

SHOTOKAN RYU KASE HA INSTRUCTORS ACADEMY

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Dear karateka,

As the end of this year is approaching, a circle in life is completed, a new one will start. This is a moment that we need to look inside, to assess achievements, to plan ahead, in all aspects of life. That is exactly what Academy does. Following almost two years of actual life, it has a consolidated base, a well established structure and way of functioning, which ensures the proper spread of Shotokan ryu Kase ha god spell. It is not an exaggeration to say that, in a certain sense, these are historical moments. Is the return to the foundation of karate, its martial art aspect, from the sport aspect, which has been so much advertised the recent years, however without rejecting it. I think that in future time we all, participants in this endeavour, we are going to be proud about that.

Budo Themes: There is no article this month; however you find attached all previous articles in one document, as Budo collection 2003. I hope it will be proved helpful.

Kase sensei illness: Kase sensei, due to the bacterial infection he has suffered, was required to enter the hospital, in Paris, for proper medical treatment, in beginning November. Hopefully his situation is improving quickly or better says faster than expected. So it is likely that he will be home by Christmas. This is a good evolution although he has to rest for some time before he instructs again. I will keep you informed on further evolutions, although you may find information as they update in Pascal Petrella's dojo site on SRKHIA www.shotokan-ryu-kase-ha.de <<http://www.shotokan-ryu-kase-ha.de/>> (this is a new address, the old one being <<http://www.shotokan-ryu-kase-ha.karate-muellheim.de/>> www.shotokan-ryu-kase-ha.karate-muellheim.de).

Reports: I do not have any reports from courses or other Academy activities. However I am taking this opportunity to remind you that sharing your experiences with other fellow members you strengthen the bonds among members and increase the visibility of the Academy

Recommended Courses:

Kase sensei has cancelled all scheduled courses until next March 2004. However Academy's instructors continue to spread Shotokan Ryu Kase ha. Information on these courses may be found in www.kamikazeweb.com/events Dirk Fieret organizes for 8th running year, on 6th and 7th December 2003, in Terneuzen, The Netherlands, the annual karate and kobujutsu course. Dirk Heene, 7dan and Julian Mead, 7dan kobudo will teach on this course. More information may be provided by Dirk Fieret, p/a Berliozhof 97, 4536 EX, Terneuzen NL. Tel : (0031) (0) 115- 696383 or 695072, Fax : (0031) (0) 115-612151, E mail <<mailto:dfieret@zeelandnet.nl>> dfieret@zeelandnet.nl A special course, Kangeiko, will be organized by Dirk Heene, in Honbu Dojo Limburg, Herkenrodebosstraat 40, 3511 Kuringen, Hasselt Belgium, from 26 to 27 December 2003. Dirk Heene and Mario Vanroy, 5dan, will teach in this course where perseverance is the primary issue. Inscription should be made before 10 December 2003, in tel/fax 0032 11 727068 e-mail bksa.honbudojo@pandora.be Please be reminded that all information relevant to courses, by SRKHIA instructors, will forwarded to Frank Schubert for insertion in the Calendar of events in his site, so it is always updated.

Membership status:

I will simply repeat what I have said last month. Time has come for the

renewal of annual membership, as well as acceptance of new members. Both should be completed by 28th February 2004.

Let me remind you that the membership fee is 60 Euro or 36 British pounds. Payments may be done, either by bank transfer to our account: Natwest Bank Ltd, Cheltenham Branch, 31 Promenade, Cheltenham, GL50 1LH, UK, Sort Code 60-05-16, Account number 16412087, Beneficiary Shotokan Ryu Kase Ha Instructors Academy (attention, in this case you transfer only British pounds), or by a bank cheque or international money order, made payable to Shotokan Ryu Kase Ha Instructors Academy and posted to our Treasurer, Alan Armstrong, 19 Jubilee Drive, Bredon, Tewkesbury, GL20 7QJ, England, preferably by registered mail (attention, cheques could be either 36 British pounds or 60 euros, whichever is more convenient to members). You must not forget to mention the name(s) and the year.

In addition I am collecting new applications which will be forwarded to Shihankai for approval in January so new members will have the appropriate time to for fulfilling financial obligations.

Up to now I have received the following applications for new members: Achilles Wilfried, Germany; Winkelmanns Jens, Germany; Paul Sammy, UK/Scotland; Dupuch Jerome, France/ Ireland; Johansson Andreas, Sweden; Lindqvist Jörgen, Sweden; Samedy Sivathana, Cambodia. All these applications as well all others received by 31 January 2004 will be forwarded to Shihankai for approval and once approved the applicants will be notified accordingly. So any new applicants should forward their forms to me by 31 January 2004.

Academy Dojo directory:

I have received certain responses to my proposal to create an Academy Dojo Directory, comprised by dojo where Shotokan ryu Kase ha is practiced. For those who have not acted yet, I would remind that what is needed is, to send me the following information: Dojo name, Dojocho (chief instructor, not necessarily a SRKHIA member), Dojo Sponsor (an Academy member who recommends this dojo, only in cases that Dojocho is not an Academy member), Country, City, Address, Point of Contact (POC), POC phone no, POC gsm, POC e-mail (optional).

This information will be filled accordingly and they will be provided, upon request, to members. Additionally every six months, May and October each year, a relevant list will be distributed with the Newsletter.

A more extended Dojo directory, to include dojo from all styles exists in our fellow member Frank Schubert's site www.kamikazeweb.com <<http://www.kamikazeweb.com/>> The exact address for the directory is <<http://www.kamikazeweb.com/index.php?action=dojos&type=normal>> <http://www.kamikazeweb.com/index.php?action=dojos&type=normal>

You can search for a dojo depending on the country, state, city, postal code, style (ryu), following the line of (ryu ha) and / or name of the dojo instructor and you will obtain a dojo list with all interesting details including (where available) the dojo logo (image file) and a foto as well as of course all relevant contact details.

By this way you can easily find a list of Shotokan ryu Kase ha dojo from worldwide selecting search criteria "Shotokan ryu" as Karate style and "Kase, Taiji" in the dropdown list for "Follows the line of ..", as well as dojo for other style and other ryu ha. You can publish directly a url link to all dojo following sensei Kase with the following link:

<<http://www.kamikazeweb.com/dojos/eng/kase>>

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one being <<http://www.shotokan-ryu-kase-ha.karate-muellheim.de/>>
www.shotokan-ryu-kase-ha.karate-muellheim.de). The site includes also
other useful Academy information.

Before closing I would like to extend to all members their families and
their loved ones, best wishes for Merry Christmas and a Happy and
prosperous New Year 2004.

The next Newsletter will be edited in the first week in January 2004.
Stay strong, train hard and enjoy life.

Oss
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