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AM-CAN

INTERNATIONAL JUDO CHALLENGE



May 24th and 25th

**Alumni Arena
University at Buffalo**

**Amherst
New York, U.S.A.**

Application Package

36th AM-CAN INTERNATIONAL JUDO CHALLENGE
MAY 24TH AND 25TH, 2008

HOSTED BY: AM-CAN International Judo Challenge, Inc.
DIRECTORS: Richard Nowak, Dr. Chris Zusi and Bruce Histed.
SANCTIONED BY: New York State Judo Inc.
CHIEF REFEREE: Richard Celotto **REFEREE CO-ORDINATOR:** Bob Gugino
REGISTRATION: Joan Ginter **HEAD MATCH-SETTER:** Brian Ginter

HEADQUARTERS: Holiday Inn, Amherst Phone (716) 691 8181

TOURNAMENT SITE: Alumni Arena, S.U.N.Y. at Buffalo, Amherst, NY
Our 15th Anniversary at this location.

ELIGIBILITY: **Juniors** - Current **USJI, USJA, USJF** or Foreign National Membership Cards. No competitors under six (6) will be permitted. A **Copy** of proof of age and membership must be sent with application or shown at time of registration to be eligible to compete.

Seniors - Current **USJI, USJA, USJF** or Foreign National Membership Cards. A **Copy** Must either be sent with application or shown at registration to be eligible to compete.

RULES: The Tournament will be Modified Double Elimination and the **Golden Score** will apply to all matches. Current IJF rules will be used with the following modifications. All **Junior** matches will be three (3) minutes. If an advertised **Junior** Division has 21 or more competitors, it will be divided into two divisions and awards will be given in both divisions. Contestants, ages 13 through 16 will be allowed Shime-Waza but not allowed Kansetsu-Waza on Saturday. If **Junior** boys, ages 13 through 16, who competed on Saturday, elect to compete on Sunday, they will compete in applicable Division. No Late fee will be charged.

Current **IJF** time rules will apply to **Senior divisions III-M and I-F**, Masters divisions will be three (3) minutes.

Note: Senior Divisions III-M and I-F must have both blue and white Gi's. Any competitors in these divisions and all Masters divisions must be Dan grade or have a completed certificate regarding non black-belt contestants.

AWARDS: **Individual Awards:** Three Trophies will be awarded in any division of five (5) or more Competitors; Two Trophies in a division of four competitors; One Trophy in divisions of two (2) or three (3) competitors, a **Medal** will be awarded to the other competitors.

Cup Points: Points are based on trophy awards only. First Place - 5; Second Place - 3; Third Place - 1.

Junior, Senior & International Cups: Cups will be awarded to clubs accumulating the most points.

Challenge Cup: Will be awarded to the Country with the most points accumulated on both days and will be held by the top scoring club in that country.

COMPETITORS MUST BE IN THEIR JUDO GI FOR AWARD PRESENTATION

ENTRIES: All regular entries must be postmarked by May 15th, 2008.
Mail entries to: 2008 AM-CAN, P.O. Box 539, Amherst, New York 14226-0539.
Late entries will be accepted at the tournament registration and weigh-ins.
Faxed applications will not be accepted.

ENTRY FEE: \$ 55.00 entry fee must be postmarked by May 15, 2008.
Late entry registration at tournament is \$ 70.00. All entry fees must be payable in U.S. CURRENCY ONLY. Make checks or money order payable to 2008 AM-CAN JUDO. (Canadians - Postal Money Order or Certified Bank Check in U.S. funds.) NO REFUNDS - (Dr's Certificate exemption) - SUBSTITUTIONS ALLOWED.

EXPENSES: No expenses will be paid to contestants.

DATE & TIME: *Boys & Girls* in the 6 through 16 year old divisions will compete on Saturday, May 24th, 2008.
Men & Women will compete on Sunday, May 25th, 2007.
Tournament will begin at 9:00am on both days.

REGISTRATION & WEIGH-IN: All Juniors will weigh-in on Friday, May 23rd from 1:00pm to 5:00pm and from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.
All Seniors will weigh-in on Saturday, May 24th from 1:00pm to 5:00pm and from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.
Registration and weigh-in will be at the Holiday Inn - Amherst.

