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PNKF DATEBOOK

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

Iaido: Seminar at 8:30am, exam at 11am.

- Kendo: check-in at 11:30am sharp in the small gym.
- 2. Mar 19, Highline Mudansha Taikai, Sat, 10am; all participants must be ready by the 9:45am roll call.
 - 3. Mar 25/26/27, visit of Kamei Dojo to Obukan.
 - Mar 25, Fri, evening practice at Obukan.
 - Mar 26, Sat, seminar 1-5pm at Connestoga Community Center.
 - Mar 27, Sun, seminar 10am-2pm, dinner 3-5pm.
- 4. Apr 2, PNKF Board, Sat, 2:30-4:30pm, Kent.

5. Apr 8/9/10/11, visit of Kendo Hanshi 8th Dan Ota Tadanori.

- Apr 9, Sat, Seminar.
- Apr 10, Sun, Seminar.
- 6. May 7, Bellevue Junior Taikai, Sat, 10am.

7. May 14, 30th UW Taikai, Sat, 10am, Hec Ed Pavillion Addition.

- May 21, PNKF Board, Sat, 9-11am, Kent.
 May 21, PNKF Shinpan Seminar, Sat, 12noon-5pm, Kent.
- 10. Jun 11, PNKF Board, Sat, 2:30-4:30pm, Kent.
- 11. Aug 13, PNKF Iaido and Kendo Shinsa, Sat, 9am-4pm, Kent.
- 12. Oct 1, PNKF Board, Sat, 9-11am, Kent.
- Oct 1, PNKF Shinpan Seminar, 12noon-5pm, Kent.
 Nov 12, PNKF Taikai, Sat, 9:30am, Renton.
- 15. Nov 19, PNKF Board, Sat, 2-4pm, Kent.
- 16. Dec 10, Renton Taikai, Sat, report time 9am, start 9:30am, Renton.

OTHER DATES

- 1. Feb 12, Steveston Taikai, Sat, 10am, at 4111 Moncton Street, Richmond, B.C.
- 2. Feb 19/20, 7th Detroit Open Kendo Tournament, Sat/Sun, Seaholm High School Gym, 2436 West Lincoln, Birmingham, Michigan.
- 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.
- 4. Mar 12/13, America Zone IKF Shinpan Seminar, Sat/Sun, Milpitas High School, 1285 Escuela Parkway, Milpitas, California.
- 5. Apr 16/17, Cleveland Taikai, Sat, 9am, Woodling Gym, Cleveland State University.
- 6. May 14/16, ZNKR Iaido Seminar, Sat/Mon, taught by Iaido Hanshi 8th Dan Yamazaki Sensei, member of the ZNKR Iaido Committee, Shin Ken Kai Dojo, Vancouver BC.
- 7. May 20, California North/South Tournament, Sat, Leigh High School, San Jose.
- 8. Jul 2/3, All US Championships, Sat/Sun, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- Jul 4, AUSKF Shinsa, Mon, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. 9.
- 10. Aug 5/6/7, NCKF Seminar.
- 11. Sep 29/Oct 2, AUSKF Iaido Seminar, Tournament and Shinsa, Thu/Fri/Sat/Sun, Charles H. Wilson Park Gym, 2200 Crenshaw Blvd, Torrance, California.

NEW NAGINATA GROUP IN THE SEATTLE AREA

3rd place - Ah, Koryo

A new naginata group has started up in the Seattle area. Lead by Kurt and Karen Schmucker who recently relocated from California, this new group is associated with the Mercer Island Parks and Recreation Department (like the Cascade Kendo Kai). The group meets Tuesday evenings from 8:15 to 10pm at the Boys and Girls Club on Mercer Island. For more info, contact Schmucker Sensei at kurts@naginata.org. Beginners welcome.

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15th SOUTH EASTERN US KENDO CHAMPIONS	HIP TOURNAMENT - November 6, 2004, Wingate Univ, North Carolina	
Junior Youth	Senior Youth	
1st place - Eamon Felton-Curtice, TMG	lst place – Yuki DeSouza, GKA	
2nd place - Eun Park, GKA	2nd place - Eric Gaddis, N.Raleigh	
3rd place - Hayato DeSouza, GKA	3rd place - G. Park, GKA	

