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# WKC

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## 9<sup>th</sup> WKC World Championships Melbourne 2013



For the first time a WKC Championship took place on the 5<sup>th</sup> continent. Karateka from Europe, America, Asia and Oceania came to the capital of the Australian state Victoria to compete for world titles as well as medals and trophies.

The Championships were hosted and organised by the Karate Alliance of Australia (KAA) under the leadership of Keith Geyer and his team. The Karate Championships were combined with the 5<sup>th</sup> International Martial Art Games



Opening ceremony on Federation Square

of the International Martial Art Games Committee (IMGC). Next to Karate also Taekwondo, Judo, Pangration, Jendo and Taichi were on the agenda of the Games. A special highlight was the Taekwondo demonstration team from the DPR Korea. The show by the Korean athletes was unbelievable and breath-taking. They performed self-defence and a display of a martial art perfection.

The gathering of all participating martial artists including karateka at the 5<sup>th</sup> Games, was held in the heart



Fighting scene

of Melbourne, All the competitors gave a colourful show in their track-suits and their national flags when they marched on to Federation Square. They were accompanied by a band of drummers with the traditional Japanese Taiko. The Australian Karateka and the North Korean Taekwondo gave a display of their skill in open air. Many citizens next to all participating competitors applauded the excellent show. The torch with the flame lighted in April in Pyongyang at the headquarters of the IMGC was handed over to two Australian karateka who lit the flame

on Federation Square. Mr. Ri Jong Gun, Secretary General of the IMGC and Vice-President Prof. Dr. Leong Wai Ming officially opened the the Games.

A big surprise were the competitors of the All India Kobudo & Karate Promotion Foundation (AIKKPF) who participated for the first time at a WKC World Championships and took one gold, two silver and one bronze medal as well as the athletes from the Karate New Zealand (KNZ) who achieved two gold medals. Congratulations to our new members!

The Vice-President of the Karate Federation of Russia (KFR) Dr. Alman Timofeev won the heavy weight category in the Shobu Sanbon Kumite at the age of 36. In 2011 his wife Nadeshda Sergejeva won the ladies light weight Sanbon Kumite. This



Dr. Alman Timofeev + Nadeshda Sergejeva with father Viatcheslav Timofeev

inspired her husband Alman to bring home a gold medal as well.

The Italian team of FIAM took most of the gold medals, mainly in the kata competition.

## 5<sup>th</sup> WKC Congress

The regular WKC Congress took place on the eve of the World Championships. Next to the reports of the Executive Committee and the Auditors the delegates confirmed the budget for the years 2013/14 and the applications for the organisation of the next Championships:

9<sup>th</sup> European Championships in Russia in June 2014 and the 9<sup>th</sup> Junior & Cadet World Championships and World Cup

for Children in Argentina in October 2014. The Congress also supported the organisation of an International Open World Championships in Germany in January 2014.

The WKC Congress, held every four years, has also the duty to elect the Executive Committee consisting of the President and four Vice-Presidents. President Marko Nicovi (Serbia) and

the Vice-Presidents Roland Dietrich (Germany) and Dr. Bruno Gilardi (Italy) were re-elected. New Vice-Presidents are Dr. Viatcheslav Timofeev (Russia) and Keith Geyer (Australia).

Special guests of honour at the Congress were the Secretary General of the IMGC, Mr. Ri Jong Gun, and the First Vice-President of the World Judo Federation, Prof. Dr. Paul Höglund.

