IMAF-EUROPE NEWSLETTER

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The President has the word

Dear Budoka, Dear All,

At the beginning of 2013 a new eve has started for IMAF Europe, a time for changes based on progress and mutual respect.

With a new Daily Board and a changed policy based on respect: respect that works into two directions:

As a Federation we have the full respect for the individual freedom of our Member Countries, but we ask the same for the gang makers of our Federation: the Daily Board of IMAF Europe.

Everybody shall take his task in this road to changes and novelties, we have the advantages of the freedom and our rights, and therefore we must also carry our tasks and perform our duties! We hope all of you shall work onto this tremendous task, this challenge!

And that these who are against our idea of changes understand that they are obsolete in our Federation, no delays anymore, we are not waiting for them unless they understand and follow us at last!

Sincerely Yours,

Ir Geoff Benoy President IMAF Europe

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Important upcoming events

IMAF-BOSNIA & HERZEGOWINA International Martial Arts Championships BRCKO Open 2013 9 March 2013, Brcko, BiH

IMAF-SPAIN - Seminar with Kurumaji Sensei and Koshino Sensei 22-23 March 2013, Girona, Spain

IMAF-EUROPE ANNUAL CONGRESS 2013 27 April 2013, Hoboken/ Antwerp, Belgium

IMAF-BELGIUM 35TH ANNIVERSARY INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR 28 April 2013, Hoboken/ Antwerp, Belgium IMAF-POLAND SPRING CAMP 1-3 May, Wiktorowo, Poland

IMAF-PORTUGAL INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT 28-30 June, Lisbon, Portugal

IMAF-EUROPE EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS 2013 19-20 October 2013, in Alba Iulia, Romania.

IMAF-BELGIUM INTERNATIONAL BUDO SEMINAR 17 November 2013, Hoboken/ Antwerp, Belgium

Check out the full Calendar 2013 on the last pages of this Newsletter.

See also our Website www.imaf-europe.com for actual and up-to-date information



2013:

30TH ANNIVERSARY of IMAF-EUROPE

35TH ANNIVERSARY of IMAF-BELGIUM

SEMINAR WITH KURUMAJI SENSEI AND KOSHINO SENSEI

Promotion of the International Seminar that will be held in Spain on March 23rd and 24th 2013. For both Kurumaji Sensei and Hoshino Sensei this is the first time they conduct a seminar outside Japan and therefore this will be the first time they visit Europe.

This is a unique opportunity to learn Koryu Bujutsu from one of the respected Sensei in Japan and high ranking member of Dai Nippon Butokukai (Kyoto).

SEMINAR SPAIN

Times and prizes:

Saturday 23rd March:

Karate and Shibukawaichi Ryu Jujutsu

09:30 - 12:30 and 16:30 - 19:30

Sunday 24th March:

Karate and Shibukawaichi Ryu Jujutsu

09:30 - 13:00

Prizes:

- Instructors/ teachers: € 40 (all teachers)
- Members of FCENKBJIMAF/ IMAF EUROPA/ ATE/ ZNTIR/ FCKARATE/ IBU/ KYOKU SHINKAI KARATE DO (with actual membership): € 50
- Members of other organizations: € 60

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Impressions from our members' activities

3rd National IMAF Kobudo Championships in Germany

the 3rd National IMAF Kobudo Championships in Jennelt (Germany) were again a great success. Almost 100 participants from different National clubs took part.

Divisions were Kata (divided into different weapon sections), Sport-Kenjutsu and Sport Bo-Jutsu, and with a total of 35 divisions. Before the start of the competition several demonstrations in Karate-Do, Taiho-Jutsu and Kobudo of the different Dojo took place as part of the opening ceremony. After six hours all participants were very happy to receive the earned medals and trophies from the national board of IMAF-Branch Germany. The tournament took place on three tatami and without any injury.

Host was the SV Jennelt/Uttum 1958 e.V.

4th Iron Stick Challenge in Germany

After the successful IMAF Iron Stick Challenges in the last years, IMAF- Branch Germany organized the 4th edition of the Tournament for Philipino Martial Arts (Arnis, Escrima, and Kali).

After Tournaments in Weener, Emden and Bremen now Uttum in lower Saxony hosted event 2013. this in Arnisadores from different clubs in the north of Germany showed their skills in Forms (Anyo), Solo Baston (Single Stick-Fight) and Double Baston (Double Stick-Fight) without any protection in the tradition of Garimot Arnis like practised within the Laguna Arnis Federation. A lot of spectators joined this event to see incredible fast stick drills and tactical light contact fightings in different divisions. Due to the continuos fighting system, the speed of manouvers in attack and defense is often very high.

