

# 10<sup>th</sup> WSKA Shotokan Karate Do World Championship

CANCUN , QUINTANA ROO



With a total amount of 16 countries, the 10<sup>th</sup> WSKA Shotokan Karate Do World Championship was realized. It was organized by the World Shotokan Karate Do Association along with the Asociación Shotokan México Japón. The participating countries were: Austria, U.S. A., France, Peru, Wales, Scotland, England, Northern Ireland, Poland, Sweden, Switzerland, Czech Republic, Canada, South Africa, Hungary and México as the championship's host, the city of Cancun, Quintana Roo was the official championship's see.

The 10<sup>th</sup> WSKA Karate Do World Championship's activities started officially on Wednesday September the 23th with a Judges Seminary which was imparted by Sensei Richard Poole, from Wales. Judges of all participating countries took part on the seminary including our Mexican compatriots. This seminary started at 10:00 a.m. and in its first part Sensei Richard Poole introduced the new World Championship's Competition Rules and Regulations.



In the second part of the seminary, a groups dynamic was realized, in this dynamic kata videos were judged and why those results were obtained was explained, then we proceed to analyze Kumite videos, using the same pattern, different groups gave their judgment and they had to explain the reasons why they gave their decision.

On Friday afternoon, the WSKA World Congress was realized at Can Cun Hyatt Regency's Arena y Brisas Hall; Two representatives of each affiliated country were requested. The Congress activities were started by Mr. John Hanratty, WSKA President, and once the assembly was established the order of the day was approved, in it several important matters had to be treated, including the progress of the 10<sup>th</sup> WSKA World Championship's organization. Two new countries requested its affiliation, Peru, represented by Sensei Akio Tamashiro and France represented by Sensei Albert Boutboul. These requests were unanimously accepted.



Following with the order of the day, the election of the new WSKA Directive Board (2009.2012) was realized. Richard Poole, from Wales, was elected as the WSKA President, John Hanratty, from Canada, as Vice-President; Ted Hedlund, from Sweden, as Technical Director; Bob Poython, from England, as Treasurer; John Di Pasquale as America's Representative; Richard Poole as Europe's Representative and Mr. Malcolm Dorfman as South Africa's Representative.



At the end of the World Congress, the total number of competitors allowed to participate on the Championship was discussed. Until that date the maximum number of competitor by country was four however it was decided to elevate that number up to six competitors by category so some countries registered new competitors in order to compete at the next day. Also it was established that the next 2011 WSKA World Championship's temporary see will be the city of Chicago U.S.A. in case that there are no other interested countries.

The World Championship's opening ceremony was very emotive; the WSKA, FEMEKA and Quintana Roo's State authorities were introduced as well as the Organizer Committee's Representatives. Also we had the Delegation's Parade with all the participating countries. The military ceremony of the Mexican National Anthem and the Mexican National Flag Honors Ceremony were in charge of the Can Cun City Infantry Battalion War Band. Sensei Rogelio Flores gave the welcome to all the assistants and then he gave the word to the Municipium Presidency Representative in order to welcome all participating countries to Can Cun, after that the word was given to Sensei Richard Poole, WSKA Elected President, and also to Shihan Roberto Hernandez, Mexican Karate Do and related Martial Arts Federation President. Mr. Hernandez welcomed all the athletes and he granted to important acknowledgments, the first one to Sensei Richard Poole giving him the kindest welcome to Mexico and for the diffusion of Shotokan Karate-Do that the WSKA makes worldwide. The second acknowledgment was to Sensei Rogelio Flores for his great trajectory and support to Mexican Karate- Do.



At the end of the opening ceremony, Sensei Rogelio Flores, President of the 10<sup>th</sup> WSKA Shotokan Karate-Do Championship Organizer Committee, and Mr. Mauro Moguel, Manager of the Championship, thanked the presence of all Athletes and Directives from every participating country and to every one gathered at the Polyforum Benito Juárez.



On Saturday the 26th the 10th WSKA Shotokan Karate Do World Championship began at the Polyforum Benito Juárez of Can Cun Quintana Roo. The Championship started with individual ant team kata men and ladies cadets and juniors categories. Mexican judges were present represented by Senseis Alejandro Padilla Véliz, Alfredo Ponce Reyes, José Javier Sánchez, Pedro Lara, Félix Alberto Capilla, Jorge Flores, Fco. Javier Martinez Ferretiz, Alejandro Sanchez and Ruben Carranza Carmona alternating Cadets Kumite and Junior Kata categories by the noon, men and ladies Junior Kumite Categories were the last ones to be realized.

At 19:00 hrs the finals of all categories realized that day started, México could get on the podium at the following categories: 3<sup>rd</sup> place in Men Junior Kata Team, 2<sup>nd</sup> place Men Cadets Kumite Team and 3<sup>rd</sup> place Men Junior Kumite Team.



On Sunday the Senior Categories started with Men Team Kata and continued with individual men and ladies kata, this time our judges Alejandro Padilla, Alfredo Ponce Reyes, José Javier Sanchez, Pedro Lara and Ruben Carranza were selected to work at the Competition Area. Excellent Kata performances were realized in men as well as in ladies branch. The competitors eliminated each others until there were four competitors left for the finals to be realized later that day. The Kumite competition showed very high level sparring competitions. The individual men Kata and Kumite categories were the largest ones and they were extremely exiting. The Ladies categories didn't stayed behind, these competitions also had an excellent level and they were extremely exciting. For México Miss Jacqueline Cerrillo, who could get into the finals, was most remarkable.



