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CHAIR REPORT

On behalf of the Judo NSW Board, thank you to the membership for your faith and trust in us to run Judo NSW to benefit our members. As always, the Board takes this responsibility seriously.

MANAGEMENT & GOVERNANCE

As the years progress, we continue to see increasing governance demands placed on all state sporting organisations. Whilst we appreciate the vital role that governance in sport plays, it comes with an ever-increasing burden to manage the bureaucracy and reporting requirements entwined within it. We are fortunate to have Greg at its helm (excuse the pun!) to help us leverage and manage our way through the increasing demands, and to enable us to capitalise on any opportunities available to the organisation to the best of our ability.

As mentioned in last year's report, the changing governance landscape has driven some constitutional changes for the organisation, which will be voted on at the upcoming AGM. I don't see this as a 'one-off', and it's a challenge that will continue to present itself in the coming years. It's not only our Board and our organisation that need to be dynamic; this will also have a flow-through effect at the Club level. Greg has developed a 'model' constitution for Clubs, as it's essential for our Clubs to educate themselves on legislative expectations of running their own organisations.

This year has also seen a greater collaboration with Judo Australia on several key activities. It's nice to see the willingness of other state judo organisations and the national body to align on key matters and ensure the sport benefits in the bigger picture. This collaboration will become increasingly important as we head towards Brisbane 2032. SSOs continue to be locked into national programs for some of our local funding, so it's essential that we have a voice in these programs and that they make sense at both the state and local levels.

Finally, member protection and equity issues continue to play a significant role in running a sporting organisation with increasing scrutiny and accountability for all. This applies equally to clubs and individual members; everyone must understand their obligations. If you're unsure how these issues affect a club or a member, please get in touch with Greg initially for advice. There is a low tolerance level for any individual or organisation not doing the right thing, and sanctions for inappropriate behaviour will be enacted. Policies are being updated at both the state and national levels, and these updates will be rolled out in the coming months.

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OUR PERFORMANCE

Prioritisation and fiscal responsibility continue to underlie our decision-making processes in 2024-25. We understand the current economic climate continues to put a financial strain on individuals, families and businesses/organisations.

We greatly appreciate the trust that members place in us to manage the organisation's finances, and we are fortunate to have a knowledgeable finance committee to inform the Board's decisions.

I appreciate that many question the 'value' of their membership costs, as this isn't always visible or tangible to individuals. The reality is that many of these costs are hidden; however, they play an important role in running the organisation, which is there to support clubs and members. Fees are absorbed by: salaries for paid employees (1.5 FTE); affiliation fees to JA, rent (state training centre/office hot-desk), storage fees (mats and equipment), referee payments, insurance, accounting/auditing fees, computer subscriptions/website, coaching workshops, etc, to name a few. There are no lavish expenses, and we operate on a relatively lean budget. These costs are, inescapably, the cost of running a small SSO, and that's why everyone must share these costs equally.

We appreciate those clubs that are doing the right thing by enrolling their members in Judo NSW. Sadly, we continue to see many club members not enrolled with Judo NSW. Clubs are reminded once again that, constitutionally, to be a member club, they must register all members with Judo NSW. If you have hardship cases within your club, don't hesitate to get in touch with Greg to discuss how Judo NSW could help support these members.

Membership fees enable us to continue providing services across the sport and offer opportunities and activities to the community that individual clubs may struggle to provide.

OUR UNSUNG HEROES

I want to thank again all those members – and non-members – who continue to give their time generously. Whether helping to administer the sport, providing opportunities for members to learn and train, or assisting at one of our tournaments, your contribution doesn't go unnoticed, and we couldn't do it without you.

As always, there are a few people who go above and beyond for the organisation that I would like to acknowledge. I want to thank our amazing state coaches for their

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generous time throughout the year. It was great to see some new faces, as well as our experienced coaches, again this year. It's heartwarming to see the growth and development of these individuals, as well as the growth and development they inspire in others. Our referee group is growing thanks to some excellent stewardship from Chak Chan, and it's also great to see many new faces learning this vital role within our sport. Phil McDermott also receives our thanks for many years of service as our Dan Grade Convenor. Phil has taken the opportunity this year to hand the mantle to Greg Cadorin, who has already run an outstanding Dan grading, with a further one to come. I would also like to thank Paul Sheean for his SmoothComp mastery in running our Judo NSW tournaments (and putting up with me in the process!).

Although we have paid employees who manage our day-to-day operations, we rely heavily on the support of volunteers to cover everything else. In speaking with club coaches, I appreciate the challenge of finding volunteers to help out; however, the reality is that we can't run the sport without them, and we are in desperate need of more people to help.

As a volunteer, I appreciate how difficult it can be to raise your hand. Whether it's from insecurity about not thinking you know enough to help, or a concern about the time commitment, there are lots of reasons to hold back. The reality is that we are happy to help support, train, and work within your time constraints. Whether you want to see the inner workings of the organisation from a Board/committee level, a state coach or referee, a tournament 'official', or some other role, we would love to have you as part of the team. Please reach out to Greg if you can spare us some time – we would really appreciate your help!