HOTELS: Holiday Inn, Amherst (716) 691 8181 or other Hart Hotels.

NATIONAL REFEREE CERTIFICATION SITE: Richard Celotto is the Chief Referee

REFRESHMENTS: Food and drink will be available at the site at the College Snack Bar.

OPENING CEREMONIES start promptly at 9:00am both days. Contestants should be in their Gi for a brief line-up and introductions.

THE AM-CAN COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO MAKE ANY CHANGES NECESSARY IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE CONTESTANTS, OR TO REJECT ANY FORMS THAT CONTAIN FALSE INFORMATION

MENS DIV III AND WOMEN DIV I-F ON SUNDAY - **THE USE OF THE BLUE GI AND WHITE GI IS MANDATORY FOR COMPETITION.**

DIRECTORS: Richard Nowak, President;; Chris Zusi; Bruce Histed.
Additional information can be obtained from Mel Ginter at 716 693 6008 or at ming3@roadrunner.com

Visit our web site at www.amcanjudo.org

AGE AND WEIGHT DIVISIONS

Boys - Saturday, May 24th, 2008

6 thru 8	-	50.0; 60.0; 70.0; 80.0; Over 80.0
9 thru 10	-	60.0; 70.0; 80.0; 90.0; 105.0; Over 105.0
11 thru 12	-	70.0; 80.0; 90.0; 100.0; 115.0; 130.0; Over 130
13 thru 14	-	90.0; 100.0; 115.0; 130.0; 145.0; Over 145
15 thru 16	-	121.0; 132.0; 145.0; 160.0; 178.0; 200.0; Over 200

Girls - Saturday, May 24th, 2008

6 thru 8	-	50.0; 60.0; 70.0; Over 70.0
9 thru 10	-	60.0; 70.0; 80.0; 92.0; Over 92.0
11 thru 12	-	73.0; 83.0; 93.0; 103.0; 115.0; Over 115.0
13 thru 14	-	95.0; 105.0; 115.0; 126.0; 139.0; Over 139.0
15 thru 16	-	105.0; 115.0; 125.0; 140.0; 155.0; Over 155.0

Additional weight divisions may be added at the discretion of the tournament committee. If **Junior Boys** 13 thru 16, who competed on Saturday elect to compete on Sunday, they will compete in **Appropriate Division**. **Junior girls** ages 13 thru 16, who competed on Saturday, may also compete on Sunday in **Division I-F**. Both must have proper parent/guardian permission. (No late fee will be assessed).

Men and Women - International Judo Federation Weight Divisions
Special Note: Women's Div under 44kg and men's Div under 55kg
will be added if there are more than 3 registrations in those Divisions

Sunday, May 25th, 2008

(Subject to current International Judo Federation Rules - date of tournament)

MEN

Division I-M ROKKYU - YONKYU Division II-M SANKYU - IKKYU

Division III-M - Dan grades (Black Belts) - **The Blue and White Gi applies to this Division.**

MEN - MASTERS DIVISIONS

Divisions will be divided by Age and Weight as fairly as possible.

WOMEN

Division I-F - All Ranks - **The Blue and White Gi applies to this Division.**

WOMEN - MASTERS DIVISIONS

Divisions will be divided by Age and Weight as fairly as possible.

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1. Competitor Entry Form

On-line Registration Confirmation #: _____

Payment Option Selected: _____

Total Due: _____

Transaction Status: _____

Balance Due: _____

Tournament Entry Fee:

\$55 - Paid on-line or Postmarked - by May 15th, 2008

\$70 - Paid on-line or Postmarked - after May 15th, 2008

Canadian Entries:

Must be paid by Certified Check or Money Order in U.S. Funds

Competitor Data:

* _____ *	_____		
Last Name	First Name		
* _____ *	_____		
Rank	Date of Birth		
* _____			
Street/Mailing Address			
* _____ *	* _____ *	* _____ *	* _____ *
City	State/Province	ZIP/Postal Code	Country
* _____ *	_____	_____	
Home Phone	Cell Phone	Email Address	

Judo Club Data:

* _____ *	_____		
Judo Club Name	Instructor Name		
* _____ *	_____		
Club/Instructor AC/Phone	Club/Instructor Email Address		
* _____			
Club Street/Mailing Address			
* _____ *	* _____ *	* _____ *	* _____ *
City	State/Province	ZIP/Postal Code	Country

Parent/Guardian Contact Data: (For Competitors under age 18)

* You must complete this section for all competitors under age 18.

