



The All United States Kendo Federation

April, 2005

To all members of the All United States Kendo Federation (AUSKF):

The Southern California Iaido Association (SCIA) and Northern California Association (NCIA) are very pleased to organize and sponsor the AUSKF 2005 Iaido Camp from Thursday, September 29, 2005 to Sunday, October 2, 2005 at the Charles H. Wilson Park Gymnasium in Torrance, California. This event is also co-hosted by the Torrance Kendo Dojo.

Please find the enclosed information and registration sheets and feel free to copy and distribute this package to any interested individuals. This information will be available on the websites listed below. All interested participants are encouraged to register early, as a \$25.00 surcharge will be added to the camp fees after September 1, 2005 and space may be limited after this date. All forms and payment must be submitted by September 19, 2005 to the mailing address below. **No late applications, changes or refunds will be accepted after this date.** Candidates eligible for the ranks of 5 dan and below will be eligible to test and must have permission from their instructor and the president of their regional kendo federation.

If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact the individuals at the addresses and phone number below.

We look forward to seeing you this fall!

Sincerely,

AUSKF 2005 Iaido Camp Organizing Committee

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AUSKF Iaido: http://www.auskf.info/mainpages/AUSKF_iaido.htm
SCIA: <http://groups.msn.com/scia>
NCIA: <http://www.nckf.org/Main%20Pages/iaido.htm>



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AUSKF 2005 IAIDO CAMP GENERAL INFORMATION

Organizers: Southern California Iaido Association (SCIA) and Northern California Iaido Association (NCIA)
Co-hosted by the Torrance Kendo Dojo

Dates: Thursday, September 29, 2005 through Sunday, October 2, 2005

Location: Charles H. Wilson Park Gymnasium, Torrance, California

Instructors:

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| Takeshi Yamaguchi | 7 dan, renshi, iaido - Head Instructor |
| Shozo Kato | 7 dan, kyoshi, iaido |
| Tatsuhiko Konno | 7 dan, renshi, iaido |
| Yoshitsugu (Pat) Murosako | 7 dan, renshi, iaido |
| Ichiro Murakami | 6 dan, iaido |
| Thomas Hooper | 6 dan, renshi, iaido |
| Dick Anderson | 6 dan, iaido |

Two instructors from the Zen Nippon Kendo Renmei (ZNKR), Iaido Section in Japan were requested by the AUSKF. More information regarding these instructors will be announced as soon as it is available.

Schedule (subject to change):

Wednesday, September 28, 2005

3:00 p.m.: Hotel check-in

8:00 p.m.: Welcome reception (location to be determined)

Thursday, September 29, 2005

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.: Gym opening / setup

9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.: Opening remarks

9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.: Seminar

12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.: Lunch

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.: Seminar

4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.: Closing remarks

Friday, September 30, 2005

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.: Gym opening / setup

9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.: Opening remarks / announcements

9:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.: Seminar

12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.: Lunch

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.: Seminar / free practice

4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.: Closing remarks / group picture

Saturday, October 1, 2005

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.: Gym opening / setup

9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.: Opening remarks / shimpan meeting

10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.: Taikai

12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.: Lunch

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.: Taikai

4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.: Awards presentation / closing remarks

7:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.: Sayonara Party, Lucille's Smokehouse Bar-B-Que, Del Amo Fashion Center, Torrance

Sunday, October 2, 2005

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.: Gym opening / setup

9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.: Opening remarks

9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.: Free practice

10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.: Shinsa

1:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.: Posting of new ranks / closing remarks



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AUSKF 2005 IAIDO CAMP TAIKAI / SHINSA INFORMATION

AUSKF 2005 National Iaido Taikai (Tournament)

Mudansha Cup

- No rank to 1 kyu may enter
- Each contestant performs five kata from ZenKenRen iaido

Yamaguchi Cup

- 1 dan to 2 dan may enter
- Each contestant performs five kata from ZenKenRen iaido

Nakanishi Cup

- 3 dan and above may enter
- Each contestant performs two kata from their individual koryu (style) plus three kata from ZenKenRen iaido