KEY EVENTS

The Sydney International Open in 2025 again drew over 400 competitors, and we hosted 262 competitors at the State Championships. We have also continued with our Community Series events, and these continue to prove popular with new competitors who wouldn't usually enter our more 'elite' events. They continue to allow a broader group of members to get involved,



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meeting and competing against players from other clubs. Once again, it was great to see members eager to participate and represent their state at the National Championships this year. Unfortunately, Judo Australia's decision to remove the U11 competition from this year's nationals was a disappointing one for Judo NSW and many of our member families. Judo NSW will continue to support the competition opportunities for our younger athletes, as we appreciate that many of them enjoy and benefit from this experience.

OUR FUTURE

Our organisational mandate continues to provide services to our members – clubs, athletes, and officials. As a Board, we continue to manage the organisation to ensure the sport is governed responsibly, can grow, and provides value to all members, but we can not do this alone. We require the support of our members through their annual fees and through their assistance in organising events and activities.



We cordially invite all members (and their family members!) to get involved in the broader community and help us to grow this fantastic sport.



Belinda McIndoe
JUDO NSW CHAIR

CEO REPORT

It is a great pleasure to provide a report to the Judo NSW membership for the 2024 – 2025 year.

I would like to acknowledge the Board of Directors, led by Chair Belinda McIndoe, who as volunteers give their time and expertise behind the scenes to provide guidance for Judo NSW on behalf of the members.

To all club Coaches who deliver the sport at the coalface as well as our team of State Coaches, the NSW Referees Commission, Kata Coaches, BBR grading panel members, volunteers and finally and most importantly our Members I thank you all for your contributions in this year.

A special thanks to our tournament team of Paul Sheean Nigel Fricker and Belinda McIndoe, and mat set up crew led by Eddy Wong, none of our events would be possible without your efforts.

Thank you to Bjorn Tandean who was employed in the Administration Assistant role until March 2025 before moving onto a full-time career in his field of study. We were fortunate to have a smooth period of transition with Laura Diaz stepping into this role with an expanded portfolio thanks to the OSP funding to incorporate inclusion and participation programs. Both assisted greatly in the delivery of events and programs throughout the year.

In early 2024, we embarked on our 3-year Strategic Plan which prioritised the following strategic pillars and priorities.

Profile and Progress

- Increasing visibility and awareness of the Judo NSW brand and identity.
- Developing a robust and sustainable State Sporting Organisation for Judo in NSW.

Engagement and Inclusion

- Engaging more people with the sport of Judo more often.
- Recruit, retain and build capacity in the Judo NSW Coaches, Officials and volunteers.
- Creating and delivering a safe environment for all Members.

Performance and pathways

- Creating and enhancing pathways for coaching, officiating, and athlete development and High Performance in judo.
- Achieving podium success at National/International Events for NSW Athletes.

While FY25 has seen progress in achieving many of the success indicators of this plan, we continue to focus on the future growth opportunities to ensure that Judo NSW achieves its purpose and mission over the next few years.

We have underpinned this strategy through the development of a Governance Plan, Stakeholder engagement plans and alignment with the National Play Well Strategy for Judo in Australia.

Some of the key success indicators:

- Review of the Judo NSW Constitution to comply with legislation and gender equality requirements.
- Launch of the J-Girls initiative, and subsequent Female 'beginner' programs aimed at increasing participation.
- Increased collaboration with Judo Australia through transition to the National Database and Play Well.
- Development of a Child Safeguarding Policy.
- Increased Government Funding from \$40K to \$80K
- Sydney International State Championships and 4 Community Series Events delivered with a positive financial position for the year.
- 32 new Dan grades achieved at Mid-Year and End of Year gradings.
- 21 Brand new coaches accredited, and 17 coaches reaccredited.
- Successful HP yearly program delivered, with monthly training, Futures Camp and intensive National Training program delivered by a team of dedicated State Coaches.
- 4 new clubs registered with Judo NSW in FY25



The increase in the OSP funding program in FY25, from \$40,000 to \$80,000 was a welcome boost which gave us scope to deliver on our strategic initiatives whilst meeting the funding objectives set down by the Office of Sport. This funding was allocated towards the following initiatives.

- Legal expenses to review and update the Judo NSW Constitution.
- Subsidies for NSW Referees to attend and officiate at key events
- Subsidies for NSW State Coaches to attend National Championships.
- Update of the Referees CARE system, including new portable equipment to support Club and Regional events.
- Employment of a Programs and Administration Officer.
- Development of a Risk Management Framework.
- Regional NSW Club Visits and Coaching accreditation.
- Conducting the J-Girls and Female participation programs.

Our capacity to achieve the ambitious goals of the 2024 – 2027 Strategic Plan, can only be reached through the active engagement of our clubs, coaches, members and volunteers. I look forward to the challenges ahead to ensure that the sport continues to grow in NSW.