* _____ *	
Parent/Guardian Contact Name	
* _____ *	_____
Home Phone	Cell Phone

Email Address	

Division: _____

Sex: _____

(On May 24th, 2008) Age: _____

Membership Card: _____

Card #: _____

Expiration Date: _____

(Leave space below blank - weight will be entered at weigh-ins)

Weight: _____

**Please Sign and Send
Forms and Identification
to AM-CAN Registration:**

(Official
Use)

Forms:

- 1. Competitor Entry Form
- 2. Competition Liability Waiver
- 3. Participation Approval
- 4. Power of Attorney

*** Your registration will not be processed
without all 4 forms.**

Identification:

(To expedite your registration)

Juniors

- 1. Copy of Birth Certificate
- 2. Copy of Membership Card

*Juniors must have a valid
USJI, USJA, USJF
or Foreign Membership Card

Seniors

- 1. Copy of Membership Card

*Seniors must have a valid
USJI, USJA, USJF
or Foreign Membership Card

Mail All Forms to:

AM-CAN Registration
P.O. Box 539
Amherst, NY 14226-0539

2. Competition Liability Waiver

Competitor Name - Registration Confirmation #:

WARNING, WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE

In consideration of being permitted to participate in any way, including travel to and from, AM-CAN INTERNATIONAL JUDO CHALLENGE, INC., and related events and activities of United States Judo, Inc., United States Judo Federation, United States Judo Association, New York State Judo, Inc., State University of New York at Buffalo, I hereby:

1. Acknowledge that I am familiar with the sport of Judo and understand the rules governing the sport of Judo.
2. Agree that, prior to participating, I will inspect the mats, equipment, facilities, competition pools or divisions, and the elimination or scoring system to be used, and if I believe anything is unsafe or beyond my capability, I will immediately advise my coach, supervisor and/or a tournament official of such conditions and refuse to participate.
3. Acknowledge and fully understand that I will be engaging in a contact sport that might result in serious injury, including permanent disability or death, and severe social and economic losses due not only to my own actions, inactions or neglect, but also to the actions, inactions, or negligence of others, the rules of the sport of Judo, or conditions of the premises or of any equipment used. Further I acknowledge that there may be other risks not known to me or not reasonably foreseeable at this time.
4. Knowing the risks involved in the sport of Judo, I assume all such risks and accept personal responsibility for the damages following such injury, permanent disability, or death.
5. Release, waive, discharge and covenant not to sue the United States Judo, Inc., United States Judo Federation, United States Judo Association, New York State Judo, Inc., AM-CAN International Judo Challenge, Inc., and the State University of New York at Buffalo, together with their affiliated clubs, their respective administrators, directors, agents, coaches, and other employees or volunteers of the organization, event officials, medical personnel, other participants, their parents, guardians, supervisors and coaches, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owners, lessors and lessees of premises used in conducting the event, all of whom are hereinafter referred to as "releasee", from any and all claims, demands, losses, or damages on account of injury, including permanent disability and death or damage to property, caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the releasee or otherwise to the fullest extent permitted by law.

I HAVE READ THE ABOVE WARNING, WAIVER, AND RELEASE, UNDERSTAND THAT I GIVE UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND KNOWING THIS, SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY. I AGREE TO PARTICIPATE KNOWING THE RISKS AND CONDITIONS INVOLVED AND DO SO ENTIRELY OF MY OWN FREE WILL. I AFFIRM THAT I AM AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE, OR, IF I AM UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE, I HAVE OBTAINED THE REQUIRED CONSENT OF MY PARENT/GUARDIAN AS EVIDENCED BY THEIR SIGNATURE BELOW.