German IMAF Representative Jens Fricke is one of only four licensed full instructors (Guru) in Europe and a direct student of Gat Puno Abundio Baet (5th generation Grandmaster in Garimot Arnis).



Impressions from our members' activities 2

LIKE FATHER LIKE SON: <u>CASPER ROSENDAHL SWEDISH CHAMPION</u>

The IMAF-Sweden club of Peter Rosendahl participated in the prestigious Sport Jujutsu Championships on 2 February 2013.

Young Casper Rosendahl (10) gained the Gold Medal for Swedish Champion (Cat. Children < 10 Yrs. Proud dad Peter is now glowing in the dark.

His club was even more successful, with Gold for a student in the category women 16 yrs and 3 Silver medals Sport Jujutsu.

Very rewarding is also that IMAF-Sweden accomplished to get a 100% cooperation with the National Swedish Jujutsu Federation, also a giant leap for IMAF-Sweden.





BELGIUM SUCCESS AT THE WOC 2012

Due to the results of his club Aka –I –Bara (the Red Rose) at the World Open Championships 2012 In Hoboken/ Belgium, Hanshi Geoff Benoy and his successful students were invited to the City Hall of Hoboken to receive the special sports trophies from the executive Maier of Antwerp. The following people did get a special reward:

- ZAIDI Hamza for his second and another third places Karate and Full Contact Juniors.
- ZAIDI Soefiane for his first place Combat Jujutsu World Champion and World Champion Full Contact Juniors.
- MAES Yannick for his third place in his category Karate.
- MAES Cedric for his first place in his category Karate during the Rupel Cup.
- The Kata Team Celeste Vranckx, Yannick Maes and Sari Billiau for the second place in their category.
- And last but not least ZAIDI Soefiane was nominated Sportsman of the Year 2012!



BUDO and **SPIRITUALITY**

For every person spirituality is different.

Spirituality is not restricted to religion; it is also something that comes from deep inside yourself. BUDO and humility go well together: do not be bigger than you are, but do not be smaller than you are.

Reflection: looking at yourself, looking into yourself.

BUDO and Zen Buddhism also belong together. Spirituality allows you as a practitioner in BUDO to be able to go through your chosen path to achieve their own development.

It takes courage to stand up in confronting your SELF, to look for a valuable place in a fast society, to not directly feel discouraged by a setback, to deal with humour with your own limitation, to feel yourself supported and protected by a higher power.



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15 Years Osaka Sport Center

on 14.12.2012 Germany's IMAF Honbu Dojo celebrated its 15 years anniversary. OSC-Students, former students and instructors from regional clubs came over to congratulate and celebrate at an evening party.



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MAIN ARTICLE: Teaching Budo

In most clubs and schools, especially small ones, there is only one teacher and maybe one or two assistants. In most clubs and schools there may be 3 students' levels – beginners, intermediate and advanced.

Many clubs don't have their own accommodation. In many occasions they rent a gym from a public school, which they have to share with other clubs, such as gymnastics, volleyball, badminton, etc. It is the availability of space and time that determines the possibility to teach several classes, such as youth/children, and the juniors and seniors. In many cases schools have their own building, sometimes dedicated to Budo, but in most cases they combine other sports such as fitness.

In an ideal situation you have separate classes for each level in age and skills, if you have the teachers and assistants to cover it all. But again, this also greatly depends upon the availability of space and time.

So we have to do with what we have. You, the teacher, hopefully assisted by some Brown belts or higher. Many teachers grow in their role of instructor. They may have started as a student under the guidance of their master and gradually began to assist, take over classes, or started a club of their own. However, not every black belt is suitable to be an instructor. But you can learn how to teach.

It is the policy of IMAF-Europe, that all teachers in our member-countries are, qualified teachers. It is the right of the student to be trained by and to be tought by a qualified teacher. That's what he or she is paying for. Therefore it is of eminent importance to train your instructors and teachers according to the requirements that exist in your country.

Good instruction and teaching brings us the high quality we wish to reach and maintain.

Each club or school, sooner or later, goes through the process of continuity. Nobody is getting any younger and someday the best teacher has to accept that his trainee or oldest student shall succeed him and take over his club or school. This has also to do with quality. In fact, here we make use of the process which is so characteristic for Budo, be a servant to each other, learn from each other, make use of each other's strong points.

With more than one teacher, we have more than one style of teaching and coaching. That shouldn't be a problem, as long each teacher has a clear role in the process of teaching, coaching, and also managing the club or school. In terms of teaching: as long as everybody applies the basic principles of didactics and pedagogic, and as long as everybody takes care of the physical and emotional safety of students and assistants, we have nothing to worry about. Another point that can be added to quality is the inspiration of the motivated teacher. Pro-activity is the key to success. Take your role as teacher or assistant, take your part of

the responsibility and let them take responsibility for

and enjoy.

the tasks you assigned to them, find out what you and

they like the most (make use each other's strong points)

By Cees van der Wal

We should begin somewhere..... A few starting points:

Being a talented Budoka is doesn't mean you are also a good teacher. But teaching can be taught.

