



OJU KDK Kata Seminar: 29th Aug – 2nd Sep 2023: Ohori Judo Club, Brisbane

Two Kodokan Senseis flew from Japan to teach at this year's OJU KDK Kata Seminar. They were Samashima Motonari Sensei, 8th Dan, and Otsugi Hirofumi Sensei, 7th Dan. The members of the Oceania Judo Union Kata Commission who assisted were Bill Vincent 8th Dan from New Zealand, Michelle Matthews 6th Dan from Victoria and Ernie Wakamatsu 5th Dan from NSW.



The Katas studied were: KDK Goshin Jutsu (22 participants), Kime no Kata (25 participants), Ju no Kata (21 participants), Katame no Kata (27 participants) and Nage no Kata (36 participants).



KDK Goshin Jutsu: 29th August



Kime no Kata: 30th August



Ju no Kata: 31st August



Katame no Kata: 1st September



Nage no Kata: 2nd September

Participants were enthusiastic to learn and practise the techniques, enjoyed the competition at the end of each day and valued the interaction with the Japanese Sensei. We had a number of our Australia Team who are preparing for the World Kata Championships compete.



Kime no Kata Medallists

1st: Simon Read & Melissa Dennehy
2nd: Lorivaldo Jnr Pazlandim & Palilavong Phouphayly
3rd: Roy Worner & Tahlia Blackman

Ju no Kata Medallists

1st: Simon Read & Melissa Dennehy
2nd: Mat Holmes & Greg Cadorn
3rd: Srdjan Andjelkovic & Palilavong Phouphayly

Katame no Kata Medallists

1st: Yutaka Wakamatsu & Nick Mackey
2nd: Bernard Tandean & Bjorn Tandean
3rd: Lorivaldo Jnr Pazlandim & Palilavong Phouphayly



Nage no Kata Medallists

- 1st: Lorivaldo Jnr Pazlandim &
Palilavong Phouphayly
2nd: Dan Bazzana & Nick Andjelkovic
3rd: George Staphanos & Adam Shroeder



KDK Goshin Jutsu Medallists

- 1st: Mat Holmes & Greg Cadorin
2nd: Kevin Murphy & Sebestan Murphy
3rd: Paul Nelson & Srdjan Andjelkovic