



# Judo Ontario

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## 2024 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



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## MISSION STATEMENT

Judo Ontario is an association where dedicated volunteers and professional staff provide leadership, athlete development, the promotion of sport for life, and positive Judo experiences for all Ontarians.

## VISION

To be the leader in Canadian Judo by achieving and maintaining a 15% year over year growth rate. And by increasing our membership services and dominating competitively on the national and international scene.

## VALUES

- To ensure judo creates a positive experience for all participants in a safe environment
- To ensure judo develops life skills which will benefit participants throughout their life
- To ensure judo gives an opportunity to all Ontarian's regardless of age, gender, colour, race, ethnic origin, sexual orientation, social economic status and people with different physical abilities
- To ensure judo develops dignity, confidence, and self-esteem through the discipline of judo
- To ensure judo promotes the teamwork necessary for individual success
- To ensure judo teaches the principle of mutual welfare and benefit
- To ensure judo teaches the application of maximum efficiency in all aspects of life

## MANDATE

To foster, promote and regulate the sport of judo in Ontario in conjunction with all other associations and groups fostering and promoting the same in other provinces. To arrange training, matches, contest, tournaments, competitions, exhibitions, demonstrations, clinics, and courses of study of every nature and kind whatsoever relating to the sport of judo. To promote, encourage and regulate, subject to the rules of Judo Canada, the training, grading and testing of judoka, referees, judges, coaches, and other tournament officials in the province of Ontario to contribute towards prizes and awards to encourage competitions and proficiency in the sport of judo. To provide for the regulation, regimentation, and admission into membership of judo clubs and associations. To follow, promote and regulate the teaching, practices, and objectives of Kodokan Judo and to teach and encourage the physical, mental, and spiritual objectives of judo as formulated by the late Dr, Jigoro Kano, the founder of judo.

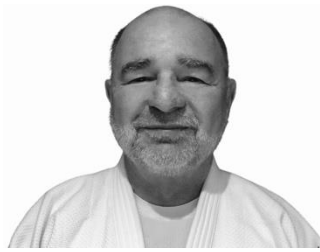


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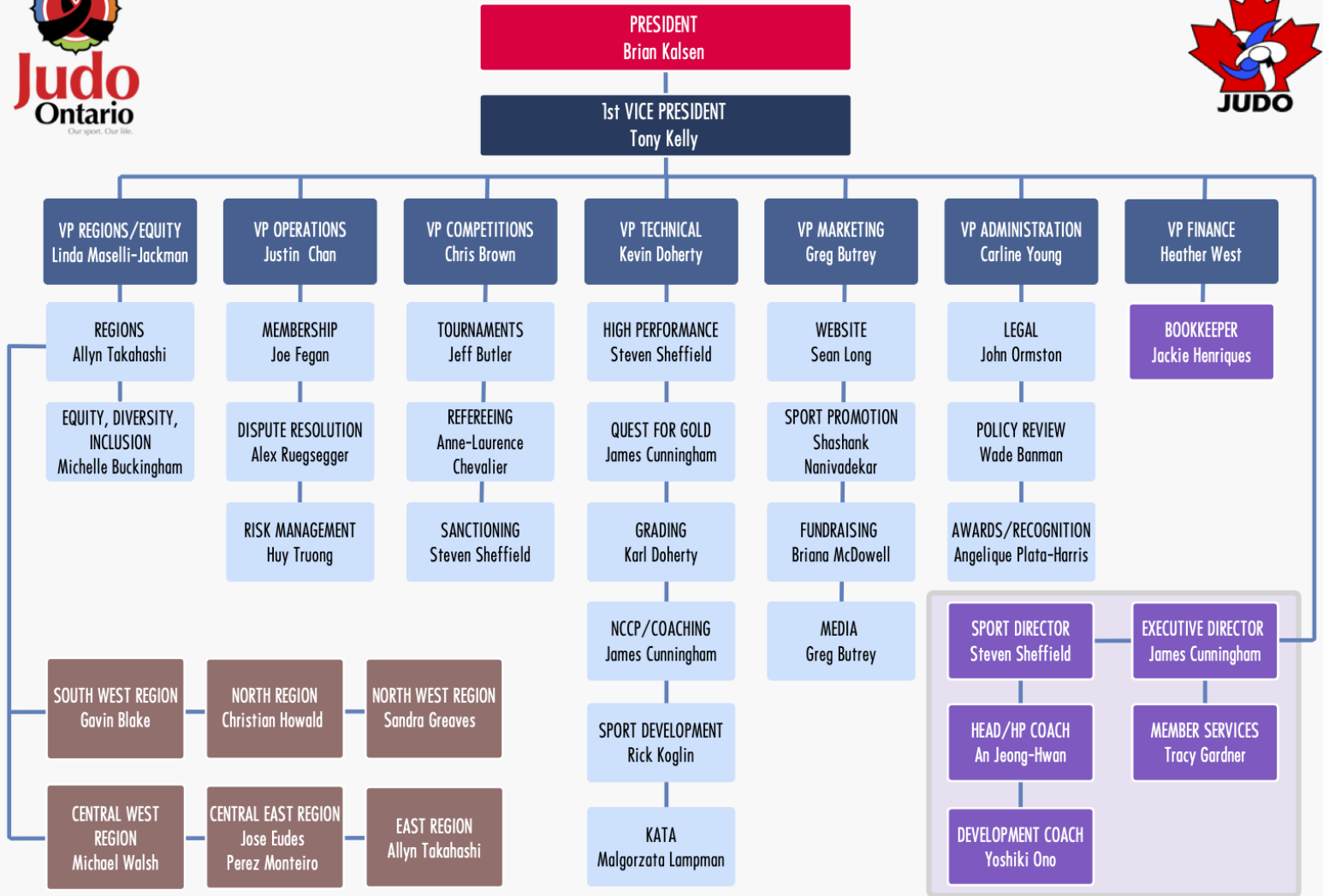
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# JUDO ONTARIO ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



## JUDO ONTARIO ORGANIZATIONAL CHART 2024



# AGM MEETING MINUTES (2022-2023)



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## **In Attendance:**

Brian Kalsen – President	Tony Kelly – 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President
Heather West – VP Finance	Chris Brown – VP Competitions
Carline Young – VP Administration	Kevin Doherty – VP Technical
Greg Butrey – VP Marketing	Linda Maselli-Jackman – VP Regions/Equity
Justin Chan – VP Operations	James Cunningham – Managing Director
Steve Sheffield – Sport Director	An Jeong-Hwan – High Performance Coach

**Members:** 30

## **Issue Number**

## **Description**

1. Roll Call  
Quorum established – 10:15 am  
Steve verified quorum officially established
2. Approval of Minutes and Agenda  
Motion to appoint recording secretary: Motion - Brian, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Heather, In favour – all, Against – none (Motion carried)  
Motion to approve minutes: Motion – Brian, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Greg, In favour – all, Against – none (Motion carried)  
Motion to approve minutes: Motion – Brian, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Greg, In favour – all, Against – none (Motion carried)
3. Review of AGM Report  
**President Report:** Big changes this year with the hiring of a Managing Director. All programs will be up and running this season. Worked with the Wilfred University group who did a review of our organization. They made many recommendations for more feedback and changes to regions, and we have implemented changes gradually.  
**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Report:** We are still dealing with some Covid issues. Membership is coming back. We are looking for grants and there are new changes to direct funding. Our membership is up 10% to 15% over last year. March is when Judo Canada looks at numbers of membership.  
Question – What are we doing for those who don't register with Judo Ontario  
Answer – We are speaking to Dojos to ensure they register their members; We are trying to educate members on the benefits of being part of Judo Ontario. Some dojos say they have insurance and don't need Judo Ontario insurance. We don't make money off club registration. Judo Quebec has people go out to check membership.  
Motion to develop a committee to investigate those who don't register members: Motion – Linda, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Heather, In favour – all, Against – none (motion carried)



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3. Review of AGM Report (cont'd) **VP Finance Report:** Financial minutes are approved by the board before the meeting; this was a constitutional change. Statements are published on the website and are available for review. Revenue and membership has increased. Expenses have also increased due to staff, insurance, and travel expenses as programming restarted. We are still in a strong cash position.

**VP Administration Report:** We have added James to office as the managing director. Steve and James have things running well and efficiently. We had the summer student again who also worked in the office. Our awards banquet was a successful event.

**VP Marketing & Promotions Report:** Linda and Greg have done a lot of work on the school program. There are changes to how we want to do social media. We need post that will increase our viewing and number of posts. Briana reports that the Fundraising committee that both the 50-50 draw and Marlies hockey game brought in money.

**VP Operations Report:** We renewed insurance for Judo Ontario. We have a full calendar of events, almost every weekend there is an event. We have made attempts to include the regions. We will also go through Regional Directors to see if they can assist in letting their needs known. Steve commented – We have events in every region except the Northwest Region because it was canceled.

**VP Technical Report:** Grading and Kata were very busy this year. There have been some grading exceptions this season; this was held at Tora Dojo. Grading examinations and clinics were done at Ajax Dojo and in Ottawa. Judokas did apply through the competitive stream program. Craig Weldon – Inquiring if we will have a long - standing member grading if we can do this again? We will give this consideration, but it has to be approved by Judo Canada.

**High Performance Committee Report:** Steve Sheffield

Open Mats are starting again and provincial training. Coaches will be doing club visits. We will be doing a tournament circuit, Judokas can be added to HP and JOYA throughout the season. Some coaches want a criteria for HP best method is to have judoka looked at. We have Assistant coach coming in 5 days. We tried to have a female but will provide a chaperone to events. Jessica Klimkait is on our technical committee. One problem we have is Judoka aren't going to their own dojo just coming to HP. They are required to go to both as part of the program.