Greg Helm
JUDO NSW CEO

BOARD AND COMMITTEES

BOARD OF JUDO NSW

Belinda McIndoe (Chair)
 Rajini Carpenter (Resigned March 2025)
 Nigel Fricker
 Kristian Grostad
 Amy Kay (Appointed April 2025)
 Sue Williams
 Steve Harris
 Felipe Grez (Independent) (to Oct 2024)
 Nick Crowhurst (Independent)

JUDO NSW ADMINISTRATION

Greg Helm - CEO
 Laura Diaz - Admin and Programs Officer
 Bjorn Tandean - Admin Officer
 (until March 25)

STATE COACHING TEAM

Kylie Koenig (Head Coach)
 Joe Costanzo (Planning)
 Sue Williams (Mentor)
 Diego Barreto
 Maxime Cousseau
 Martin Kelly
 Amber McIndoe
 Joungmin Pang
 Semir Pepic
 Liam Stewart
 Franz Tandean

NSW STATE TEAM MANAGEMENT

Nigel Fricker - Manager
 Yubo Wang - Manager
 Laura Diaz - Manager
 Belinda McIndoe - Wellbeing Manager

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Conrad Jon Van Dort
 Kristian Grostad
 Sofia Ettridge
 Steven Harris

NSW REFEREES COMMISSION

Deepali Mistry - Chair
 Chak Chan
 Greg Cadorin
 Lubo Petr

NSW BBR

Joe Costanzo (President)
 Rob Ivers (Treasurer)
 Gavin Morgan (Secretary)
 Dale Keogh
 Ernie Wakamatsu

NSW KATA COACHES

Dale Keogh
 Ernie Wakamatsu

TOURNAMENT TEAM

Nigel Fricker, Yubo Wang, Paul Sheean, Eddy Wong and all the many other volunteers who helped out during the year especially;

Andrew Roberts
 Ahmed Abdo
 Daniel Wong
 Kirsten McDougall
 John Panopoulos
 Daniel Rusitovic

Thank you

LIFE MEMBERS

*Jim Robinson**
1970

Fred Watt

Robert Katz
2011

John Peters
1970

Terry Young
2005

Kerrye Katz
2011

*Brian Nevitt**
1980

Dale Keogh
2005

Ivor Endicott-Davies
2015

Sue Williams
1989

Jim Black
2005

Peter Hermann
2016

Julie Reardon
1989

*Danny Simmons**
2006

Nigel Fricker
2018

*Bruce Fagan**
1990

Warren Rosser
2009

Shane Alvisio
2018

*Jack Halber**

John Buckley
2009

Rob Ivers
2021

*Frederick (Ric) Ryder**

Tom Godkin
2009

Phil McDemott
2022

Marguerite Willson

Alan Broadhead
2011

**Deceased*

JUDO NSW CLUBS

As at June 2025

Albury PCYC Judo Club (9) +1
 Australian Jujitsu Academy (1)*
 Blacktown City Judo Club (32) + 13
 Budokan (218) +7
 Bushido Canley Vale (94) +15
 Coffs Coast Judo Club (32) -12
 Club Delutas (1)
 Evolution Judo Academy (25) -18
 Goshu Judokan (16) -3
 Grappling Bros (26) -10
 HD Grappling (3)*
 Highlands International Judo Club (11) -4
 IKKI Japanese Judo Club (1)*
 Illawarra International Judo (47) + 8
 Jinsoku Judo Cessnock (2)*
 Judo Matsu (89) +26
 Judo1 Wollongong (3) -1
 Judo2U (5) -2
 Kido Mingara Judo Academy (14) -3
 Kitsune Judo Club (8) -2
 Kokoro Judo (23) -7
 Kugatsu Central Coast (78) -34
 Kugatsu Bathurst (4) -4

Kumataka Dojos Epping (30)+7
 Kumataka Dojos St George (3) +1
 Maitland PCYC Judo (22) +8
 Newtown Judo Club (20) -7
 Northern Sydney Judo Club (6) -2
 O-KO (56) -7
 Penrith PCYC Judo Club (11) -2
 Phoenix Judo Club (15) +8
 Port Macquarie Judo Club (29) -1
 Samurai Judo Club (16) -1
 Shire Judo (82) +17
 Southern Cross University Judo Club (8) -4
 STRA Judo (17) +2
 Sydney University Judo Club (82) -22
 Tiger-Do Martial Arts (42) -12
 UNSW Judo (270) -43
 UTS Judo Club (71) -10
 Wellington PCYC Judo (4) -
 Western Warriors Martial Arts (4) -2
 Willoughby Judo (36) -10
 Woopi Warriors Judo Club (20) -4
 Woy Woy Judo Club (54) -42
 Zenbu Judo (106) -20
 Zoo Judo (29) -

