

Judo Federation of Australia (NSW) Inc
Annual Congress
Saturday 14th October 2006

Location: Bushido Judo Club – Sydney
Registration at 8.30am & Congress at 9.00am

1. Registration:

Bushido	Nigel Fricker
Budokan	Kerrye Katz / John Da Silva
UNSW	John Buckley / Warren Rosser / Phil McDermott
Woy Woy	Danny Simmons / Shane Hobbs / Steve Fuller
Kugatsu	Shane Alvisio / Rob Ivers / Warren Hillier
International	Alan Broadhead
Seven Hills	Ben DiPede
St Marys	Tom Godkin
Collegians	Axel Kuban
Zenbu	Ivor Endicott-Davies

Papers available at Congress for attendee's to collect:

Presidents Report
Member Protection Policy
Referee's Report
2007 Draft Calendar
2007 Team League Concept "Fight Night"

2. Meeting commenced at 9.20am:

As at August 1st, (1 month after club registrations were due) 19 of the 50 Judo NSW were registered. 7 of the 19 clubs were required to make quorum for Congress. 10 clubs were in attendance.

3. Apologies:

Dave Gillett

4. Acceptance of the 2005 Congress Minutes:

Moved Woy Woy, Seconded UNSW.

5. Business Arising from the 2005 Congress Minutes:

Nil

6. President's Report: (attached)

Summary – The president reported on the BBR Academy, Sydney Olympic Park, the recent hail storm damage to the Judo NSW office, the low level of member club registration by the required time (July 1st) which leaves member clubs at some risk, and the Member Protection Policy.

The Australian Sports Commission (ASC) encouraged new Judo Australia model structure for Directors. JFA Directors can be nominated from anywhere but they can no longer have a “conflict of interest” by being involved at a state level.

The new constitution dictates 5 directors as against 8 in the previous model and out of that 5 the President, Secretary & Treasurer are elected in that order by the voting members states/territories representatives. The new 5 national (JFA) elected Directors will then have the capacity to appoint national committee’s.

This new model has highlighted the possibility of Judo Australia receiving a significant increase in funding from the ASC.

Questions & Discussion –

Woy Woy – Why would Judo NSW clubs not be renewing their members registrations considering the potential risk associated with not doing so ?

St Marys – How do NSW members nominate for national committee’s ?

The President expressed thanks for the support he has received from fellow Board members and the Judo NSW members.

The meeting thanked the President for his commitment and dedication leading Judo NSW for the past 5 years.

7. Treasurer’s Report:

Summary – The treasurer only distributed the figures and not the wording from the auditors. The auditor’s statements were made available for Congress attendee’s to read at their leisure. The treasurer talked the meeting through the Income & Expenditure Statement line by line, page by page.

- In the interest of the sport, Clubs needed to register their members to ensure the sport could sustain itself. There has been a 20% decrease in registered members.
- The insurance component within the registration fee is approximately \$30 for seniors and \$20 for juniors.
- Member Clubs or individuals are not covered after July 1st each year.
- The Board would consider subsidizing or assisting any Judo Club or Judo activity that occurred in the Sydney Olympic Park Judo Halls. Including tournaments, clinics, courses, training, etc to ensure Judo remained the priority user of the facility.
- Recent tournaments had experienced less participants, greater expenses and no spectator entry fee’s.
- Rebel Sport national titles gear was an expense from last year but had a delayed payment in this year’s figures.

The Treasurer expressed thanks for the support he has received from fellow Board members and the Judo NSW members.

The meeting thanked the President for his commitment and dedication guiding Judo NSW for the past 3 years.

8. Regional Association Reports:

Nil

9. Commission / Committee Reports: (attached)

BBR – The BBR Academy financial activities are within the reports provided to the Judo NSW Board.

Referee's – Peter Williams has been appointed as the chair of the Judo NSW referee's commission. Tom Godkin is seeking appointment to the national commission.

Referee's also contribute financially to the sport as do players, coaches, administrators. Clubs to participate in future referee's seminars ? To be discussed and communicated at a later date.

10. Election of Office Bearers:

a) President	Rob Ivers (elected unopposed)
b) Vice President	Shane Alvisio (elected unopposed)
c) Technical Rep (appointment)	Ivor Endicott-Davies (BBR)
d) Treasurer (appointment)	Warren Hillier (proposed)
e) Councillor	no nominations
f) Councillor	no nominations
g) Councillor	no nominations

It was proposed to make the issue of elected office bearers very clear in the minutes. There are a number of vacancies on the Judo NSW Board of Management (and has been for the past 4 years). The vacant positions can be filled as casual vacancies by the BOM – However we need nominations of interest from the Judo NSW community. There are always many expectations placed on any volunteer Board but these cannot be expected to be carried out if half the positions are not being filled by the membership.