Teaching in Budo is many times coherent with imitating your Sensei and his style is more or less adopted to form your own style. Of course with many variations. The training pattern is clear: warming up, basic techniques, the applications, Kata and cooling down. But much has changed in the field of teaching and coaching. There have been many developments, some still in progress, which were of great influence on the styles of teaching and coaching, and the teaching methods that evolved from these developments.

Didactics – "the way" teaching, how to transfer your knowledge and skills to your students.

Methodology – how to conduct a lesson or training.

By the way, to my opinion there is a significant difference between the instruction of Budo and other sports. In sports we train, in Budo we teach and learn.

How can we train our assistants and how can we effectively bring them into action? Sometimes the assistants appear to be more fanatic than the teacher, where the experienced teacher is in balance with his approach to teaching. Sometimes it looks like if the older students are a little neurotic in their approach to teaching and they hold on to the conviction that everybody has to perform everything well. Teaching is not "learning how to teach". Good teachers are not only qualified, but they update and upgrade their skills regularly, for instance during Instructors courses, where they refresh and enhance their knowledge and teaching skills. This is quite different from students who became instructors.

Even when you are a natural when it comes to teaching, doesn't mean you don't have to take some steps to improve your possibilities.

It is a fact that most assistants are not trained, but they shouldn't be excluded from the possibility to teach. Using assistants to fill up the gaps is worthless and also disrespectful.

It is not a good approach if assistants are put in action only to pick up some experience in teaching. Teaching in Budo is a real job! This means they must have received training before, and that the chief instructor must pave the way with a training plan with clear steps.

- Make a distinction between Budo grades and instruction authority and qualification.
- Guide assistants in the right direction to valuable training (First aid, CPR, teaching to adults, teaching to children, physical and emotional safety, etc.).
- Coach Assistants to the goal: become fully qualified teachers.
- Give them a number of lessons to work out for teaching and observe sharp and accurate. Give feedback immediately after their lesson.
- Keep yourselves to your own rules qualifications are worthless if you allow that teaching is being done without them

Make a distinction between Budo grades and instruction authority.

In Budo we work with grades and at the beginning and end of each training or lesson we are nicely lined up from high to low.

Because of the difference that is made between the grades, there is some sort of hierarchy rising from where we often look for assistance while we teach.

This hierarchical structure is also used to help students during examinations, as referee during competition. All instruments to give shape to promote the need to develop ourselves, our need to self development.

Assistants should be encouraged to take part in official training courses to become qualified.

On the long run it is not longer sufficient to let people teach just because they have a black belt. Everybody who wants to teach must receive the proper education and training.

Teaching should not be a status symbol for black belts.

Guide assistants in the right direction to valuable training

Guiding and coaching is maybe the most important element in teaching. As a mentor you do nothing more than guide someone on his way to a certain goal. We don't have to give them everything of what they can use on the way to that goal, unless you are the most obvious source for that information.

Guide assistants to the goal of becoming fully qualified teachers

Set the goals together with your assistants and start with their description of how they see their role in the school. Give access to their possibilities, describe their level of development, give effective feedback, set an end date and repeat where necessary. Guide the assistants through a process to become good teachers with effective training and education.



Give them a number of lessons to work out and to instruct

When you assign an assistant to teach a Group or level, you cannot teach other groups yourself, because you are too busy in observing the assistant during his assignment (the only way to observe accurate and sharp). Evaluate directly after the lesson, give positive feedback. This feedback shouldn't be about the technical training, but about the teaching itself.

Stick to your own rules

Qualifications are worthless if you allow teaching without

On the long run you cannot allow that training or lessons are conducted without a proper license.

If you leave it as it is, why should they bother to pick up an education. Make sure that they apply for an education, give them a certain time within they must have succeeded to obtain their diploma or license. If it is hard to reach that goal, than make sure that you have a program to obtain their ability in another way, in their own school.

How do assistants become good teachers?

- Do not interfere with the students; leave them alone, unless you are asked by the Sensei.
- Ask for patience before you are going to help (you don't have to jump up directly to help)...
- Lead by example.
- Learn how to give feedback.
- Refer students to the teacher if they have questions about rules and such.
- What works for you doesn't have to work for others.
 What one does with ease, may work with others only after longer training.
- Have understanding for different lifestyles and priorities – be patient.
- Learn the core behaviours of teaching and use the principles of teaching.