**Indicates New Club*



MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS



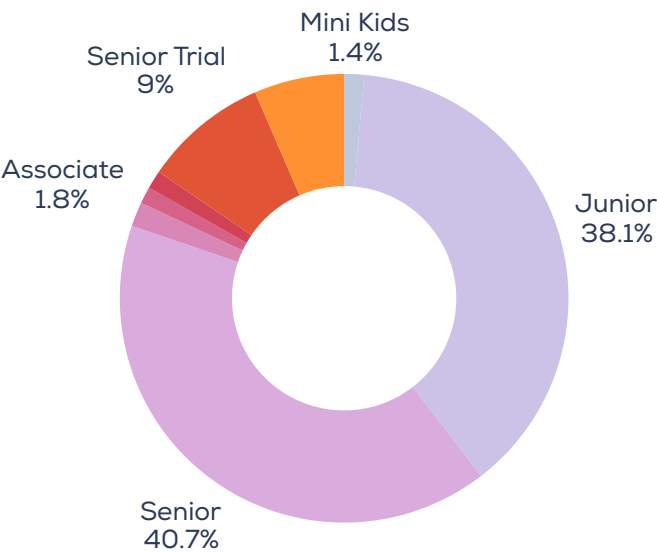
Total
Members

24/25

1,928

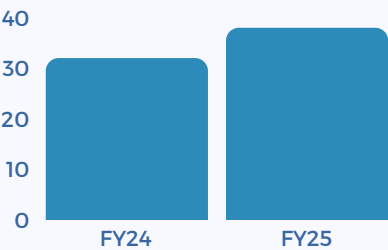
Type of Membership*

Mini Kids	26
Junior	754
Senior	789
Junior Trial	118
Senior Trial	163
Associate	32
Volunteer	24
Life Member	22

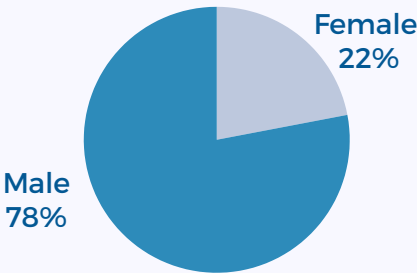


*Number of registrations in FY25

Other Statistics



Dan Grading



Male v Female
Memberships

HIGHLIGHTS



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DAN GRADING

Judo NSW has experienced a very strong period of Dan grading promotions over the past 12 months.

Two gradings were held during this time: one in December 2024 with 19 participants and one in August 2025 with 20 participants.

There has been strong engagement from both applicants and grading panel members, supported by valuable contributions from Ernie Wakamatsu and Dale Keogh in facilitating Dan grade preparation seminars.

These seminars have greatly assisted candidates in their preparation and contributed to the 100% pass rate achieved across both gradings.

December 2024 Dan Grading – passing the torch

This grading marked the final grading overseen by long-serving Judo NSW Grades Convenor Phil McDermott. We extend our thanks to Phil for his many years of dedicated service to the judo community in this role.

This grading also marked the introduction of myself as the new Grades Convenor.

August 2025 Dan Grading - Grading Panel Development

As the new convenor, I reached out to some previously untapped panel members for this grading to support the large number of applicants and to begin building future capacity.

It was very encouraging to see strong support from both long-serving Dan Grade panel members and several who had not previously been involved in the process.



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Panel Members

Sue Williams
7th Dan

John Buckley
6th Dan

Kerry Katz
6th Dan

Alan Broadhead
7th Dan

Dale Keogh
6th Dan

Morgan E.D.
6th Dan

Ivor E.D.
7th Dan

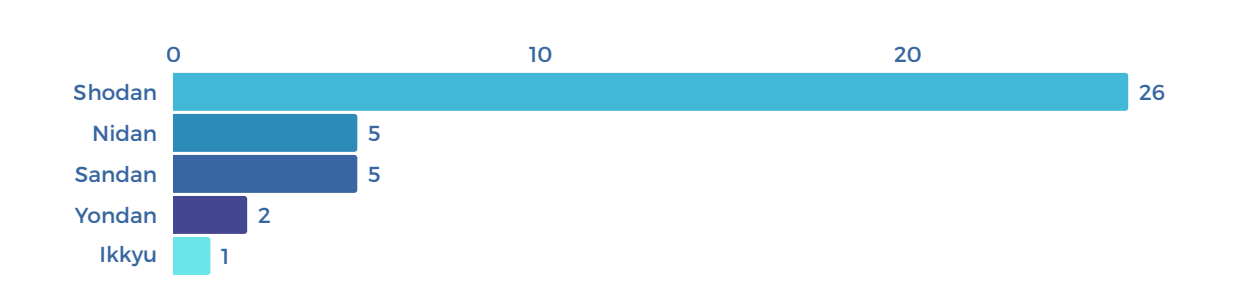
Phil McDemort
6th Dan

Semir Pepic
5th Dan

Ernie Wakamatsu
5th Dan

This panel was one of the most experienced ever assembled for a black belt grading in Australia, with over 500 years of combined judo experience among its members.
Combined Results (December 2024 & August 2025)

Across both gradings, 39 participants were promoted, including:



NSW continues to strengthen its Dan grade base, adding a significant number of new black belts and progressing members through the grades.

Judo NSW is pleased to facilitate new and existing black belts achieving the grades they deserve, positioning them to help develop the next generation of coaches and leaders within Judo NSW.