## Results

### 9<sup>th</sup> WKC World Championships for Seniors 9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> May 2013 in Melbourne, Australia

#### Sen. Kata Ind. Female Goju +18 y.

- 1 TEMPLEHOSS Karin KNZ-New Zealand
- 2 IASTREBOVA Ganna USKA-Ukraine
- 3 DEMBITCKAIA Natalia KFR-WKC-Russia

#### Sen. Kata Ind. Female Shorin +18 y.

- 1 SHUGAR SAMANTHA AAU-USA
- 2 RAJASEKAR Ranjani AIKCPF-India
- 3 KAMARAJ Hemalatha AIKCPF-India

#### Sen. Kata Ind. Female Shoto +18 y.

- 1 FEDI Maura FIAM-Italy
- 2 BRUNO Valentina FIAM-Italy
- 3 MIRDINJA Maja KSRS-Republic of Srpska

#### Sen. Kata Ind. Female Mixed Styles +18 y.

- 1 PIROVANO Arianna FIAM-Italy
- 2 SANTARELLI Desiree Anna FIAM-Italy
- 3 TIUTIUNNIKOVA Nataliia KFR-WKC-Russia

#### Sen. Kumite Ind. Female +18 y. -55 kg Sanbon

- 1 FRUMENTI Alessia FIAM-Italy
- 2 GAVRILOVIC Danka KSRS-Republic of Srpska
- 3 DANG Kim AAU-USA
- 3 GASPERSZ Natasha KAA-Australia

#### Sen. Kumite Ind. Female +18 y. -60 kg Sanbon

- 1 LOZO Tamara KSRS-Republic of Srpska
- 2 DIAMANTINI Valeria FIAM-Italy
- 3 PIROVANO Arianna FIAM-Italy
- 3 SMILJANIC Marijana SKU-Serbia



#### Sen. Kumite Ind. Female +18 y. +60 kg Sanbon

- 1 STEPASHKO Anastasiya USKA-Ukraine
- 2 MORIGUCHI Rena KAA-Australia
- 3 SINCLAIR Sarah KAA-Australia
- 3 MIRDINJA Maja KSRS-Republic of Srpska

#### Sen. Kumite Ind. Female +18 y. Ippon

- 1 IASTREBOVA Ganna USKA-Ukraine
- 2 CLARKE Katie KAA-Australia
- 3 BECKER Emily KAA-Australia

#### Sen. Kata Ind. Male Goju +18 y.

- 1 KUBOVI René SFKBU-Slovakia
- 2 CAYRE Javier UAK-Argentina
- 3 LEO Joseph AAU-USA



#### Sen. Kata Ind. Male Shito +18 y.

- 1 BABOSHKIN Roman KFR-WKC-Russia
- 2 SCIPIONI Hernan UAK-Argentina
- 3 POLTER Aaron AAU-USA

#### Sen. Kata Ind. Male Shorin +18 y.

- 1 SYUMBU LINGAM Naveen AIKCPF-India
- 2 FLINCHUM Gunnar AAU-USA
- 3 KANE Michael AAU-USA

#### Sen. Kata Ind. Male Shoto +18 y.

- 1 SEMINO Federico FIAM-Italy
- 2 PILMANN Jindrich SKB-Czech Republic
- 3 BYRNE Luke KAA-Australia

#### Sen. Kata Ind. Male Wado +18 y.

- 1 LINARI Leonardo FIAM-Italy
- 2 DEL PROPOSTO Lorenzo FIAM-Italy
- 3 FAGAN James IKAWR-Ireland

#### Sen. Kata Ind. Male Goju +40 y.

- 1 GENDRIKSON Aleksandr KFR-WKC-Russia
- 2 ELIZAROV Evgenii KFR-WKC-Russia
- 3 VOYTANIK Vladislav KFR-WKC-Russia

#### Sen. Kata Ind. Male Shoto +40 y.

- 1 SMITH Mark KAA-Australia
- 2 BAKMAZ Zoran KSRS-Republic of Srpska
- 3 TSANGARIS Paul KAA-Australia

#### Sen. Kumite Ind. Male +18 y. -68 kg Sanbon

- 1 HORVATH Adam SKB-Czech Republic
- 2 KANE Matthew AAU-USA
- 3 REITANO Dario FIAM-Italy
- 3 MACRI' Matteo FIAM-Italy

