

PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The 2023 year has been a year of achievements for Taekwondo New Zealand (TNZ) and the Board have taken significant steps toward furthering relationships both inside and outside the Taekwondo community.

Seminars and Tournaments have filled the year with resources being provided from all corners of the country. Our Kyorugi training camp introduced athletes to the TNZ National Coach, Nikpa Rohullah, an Olympic double bronze medallist, whose knowledge and experience was certainly appreciated by the athletes and coaches in attendance.

Our Director of Poomsae, Master Sophia Haynes held a TNZ Poomsae training camp with the help of other Poomsae coaches including Master Garry Carpenter. This was well attended and provided athletes with a competition environment as well as an arduous Poomsae technical training regime that put the athletes to the test. These seminars form part of the TNZ High Performance Program but also help to develop up and coming athletes with their sights set on higher honours in the competitive space.

Our National Tournament scene was well catered for with a number of Member Organisations running tournaments around the country. This cumulated with the holding of the 2023 TNZ Kukkiwon Cup, held in Auckland. The August event show cased athletes from around New Zealand and also formed part of the TNZ selection tournament for the Oceania Olympic qualification tournament to be held in April 2024. The High Performance and development of athletes is starting to embed itself in the framework of our Taekwondo landscape and we are seeing the results of all the hard work coming through.

One of the relationships that has been on-going for TNZ is with the New Zealand Olympic Committee (NZOC). The TNZ Board have been working tirelessly with NZOC to demonstrate the work being done for and on behalf of members and athletes. The goal being to have TNZ's NZOC membership reinstated. The relationship is one that requires the TNZ Board to provide NZOC with evidence of the unity present in New Zealand Taekwondo under the governance of TNZ. It is a long process, but the TNZ Board believe there has been progress and are hopeful that the reinstatement of membership is nearing completion.

The TNZ Board are excited about what the upcoming year will bring and as always the Board will be looking to take advantage of the opportunities that are constantly presenting themselves for the members benefit.

Thank you to each and every member of TNZ for the support you continue to demonstrate, we really do appreciate your work in making our Taekwondo journey that much better.

Yours Faithfully

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