When the Senior Finals started, everybody was inquiring who would be the champion, México's hopes were in the final of Ladies Individual Kumite Category because our compatriot was among the four finalists, facing a quite experienced and hard opponent Miss Cerrillo realized an excellent Kumite however she could only reach a bronze medal. But the competition was not finished yet, the Seniors Ladies Kumite Team final competition was to be realized, here México also reached the third place. In this way México achieved 5 bronze and 1 silver medals.





To finish the 10<sup>th</sup> WSKA Shotokan Karate Do World Championship, it was realized, at the Can Cun Hyatt Regency Hotel, the traditional Sayonara (Farewell) Party, where all athletes, coaches, directives and other guests could enjoy three hours of music, dance and drinks. Everybody sang, drank and danced and was very happy for finishing one more Championship with excellent results. At the party there were no countries, only karate friends sharing without frontiers.

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## WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

### LADIES CADETS INDIVIDUAL KATA

1 CORINA RODRIGUEZ	PERU
2 SARINA ROBAINA	USA
3 BETTINA PLANK	AUSTRIA
4 ALISA BUCHINGER	AUSTRIA

### MEN CADETS INDIVIDUAL KATA

1 PLUMB JASON	ENGLAND
2 ROSALES JORGE LUIS	PERU
3 MATTHEW SOUTHALL	USA
4 DALMAU AUGUSTO	PERU

### LADIES CADETS INDIVIDUAL KUMITE

1 ALISA BUCHINGER	AUSTRIA
2 BETTINA PLANK	AUSTRIA
3 NIKKI STOCKHAM	WALES
3 MICHELLE DIPASQUALE	USA

### MEN CADETS INDIVIDUAL KUMITE

1 MCGORIAN JAMES	ENGLAND
2 POKORNY STEFAN	AUSTRIA
3 PLUMB JASON	ENGLAND

3 RAWCLIFFE JOSEPH ENGLAND

MEN CADET TEAM KUMITE

1 ENGLAND ENGLAND

2 MEXICO MEXICO

3 USA USA

LADIES JUNIOR INDIVIDUAL KATA

1 CORINA RODRIGUEZ PERU

2 BETTINA PLANK AUSTRIA

3 SARINA ROBAINA USA

3 ALISA BUCHINGER AUSTRIA

MEN JUNIOR INDIVIDUAL KATA

1 AUINGER VINCENT AUSTRIA

2 KASERER THOMAS AUSTRIA

3 LI JAN PERU

4 DROBECEK JAN CZECH REPUBLIC

LADIES JUNIOR INDIVIDUAL KUMITE

1 DARIA SZULC POLAND

2 ALISA BUCHINGER AUSTRIA

3 KAMILA WARDA POLAND

3 BEATRICE LINDQVIST SWEDEN

MEN JUNIOR INDIVIDUAL KUMITE

1 ANDREAS MUTHER AUSTRIA

2 JAMES ROSS WALES

3 RYAN TUCKER ENGLAND

3 NOAH FRISVOLD USA

MEN JUNIOR TEAM KUMITE

1 AUSTRIA AUSTRIA

2 CZECH REPUBLIC CZECH REPUBLIC

3 ENGLAND ENGLAND

3 MEXICO MEXICO

#### LADIES JUNIOR TEAM KUMITE

1 POLAND	POLAND
2 AUSTRIA	AUSTRIA
3 SWEDEN	SWEDEN
3 USA	USA

#### MEN JUNIOR TEAM KATA

1 AUSTRIA	AUSTRIA
2 ENGLAND	ENGLAND
3 MEXICO	MEXICO
4 PERU	PERU

#### LADIES SENIOR INDIVIDUAL KATA

1 SANDY RANDSOW	SWEDEN
2 ANNA REIFBERGER	AUSTRIA
3 HOLLY STERLING	ENGLAND
4 BETTINA PLANK	AUSTRIA

#### MEN SENIOR INDIVIDUAL KATA

1 AKIO TAMASHIRO	PERU
2 HAFID ZEVALLOS	PERU
3 CLAY MORTON	USA
4 LUKASZ KUZEMKO	POLAND

#### LADIES SENIOR INDIVIDUAL KUMITE

1 EMMA TOPPALOVIC	SWEDEN
2 ASHLEY SCOTT	ENGLAND
3 JAQUELINE CERRILLO	MEXICO
3 MERAL OLMEZ	USA

#### MEN SENIOR INDIVIDUAL KUMITE

1 BAJIC PREDRAG	USA
2 PIOTR ZSUMILO	POLAND
3 ANTONY DUFFY	ENGLAND
3 WILLIAM FINNEGAN	USA

MEN SENIOR TEAM KATA

1 PERU	PERU
2 AUSTRIA	AUSTRIA
3 POLAND	POLAND
4 ENGLAND	ENGLAND

LADIES SENIOR TEAM KUMITE

1 POLAND	POLAND
2 SWEDEN	SWEDEN
3 USA	USA
3 MEXICO	MEXICO

MEN SENIOR TEAM KUMITE

1 ENGLAND	ENGLAND
2 ZCECH REPUBLIC	ZCECH REPUBLIC
3 USA	USA
3 SWEDEN	SWEDEN