Greg Cadorin
GRADING CONVENOR
JUDO NSW

NSW KATA COMMISSION

Introduction

FY25 was a good year for the Judo NSW Kata team as it grew its junior team and returning members greatly improved. We greatly improved our medal count as well as Kata judges improving their skills and gaining National recognition. The team looks to continuing to improve in FY26 by increasing our medal count by competing in the new junior Kata category, Jr Katame no Kata.

Participation

Competitors

This year Judo NSW Kata competitors competed at several international opens, State Championships and JA National Kata Championships for a total of 40 performances. At the 2025 JA National Kata Championships, they came away with nine medals (three Gold, four Silver, and two Bronze) out of 19 possible medals. This is a 50% increase over last year's medal count (6). A special note for the junior team, who took all the medals in Jr Nage no Kata. For results from the Nationals and State Championships, please refer to the appendix.

At the international level, Bernhard and Bianca Tandean represented Australia at the IJF World Kata Championships in Las Vegas, USA, in Nov 2024. They did well in the U23 Ju no Kata category by getting into the final round. Support was provided by Rob Ivers and Franciscus Tandean as coach and manager, respectively. Bernhard and Bianca will represent Australia again at the World Kata Championship in Paris this year. They will be supported by Dale Keogh and Franciscus Tandean as coach and manager, respectively

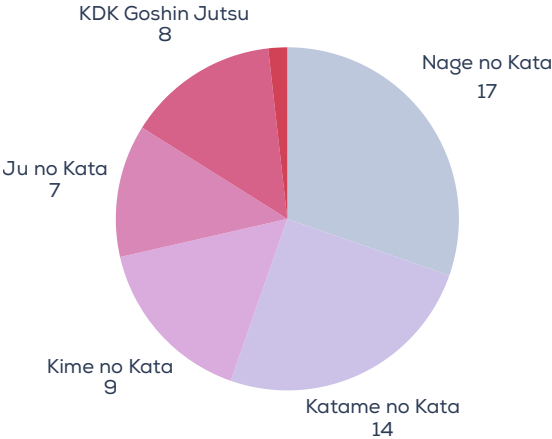


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Judges

There are 17 Kata judges in Judo NSW holding 56 Kata licenses across all Kata forms.

	Judges	Licenses
IJF	2	11
OJU	1	5
National	5	16
State	10	22



Not reflected above is the recent promotion of Greg Cadorin to OJU Kata judging license.

From July 2025, JA has included Jr Katame no Kata, Itsutsu no Kata, and Koshiki no Kata into the competition of national level events. The Kata team looks to compete in these Kata forms in FY26.

Other Activities

The first half of the calendar year is focused on getting the team ready for Nationals through fitness and skills training. The second half of the calendar year, instruction is provided on all Kata forms.



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A workshop was provided to club instructors on teaching Nage and Katame no Kata forms. The focus was to provide club instructors with the latest Kodokan instruction on these Katas to prepare their students for the Dan grading.

The team and BBR also assists with the Kata preparations and Judo technical review for Dan candidates prior to their grading.

Team Organisation

The Judo NSW Kata team meets every Saturday at 9:00am for fitness training and from 10am for Kata training. Dale Keogh and Ernie Wakamatsu continue to coach the Kata team, and are supported by Alex Malinoski for fitness training, and Eddie Yuen and Marcus Truppel for Kata training.

Goals and Objectives

For FY26, the Judo NSW Kata team looks to maintain its leadership position in developing Kata in Australia by increase our medal count and increase the number of Kata judges and licenses.

	24/25	25/26
 Team Members at Nationals	11	15
 Medals Count	9	11
 Kata Judges	17	20
 Kata Judges License	56	60



Ernie Wakamatsu
STATE KATA COACH
JUDO NSW

NSW REFEREES COMMISSION

Introduction

The Referee Commission has continued to strengthen its operations and support the development of refereeing across New South Wales during the 2024–2025 period. This report outlines the membership of the Commission, referee participation and licensing, events and competitions attended, development initiatives, and other activities undertaken to enhance refereeing standards.

Commission Members

The NSW Referee Commission is composed of the following members:

- Chairperson: Chak Chan
- Secretary: Kristin McCarthy
- Treasurer & Regional Centre Coordinator (North): Drew Evans
- Roster & Regional Centre Coordinator (South): Greg Cadorin
- Development Coordinator: Lubo Petr
- Strategy Coordinator: Deepali Mistry

Referee Participation

During the year, 48 referees attended at least one event. Of these, 39 were male and 9 were female.

In terms of licensing, there are currently 34 licensed referees and 14 trainee referees. Among licensed referees, 27 are aged 16 and above, while 7 are juniors aged 15 and below.



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Competitions and Events

- Referees participated in a total of 27 competitions during 2024–2025. These included:
- NSW-hosted competitions, such as the State Championships, Hunter Championships, Illawarra KKAL series, Community Series, Budokan Mons and Juniors, and Sydney International Open.
- National competitions, including the National Championships and various interstate International Opens (Melbourne, Adelaide, ACT and Queensland).
- International events, such as the Asian Open (Taipei), Tahiti Oceania Open, Mandurah OceaniaOpen, PanAm & Oceania Senior Championships (Santiago), Thailand International Judo
- Championships, and the World Championships Veterans (Las Vegas).
- Other events included the Uni Games and New Zealand National Championships.

