

## "WOOD DOJO: Est' 1970 -PROUD JKA" 55 yrs unbroken linage and loyalty to Japan Karate Association

THANK YOU to all participants, staff and students, who travelled from all over the country, and Malaysia, to support this spectacular JKA week here in Mandurah, WA. Organized by Jim & Aileen Wood sensei in their JKA custom built private Dojo. Special thanks to JKAHQ and our VIP guest, the legendary JKAHQ **Tatsuya Naka Shihan**, on form, displaying relentless enthusiasm as always with his instruction, delivering quality lessons all week on our JKA KDA annual Gasshuku. Naka Shihan also held a strict judge seminar which was outstanding in detail and was Chief judge at our late M. Ueki memorial championship. Naka Shihan and Jim Wood Shihan also conducted all the JKAHQ examinations.



Eight months and more in the making, **Jim Wood MBE Shihan JKA KDA Chief Instructor, and Aileen Wood Sensei,** joint organizers proudly hosted the largest gathering of JKA students ever assembled in Mandurah, Western Australia. An amazing successful full-on JKA Karate week Gasshuku with a **Commemorative memorial championship for the late Master M. UEKI Shihan,** topped off on Sunday evening with a fun filled quality party. The JKA policy of student friendship and harmony was uppermost throughout this spectacular week, view our **WOOD DOJO FACE BOOK** for full results, pictures, and more information.



HAPPY JKA DAN STUDENTS AFTER TRAININGWOOD JKA DOJO HAPPY KYU GRADESTO ALL EXAMINEES, CONGRATULATIONS: 13 MIX DAN PASS -12 MIX ACCREDITATION PASS

- Jim Wood MBE Shihan, and Lutie van den Berg Sensei (JKAA development squad coach) assisted Naka Shihan at the JKA examinations. These senior JKA triple A- class 7<sup>th</sup> Dans and high- profile instructors were also on top form with their full-house additional Kata and Kumite seminars, enthusiastically helping to keep the JKA Australia National Team squad together and ready for any forthcoming JKA events.
- Phil Young sensei Chief instructor of JKAA and his students gave full support all week.

\*The four- day jam packed Gasshuku at Wood JKA custom built Dojo had 3 daily classes KYU, DAN and senior high- rank Dan grades, offering private tuition with over 45-50 students participating in each class, Naka Shihan had a captive audience at every lesson, 150 students streamed through our Dojo all week with rigorous training, rewarded with memorable pictures in our unique Japanese style garden.



**Master M. Ueki (JKA members only) memorial championship** was the finale to this spectacular week paying tribute to this late great JKA icon, with 123 competitors marching in behind 3 flags to TAIKO drumming music, 32 judges - 24 Dojos - 25 events - 4 match areas. Congratulations to all who participated and all the medal winners, a display of spectacular JKA Karate technique and friendship at its best. Special congratulations to Chane Brits JKAA awarded the **"Master Ueki memorial award"** chosen by Naka Sensei. Jim Wood MBE Shihan made sure all Judges, staff and competitors received commemorative gift keepsakes, thanking them for their input and support.



## **TATSUYA NAKA SHIHAN farewell party**

**100 guests** attended the beautiful waterfront SEBEL hotel in Mandurah for Naka Sensei farewell party and celebrations with a superb buffet and Okinawan dancers' entertainment.





AILEEN WOOD SENSEI 6<sup>TH</sup> DAN JKA HOSTESS/ORGANISER/JUDGE

## Fancy a JKA holiday in Mandurah WA. MAY 2026? Special invitation to all JKA students.

\*Our next spectacular **2026** event is already booked with JKAHQ and receiving the same interest with dozens of reservations already registered for VIPs **Master Y. Ogura Shihan 8<sup>th</sup> Dan JKA Vice Chief instructor** and **T. Naka Shihan** Gasshuku and **JKA KDA INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP**, combining Wood Dojo 25 years in Australia, celebration party. Thanks again to JKAHQ and all who supported our spectacular and successful JKA event. I hope you all enjoyed "WOOD DOJO" JKA KDA hospitality. I hope we will all meet again in this wonderful world of the Japan Karate Association.

Best Regards Jim Wood MBE Shihan. Enquiries Contact: jimwoodmbe@bigpond.com - +61 0439 811 811





JIM & AILEEN WOOD SENSEI JKA KDA, 40 GREAT YEARS TRAINING WITH MASTER M. UEKI SHIHAN. STUDENTS AND GUESTS PAY TRIBUTE WITH A MEMORIAL JKA CHAMPIONSHIP MAY 2025 COMMENCING WITH ONE-MINUTE SILENCE