

GREETINGS all members and students!

CONGRATULATIONS to all participants in the in-house grappling tournament as well as the recent out-of-town tournaments. Check out the wall of fame to see your name in print!

THANK YOU, THANK YOU AND THANK YOU!!! To all those who volunteered at the in-house grappling tournament. Your help is the reason why our tournaments are successful.

UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS:

- April 14, 2012 Emerald Gloves Open Martial Arts Tournament in Prince Albert
- **April 21, 2012 Scheer's Western Plains Open at Walter Murray Collegiate**
- May 5, 2012 Medicine Hat Karate Do Tournament, in Medicine Hat, AB
- May 12, 2012 Soaring High Miskisew, in Nipawin, SK
- May 19, 2012 Western Canadian Karate Championships , Red Deer AB
- May 26, 2012 Can-Am Classic Open Martial Arts Tournament, Balgonie SK

Please remember that participating in tournaments is not only a valuable experience for all ages/disciplines/skill levels but also will earn competition stripes for the youth programs. The SMAA also refunds \$50 for participating in out-of-town tournaments.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING THE SCHEER'S WESTERN PLAIN OPEN MARTIAL ARTS TOURNAMENT:

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! This tournament is put on by the non-profit Saskatoon Martial Arts Association (SMAA) and once again we call upon parents and adult students to volunteer their time. If you volunteer for the scorekeeping and/or timekeeping we will be running a ½ hour

training session on Thursday April 12 at 5:30 and at 6:00. There will be some goodies available courtesy of the provincial Saskatchewan Martial Arts Association.

PRE-REGISTRATION: SMAA board members will be on hand to accept pre-registration on Wed, Apr 11th and Thurs, Apr 12th from 6:00 p.m. until 7:00. If you preregister on these days, your name will be entered in a draw for a free T-shirt. Tournament T-shirts and hoodies will also be available for sale at this time.

SUPPORT the SMAA by buying - T-shirts \$20 – Hoodies \$30. Once these are sold there will be no others.

Please remember the Saskatoon Martial Arts Association (SMAA) is a non-profit organization that raises funds from tournament proceeds as well as from the T-shirt and hoodie sales. If you missed the annual general meeting for the SMAA and would like more information on this non-profit entity, please contact any of the Board members: Stephen McLeod, president, Anita Dutka, Sec-Treasurer, Troy Scheer, Dwight Scheer, Roger Giason, Rebecca Lizee, Roy Sondershausen, Michelle Houlden, Michael Robin, Jen Sheasby, and our newest board member, Laura Orenchuk.

KEY TOURNAMENT INFO:

Saturday April 21

At Walter Murray Collegiate (Taylor St & Preston Ave)

Preregistration will be accepted at Scheer's at any time before the tournament. On tournament day - Registration starts at 8:45 a.m.

Time: Opening ceremonies start at 10:00 a.m. and will go until finished

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Events: Grappling, Hard and Soft Style Kata, Weapons Kata, Musical Kata, Point Sparring, Light Contact Kickboxing, - **PLEASE NOTE THAT ONLY ONE MATCH IS GUARANTEED.**
There are no "B" sides.

Sanctioned by the Saskatchewan Martial Arts Association.

Entry fee (payable to the SMAA by cash or cheque only) \$40 for all events.

Spectator Admission: \$5 and ages 12 and under are free

FACILITY CLOSURES:

- Friday April 6th to Sunday April 9th for Easter. Regular classes resume on Monday
- Saturday, April 21st. (Come see us at the Scheer's Western Plains Open Tournament held at Walter Murray Collegiate!)
- Sunday April 22.
- Monday, May 21st for Victoria Day.

Watch for the new schedule coming for July and August!

REMINDERS:

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- Watch for children in the parking lot during peak times – keep your speed at a minimum!
- Check the lost and found if you are missing any equipment or clothing – also there is a pair of red Fairtex MMA gloves with initials “EB” missing. Please return these to the office if you come across them. Left behind jewellery is in my office.
- Left behind items will be subject to donation to the Salvation Army by the end of April if not claimed.

Good luck to all competitors and happy training!

Anita Dutka