About Shihan Cees van der Wal

He learned the Art of Karate-Do on a scientific and logical basis, as former Assistant Technical Director for Europe, from Shihan Frank Anderson. Shihan Frank learned his skills from the best, being a direct student of Kanazawa Sensei (he was the first US GI to receive his Black Belt from him) and Nishiyama Sensei. He followed Shihan Frank on many occasions in summer camps and travels to different European countries, especially Romania.

The basis of IMAF-Romania Shotokan Karate-Do also comes from the same approach: JKA.

After the IMAF-Europe Branch Romania had been founded, Shihan Cees continues the work to bring the best possible training methods to Romania.

His speciality is effective self defence. His assignment to continue to bring the spirit and friendship to Romania.

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Introducing Shihan Jaap Korzelius

Shihan Korzelius was born on 18th September 1934 and is in the possession of the following Dan degrees: 10th Dan TAI JTSU, 8th Dan WADO-RYU KARATE-DO, 8th Dan JUDO, and 8th Dan NIHON JUJTSU.

When he was 11 years young, he started Judo and Jujutsu at the famous school of Ge Koning. The comic books of Dick Bos (actually the pseudonym of Maurice van Nieuwenhuizen, founder of IMAF) where the trigger that put him to choose for these arts.

In that era Judo and such were trained on a wooden floor, without mats. Fall breaking was learned quickly under such circumstances. He learned his Judo from Japanese master Michigami and Wado-ryu from Sensei Kono (who passed away some years ago) and from the founder of Wado Ryu Karate-Do, Othsuka Sensei 10e Dan

He trained Judo with famous names: Anton Geesink, Wim Boersma, Jan Snijders, Cees Buenting, Hein Essink, Dick Schilder, and Tonnie Wagenaar. Karate: Otsuka Sensei, Ishikawa, Rob Zwartjes, Paul van Koningshoven.

Tai Jtsu with Mochizuki Sensei, Maurice van Nieuwenhuizen, Jaap Nauwelaerts d' Agé, Paul van Koningshoven, Rinus Schulz and Fred van der Heijden.

What Shihan Korzelius remembers most is that, through all the years where he met many higher Dan, that the spiritual aspect is also worthy of a Higher Dan, because of the Budo spirit that they develop.

That is also Budo



His philosophy:

"Everybody has his own style, even when you stick to the norm (and the norm should be there), everybody can only move to their own abilities and possibilities. We cannot be copies of one another.

You must move and execute to your own possibilities, with your personal goal to get the optimum out of yourself. Put maximum effectivity in the movement that YOU can execute. That development is what you do together with your Sensei."



28 April

Belgium

		IMAF-Sweden	Hörby
MATE	4-6 January	Combat Camp Sweden 2013	Hörby Sweden
	8-14 January	IMAF-Poland International Winter Camp	Kościelisko Poland
WAR	19 January	IMAF-the Netherlands Kangeiko	Ede the Netherland
	16 February	IMAF-HUNGARY Regional Championship	Hungary
	22-24 February	CJJIF II Combat Ju-Jutsu Cup of Caucasus	Baku Azerbaidjan
MA	23 February	IMAF-Romania Black Belt Shodan Shiken	Bilteni Romania
WAF	2 March	IMAF-Belgium Rupelcup	Niel Belgium
	2 March	IMAF-Poland National Congress	Torun Poland
	22-23 March	IMAF-Spain Seminar with Kurumaji Sensei and Koshino Sensei	Girona Spain
STA MAT	22-23 March	IMAF-Romania Instructors and Referee Seminar	Alba Iulia Romania
	20 April	IMAF-Romania Cupa Romaniei-Petrofac	Ticleni Romania
	26-28 April	CJJIF IV Combat Ju-Jutsu World Championship	Suzdal Russia
WIALE MALE	27 April	IMAF-EUROPE ANNUAL CONGRESS 2013	Hoboken Belgium
373	28 April	IMAF-Belgium	Hoboken