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3. Review of AGM Report (cont'd)	<p><b>VP Competitions Report:</b> We need more assistance to run tournaments and events.</p> <p><b>Referee Committee Report:</b> Anne-Laurence Chevalier National events have started up faster than Provincial events. We have added Patrick Lam to the Referee Committee with Sue Sokol and Carline Young. We had three in person clinics last year all were well attended. We continue to evaluate and grow our numbers of referees. We continue to grow female in girl's groups. We will also be teaching score board so volunteers can practice.</p> <p><b>VP Regions &amp; Equity Report:</b> We have updated policies and accessibility policies. We are looking at Equally deserving groups and trying to identify them. We are trying to reduce barriers for committees. We are trying to reduce barriers for committees. We are looking at Kata for those with disabilities. We want to do a 100-day plan for next season.</p> <p>Motion to change or update on Judo Ontario Constitution to EDI Committee replacing Gender Equity. Brian replies we will have a constitution meeting and look into that. Motion tabled for the future. Regions are warming to promote activities within. Want Regional Directors to work with Dojos in the area to work with provincial Coaches to help athletes. Judo School Program running as an after-school program. We would like to have clubs help by subsidizing those who wish to continue. If our program grows, we will need more sensei.</p> <p>Motion to continue with the school program: Motion – Greg, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Justin, In favour – all, Against – none (motion carried)</p>																		
4. Board Announced	<table border="0"> <tr> <td><b>President</b></td> <td>Brian Kelsen</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>1<sup>st</sup> Vice President</b></td> <td>Tony Kelly</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Vice President Technical</b></td> <td>Kevin Doherty</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Vice President Marketing</b></td> <td>Greg Butrey</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Vice President Operations</b></td> <td>Justin Chan</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Vice President Competitions</b></td> <td>Chris Brown</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Vice President Finance</b></td> <td>Heather West</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Vice President Regions/EDI</b></td> <td>Linda Maselli Jackman</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Vice President Administration</b></td> <td>Carline Young</td> </tr> </table>	<b>President</b>	Brian Kelsen	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Vice President</b>	Tony Kelly	<b>Vice President Technical</b>	Kevin Doherty	<b>Vice President Marketing</b>	Greg Butrey	<b>Vice President Operations</b>	Justin Chan	<b>Vice President Competitions</b>	Chris Brown	<b>Vice President Finance</b>	Heather West	<b>Vice President Regions/EDI</b>	Linda Maselli Jackman	<b>Vice President Administration</b>	Carline Young
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5. Adjournment	<p>Motion to close the meeting: Motion – Brian, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Linda, In favour – all, Against – none (Motion carried)</p> <p>Meeting adjourned at 12:50 pm</p>																		

## ***Submitted by: Brian Kalsen***



I am pleased to share with you a summary update on our programs, activities, and progress that Judo Ontario has achieved over the past year. With the support of our members, staff, committees, and clubs, Judo Ontario experienced its largest membership growth in recent memory, with a 15% increase for the 2023-2024 season.

**Implementation of Strategies:** In collaboration with Laurier University MBA students with feedback through questionnaires from our members, board members and stake holders we have completed our 2024-2028 Strategic Plan and will be presenting it at the AGM. This significant undertaking will pave the way for the long-term success and development of our sport in Ontario and be the footprint for our Operational Plan.

**Staff Expansion and Reorganization:** Over the past year, we have expanded and reorganized our office to better position Judo Ontario for sustained growth and expansion. We have expanded to two director positions: the Sport Director, who oversees technical programs and events, and the Executive Director, responsible for actioning the strategic and operational plan, leading the day-to-day operations, as well as funding and communications. Additionally, we have created a position for a Membership Services Coordinator, a new part-time role. Finally, we have engaged a social media coordinator on a contract basis to enhance our use of social media and raise awareness of Judo Ontario's activities, events, and achievements.

**Town Hall Meetings:** Judo Ontario will host periodic town hall meetings for dojos and club coaches, planned to occur 3-4 times per year. Executive Director James Cunningham, along with other staff and board members, will provide updates on relevant topics, discuss potential future plans, and gather feedback from members. These meetings will offer coaches and dojos valuable information to share with their athletes and club members. Details will be communicated directly to the dojos.

**Tournaments:** In contrast to the loss of tournaments during covid, they have made a strong come back this year with a total of 24 judo tournaments run by Ontario's judo clubs. We started the year with the Asahi Open in September, Vignale Kata Championship and Hatashita Ontario Open in October, Ontario Kata Championships in November, Hayabusakan Open and Northwestern Ontario Open in December, Tora Annual Shiai in April and Peterborough Hatashita Open in June. *(continued on next page)*

There were also 10 Ajax monthly tournaments, 2 Tora Sunday Tournaments and 4 Ninja Academy Tournaments. There has been discussion with some club dojos interested in hosting a tournament in the coming season.

**Judo at Schools Initiation Program (JASIP):** This year, the Judo At Schools Initiation Program expanded to four schools: St. Raphael, St. Dominic Savio, St. Vincent de Paul, and St. Matthias. I extend my thanks to Linda Maselli-Jackman, Alessandro Zattiero, Garry Vosburg, Shujon Mazumder, and Mila Katzenberg for their leadership in these schools. The program catered to children in grades 4 to 6, with over 40 participants across the schools, and we have received requests from additional schools to join the program next year.

**Equity, Diversity & Inclusion (EDI):** The Equity, Diversity & Inclusion (EDI) Committee led our participation in the Ottawa Inclusive & Para Sport Expo this year, showcasing judo's offerings to the para community, including those with physical and developmental disabilities. The committee continues to broaden its scope to encompass a wider array of equity-deserving groups, promoting inclusivity and diversity within Judo Ontario.

**High Performance Program:** The RTC programs continue under the leadership of Jeong Hwan An, Carline Young our woman's coach and with the addition of Yoshiki Ono in September to support the daily training as well as provide valuable assistance at tournaments and outreach to member clubs. After nearly 10 years in the 'North Room' dojo at the Pan Am Sports Centre, we have moved to one of the upper studios as they are repurposing our previous space into a sport medicine clinic. Through our partnership with CSIO and the OHPSI program, we have access to world class strength and conditioning space to provide optimal training for the RTC athletes as we transition into our new judo training space.

Judo Ontario achieved its best-ever standings in the overall rankings at the National Championship. Our athletes continue to excel on the world stage, underscoring the effectiveness of our High-Performance pathway.

At the World Judo Championships in Abu Dhabi, Shady Elnahas brought home Silver and Jessica Klimkait Bronze. We are proud to report that Shady will also be representing Canada at the Olympic Games in Paris. Emily Harris of Thunder Bay has qualified for the Cadet World Championships and will be representing Canada in Lima, Peru.

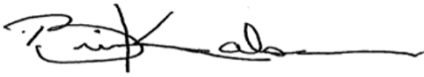
**Judo Canada Ontario National Award Recipients:** Judo Ontario had the honour of having 2 members recognized at the Judo Canada Awards and Recognition Ceremony. Taifu Judo Club received the Competitive Club of the Year award and James Kendrick, Outstanding Board & Nationals Committee Contribution Award.



**High Dan Promotions:** Congratulations go out to Kevin Doherty, Andrzej Sadej, Wayne Erdman, and James Kendrick who were promoted to Hachi Dan (8th), Natalie Gosselin, Rainer Fischer, and Tina Takahashi to Shichi Dan (7th) Sandra Greaves Roku Dan (6th).

In conclusion, Judo Ontario is on a positive trajectory, focused on growth, development, and the continued support of our members and athletes. I extend my heartfelt thanks to all the board members, committees, staff, dojos, and members for their unwavering dedication and commitment. Thank you for being a part of Judo Ontario's success, and let's continue to build a strong and vibrant judo community together.

Yours in judo,



## ***Submitted by: Tony Kelly***

I'd like to take the opportunity to thank all the other Board Members and Committee Chairs for their hard work and dedication through the year.

With the Olympics occurring this year, we hope that the higher profile of Judo will help with our membership and compliment our advertising. Judo was predominant on a lot of the sports broadcasting during the Olympics, providing us a broader exposure with the public.

The calendar of events put on by Judo Ontario and the various committees this year is very extensive. It would be great if every member would take advantage of this and the Dojo-Shu's continue to promote and encourage their members to attend.

I would like to take opportunity to thank Linda Maselli-Jackman for her dedication to Judo Ontario and her hard work and contributions to the organization. Linda was instrumental in moving the needle on getting Judo into schools in Ontario which has been a long-time goal for Judo Ontario.

I look forward to continuing to support the President and other board members, and assist the organization in building membership, and seeing everyone on the mats.

Arigato, Tony Kelly

## ***Submitted by: Heather West***

Judo Ontario continues to demonstrate a strong financial position. The balance sheet is healthy as we continue to make financial decisions with consideration of our strategic initiatives, considering risk and taking into consideration the vision of the Organization.

With respect to the balance sheet our cash position is consistent with prior year with \$650K in operating cash. This is important for the organization to weather the cyclical nature of our cash flows and to fund new initiatives such as the JASIP program.

The organization paid off the CEBA loan within the required time limit allowing Judo Ontario to take advantage of the loan forgiveness of \$20K of the original \$60K borrowed.

Judo Ontario continues to strategically invest in assets leveraging the Sport Hosting Grants as part of the hosting of the Hatashita Ontario Open. This has allowed us to purchase new mat areas historically and going forward we are looking to replace some computer equipment.

Revenue is up 23% or \$142K for the fiscal year compared to last year. The main contributors to this are the increase in overall membership of approximately 450 members resulting in an additional \$57K in fees. The other main factor is the net increase in grant funding of \$75K, which is a result of the OHPSI funding which we successfully were able to resecure in 2023.

On the expense side the significant variances are related to the below noted areas.

Consultant costs are up \$5K which is comprised of audit fees which have increased over the last couple of years as well as legal fees related to a Labour Market Assessment and work permit for our Provincial Development Coach.

Employee costs is up \$70K which is a result of bringing on a part time coach starting in October 2023, incremental hours to support strategic initiatives and an increase in benefit costs.

The only other item to note is the Banking Fees which are up \$7K, this is partially due to the increase in membership which will drive additional Trackie fees, as well as a historical adjustment in the prior year to account for GST which drove last fiscals' fees down as the adjustments were for prior years.

In closing Judo Ontario continues to demonstrate a solid financial position with a small surplus of revenue over expense for the year of \$27K compared to a deficit last year of \$62K.

As in previous years, we continue to support our Athlete Ambassador Program which is designed to provide financial support to Judo Ontario's Nationally carded athletes, thereby encouraging them to continue to compete as Judo Ontario athletes. The success of our programs and these athletes is important in supporting the grant funding that Judo Ontario secures. The program is reviewed annually by the board to ensure this is financially feasible. The program is also supporting our high-performing Kata Athletes.

Regards,  
Heather



## ***Submitted by: Carline Young***

It has been a great and exciting year for Judo Ontario as we continue to make positive necessary changes to the office. We continue to make changes to serve our members better and enhance our productivity.

James Cunningham our Executive Director has gone from a contract position to being a full-time permanent staff member of Judo Ontario. He comes with a great wealth of knowledge and experience in the Canadian sport system. He has led the process of submitting our core funding applications for our OASF and OHPSI, which are critical to ensuring the sustainability of the organization. James' expertise is being shared with Judo Canada one day a week. To compensate for this, we have hired Tracy Gardner to assist with the office and member support tasks. She also comes with extensive knowledge in sports administration. Our Sports Director Steve Sheffield has continued to be a crucial part of our organization.

