



OJI Presidential Notes

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In an effort to stay in-touch and provide timely information about OJI activities and regional events, it is planned to distribute these "Notes" directly to all members of OJI plus anyone else wishing to receive these e-mails. They will also be posted on the OJI web site. If you wish to be removed from this e-mail list, please contact me using reply to sender (please DO NOT use "reply all"). Similarly, if you are not currently on the "direct e-mail" list and wish to be added please contact me stating your request.

- 1) HAPPY HOLIDAYS – Wishing everyone a happy and safe holiday season.



- 2) Referee Training for 2018 – There will be a series of Referee Clinics and Seminars during next year. The first will be held on Saturday, January 13th in conjunction with a development mini-shiai at the Kettering Recreation Center (Kettering, OH). Implementation of the 2018 IJF Rules/Modifications will be covered and used at the mini-shiai. The OJI Referee Training Program (located on the OJI Website) will be updated to include the 2018 Rules. Please study this program prior to each clinic. This program is meant to benefit those interested in becoming a referee as well as all referees of all certification levels.
- 3) OJI Board of Directors Meeting (1/13/18) – The winter meeting of the OJI BoD will be held at the conclusion of the Kettering Mini-Shiai and Referee Clinic (5:00PM) at the Kettering Recreation Center. We will set our budget and programs for 2018.
- 4) Club Advertising on New OJI Trailer – Ohio Judo, Inc. has purchased a new mat trailer and is offering clubs the opportunity to have their club logo affixed to the trailer to support the mat program and advertise their club. The one-time fee of \$250 covers the cost of the decal and supports the mat and trailer program. If your club is interested, contact Mike Mooney or Russ Scherer.

Special Notes:

- 1) If your club is not yet registered with OJI for 2018 yet, please consider joining us and send in your club form with \$25 to Michael Mooney per procedures outlined on the OJI website.

Upcoming Events (check the OJI web site for additional details and an updated listing):

Ohio Events - **National Events & Ref Eval Sites** - Other Events

- 1/13/18 - **KRC Judo Club Mini-Shiai and Referee Training (Kettering, OH)**
- 1/13/18 - **OJI BoD Winter Meeting (Kettering, OH)**
- 1/21/18 - **Konan Promotion Clinic (Maumee, OH)**
- 1/27/18 - Wahadachi Competitor and Referee Clinics (Milwaukee, WI)
- 1/28/18 - **Wahadachi Shiai and National Referee Test Site (Milwaukee, WI)**
- 2/3/18 - **Pedro Judo Challenge (Danvers, MA)**
- 2/10/18 - Midwest Collegiate Championships (Savoy, IL)
- 2/10/18 - **Cherry Blossom Open (Boynton Beach, FL)**
- 2/24/18 - **Mayfield Championships (Jacksonville, NC)**
- 3/3/18 - **USA Judo National Scholastics and Youth Championships (York, PA)**
- 3/10-11/18 - **Collegiate Nationals (Iowa State, IA)**
- 3/17/18 - Rebel Invitational (Owenton, KY)
- 3/24/18 - **Kettering Judo Classic (Kettering, OH)**
- 3/24/18 - New York Open Team Championships (NYC, NY)
- 4/14/18 - **Liberty Bell Classic (Bryn Athyn, PA)**
- 4/28/18 - Indiana Open Championships (Portland, IN)
- 5/5/18 - **Akiya Memorial Shiai (Cleveland, OH)**

- 5/12/18 - Ohio Open Championships (Bluffton, OH)
- 5/12-13/18 - USA Judo Senior National Championships (Round Rock, TX)
- 5/26/18 - AM/CAN KATA Competition and Referee Clinic (Buffalo, NY)
- 5/27/18 - AM/CAN Challenge – All Shiai Divisions (Buffalo, NY)
- 6/2/18 - North Coast Championships (Lorain, OH)
- 6/22-24/18 - USA Judo National Junior Olympics (Spokane, WA)
- 7/21-23/18 - Greatest Camp on Earth (Matthews, NC)
- 7/31-8/5/18 - Camp Bushido (CA)

If you have information about any other events that would be of interest to OJI members, please reply to this e-mail (do not send info that applies only to your club). Also – Please verify all info prior to travel – We are not responsible for the accuracy of this information. Look for another issue in January. Hope to see you at a future event.

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