

# CENTRAL COAST OPEN

## JUDO TOURNAMENT 2025

— Sunday 4th May 2025 —

Entries close Thursday 1st May

- Oversized Medals for A-Divisions
- Adult novice divisions (no submissions) for beginner-friendly matches
- FREE entry for spectators
- Venue Kiosk operating all day.

### Pricing:

Early Bird Entry (valid until Thursday 24th April): **\$40**

Regular Entry: **\$50**

Extra Division: **\$30**

### New Venue:

Breakers Indoor Sports Stadium

Entry via Duffys Rd Terrigal, NSW 2260

### Important Information:

- Your weight is to be submitted with your Smoothcomp Entry. It is critical to double check your weight is correct – **your weight will be checked prior to your first match**. If you are over the weight limit for your category you will be withdrawn and not be able to enter a higher category. All opponents will receive a win by forfeit. **No refund will be given**. See Tournament Information pages for full information.
- Be sure to check session start times. **Competitors must arrive by the start of their session** as matches may be moved around to ensure the event runs efficiently. **Any athlete not at the venue in time for their matches will forfeit with no refunds**. See Tournament Information for Session times.
- All competitors must be current financial members of the JFA (NSW) Inc. or any JFA Inc. member state.

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### Tournament Information

The **Central Coast Open** has been successfully hosted for 12 years on the Central Coast of NSW. It is now Australia's largest regional Judo tournament, with 325 entries in 2022. Our event continues to evolve every year, bringing together athletes of all ages and skill levels from across the country.

We take great pride in ensuring that every match is not only competitive but also **safe** and **fun** for all participants. Our organisers and coaches are dedicated to creating a positive environment where athletes can challenge themselves, develop their skills, and build camaraderie within the Judo community. At the **Central Coast Open**, we believe in fostering a spirit of sportsmanship and mutual respect, ensuring that every competitor has a rewarding experience.

Following its success in 2023 and 2024, the **satellite weigh-in system** will continue in **2025**, allowing competitors to weigh in at their own Judo club. This aims to **boost participation** and provide greater **convenience for parents**.

**Limited entries** will apply for the 2025 Central Coast Open as it will be held at a **new venue**, with time restrictions on Sunday afternoon events.

See below for key competition details.

#### **Tournament Date:**

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2025**, commencing at 8:30am. Doors open 8:00am.

#### **Entries:**

Entries close at **midnight** on **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May**.

You can enter via **Smoothcomp** online at: <https://smoothcomp.com/en/event/23439>. Your weight must be submitted as part of the registration process (see **Weigh-in Process** below).

The draws will be published on Smoothcomp throughout Friday. Please note that these draws will **not be seeded**, as this is a regional competition.

#### **New Venue:**

The Central Coast Open Judo Tournament 2025 will be held at:

**Breakers Indoor Sports Stadium**

Entry via Duffys Rd Terrigal, NSW 2260

## Pricing:

- Early Bird Entry (valid until Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April): **\$40**
- Regular Entry: **\$50**
- Extra Division **\$30**
  - Note that this is **only** for cadets, junior men/women or veterans competing in extra age divisions. Competitors are **not** permitted to enter multiple skill divisions.
- Spectator entry: **FREE**

## Session Times:

It is vitally important to be sure you are at the venue by the start time of your session, **even if you expect your matches to be later**. We regularly move matches around within a session to ensure the most efficient flow of the day for everyone. **If you are not available by the time your match is called you will forfeit the match. No refunds will be given.** Below are the expected start times for each session. We recommend arriving at least half an hour earlier to ensure you have time to settle in.

Session	Start Time	Divisions
1	8:30am	U9s, U11s, Cadets
2	10:00am	U13s, U15s, Junior Men/Women
3	12:30pm	Senior Men/Women, Veterans Men/Women

## Judo Australia membership:

All competitors must be current financial members of the JFA (NSW) Inc. or any JFA Inc. member state.

## Satellite Weigh-in Process:

Morning weigh-ins are **not** conducted. You **must** submit your correct weight with your Smoothcomp entry and update it if incorrect. Changes are allowed until registration closes—after this, weight adjustments **will not** be accepted, as they impact the draw.

Before your first match, **your weight will be checked** while wearing judo trousers or gi.

Tolerances:

- Juniors: 500g
- Seniors: 1kg

If you exceed your registered weight category, you will be **immediately withdrawn without refund**, cannot move to a higher category, and all opponents will win by forfeit.



For **U9s and U11s** (age divisions without fixed weight classes), there is a **15% tolerance** between the lightest and heaviest in a bracket. If you exceed this due to an incorrect entry, you will be withdrawn **without refund**.