All ZenKenRen iaido kata will be pre-selected by the instructors and posted on the day of the taikai. Koryu kata will be chosen by each contestant (Nakanishi Cup contestants only). Time limit: Six minutes per competitor, all divisions. All matches are determined by hantei (judges' decision). 1st place, 2nd place, two 3rd place and Kantosho (Fighting Spirit) awards will be handed out for each division. **All decisions of the referees and judges are final.**

Shinkyu Shinsa (Promotional Examination)

Shinsa candidates must complete or provide **ALL** of the following prior to the examination:

- AUSKF membership
- Completed shinsa application form
- Signed waiver of liability form
- Permission from their instructor
- Permission from their regional kendo federation president
- A copy of their current menjo (rank certificate)
- Written test answer(s)
- Shinsa and menjo fees

Candidates may apply to test for 5 dan and below. Test questions and a study guide will be provided to each candidate at least three weeks prior to the examination. **Any shinsa application forms or payments submitted after 9/19/05 will NOT be accepted.** New menjo will be mailed to each successful candidate's instructor following the completion of the shinsa. **All decisions of the examining board are final.**



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AUSKF 2005 IAIDO CAMP FEE SCHEDULE

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| 2-day seminar and 1-day taikai: | \$150.00, AUSKF members |
| Seminar only: | \$80.00 per day (AUSKF members) |
| | \$100.00 per day (non-AUSKF members) |
| Taikai only (10/1/05): | \$20.00, AUSKF members only |
| Shinsa (10/2/05): | \$50.00, AUSKF members only |
| Bento lunch (optional): | \$10.00 each, per day |
| Sayonara Party (optional): | \$30.00 per person |

Notes: A \$25.00 surcharge will be added to seminar, taikai and shinsa fees for applications received after 9/1/05. **NO applications, changes or refunds will be accepted after 9/19/05.**

Menjo (certificates) / Rank Registration:

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| Kyu (under 18): | \$10.00 |
| Kyu (18 or over): | \$20.00 |
| 1 dan: | \$30.00 |
| 2 dan: | \$40.00 |
| 3 dan: | \$60.00 |
| 4 dan: | \$80.00 |
| 5 dan: | \$100.00 |

Japanese menjo: add \$10.00 to any of the above

Menjo fee payment is required upon successful completion of the shinsa and doubles as a rank registration fee. Please enclose a check payable to **AUSKF** in the amount of the requested menjo along with the shinsa application to expedite menjo and rank processing. Menjo checks will be returned or destroyed for those candidates who do not pass their shinsa.

Please make all other checks payable to **AUSKF** and enclose payment with all registration forms.



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AUSKF 2005 IAIDO CAMP SEMINAR / TAIKAI APPLICATION FORM

Please print all information

Name: _____
Last First

Present Rank: _____

Regional Kendo Federation:

Dojo: _____

Home Address (Street, City, State, Zip Code):

Telephone (Primary): _____

Telephone (Secondary): _____

E-mail Address: _____

Emergency Contact, Relationship & Phone Number:

Name of Parent or Guardian (If under 18 years of age):

IMPORTANT: Please ensure that all retaining pegs (mekugi) for your iaito or shinken are intact and fully secure. All swords are subject to inspection at anytime.



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AUSKF 2005 IAIDO SHINSA APPLICATION FORM

Please print all information

Name: _____
Last First Middle

Name in Japanese (Kanji or Katakana): _____
Family Name Given Name

Home Address: _____

Telephone (Primary): _____ Telephone (Secondary) _____

E-mail Address: _____

Birthdate (MM/DD/YY): _____ Age at time of exam: _____

Requested Rank: _____ Present Rank: _____

Place Received: _____ Date (Month / Year): _____

Regional Kendo Federation: _____

Regional Kendo Federation President: _____

Dojo: _____ Instructor: _____

Instructor's Home Address: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Instructor Comments (Optional): _____
(use additional sheets if necessary)

Signature of Instructor: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Regional Kendo Federation President: _____
_____ Date: _____

Please list any handicaps, injuries, etc.: _____
(use additional sheets if necessary)

NOTES: Please enclose the following with this form: 1) A copy of your current menjo (ranking certificate); 2) Written test answer(s); 3) A check payable to AUSKF in the amount of \$50; 4) A check payable to AUSKF in the amount of your requested menjo (see menjo fee schedule); 5) Signed waiver of liability form. The menjo check will be returned or destroyed if shinsa is not passed. Certificates will be mailed to the instructor's home address.