We had a successful Awards night and Judo Festival last season. We will continue to bring amazing events for the upcoming season. We will continue to come with a schedule to help support those from out of town to limit their travel, offering a great opportunity to be with other judoka in the spirit of judo.

We were also fortunate to get a summer student this year, Justin Bovell. He has been a great support to our staff and board of directors.

The office will continue to support our members in any way possible. We are always open to any suggestion that would help our members. We look forward to another great season.

## ***Submitted by: Greg Butrey***

The Marketing Team has had a busy year continuing on last year's successes.

Before I begin, I must thank all of my committees, and Steve and James at the office. I appreciate all of your hard work throughout this past year.

Some of the highlights are as follows:

- We have renewed the Innvest Hotel Agreement for two more years, and notably the year-round ability of our members and families to access Innvest Hotels at great rates for personal use. Also, Innvest Hotels has new dedicated page on our website.
- The Third Annual Girls Camp was a great success. Congratulations to Carline Young and her team.
- Linda Maselli-Jackman and Gary Vosburg have completed the second year of the Judo in Schools Program, thank you, and we are looking forward to your continuing success.
- We now have a group of photographers out to many of our events, posting photos on our Flickr account. Congratulations and thank you to Vasiliy, Indrawan and welcome Peter and Naguib.
- The Second Annual Judo Ontario Day at The Marlies was an enjoyable day out, and plans for next year are ongoing. In collaboration with the Regional Reps, events are being planned to include all Regions.
- Tasco and Goemans Appliances have approached us with an opportunity for our members. They will also be supplying gifts to be raffled off for the Ontario Open. Talks continue and we will update you when it is finalized.

## ***Media Committee Report submitted by Greg Butrey***

There were articles in print or online across all the Regions over the last year, highlighting our athletes and clubs.

I continue to work the National newspapers and television stations across the province, using my continually changing list of contacts. Of note, the Toronto Star attended the Ontario Open for the second year in a row.

We need more collaboration with the Regional Reps to send data to Judo Ontario as well as their currently appreciated posting to Facebook and other sites.

I would like to express my appreciation for the increasing awareness among the regions concerning media issues and helping form a media consciousness.

In closing, by continuing to work together, we will increase awareness of our sport across the province.

## ***Sport Promotion Committee Report*** submitted by Shashank Nanivadekar (Chair)

**Members:** Tony Walby, Neil Tobey

### **Acknowledgments**

Special thanks are to the Judo Ontario staff, President, VP Marketing, members of this committee, and the chairs of the other Marketing stream committees for their input and suggestions regarding this committee's mission, vision, goals, and implementation strategies. Above all, thanks to Greg Butrey, VP Marketing, and James Cunningham for all his support on taking over management of social media and the great work done this year.

### **2023-2024 Highlights & Lessons Learned**

- Highly active social media activity has resulted in growth in followers and engagement. The credit here completely goes to James, our new social media contractor and everyone who has done their best to make our Instagram channel highly engaging. This was a lesson learned from last year its good to see the impact of doing this consistently.
- At the time of this report, the total follower count has risen to 2791, nearly 22% up from last year around this time. The Judo Ontario Facebook Page now has over 8100 followers.
- The Shady Instagram takeover was a brilliant idea, I think this can continue with other athletes or having the Judo Ontario High Performance team takeover the posting when they're travelling to competitions or trainings – this can lead to drawing more audiences and increasing awareness amongst their peers about Judo, which can increase potential Judo practitioners.
- Greg Butrey's networking continues to provide a valuable backbone to making events and tournaments attractive.

***Fundraising Committee Report*** submitted by Briana McDowell (Chair)

**Members:** Ian Sibbert

First, I'd like to start by saying a huge thank you to my committee team member Ian, without his support our committee wouldn't have been able to raise the funds we did this year.

Our 50/50 draw with the help of volunteers at the Ontario Open brought in over \$600 this year. Our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual family fun day with the Toronto Marlies had over 25 people attend. This is an event we strive to continue and grow each year. I want to say thank you to everyone who had a hand in the behind-the-scenes work, it doesn't go unnoticed.

I look forward to seeing what new and exciting events the committee can plan in the years to come.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Greg Butrey our VP of Marketing for his support and insight over the last two years. This will be my last year on the fundraising committee and while I have enjoyed my time, I believe it is time to move into a different role.

Thank you all for the help you have given along the way.



## ***Submitted by Justin Chan***

This season has been full of events for our members, including a resurgence of tournaments at all levels to our calendar and a diverse offering of kata and refereeing seminars. Membership participation has climbed again this year as more members are starting to take full advantage of the value of their memberships.

Congrats to Peterborough Hatashita for running their first annual tournament! To the dojos who have not run tournaments before, annual or in-house, please feel free to contact me directly ([vpoperations@judoontario.ca](mailto:vpoperations@judoontario.ca)) to set up a time to discuss how I can help. I will be running my annual tournaments again this year in Markham and Kingston. I have been approached by many of you throughout this season and have been encouraged to continue building the regional tournaments across the province to help build the next generation of competitive judoka.

Insurance was successfully renewed with no significant changes.

Dojos and active members, I would like to ask for your help to further encourage other members of your club to take full advantage of the Judo Ontario offerings by signing up for their annual membership and by partaking in all of the events offered.

Look on the Judo Ontario calendar for monthly shiai and Judo League dates for young judoka looking to get taste of tournament setting. Looking forward to a further increase in membership this season as I expect there to be more regional tournaments and more monthly shiais and Judo League events for judoka to really get into the sport!

Participation in judo is not just limited to shiai – there are opportunities to learn how to ref at referee seminars and to learn kata at kata seminars. Judo Ontario's Kata Committee has worked effortlessly to bring in some of the most talented kata minds available to develop kata in Ontario.

I also urge as many members as possible to take part in the free trainings that are available to them at Open Mat and Provincial Training Sessions. These are opportunities for judoka to interact with other judoka from other clubs in a training setting, different from a shiai setting. Training as a province will make the province stronger. Ontario strong!!

## **Membership Committee**

Joe Fagan (Chair), Mubeen Ghouri and Matthew Hutchison

There was no news to report on this season from this committee.

## **Dispute Resolution Committee**

Alex Ruegsegger (Chair), Kevin Gilmour and Jeffrey Ginou

There were no disputes reported to this committee this season.

## **Risk Assessment Committee**

Huy Truong (Chair), Bartholomew Alexander and Daniel Pan

The Risk Assessment Committee did not have any recorded meetings this season.

## ***Submitted by: Kevin Doherty***

The Technical Report for Judo Ontario covers the activities and accomplishments of various committees under the umbrella of the Technical Stream. The past year has been marked by dedication and hard work from our committee chairs and members, and I want to express my gratitude for their commitment to the growth and success of Judo Ontario.

Would like to extend a show of gratitude to Mr. William Doherty who earlier this year stepped down as Chair of the Grading Board. Mr. Doherty has spent countless years of dedication, devotion and commitment to the sport of Judo and Judo Ontario, which has not gone unnoticed by its members. Thank you for your contribution to the sport of Judo.

Please see individual committee reports below

## ***Grading Committee Report submitted by Karl Doherty***

### **Provincial Grading Committee 2023/2024**

Chair, Karl Doherty	6 <sup>th</sup> Dan
Vice Chair, William Doherty	8 <sup>th</sup> Dan
Secretary, Danial Reis	4 <sup>th</sup> Dan
Steven Sheffield	7 <sup>th</sup> Dan
Tom Hino	6 <sup>th</sup> Dan
Brian Mitani	6 <sup>th</sup> Dan
Tina Takahashi	7 <sup>th</sup> Dan
Allyn Takahashi	5 <sup>th</sup> Dan
Dave Burt	5 <sup>th</sup> Dan
Eric Buten	4 <sup>th</sup> Dan

### **Provincial Grading Committee Mandate**

- Conduct grading examinations in Ontario and promote candidates, following the Judo Canada grading syllabus
- Organize Kata, Nage-waza and Katame-waza clinics for the membership
- Ensure the truthfulness and accuracy of the information entered in the candidate's online application sent to Judo Canada

The goal of the Provincial Grading Committee is to provide Judo Ontario members with the skills and guidance need to perform and succeed in their examinations. Through grading clinics, judoka are given the opportunity to learn and practice techniques, ask questions and receive feedback and guidance from committee members.

## Grading Committee Physical Year Outline 2023/24

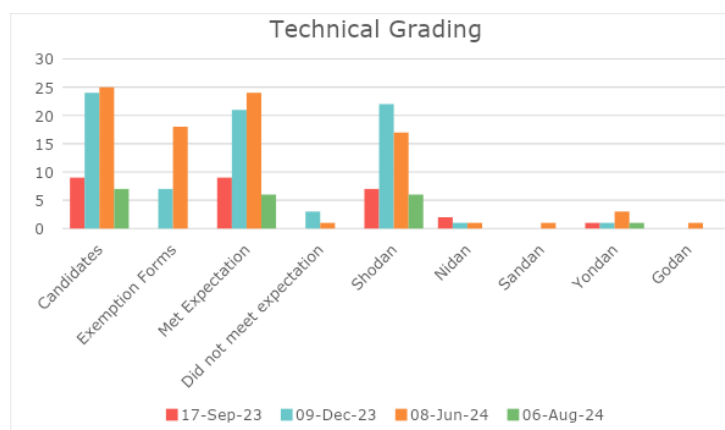
1. JO Grading Clinic – Ottawa	Sept 16 <sup>th</sup> , 2023 (24 participants)
2. JO Grading – Ottawa	Sept 17 <sup>th</sup> , 2023 (8 candidates)
3. JO Grading Clinic/Competitive Stream Grading	Nov 4 <sup>th</sup> , 2023 (30 participants and 3 comp stream)
4. Ontario Kata Championship	Nov 25 <sup>th</sup> , 2023 (13 Exemption Candidates)
5. JO Technical Grading	Dec 9 <sup>th</sup> , 2023 (21 Candidates)
6. Tora 42 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Shiai Kata Competition	Apr 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2024 (7 Candidates)
7. JO Grading Preparation Clinic	May 4, 2024 (62 Participants and 9 comp stream)
8. Kata Exemption Day	May 5 <sup>th</sup> , 2024 (12 Exemption Candidates)
9. JO Technical Grading	June 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2024 (30 Candidates)
10. JO Grading & Clinic Thunder Bay	Aug 6 <sup>th</sup> , 2024 (8 Candidates)

## Grading Clinics/Competitive Grading

Throughout the physical year of September 2023 – August 2024, the Judo Ontario Grading Committee has successfully hosted two grading clinics at the Ajax Budokan Judo Club with approximately 100 participants. These two clinics occurred on November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023 and May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024. In both clinics combined there were a total of 10 competitive stream candidates. We also held clinics and grading sessions in Ottawa and Thunder Bay. The Ottawa grading took place on September 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> with 9 candidates. The Thunder Bay grading took place on August 6<sup>th</sup> with 8 candidates.

