

2016 NATIONALS – BUDOKAN JUDO CLUB

SUMMARY

Budokan originally had 34 athletes entered in 52 divisions in open grade categories with 4 of these athletes also competing in their Kyu Grades divisions plus 1 of these athletes and an additional 2 athletes competing in Kata, in all 36 athletes. Beth Wade and Cameron Leishman were still recovering from injuries and were not entered. Later withdrawals by Dakota Hemmings, Rachele Duffy and Jakob Edwards left us with 31 athletes in open grade divisions and 33 athletes in total. However, Judo being what it is, during the competition Xavier Tafft had to withdraw after his first match in Cadets meaning he had to miss his Junior and Senior Men divisions, and Amber Rudgley had to withdraw after Junior Women, a great disappointment for them. So our 31 athletes actually competed in 47 open grade divisions plus 4 x Kyu Grade divisions plus 2 x Kata Divisions. Despite the reduced number of athletes and divisions from those originally entered, once again Budokan had one of the, if not the highest participation of clubs at this Nationals. Results were:

24 medals in open grade divisions: **8 x Gold, 6 x Silver, 10 x Bronze medals, 8 x 5th, 1 x 7th place, 1 x 9th placings.**
26 medals including the 4 Kyu Grade divisions in which our **4 athletes won: 2 x Silver medals and 1 x 5th place,**
and our 4 athletes competing in **2 Kata divisions won 1 x Gold and 1 x Silver medal.**

So in Shiai (competition) our Budokanis won 26 medals: 8 x Gold, 8 x Silver, and 10 Bronze, + 9 x 5th, 1 x 7th, 1 x 9th
+ 1 x Gold (1 athlete) and 1 x Silver (2 athletes) in Kata.

31 Budokan athletes competing in 51 divisions at the 2016 Nationals (including 4 x Kyu Grade divisions) winning:

26 medals -

8 x Gold, 8 x Silver, 10 x Bronze medals + 9 x 5th, 1 x 7th, 1 x 9th placings

Additionally we have 3 x Kata competitors winning
1 x Gold and 2 x Silver medals

By comparison

In 2015 we had 28 Budokan athletes competing in 44 divisions
(including 1 x Kyu Grade and 2 x Masters) winning 25 medals

11 x Gold, 8 x Silver, 6 x Bronze medals + 4 x 5th and 3 x 7th placings

Additionally we had 5 x Kata competitors winning 1 x Gold and 1 x Bronze medal and 1 x 4th place

In 2014, we had 30 Budokan athletes competing in 43 divisions
(including 1 x Masters) winning 28 medals

8 x Gold, 10 x Silver, 10 x Bronze medals + 6 x 5th and 2 x 7th placings

Additionally we had 2 x Kata competitors winning Gold and Bronze medals

**In the 15 National Championships in which Budokan
has been represented since 2002, 319 of our athletes
have competed in 437 divisions and have achieved
257 medals: 93 Gold, 65 Silver, and 99 Bronze medals**

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

Athlete (Division)	Budokan Athlete	Junior Boys / Girls		Senior Boys / Girls		Cadet Boys / Girls		Junior M/W		Senior M/W	
1	Bianca TANDEAN	U/29	Bronze								
2	Lilli JENNINGS	U/40	5 th								
3	Sam LOBSEY	U/27	Bronze								
4	Max ZOLLINGER	U/30	U/P								
5	Lion PARK	U/34	U/P								
6	Will ZOLLINGER	U/34	U/P								
7	Samir ASHTON	U/38	U/P								
8	Maddison EDWARDS			U/52	Silver						
9	Saskia BROTHERS			U/52	Gold						
10	Oliver JENNINGS			U/36	U/P						
11	Finn TAFFT			U/40	Silver						
12	Alex ROSS			U/45	5 th						
13	Michael ROSS			U/45	Bronze						
14	Zach COLMAN			U/55	Gold						
15 (16)	Dakota HEMMINGS					U/57	-	U/57	-		
15 (16)	Amber RUDGLEY					U/57	5 th	U/57	5 th	U/57	-
16 (19)	Emma LEISHMAN					U/63	Gold	U/63	Bronze	U/63	U/P
17 (20)	Loretta DUFFY					U/70	Silver				
19 (26)	Rachelle DUFFY					U/70	-	U/78	-		
18 (21)	Xavier TAFFT					U/60	5 th	U/60	-	U/60	-
19 (24)	Bjorn TANDEAN					U/60	U/P	U/60	7 th	U/60	U/P
20 (27)	Liam STEWART					U/60	Gold	U/60	Bronze	U/60	U/P
21 (30)	Lachlan BROTHERS					U/60	Bronze	U/60	5 th	U/60	U/P
22 (32)	Mira CZARNETZKI							U/48	Bronze	U/48	Bronze
23 (34)	Kincső MIHALOVITS							U/48	Gold	U/48	Gold
24 (36)	Amber McINDOE							U/63	Silver	U/63	5 th
25 (38)	Naomi de BRUINE							U/70	Gold	U/70	Silver
26 (40)	Kyle McINDOE							U/66	Gold	U/66	9 th
27 (42)	Finlay QUILTER							U/73	U/P	U/73	U/P
28 (44)	Logan O'BRIEN							U/81	5 th	U/81	U/P
29 (45)	Kiliane BEUNARD									U/63	Bronze
30 (46)	Vanessa HALL									U/78	Silver
31 (47)	Nathan KATZ									U/66	Bronze
32 (51)	Jakob EDWARDS									U/90	-