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AUSKF 2005 IAIDO CAMP WAIVER OF LIABILITY

All seminar, taikai and shinsa participants MUST read and sign the following and submit this form with all other application forms:

I, the undersigned, do hereby voluntarily submit my application for participation and attendance in the AUSKF 2005 Iaido Camp, and hereby release all rights or claims for any injuries, loss of, or damage to personal property that I may incur while attending and participating in the aforementioned event. I hereby waive any and all claims against the All United States Kendo Federation (AUSKF), Charles H. Wilson Park, the Southern California Iaido Association (SCIA), the Northern California Iaido Association (NCIA) or any officials, agents, representatives, successors, and assignees of those individuals or organizations arranging or conducting said event. I further state that I am in good health and physical condition so that I may participate in said event. If I am under 18 years of age, this release and consent must also be signed by a parent or legal guardian.

I have read and understood the information pertaining to the AUSKF 2005 Iaido Camp and hereby attest that all information given is correct to the best of my knowledge. I also accept all decisions of the referees, judges and examining board as final.

Signature: _____

Name (please print): _____

Date: _____

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian (if participant is under 18 years of age):

_____ **Date:** _____

Name (please print): _____



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AUSKF 2005 IAIDO CAMP FEES APPLICATION FORM

Please indicate the number of items requested (where applicable) in the spaces provided.

2-day seminar and 1-day taikai (9/29/05 - 9/30/05 and 10/1/05):

AUSKF members only: _____ X \$150

Seminar only:

AUSKF members, 9/29/05: _____ X \$80

AUSKF members, 9/30/05: _____ X \$80

Non-AUSKF members, 9/29/05: _____ X \$100

Non-AUSKF members, 9/30/05: _____ X \$100

Taikai only (10/1/05):

AUSKF members only: _____ X \$20

Shinsa (10/2/05):

AUSKF members only: _____ X \$50

Sayonara Party (10/1/05): _____ X \$30

Bento:

9/29/05: _____ X \$10

9/30/05: _____ X \$10

10/1/05: _____ X \$10

10/2/05: _____ X \$10

Please indicate any special dietary requests: _____

Menjo / Rank Registration (enclose a separate check payable to AUSKF):

Kyu (under 18): _____ X \$10

Kyu (18 or over): _____ X \$20

1 dan: _____ X \$30

2 dan: _____ X \$40

3 dan: _____ X \$60

4 dan: _____ X \$80

5 dan: _____ X \$100

Japanese menjo: _____ X \$10

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Please make all checks payable to **AUSKF**. A **\$25.00** surcharge will apply to seminar, taikai and shinsa fees submitted after **September 1, 2005**. Completed application forms with all payments must be mailed to the address below, no later than **9/19/05**:

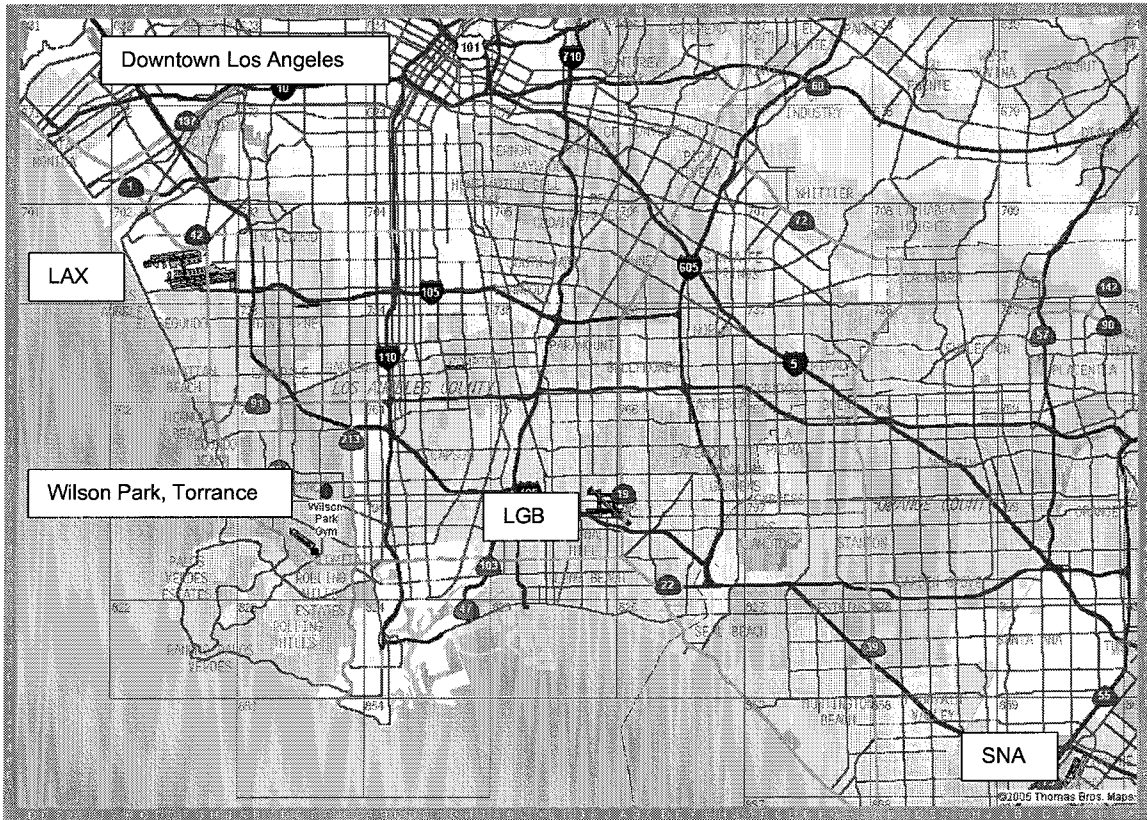
AUSKF 2005 Iaido Camp
c/o Dennis Ralutin
210 N. Hoover St.
Los Angeles, CA 90004



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AUSKF 2005 IAIDO CAMP LOCATION INFORMATION

Charles H. Wilson Park Gymnasium
2200 Crenshaw Blvd.
Torrance, CA 90501



Directions from Los Angeles International Airport (LAX)

- head east on I-105 or Century Blvd.
- south on I-405 towards Long Beach
- exit Crenshaw Blvd.
- right onto Crenshaw, heading south
- left on Jefferson St.
- parking lot entrance and gymnasium will be on the right side

Directions from Long Beach Airport (LGB) or Orange County / John Wayne International Airport (SNA)