## Technical Grading

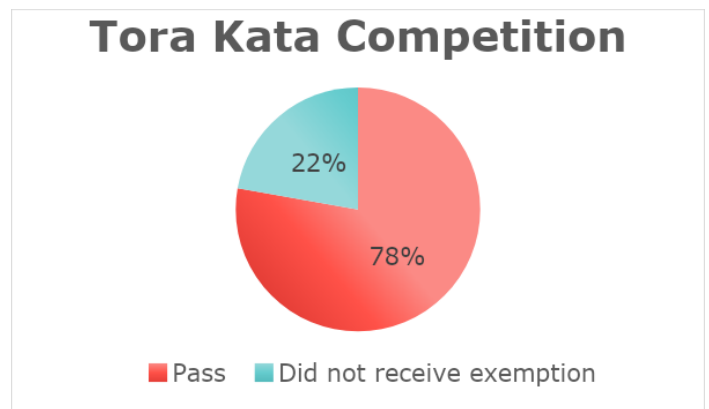
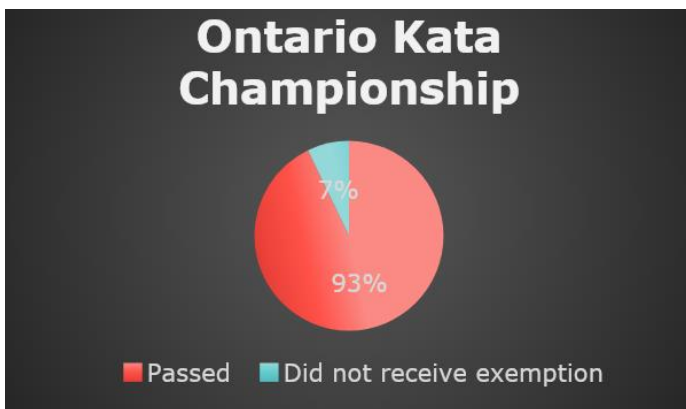
The grading committee had four dates for the technical grading for candidates who wanted to present their kata and knowledge in front of the Ontario grading committee. On September 17<sup>th</sup> the grading committee held a technical grading at the Takahashi dojo averaging 10 applicants ranging between shodan – yodan. There were two dates held at the Ajax Budokan on December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023 and June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023 averaging about 30 applicants on each date ranging between shodan – godan. In both gradings, some candidates presented exemption forms. On August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 grading members went to Thunder Bay to hold a technical grading averaging 8 candidates for shodan.





## Kata Competition Exemptions

To this date the Ontario grading committee has given two opportunities for athletes to present their kata in front of the grading committee for exemptions forms. Through this form of evaluation, we allow the candidate to reduce the expectation at the grading by removing the form to use it. Below we can see the success rate from the candidates. This year the grading committee developed a new opportunity for candidates to complete a kata exemption on a specific date, which allows them to complete the kata component which reduces the number of expectations on the grading day.



I want to thank Judo Ontario, the clubs who hosted the clinics, grading and kata competitions throughout the year. I would also like to thank the members of the grading committee for their hard work and dedication this past year. We look forward to making this coming year even more accessible to the Judo Ontario membership.

## ***Kata Committee Report*** submitted by Malgorzata Lampman (Chair)

**Members:** Bailey Hu, Grant Kuramoto, Edward Zupancic

**Secretary:** Lindsay Kuramoto

### **Acknowledgments:**

Special thanks are in order to many individuals who supported the activities of the committee during last year:

- Judo Ontario staff, President, 1<sup>st</sup> VP, VP Finance, and VP Technical for their continuous help and support
- Dojoshus who opened their doors for our events: Ajax Budokan, Huntsville Judo Club, Tora, Kawasaki Rendokan, JCCC Toronto, and R.A. Judo Club
- All clinic conductors and kata demonstrators including Fukushima Sensei, Mr. Manuele Fantozzi, Mr. Matteo Fantozzi, Mr. Mohamad Hassani, Mr. Bailey Hu, Mr. Grant Kuramoto, Ms. Lindsay Kuramoto, Mrs. Malgorzata Lampman, Mr. Shane LeGros, Mr. Andrei Oudovikine, Mr. Shane Rooney, Mr. Dan Rusu, and Mr. Eddie Zupancic
- Mr. William Dohery, Mr. Karl Doherty and all members of the JO Grading Committee for their support in judging and evaluating for the purpose of obtaining grading exemptions during our tournaments
- All kata judges from Ontario and Quebec who supported our tournaments
- The Judo Canada Kata Committee for their cooperation over the last year
- All volunteers for your continuous support
- All judoka who attended our events and those who replied to our event surveys giving great feedback and suggestions for our future events
- And most of all, thank you to all the committee members for their outstanding work. Without all of you, it will be impossible to achieve so much in such a short time.

**Mission Statement:** To develop and nurture an environment where all Judo Ontario members are introduced to grassroot and high performance IJF/Kodokan Kata

**Goals (2023-2024):** Our goals for judo year 2023-2024 included:

- Introducing two-tier clinic system to target audience new to the presented kata (level 1 – Introduction), followed by the clinic for the audience who has the basic knowledge of the presented (level 2 – Intermediate)
- Organizing kata clinics to support Yudansha grading requirements
- Organize at least one provincially sanctioned kata tournament
- Increasing the number of certified judges in the province
- Encouraging women and U16 and U23 participation

- Developing a provincial kata judge certification program that would prepare Ontario judges for successful national certification and allow existing judges to stay up to date with the latest criteria and requirements
- Encouraging. In cooperation with Grading Committee, participation in kata tournaments by providing the opportunity to obtain kata grading exemptions

### **Activities/Implementation:**

During 2023-2024 the Kata Committee organized 7 kata clinics with the eighth clinic planned for August 24, 2024 in Ottawa. There were three clinics in Central-West region: Nage-no-Kata clinic in Brampton, Ju-no-Kata Level 1 clinic in Toronto and Ju-no-Kata Level 2 clinic in Hamilton. There were three clinics in Central-East region, Klime-no-Kata clinic and Kata judge certification in Ajax, Katame-no-Kata clinic in Huntsville and Kodaokan Goshin-Jutsu clinic in Ajax. There was also a Katame-no-Kata clinic in East region (Ottawa)

JOKC organized one National Certification event conducted by the chairman of JC Kata Committee and JO member, Mr. Mohamad R. Hassani. As a result of that event and other certification events attended by JO members, our pool of nationally certified kata judges increased by 4 new Kime-no-Kata judges (Ms. Ana Beatriz Felix-Monteiro, Mr. Jose Eudes Perez Monteiro, Mr. Shane LeGros and Mr. Dan Rusu) and 1 new Kodokan Goshin-Jutsu judge (Mrs. Kim Boaro).

In September 2023 three of the JO nationally certified kata judges obtained PJC Kata Judge certification in multiple kata during Panamerican Kata Championships in Mexico. The certification obtained by these judges signifies their expertise and commitment to the sport, allowing them to officiate at events and contribute to the development of judo across the Panamerican region.

In November 2023, the JO Kata Committee organized a very successful Ontario Kata Championships with 32 kata presentations in 8 divisions. A total of 50 kata athletes registered for the event including 8 judoka who entered intermediate divisions aimed at younger and less experienced kata practitioners. Multiple kata grading exemptions were received during that event. In December 2023, upon the invitation from Hayabusakan dojo, the committee ran a kata competition during Hayabusakan Open that was entered by 25 teams in 7 divisions. There were multiple Nage-no-Kata grading exemptions granted during that event.

To increase the participation from younger and/or less versed in kata judoka, all tournaments organized by the committee included U16 or Intermediate divisions, which resulted in increased participation from this target group.

To help the committee understand the needs of our judo community and to improve our future events, we send surveys to all participants after each event. Results of the surveys are discussed and shared with the board of Directors.

To increase our online presence, Judo Ontario created a Judo Ontario – Kata Facebook group in May 2023. It is an open group for everyone interested in all things kata. The group is slowly gaining popularity with approximately 200 members currently following our posts.

The committee is still working on the outline of the provincial kata judge certification program to be presented to the JO Board of Directors.

### **Future Kata Committee Plans:**

We are planning to:

- Continue with our goal of implementing a two-tier clinic system and organizing kata clinics prior to Yudansha gradings, and where possible, having the clinics spread across the entire province
- Have at least one provincial kata tournament per year offering opportunities to obtain kata grading exemptions
- Support other Judo Ontario sanctioned kata events when requested
- Increase the number of certified judges in the province
- Develop and implement a provincial kata judging certification program
- Encourage women and U16 to U23 participation in our events
- Create opportunities for beginner kata athletes to participate in kata events by creating beginner kata divisions
- Build online presence utilizing JO webpage and various social media platforms

The Kata Committee welcomes feedback and ideas for future events to further the development of kata in Ontario. Your input can be sent to the committee chair, Malgorzata Lampman, at

[katacommittee@judoontario.ca](mailto:katacommittee@judoontario.ca)

## ***High Performance Committee Report*** submitted by Steven Sheffield (Chair)

**Members:** James Cunningham, Jeong-Hwan An, Yoshiki Ono, Jessica Klimkait

Judo Ontario had another very busy and successful year. We have had an addition to the coaching staff with the hiring of Yoshiki Ono as the Provincial Development coach. Yoshiki is supporting Judo Ontario's High Performance coach and Provincial head coach An Jeong-Hwan with Judo Ontario's High Performance (HPP) and Youth Academy programs (JOYA). In addition to coaching the HPP and JOYA programs at the Toronto Pan Am Sports Centre An and Yoshiki traveled with athletes to National Circuit tournaments, US Open in Fort Lauderdale, and an international training camp in Valencia, Spain. The coaching staff also ran training camps and visited clubs as part of our Club Outreach Program.