Referee participation varied by event, with NSW referees recording a total of 170 attendances, equivalent to 230.5 competition days.

Notably, four referees—Chak Chan, Greg Cadorin, Lubo Petr, and Ah Rum Choi— each officiated at 10 or more events throughout the year.

Development and Training

To ensure referees remain up to date with rule changes and officiating practices, the Commission organised Refereeing Rules Sessions:

- February 1, 2025 – Judo NSW Training Centre
- February 8, 2025 – Illawarra International Judo Club
- February 8, 2025 – Judo Central Coast
- May 31, 2025 – Judo NSW Training Centre

License Distribution

The referee cohort is spread across different levels of accreditation, ranging from International Judo Federation (IJF) licences to State and Junior levels. A detailed breakdown is maintained by the Commission, with representation at IJF International and Continental levels, Oceania Judo Union (OJU), National, and State categories.

Referee Promotions:

Several referees achieved higher licences this year, reflecting their dedication and progression.

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- Alex Lee (Bronze → Silver)
- Christina Adams (State C → State B)
- Eddy Wong (State B → State A)
- Vladislav Glazunov (Bronze → State C)
- Additional promotions at State C and Silver levels were also recorded.

Technology and Equipment

The Commission continues to maintain and improve its competition CARE systems:

- Four sets of existing CARE systems and one spare set remain in use, with ongoing replacement of equipment and screens to ensure reliability.
- Portable CARE systems (iPads, tripods, and cables) were also introduced, enabling use at sanctioned club competitions and providing greater flexibility.

Recognition and Awards

In recognition of outstanding contributions:

- Chak Chan received the Refereeing Excellence & Dedication Award.
- Greg Cadorin received the Bez Fakhroldin Award for Commitment & Resilience.

Communication and Engagement

To improve communication and engagement with referees:

- Two WhatsApp groups were established, one for referees aged 16+ and another for parents of junior referees.



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- Bi-monthly/quarterly updates were distributed via email and WhatsApp by the Chairperson.
- The Commission maintained regular communication with the Judo NSW CEO to ensure alignment.

Communication and Engagement

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- The Commission maintained regular communication with the Judo NSW CEO to ensure alignment.

Other Initiatives

Additional work included:

- Provision of referee polo shirts and ties.
- Development of a referee winter jacket (ongoing).
- Introduction of a referee badge.
- Planning of a referee clinic focused on skill development.

Conclusion

The 2024–2025 year has been marked by growth in referee numbers, significant participation at local, national, and international events, and continued development of refereeing standards in New South Wales. The Referee Commission acknowledges the dedication of all referees and the support of Judo NSW in achieving these outcomes.



Chak Chan

CHAIRPERSON

JUDO NSW REFEREE Commission

RESULTS

2025 STATE CHAMPIONS

U11 Boys (Group 1) Brendan Jones Budokan Judo Club	U11 Boys (Group 2) Andy Zhang OKO Judo Club	U11 Boys (Group 3) Lenny Konx Wroe Zoo Judo Club	U11 Boys (Group 4) Eric Guo OKO Judo Club
U11 Girls Angy Zhang OKO Judo Club			

U13 Boys / U32kg Tayden Zhang Budokan Judo Club	U13 Boys / U35kg Timofey Sakalouski Zoo Judo Club	U13 Boys / U38kg Thomas Collingridge UTS Judo	U13 Boys / U41kg Sergelen Batmunkh UTS Judo
U13 Boys / U45kg Jio Pang Zenbu Australia	U13 Boys / U49kg Ben Blackstone UNSW Judo Club	U13 Boys / U66kg + O66 combined Leon Park Budokan Judo Club	U13 Boys / Special Ben Blackstone UNSW Judo Club

U15 Boys / U36kg +U40kg combined Rio Morand Grappling Bros	U15 Boys / U45kg Ethan Zhang Budokan Judo Club	U15 Boys / U50kg Lucas Zhang OKO Judo Club	U15 Boys / U55kg Jacob Raphael Kokoro Judo
U15 Boys / U60kg Otis D'Alton Evolution Judo	U15 Boys / U66kg Julius Ong Illawarra International	U15 Boys / O66kg Pio Lee Zenbu Australia	
U15 Girls / U40kg Krstina Tucic Zoo Judo	U15 Girls / U44kg + U48kg combined Abbey Cook Budokan Judo Club	U15 Girls / U52kg Mariah Toubia Tiger-Do Martial Arts	U15 Girls / U57kg Ayda Ozcelik Zenbu Australia
U15 Girls / U63kg Milica Dobric Budokan Judo Club			

Cadet Men / U50kg Daniil Savytskyi Budokan Judo Club	Cadet Men / U55kg Nathan Lu OKO Judo Club	Cadet Men / U60kg Nicholas Platonov Budokan Judo Club	Cadet Men / U66kg Kento Asano Budokan Judo Club
Cadet Men / U73kg Archie Simmonds Coffs Coast Judo	Cadet Men / U81kg Bilguundalai Nyamdorj Budokan Judo Club		

