



OJI Presidential Notes

January 2018

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) Referee Training for 2018 – Hope to see many of you at the Referee Clinic and Mini-Shiai being held on Saturday, January 13th at the Kettering Recreation Center (Kettering, OH). Implementation of the 2018 IJF Rules/Modifications will be covered and used at the mini-shiai. Sorry that we have lost functionality of the OJI website. I have posted the 2018 Rules Update and a copy of the previous rules for your review on the OJI Facebook Page (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/OhioJudo/>) Please study this material prior to the clinic, if possible. This program is meant to benefit those interested in becoming a referee as well as all referees of all certification levels.
- 2) 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 or earlier) at the Kettering Recreation Center. We will set our budget and programs for 2018.
- 3) 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)
- 1/28/18 - Konan Rank Evaluation Shiai (East Lansing, MI)
- 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)
- 2/18/18 - Konan Spring Promotional Testing (Maumee, OH)
- 2/24/18 - Mayfield Championships (Jacksonville, NC)
- 2/25/18 - Konan Championships (East Lansing, MI)
- 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)
- 3/25/18 - Michigan Open Championships (East Lansing, MI)
- 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)
- 7/6-8/18 - USJF/JA Grassroots Nationals (Grand Rapids, MI)
- 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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