KYU GRADES (Seniors)

31 (48)	Amber RUDGLEY							Kyu Grades Women	U/57	U/P
31 (49)	Emma LEISHMAN							Kyu Grades Women	U/63	Silver
31 (50)	Finlay QUILTER							Kyu Grades Men	U/73	Silver
31 (51)	Logan O'BRIEN							Kyu Grades Men	U/81	5th

PARTICIPATION SUMMARY - SHIAI (CONTEST) Open Age/Grades (ie excl. Kyu Grades)

Athlete (Division)	Budokan Athlete	Junior Boys / Girls	Senior Boys / Girls	Cadet Boys / Girls	Junior M/W	Senior M/W
13 (20)	Female Athletes (Divisions)	2 (2)	2 (2)	3 (3)	4 (6)	2 (7)
18 (27)	Male Athletes (Divisions)	5 (5)	5 (5)	4 (4)	3 (6)	1 (7)
31 (47)	Total Athletes (Divisions)	7 (7)	7 (7)	7 (7)	7 (12)	3 (14)

Participation - Junior Squad (Shiai)

Athlete (Division)	Budokan Athlete	Junior Boys / Girls	Senior Boys / Girls	Cadet Boys / Girls
7 (7)	Female Athletes (Divisions)	2 (2)	2 (2)	3 (3)
14 (14)	Male Athletes (Divisions)	5 (5)	5 (5)	4 (4)
21 (21)	Total Athletes (Divisions)	7 (7)	7 (7)	7 (7)

Junior Squad (Junior Boys/Girls, Senior Boys/Girls and Cadets)

2016: 21 athletes in 21 divisions (was 23 in 23 divisions up to the final week)

2015: 21 athletes in 21 divisions

2014: 25 athletes in 25 divisions

2013: 24 athletes in 24 divisions

Participation - Senior Squad (Shiai) Open Age/Grades (ie excl. Kyu Grades)

Athlete (Division)	Budokan Athlete	Junior M/W	Senior M/W
6 (13)	Female Athletes (Divisions)	4 (6)	2 (7)
4 (13)	Male Athletes (Divisions)	3 (6)	1 (7)
10 (26)	Total Athletes (Divisions)	7 (12)	3 (14)

Senior Squad (Senior Men/Women and Junior Men/Women)

2016: 10 athletes in 26 divisions

2015: 13 athletes in 21 divisions

2014: 11 athletes in 17 divisions

2013: 10 athletes in 18 divisions

PARTICIPATION SUMMARY - SHIAI (CONTEST) including Kyu Grades

Athlete (Division)	Budokan Athlete	Junior Boys / Girls	Senior Boys / Girls	Cadet Boys / Girls	Junior M/W	Senior M/W
13 (22)	Female Athletes (Divisions)	2 (2)	2 (2)	3 (3)	4 (6)	2 (9)
18 (29)	Male Athletes (Divisions)	5 (5)	5 (5)	4 (4)	3 (6)	1 (9)
31 (51)	Total Athletes (Divisions)	7 (7)	7 (7)	7 (7)	7 (12)	3 (18)

SUMMARY RESULTS - SHIAI (CONTEST) Open Age/Grades (ie excl. Kyu Grades)