We have continued the twice a month provincial training with a Provincial training at the end of the month in Brampton at the Tora Judo Club and the Open Mat Training at the Ajax Budokan Judo Club. The successful Provincial coach led trainings were well attended and offered a separate U14/U16 and U18 and older training sessions. We would like to thank Tora and Ajax Budokan for the use of their dojos. Judo Ontario Female coach, Carline Young ran a twice monthly Girls Only training, weekly Veterans Training at TPASC and assisted the Ontario Team at the National Championships and Judo Canada Circuit A tournaments. Carline was the lead on the Girls Only summer camp held at the Shin Bu Kan Judo club in Mississauga. The camp offered day and overnight camp options. Besides high performance training the girls also had a spa and movie night, roller skating and many other fun bonding activities. Great work Carline, Briana McDowell, and the many volunteers that made this camp a wonderful for everyone.

We look forward to another busy training and competition season ahead of us. I would like to thank our HP committee members and coaching staff for all the work they have put in and continue to put in to make Judo Ontario the top judo province in Canada.

### **National Championships – 2024**

- Total (18G, 13S, 36B) – 216 athletes competed for Ontario
- Kata (3G, 3S, 3B)
- Ne Waza (3B)
- Senior (2G, 1S, 6B)
- U21 (4G, 1S, 9B)
- U18 (1G, 2S, 6B)
- U16 (7G, 4S, 6B)
- VET (1G, 2S, 3B)

## Elite Nationals – 2024

- Total (5G, 7S, 12B)
- U18 (3G, 4S, 8B)
- Senior (2G, 3S, 4B)
- 50 athletes competed for Ontario

## IJF World Tour Results

### Shady Elnahas (IJF World Tour)

- Jul. 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Olympic Games
- May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Abu Dhabi World Championships – 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Apr. 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Panamerican – Oceania Championships – 1<sup>st</sup>
- Mar. 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Antalya Grand Slam - 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Mar. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 Tbilisi Grand Slam – 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Panamerican Games – 1<sup>st</sup>
- Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Abu Dhabi Grand Slam - 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Sep. 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Panamerican – Oceania Championships – 1<sup>st</sup>

### Jessica Klimkait (IJF World Tour)

- May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Abu Dhabi World Championships – 3<sup>rd</sup>
- May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 Dushanbe Grand Slam – 1<sup>st</sup>
- Mar. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 Tbilisi Grand Slam - 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 Paris Grand Slam – 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 Tokyo Grand Slam – 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Abu Dhabi Grand Slam – 1<sup>st</sup>
- Sep. 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Panamerican – Oceania Championships – 3<sup>rd</sup>

## International Results

- Jun. 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024 Lima Panamerican Open 2024 - Adrian Shimabukuro, 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Apr. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 Panamerican/Oceania Championships Juniors – Yehor Paladii, 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Apr. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 Panamerican/Oceania Championships Juniors – Alisa Kofman, 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Apr. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 Panamerican/Oceania Championships Juniors – Lasha Tsatsalashvili, 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Apr. 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Warsaw Veteran European Cup – Artur Targosinski, 1<sup>st</sup>
- Apr. 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Warsaw Veteran European Cup – Michael Morgenroth, 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Apr. 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Varadero Cadet Panamerican Cup – Matthew Schesnuik, 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Mar. 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Podgorica Junior European Cup – Lasha Tsatsalashvili, 1<sup>st</sup>
- Mar. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 Saragevo Junior European Cup – Lasha Tsatsalashvili, 3<sup>rd</sup>



- Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Montreal Panamerican Open – Keagan Young, 1<sup>st</sup>
- Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Montreal Panamerican Open – Mohab Elnahas, 1<sup>st</sup>
- Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Montreal Panamerican Open – Mateo Fantozzi, 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Montreal Panamerican Open – Benjamin Kendrick, 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Montreal Cadet Pan American Cup – Arel Roitman, 1<sup>st</sup>
- Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Montreal Cadet Pan American Cup – Artem Neyolov, 1<sup>st</sup>
- Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Montreal Cadet Pan American Cup – Tigran Kryvytskyi, 1<sup>st</sup>
- Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Montreal Cadet Pan American Cup - Yehor Pladii, 1<sup>st</sup>
- Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Montreal Cadet Pan American Cup – Denis Neyolov, 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Montreal Cadet Pan American Cup - Juniper Wong, 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Montreal Cadet Pan American Cup – Matthew Schesnuik, 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Montreal Cadet Pan American Cup – Luka Tsatsalashvili, 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Montreal Cadet Pan American Cup – Alyssa Tkachenko, 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Montreal Cadet Pan American Cup – Emily Harris, 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Montreal Junior Cadet Pan American Cup – Jumber Meladze, 1<sup>st</sup>
- Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Montreal Junior Cadet Pan American Cup – Yehor Paladii, 1<sup>st</sup>
- Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Montreal Junior Cadet Pan American Cup – Margot Chevalier, 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Montreal Junior Cadet Pan American Cup – Artem Neyolov, 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Montreal Junior Cadet Pan American Cup – Lasha Tsatsalashvili, 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Montreal Junior Cadet Pan American Cup – Tigran Kryvytskyi, 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Montreal Junior Cadet Pan American Cup – Nick Luchkin, 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023 Abu Dhabi World Championships Veterans – Amanda McAlpine, 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023 Riga Cadet European Cup – Tigran Kryvytskyi, 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023 Riga Cadet European Cup – Alyssa Tkachenko, 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Berlin Cadet European Cup – Tigran Kryvytskyi, 1<sup>st</sup>
- Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Berlin Cadet European Cup – Artem Neyolov, 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Sep. 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Panamerican/Oceania Junior Championships – Jumber Meladze, 1<sup>st</sup>
- Sep. 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Panamerican/Oceania Junior Championships – Lasha Tsatsalashvili, 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Sep. 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Panamerican/Oceania Cadets Championships – Yehor Paladii, 1<sup>st</sup>

## ***NCCP Committee Report*** submitted by James Cunningham

Judo Ontario continues work on the core objective of providing training and certification opportunities to all coaches in Ontario. Judo Ontario hosted three NCCP courses at different locations throughout the year, including Toronto in February, Stouffville in May and Mississauga in August. We have also continued to offer NCCP evaluation for coaches, both in person and remotely, ensuring coaches are fully certified at the Dojo Instructor level and able to lead their Dojo's. Special thanks to James Millar for continuing to lead the courses and evaluation of coaches in Ontario.

We also hosted a Para VI coaching session with Andrzej Sadej and Priscilla Gagne at the September Judo Festival in Toronto. We will be continuing to offer courses for Para VI and adaptive judo when possible.

Several Ontario coaches took part in the NCCP Competitive Development course in Montreal this summer and are actively working through the course materials. If you are interested in learning more about the Comp Dev courses, please reach out.

Finally, the IJF has updated their coaching education system and requirements. These changes only impact a few coaches that will potentially be coaching events in the future (Olympics, Grand Slams, Senior/Junior World Champs). We will be sharing more information on the IJF rules and coach education process this season.

## ***Quest for Gold Committee Report*** submitted by James Cunningham

Members: Amanda McAlpine, An Jeong-Hwan

The Quest for Gold Committee oversees the process of selecting athletes to receive funding from the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport Quest for Gold Program. Thanks to the members of the committee, Amanda McAlpine and An Jeong-Hwan for their continued work on the program.

For the 2023-2024 season, 12 athletes received a combined total of \$30,000 in funding support to help offset the cost of training camps and competition trips. The remaining funding was utilized to support the Judo Ontario HP and Youth Academy programs, ensuring that there was appropriate coaching support for competition and training camps.

The Ministry of Sport has updated their timelines, allowing us to confirm Quest for Gold plans earlier in the season. We are currently reviewing the Quest for Gold selection criteria and expect to post details in September.

## ***Submitted by: Chris Brown***

I'd like to thank Steve Sheffield and James Cunningham for their help and support with the day-to-day operations. Also, the Board of Directors, and my committees for their hard work and support throughout the year.

### **Competition Equipment**

Judo Ontario has secured a \$25,000 grant to update and replace aging technology used for competition. For now, we are using the funds to replace the laptops that run the CARE and scoreboard systems. There are new camera specifications expected that will require additional funding to purchase.

We did some spring cleaning of some of the aging equipment and there will likely be another round this year.

### **Tournament Standards & Sanctioning Policy Update**

As of the writing of this report, the tournament standards are being updated. Some major changes coming are:

- Kata tournament standards are being separated from shiai and ne waza tournament standards, primarily because they have been added to the regulations under the Combative Sports Act and since Kata
- Club C tournaments have been removed and those types of events no longer require sanctioning and can still be run without sanctioning, however they may not be advertised or called tournaments/competitions
- Combining of male & female divisions for any group with appropriate approval (except for qualifying divisions)
- An actual sanctioning policy is being drafted to provide guidance on the timelines, resolving event scheduling conflicts, and documentation requirements for sanctioning

### **Referees**

Although we did have some success, Judo Ontario is currently experiencing a critical shortage of referees. We do not have enough referees to run Club A tournaments with appropriate breaks to ensure high-quality refereeing and shorter days for all participants and volunteers. So, the focus this year has been on recruiting and developing capable referees.

A comprehensive survey about barriers to refereeing was sent to members eligible to referee and only had an 11% response rate which was not enough to rely on. The lack of responses and the fact that most of the responders were over 30 years old is a strong indication that we need to focus our recruiting efforts on younger members.

In the responses we did receive, financial concerns were secondary to the lack of tournaments and travel, suggesting that more novice tournaments that are geographically accessible are needed.

In conjunction, with efforts to recruit younger referees these should help build a healthier pool of referees to better support competitions across the province.

During the year we did have some success in recruiting and developing referees. Please refer to the Referee Committee report for more specifics on the great work done this year that will build on next year.

### **Other Competition Concerns**

Aside from the number of competitions, long days of competition continue to be an issue. A few things should help alleviate some of the concerns in the coming year:

- Allowing for male & female competitors provide more opportunities to make combined divisions
- Recruiting additional referees will allow more mat areas to be run at tournaments (assuming the host can fit additional mat areas in their chosen venue)
- Proper set-up of tournaments in Trackie that allow easy importing into JudoShiai

### ***Referee Committee Report*** submitted by Anne-Laurence Chevalier (Chair)

**Members:** Patrick Lam, Carline Young, Gerald Okimura

2023-2024 was a full year of competitions and refereeing activities, provincial and national. I am glad to report that 39 Ontario referees (compared to 35 last year) have actively participated and contributed to support more than 25 events (counting monthly shiai, provincial competitions and national circuit competitions).

In April, the Judo Ontario referee committee (Carline, Patrick and myself), were glad to welcome back Gerald Okimura, as part of the committee. Highly accomplished judo practitioner and referee, he holds a Rokudan and serves as an International Judo Federation (IJF) Continental Referee. Gerald is also a certified PJC International Kata Judge, promoted last year in Mexico PanAm Kata Championships.

