



## **Newsletter #2 August 2014**

Upcoming important dates for Hornsby Dojo this year:

1. On Saturday, 13 September, Renshi will hold our dojo's annual Tournament at the dojo. Events for students will be both individual and Team Kata and "Gladiator Challenge." Renshi encourages all students to take part, by entering in as many category events, as they can. (Individual and Team)

Total registration fee per student for 2 or more entered events, will be \$30 each. (The fee will offset the cost of trophies and medallions, presented to successful students!) All Family members are cordially invited to come along to both watch and support their children, and eagerly applaud their efforts, during the days' proceedings. The tournament (Shiai) will commence at 1:15pm till approx. 4:00pm, at the dojo at Hornsby North Public school Hall.

**NOTE: Volunteers are required to assist, during the Tournament!!**

Positions needed are: Score Keeping (2)  
Time Keeping (2)  
Trophy Management (2)  
Mat Marshals (4)

Renshi, will be the Tournament Director and Announcer all day, so any Family member, who can assist, during the day's events, would be greatly appreciated. Renshi can explain the requirements and jobs of each position, as above on the start of the Tournament, to those assisting volunteers. It is hoped that, with the required number of volunteers, that they can be rotated, to allow sufficient rest periods during the event, so that they can watch their own children, compete. Renshi will provide a light refreshments/ drinks to all volunteers and assisting Referees, on the Day.

2. On weekend of Saturday, 1 November, Kaicho (Founder and Chief Instructor of WGKA, Aust.) Max Fabris, 8<sup>th</sup> Dan of Coburg (Hombu – Headquarters) dojo; along with Kyoshi Joe Ielasi, 6<sup>th</sup> Dan Chief Instructor of Lalor dojo, and Senior Instructors of Hombu dojo, Coburg- Renshis, Glenn Gipperich & Nick Andrianikis, 5<sup>th</sup> Dans and Shihan (4<sup>th</sup> Dan) Phillip Priest of Coburg(Hombu) dojo, will be at Hornsby dojo for a mass training day with all Hornsby studentship.

Also in attendance will be Kyoshi Warren Ross, 7<sup>th</sup> Dan NSW Director & Chief Instructor, with Renshi Adam Ross, 5<sup>th</sup> Dan, Bega Chief Instructor, Sensei Sandy Rodgers 3<sup>rd</sup> Dan & other seniors of Bega NSW dojo.

This will be the first visit, to Sydney (Hornsby) dojo by Kaicho and his Senior Instructor group, as well as Bega Shihans. Renshi Phil enthusiastically encouraged ALL students (no matter what rank) of Hornsby dojo to participate in this first visit by Kaicho and demonstrate your skills of Goju Ryu, and train along with these amazing group of highly dedicated and internationally experienced Teachers of Goju Ryu, under the watchful eye and Leadership of Kaicho, Max Fabris. Kaicho and his Instructors will visit Hornsby dojo every two years to both teach and encourage the students of Hornsby dojo, in their knowledge and karate skills of Goju Ryu. This marks the first visit by Kaicho since Renshi Phil, began Hornsby dojo, some 5 years ago.(2009).

The Day will commence about 10:30am for all ranks, followed by a lunch break, another session will commence for higher ranks. From approx. 2:00pm a senior Grading will be held for Seidoin John Ryan and Sempai Alex Kwa of Hornsby dojo. They will be examined personally by Kaicho and a panel of Senior Shihans for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Dan.promotion.

**Note: This Grading will last some 3 plus hours in a closed (ie. Private) environment.**