2006/07 Judo NSW Board of Management

<i>President</i>	<i>Rob Ivers</i>
<i>Vice President 1</i>	<i>Shane Alvisio</i>
<i>Vice President 2</i>	<i>VACANT</i>
<i>Vice President 3</i>	<i>VACANT</i>
<i>Councillor 1</i>	<i>Nigel Fricker</i>
<i>Councillor 2</i>	<i>Dave Gillett</i>
<i>Councillor 3</i>	<i>VACANT</i>
<i>Councillor 4</i>	<i>VACANT</i>
<i>Technical Panel</i>	<i>Ivor Endicott-Davies (appointment)</i>
<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Warren Hillier (appointment)</i>

11. Motions / Items:

The following motions were voted on using a straw poll unless it was clear that any motions were controversial then the voting numbers and secret ballot would be utilised.

a) The JFA (NSW) Inc Member Protection Policy be adopted.
Moved Alan Broadhead (BOM), Seconded Shane Alvisio (BOM)
(1 club against) – CARRIED

b) The JFA (NSW) Inc nominate Alan Broadhead for election as a JFA inc Director at the 2006 National Congress.
Moved Phil McDermott (BOM), Seconded Ivor Endicott Davies (BOM)
(unanimous) - CARRIED

c) Motions from Woy Woy Judo Club (attached but summary below)
Moved Steve Fuller, Seconded Danny Simmons

i) The BOM accept a disciplinary sanction motion that the Congress minutes should have been distributed as per the Constitution.
(4 clubs for & 6 clubs against) – DEFEATED

ii) That Section 12.2, within the Judo NSW Constitution be amended to read that items for Congress to be submitted can include a) Discussion Items, b) Motions, and c) Nominations.
(7 clubs for & 2 clubs against) – CARRIED

iii & iv) That the BOM explains why there a long delays in the issue/return of blue books and stickers after receipt of payment & consideration be given to employ extra casual staff during the July August period.
After much discussion Warren Hillier volunteered to investigate a whole new process to alleviate clubs and the office of the administration involved with recording of registrations & gradings etc. A swipe card system was mooted ?
MOTIONS iii & iv WITHDRAWN

v) That the Constitution, as recently sent out by Judo NSW on the 10/08/06 be rejected in it's entirety and the document be corrected to include those changes sanctioned by the 2005 Congress.
(6 clubs for & 1 against) - CARRIED

After Meeting Note:

*After consulting with the author of the changes from the 2005 Congress – The two major changes that were discussed were in fact included in the Item 4. Minutes of 2005 Congress, and approved by the meeting some two hours prior.
The two major changes related to Clause 10. in the Judo NSW Constitution.
The last sentences in both paragraph 1 & 3 were changed.
This has now been confirmed with the mover of the above motion as of 13/11/06*

Change #1

OLD: Guidelines for the conduct of the investigation committee are to be kept at the JFANSW office, freely available to any member who wishes a copy.

NEW: Investigations shall be undertaken in a procedurally fair manner and where necessary, referred to the appropriate agency for investigation.

Change #2

OLD: Appeal procedures and costs are set out in the guidelines of the investigation committee.

NEW: Appeal procedures and costs will follow the JFA Inc. guidelines.

The other 113 mistakes have been in the document for many years. In fact the typo's made it quite difficult to retype the whole document with all mistakes not being corrected.

After Meeting Note:

As a result of this motion being carried the Board of Judo NSW will call an Special Congress (most likely to be the end of January) to ensure the above issue is clear amongst members and have the motion resinded.

With the assistance of Steve Fuller the Board will also propose a single motion to correct the 113 grammatical errors found in the existing Judo NSW Constitution.

vi) The Tournament Director to have copies of the Insurance claim forms at each Tournament if required by injured members.
(unanimous) – CARRIED

vii) All place getters at Tournaments should be recorded onto a program for next day addition to the Judo NSW website.

MOTION WITHDRAWN

A laptop would be taken to future tournaments and a volunteer will be sourced to record the results as they occur for inclusion onto the website by the next day.

12. Life Member Nomination – Ric Ryder

Nominated by Woy Woy Judo Club who spoke on Ric's contribution to Judo NSW, via his 40 year commitment to the sport.

(unanimous) – CARRIED

13. Date of 2007 Congress

Corresponding date next year – Saturday 13th October (TBC)

14. Close of Congress

at 12.55pm Thanks to Nigel Fricker and Bushido Judo Club for hosting.