His extensive experience and qualifications make him a respected figure in the Canadian judo community. We are glad to welcome Gerald, reinforcing the experience of the team.

During the year, the team has delivered 4 in-person clinics,

- Judo festival in September, introducing refereeing and sharing experience from 2 young referees/competitors (Louis Chevalier and Matteo Fantozzi)

And 3 pointable 4-hours clinics:

- Hands-on referee clinic at Hayabusakan mid September, welcoming 18 participants
- Thunder Bay clinic, in December preceding the Northwest Open, graciously organized by Sandra Greaves and Taryn Conlyn, successfully welcoming 29 participants
- Hands-on referee clinic at Ajax Budokan, in April, with 19 participants

The recent series of referee clinics provided comprehensive training and updates for both seasoned officials and new recruits. Each session focused on several key areas:

- Participants received the latest updates on referee rules
- Practical examples were presented to illustrate the application of rules in relation to competitors' behaviors during matches
- Basic and advanced techniques were covered to enhance referees' understanding and efficient management of fights
- Special attention was given to ne-waza rules in preparation for upcoming competitions

Clinics were well attended, with a mix of advanced referees returning to active duty and successful integration of new recruits into the referee corps. This comprehensive approach ensured that all attendees, regardless of experience level, gained valuable insights and skill to enhance their officiating capabilities.

Our committee is dedicated to expanding and enhancing the referee team through individual growth and new recruitment. We focus on supporting each referee's personal development journey and we actively seek and welcome new referees to join our ranks. Funding has been allocated for development and support of ravel initiatives, including a proposal for two referees from Thunder Bay to attend the Provincial exam held last April at Tora. However, despite the opportunity presented to them, they did not take advantage of this funding this time.

As Notable Achievements for this year, we are proud to have 4 competitors among our new recruits and progressing referees, serving as role models for others who would like to referee while continuing competition.



5 events were organized to assess and improve referee skills. As referee advancements: 11 Judo Ontario (JO) Referees were evaluated, promoted, and acknowledged for their progress. Congratulations to:

- Reid Johnston, Don Corcoran and Sergei Balandin (competitor) promoted to Ontario Regional
- Laurent Bozec, Louis Chevalier (competitor), Stefano Varga (competitor) promoted to Provincial B
- Ian Sibbert, Don Lee and Gavin Blake promoted to Provincial A
- Francis Hane (competitor) promoted to National C
- Joining from abroad, we are glad that they are now part of our Canadian and Ontario referee team, Kostiantyn Tskhovrebashvili and Amir Yazdani were confirmed National A by our Canadian committee and Amir Hamada welcomed as IJF Continental

An ongoing effort to develop women referees continues and includes mentorship and bi-monthly girls' training with a component of refereeing at each class, ending with a summer girls' camp in July, thanks to the relentless efforts of Carline.

For the upcoming year, we are committed to building upon these recruiting efforts, aiming to further strengthen and diversify our referee team. I count on all of us to support this critical initiative.

To all judoka, coaches, parents, volunteers, and referees, thank you in advance for all your upcoming help. I wish all of us another great year full of judo activities.

### ***Tournament Committee Report*** submitted by Jeff Butler (Chair)

**Members:** Doug Sparkes

As the new season started, we went over most of the tournament electronic equipment to upgrade the computers with the relevant maintenance upgrades and ensure that they were working properly. They had been in storage for a lengthy time. All the laptops required batteries to be recharged and several windows upgrades to be current. Other equipment was also tested and found to be satisfactory other than 1 camcorder that was not functioning and not repairable. TV monitors and other equipment were not tested or inventoried at this time. The referee radios were also not tested at this time.



## **Status Note:**

The camera setup for the referee CARE system is apparently changing. The current system uses camcorders and an H.264 video encoder by BlackMagic Design which is no longer available. The new system apparently uses an IP camera system that is similar to the equipment in security systems. An IP camera system would be far easier to set up and use than the current system. We are currently investigating what new equipment would be required. As of this writing, Judo Quebec has no information, and both Judo Canada and IJF have not responded to our enquiries.

## **Recommendations:**

1. Online virtual course to demonstrate the set-up, use, dismantling, and transportation of the tournament equipment.
2. Online virtual course on the use of both the scoreboard and CARE system software
3. Post-event planning needs to be put in place to ensure that all equipment is inventoried, correctly packed, correctly stored, any maintenance provided, and any variances reported in writing. This would ensure that any missing/broken equipment could be corrected before trying to set up the next event. All the mat kits were delivered to me by both Greg and Steve. I found that most of the kits were either not complete or had cables, power supplies, or other equipment loaded in the boxes.
4. Further development of a system for local clubs to run a smaller tournament. Easily producing draw sheets and scoring.
5. Development of Kata scoring software or adaptation of current system used by Judo Canada and IJF, for use locally.

## ***Submitted by: Linda Maselli-Jackman***

### **Judo at Schools Initiation Program (JASIP)**

The instructors for this year's JASIP program with the Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB) were:

1. Garry Vosburg – St. Matthias (Don Mills/Steeles)
2. Alessandro Zattiero – St. Vincent de Paul (Roncesvalles/Dundas)
3. Mila Katzenberg - St. Raphael (Keele/Wilson)
4. Shujon Mazumder – St. Dominic Savio (Kingston/Sheppard)

This year, the Judo at Schools Initiation Program doubled in size from its inaugural year last year. Serving priority communities in four TCDSB schools, students who might not otherwise have had the exposure to the sport of judo at the club level were able to participate in a 12-week introductory, after- school program. Each of this year's four schools were allocated 10 spots for a total of 40 participants; and were different from last year's selected schools.

Judo Ontario provided the following subsidies for student participants:

1. Full cost for the Judo Ontario Introductory Membership
2. Full cost for the judo gi (which was laundered and returned at the end of the program); and
3. \$500 honorarium and mileage reimbursement for each of the four program senseis

**Program objective:** to increase Judo Ontario membership in local dojos following the conclusion of the JASIP program

### **Next steps:**

1. To determine JO's readiness to administer this program the 2024-25 training year, an analysis of Judo Ontario registrations will be conducted in September 2024 to see how many JASIP participants have registered for local clubs.
2. A paid after-school program offering has been made to one of this year's JASIP schools at the request of the principal. The delivery status of this program is yet to determined pending school board approval. Depending upon the yield for this extended judo programming option, more such programs might be offered to schools that have already participated in the JASIP initiative.

## ***Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Committee Report*** submitted by Michelle Buckingham

**Members:** Michelle Buckingham (Chair), Carline Young (VP Administration), Linda Maselli-Jackman (VP Regions/EDI), Mila Katzenberg, Tami Dacks

Judo Ontario's Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) Committee was busy in 2023-24, with much development and many activities. The Committee has been working on a wide variety of issues concerning numerous equity-deserving groups and on various events and initiatives, some of which came to fruition while others are taking shape and moving in positive directions. We would like to thank former EDI Committee members Andreas Vlad, Tony Walby, and Andrei Oudovikine for their contributions. This year we welcomed Tami Dacks to the Committee. Many thanks and appreciation go out to Linda Maselli-Jackman, VP Regions/EDI, who has guided this committee from the beginning with a steady hand. Much appreciation also goes to the rest of the Committee's members, including Carline Young, Mila Katzenberg, and Tami Dacks, for all their valued input.

The EDI Committee endeavours to promote inclusion, accessibility, diversity, equity/equality, and a sense of belonging within Judo Ontario and for all the organization's stakeholders. In 2023-24, the Committee mostly focused on reducing barriers to inclusion and on increasing access and opportunities for persons with disabilities, women and girls, nonbinary gender folks, and youths from low-income households.

The EDI Committee's major event in 2023-24, was Judo Ontario being an exhibitor at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Ottawa Inclusive and Para Sports Expo (OIPSE) 2024, which was in early June at Carleton University in Ottawa. Judo Ontario had an exhibit booth, and we performed a live, 25-minute interactive demonstration of inclusive and adapted judo. Judo Ontario's participation at this event, which was for the first time, was led by the EDI Committee with assistance from Each Region clubs. Approximately a dozen volunteers from Judo Ontario were at the OIPSE, plus five others were involved in the earlier preparations including Judo Ontario's staff. The goal was to showcase Judo Ontario's programs, equipment and support for athletes of all abilities, including those with disabilities.

The EDI Committee has provided input for modifying Judo Ontario's event registration forms. Starting in late August 2023, event registration forms for all Judo Ontario-run events now include questions for requests for accommodations for disability and medical conditions.

The Committee has encouraged Judo Ontario to use its social media to help promote issues regarding various equity-deserving groups. During National Coaches Week 2023, for example Judo Ontario posted on social media and sent out an email blast about NCCP's free eLearning "Coaching Athletes with a Disability".

# VP REGIONS & EQUITY, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION REPORT - CONT



An EDI Committee motion was passed by the Board of Directors to create a new division in Kata competitions for persons with disabilities. The Committee has been engaging in discussions with Judo Ontario's Kata Committee about this initiative and may also engage with other committees in the future.

The Committee is considering developing training resources on accessibility and AODA standards, which could be made available to Judo Ontario's staff, Board of Directors, and event volunteers.

Importantly, discussions by the EDI Committee about issues of accommodations for persons with disabilities as well as nonbinary gender identity spurred a meeting between representative of Judo Ontario and Sport Law in December 2023. At that meeting, Judo Ontario received information and advice about legal requirements and ethical actions.

The EDI Committee helped increase inclusion for people who are 2SLGBTQIA+ by providing input for adding the option of nonbinary gender identity on event registration forms for all Judo Ontario-run events for all roles including for competitors. Such was implemented in early September 2023.

EDI Committee member and VP Administration Carline Young led the Judo Ontario Girls' Only weekly training sessions at the Toronto Pan-Am Sports Center. Carline was also the lead instructor at Judo Ontario's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Girls' Summer Camp 2024, in Mississauga, which had approximately 40 athletes participating along with five sensei or assistants. Also, Judo Ontario shared a story on its social media about International Women's Day.

Another initiative by the EDI Committee was the new Judo Ontario subsidization program for youths from low-income households to attend the Judo Ontario Girls' Summer Camp. In 2024, three youth from low-income households were subsidized through this program: two youth from Central East region were subsidized to attend the 2024 Judo Ontario Girls' Summer Camp in the greater Toronto area, and one youth from Northwest region was subsidized to attend the 2024 NWO summer camp in Thunder Bay.

Issues concerning religious minority groups were also part of the Committee's work this year. The committee provided requested feedback about religious accommodation at clubs on bowing and on religious head coverings.

