancouver
2nd place - A. Fukushima, Vancouver
3rd place - T. Kikuchi, Steveston
3rd place - R. Campbell, Steveston

Senior Non-Degree

- 1st place - H. Kim, Sunrise
2nd place - L. D'Orangeville, McGillU
3rd place - M. Cardinal, McGillU
3rd place - J. Walton, UVictoria

Women

- 1st place - M. Akitaya, Vancouver
2nd place - H. Ariga, UToronto
3rd place - W. Nakano, Steveston
3rd place - N. Fukushima, Vancouver

Men

- 1st place - S. Asaoka, Youshinkan
2nd place - K. Kamata, Etobicoke
3rd place - D. Ara, Calgary
3rd place - T. Ariga, UWaterloo

Team

- 1st place - Etobicoke
3rd place - Steveston

- 2nd place - Youshinkan
3rd place - McGillU

1st UMEMURA CUP CHALLENGE TAIKAI - June 30, 2002, Linfield College, McMinnville, Oregon

Mudansha Division

- 1st place - Shogo Yakabe, Fukuyama
2nd place - D. Moles, Cascade
3rd place - Keiko Yamamoto, Fukuyama

Yudansha Division

- 1st place - Lonny Hancock, Obukan
2nd place - Kosei Iizuka, Obukan
3rd place - Garrett Suzaka, Cascade

Umemura Hai Cup Winner - Shogo Yakabe, Fukuyama

AUSKF KENDO CHAMPIONSHIPS - July 5,6,7, 2002, University of Southern California

Men's Group

1st place - Kenichi Hatakeyama, GNEUSKF
2nd place - Mike Yoshimura, SCKF
3rd place - Shigeyuki Uchiyama, NCKF
3rd place - Yuji Onizuka, NCKF
Fighting Spirit - Daniel Yang, SCKF

Senior Youth Group

1st place - Kenny Michioka, NCKF
2nd place - Nathan Brown, SCKF
3rd place - Frank Nieves, SEUSKF
3rd place - Garrett Suzaka, PNKF
Fighting Spirit - Lonny Hancock, PNKF

Senior Group

1st place - Fujio Takada, SCKO
2nd place - Masaharu Makino, SCKO
3rd place - Tsuyoshi Inoshita, GNEUSKF
3rd place - George Sakazaki, CCKF
Fighting Spirit - Hiroyoshi Hosokawa, SCKF

Men's Team

1st place - SCKF
2nd place - NCKF
3rd place - AEUSKF
3rd place - GNEUSKF

Women's Team

1st place - NCKF
2nd place - SCKF
3rd place - MWKF
3rd place - SCKO

Women's Group

1st place - Kaori Takada, SCKO
2nd place - Sawako Yoneichi, SCKO
3rd place - Elizabeth Marsten, PNKF
3rd place - Naomi Nishimoto, NCKF
Fighting Spirit - Mitsuyo Sakae, SCKF

Junior Youth Group

1st place - Takayuki Kawagishi, SCKF
2nd place - Jeffrey Lundell, PNKF
3rd place - Takuma Iwamoto, GNEUSKF
3rd place - Nick Dyer, NCKF
Fighting Spirit - Takeru Oba, SCKO

Goodwill Group

1st place - Curtis Marsten, PNKF
2nd place - Albert Kim, SCKF
3rd place - Man J. Lee, AEUSKF
3rd place - James Yan, GNEUSKF
Fighting Spirit - John Condon, MWKF

Senior Youth Team

1st place - PNKF
2nd place - NCKF
3rd place - SCKF
3rd place - SCKO

Junior Youth Team

1st place - SCKF
2nd place - GNEUSKF
3rd place - SCKO
3rd place - NCKF

US NAGINATA FEDERATION CHAMPIONSHIPS - July 10/14, 2002, Bryn Mawr College, Pennsylvania

Women's Yudansha Individual

1st place - Takami Tanner, RMNF
2nd place - Fran Vall, ECNF
3rd place - Diana Garrett, NCNF

Men's Yudansha Individual

1st place - Bob Peterson, NCNF
2nd place - Kevin Saxton, SCNF
3rd place - Kurt Schmucker, NCNF

Women's Team

1st place - Rocky Mountain NF
2nd place - East Coast NF
3rd place - Northern California NF

Men's Team

1st place - Northern California NF
2nd place - Southern California NF
3rd place - East Coast NF

Women's Dangai Individual

1st place - Yousr Khalil, ECNF
2nd place - Yoko Lobberegt, NCNF

Men's Dangai Individual

1st place - Ellery Engalla, ECNF
2nd place - Dan Zimmerman, SCNF
3rd place - Ernie Lissabet, ECNF

Yudansha Engi (like Kata)

1st place - Curt Sennewald & Bob Peterson, NCNF
2nd place - Martin Nobida & Maureen Hawk, NCNF
3rd place - Johanna Weber & Diana Payne, RMNF

Dangai Engi (like Kata)

1st place - Joshua Badgley & Ernie Lissabet, ECNF
2nd place - Yousr Khalil & Ray Espiritu, ECNF
3rd place - Yoko Lobberegt & Carlos Araya, NCNF

ONTARIO JUNIOR TOURNAMENT - July 21, 2002, Toronto

Basic Skills (non-bogu)

1st place - Johnny Chavez, Etobicoke
2nd place - Margaret Clark, Etobicoke
3rd place - Eric Dicy, Forest City (London)

13 Years and Under

1st place - Jin Park, Forest City (London)
2nd place - Kieun Kwon, IKSDK
3rd place - Kevin Lee, IKSDK

14-15 Years

1st place - Jordan Luy, JCCC
2nd place - Shiho Kamata, Etobicoke
3rd place - Koji Hao, JCCC

Team

1st place - JCCC
2nd place - IKSDK
Fighting Spirit - Robert Cote, Buffalo

THE LAST WORD As far as the question of tradition and modernisation in kendo is concerned, currently there is a debate raging in Japan about the point of going down into sonkyo before starting or finishing matches when the two kendoka also demonstrate mutual respect in the form of a standing bow. Are both forms of courtesy actually necessary? This trend of debating the rationality of certain traditions in kendo will more than likely result in the scrapping of those aspects judged to be meaningless. Even if an action such as sonkyo does have a meaning, this is undermined by the question of whether it is actually necessary in shiai. Making victory poses or gestures of joy by throwing the hands up in the air after winning a shiai is still very much frowned upon in kendo. This is something often witnessed in judo or sumo, but for some reason is considered unforgivable in comparatively conservative kendo circles. We have to clarify what is or is not forgivable as far as progress and change is concerned in order to avoid detrimental clashes in the future. My point being, the issue of maintaining a careful balance between popularisation and tradition is something the kendo world must take very seriously from now on. --Nakamura Tamio, "The History of Bogu," **Kendo World**, v.1, n.1, p.12.

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