Year	Athletes	Divisions	Medals	G	S	B	5 th
2010	19	22	17	4	5	8	8
2011	15	21	16	4	3	9	2
2012	22	30	18	4	7	7	5
2013	25	39	24	12	4	8	6
2014	31	45	20	8	3	9	6
2015	26	42	21	7	7	7	3
2016	34	55	24	8	6	10	8

KATA

32 (52)	Dale KEOGH						Ju-No Kata	Gold
33 (53)	Bernhard TANDEAN						Junior Nage –No-Kata	Silver
33 (54)	Bianca TANDEAN						Junior Nage –No-Kata	Silver

PARTICIPATION SUMMARY - SHIAI (including Kyu Grades and Masters) Plus KATA

Athlete (Division)	Budokan Athlete	Junior Boys / Girls	Senior Boys / Girls	Cadet Boys / Girls	Junior M/W	Senior M/W
14 (24)	Female Athletes (Divisions)	2 (3)	2 (2)	3 (3)	4 (6)	3 (10)
19 (30)	Male Athletes (Divisions)	5 (5)	6 (6)	4 (4)	3 (6)	1 (9)
33 (54)	Total Athletes (Divisions)	7 (8)	8 (8)	7 (7)	7 (12)	4 (19)

BREAKDOWN OF RESULTS BY AGE CATEGORY

Number of Divisions contested	Age Category	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	5th/7th/9th	U/P
2 (2)	Junior Girls			1	1 / /	
5 (5)	Junior Boys			1		4
2 (2)	Senior Girls	1	1			
5 (5)	Senior Boys	1	1	1	1 / /	1
3 (3)	Cadet Girls	1	1		1 / /	
4 (4)	Cadet Boys	1		1	1 / /	1
4 (6)	Junior Women	2	1	2	1 / /	
3 (6)	Junior Men	1		1	2 / 1 /	1
2 (7)	Senior Women	1	2	2	1 / /	1
1 (7)	Senior Men			1	/ / 1	5
31 (47)	31 athletes competing in 47 divisions excl. Kyu	8	6	10	8 / 1 / 1	13

COMPARATIVE RESULTS NATIONALS OVER 7 YEARS

Year	Athletes / Divisions	Athletes / Divisions (Including Kyu/ Masters)*	Gold	Silver	Bronze	5 th	Total	Kata (athletes/ results)
2016	31 / 47	(31 / 51)	8	6 (+2)*	10	8 (+1)*	24 (26)*	3 Gold Silver(2)
2015	26 / 41	(28 / 44)	11	7 (+1)*	5 (+1)*	4	23 (25)*	2 Gold Bronze
2014	29 / 42	(30 / 43)	8	9 (+1)*	10	6	27 (28)*	2 Gold Bronze
2013	28 / 42	(29 / 43)	10	3	10	5	23 (23)	1 Silver
2012	25 / 35	(25 / 35)	8	6	7	6	21 (21)	
2011	23 / 30	(23 / 30)	4	8	5	3	17 (17)	1 Silver Silver
2010	19 / 25	(19 / 25)	5	3	7	3	15 (15)	1 Silver Silver