#### Sen. Kumite Ind. Male +18 y. -78 kg Sanbon

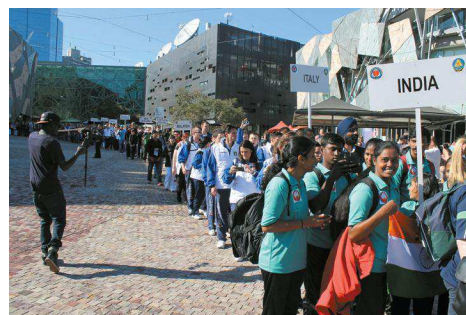
- 1 POLUGA Nikola KSRS-Republic of Srpska
- 2 HRNCIR Adam SKB-Czech Republic
- 3 MARKOVIC Dusan SKU-Serbia
- 3 SIMIC Veljko SKU-Serbia

#### Sen. Kumite Ind. Male +18 y. +78 kg Sanbon

- 1 TIMOFEEV Alman KFR-WKC-Russia
- 2 LOUIS Ricardo AAU-USA
- 3 FAGAN James IKAWR-Ireland
- 3 PETROV Sergey KFR-WKC-Russia

#### Sen. Kumite Ind. Male +18 y. Ippon

- 1 COX Vincent KNZ-New Zealand
- 2 PLOSKIC Mladen KSRS-Republic of Srpska
- 3 PARREÑO Alejandro UAK-Argentina
- 3 GORDIENKO Vladyslav USKA-Ukraine



Opening ceremony on Federation Square

#### Sen. Kata Team Female Shoto +18 y.

- 1 Team 1 FIAM-Italy
- 2 Team 1 KAA-Australia
- 3 Team 2 KAA-Australia

#### Sen. Kata Team Female Mixed Styles +18 y.

- 1 Team 1 FIAM-Italy
- 2 Team 1 AIKCPF-India
- 3 Team 1 KAA-Australia

#### Sen. Kumite Team Female Sanbon +18 y.

- 1 Team 1 KSRS-Republic of Srpska
- 2 Team 1 FIAM-Italy
- 3 Team 1 KAA-Australia
- 3 Team 1 AAU-USA

#### Sen. Kata Team Male Shoto +18 y.

- 1 Team 1 FIAM-Italy
- 2 Team 1 AKC-T-Austria
- 3 Team 2 KAA-Australia

#### Sen. Kumite Team Male Ippon +18 y.

- 1 Team 1 USKA-Ukraine
- 2 Team 1 UAK-Argentina
- 3 Team 1 KAA-Australia
- 3 Team 1 GKC-Germany

#### Sen. Kata Team Male Mixed Styles +18 y.

- 1 Team 1 FIAM-Italy
- 2 Team 1 UAK-Argentina
- 3 Team 1 KFR-WKC-Russia

#### Sen. Kumite Team Male Sanbon +18 y.

- 1 Team 1 SKB-Czech Republic
- 2 Team 1 KSRS-Republic of Srpska
- 3 Team 2 KFR-WKC-Russia
- 3 Team 3 KAA-Australia



Medal Table				
9 <sup>th</sup> WKC World Championships for Seniors				
	Gold	Silver	Bronze	
1	FIAM-Italy	9	5	3
2	KSRS-Republic of Srpska	3	4	2
3	KFR-WKC-Russia	3	1	6
4	USKA-Ukraine	3	1	1
5	SKB-Czech Republic	2	2	0
6	KNZ-New Zealand	2	0	0
7	KAA-Australia	1	3	11
8	AAU-USA	1	3	5
9	AIKKPF-India	1	2	1
10	SFKBU-Slovakia	1	0	0
11	UAK-Argentina	0	4	1
12	AKC-T-Austria	0	1	0
13	SKU-Serbia	0	0	3
14	IKAWR-Ireland	0	0	2
15	GKC-Germany	0	0	1

## 9<sup>th</sup> European Championships 2014 in Cheboksary, Russia



Reception by President Mikhail Ignatiev (center) and Mayor Leonid Cherkessov (2nd from right)

The preparations for the 9<sup>th</sup> European Championships have started in the city of Cheboksary, Russia. The WKC Meeting in Šiauliai in July 2012 had entrusted the Karate Federation of Russia (KFR) to host the European Championships in the capital of the Russian state of Chuvashia. The Russian Federation consists of 21 states and several regions. Chuvashia is one of these states situated at the Volga river. The Chuvash people are

ethnic Turks coming original from the Ural-Altai region.

