

PNKF DATEBOOK

1. Jan 8, PNKF Board, Sat, 3-5pm, home of Curtis Marsten Sensei.

Feb 26, PNKF Iaido and Kendo Shinsa, 8:30am-4:30pm, Bellevue, Highland Park.

Mar 19, Highline Mudansha Taikai, Sat, 10am; all participants must be ready by the 9:45am roll call.

Mar 26, PNKF Board, Sat, 2-4pm, Kent.

- 5. April 9 or 16 (TENTATIVE POSSIBLE DATES), UW Taikai.
- 6. May 7, Bellevue Junior Taikai, Sat, 10am.
- 7. May 21, PNKF Board, Sat, 9-11am, Kent.
- 8. May 21, PNKF Shinpan Seminar, Sat, 12noon-5pm, Kent.
- Jun 11, PNKF Board, Sat, 2:30-4:30pm, Kent.
- 10. Aug 13, PNKF Iaido and Kendo Shinsa, Sat, 9am-4pm, Kent.
- 11. Oct 1, PNKF Board, Sat, 9-11am, Kent.
- 12. Oct 1, PNKF Shinpan Seminar, 12noon-5pm, Kent.
- 13. Nov 12, PNKF Taikai, Sat, 9:30am, Renton. 14. Nov 19, PNKF Board, Sat, 2-4pm, Kent.
- 15. Dec 10, Renton Taikai, Sat, report time 9am, start 9:30am, Renton.

## OTHER DATES

- 1. Jan 22, Vancouver Taikai, Sat, 10am, Sportsplex at Capilano College, 2055 Purcell Way, North Vancouver, BC
- 2. Feb 12, Steveston Taikai, Sat, 10am, at 4111 Moncton Street, Richmond, B.C.

Women's

3. Feb 26/27, 5th Asian (Regional) Invitational Kendo Tournament, Sat/Sun, Hong Kong Park Indoor Games Hall Complex, Admiralty, Hong Kong. Open to kenshi of all nations.

10 to 12 Years

Mudansha 3-1 Kyu

2nd place - R. Yau, UW

1st place - M. Rasmussen, Tacoma

3rd place - A. Samkange, Cascade

3rd place - C. Marsten, Renton

1st place - CF Huang, Obukan

2nd place - N. Suen, Seattle

3rd place - K. Feddersen, Tacoma 3rd place - T. Imanishi, Cascade

1st place - R. Rasmussen, Tacoma

3rd place - J. Friedman, Everett 3rd place - J. Chen, Sno-King

2nd place - C. Blomquist, Bellevue

- 4. Jul 2/3, All US Championships.
- Jul 4, AUSKF Shinsa.
   Aug 5/6/7, NCKF Seminar.

# 8th ANNUAL RENTON KENDO TOURNAMENT - December 10, 2004, Renton

# 9 Years and Under

1st place - D. Kim, Bellevue 2nd place - L. Considine, Obukan 3rd place - E. DeJong, Highline 3rd place - R. Hong, Obukan

3rd place - Z. Greene, Tacoma

## 13 to 15 Years

1st place - J. Nunokawa, Bellevue 2nd place - R. Henderson, Sno-King 3rd place - J. Wang, Cascade

3rd place - T. Imanishi, Cascade

### Mudansha 0-4 Kyu

1st place - K. McCullough, UW 2nd place - D. Kim, Bellevue

3rd place - T. Bishop, Cascade 3rd place - K. Ma, Bellevue

Yudansha 1-3 Dan 1st place - J. Marsten, Highline

2nd place - Y. Numakura, Cascade 3rd place - L. Hancock, Obukan 3rd place - N. Tanimura, Bellevue

### Junior Team

1st place - Bellevue (C. Blomquist, J. Vafadeezadeh, J. Nunokawa)

2nd place - Cascade A (T. Abe, T. Imanishi, J. Wang)

### Senior Team

1st place - Bellevue A (E. Dycus, J. Koplin, N. Tanimura, B. Nelson, S. Blechschmidt)

2nd place - UW (R. Yau, K. McCullough, G. Suzaka, K. Eguro, N. Jacobson)

# ONTARIO SENIOR KENDO TOURNAMENT - November 28, 2004, Japanese Canadian Cultural Center, Toronto 1-2 Dan 1st place - Hugo Chavez, McGill Univ 1st place - Eric Jung, Univ of Toronto 2nd place - Jae Yoon Kim, Jungko 2nd place - Se Yang Sohn, Jungko 3rd place - Yeon Tae Choi, Jungko 3rd place - Simon Choe, York Univ 3rd place - Vincent Lai, Univ of Western 3rd place - Chris Banks, Halifax 3 Dan and Up Team 1st place - Kenjiro Ishimatsu, Toronto 1st place - Univ of Waterloo A 2nd place - Shigemitsu Kamata, Etobicoke 2nd place - Jungko A