COMPARISON 2015 TO 2016**SUMMARY BY ATHLETE AND AGE CATEGORY/WEIGHT DIVISION**

	NAME	WEIGHT DIVISION	AGE CATEGORY	RESULT 2015 NATIONALS	RESULT 2016 NATIONALS
1	Bianca TANDEAN	U/29kg	Junior Girls	Did not play	3 rd
2	Lilli JENNINGS	U/36kg	Junior Girls	Did not play	5 th
3	Sam LOBSEY	U/27kg	Junior Boys	Did not play	3 rd
4	Max ZOLLINGER	U/30kg	Junior Boys	Did not play	Unplaced
5	Lion PARK	U/34kg	Junior Boys	Did not play	Unplaced
6	Will ZOLLINGER	U/34kg	Junior Boys	Did not play	Unplaced
7	Samir ASHTON	U/38kg	Junior Boys	Did not play	Unplaced
8	Maddison EDWARDS	U/52kg	Senior Girls	U/44kg 1 st	2 nd
9	Saskia BROTHERS	U/52kg	Senior Girls	U/48kg 2 nd	1 st
10	Oliver JENNINGS	U/34kg	Senior Boys	Jnr Boys 1 st	Unplaced
11	Finn TAFFT	U/40kg	Senior Boys	U/36kg 2 nd	2 nd
12	Alex ROSS	U/45kg	Senior Boys	Did not play	5 th
13	Michael ROSS	U/45kg	Senior Boys	Did not play	3 rd
14	Zach COLMAN	U/55kg	Senior Boys	U/50kg U/P	1 st
15	Amber RUDGLEY	U/57kg	Cadet Girls	U/P	5 th
16	Emma LEISHMAN	U/63kg	Cadet Girls	Senior Girls 1 st	1 st
17	Loretta DUFFY	U/70kg	Cadet Girls	Senior Girls U/63 1 st	2 nd
18	Xavier TAFFT	U/60kg	Cadet Boys	Senior Boys U/55kg 1 st	5 th
19	Bjorn TANDEAN	U/60kg	Cadet Boys	Senior Boys U/P	Unplaced
20	Liam STEWART	U/60kg	Cadet Boys	7 th	1 st
21	Lachlan BROTHERS	U/60kg	Cadet Boys	U/P	3 rd
22	Mira CZARNETZKI	U/48kg	Junior Women	Cadets 1 st J/W 1 st	3 rd
23	Kincső MIHALOVITS	U/48kg	Junior Women	Did not play	1 st

24	Amber RUDGLEY	U/57kg	Junior Women	U/P	5th
25	Amber MCINDOE	U/63kg	Junior Women	Did not play	2nd
26	Emma LEISHMAN	U/63kg	Junior Women	Senior Girls 1st	3rd
27	Naomi de BRUINE	U/70kg	Junior Women	2nd	1st
28	Xavier TAFFT	U/60kg	Junior Men	Senior Boys U/55kg 1st	withdrawn
29	Bjorn TANDEAN	U/60kg	Junior Men	Senior Boys U/P	7th
30	Liam STEWART	U/60kg	Junior Men	9th	3rd
31	Lachlan BROTHERS	U/60kg	Junior Men	U/P	5th
32	Kyle McINDOE	U/66kg	Junior Men	Cadets 1st J/M 2nd	1st
33	Finlay QUILTER	U/73kg	Junior Men	5th	Unplaced
34	Logan O'BRIEN	U/81kg	Junior Men	Did not play	5th
35	Mira CZARNETZKI	U/48kg	Senior Women	U/P	3rd
36	Kincső MIHALOVITS	U/48kg	Senior Women	Did not play	1st
37	Amber RUDGLEY	U/57kg	Senior Women	Did not play	withdrawn
38	Kiliane BEUNARD	U/63kg	Senior Women	Did not play	3rd
39	Amber MCINDOE	U/63kg	Senior Women	Did not play	5th
40	Emma LEISHMAN	U/63kg	Senior Women	Senior Girls 1st	Unplaced
41	Naomi de BRUINE	U/70kg	Senior Women	3rd	2nd
42	Vanessa HALL	U/78kg	Senior Women	Did not play	2nd
43	Xavier TAFFT	U/60kg	Senior Men	Senior Boys U/55kg 1st	withdrawn
44	Bjorn TANDEAN	U/60kg	Senior Men	Senior Boys U/P	Unplaced
45	Liam STEWART	U/60kg	Senior Men	7th	Unplaced
46	Lachlan BROTHERS	U/60kg	Senior Men	Did not play	Unplaced
47	Nathan KATZ	U/66kg	Senior Men	Did not play	3rd
48	Kyle McINDOE	U/66kg	Senior Men	3rd	9th
49	Finlay QUILTER	U/73kg	Senior Men	Did not play	Unplaced

50	Logan O'BRIEN	U/81kg	Senior Men	Did not play	Unplaced
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KYU GRADES

51	Amber RUDGLEY	U/57kg	Kyu Grades Women	Did not play	Unplaced
52	Emma LEISHMAN	U/63kg	Kyu Grades Women	Did not play	2nd
53	Finlay QUILTER	U/73kg	Kyu Grades Men	3rd	2nd
54	Logan O'BRIEN	U/81kg	Kyu Grades Men	Did not play	5th

Budokan Judo Club has had yet another amazing campaign with a massive representation in the NSW Team and results at the National Championships. The Nationals were held in Geelong Victoria after a few years in Wollongong and this was a nice change over the June long weekend. The venue was smaller and cosier than in Wollongong giving a better atmosphere. The only logistic issue was the location of the warm-up above the stands meaning that before matches athletes had to walk down and bank of stairs and at the end of their match, back upstairs. The first day was delayed in starting and went significantly overtime finishing very late with Kata, Masters and Kyu Grades. This might put some people off Kyu grades considering they have to play the next day. Apart from Friday, the competition was quite very well run despite some issues with referees and rule interpretations (always a challenge for athletes and coaches). The passion of the Club was again on display for the entire Judo community to see with over 20 Budokan families providing enthusiastic support. We managed a nice club dinner over the weekend and overall the spirit at the competition was positive and supportive.

