

# 剣 Kenyu 友

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## PNKF DATEBOOK

1. Dec 8, Kent Taikai, Sat, report time 9am, start 9:30am, Kent.
2. Jan 5, PNKF Board, Sat, 2:30-4:30pm, Kent.
3. Jan 26, PNKF Kata Seminar, Sat, 12noon-5pm, Kent.
4. Feb 23, PNKF Shinsa, Sat, Iaido 9am-12noon; Kendo 12:30-5pm, Kent.
5. Mar 1, PNKF Board, Sat, 2:20-4:30pm, Kent.
6. Mar 15, Highline Taikai, Sat, 10am, White Center Community Center.

## OTHER DATES

1. Jan 19, Intercollegiate University Kendo Tournament, Sat, 10am, London, Ontario.
2. Feb 9, Steveston Taikai, Sat.
3. Apr 26, Vancouver Taikai, Sat (tentative date).
4. Jul 1-5, AUSKF Championships.
5. 2009, 14WKC, São Paulo, Brazil.

**PASSAGE** With immense sorrow the PNKF received news that one of our greatest friends, Kamei Kazuo Sensei, passed away on October 9, 2007 due to cancer. Born December 22, 1930 in Shimane Prefecture, he started Kendo intensively in 1955 after he was employed at Nihon Seito in Tokyo. Itto-Ryu instruction was given by Nagai Chosei Nagamasa Sensei. Instruction on Hojo-no-Kata of Jiki Shinkage-Ryu was given by Inamura Konosuke Sensei who was his boss at work. He started Kenseikan Kamei Dojo in 1967 giving instruction to many people from young children to elders. Kamei Sensei was proactive in sharing high-level Kendo by taking his Dojo members on the road in many teaching missions to the United States and Canada. The many friends he made on these trips received extremely generous welcome any time they could visit Kenseikan in Japan. During the last few years of his illness, his body showed the ravages of the disease, but his Kendo spirit continued bright, beautiful, serene, and immensely powerful. (Editor's note: We are grateful to Ando Masa Sensei and Kanazawa Mamoru Sensei who contributed to this article.)

**2007/2008 PNKF BOARD OF DIRECTORS OFFICERS** This year the number of candidates for the PNKF Board of Directors did not exceed the number of seats available so all candidates have been officially seated on the Board. At their November 3, 2007 meeting, the PNKF Board of Directors elected the following officers: **President** - Curtis Marsten (Kent), **Vice President** - Brian Blomquist (Everett), **Treasurer** - David S. Yotsuuye (Bellevue), **Recording Secretary** - Thomas Bolling (Bellevue), **Secretary of Internal Affairs** - Daniel Ichinaga (Seattle). Other Board members are: Thomas Antush (Puyallup), Brian Edwards (Everett), Steve Guidi (Seattle), Kyoka Hinami (UW), Perry Hunter (Obukan), Doug Imanishi (Seattle), Shinichi Koike (Northwest), Russ Sinclair (Spokane), Bert Tsutakawa (Highline), Chris Weaver (Sno-King), and Moki Yoshikawa (Tacoma). Jeffrey Marsten (Bellevue/Highline/Sno-King) and Kiyoshi Yasui (Seattle) continue as **Advisors**. Elizabeth Marsten (Highline) was reappointed **UW Advisor**.

**WEB GURUS NEEDED FOR PNKF WEBSITE** The PNKF website is being overhauled. Anyone who'd like to help with the project please email Curtis Marsten Sensei at cvmarsten@link.net, or Bert Tsutakawa at berttsutakawa@comcast.net.