On 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2013 the Mayor of Cheboksary, Dr. Leonoid Cherkessov, and the President of Chuvashia, Mr. Mikhail Ignatiev, received a delegation of the KFR (Dr. Alman Timofeev, Juriy Khomenko) and the WKC (Dr. Viatcheslav Timofeev and Dr. Fritz Wendland) to discuss the organisation of the Championships. Both the President of Chuvashia and the Mayor of Cheboksary confirmed

their full support for the WKC Championships.

Cheboksary and the neighbouring New Cheboksary have many sport facilities. The Sport Complex "Spartak" in Cheboksary would fit the best for the Championships because two big sport hotels are situated in walking distance to the stadium as well as a huge shopping centre with many cafés and restaurants. Also the city centre is near by.



### International Open WKC Championships for Cadets, Juniors and Seniors Individual and Club teams (18 years and above)

Feldkirchen-Westerham (near Munich) Germany 24<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> January 2014



The Championships will take place in Feldkirchen-Westerham, 20 km south of Munich. It is open for all Karateka of all federations. The WKC Competition Rules will apply.

The age groups for this tournament are:

**Cadets** 14 – 17 years (Kata, individuals only)

**Cadets** 14-15 years and 16-17 years (Kumite, individuals only)

**Juniors** 18 – 20 years (Kata and Kumite individuals and club teams with 3 competitors)

**Seniors** 18 years and above (Kata and Kumite individuals and club teams with 3 competitors)

The fees are 35 for individual entries and 70 for all team events.

Medals, Cups (for team events) and diplomas will be given to the winners. Participation diplomas will be given to all participants. A farewell party will take place right after the last medal ceremony.

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Feldkirchen-Westerham: [www.feldkirchen-westerham.de](http://www.feldkirchen-westerham.de)

#### Arrival by car

Motorway A 8 (München-Salzburg), Exit 98 Weyarn

#### Airport München MUC – München Hbf (main station)

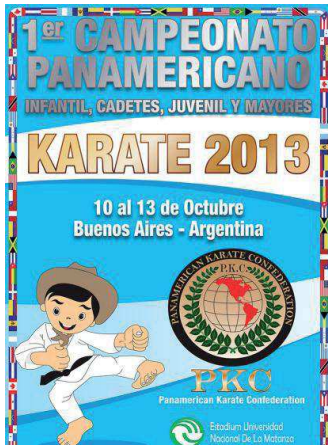
City train (S-Bahn) S 8 direct to München main station

#### München Hbf (main station) – Feldkirchen-Westerham

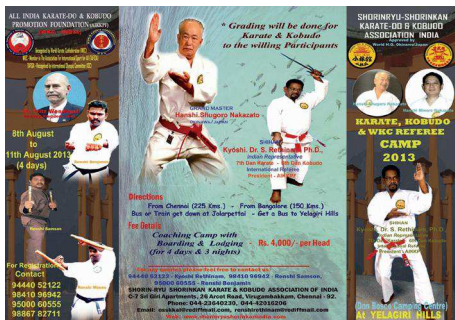
City train S 8 to Donnersbergbrücke, change for BOB train to Holzkirchen, change to RB train to Westerham

