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Report on the 2020 JKA Gasshuku conducted by Sensei Yutaro Ogane at Shotokan Karate Club Dubai, UAE

The karate camp conducted from the 16th to 20th Jan witnessed a massive turnout of karatekas and was a grand success under the able guidance and leadership of Sensei Yutaro Ogane.

On the first day of the Gasshuku, 30 black belts and 120 colour belts participated and undertook practice in Kihon, Kata and Kumite under the instruction of Sensei Yutaro. Sensei demonstrated and explained to the group on the finer details as to how to practice Katas such as Bassai-Dai, Empi and Jion. We were able to better understand the meaning of each Kata and its bunkai application. Kumite training from Sensei was indeed very powerful and impressive. Our level of confidence and understanding in Kumite on Day one, were at an all new level having undertaken this training.

The second day witnessed participation by 40 black belts and 160 colour belts who underwent hard training and practice in Kihon basics, Kata and Kumite similar to the first day. Continuing on his explanation from the first day, Sensei Yutaro provided clarification on some of the techniques and methods to practice Katas from the Heian Series as well as Jion for advanced practitioners. Kumite training on the second day included preparation for the Dan examination. On the third day, Dan examination for Shodan upto Sandan was held and 11 Karatekas successfully passed.

Result:

JKA Shodan – 7 candidates passed

JKA Nidan – 2 candidates passed

JKA Sandan – 2 candidates passed

JKA Instructor D – 2 candidates passed

JKA Judge D – 1 candidates passed

After a practicing hard for 5 days, the karate camp concluded successfully. We express our profound gratitude to Sensei Yutaro Ogane for having invested his time and effort towards the betterment of JKA Shotokan karate in the UAE. Thank you very much Sensei and also to all those who participated. We also wish to extend our thanks to JKA Headquarters for having supported us throughout the journey and to the success of the Gasshuku.

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