35th Anniversary - International Seminar

	01-03 May	IMAF-Poland Martial Arts Spring Seminar, DAN grades examination day	Wiktorowo Poland
	7–12 May	IMAF-Romania Spring Training with Cees van der Wal Shihan in Alba Iulia; Campeni; Abrud; Slatina; Ticleni; Tg.Carbunesti	Alba Iulia Romania
Wing.	19 May	IMAF-Belgium The Four Elements Cup	Leopoldsburg Belgium
	25 May	IMAF-Germany Sakura Cup	Moordorf Germany
	26 May	IMAF-the Netherlands Black Belt examination day	Ede the Netherlands
	1 June	IMAF-Poland Open Championships Martial Arts	Slupsk Poland
	1 June	IMAF-Romania Campionatul National IMAF	Alba Iulia Romania
	2 June	IMAF-Germany Osaka Cup Karate	Emden Germany
	14-16 June	IMAF-Spain Taikai 2013	Cala Montjoi Spain
0	28-30 June	IMAF-Portugal International Tournament Portugal	Lisbon Portugal
	28 June-4 July	IMAF-Hungary Central Summer Training Camp	Hungary
	3 July	IMAF-HUNGARY Regional Championship	Hungary
	13-19 July	IMAF-Poland International Training Camp Transcarpathia (in co-operation with SK Myrotvorets Lviv)	Ukraine
	24-30 July	IMAF-Romania Summer Training Camp	Eforie (Black See) Romania
	24–25 August	IMAF-Poland Martial Arts Camp (IMAFPL National Team only)	Wiktorowo Poland

STA IMMALE	7 September	IMAF-Germany Budo Seminar	Bielefeld Germany
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-53	28 September	IMAF-Poland	Torun
PAN /ALE		IMAF-Poland Cup (Juniors and Seniors)	Poland
		IMAF-Poland Tournament for Children	
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CIJIF :	3-8 October	IV Combat Ju-Jutsu World Cup Adults	Ukraine
		IMAF-HUNGARY	
	6 October	National Championships	Hungary
		IMAF-EUROPE	Alba Iulia
MAIF	19-20 October	EUROPEAN OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS	Romania
		2013	
No.TO		CIJIF	Almaty
CIJIF	2-3 November	IV Combat Ju-Jutsu Championship of Asia	Kazakhstan
ON BAHON AND		IMAF-Romania	Slatina
	16 November	Turneul Campionilor IMAF	Romania
		IMAF-Belgium	Hoboken
(M/A)F	17 November		Belgium
	. 18 / 18 / 18	IMAF-the Netherlands	Ede
WAF	24 November	Black Belt examination day	the Netherlands
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WAT	30 November	Fudochi Cup	Germany
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	1 December	Tokon Cup	Germany
	0.55	IMAF-Romania	Alba Iulia
	7 December	Cupa Gemina DBP	Romania
	Tellin Union	IMAF-HUNGARY	
	7 December	Regional Championship	Hungary

WORLD TAI CHI AND QUI GONG DAY SATURDAY 27 APRIL 2013

For the second time IMAF Branch Germany is supporting the World Tai Chi and Qui Gong Day with a seminar.

The idea is that over the whole world people come together to train Tai Chi and Qui Gong same time

At 10.00 hr. Local time starts the World Tai Chi Day in New Zealand and sends positive energy all over the world with the "The Global Tai Chi Wave".

Tai Chi is a sophisticated and supremely effective martial art that aims to improve concentration as well as mental and physical efficiency. Its main objective is to achieve good robust health, peace of mind and longevity. Tai Chi expresses the philosophy of Yin and Yang, the harmony of complementary, opposite forces.

Yin is passive, empty, cold, still, resting and negative. Yang is active, moving, full, hot, working, positive etc. Yin and yang are continuously interacting in harmony with each other, thus bringing about the constant change seen throughout the Universe.

Qigong is an internal Chinese meditative practice with over 3000 years of history, which often uses slow graceful movements and controlled breathing techniques. The Chinese believe that through gentle exercise which incorporates the mind, breathing and body it helps to cultivate and promote circulation of Qi within the human body, thus enhance a practitioner's overall health.

Qigong is truly an exercise system suitable for people of all ages and all levels of physical ability.

The FTC in Hollen is hosting this event the second time after the big success in 2012. Last year more than 80 people joined.

The program included Tai Chi forms like 24- Steps Yang Style, Basic Tai Chi, and Five Elements Tai Chi and in Qui Gong the traditional 15 Movements, Silk Reeling and more. Everybody is welcome to participate free of charge! This Year there will be also an additional workshop Self defence and Tai Chi for Kids.

Planned teachers are: Robert Dirks (IMAF - Self defence), Max Kötter (IMAF - Tai Chi), Laurencia van der Linden (IMAF - Qui Gong).



Laurencia and Max in China (2012)

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SATURDAY 22ND & SUNDAY 23RD JUNE 2013 BREAFFY HOUSE RESORT, CASTLEBAR, CO. MAYO

REGISTRATION SATURDAY (KATA) 11AM | SUNDAY (FIGHTING) 9-10.30AM



WHITE TIGER CHALLENGE

Cash Prizes for Grand Champion Fighting Divisions Junior & Senior | Male & Female

Grand Champion Divisions Elite fighters will begin negative points!

