

GARDENA JUDO CLUB NEWS

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PRACTICE SCHEDULE Mondays and Thursdays

Judo mats are set up at 6:00 pm.
We need your help!

****YONEN (ages 12 and under): 6:30 pm**
SHONEN (ages 13 and up): 7:45 pm

Just for You

Coming soon to a dojo near you (i.e. Gardena), score-keeping clinics! These workshops will teach the essentials of judo scorekeeping. You need no previous experience, and the information will help you better understand the sport of judo, and give you the confidence to be a scorekeeper for any tournament.

Stay Informed

The Nanka website is <http://www.usajudo.com>. Here you will find the schedule of events, information and links to other judo sites. In the January Nanka newsletter is an especially interesting



article from Mel Appelbaum regarding the future of judo in the Olympics. US Judo must grow and prosper in order to stay in the Olympics. You can find the article at <http://www.usajudo.com/Newsltr.html>.

Shorai Program

Shorai is Japanese for "future" and the purpose of these clinics is to build up our current and future judo instructors and athletes. The focus is on technique. It is recommended that an athlete be at least a green belt and 11 years old or HIGHLY motivated. If your child is under 11 or not a green belt and you think your child might benefit, come to one of the clinics and find out. This definitely is not the activity for a 6-year-old yellow belt. Cost for Nanka members is \$5 for ALL clinics (no, not \$5 each clinic). The next session will be **January 25th** at Ogden Judo Club from 10-1 p.m.

LET'S WORK TOGETHER

We need your help at all Nanka-sponsored tournaments. As you know, the tournaments are run entirely by volunteers. The success of these events depends on your participation. There are several ways you can help. Scorekeeping, concession stand, mat set-up the day before, or mat tear-down after a tournament are only a few ways you can help.

Gardena Judo Club is responsible to assist with these tasks at each Nanka event. Coming up on Feb. 23 is the CJI Senior State Championships, and May 25 is the Junior Championships. **Please plan to help out at these important events!** See Lance Taeubel to sign up for mat set up. Thank you!

Attention, All Competitors

A number of fundraisers are being planned to benefit the GJC travel fund. If you are a competitor who wishes to attend out-of town tournaments, please be sure to participate in the fundraising campaigns. More info to follow... Ideas are welcome!

Coming up...

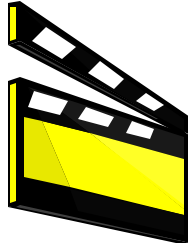
Sat. Feb. 1	Nanka Practice at Ogden Judo Club Long Beach, CA
Sun. Feb. 2	San Fernando Invitational Tournament San Fernando, CA
Sun. Feb. 9	Sensei Memorial San Jose, CA

Club from 10-11 p.m.

Party Update

The holiday party was a huge success, and many thanks to the families of the last Novice class who planned it. The food was great and the entertainment was too. These parents did a fantastic job and worked hard to make this a fun evening for all. Thanks also to Jihyon Oishi, Debbie Oba and Nan Taketa for assistance.

Sensei Sharp has made an exciting videotape of our students in action. You can pick up a copy for just a \$5 donation to the club. Thank you Sensei!



Feb. 2	San Fernando, CA
Sun. Feb. 9	Sensei Memorial San Jose, CA
Fri.-Sat. Feb. 14-15	Titan Games San Jose, CA
Sat. Feb. 15	Nanka Practice at Ogden Judo Club Long Beach, CA
Sat. Feb. 22	Nanka Practice at Ogden Judo Club Long Beach, CA
Sat. Feb. 22	Kata Clinic (Goshin-jutsu) Ogden Judo Club, Long Beach, CA
Sun. Feb. 23	CJI Senior State Huntington Beach, CA
Schedule is subject to change. Please check the Nanka schedule at www.usajudo.com.	