In spring 2024, after receiving input from the EDI Committee, Judo Ontario modified the online French version of its individual membership registration form to include links to the French versions of the Rowans Law concussion awareness resources.

# VP REGIONS & EQUITY, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION REPORT - CONT



The Committee has started to become involved with issues on Indigenous Peoples. Judo Ontario shared stories on its social media about Indigenous coaches during National Coaches Week 2023, and on June 21, about National Indigenous Peoples Day.

A motion by the Committee was approved by the Board of Directors to add online or hybrid events to the annual Judo Ontario Festival. The purpose of such was to increase inclusion and access at this event for the organization's members who reside at far distance from the Greater Toronto Area. In addition, the Judo Ontario Regional Judo Festival was originally proposed by the EDI Committee as another way to help increase inclusion and access for the organization's members.

## **Key Topics Currently Under Investigation by the EDI Committee:**

- Establishing various subcommittees, e.g., subcommittee on Indigenous Peoples; subcommittee on developing training on accessibility and AOD standards; subcommittee on developing a division for adapted judo kata in kata competitions, etc.
- Developing guidance on bowing and on religious head coverings in clubs
- Collaborating with other Judo Ontario committees to establish an adapted judo kata division in kata competitions
- Collaborating with the Competitions committee to provide input for updating Judo Ontario's Tournament Standards document

## **Challenge or Possible Areas of Focus for 2024-25:**

- Providing education (e.g., workshops) about issues concerning various equity-deserving groups
- Helping to incorporate the recommendations that Judo Ontario received from Sport Law
- Providing the EDI Committee's input in a timely manner during the sanctioning process for events
- Updating the Committee's Terms of Reference
- Developing training/info sheet on accessibility and AODA accessibility standards
- Accessibility of clubs
- Helping to make events more accessible for people with disabilities
- Developing adapted judo kata in kata competitions in Ontario
- Helping to develop quality programs, events, and activities for women, girls, and gender-diverse individuals
- Developing guidance on religious accommodation for bowing and head coverings
- Including more equity-deserving groups, e.g., older adults and racialized people/BIPOC
- Increasing inclusion and access for members of Judo Ontario in all regions of Ontario



# VP REGIONS & EQUITY, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION REPORT - CONT



## ***Regions Committee Report*** submitted by Allyn Takahashi

**Chair and East Region:** Allyn Takahashi

**NW Region:** Sandra Greaves

**N Region:** Christian Howald

**SW Region:** Gavin Blake (replaced Luke Lovelock)

**CW Region:** Michael Walsh

**CE Region:** Jose Eudes Monteiro

**SW Regional Director:** Luke Lovelock has stepped down. We would like to thank him for his service. In his place please welcome Gavin Blake.

**CE Regional Director:** Given the change in location of his dojo into the CW region and time constraints given other judo responsibilities, Jose Eudes Monteiro has stepped down. In his place, please welcome Alessandro Zattiero of Hana No Bushidokai. We thank Jose for his dedicated service as CE Regional Director.

**Ontario Winter Games:** Unfortunately, due to the distance to Thunder Bay, there was low interest. Since very few participants were going, others were hesitant to go because there would be few/no other competitors. As a result, the games were cancelled.

**Girls Summer Camp:** two girls from the Central-East Region were subsidized. One girl from the North-West Region was subsidized to go to the Northwestern Ontario Camp. As a result, three girls had the opportunity to go to camp with full-cost subsidy for admission and ground transport. Going forward, two per year from different regions will be subsidized.

**JO Membership Enhancement proposal:** work on this proposal has been paused. The objective: to increase registration compliance of Ontario judoka. Other provinces and countries implement a system whereby gradings are recognized only if the judoka is registered. A proposal was drafted based on existing systems. Also discussed was a proposal to phase in the system year by year by mudansha belt working downward from brown belt.

Any system would have to connect to Trackie (which is used by other sports and would require software changes) or be standalone. In the proposal, grading fees were to be collected by the dojoshu for use by dojo. However, to some, this appeared to be a money grab. We suggest that we send the eventually finalized proposal to Judo Ontario for their consideration since the system would be under their jurisdiction. However, this can be done only with more review and discussion on this topic in the coming year.



## CLUB REPORTING

### Total Number of Clubs by Year:

**2022-2023: 76**  
**2023-2024: 77**

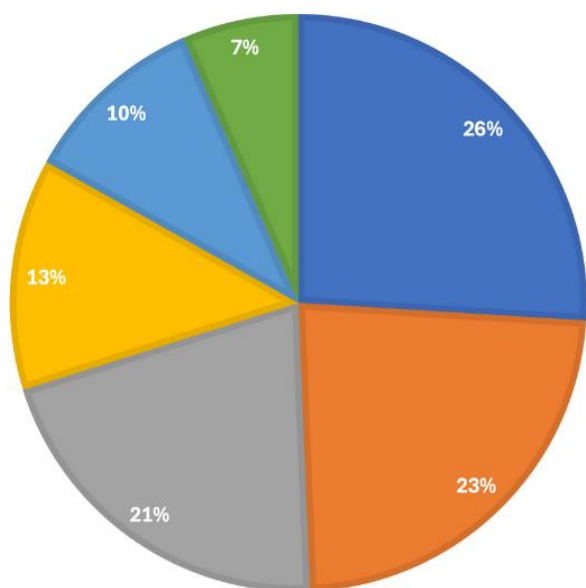


### Period Analyzed:

Aug 2023- Aug 2024

### Clubs by Region

■ Central West ■ Central East ■ East  
■ South West ■ North West ■ North

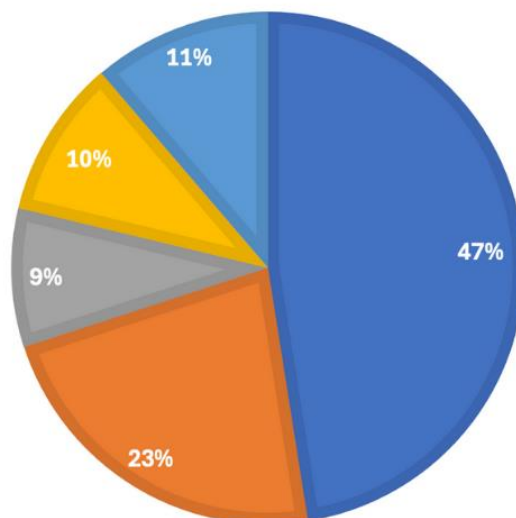


### Clubs by Region

- The chart shows the number of clubs per region
- Largest Group: Central West
- Smallest Group: North

### Clubs by Size

■ Under 25 ■ 25-50 ■ 50-75 ■ 75-100 ■ 100+



### Clubs by Size

- The chart illustrates the number of members per club across different size ranges
- Largest Group: Under 25 members
- Smallest Group: 50-75 members
- Over 2/3rds of clubs have 50 or fewer members
- The remaining 1/3rd of clubs are split evenly between 50 and 150+ members

## Participant REPORTING



**Period Analyzed:**

Aug 2023- Aug 2024

### New Members vs Renewed Members:

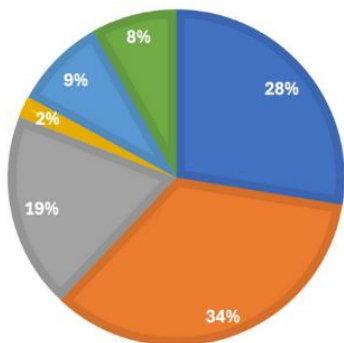
**2022-2023**  
Renewed: 2159  
New: 756  
Total: 2915

**2023-2024**  
Renewed: 2251  
New: 1111  
Total: 3362



### Members by Region

■ Central East    ■ Central West    ■ East  
■ North    ■ North West    ■ South West



### Members by Region

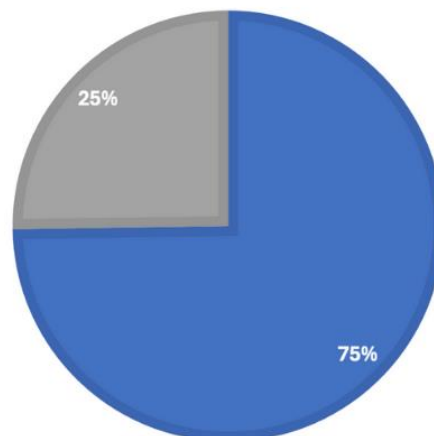
This pie chart represents the distribution of members across different regions.

- Central West has the largest share with 1,179 members
- Central East follows with 945 members
- East holds 647 members
- Northwest and Southwest have 304 and 280 members, respectively
- North has the smallest share with 70 members
- Nearly 2/3rds of the membership live in the GTA region

### Members by Gender

The pie chart illustrates the breakdown of membership by gender.

- Female and non-binary members make up 25% of the total membership
- Male members constitute 75% of the total membership



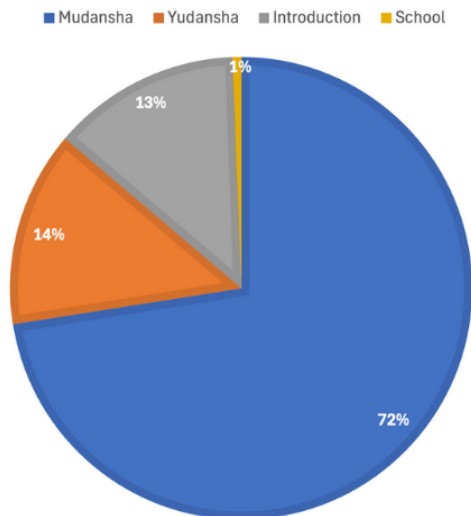
## Participant REPORTING



**Period Analyzed:**

Aug 2023- Aug 2024

### Participant Type - By Member Type

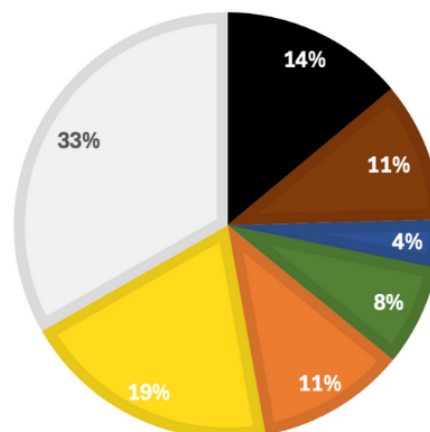


### Participant Type - By Member Type

- Breakdown of membership categories
- Largest Membership Group: Mudansha with 2,488 members
- Second Largest Group: Yudansha with 470 members

### Belt Level

■ Black Belts  
 ■ 1kyu Brown  
 ■ 2kyu Blue  
 ■ 3kyu - Green  
■ 4kyu - Orange  
 ■ 5kyu - Yellow  
 ■ 6kyu - White



### Belt Level

- Largest group is 6kyu - White: 1,146 individuals
- Second largest group is 5kyu - Yellow: 675 individuals
- Black Belts: 479 individuals
- Over 50% of the membership are beginners at Yellow/Orange belt level

**ONTARIO JUDO BLACK BELT  
ASSOCIATION**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**MARCH 31, 2024**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

### To the Members of Ontario Judo Black Belt Association

#### Qualified Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of **Ontario Judo Black Belt Association**, which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2024, and the statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion section of our report, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Association as at March 31, 2024, and its results of operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations (ASNPO).