3rd place - JCCC A

Women's Open

# Fighting Spirit:

Antoine Fortier, McGill Univ

3rd place - Jin Whan Lee, Jungko

#### AIEA TAIHEIJI TOURNAMENT - August 1, 2004, Halawa Gymnasium Yonenbu Division Shonenbu Division

3rd place - Robin Tanaka, Etobicoke 3rd place - Etobicoke A

1st place - Erika Hill 1st place - Mathew Ito 2nd place - Ty Shiramizu 2nd place - Braxton Fukutomi 3rd place - Kodey Gratz 3rd place - Charles Aina III 3rd place - Dominick Correlli 3rd place - James Okada

## Seinenbu Division

1st place - Gregory Gates 2nd place - Cael Goodin 3rd place - Aaron Kim

# Yudansha 1-2 Dan

Yudansha Open
1st place - Billy Kang
2nd place - China 1st place - Akihiro Okada 2nd place - Colin Maruoka 3rd place - Elton Ushio 2nd place - Chris Goodin 3rd place - David Sato

# SOME BEAUTIFUL KENDO WEBSITES - CASCADE, IDAHO, OBUKAN, OSUKC, SKK, SKC, and UW

If you haven't surfed through some of the PNKF's own excellent Dojo websites recently, you'll be pleasantly surprised if you try it. The following examples are just listed in alphabetical order, because it was impossible to rate them by excellence since each one is so great.

1st place - Roxine Kubo 2nd place - Satomi Takara 3rd place - Lori Chun

Cascade Kendo Kai is often adding new innovations to their page, http://www.cascadekendo.org/and the most recent is pictures!! There are lots and lots of pictures of all our friends there.

After moving back home to Idaho in July, Robert Stroud Sensei wasted no time in establishing a fabulous new Idaho Kendo and Iaido Resource page: http://www.idaho-kendo.com/Sensei/Koike/koike.html which combines the interests and activities of both Pocatello Kendo Club and the Boise Idaho Kendo Kai. Shinichi Koike Sensei led a big seminar for the combined group the same weekend at the Renton Taikai, and this seminar was highlighted with an excellent article by Dan Boyd in the Pocatello newspaper Idaho State Journal http://journalnet.com/articles/2004/12/12/news/local/news05.txt

Obukan Kendo Club has completely revamped their page in recent days, http://www.obukan.com/ and the effect is powerful. In particular, the Club history is rich and informative.

Next, take a look at the really amazing new things that have been happening at the Oregon State University Kendo Club http://oregonstate.edu/groups/kendo/ including lots of cool new pictures there,

At Seattle Kendo Kai Stephen Matsuba has been slowly but surely revamping the entire site. http://www.seattlekendokai.org/ It's a work in progress, as are all of the sites mentioned here, but if you haven't looked for awhile, you'll be surprised at how much good progress we're talking about.

Next we turn to Spokane Kendo Club, and their marvelous new page http://www.spokanekendo.com/

This is the site that actually inspired this story.

Finally, the students of the Kendo Club at the University of Washington maintain a page which could almost serve as a model http://faculty.washington.edu/kendo/budo.html of beautiful, informative and easily navigable website design.

# THE LAST WORD

Once Musashi was ordered by his lord to do, in the lord's presence, a painting of Daruma, but his skill was not forthcoming and he was unable to finish it that day. That night he turned in, but suddenly the solution came to him and he leapt out of bed, finishing the painting beneath a lamp. It came out exactly as he desired and was, indeed, exquisite. Musashi then turned to a disciple and said, "My painting is still not up to my sword technique, and the reason is this: under the gaze of my lord, I painted with the intention of doing the work well, but in fact it turned out to be quite inferior. I did the work just now, however, using my martial art, and it turned out just as I wanted. In my martial art, when I step out grasping my sword, neither I nor my enemy exists. My viewpoint is one of destroying both Heaven and Earth, and thus I have no fear. Well, I can see now that my painting is as yet no match for my skill with the sword." --William Scott Wilson, The Lone Samurai: The Life of Miyamoto Musashi.

Kenyu - Monthly Newsletter of the Pacific Northwest Kendo Federation Kenyu Online - http://www.kendo-pnkf.org/news/kenyu.phtml Tom Bolling, Editor - 7318 23rd Avenue N.E., Seattle, WA 98115