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2025 STATE CHAMPIONS

Cadet Women / U63kg
Brigitte De Luca
Grappling Bros

Cadet Women / U70kg
Alice Christensen
Tiger-Do Martial Arts

Cadet Women / O70kg
Anita Nourafshan
Budokan Judo Club

Junior Men / U60kg
Thomas Trainor
Tiger-Do Martial Arts

Junior Men / U66kg
Kento Asano
Budokan Judo Club

Junior Men / U73kg
Maxwell Zollinger
Budokan Judo Club

Junior Men / U81kg
Bilguundalai
Nyamdorj
Budokan Judo Club

**Junior Women /
U52kg + U57kg
combined**
Mackenzie Cook
Budokan Judo Club

**Junior Women /
U63kg**
Bianca Tandean
Budokan Judo Club

**Junior Women /
U70kg + U78kg
combined**
Anita
Nourafshan
Budokan Judo Club

**Junior Women /
O78kg**
Rose Yang
OKO Judo Club

Senior Men / U60kg
Thomas Trainor
Tiger-Do Martial Arts

Senior Men / U66kg
Eric Jang
Budokan Judo Club

Senior Men / U73kg
Angus Hutcheon
UNSW Judo Club

Senior Men / U81kg
James Agustin
UNSW Judo Club

Senior Men / U90kg
Noah Wallis
City Kickboxing

Senior Men / U100kg
Kittipong
Hantratin
UTS Judo

**Senior Men /
O100kg**
Robson Machado
Vieira
Grappling Bros

Senior Men / Open
Noah Wallis
Tiger-Do Martial Arts

**Veteran Men / U60kg
+ U66kg combined**
Ken McKenzie
Samurai Judo Academy

**Veteran Men / U73kg
+ U81kg combined**
Ahmed Abdo
Bushido Judo Club

Veteran Men / U90kg
Hidayat Imran
HD Grappling

Veteran Women
Amy Kay
Coffs Coast Judo

RESULTS CONT.

2025 NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

GOLD

Tayden R Zhang
U13 Boys / U32kg

Timofey Skalouski
U13 Boys / U35kg

Leon Park
U13 Boys / U66kg

Alexander Bestuzhev
U15 Boys / U36kg

Ethan R Zhang
U15 Boys / U45kg

Pio Lee
U15 Boys / U73kg

Joshua Sala
U15 Boys / O81kg

Abbey Cook
U15 Girls / U44kg

Ayda Ozcelik
U15 Girls / U57kg

Nicholas Platonov
Cadet Men / U55kg

Crosby Peake
Cadet Men / U60kg

Kento Arsano
Cadet Men / U66kg

Anita Nourafshan
Cadet Women / O70kg

Jose Miguel Brache Jarquin
Junior Men / O100kg

Shaoxuan Yang
Junior Women / O78kg

Robert Vukovich
Senior Men / U90kg

Kayhan Ozcicek-Takagi
Senior Men / U100kg

SILVER

Zachary Zhang
U13 Boys / U32kg

William Waters
U13 Boys / U35kg

Alexandar Dobric
U13 Boys / U38kg

Pio Pang
U13 Boys / U45kg

Erika Talbot
U13 Girls / U38kg

Koa Pike
U13 Girls / U45kg

Lucas Zhang
U15 Boys / U50kg

Jacob Raphael
U15 Boys / U55kg

Otis D'alton
U15 Boys / U60kg

Kristina Tucic
U15 Girls / U40kg

Grace Talbot
U15 Girls / U44kg

Amelia Trainor
U15 Girls / U48kg

Tyra Sauer
U15 Girls / U52kg

Milica Dobric
U15 Girls / U63kg

Sarah Bailey
U15 Girls / O63kg

Bilguundalai Nyamdorj
Cadet Men / U81kg

Crosby Peake
Junior Men / U60kg

BRONZE

Beau Matthews
U13 Boys / U32kg

Thomas Collingridge
U13 Boys / U38kg

Jason Nguyen
U13 Boys / U41kg

Auroral Sun
U13 Boys / U49kg

Annemieke Robertson
U13 Girls / U38kg

Kaya Asano
U13 Girls / U45kg

Blake Yong
U15 Boys / U55kg

Bram Robertson
U15 Boys / U55kg

Jin Derek
U15 Boys / U66kg

Julius Ong
U15 Boys / U66kg

Diana Platonov
U15 Girls / U48kg

Alice Lee
U15 Girls / U52kg

Laria Trbic
U15 Girls / U57kg

Daniil Savytskyi
Cadet Men / U50kg

Lochlan Cook
Cadet Men / U60kg

Archie Simmonds
Cadet Men / U73kg

Alice Christensen
Cadet Women / U70kg

RESULTS CONT.