3rd place - Justin Moon, DC Kantosho - Matsushita

Mudansha 1st place - Jason Lane, Orlando 2nd place - Daryl Weade, Koryo 3rd place - Gendo Yokote, Charlotte 3rd place - Tae Young Park, GKA Kantosho - Karina Vas, Orlando	<pre>1-2 Dan 1st place - Valera Vulfson, Memphis 2nd place - Chang Suk Oh, GKA 3rd place - Nobuiro Sekita, TMG 3rd place - Herman Uehara, Triangle Kantosho - Katalin Nieves, S.Florida</pre>		
<pre>3rd Dan and Above 1st place - Masaru Shimada, Charlotte 2nd place - Shinobu Maeda, TMG 3rd place - Frank Nieves, S.Florida 3rd place - William Collazo, ShidoMiami Kantosho - Ryoko Barr, GKA</pre>	Teams 1st place - Charlotte 2nd place - Triangle 3rd place - Charleston 3rd place - TMG		
41st ANNUAL VANCOUVER KENDO TOURNAMENT -	January 22, 2005, Capilano College		
9 Years and Under	10 to 12 Years		
1st place - K. Fujii, Kogakukan	1st place - T. Hamanaka, UBC		
2nd place - C. Lam, Steveston	2nd place - Ja. TuBajon, Steveston		
3rd place - Z. Greene, Tacoma	3rd place - S. Fujita, Renbu		
3rd place - Jo. TuBajon, Steveston	3rd place - R. Kim, Bellevue		
13 to 15 Years	16 to 20 Years		
1st place - J. Nunokawa, Bellevue	1st place - K. Kobayashi, Youshinkan		
2nd place - G. Mizutani, Renbu	2nd place - J. Marsten, Highline		
3rd place - S. Chen, Renbu	3rd place - M. Honda, Cascade		
3rd place - L. Murao, Steveston	3rd place - R. Campbell, Steveston		
21 to 30 Years	31 to 40 Years		
1st place - T. Masukawa, Sunrise	1st place - D. Hayashi, UVictoria		
2nd place - D. Taquchi, Sunrise	2nd place - D. Ara, Renbu		
3rd place - S. Okada, Covina	3rd place - N. Nakano, Steveston		
3rd place - Y. Suwa, UVictoria	3rd place - D. Imanishi, Seattle		
41 Years and Over	Women's 16 and Over		
1st place - D. Yotsuuye, Bellevue	1st place - K. Kitamura, UBC		
2nd place - K. Kagami, UBC	2nd place - M. Taguchi, Sunrise		
3rd place - M. Hasegawa, Sunrise	3rd place - A. Kobayashi, Youshinkan		
3rd place - H. Samkange, Cascade	3rd place - Y. Hayashi, Renbu		
Junior Team 1st place - Bellevue (C. Blomquist, R. Kim, J. Vafaeezadeh, R. Henderson, J. Nunokawa) 2nd place - Vancouver (K. Wu, B. Hwang, H. Saito, M. Hamanaka, H. Yamada)			

Senior Team

1st place - Covina 2nd place - Renbu 3rd place - Youshinkan 3rd place - Sunrise

Flaming Spirit Award Z. Greene, Tacoma M. Hamanaka, UBC

Yamada Hironori Cup Kodansha Kohaku Match

1st place - USA (Ks. Chinen, Ka. Chinen, R. Elliott, H. Goh, M. Moscoso, H. Samkange, S. Okada, D. Imanishi, C. Marsten, D. Yotsuuye, S. Koike, R. Shimizu) 2nd place - Canada (D. Taguchi, T. Masukawa, K. Takata, M. Kagami, T. Davis, M. Asaoka, D. Hayashi, D. Ara, S. Shiono, Y. Taguchi, A. Hayashi, H. Okusa)

SOME BEAUTIFUL KENDO WEBSITES - CORRECTED URL'S for CASCADE AND IDAHO Cascade Kendo Kai corrected url is http://www.cascadekendokai.org/ Idaho Kendo and Iaido Resource corrected url is http://www.idaho-kendo.com/

THE LAST WORD

There were, however, no special secrets of swordsmanship passed on to special students. Thus, while The Book of Five Rings and The Thirty-five Articles of the Martial Arts were given as gifts and mementos to the Terao brothers, what Musashi really passed on to each student was his own spiritual resolution to solve the matter of life and death.

With such a legacy, a true school with rules, degrees and diplomas could not be founded. Musashi could teach his techniques and give advice, but in the end each disciple was required to assess his own strength, find his own Way, and make that Way truly his own. So while the "Musashi style" is still taught today, the actual lineage of the Niten Ichi-ryu died with its founder. It could have been no other way. As Yagyu Hyogononsuke observed when he was teaching in Owari: "Musashi's sword is for himself alone; it is not something that could be taught to other people." --William Scott Wilson, The Lone Samurai: The Life of Miyamoto Musashi.

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