

GARDENA JUDO CLUB NEWS

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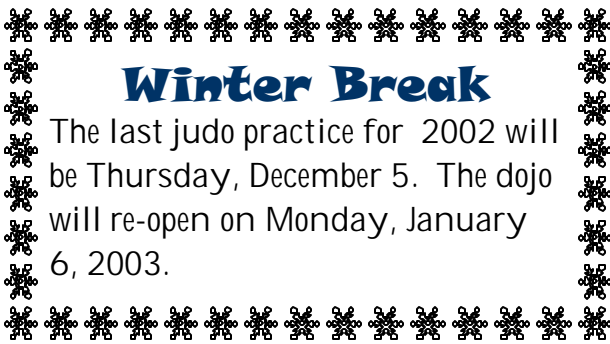
PRACTICE SCHEDULE Mondays and Thursdays

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

Kata Clinic

A kata clinic will be held at the Gardena dojo beginning the week of December 9, 2002. Students will be studying nage-no-kata, and the class is offered to students 12 and up. Classes will be held Monday and Thursday evenings from 7:00-9:00 pm for two weeks.



Winter Break

The last judo practice for 2002 will be Thursday, December 5. The dojo will re-open on Monday, January 6, 2003.

Arigato!

Many thanks to the few dedicated families who have been arriving early to practices to help set up mats. This is a job that is necessary before each practice session. Your participation is greatly appreciated!

Lend a Hand...

If you are looking for a way to help out in club activities, consider mat set-up. It takes only 30 minutes of your time and it benefits all the students of the club. You can make a big difference for GJC! Arigato!

Graduation and Shiai

Our novice students will be promoted on Thursday, November 21, and will be able to participate in the in-house shiai held at Gardena Judo Club. The shiai will begin at 6:30 p.m., but please arrive at 6:00 to help set up tables and mats. Don't be shy to volunteer to help at the scoring tables; the club tournaments are the perfect way for parents to learn about scorekeeping and the sport of judo. Come and congratulate our students, and enjoy refreshments following.

Christmas Party 2002

Gardena Judo Club's annual Christmas party will be held at the JCI on Sunday, December 8, 2002. The festivities will be from 5:00-9:00 p.m. and will include prizes, entertainment, delicious food, and lots of fun!

The event will be a potluck, and each family is asked to bring a main dish and a side dish, each serving 6-8 people.

Please RSVP by filling out a form at the dojo. Admission to the party will be \$10 per family. (Black belts and club advisors are free!) Checks should be made payable to Gardena Judo Club and returned with the RSVP forms by November 14.

Our current Novice Class families (white belts) have been busy planning this big event. Planning meetings are conveniently held at the JCI. Please be sure to attend the Thursday, November 7th, meeting at 7:00 p.m. upstairs at the JCI.

Shorai Program

The Shorai Program includes clinics where one or more instructors from the Southern California region will teach their personal best techniques. Each session will be 4-5 hours. **November 9th** at San Gabriel Judo Club, 12:00 pm, and **November 23rd** at Mojica Judo Club, 2:00 pm, are the last two clinics scheduled for 2002; two more are offered in January of 2003. See the October newsletter, or get more details at the dojo!!

Coming up...

Sun. Nov. 10	Southwest Pacific Judo Assn. Vista, CA
Sat.-Sun. Nov. 16-17	Las Vegas Judo Championships Las Vegas, NV
Sat. Nov. 23	Open Kata Workout Ogden Judo Club, Long Beach
Sun. Nov. 24	High Desert Judo Tournament** Hesperia, CA
Sat. Dec. 14	Jr. Level Development Clinic TBA

**Pre-registration is available for this tournament.

Schedule is subject to change. Please check the Nanka schedule at www.usajudo.com.