

October Newsletter Edition

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# MONASH

taekwondo

## It's crunch time!

Hey everyone! Hopefully everyone is having a great SWOTVAC With the exams slowly approaching stress levels must be peaking, but worry not, Monash Taekwondo's got your back. Training is still running, so feel free to come in and relieve some of that pent up anger or stress. Unfortunately it is finally nearing the end of the year and hope that everyone enjoyed their semester and we

wish everyone best of luck for exams and hope to see you for the last few rounds before this year comes to a close!

### Upcoming Training Arrangements

Just a reminder that there will be REDUCED training during the period of SWOTVAC and week 1 of exams. The training timetable will be as follows:

- Wednesday 26th October 4-6 PM Games Hall Clayton
- Friday 28th October NO TRAINING
- Sunday 30th October 4-6 PM Group Fitness Room Clayton
- Monday 31st October NO TRAINING
- Wednesday 2nd November 4-6 PM Games Hall Clayton
- Friday 4th November NO TRAINING
- Sunday 6th November 4-6 PM Group Fitness Room Clayton

Training will resume as normal after these two weeks

Sunday 27th November - due to construction works, training will be moved from the Group Fitness Room to the Games Hall (where we normally have Monday and Wednesday Training)

# **Australian University Games Report**

Eric Tu | Team Manager

The Australian University Games was held in Perth this year, with over 40 universities battling it out for sporting dominance. Yet again, Monash University took home the trophy for Taekwondo, making it our 30th win to date (losing only 4 times over the 34 years the competition has run).

With a substantially fewer amount of athletes than previous years, Monash brought up 21 athletes to defend our title as the dominant University Taekwondo club. Obtaining 17 gold medals, 13 silver and 10 bronze, no one can say that Monash wins on pure numbers alone! A special mention should go out to Skye Cardwell for earning a Green and Gold medal for not only learning her Poomsae minutes before winning a gold, but also for getting a head kick so clean that her opponent had to be sent to hospital. Devon Kaluarachchi and Sahan Wijayarathne must also be commended for their outstanding performance despite fighting in a higher belt category.

To our athletes and support staff, your efforts and achievements have been outstanding and you should all be proud of yourselves. This year's result could not have been achieved without each and everyone of you. Although for many of you this was your first major Taekwondo competition, let's hope that the experience and skill you've attained this year will go far in extending our long-held prestige as

the Australian University Taekwondo champions for years to come.

Let's keep up the hard work to test and prove our skills again in Gold Coast 2017!







## Annual General Meeting

Thank you to all the members that attended and contributed to the 2016 AGM, it was a long and intense two and a half hours even though most of you only came for free food (jks). Congratulations to the elected 2017 committee members, the competition was extremely high for all positions this year including the nail biting vote for the president. Well done to all the members who put their hand up to run for a position, all applications were of very high quality and if you did not get a position you can still contribute to the club by helping out at our various events and try again next year!

The elected 2017 Monash University Taekwondo committee is as follows:

President: Lucy Ho

Vice President: Alan Tat

Secretary: Jessica Bao

Treasurer: Rochelle Jiang

Events Manager: Skye Cardwell

Team Manager: Bianka D'souza

Marketing Manager: Alice Song

Equipment Manager: Sahan Wijayarathne

IT and Media manager: Alex Liao

Events Assistant: Devon Kaluarachchi & Yee Zen Yong

General Assistant: Emma Thorbjornsen & Hiny Yau

Additionally honorary memberships were awarded on the night for exceptional service to the club. Congratulations to the recipients of these awards



### Honorary Annual Membership

Awarded to a **Herbert Cheung** who has displayed exception short term service to the club.



### Honorary Lifetime Membership

The highest honour of our club awarded to **Madeleine Henry** for her exceptional and irreplaceable long term service to the club.

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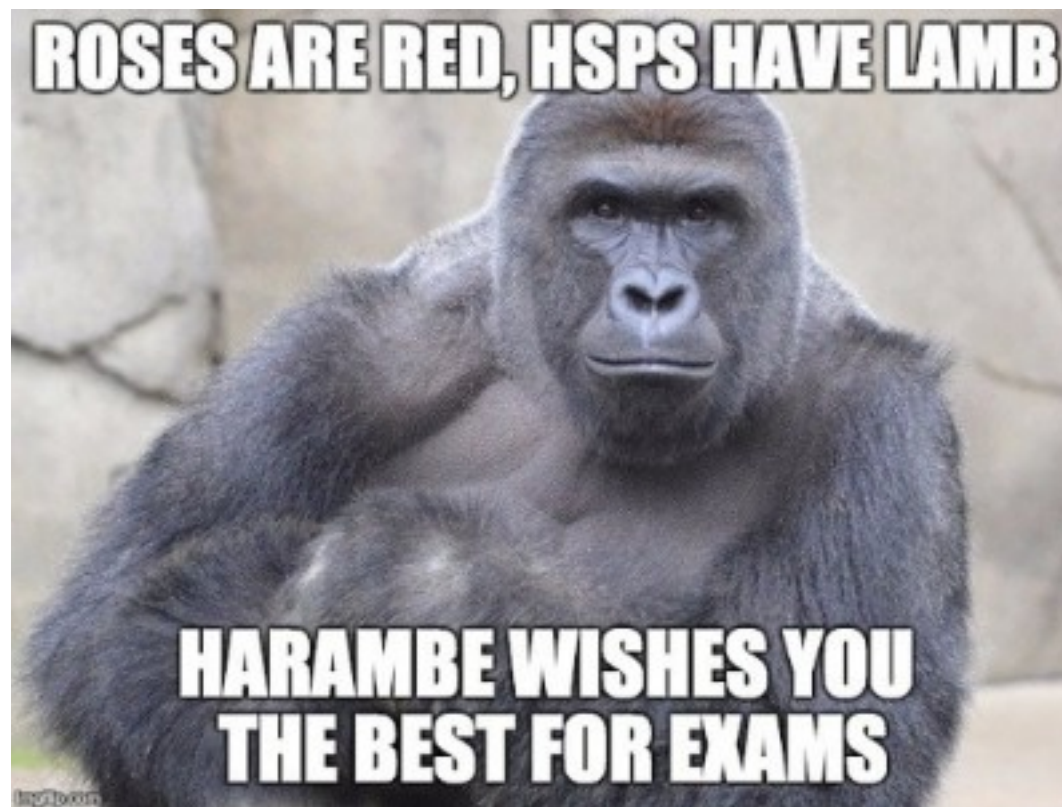
## End of year event



Get excited! We will be holding a subsidised end of year event involving dinner and karaoke on the 25th November after training! Details are yet to be finalised but we will keep everyone updated through the the facebook event page so be sure to click interested or attending.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/187711145009369/>





Till next time

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Kind Regards,

The Monash University Taekwondo Club



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