Our entries in the competition divisions saw a participation level of 31 athletes, an all-time high, competing in 47 divisions (another all-time high). I previously mentioned a number of athletes who could not participate: Dakota Hemmings, Rachelle Duffy and Jakob Edwards, as well as others recovering from injury (Cameron Leishman and Beth Wade) and Josh Katz electing not to compete due to his recent heavy international training load. With Xavier Tafft withdrawing after his first Cadet match missing his Junior and Senior Men divisions, and Amber Rudgley withdrawing after Junior Women, in looking at the results, we have to also consider the potential medals that were not defended this year. Additionally, this year we had 15 athletes who didn't compete at Nationals last year, 11 who haven't played Nationals at all before and 4 who are making a return to this level, so in all that's a fairly inexperienced group. All that said, the performance of our athletes was really outstanding and there is still a huge room for improvement especially building the momentum from successes in Cadets through to Juniors and seniors.

The challenge we set every year is to improve on both our participation as well on our overall results. So long as the participation increases, the depth of the club increases and over time the results will continue to trend upwards. This year we had 3 more athletes in 3 divisions in the open contest divisions. Our participation in Junior Squad divisions increased by 1 and in Senior Squad by 2, with Senior divisions increasing by 5. Again taking into account the athletes who didn't participate or had to withdraw, this is a very encouraging trend. If we add the Senior Kyu Grades into the equation, whilst we dropped 2 Masters entries, we added 3 Kyu Grades entries. Kata entries dropped by 2. So our total participation increased from 31 athletes in 49 divisions in 2015 to 33 athletes in 54 divisions this year.

RESULTS

The results for the club in 2016 indicate that we continue to experience sustainable improvement across all of our age categories. Our total medal tally in open grade categories in 2014 was 23 (25 including Kyu Grades) and in 2016 this increased to 24 (26 including Kyu Grades). Kata also improved from a Gold, 2 Bronze and 2 x 4th places to a Gold and 2 Silver medals.

Percentage of medals won over Budokan athletes participating in each age category follow:

Junior Boys and Girls: 1 medal + 1 x 5th in 7 divisions = 14%

Senior Boys and Girls: 5 medals + 1 x 5th in 7 divisions = 71%

Cadet Men and Women: 4 medals + 2 x 5th in 7 divisions = 57%

Junior Men and Women: 7 medals + 3 x 5th, 1 x 7th in 12 divisions = 58%

Senior Men and Women: 6 medals + 1 x 5th, 1 x 9th in 14 divisions = 43%

Total: 24 medals + 8 x 5th, 1 x 7th, 1 x 9th in 47 divisions = 51%, just below 2015's 56%.

Still this is quite amazing when considering 8 athletes fought for Bronze and 14 divisions as indicated above not contested, many by medalists from last year's Nationals.

It is also interesting to note the relationship between results and first-time National players. The experience gained in the year following the first Nationals is enormous and in most cases athletes are fuelled to improve gaining competition skills from Junior Development and State Squad training and more competition experience. None of our 7 2016 Junior Boys and Girls State Team members competed in Nationals before so it was amazing that they won 2 Bronze medals (Bianca and Sam) and 1 x 5th place (Lilli). Max, Lion, Will and Samir also learned from the experience of State Squad and the competition and will continue to improve.

In Senior Girls and Boys, Maddie and Saskia maintained their 2015 form, Maddie with a Silver this year compared to last year's Gold, and only losing to Saskia, with Saskia winning the Gold compared to her Silver last year. Finn had some tough matches and a great final to take Silver matching his 2015 Silver. Alex and Michael fought each other for Bronze in their first Nationals with Michael taking the medal this time. Zach won his second Nationals, the last time in 2013 in Junior Boys and last year being unplaced in Senior Boys, a solid final match. Unfortunately 2015 Junior Boys Gold medalist Oliver was winning his first match and with only 20 seconds to go was suddenly ill on the mat and was withdrawn from the match. This put him out which was a real shame as he was always in with a medal chance.