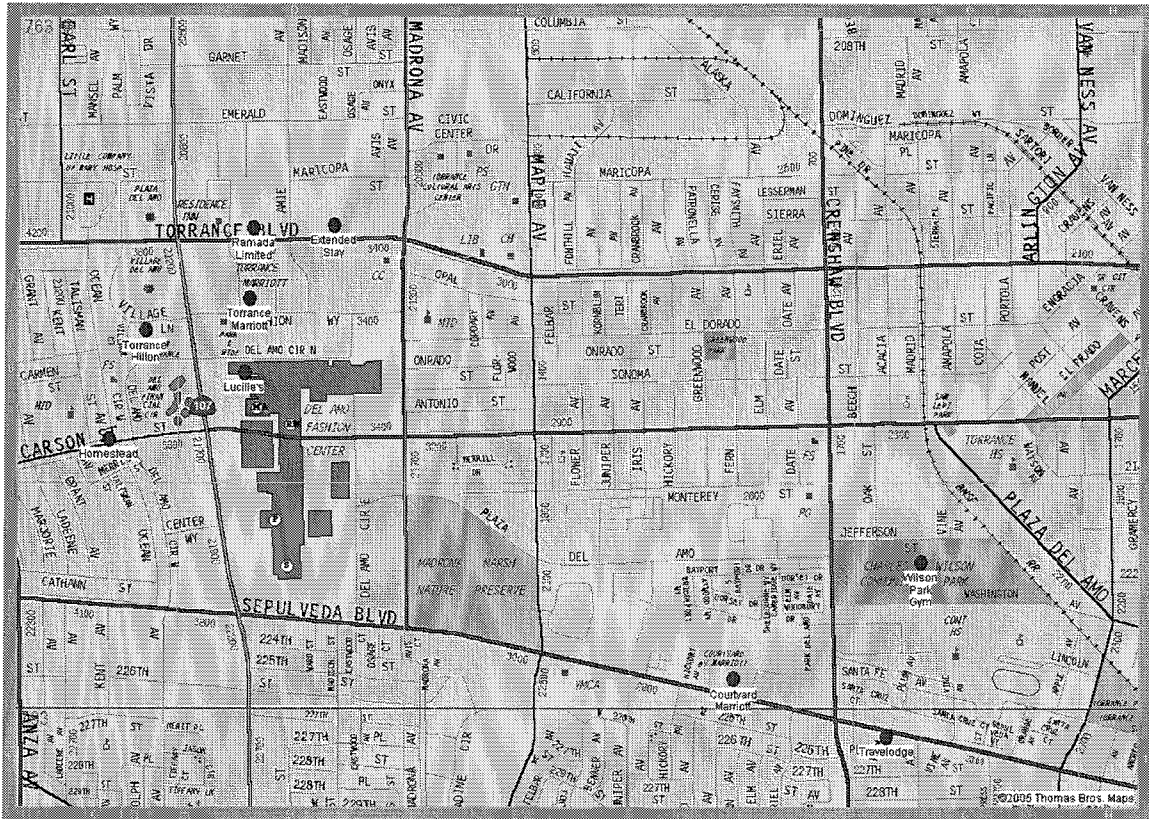
- head north on I-405 towards Long Beach (from SNA) or Santa Monica (from LGB)
- exit Carson St. / Avalon Blvd. South
- veer to the right onto Carson St., heading east
- left on Oak St. (between railroad tracks and Crenshaw Blvd., see map on next page)
- parking lot entrance is at the end of Oak St.

Transportation to and from the airports listed above must be arranged by each participant. Several major rental car agencies, door-to-door shuttle services, taxis and public transportation are available from LAX, LGB and SNA. Please contact Dennis Ralutin at dmrалutin@yahoo.com if you need additional directions or assistance.



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AUSKF 2005 IAIDO CAMP HOTEL INFORMATION



The 'official' hotel for the iaido camp is the Courtyard by Marriott located within one mile of Wilson Park:

Courtyard by Marriott Los Angeles Torrance/Palos Verdes
2633 Sepulveda Blvd.
Torrance, CA 90505
(310) 533-8000
<http://marriott.com/property/factsheet/LAXTO>

A block of 30 rooms have been reserved under the name 'AUSKF Iaido' for the following nights and rates:

Wednesday, 9/28/05 and Thursday, 9/29/05: \$119.00/room, single or double beds
Friday, 9/30/05 and Saturday, 10/1/05: \$79.00/room, single or double beds

Please call the hotel directly and make your reservations prior to **9/7/05**. Be sure to mention 'AUSKF Iaido' to receive the group rate. Shuttle service will be provided from the hotel to the gym.

There are several other hotels within three miles of Wilson Park and in close proximity to the Del Amo Fashion Center:

Travelodge (310) 539-9888
Homestead (310) 543-0048
Hilton: (310) 540-0500
Marriott: (310) 316-3636
Residence Inn: (310) 543-4566
Extended Stay: (310) 540-5442
Ramada Limited: (310) 316-5570