Participant (Print Name)

Participant Signature

Date

FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE (UNDER AGE 18 AT TIME OF REGISTRATION)

This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree to his/her release, as provided above, of all the Releasees, and, for myself, my heirs, assigns, and next of kin, I release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees from any and all liabilities incident to my minor child's involvement or participation in these programs as provided above, even if arising from their negligence, to the fullest extent permitted by law. I have instructed the minor participant as to the above warnings and conditions and their ramifications.

Parent/Guardian (Print Name)

Parent/Guardian's Signature

Date

3. Participation Approval – Non-Black Belt Contestants

Competitor Name - Registration Confirmation #:

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The following certificate must be filled out for Competitors in the Women's division I-F, all Male and Female Masters Division and Junior 13 thru 16 years of age and must be mailed with application.

ITEM I

CERTIFICATE REGARDING NON-BLACK BELT CONTESTANTS

I, _____
(Printed name of Instructor)

a Judo Instructor, who has been awarded the Judo rank of Shodan or higher, recognized by a

National Governing Body of Judo, certify that _____
(Printed name of competitor)

although not having been awarded the rank of Shodan or higher, is of sufficient aptitude and skill in Judo to compete in this event and division.

X _____
(Signature and Rank of Judo Instructor) (Date)

A copy of my proof of rank (rank certificate, USA Judo, USJA, USJF membership card having the verification symbol "(V)" printed following my rank is attached.

Call:

Days & Evenings:

(716) 693-6008

Questions?

Email:

roh4@mac.com

ming3@roadrunner.net

Send All Registration Forms and Identification to:

**AM-CAN Registration
P.O. Box 539
Amherst, NY 14226-0539**

Sign it!

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Send it!

4. Power of Attorney

Competitor Name - Registration Confirmation #:

POWER OF ATTORNEY

If contestant is under the age of 18 years on the day of competition, this document must be completed by the contestant's parent or legal guardian if the parent or legal guardian is not attending this event. I certify that I am the parent or legal guardian of the following minor.

I will not be in attendance at this event and do hereby designate that

who is over 21 years of age, to be my true and lawful attorney, to act in my name, place and stead, to do any and every act and exercise any power that I might or could do or exercise through any other person and that he/she shall deem proper or advisable, intending hereby to vest in the person acting for me full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing.

X

(Signature of parent or legal guardian)

(Date)

Call:

Days & Evenings:

(716) 693-6008

Questions?

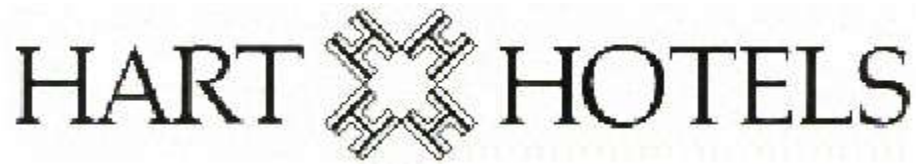
Email:

roh4@mac.com

ming3@roadrunner.net

Send All Registration Forms and Identification to:

**AM-CAN Registration
P.O. Box 539
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www.harthotels.com

Holiday Inn - Amherst
1881 Niagara Falls Boulevard
Amherst, NY- (716) 691 8181

Special Note: All reservations at the Hart Hotel group will all be handled thru a representative at the Holiday Inn telephone at the special AM-CAN rate of \$99.00 plus tax for up to quadruple occupancy. Identify yourself as AM-CAN Judo group. The hotels will be the Amherst Holiday as headquarters, the Indigo (formerly the Hampton) and the Holiday Airport.

Free parking at Hotels and tournament site. No Spectator charges to tournament. Shuttle service to and from the Airport only. The shuttle to the tournament site has been discontinued due to lack of use.

If you encounter any problems with reservations call Mel Ginter at (716) 693 6008.

FRIDAY NIGHT OPEN RECEPTION

A free open reception will be held for all Parents, Competitors, Coaches, and Officials at the Holiday Inn, Amherst at 9:00pm Friday, May 23rd. Hors de oeuvres will be served.

