



AUCKLAND CLUB PERFORMS WELL AT 2009 QUEENSLAND INTERNATIONAL OPEN

The 2009 Queensland International Open was held over the weekend of 4-5 April. The event was very well run with competitors from all round Australia and entrants from overseas competing at -13, -16, -20, Senior, and Veteran level.

Auckland's Nippon Judo Club took out the trophy for "Most Successful International Team" for the second year in a row. The small team of 7 all medalled, taking 5 Gold, 3 Silver, and 3 Bronze medals as follows;

Ulrich Boshoff	Silver, -16 U42kg
Alex Bishop	Silver, -16 U66kg; Bronze -20 U66kg
Justine Bishop	Bronze, -20 U57kg
Calum Burn	Gold, Snr Mens U90kg
Hannah Downing	Gold, -16 U48kg; Gold, -20 U48kg; Silver, Snr Womens U48kg
Nick Gray	Bronze, Snr Mens U60kg
Moira de Villiers	Gold, -20 U70kg; Gold Snr Womens U70kg

This event has improved even on last year's tournament, with some of the top Australian's getting a hit-out before their Nationals in June, and many indicated that they were definitely coming to the Auckland International Open next month.