2025 NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

GOLD

- Bernhard Tandean**
ADAPT / G-1
- Jakob Edwards**
ADAPT / G-2
- Lynne McCredden**
ADAPT / G-3
- Thomas Trainor**
Kyu Grade Men / U60kg
- Thomas Trainor**
Kyu Grade Men / U100kg

SILVER

- Maxwell Zollinger**
Junior Men / U66kg
- Joshua Koenig**
Junior Men / U81kg
- Mackenzie Cook**
Junior Women / U57kg
- Bianca Tandean**
Junior Women / U63kg
- Anita Nourafshan**
Junior Women / U78kg
- Pedro Antun**
Senior Men / U60kg
- Angus Hutcheon**
Senior Men / U66kg
- Joshua Koenig**
Senior Men / U81g
- Kittipong Hantratin**
Senior Men / U100g
- Mackenzie Cook**
Senior Women / U57kg
- Anita Nourafshan**
Senior Women / U78kg
- Andjelina Tucic**
Kyu Grade Women / U63kg

BRONZE

- Sarah Bailey**
Cadet Women / U70kg
- Lochlan Cook**
Junior Men / U60kg
- Nikola Dobric**
Junior Men / U73kg
- Bilguundalai Nyamdorj**
Junior Men / U81kg
- Chloe Kericopolas**
Junior Women / U48kg
- Clarissa Vumbaca**
Junior Women / U52kg
- Maxwell Zollinger**
Senior Men / U66kg
- Jad Reda**
Senior Men / U66kg
- Elijah Raif**
Senior Men / U73kg
- James Agustin**
Senior Men / U81kg
- Lewis Taylor**
Senior Men / U100kg
- Chloe Kericopolas**
Senior Women / U48kg
- Clarissa Vumbaca**
Senior Women / U52kg
- Bianca Tandean**
Senior Women / U63kg
- Shaoxuan Yang**
Senior Women / O78kg
- Andjela Bodiroza**
Kyu Grade Women / U63kg

RESULTS CONT.

Analysis

The NSW team had a six week lead in commencing with a weekend training camp over the Saturday and Sunday. From there the senior team trained on Wednesday evenings and Saturday afternoons and the Junior team trained Monday evening and Saturday afternoons at the Newington Armoury.

A schedule was prepared indicating which coach was responsible for leading a session. This continued in a rotating order and the responsible coach would forward the session plan to the head coach for review/approval prior. This system ensured all 5 coaches felt equally involved and in turn developed their skills in session planning and coaching a large group of athletes.

In 2025 we welcomed 3 new junior coaches being Liam McCListy, Christina Adams and Jungmin Pang. All were given the opportunity to lead training sessions and demonstrated confidence and a commitment to the athletes. It should also be noted that the competition for U11 competitors was removed by the national body this year. This did reduce overall team numbers however was a positive with respect to NSW junior squad training. The smaller numbers allowed for all athletes to train in the one room as opposed to splitting across the two dojos.

Attendances were maintained by Belinda McIndoe and athletes falling below the required 70% attendance were contacted by the head coach and reminded of this requirement. When coaching at the nationals, each coach was assigned a mat to ensure coverage across the 5 mat areas. This generally worked well, however there remains discussion about this system, with some coaches preferring to move between mats, assisting those they know best.



RESULTS CONT.

NSW Participation VS Medals Across Divisions

Division	Total	% Winning A Medal
Juniors	62	58%
Seniors	63	75%
Veterans	7	71%

The analysis shows we had a large team of juniors however that did not necessarily equate to more medals. The stand out here were the Western Australian juniors with a team of 19, 84% of which obtained a medal. In comparison the NSW junior team consisted of 62 athletes, with 58% receiving a medal. Interestingly, the next biggest junior team, Victoria consisted of 38 athletes with on 47% converting to a medal.

One theory here is that the cost of sending a junior from Western Australia to Queensland is significant compared with the cost to a NSW athlete. Are Western Australia only sending their best juniors due to cost? The current draw system used in juniors can mean if you lose your first fight, you might not get another. Is that a factor being considered?

This trend did not continue into the senior categories with 75% of our seniors obtaining a medal. This includes cadet, junior, senior, kyu grades. In the junior team event NSW placed 1 st and 3rd.



RESULTS CONT.

There remains a large opportunity to encourage more veterans to attend with NSW competitor numbers in this category very low. Consideration should be given as to how this opportunity can be effectively communicated. It should also be communicated that there is no attendance requirement at NSW training for veteran competitors.

There is also an opportunity to encourage more kyu grade competitors. Although many want to focus on the mainstream competition, (which provides national ranking points) the schedule has now changed with the kyu grade competition on the Sunday (as opposed to the Saturday). If this schedule remains, athletes can concentrate on the main competition on the Saturday however will have a second opportunity to compete in kyu grades on the Sunday. This opportunity should be stressed to athletes holding a 1st Kyu in that they can obtain valuable grading points towards their first Dan.

I would like to thank the entire coaching team for their efforts and support in 2025. It should be noted that the senior coaches commenced at 8am on the Saturday with the competition not finishing until 9pm that night. The junior coaches were kept equally busy with such a large team. Also thank you to the managers, Greg and Belinda with their logistical support.



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