In Cadets, hats off to Liam Stewart for winning his first Nationals having never previously medalled at a Nationals, showing that persistence and hard work eventually pays off. Great result. Emma Leishman matched her Senior Girl's Gold from 2015 with a Gold in her first year as a Cadet, also a great result. Lachlan also won his first National medal with a Cadet Bronze and Loretta also won Bronze maintaining consistency with her 2015 Gold. Xavier won his first match but was unfortunately strangled unconscious in his second meaning he placed 5th but could not contest any more matches in the day – very disappointing for him. Amber Rudgley also placed 5th but unfortunately Bjorn lost his first match.

In Junior Men and Women, Kinco, Naomi and Kyle all won Gold, Naomi improving on her 2015 Silver and Kyle on his 2015 Silver (and his Cadet Gold). Well done on their first Junior Gold medals. Silver medal to Amber McIndoe after missing 2015 Nationals due to a bad ankle injury – a great comeback. Bronze medals went to Mira who won Juniors in 2015 (as well as Cadets), Emma Leishman in her first Junior Women Nationals, and also Liam Stewart, both Emma and Liam winning their first National Junior medals. 5th places went to Amber Rudgley and Lachlan both improving on their 2015 results. Logan placed 5th having not played in 2015, Bjorn placed 7th improving on 2015 and Finlay was unplaced albeit carrying a number of injuries through Squad, placing 5th in 2015.

Our Cadets would have been a bit disappointed with their results in Seniors with Emma, Bjorn, Liam and Lachlan all unplaced, with only Liam playing Seniors in 2015 placing 7th. Still, the experience is valuable and a step closer to breaking through in the Senior divisions. Juniors Finlay and Logan were also unplaced in Seniors. It is still great experience for our Cadets and Juniors to play Seniors but they all have to believe as we do, that they are competitive in the higher age category. Kyle placed 9th winning a match and was not happy with that at all. Amber McIndoe placed 5th although arguably a dangerous move by her opponent should have resulted in a DQ and Amber should have had the Bronze. Mira, Kiliane and Nathan all won Bronze. Mira fought tenaciously as usual. We thought Kiliane did enough in her semi-final to make the final and in Nathan's case there was a loss of control in his semi-final by the referee and after being ahead Yuko and Shido, a submission from strangle by Nathan was not ruled by the referee, which was somewhat bizarre. Nathan lost focus momentarily which allowed an attack and the loss - justifiably not happy, but a lesson learned. Vanessa made a good

comeback to Nationals with a Silver however, we believe she did enough to win the match and should have been awarded Gold. Naomi also won a Silver improving on her 2015 Bronze. Kinsc6 won the only Senior Gold in another solid performance.

State Comparison

Because of our large participation at Nationals, in quite a few years of reporting on our Nationals results, I make a comparison of Budokan's results against the other States, as though we were a State in our own right. The observation has always been, and this year is no different, that we are actually competitive as a "State" in our own right. The comparison is broken down in the table below. Note that the medals listed represent only the open grade categories and therefore do not include Senior Kyu Grades, Masters, or Kata.

LEGEND: JB/G = Junior Boys/Girls SB/G = Senior Boys/Girls Cad = Cadet Men/Women
JM/W = Junior Men/Women SM/W = Senior M/W Total = Total Medals

Category/ State	GOLD						SILVER						BRONZE						<u>TOTAL</u>					
	JB/G	SB/G	Cad	JM/W	SM/W	Total	JB/G	SB/G	Cad	JM/W	SM/W	Total	JB/G	SB/G	Cad	JM/W	SM/W	Total	JB/G	SB/G	Cad	JM/W	SM/W	Total
NSW	6	8	0	6	1	21	6	5	3	6	6	26	7	6	5	7	11	36	19	19	8	18	18	82
VIC	2	1	0	3	6	12	5	2	2	2	5	16	7	3	4	5	6	25	14	6	6	10	17	53
WA	2	4	2	0	1	9	1	6	2	4	1	14	5	4	2	3	0	14	8	14	6	7	2	37
QLD	2	0	2	2	3	9	1	1	2	2	2	8	0	3	4	2	2	11	3	6	6	7	14	36
BUDOKAN	0	2	2	3	1	8	0	2	1	1	2	6	2	1	1	3	3	10	2	5	4	7	6	24
ACT	2	1	0	1	0	4	2	1	1	0	0	4	1	4	2	2	0	9	5	6	3	3	0	17
NT	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	1	1	0	0	4	2	2	3	0	0	7
SA	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	2	1	0	2	6	2	2	2	0	2	8
TAS	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	2	4	1	1	1	0	3	6