#### Basis for Qualified Opinion

In common with many non-profit organizations, the Organization derives revenue from fundraising programs and participant fees, the completeness of which is not susceptible of satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the Organization and we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to revenues, excess of revenues over expenses, and cash flows from operations for the year ended March 31, 2024, current assets as at March 31, 2024, and the net assets as at March 31, 2024.

#### Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with ASNPO, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Association's financial reporting process.



## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT — continued

### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements. As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- ♦ Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- ♦ Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control.
- ♦ Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- ♦ Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Association to cease to continue as a going concern.
- ♦ Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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# ONTARIO JUDO BLACK BELT ASSOCIATION

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT MARCH 31, 2024

	2024	2023
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>Current assets</b>		
Cash	\$ 650,587	\$ 652,764
Accounts receivable (note 3)	26,882	29,684
Prepaid and other assets	20,279	16,761
	697,748	699,209
<b>Other assets</b>		
Equipment (note 4)	29,024	23,165
	\$ 726,772	\$ 722,374
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>		
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (note 5)	\$ 61,781	\$ 38,273
Deferred revenue (note 6)	77,349	83,487
CEBA loan	-	40,000
	139,130	161,760
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	587,642	560,614
	\$ 726,772	\$ 722,374

See accompanying notes

Approved on behalf of the Board



Director

Director

# ONTARIO JUDO BLACK BELT ASSOCIATION

## STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2024

	2024	2023
<b>REVENUES</b>		
Participant fees and other grants	\$ 337,305	\$ 240,894
Registration fees and Judo Canada	228,269	167,484
Ontario Ministry of culture, tourism and sports	135,000	135,000
Nevada ticket sales	50,320	59,710
Club registration	17,915	23,290
Sanction and license fees	1,106	885
	<b>769,915</b>	<b>627,263</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Salaries and benefits	282,071	212,168
Registration and fees	193,793	232,194
Tournaments and clinic	85,909	98,372
Administration and communication (schedule I)	49,835	42,470
Insurance	44,839	35,420
Interest and bank charges	26,652	18,785
Professional fees	21,563	11,875
Grading fees - Judo Canada	12,354	7,683
Executive planning	7,297	8,593
Bad debts	1,661	-
Amortization	16,913	22,176
	<b>742,887</b>	<b>689,736</b>
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 27,028</b>	<b>\$ (62,473)</b>

See accompanying notes

# ONTARIO JUDO BLACK BELT ASSOCIATION

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2024

	2024			
	BALANCE, beginning of year, restated	Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenses	Interfund transfers (note 8)	BALANCE, end of year
Unrestricted (note 7)	\$ 499,162	\$ 71,903	\$ (22,771)	\$ 548,294
Invested in net capital assets (note 7)	23,165	(16,913)	22,771	29,023
Net assets restricted for youth and junior programs (note 7)	38,287	(27,962)	-	10,325
	<b>\$ 560,614</b>	<b>\$ 27,028</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 587,642</b>

See accompanying notes

# ONTARIO JUDO BLACK BELT ASSOCIATION

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2024

	2024	2023
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenses	\$ 27,028	\$ (62,473)
Item not involving cash		
Amortization	16,913	22,176
	43,941	(40,297)
Net change in non-cash working capital items		
Accounts receivable	2,802	2,899
Prepaid and other assets	(3,518)	(407)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	23,507	(279,168)
Deferred revenue	(6,138)	18,511
	16,653	(258,165)
Cash flows from operating activities	60,594	(298,462)
<b>FINANCING ACTIVITY</b>		
Repayment of CEBA Loan	(40,000)	-
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITY</b>		
Purchase of equipment	(22,771)	-
<b>NET CHANGE IN CASH DURING THE YEAR</b>	(2,177)	(298,462)
<b>CASH, BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	652,764	951,226
<b>CASH, END OF YEAR</b>	\$ 650,587	\$ 652,764

See accompanying notes

# ONTARIO JUDO BLACK BELT ASSOCIATION

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2024

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### I. PURPOSE OF THE ASSOCIATION

Ontario Judo Black Belt Association (the "Association") is an Ontario corporation without share capital and for Canadian income tax purposes, qualifies as a not-for-profit organization which is exempt from income tax under the Income Tax Act. The purpose of the Association is to promote and develop amateur Judo in Ontario.

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations in Part III of the CPA Handbook and include the following significant accounting policies:

#### Revenue recognition

The Association follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions and fundraising. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Revenue received which is related to the following fiscal year is deferred accordingly.

Registration fees are recognized as revenue proportionately over the fiscal year to which it relates.

Nevada revenues are recorded when boxes of tickets, for a specific license, are issued to ticket sales agents, and if the amount can be reasonably estimated and collectability is reasonably assured.

Government grants are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Amounts received in relation to future expenses are recorded as deferred revenue.

Participant fees are recognized as revenue when services are performed. Fees received in advance are recorded in fees collected in advance and recognized into revenue during the appropriate period.

Revenue from the sale of merchandise is recognized upon delivery.

#### **Contributed Services**

Certain services have been contributed to the Association to assist in its operations. Because of the difficulty of determining their fair value, contributed services are not recognized in the financial statements.



# ONTARIO JUDO BLACK BELT ASSOCIATION

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2024

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### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies — continued

(a) Equipment

Equipment is recorded at cost and is being depreciated over its estimated useful life. The annual rates are as follows:

Judo mats and equipment	10 year straight line
Office equipment	5 year straight line

(b) Fund accounting

Unrestricted Net Assets

The unrestricted net assets fund reports resources available for the Association's general operating activities.

Invested in Net Capital Assets

The invested in net capital assets fund reports resources that the board has used for the purchase of equipment and property. This fund is internally restricted.

Restricted Net Assets For Youth and Junior Programs

The restricted net assets for youth and junior programs report the funds raised from the Nevada ticket sales. This fund is internally restricted.

Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amount of revenues and expenses during the period. Actual results could differ from these estimates. Estimates and assumptions are periodically reviewed, and the effects of revisions are reflected in the financial statements in the period they are determined to be necessary. The areas requiring a significant estimate are accounts receivable, accrued liabilities and the useful life of equipment.

# ONTARIO JUDO BLACK BELT ASSOCIATION

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2024

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies — continued

#### Financial instruments

The Association initially measures its financial assets and liabilities at fair value.

The Association subsequently measures all its financial assets and financial liabilities at amortized cost.

Financial assets measured at amortized cost include cash and accounts receivable.

Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost include accounts payable.

The Association has not designated any financial asset or financial liability to be measured at fair value.

### 3. Accounts receivable

	2024	2023
Accounts receivable - trade	\$ 21,051	\$ 25,046
Government remittances recoverable	5,831	4,638
	\$ 26,882	\$ 29,684

### 4. Equipment

	2024			2023
	Cost	Accumulated amortization	Net	Net
Judo mats and equipment	\$ 244,844	\$ 219,364	\$ 25,480	\$ 11,841
Office equipment	156,521	152,977	3,544	11,324
	\$ 401,365	\$ 372,341	\$ 29,024	\$ 23,165

# ONTARIO JUDO BLACK BELT ASSOCIATION

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2024

### 5. Accounts payable and accrued liabilities

	2024	2023
Credit card payable	\$ 24,940	\$ 7,581
Accounts payable - trade	12,644	19,230
Audit accrual	11,000	10,000
Payroll accrual	7,496	1,462
Other accruals	5,701	-
	<b>\$ 61,781</b>	<b>\$ 38,273</b>

### 6. Deferred revenue

Deferred revenue consists of club membership fees, registration fees and other grants received in the current period that are related to subsequent periods. Changes in the deferred revenue balance are as follows:

	Balance March 31, 2023	Amount recognized as revenue in 2024	Amount received related to the following year	Balance March 31, 2024
Deferred individual and club registration	\$ 78,607	\$ (78,607)	\$ 77,349	\$ 77,349
Participation fees and other grants	4,880	(4,880)	-	-
	<b>\$ 83,487</b>	<b>\$ (83,487)</b>	<b>\$ 77,349</b>	<b>\$ 77,349</b>

### 7. Prior year adjustment

The comparative figures have been retroactively restated to reflect adjustments to the net assets which were not previously recorded. The Unrestricted net assets was previously stated as at March 31, 2023 at \$521,633, is now reflected as \$499,162. The Invested in net capital assets was previously stated as at March 31, 2023 at \$26,555, is now reflected as \$23,165. The Net assets restricted for youth and junior programs was previously stated as at March 31, 2023 at \$12,431, is now reflected as \$38,287.

These adjustments had no effect on the excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenses for the year ended March 31, 2023 or any other component in the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2023.

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### 8. Inter-fund transfer

During the year, the Board approved a transfer from the unrestricted fund to the invested in net capital assets fund in the amount of \$22,771. The purpose of the transfer was to purchase office equipment and judo mats.

### 9. Comparative figures

The financial statements have been reclassified, where applicable, to conform to the presentation used in the current year. The changes do not affect prior year excess of revenues over expenses.

### 10. Financial instruments

The Association is exposed to various risks through its financial instruments, substantially unchanged from the prior year.

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk of being unable to meet cash requirements or fund obligations as they come due. The Association manages its liquidity risk by constantly monitoring forecasted and actual cash flow and financial liability maturities.

#### Other risks

It is management's opinion that the Association is not exposed to significant credit, foreign currency, interest rate or market risks arising from the financial instruments.

The extent of the Association's exposure to all risks did not change during the year.

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Administration and Communication	Schedule I	
	2024	2023
Rent	\$ 16,192	\$ 15,829
Telephone	4,551	4,505
Bookkeeping	4,400	4,116
Parking	2,277	1,336
Printing and photocopying	1,872	2,585
Office and administration	20,543	14,099
	<b>\$ 49,835</b>	<b>\$ 42,470</b>