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## PNKF DATEBOOK

1. Aug 7, PNKF Iaido and Kendo Shinsa, Sat, Kent.  
Iaido Seminar and Shinsa: 9am-12pm.  
Kendo Shinsa: doors open 12noon, line up 12:30pm sharp.
2. Aug 14, North American Women's Championship, 9am-3pm, Renton.
3. September 4/5, PNKF Iaido Seminar, Cougar Mountain.
4. October 2, PNKF Shinpan Seminar, Sat, 12noon-5pm, Kent.
5. October 23, Tacoma Children's Taikai, Sat, .
6. Sep 25, PNKF Board, Sat, 2pm, Kent.
7. Nov 13, PNKF Taikai, Sat, 9:30am, Renton.
8. Nov 20, PNKF Board, Sat, 2pm, Kent.
9. Dec 11, Renton Taikai, Sat, 9:30am, Renton.
10. Feb 26, 2005, PNKF Kendo and Iaido Shinsa, 8:30am-4:30pm, Bellevue Highland Park.

## OTHER DATES

1. Aug 5/8, Niten Ichiryu Seminar, Guelph, Ontario, Canada.
2. Aug 6/7/8, Annual MWKF Summer Camp, Fri/Sat/Sun Kalamazoo, Michigan. Contact person is Dave Christman, President MWKF dtc12@comcast.net
3. Aug 10/15, US Naginata Federation Seminar, Taikai and Shinsa, Bryn Mawr College. Contact Malyne Hazard, 1-408-281-7382 malyne@aol.com or John Prough, 1-201-656-0117 jpro@ny-jss.org
4. Aug 21 or 22, AUSKF Shinpan Seminar for Central Zone (SUSKIF, MWKF, GNEUSKF and ECUSKF), Sat or Sun, place TBA, Houston, Texas.
5. Aug 28/29, Hawai'i Kendo Federation Summer Camp for children ages 14 and under.
6. Sep 11/12, Shidogakuin 20th Anniversary Tournament, Chief Judge Tadatoshi Haga (Kendo and Iaido Hanshi 8th Dan)
  - 1) Sat, Sep 11:  
U.S. Open Kendo Championships (Ryutaro Hashimoto Cup)  
U.S. Senbatsu Kendo Championships (Kuraoka Cup)  
Ko-Haku Taiko Team Match (San Hanshi-Ki)
  - 2) Sun, Sep 12:  
Iaido Seminar and Tournament, 9:30am-5:30pm, conducted by Katsuo Oda (Kendo Kyoshi 7th Dan, Iaido Kyoshi 8th Dan)  
3rd Dan and Higher Rank (Haga Cup)  
Sho-Dan and 2nd Dan  
Mudansha
7. Sep 18, Canadian Open Iaido Championships, Sat, 9am-4pm, Etobicoke Olympium, Toronto, Canada.
8. Oct 9, AUSKF Shinpan Seminar for Northwest Zone (NCKF, CCKF and PNKF), Sat, 8:30am-6pm, Buchser Middle School, 1111 Bellomy Street, Santa Clara, California.
9. Oct 23, Southern California Iaido Association Fall 2004 Seminar and Shinsa, Sat, 8:30am-4:30pm, Norwalk Kendo Dojo, Takeshi Yamaguchi assisted by Ichiro Murakami and Henry Asai. Please check SCIA website for updates and details <http://groups.msn.com/scia/>.
10. Nov 6/7, 3rd Hawai'i State Kendo Championship Taikai, Seminar, and Shinsa.
11. Feb 12, 2005, Steveston Taikai, Sat,
12. Jul 2/3, 2005, All US Championships.

## PNKF IAIDO SEMINAR, September 4/5, 2004

The Pacific Northwest Kendo Federation will be hosting an Iaido seminar September 4th and 5th (Sat, Sun). The seminar will feature Noguchi Hideo, Iaido Kyoshi 8th Dan as well as Aoki Shigehiro, Iaido 7th Dan and Suzuki Kaoru, Iaido 5th Dan, who also visited last year. <http://www.kendo-pnkf.org/>

## PNKF SHINPAN SEMINAR, October 2, at Kent

Shinpan Seminar on Saturday, October 2, from 12:00noon to 5:00pm at Kent Commons. Anyone who would like to practice their shiai skills should attend. Children, youth and upper level adults are especially urged to come and learn about what kind of points are valid and can be taken by shinpan.