Here are some interesting points to note about the above table comparing the 9 participating "States" noting that Budokan's results are reflected in NSW's results, so we would always come 2nd to NSW:

- NSW ranked #1 in overall total medal tally (92) followed by VIC (52), WA (37), QLD (28), ACT (17), SA (8), NT (7), TAS (6)
- Our total 24 medals tally ranks us #5 beating ACT with 17, SA with 8, NT with 7, and TAS as 6
- NSW ranked #3 in terms of medal quality (30 Gold) followed by VIC (12), WA (9 gold, 14 silver), QLD (9, 8 silver), ACT (4), NT (2), TAS (1,1,6 bronze), and TAS (1, 1, 4 bronze)
- Our total of 8 Gold medals ranks us #5 in medal quality, beating ACT with 4, NT with 2, and SA and TAS with 1
- In Junior Boys/Girls, we ranked equal #7 in medal quality, beating TAS, and equal 6th ahead of NT & SA in total medals
- In Senior Boys/Girls, we ranked #3 in medal quality, behind NSW & WA, and equal 4th behind NSW, WA and VIC in total medals
- In Cadet Men/Women, we ranked #4 in medal quality behind NSW, QLD & WA, & 5th behind NSW, QLD, VIC & WA in total medals
- In Junior Men/Women, we ranked #3 in medal quality behind NSW & VIC, & equal 3rd behind NSW and VIC in total medals
- In Senior Men/Women, we ranked #5 in medal quality behind VIC, QLD, NSW & WA, and equal 5th behind NSW, VIC, WA & QLD in total medals

Contribution to NSW's medal tally

- In Junior Boys/Girls, Budokan won 2 of NSW's 19 medals (11%)
- In Senior Boys/Girls, Budokan won 2 of NSW's 8 Gold medals (25%) & 5 of 18 NSW medals (28%)
- In Cadet Men/Women, Budokan won 2 of NSW's 9 Gold medals (22%) & 4 of 17 NSW medals (24%)
- In Junior Men/Women, Budokan won 3 of NSW's 6 Gold medals (50%) & 7 of 20 NSW medals (35%)
- In Senior Men/Women, Budokan won 1 of NSW's 1 Gold medals (100%) & 6 of 18 NSW medals (33%)

Contribution to NSW's Junior and Senior Squads

- In terms of Junior Squad (Junior Boys/Girls, Senior Boys/Girls and Cadet Men/Women), NSW won: 23 Gold, 13 Silver, 18 Bronze (total 54). Budokan won 4 Gold (17% of NSW), 3 Silver, 4 Bronze (11 total or 20% of NSW)
- In terms of Senior Squad (Junior Men/Women and Senior Men/Women), NSW won: 7 Gold, 11 Silver, 20 Bronze (total 38). Budokan won 4 Gold (57% of NSW), 3 Silver, 6 Bronze (13 total or 26% of NSW)
- In terms of the total NSW Squad (Junior and Senior Boys/Girls and Cadet, Junior and Senior Men/Women), NSW won: 30 Gold, 24 Silver, 38 Bronze (total 92). Budokan won 8 Gold (27% of NSW), 6 Silver, 10 Bronze (24 total or 26% of NSW)

Any way you look at it, considering there are probably 20 clubs comprising the NSW team, our contribution to NSW's medal tally was significant.