## 1<sup>st</sup> Pan-American Championships

On the initiative of Mr. Nestor Parreño, President of the Union Argentina de Karate (UAK), the 1<sup>st</sup> Pan-American WKC Championships will be organised in October 2013 in Buenos Aires, Argentina. For details see the UAK webpage: [www.uak-karate.org](http://www.uak-karate.org) or contact the UAK by email: [parrekarate@hotmail.com](mailto:parrekarate@hotmail.com)



## All India Karate & Kobudo Promotion Foundation (AIKKPF)



The AIKKPF has its headquarters in Chennai (formerly Madras), the capital of Tamil Nadu state in India. The President Dr. Swakky Rethinam is very active in promoting karate. He and his members have very good connections with Okinawan karate and Kobudo. The AIKKPF participated several times at seminars with high-ranking masters and tournaments in Okinawa. This year the AIKKPF have organised a seminar with Grandmaster Shugoro Nakazato from Okinawa and Master Rethinam from India.

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## 9<sup>th</sup> WKC World Championships for Juniors & Cadets and World Cup for Children

The Union Argentina de Karate (UAK) with President Nestor Parreño will host next year the 9<sup>th</sup> WKC World Championships for Juniors & Cadets and World Cup for Children in Buenos Aires. Mr. Parreño and his team already organised the Open WKC South American Championships in 2003 with many participating federations from South America and Europe. The UAK team always attends the WKC events worldwide and has done so also this year at the World Championships in Melbourne.



## 2013 NKF Scotland International Karate Festival

On the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> June 2013, the National Karate Federation of Scotland held its most successful events ever with instructors from around Europe attending the festival organised by Ronnie Watt, President of NKF Scotland and WKC Director of Shotokan. The Karate Masters who took part were Paul Kee (7<sup>th</sup> Dan Scandinavian Kata Champion, Sweden), Alf Ronnie Fagerland (5<sup>th</sup> Dan, NKF Norway), Alain Verbeeck (6<sup>th</sup> Dan, France), and Christopher Bruce (6<sup>th</sup> Dan NKF Director of Wado Ryu, Scotland), Hellfried Schneider (Director of Fallersleben Karate Club, Germany), Fritz Wendland and Ronnie Watt (8<sup>th</sup> Dan).

self-defence and applied Tai Sabaki. All NKF Scotland members and instructors learned a great deal and thoroughly enjoyed being taught by such an array of experts. It was exceptional to have so much karate talent from all over Europe in Aberdeen at a single event.

The Festival culminated on Sunday with an International Competition and a series of displays for the public, international karate Masters and VIP's. Joining the event were special guests, Mr Tarahara (Consul General of Japan in Edinburgh), Sachiko Kase (daughter of 10<sup>th</sup> Dan Taiji Kase), George Adam (Lord Provost of Aberdeen), Alex Johnston (MSP) and Fred Dalgarno (Dean of Guild, Aberdeen). There were two rounds of men's cadet and senior kumite competition. In the cadet category, the result was 1<sup>st</sup> France and 2<sup>nd</sup> Scotland and in the Senior category, the result was 1<sup>st</sup> France, 2<sup>nd</sup> Germany, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Scotland; Mr Tarahara awarded medals and trophies. After the main event, VIP's and international guests were honoured with a "Civic Reception" at the Town's House in Aberdeen.

In his speech, the Lord Provost of Aberdeen said how delighted he was with the contribution that Ronnie Watt has made by bringing this International group to Aberdeen. The 2013 International Karate Festival was our most successful annual event to date. The vision of bringing to Scotland international karate masters to share learning experiences.



Instructors A. Fagerland, P. Kee, F. Wendland, A. Verbeeck, R. Watt, M. Gresc, H. Schneider

Alain Verbeeck who trained for many years with World famous master Taiji Kase (10<sup>th</sup> Dan) presented the bunkai of Meikyo and jumping Mawashi Geri. Paul Kee, who was nine times Scandinavian kata champion, provided in depth tuition of katas Sochin and Nijushiho discussing self-defence moves hidden within. Ronnie Watt expertly demonstrated