Some parents have previously overlooked the importance of entering their children's correct weight during the Smoothcomp entry process. We kindly request that parents who are unsure check with their **Club Coach** to ensure participants are entered with the correct weight when registering for the tournament.

## **Draws and Brackets:**

Draws will be created on **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May**.

If divisions need to be combined, athletes will be automatically moved up **one weight category**. Athletes will **not** be moved between skill divisions without coaches being notified, unless previously arranged.

For **U9 and U11**, organisers will aim to keep weight differences within **15%**. If exceeded, the club coach or competitors will be notified.

When the draws are released, we request that **Club Coaches** immediately contact the organisers if they notice any discrepancies in match-ups. This is to prevent experienced competitors from entering lower divisions for "easy wins".

If a coach notices their athlete has no opponent, they should contact the organisers by **Friday** to suggest a change. **Requests for athletes to join a lighter-weight or younger-age division will not be accepted**. These athletes will need to move up a division.

If no suitable matches are available, a **refund will be issued**.

## **Novice Competitors:**

To encourage new participants, **Adult Novice Division** competitors are restricted to **throws and holds only**—no arm-locks or strangles.

Competitors with prior martial arts experience who wish to use arm-locks or strangles are strongly encouraged to consider entering **B-Division** instead.

The Novice Division is designed for those **new to all forms of grappling**, providing a **safe and enjoyable** environment to test their skills.

## Skill and Weight Divisions:

### U9s

#### Skill Divisions:

- **Novice:** White/Yellow or White/Yellow/Black Tip
- **Graded:** Yellow belt or higher

#### Weight Divisions:

- No standard weight categories
- Organisers will aim for divisions within ~15% weight range

### U11s

#### Skill Divisions:

- **Novice:** White/Yellow to Yellow/Orange/Black Tip
- **B Division:** Orange belt or higher, Limited competition experience, **NO** state-level experience
- **A Division:** Green belt or higher, Regular competition experience

#### Weight Divisions:

- No standard weight categories
- Organisers will aim for divisions within ~15% weight range

### U13s

#### Skill Divisions:

- **Novice:** White/Yellow to Yellow/Orange/Black Tip
- **B Division:** Orange belt or higher, Limited competition experience, **NO** state-level experience
- **A Division:** Green belt or higher, Regular competition experience

#### Weight Divisions:

- **Boys:** u32kg, u35kg, u38kg, u41kg, u45kg, u49kg, u54kg, u60kg, u66kg, o66kg
- **Girls:** u32kg, u35kg, u38kg, u41kg, u45kg, u50kg, u56kg, o56kg

### U15s

#### Skill Divisions:

- **Novice:** White/Yellow to Yellow/Orange/Black Tip
- **B Division:** Orange belt or higher, Limited competition experience, **NO** state-level experience
- **A Division:** Green belt or higher, Regular competition experience

#### Weight Divisions:

- **Boys:** u36kg, u40kg, u45kg, u50kg, u55kg, u60kg, u66kg, u73kg, u81kg, o81kg
- **Girls:** u36kg, u40kg, u44kg, u48kg, u52kg, u57kg, u63kg, o63kg

## Cadets

### Skill Divisions:

- **Novice:** Yellow belts
- **B Division:** Orange & Green belts, Limited competition experience, **NO** state-level experience
- **A Division:** Green belts & above, Regular competition experience

### Weight Divisions:

- **Men:** u50kg, u55kg, u60kg, u66kg, u73kg, u81kg, u90kg, o90kg
- **Women:** u40kg, u44kg, u48kg, u52kg, u57kg, u63kg, u70kg, o70kg

## Junior Men/Women, Senior Men/Women, Veteran Men/Women

### Skill Divisions:

- **Novice:** Yellow belts
- **B Division:** Orange & Green belts, Limited competition experience, **NO** state-level experience
- **A Division:** Green belts & above, Regular competition experience

### Weight Divisions:

- **Men:** u60kg, u66kg, u73kg, u81kg, u90kg, u100kg, o100kg
- **Women:** u48kg, u52kg, u57kg, u63kg, u70kg, u78kg, o78kg

## Presentations and Medals:

Regular-sized medals will be awarded to place-getters in the **Novice, Graded, and B Division** categories. **Oversized medals** will be presented to place-getters in the **A Division**.

Medal presentations will take place **immediately after each weight category**, at the **Medal Presentation Area**, while tournament bouts continue.

## Further Information:

For any further enquiries, please contact Shane at [Shane.Alvisio@gmail.com](mailto:Shane.Alvisio@gmail.com).