OTHER INTERESTING CLUB STATISTICS FOR THE 2016 NATIONALS

- This was a real family affair and we had 7 sets of siblings competing (Tandean, Jennings, Zollinger, Brothers, Taftt, Ross, and McIndoe)
- Of the 31 athletes, 17 athletes competed in the 2015 Nationals, indicating that we had a core group of only 55% of our athletes having previously competed at Nationals.
- This year, 8 athletes competed in 2 age categories each, winning 8 medals: Amber Rudgley (2 x 5th places), Mira (2 x Bronze), Kinscő (2 x Gold), Amber McIndoe (Silver and 5th), Naomi (Gold and Silver), Kyle (Gold and 9th), Finlay (U/P x 2), Logan (5th and U/P).
- 4 athletes competed in 3 age categories winning 5 medals: Emma (Gold and Bronze), Bjorn (7th and 2 x U/P), Liam (Gold, Bronze, U/P), Lachlan (Bronze, 5th, U/P).
- The above 12 athletes (40%) of our team won 13 medals (54% of our total)
- 10 athletes competed in their first Australian Championships: Bianca, Lilli, Sam, Max, Lion, Will, Samir, Alex, Michael, and Kinscő (although she has played internationally for Hungary). Congratulations to these Budokan athletes for taking the major step in competing at National level.
- 7 athletes have moved up an age category since competing in the 2015 Nationals, noting that some Cadets have already played at the higher age category before: Oliver from Junior to Senior Boys, Emma from Senior Girls to Cadets (Juniors and Seniors), Loretta (from Senior Girls to Cadets), Xavier and Bjorn from Senior Boys to Cadets (Juniors and Seniors), Mira and Kyle (from Cadets to Juniors and Seniors). This is a patience and maturity game, learning to adapt to the older athletes and more mature style. Great results to these athletes in particular those who won matches and those who medalled at their first attempt in their new age categories.
- 6 first time medallists at Nationals: Bianca, Sam, Michael, Lachlan (Bronze), Liam (Gold, Bronze), Kinscő (2 x Gold), and for some of these athletes persistence and effort over a few years of Nationals campaigning has finally paid off
- 6 first time Gold medallists in an age category at Nationals: Zach (Senior Boys), Liam and Emma (Cadets), Kyle and Naomi (Juniors) and Kinscő (Juniors and Seniors)
- Notably Nathan Katz was overseas during the 2015 Nationals and his Bronze this year in Seniors, although not meeting his expectations, represented his fourth Senior National medal. Nathan has now won 8 National Gold

medals, 3 Silver and 4 Bronzes; all up 15 medals in 12 Nationals (since 2004). Nathan also played up 2 weight divisions in the Senior teams event for NSW this year and won one of his two matches, the loss to the Korean, who won the 81kg Senior Nationals, was only by a single Shido – a really great match showing his real potential. Despite electing not to compete at Nationals this year, Josh Katz has also won an impressive 13 National medals in 8 Nationals since 2008, 8 Gold, 2 Silver and 4 Bronze. Both Nathan and Josh are great examples of dedicated and committed athletes and are congratulated on their Olympic Team selection this year.

- Naomi de Bruine's National medal tally increased by 2 this year and now comprises 5 Gold medals with a total medal tally of 15. Although Cameron Leishman's knee had not sufficiently recovered to compete this year, his National medal tally is also impressive at 13 with 2 Golds, 3 Silvers and 8 Bronzes.
- Many of our other athletes are breaking into the Junior and Senior rankings on the National points table which is also very encouraging for future team selections.
- The most number of matches played by a Budokan athlete in one day was 8 in 3 divisions by Liam with 6 wins and Lachlan with 4 wins. Kyle, Emma and Amber Rudgley had 7 matches each with 5, 4 and 3 wins respectively. Including Kyu Grades, Emma had 10 matches and Amber 9. Sam, Alex, Michael, Zach, Bjorn, Mira, Kinscő, Amber McIndoe, Naomi and Nathan all had 4 to 6 matches.
- The evergreen Dale Keogh competed in the Kata competition (performing the Ju-No-Kata) and won a Gold medal. Bernhard and Bianca put up a great performance to win Silver in the Junior Nage-No-Kata.
- Amber Rudgley, Emma, Finlay and Logan also competed in the Senior Kyu Grades division on Friday giving them more match experience with Emma and Finlay coming away with a Silver and Logan a 5th place.
- Our 31 athletes competed in 136 matches winning 79 (58%) of them. Highest percentage win / loss was in the Senior Boys/Girls Age Category (72%) followed by Cadets (65%), Junior Men/Women (63%), Kyu Grades (55%), Senior Men/Women (47%) and Junior Boys/Girls (42%).
- In the 15 National Championships in which Budokan has been represented since 2002, 319 of our athletes have competed in 437 divisions and have achieved 257 medals: 93 Gold, 65 Silver, and 99 Bronze medals

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