

Report on the 2010 NSW International Open Championships

The NSW Open was held at the Blacktown leisure centre on Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd of August 2010. 374 fighters on three mats over two days showcasing some of the best Junior and Senior fighters in Australia and competitors from many other Oceania nations including New Caledonia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and Samoa.

On the first day of competition Victoria was represented by the following,

Bryan Jolly (Judo Bendigo Inc)	Under 14	(34kg)	First
Aofie Coughlan (Traralgon Judo Club)	Cadets & Junior Women	(63kg)	First & Second
Sabrina Anglin (Preston Judo Club)	Under 14	(44kg)	Second
Angus Richardson (Traralgon Judo Club)	Cadets	(60kg)	Third
Kim Jolly (Bendigo Judo Academy)	Young Men	(55kg)	Third
Aaron Bilney (Dominance MMA)	Cadets	(66kg)	

Everyone fought very well and should be proud of their achievements in this competition as the standard that we saw had to be very close to that of a national titles with most divisions having large numbers of competitors.

The second day of competition was represented by the following,

Jakub Sawczuk (Caulfield Judo Club)	(90kg)	
Brendan Almeida (Western Judo Academy)	(81kg)	
Dennis Iverson (Dominance MMA)	(73kg)	First
Ben Donegan (Judo Bendigo Inc)	(73kg)	Second
Ryosuke Miwa (Western Judo Academy)	(66kg)	First
Ivo Dos Santos (Western Judo Academy)	(66kg)	Second
Tom Pappas (Dominance MMA)	(60kg)	Third
Carli Renzi (Dominance MMA)	(57kg)	First

Again there were some very hard fights with all divisions being quite large, some great signs for Victorian judo having both finalists in the 66kg and 73kg divisions. Good luck to those who were using this comp as a warm up for the world titles, we wish you all the best.

A big thanks as usual to all the referees and officials from Victoria who gave up there time to make the days run smooth. Neville Sharpe, John Dronryp, Trudy Walker, Chris Legaud, Malcom Slade, Suzette Bezuidenhout, Stan Ashley and Peter Alway.

Now to look forward to Victorians dominating all divisions at VIOC. Hope to see everyone there.

Thankyou

Ben Donegan