



# Kaigan Korner



## October 2011

If you are new to the club, "Welcome!" If you are a returning member, "Welcome Back!" It's amazing that the first month of judo has gone by already and we are all back to our normal judo routine.

This year we want to do a better job keeping you informed about what's happening in the club and in Judo in BC, starting with this first electronic version of the Kaigan Korner newsletter. We're using a new email service (MailChimp – now that's a name!) which should be more reliable than our old Google Group system.

Our plan is to send out a monthly newsletter (like this one) telling you what's happened and what's coming up. We'll also use the mailing list as the primary method of contacting you with any urgent (OK last minute) messages, so please let us know if we don't have the right email address for you.

We'll also be setting up an updated Delta Kaigan Facebook group very soon. If you are into Facebook, keep an eye on your inbox for your invitation to join.

**Please note there is NO JUDO on Monday, October 11 (Thanksgiving) and no Junior class on Monday October 31 (Halloween).**

If you are no longer planning on being involved with Delta Kaigan and received this email by mistake (we'll miss you!) there is an [unsubscribe](#) link at the very bottom of this page.

## Coming up in October!

**Oct 15-16:** Judo BC is hosting a Kata Clinic at Steveston Judo Club. This clinic will be covering Goshin Jutsu, Kime no Kata and Ju no Kata. Talk to Sensei Bruce or

### CLUB PRACTICE TIMES:

Monday/Wednesday/Thursday  
(Junior: 7-8pm, Senior: 8-9:30pm) at Sunbury Hall

### IMPORTANT DATES:

**Oct**  
11 **NO JUDO**  
(Thanksgiving)  
15-16 Kata Clinic  
18 Abbotsford shiai sign-up deadline  
21 Abbotsford kata competition  
22 Abbotsford shiai  
31 **NO JUDO** (Halloween)

**Nov**  
16 Steveston shiai sign-up deadline  
19 Steveston Junior, Novice & Intermediate shiai  
18-20 Dojo Instructor course @ Sunbury Hall

**Dec**  
3 Burnaby shiai  
4 Black belt grading @ Steveston  
15 Kids Christmas party  
14 Last practice before Xmas  
TBD Senior Christmas dinner  
27-30 Judo BC training camp

**Jan**  
4 DKJ Judo restarts @ 7pm

Sensei Geoff if you are interested in attending.

**Oct 21-22:** Abbotsford Shiai at the Ag-Rec Centre, Abbotsford. There is a kata competition on Friday night (Oct 21) and the shiai proper is on Saturday (Oct 22).

This is the first sanctioned shiai of the season and is a selection tournament for judoka interested in a place on the Judo BC team, so the standard is usually pretty good. If you are interested in entering (minimum yellow belt) see one of the senseis, the entry fee is \$45 and entries have to be in by Tuesday October 18.

Even if you aren't going to compete, consider dropping by for a while on the day to see the action and support the DKJ competitors. In the afternoon, when the senior competitors hit the mat there will be sure to be some spectacular judo on display!

## What happened in September?

Although the new judo season has only just started, there have already been several newsworthy goings-on for us to tell you about:

**Sept 7:** 2011-2012 Judo season resumed at Sunbury Hall, with several new members signing up. Welcome to Dennis, Amrit, and Isa in the Junior class, and Erin in the Senior class. We know you are going to love judo!

**Sept 17-18:** Sensei Bruce attended the Judo BC referees seminar. A number of new interpretations for competition rules were reviewed, so if you are interested in entering any of the shiai this year you should ask Sensei to explain what is going to be different this year.

**Sept 25-26:** DKJ hosted the first Judo BC NCCP Dojo Assistant course of the new season at Sunbury Hall, facilitated by our very own Sensei Bruce. Dojo Assistant is the 1st level of coaching qualification for judo coaches, and we are pleased to tell you that DKJ's Paige and Courtney De Anna both achieved Dojo Assistant In Training status after attending. Well done Paige and Courtney!

**Sept 29-30:** Sensei Geoff was in Saskatoon on business and took the opportunity to visit with the Saskatoon YMCA judo club. He had a chance to share experiences with two of their sensei's and has some new Judo games and practices to try out with the

kids!

Look out for the next edition of our newsletter in the first week of November.

Yours in judo,

***Sensei Bruce***

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