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Kata Divisions €10 | Fighting Divisions €15 | Additional Divisions €5 Family discounts will apply

FIGHTING - SUNDAY 23RD JUNE 2013 (CONTINUED)

		LIGHT CONT	ACT CONTINUOUS FIGHTING
DIVISION	GENDER	AGE	BEGINNER / INTERMEDIATE ADVANCED
17	Male -	7 & Under	Two Heights Two Heights Two Heights
18	Male	8, 9 & 10 Years	Two Heights Two Heights Two Heights
19	Male	11, 12 & 13 Years	Two Heights Two Heights Two Heights
20	Male	14, 15 & 16 Years	Two Heights Two Heights Two Heights
21	Male	17 & Over	70 kg -70 kg
22	Male	17 & Over	80 kg -80 kg
23	Male	17 & Over	- +80 kg +80 kg
24	Female	7 & Under	Two Heights Two Heights Two Heights
25	Female	8, 9 & 10 Years	Two Heights Two Heights Two Heights
26	Female	11, 12 & 13 Years	Two Heights Two Heights Two Heights
27	Female	14, 15 & 16 Years	Two Heights Two Heights Two Heights
28	Female	17 & Over	55 kg -55 kg
29	Female	17 & Over	65 kg -65 kg
30	Female	17 & Over	- +65 kg +65 kg
31	Male	17 & Over	OPEN WEIGHT GRAND CHAMPION

OPEN WEIGHT GRAND CHAMPION

We are delighted to invite you and your students to the 3rd Annual White Tiger Challenge, now extended over two days - 22nd and 23rd of June 2013 in the fantastic Breaffy House Resort, just outside Castlebar, Co. Mayo.

Day one will be all about Kata and Forms, and we have done this to give the time and attention which is required to the Kata and Forms divisions. At the moment, the event registration has been scheduled for 11am on the 22nd of June with the competition starting at 12 noon.

Last year, there were over 100 entries for Individual Traditional Kata, Musical Forms, and Musical Weapons Forms, and we're delighted to say that this year there will be three new divisions included in the event, Individual Traditional Weapons Kata, Team Traditional Kata, and Trickz Divisions.

Day two will see the fighting divisions being run, with Point Fighting, Continuous Fighting, and the Grand Champion Point Fighting Division. There were over 400 entries last year, with some of the top competitors in Ireland and England using this event as part of their World Championship preparation.

There are already two teams booked in from England and many people from both Ireland and England have already booked their rooms at the event hotel, so all the signs point to an even bigger, and better event in 2013. Entry for the Kata and Forms divisions is €10, while for the Fighting divisions it is €15, and all divisions will be divided by age, grade and where appropriate height/weight. There will be special reductions for second and third divisions and of course, a family rate will apply.

The hotel rooms are from €25pp sharing and half price breakfast vouchers are available. Last year the hotel fully booked out so please book early and quote 'white tiger' to avail of the room rate.

I hope that you will have the opportunity to attend this event, and I look forward to welcoming you on the day, should you have any queries please don't hesitate to us.

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& Breaffy Woods Hotel

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Listed building



KATA/FORMS - SATURDAY 22ND JUNE 2013

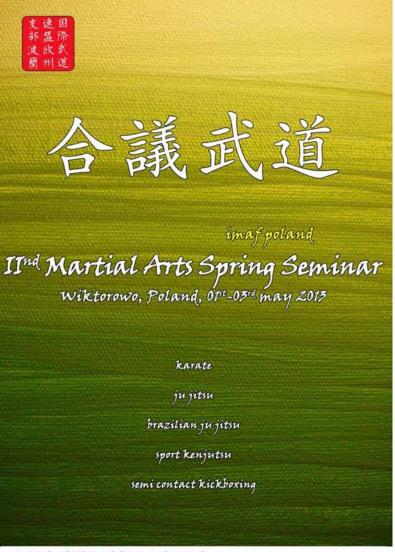
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		GE	GRADE	28		11, 12 & 13		Novice
		Under	Beg - 7th Kyu	29		11, 12 & 13		Intermediate
-		Under	6th Kyu - 4th Kyu	30		11, 12 & 13		Advanced
		8 10	Beg - 7th Kyu	31		14, 15 & 16		Novice
		& 10	6th Kyu - 4th Kyu	32		14, 15 & 16		Intermediate
		Under	3rd Kyu & Above	33		14, 15 & 16		Advanced
		2 & 13	Beg - 7th Kyu	34		17 & Over		Novice
		2 & 13	6th Kyu - 4th Kyu	35		17 & Over		Intermediate
		2 & 13	3rd Kyu - & Above	36		17 & Over		Advanced
		5 & 16	Beg - 7th Kyu					
		5 & 16	6th Kyu - 4th Kyu		31	MUSICAL WE	APONS	FORMS
		5 & 16	3rd Kyu & Above	37		10 & Under		Novice
		Over	Beg - 7th Kyu	38		10 & Under		Advanced
		Over	6th Kyu - 4th Kyu	39		11, 12 & 13		Novice
	14 17 8	Over	3rd Kyu & Above	40		11, 12 & 13		Advanced
				41		14, 15 & 16		Novice
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	16 10 &	Under	3rd Kyu & Above	44		17 & Over		Advanced
	17 11, 1	2 & 13	Beg - 4th Kyu		750			
	18 11, 1	2 & 13	3rd Kyu & Above		TRA	ADITIONAL T	EAM KA	TA/FORMS
	19 14, 1	5 & 16	Beg - 4th Kyu	45		10 & Under		Mixed Grades
	20 14, 1	5 & 16	3rd Kyu & Above	46		11, 12 & 13		Mixed Grades
	21 17 8	Over	Beg - 4th Kyu	47		14, 15 & 16		Mixed Grades
	22 17.8	Over	3rd Kyu & Above	48		17 & Over		Mixed Grades
	4	MUSICAL FO	RMS			TRICKZ DEN	IONSTR	RATION
		Under	Novice	49		10 & Under		Mixed Abilities
		Under	Intermediate	50		11, 12 & 13		Mixed Abilities
		& 10	Novice	51		14, 15 & 16		Mixed Abilities
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FIGHTING - SUNDAY 23RD JUNE 2013