(A cash bar will be available for those of age and inclination - you must be over age 21)



**REFEREE WORKSHOP AND NATIONAL REFEREE
CANDIDATE EXAMINATION SITE AND REFEREE
REEVALUATION SITE**

Referees who will be officiating at this event should call Mr. Hyder and Inform him that you will be attending the Workshop and/or Refereeing Saturday and/or Sunday. Please inform Mr. Hyder email : amcanref@aol.com or telephone at (585) 247 3945 of your intentions or Mail in RSVP Card.

REFEREE WORKSHOP Friday, May 23rd , 2008 9:45am until 5:30pm

LOCATION: Alumni Arena at the State University of New York at Buffalo
NOTE: Parking in back lot only.

CONDUCTED BY: Mr. Richard Celotto, Dr. Sachio Ashida and Mr. Russ Scherer

This is a day long referee workshop, which will review the IJF Contest Rules, with clarifications, interpretations and any changes which have taken place. Philosophy, skill development and score parameters will also be covered. Time will be spent discussing decorum, protocol, referee's expected behaviors, procedure drills and videotape score and situation analysis. Coaches and competitors are welcome. Participants should bring paper, pen, a copy of the rules, judogi and any questions you may have.

This complimentary Workshop is sponsored and organized by the AM-CAN Committee and presented by members of the USA Judo Referee Commission.

The AM-CAN Committee will provide a complimentary lunch for those who advise Mr. Hyder (585) 247 3945 or amcanref@aol.com that they will be attending the Workshop.

The Regular Evening Referee Meeting will also be held at the Alumni Arena from 7:00pm to 8:30pm on Friday, May 23rd. Referee Meetings will also be conducted on Saturday, May 24th and Sunday, May 25th at 8:00am sharp. Referees and Candidates must attend all meetings.

NATIONAL REFEREE CANDIDATE EXAMINATION SITE

Those wishing to be Candidates must inform Mr. Celotto by telephone (203) 323 5628 or e mail at Shimpando@aol.com of their intentions to take the Examination. Questions: email or call.

Prerequisites: Candidates must be 18 years of age or older, hold the rank of Shodan or higher, be a Regional Level Referee (USA Judo, USJA, USJF) for a minimum of one year, be a U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident Alien (Green Card) and have a current USA Judo membership card. You will need the original and a copy of your passport (Green Card) or Birth Certificate or a USA Judo Membership card with a "V" next to your birth date and for rank a "V" next to your rank. We need a copy of your rank certificate, a copy of your Regional Referee Certificate and the original and a copy of your USA Judo Membership Card. Candidates are highly encouraged to attend the Referee Workshop.

All Candidates MUST be at the 5:30PM National Referee Candidate Meeting on Friday, where you will fill in appropriate forms, prerequisites will be verified and collected and the \$20.00 Examination fee (Cash or Check to USA Judo will be collected and the Written Examination will be administered.

All Successful candidates will have to submit the form and \$16.00 and pass an USA Judo background check procedure. If you already have clearance through Coaching Certifications this will be unnecessary.

Candidates **MUST** attend all meetings, take the written examination and referee for the full duration of the event. Successful candidates will pay a \$20.00 Registration fee and provide two passport photos, and a three year referee history of their refereeing (events officiated and clinics attended).

2008 YMCA JUDO CAMP
AUGUST 10TH - 16TH, 2008

Cost \$535.00 (includes a camp T-shirt) plus \$15.00 YMCA Membership if you are not a "Y" member (\$50.00 non-refundable deposit required with Application: - balance due July 20th, 2008. **Special Offer for 17 and Under: Register at the AM-CAN and deduct \$50.00 from Camp Fee.**

Camper's Name _____ Circle One
Male Female Age _____

Address _____ "T" Shirt Size _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Mother's Name _____ Phone # _____ Father's Name _____ Phone # _____

Judo Club Member _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature _____

Method of Payment _____ Check _____ Visa or MasterCard (Account # - Expiration Date - Signature) _____

Y.M.C.A. Development Judo Center
Huguenot, NY 12746
For more information call: (845) 858 2200

AM-CAN ATTENDANCE RECORD

Last year's AM-CAN's number of Competitors reached a total of 754. This was an audited count that was taken from the Competition Sheets and only recognized Competitors that had competed in at least one match.

Visit our new website at www.amcanjudo.org for a complete report.