

JSKA News

The last words of 2016....!

Let's Celebrate 2016!

We had a busy year filled with exciting events with many smiles! Thanks to all the parents for their support in especially the World and Development Champs - we do have the best parents!

Thanks to all the instructors for their unselfish commitment and dedication - behind every great student is a brilliant instructor!

Our students showed character and persistence to go the extra mile and it became evident in the medal counts of both international events.

We are extremely proud of our student's achievements on the floor and conduct off the floor

2016 Dan Grading

The long list of successful dan examinees are published on our web but allow me to mention two outstanding candidates - Leon von Vollenstee and Tony Williams were awarded NANADAN (7th Dan)!

We are proud of their extremely high technical standard making their grades far above question but the humbleness and loyalty set a true example to follow!

We honour you Tony sensei and Leon sensei!

Recently refined leadership

The leadership in JSKA South Africa and The Karate Academy of South Africa has been refined.

Structural changes will be implemented for 1 January 2017 and we expect rapid growth in both JSKA and TKA due to new energy and ideas.

Leon von Vollenstee (7th dan) has been appointed as Chief Instructor of JSKA South Africa and Paul Botha (5th dan) as Chief Instructor of TKA South Africa.

Tony Williams (7th dan) will coordinate JSKA (WF) our international responsibilities and Pieter Chairman of the Directorate. Ivan Eber has accepted the position of Company Chairman.

At the last JSKA Shihankai meeting, I was requested to create a leaders structure to facilitate future expansion of JSKA. We have identified various responsibilities that could be delegated to make Abe sensei's task lighter.



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Month	Date	Event	Venue
January	9	JSKA Schools Open - Holiday Times	All Academy Dojo's
January	11	JSKA Schools Open	All Academy Dojo's
January	13/14/15	JSKA Zimbabwe Gashuku	Harare
January	20/21/22	JSKA Mozambique Gashuku	Maputo
January	27/28/29	JSKA Berg Gashuku	Injisuthi, Northern Drakensberg
January	30	TKA Kiddies / Juniors / Adult Beginners Classes start	All Academy Dojo's
February	3	JSKA UK Training Camp	Guildford, UK
February	4	TKA Kiddies Grade Evaluation	Hatfield Dojo
February	4	JSKA UK Open Championships	Guildford, UK
February	24	NGI / Instructors Training	Hatfield Dojo
March	11	TKA Instructors Seminar	All Academy Dojo's
March	18	JSKA Master's Seminar	Lions Club - Pretoria
March	24/25	33rd JSKA South Africa National Championships	eMalahleni (Witbank)
March	27 - 30	TKA Kyu Grading	All Academy Dojo's
March	31	NGI / Instructors Training	Hatfield Dojo
April	1-17	School Holiday Training Times	All Academy Dojo's
April	21	NGI / Instructors Training	Hatfield Dojo
May	26/27/28	JSKA Europe Championships	Sopron, Hungary
May	26	NGI / Instructors Training	Hatfield Dojo
June	30	NGI / Instructors Training	Hatfield Dojo
July	1-30	TKA Holiday Training Times	All Academy Dojo's
July	28	NGI / Instructors Training	Hatfield Dojo
August	12	TKA Instructors Seminar	All Academy Dojo's
August	9-13	JSKA Germany Masters Camp	Lubeck, Germany
August	19	JSKA Master's Seminar	Lions Club - Pretoria
August	25/26	22nd JSKA Development Championships	Maputo, Mozambique
August	28-31	TKA Kyu Grading	All Academy Dojo's
September	22	NGI / Instructors Training	Hatfield Dojo
October	1-8	School Holiday Training Times	All Academy Dojo's

October	27	NGI / Instructors Training	Hatfield Dojo
November	18	JSKA SA Dan/Kyu Grading Seminar	Lions Club - Pretoria
November	24/25	JSKA SA Dan Grading/Standardization Gashuku	Hatfield Dojo
November	27-30	TKA Kyu-grading	All Academy Dojo's
December	4	TKA Holiday Training Times	All Academy Dojo's

Abbreviations used in JSKA South Africa Year Calendar

JSKA SA	Japan Shotokan Karate Association of South Africa
TKA	Tha Karate Academy of South Africa
NGI	New Generation Instructors