		P	OINT FIGHTING		
DIVISION	GENDER	AGE	BEGINNER	INTERMEDIATE	ADVANCED
01	Male	7 & Under	Two Heights	Two Heights	Two Heights
02	Male	8, 9 & 10 Years	Two Heights	Two Heights	Two Heights
03	Male	11, 12 & 13 Years	Two Heights	Two Heights	Two Heights
04	Male	14, 15 & 16 Years	Two Heights	Two Heights	Two Heights
05	Male	17 & Over	-70 kg	-70 kg	-69 kg
06	Male	17 & Over	-80 kg	-80 kg	-74 kg
07	Male	17 & Over	+80kg	+80 kg	+79 kg
08	Male	17 & Over			-84 kg
09	Male	17 & Over			+84 kg
10	Female	7 & Under	Two Heights	Two Heights	Two Heights
11	Female	8, 9 & 10 Years	Two Heights	Two Heights	Two Heights
12	Female	11, 12 & 13 Years	Two Heights	Two Heights	Two Heights
13	Female	14, 15 & 16 Years	Two Heights	Two Heights	Two Heights
14	Female	17 & Over	-60kg	-60kg	-55 kg
15	Female	17 & Over	+60kg	+60 kg	-65 kg
16	Female	17 & Over			+65 kg



IMAF Poland IInd Martial Arts Spring Seminar 01st - 03rd May 2013

Opening: 01st May 2013 (wednesday), 10 AM Ending: 03rd May 2013 (friday), 2 PM

Place:

Conference and Holiday Resort "Wiktorowo"

Wiktorowo 22, 88-410 Gąsawa (at Ostrowieckie Lake) about 34 km from Inowrocław, 45 km from Bydgoszcz www.wiktorowo.com

Beautifully situated at Ostrowieckie Lake and surrounded by woods, with numerous recreational facilities located on the 5 ha territory, is providing ideal conditions for active recreation.

Cost: **55 EURO** (includes: accommodation, full board, martial arts trainings, additional activities in free time).

For the instructor - leader of a group of at least 10 people: FREE participation.



Participation confirmed by:

Soke Eugeniusz Sikora, 10 DAN Ju Jitsu Kobudo President of Polish Ju Jitsu Academy

Hanshi Mirosław Wiśniewski, 8 DAN Ju Jitsu Kobudo

Shihan Jens Fricke, 6 DAN Karate, 4 DAN Kobudo, **President of IMAF Germany** Shihan Piotr Witkowski, 6 DAN Karate, 3 DAN Ju Jitsu, **President of IMAF Poland** Shihan Marek Pawlaczyk, 6 DAN Karate Shihan Mirosław Glaz, 6 DAN Ju Jitsu Kobudo

Sensei Mariusz Wowra, 5 DAN Ju Jitsu
Sensei Adam Bandurski, 5 DAN Karate
Sensei Eugeniusz Rzymyszkiewicz, 5 DAN Karate
Sensei Valentyna Postovalova, 4 DAN Karate, Karate WUKF Ukrainian Champion
Sensei Piotr Kamrowski, 4 DAN Judo, Judo Olympian: Barcelona '92, Atlanta '96
Sensei Zdzisław Mikoda, 3 DAN Karate, 3 DAN Ju Jitsu
Sensei Jarosław Malik, 3 DAN Karate, 1 DAN Kem Vo Combat
Sensei Marcin Gawlik, 2 DAN Karate, 2 DAN Ju Jitsu
Sensei Michał Żuchelkowski, 2 DAN Karate
Sensei Kamil Chłopik, 2 DAN Kickboxing

JOIN US !