## 8th TACOMA YOUTH TOURNAMENT - October 27, 2007, Curtis High School, University Place

### 9 Years and Under Round Robin

- 1st place - Tiarnan Marsten, Kent  
2nd place - Jennifer DeJong, Highline  
3rd place - Arias Jackson, Puyallup  
3rd place - Kaoru Toyokawa, Tacoma

### 10-12 Years

- 1st place - Sean Cresse, Kent  
2nd place - Dan Sinclair, Spokane  
3rd place - Melanie DeJong, Highline  
3rd place - Erica DeJong, Highline

### 13-15 Years

- 1st place - Ian Cresse, Kent  
2nd place - Gordon Burgess, Bellevue  
3rd place - Challen Mills, Kent  
3rd place - Austen Samkange, Bellevue

### 16-18 Years

- 1st place - Ikaika Yoshikawa, Tacoma  
2nd place - Mick Sinclair, Spokane  
3rd place - Sean McNally, Spokane  
3rd place - Jahan Vafaezadeh, Bellevue

### 15 and Under Teams

- 1st place - Kent A (Conor Marsten, Challen Mills, Ian Cresse)  
2nd place - Bellevue A (Connor Blomquist, Austen Samkange, Gordon Burgess)

### 16-18 Teams

- 1st place - Spokane (Sean McNally, Mick Sinclair, Terrance O'Connor)  
2nd place - Bellevue (Phil Lin, Jahan Vafaezadeh, Young Shim)

### Adult Teams

- 1st place - UW (Leroy Um, Erica Tam, Kathy Liao)  
2nd place - Spokane A (Joseph Matison, Billy Kuster, Wendy Sinclair)

**National Anthem Singers** - Casey Chong and Alisa Yoshikawa

**Nihon Kendo Kata** - Moki Yoshikawa, *Uchitachi* and Ikaika Yoshikawa, *Shitachi*

**Honorary Shinpan Cho** - Rod Nobuto Omoto **Shinpan Cho** - Shinichi Koike

## 1st ANNUAL BALTIMORE-ANNAPOLIS KENDO TOURNAMENT - November 3, 2007, Annapolis

### Mudansha

- 1st place - Mike Lent, Balt-Annapolis  
2nd place - David Chin, KenWaKan  
3rd place - Ash Vouvonas, Balt-Annapolis  
3rd place - James Konrad, Balt-Annapolis  
**Kantosho** - Mike Lent, Balt-Annapolis

### Women

- 1st place - Maryellen Velahos, KenWaKan  
2nd place - Megumi Fujita, Northern Virginia  
3rd place - Kelly Nickels, KenWaKan  
3rd place - Kerrie Van Den Berge, Balt-Annapolis

**1st and 2nd Dan**

1st place - Eric Gildea, U. Pittsburgh  
 2nd place - Craig Philbeck, Charlotte  
 3rd place - David Daniels, ShuDoKan  
 3rd place - Jeff Harrison, KenWaKan

**3rd Dan and Above**

1st place - Eric Dycus, KenWaKan  
 2nd place - Summerlin Walker, Shidogakuin DC  
 3rd place - Don Seto, Balt-Annapolis  
 3rd place - Bruce Gingrich, Jr., KenWaKan

**Teams**

1st place - Northern Virginia  
 2nd place - Kitsune  
 3rd place - Baltimore-Annapolis  
 3rd place - University of Pittsburgh and Friends

**Shinpan Cho - Dr. William Dvorine**

**Special thanks** - Phuong Hoang, Koryo Kendo Club,  
 Ernie Lissabet, Northern Virginia Budokai  
 Larry Scanlon, Annapolis Kendo Iaido Club  
 Vincent Lan, KenWaKan Kendo Dojo

**ONTARIO SENIOR KENDO TOURNAMENT - November 10, 2007, Toronto****Kyu**

1st place - John Nam, CHD  
 2nd place - Dong Hyun Kim, Jungko  
 3rd place - Jun Moo Bae, CHD  
 3rd place - Jin Yong Kim, Etobicoke

**1 and 2 Dan**

1st place - Jordan Luy, JCCC  
 2nd place - Aki Shikatani, JCCC  
 3rd place - Bill Kim, UToronto  
 3rd place - Yoo Kim, Toronto

**3 Dan and Above**

1st place - Shigemitsu Kamata, Etobicoke  
 2nd place - Robin Tanaka, Etobicoke  
 3rd place - Kyle Lee, Jungko  
 3rd place - Ryota Takahashi, Detroit  
**Fighting Spirit** - Mona Lim, Montreal

**Teams**

1st place - Etobicoke A  
 2nd place - JCCC A  
 3rd place - Ottawa  
 3rd place - JCCC B

