

2018 AGM Officials Report

Over the past twelve months we have made good progress with our officials program. Our members have participated in Provincial, Regional, National and international clinics and competitions. I feel significant progress has been with respect to point recognition and basic understanding of the functionality of the rules, however I feel much work is needed with respect to the recognition and administering of C1 and C2 warnings and penalties

We have had a significant increase in the number of officials this year with the addition of people from various regions of the province. The increase in numbers is very encouraging and will allow us more flexibility setting up and running our competitions. We always have had plenty of officials to run our championships.

There were 3 provincial officials clinics as well as an Atlantic Regional officials clinic which was held in January 21 in conjunction with our provincial Grand Prix Tournament. In April 2017 an officials clinic was held in conjunction with the Horton grand Prix tournament. On Friday June 2, another clinic was conducted prior to the Yarmouth cup. In November, an officials clinic/certification was held at the Windsor Dojo with about 15 participants. At this clinic 8 people received certification or up graded their existing licence. In January, at the Atlantic Regional Officials 8 people received certification from Karate Canada. Congratulations to Robert Sweeney, Jeff Muise, Ralph Dentremont, Doug Chetwynd, Kevin Jones, Matthew Sullivan and Theresa Griffin. Also Congratulations to Theresa Griffin who becomes the first female from Nova Scotia to receive National certification and officiate at a National Championship. This year I was fortunate to participate in the Junior World Championships in Tenerife, Spain. At this event I was chosen to officiate in the Gold medal match in Team kata between Egypt and Turkey. I also participated in the Dutch Open in Rotterdam in March.

We have several events lined up for the coming year and hope to have another certification some time in the fall.

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