Program:

martial arts trainings KYU and DAN exams: shotokan karate and ju jitsu

sport kenjutsu course for instructors sport kenjutsu and ju jitsu mixed kumite courses for referees

Additional activities:

forest obstacle course, climbing wall, archery and gun shooting competitions, bonfire with sausages :) !

IMPORTANT!

Please register via e-mail imaf@imaf.pl (name, date of birth, country) before 15th March 2013, with at least 20 Euro per person prepayment on IMAF Poland bank account:

Międzynarodowa Federacja Sztuk Walki - IMAF Polska Najświętszej Marii Panny 14-16 street, 88-100 Inowrocław Bank Zachodni WBK S.A. account number: PL7210901069000000115442784 SWIFT: WBKPPLPP

Shotokan Karate and Ju Jitsu DAN exams:

1st-3rd DAN: 70 euro, 4th DAN: 100 euro, 5th DAN: 125 euro Applications before 30th March 2013! Requirements, rules and application form at www.imaf.pl

Commemorative certificates and Budo Pass entries for all participants!

Your families are welcome as well!
All rooms with bathroom!

Seminar Coordinator: Shihan Piotr Witkowski

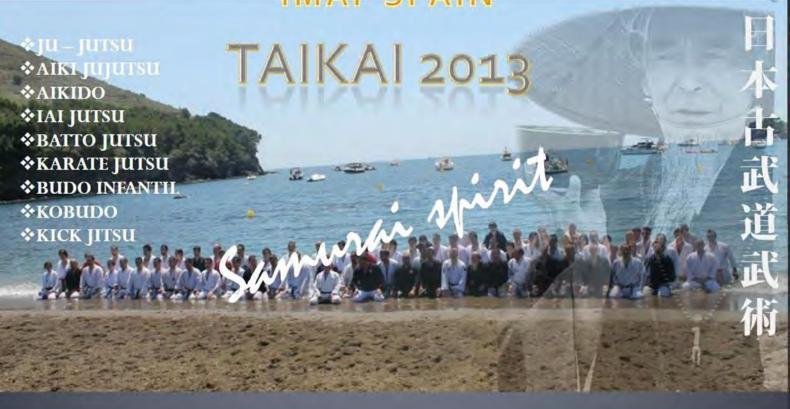
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Cala Montjoi (Roses – Girona) 14 – 15 – 16 de Junio / June

NATIONAL POLICIES REGARDING DISCIPLINES, STYLES, RYU

General

The National Board of Directors and their Technical Committee of each member country are free to include and introduce all Martial Arts as they see fit.

Each member country is free to have its own policy regarding their disciplines.

Sometimes their disciplines are included in the national Statute of the member country.

For example, if a member country has decided only to accept Nippon Budo, traditional Budo, or traditional Martial Arts, that is fully up to them.

Therefore new member countries must agree by contract.

At the start of membership of IMAF-Europe, the DBE and Congress have agreed to accept the disciplines of the member country.

The introduction of new disciplines, styles, Ryu are the sole responsibility of each member country. A member country may have its own protocol for acceptance.

However, to preserve the good name of IMAF-Europe, not only as a federation but also as a trademark, it is very important to put every application – school, candidate member country – in an ethical framework.

The acceptance of new disciplines, styles, Ryu is a matter for the DBE and the Technical Advice Committee of IMAF-Europe.

In principle there shall be no reason to refuse a new discipline, style or Ryu, unless the good name and fame of IMAF-Europe is at risk.

So called homemade styles can only be accepted if their roots are clear.

For example, a "new" style may have certain style of Budo or Martial Art as its backbone, plus influences and or techniques, tactics, and so on from other styles of Budo or Martial Art Such a synthesis of styles can only be accepted if the introduction of such a style is accompanied by a solid training and examination program.

Such programs must incorporate the necessary framework of didactical, pedagogical, psychological/mental competences.

In all cases it shall be the Technical Advice Committee of IMAF-Europe to advice and the DBE/ Congress to decide the final acceptance. We sincerely hope that for the next issue of YOUR Newsletter more articles shall be brought to your editor

For instance, we are very interested in the history of your IMAF-Europe Branch: How did your Budo or Martial Arts evolve in your country?

We are also very much interested in your insights.

We are open to your suggestions.

Best regards,

I am looking forward to your stories.

Your editor Cees van der Wal

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