**33rd ANNUAL PNKF KENDO TOURNAMENT - November 17, 2007, Kent****10 Years and Under**

1st place - DH Kim, Bellevue  
 2nd place - Jacob Tubajon, Steveston  
 3rd place - C. Kim, Renfrew  
 3rd place - M. DeJong, Highline

**11-12 Years**

1st place - K. Knecht, Renfrew  
 2nd place - A. Sinclair, Spokane  
 3rd place - S. O'Sullivan, Steveston  
 3rd place - E. DeJong, Highline

**13-15 Years**

1st place - T. Hamanaka, UBC  
 2nd place - G. Burgess, Bellevue  
 3rd place - Jack Tubajon, Steveston  
 3rd place - C. Marsten, Kent

**High School Boys**

1st place - M. Sinclair, Spokane  
 2nd place - P. Lin, Bellevue  
 3rd place - I. Cresse, Kent  
 3rd place - E. Dunn, Youshinkan

**High School Girls**

1st place - M. Hamanaka, UBC  
 2nd place - R. Kim, Bellevue  
 3rd place - N. Grimes, Sno-King  
 3rd place - T. Imanishi, Cascade

**Men's 0-4 Kyu**

1st place - A. Waterrus, Spokane  
 2nd place - W. Wong, Steveston  
 3rd place - J. Lamb, Spokane  
 3rd place - Y. Kwon, Central

**Men's 3-1 Kyu**

1st place - P. Cresse, Kent  
 2nd place - J. Matison, Spokane  
 3rd place - D. Tran, UBC  
 3rd place - S. Flynn, Idaho

**Women's Kyu**

1st place - K. Liao, UW  
 2nd place - E. Tam, UW  
 3rd place - S. Olver, Tacoma  
 3rd place - W. Sinclair, Spokane

**Women's Dan**

1st place - M. Taguchi, Renfrew  
 2nd place - A. Kezuka, Willamette  
 3rd place - A. Takado, Spokane  
 3rd place - E. Marsten, Highline

**Men's 1-2 Dan**

1st place - A. Fortier, Montreal  
 2nd place - R. Yau, Cascade  
 3rd place - Z. Wong, UBC  
 3rd place - I. Tang, Steveston

**Men's 3 Dan**

1st place - B. Imanishi, Cascade  
 2nd place - J. Marsten, Highline  
 3rd place - S. Ueno, Vancouver  
 3rd place - M. Mizuuchi, Cascade

**Men's 4 Dan and Above**

1st place - G. Suzaka, Seattle  
 2nd place - H. Samkange, Bellevue  
 3rd place - D. Rittenberg, Seattle  
 3rd place - D. Ara, Renbu

**Junior Team**

1st place - Steveston (Lam, Sullivan,  
 Tubajon, Murao, Tubajon)  
 2nd place - Kent (T. Marsten, C. Marsten,  
 Mickelson, Cresse, Mills)  
 3rd place - Bellevue (DHKim, R. Kim,  
 C. Blomquist, A. Samkange, Burgess)  
 3rd place - Spokane (Lamb, CJKim,  
 Duplain, A. Sinclair, D. Sinclair)

**Senior Team**

1st place - Seattle (Tanimura, Suzaka,  
 Abe, Rittenberg, Imanishi)  
 2nd place - Highline (DeJong, McCarry,  
 Arsenaault, E. Marsten, J. Marsten)  
 3rd place - Hawaii (K. Chun, Koplin,  
 Harris, J. Chun, Sato)  
 3rd place - Bellevue (Lin, Tsybert,  
 Shilov, Pan, Blechschmidt)

**Shoji Trophy** - Ian Cresse, Kent

**SHINKYU SHINSA****AUSKF KODANSHA SHINSA, November 11, 2007, South Bellevue Community**

**5TH DAN:** Kotaro Yoshida (Battle Creek). **7TH DAN:** Char Lu (Highline). **RENSHI:** David S. Yotsuuye (Bellevue).

**Note** - The AUSKF does not provide the **Kenyu** with Kodansha Shinsa results, so if anyone can send us names of people who passed, we will be delighted to post them.

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