## PNKF INVITATIONAL NORTH AMERICAN WOMEN'S TEAM KENDO CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

The PNKF will host its second Women's Team Championship on August 14, 2004 at Renton. Our special guest will be Hoshina Kumiko Sensei, 6th Dan from Nihon Physical Education University. Hoshina Sensei will conduct several Seminar Keiko the week prior to the tournament. Jeff Marsten Sensei and Yoshiko Tamura Sensei are the Taikai Chairs, and Elizabeth Marsten Sensei is the Fundraising Chair. Please go the PNKF webpage for updates:

<http://www.kendo-pnkf.org/news/womanstaikai.phtml> Tentative schedule:

Saturday - August 7, 9am-3pm Seminar, Highline  
 Monday - August 9, 6:30-8:30pm, Keiko/Seminar, Highline  
 Tuesday - August 10, 7:15-9:15pm, Keiko/Seminar, Renton  
 Thursday - August 12, 7-9pm, Keiko/Seminar, Kent  
 Friday - August 13, 7:30-9:30pm, Keiko/Seminar, Bellevue; Welcome Social following  
 Saturday - August 14, 9am-3pm, Taikai at Renton Community Center; After Taikai Party

#### **PUYALLUP KENDO CLUB**

At the July meeting, the PNKF Board unanimously accepted the Puyallup Kendo Club as an official PNKF Dojo with probationary status. The Club meets on Sundays at the Puyallup Recreation Center, 808 Valley Avenue NW, Puyallup. Beginners (limit of 16 students) 11:30am - 12:40pm, Continuing Beginners 12:45 - 1:55pm, and Intermediate/Advanced 2:00 - 4:00pm. Head instructor is Curtis Marsten.

#### **OBUKAN KENDO CLUB**

Robert Stroud has resigned as head instructor of Obukan, and moved with his family to Boise, Idaho. John Hancock is now Obukan head instructor, supported by Ryuken Akahoshi. Jerry Helmick is President of Obukan, and official contact person.

#### **PNKF JUNIOR GASSHUKU, JUNE 21-26 A HUGE SUCCESS**

The week-long Summer Gasshuku in June was very successful, attended by 47 students, 18 of whom had a perfect attendance at all five sessions. The curriculum covered kamae, ashisabaki, maa, rensoke uchi, keiko, and shiai. Participants attended the regular evening practices of four area Dojo, with a concluding full day session and pizza lunch at Highline on Saturday, followed by a marvelous barbeque at the Curtis and Vicki Marsten home. The primary instructors for the Gasshuku were Jeff Marsten, Curtis Marsten, and David Yotsuue, supported by other additional instructors.

#### **DONN DRAEGER ART EXHIBIT**

An unusual exhibition of rare art, "Larger Than Life Heroes: Prints of Sumo Wrestling from the Donn F. Draeger Collection," is on view at the Seattle Asian Art Museum through August 29, 2004. The collection is provided by our friend from Woodinville, Jodo Menkyo Kaiden Phil ReInick, who was a close friend and colleague of Draeger Sensei. Please visit the website for further details: <http://www.nwnnews.com/editions/2004/040426/entertainment1.html>

#### **19th ANNUAL LEEWARD OAHU KENDO TAIKAI - June 20, 2004, Mililani**

##### **Yonenbu Division 8-10 Years**

1st place - Chase Matayoshi, Makawao  
 2nd place - Takumi Nishida, Makawao  
 3rd place - Derek Sato, Kenshikan

##### **Shonenbu Division 11-13 Years**

1st place - Braxton Fukutomi, Aiea Taiheiji  
 2nd place - Dominick Corelli, Aiea Taiheiji  
 3rd place - James Okada, Kenshikan  
 3rd place - Mathew Ito, Kenshikan

##### **Seinenbu Division**

1st place - Shem Kim, Mililani  
 2nd place - Cael Goodin, Aiea Taiheiji  
 3rd place - Aaron Kim, Mililani  
 3rd place - Trina Kobata, Makawao

##### **Yudansha Division 1-2 Dan**

1st place - Colin Mauroka, Aiea Taiheiji  
 2nd place - Takuma Hirako, Kenshin  
 3rd place - Nolan Takahashi, Mililani  
 3rd place - Karen Yamada, Mililani

##### **Yudansha Division 3-5 Dan**

1st place - Wesley Fujimoto, Mililani  
 2nd place - Billy Kang, Aiea Taiheiji  
 3rd place - Seth Harris, Kenshikan  
 3rd place - Grant Matsubayashi, Aiea Taiheiji

##### **Yudansha Masters**

1st place - Taro Ariga, Ebogu.com  
 2nd place - Iwao Sato, Wahiawa  
 3rd place - Tusha Buntin, Kenshikan

#### **Parents/Children Team Match**

Parents - 3  
 Children - 5

#### **2003 James Oka Memorial Kantosho Award**

Gregory Gates, Aiea Taiheiji

#### **SHINKYU SHINSA**

##### **IAIDO SHINSA, June 13, 2004, Boulder**

6TH DAN: Ichiro Arthur Murakami (Industry Sheriff's).

##### **KENDO SHINSA, July 25, 2004, Las Vegas**

5TH DAN: Yuji Hosokawa (SCKF), Yutaro Matsuura (MWKF), Joshua Carroll (GNEUSKF).

6TH DAN: Michio Kajitani (SWUSKIF).

#### **THE LAST WORD**

In order to improve Iaido you should not only master the handling of the sword and breathing, but also the unification of heart, spirit and power. I hope that Iaido will be enjoyed by people who practice Kendo, and it proves more rewarding and fruitful to practice both together. My wish for this book is that it helps all Kendo and Iaido practitioners everywhere. --ZNNR President Yoshimitsu Takeyasu, Iai, ZNNR, 2004.

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