

President's Report

- 2010 proved to be eventful and memorable.
- Special visits from many sensei, including Fujiwara Sensei and the twenty plus sensei from Japan.
- Our competitive results were strong, with a high level of spirit and participation. Events reported as follows:

COMPETITIONS

- **MUKEN Taikai:** June 2010. Following on from our 20th Anniversary Taikai, we have decided to make this an annual interclub competition run by MUKEN. The MUKEN Taikai has a greater number of divisions, allowing us to separate contestants into more evenly matched pools creating more evenly matched fights and a better overall experience for the participants.
 - 3rd-1st Kyu Division: 1st, Richard Loi, equal 3rd, Alvin Ng.
 - Fighting spirit awards to Vi Dinh, David Tay and Sara Hwang.
- **Otsuka Memorial Taikai.** July 2010, Kenshikan Dojo. 9 Competitors attended from MUKEN.
 - Alvin Ng and Richard Ten 2nd place, team event.
- **Victorian Kendo Championships,** August 2010, at Victorian University, Footscray campus. 21 competitors from MUKEN.
 - Kyu grade team (Ben Tran, Jeffrey Khor, Takeshi Hartono, Daniel Huang and Richard Zhou) achieved 2nd place.
 - Women's individuals: Nor Farhana, 2nd
 - Kata Pairs: Kevin Chin and Andrew Lam; 2nd
 - Veteran's, Andy Meier, 2nd, Yakov Sensei, 3rd.
- **Australian University Games,** September 2010 in Perth. Four representatives from MUKEN. Lower participation due to higher cost. 2011's AUG will be held at the Gold Coast.
 - Kyu Division: Takeshi Hartono, 2nd, Vincent Lai, 3rd
 - Green and Gold award, Takeshi Hartono
- **Mumeishi 3's,** October 2010 at Beacon's Hill college, run by Mumeishi Kendo Club. 6 People (2 Teams) from MUKEN Competed.
 - Andrew Lam, Alvin Ng and Richard Loi, 2nd place.
- **Club Championship,** November 2010
 - Beginners division, 1st place Daniel Tee, 2nd place Yan Ling.
 - Kyu grade division, 1st place Takeshi Hartono, 2nd place Jeffrey Khor, equal 3rd Ben Tran.
 - Women's division, 1st place Farhana Fauzy., 2nd place Vi Dinh.
 - Dan grade, 1st place Andrew Lam, 2nd place David Tay.
 - Fighting spirit award, Joanna Ting, Farhana Fauzy, Alvin Ng.

MUKEN EVENTS

- **Ballarat Camp, 7th-9th May 2010.** Serves as a bonding event between junior and senior members, as well as Monash and Melbourne kendo clubs. 64 people in total attended this year, 46 from Melbourne and 18 from Monash. Special thanks to David Tay for catering dinner.
- **Fundraiser Night, September 2010.** We run this event every year to help raise funds to support our AUG team. Funds are raised by selling or auctioning off kendo related items on the night to attendees. We tried some new events, such as kendo related games,(blind Kata and Jan Ken Shiai) Special thanks to Kenji Sugimoto for coming up with these ideas. Raised \$800.
- **Visit by World Kendo Butoku Washinkai, October.** Over twenty sensei came to visit us all the way from Japan.
- **Joint training with Monash at Monash University, October.** Monash invited us to train when they had Sumi Sensei over, a very famous and internationally respected Sensei.

MUSA

- As per MUSA's request, we successfully changed our club's official name from the University of Melbourne Kendo Club (UMKC) to Melbourne University Kendo Club. We are now known as MUKEN.

GRADINGS

- **September 2010 Gradings:**
 - 33 People attempted grading at the 6 – 2nd Kyu gradings,
 - 7 People attempted grading at 1st Kyu – 3 Dan gradings.
 - All graded successfully
- **March 2011 Gradings:**
 - 9 People attempted grading at the 6 – 2nd Kyu gradings
 - 6 People attempted grading at 1st Kyu – 3 Dan gradings,

All graded successfully