



PNG NATIONAL TAEKWONDO CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT 22nd APRIL 2023

WITH THE CURRENT ENVIRONMENT AND COVID UNDER CONTROL THE COUNTRY'S NATIONAL FEDERATION TAEKWONDO PNG HOSTED ITS FIRST NATIONAL TOURNAMENT AFTER QUITE A WHILE.

THE 2023 PNG NATIONAL TAEKWONDO CHAMPIONSHIPS WAS HELD ON THE 1ST – 2ND APRIL IN THE NATION'S CAPITAL CITY – PORT MORESBY.

THE EVENT ALSO SERVED AS A SELECTION PROCESS FOR THE COUNTRY TO IDENTIFY POTENTIAL ATHLETES INTO THE NATION'S NATIONAL TEAM FOR 2023 & 2024.

OVER ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY THREE (123) ATHLETES CONTESTED AT THE TWO DAY EVENT THAT INCLUDED BOTH POOMSAE AND KYURUKII.

DUE TO THE CURRENT ECONOMIC CHALLENGES FACED, THIS YEAR SAW JUST SEVENTEEN (17) OF THE 32 CLUBS CONTESTING SUCH AS KARANAS, RM10, MUGAS, KULANGIT, KAVIENG, XTREME TONA, TOOGEE, TRIBES, GOROKA, ELIMBARI, KAINANTU, GAMMA, JOYCE BAY, KIKORI, SEPOE, KASSMAN AND AUSTRALIAN BASED PK TAEKWONDO CLUB.

THE FIRST THREE HOURS OF DAY ONE HOSTED ALL POOMSAE ATHLETES IN ALL THREE CATEGORIES INCLUDING CADETS, JUNIORS AND SENIORS INCLUDING A SOLE PARA ATHLETE WHO DID HIS TEAM PROUD.

Tournament Director: Mr Cratsee Tito

Referees: Watson Kore, Colland Kokin, Margaret Augerea, Nyhalin Mitu,

AFTER TWO DAYS OF COMPETITION, THE RESULTS ARE OUT AS FOLLOWS:-

POOMSAE: INDIVIDUAL - CADET, JUNIOR, SENIOR

CADETS 1, MIXED	CADET 2, MIXED	
1. LIONEL MIRIA 2. LAKSHARA VARNARAJ 3. EPHRAIM DATI	1. OLIVER KASSMAN 2. JOGIAN KASSMAN	
JUNIOR 1, MIXED	JUNIOR 2, MIXED	JUNIOR 3, MIXED
1. CASANDRA GENIEMBO	1. MARAE PASCHALIS	1. AHDYA PRASAD

	2. JAMIEL BULO	
SENIOR 1, MIXED	SENIOR 2, MIXED	SENIOR 3, MIXED
1. AMANDA KANAU 2. HEDRICK CHARE 3. ALBERT LUI	1. BRUCE HENRY	1. NYHALIN MITU 2. CHARLIE KAPERA

POOMSAE: TEAM - PEEWEE, CADET, JUNIOR & SENIOR

PEE WEE, MIXED	CADETS, MIXED	CADETS, MIXED
1. KTC TIGERS	1. NISTA	1. KTC TIGERS
JUNIOR, MIXED	SENIOR, MIXED	2. GAMMA
1. NISTA	1. NISTA	

KYORUGI: CADET & JUNIOR

CADET MALE 37kg	CLUB	CADET MALE 45kg	CLUB
1. JOSEPH PARU 2. EKA YAME 3. GENAM MICHAEL	KARANAS KARANAS TOOGEE	1. OLIVER KASSMAN 2. EPHRAIM DATI 3. JAMIEL BULO	KASSMAN GAMMA NISTA
CADET MALE 53kg	CUB	JUNIOR MALE 51kg	CLUB
1. TYRON CHAN 2. WIZZY NIRS	KARANAS E-HIGHLANDS	1. ADRIAN CHAN 2. GENO-ILLA MICHAEL	KARANAS TOOGEE
JUNIOR MALE 59kg	CLUB	JUNIOR MALE 68kg	CLUB
1. MIZIRIM EDWARD 2. GABRIEL LUI 3. MALI CHAN	NISTA NISTA KARANAS	1. KARIO VANEA 2. HEDRICK CHARE 3. WILLIAM RAVU	KASSMAN NISTA KASSMAN
JUNIOR FEMALE 47kg	CLUB	JUNIOR FEMALE 52kg	CLUB
1. ANGELIUE KAKAS 2. ANTONIA G-ILLA 3. ADE SUL	E-HIGHLANDS TOOGEE E-HIGHLANDS	1. YVETTE BOYAMA 2. MARAE PASCHALIS 3. JOLLAR LIOSI	PKTC NISTA KASSMAN
JUNIOR FEMALE 49kg	CLUB	JUNIOR FEMALE 68kg	CLUB
1. RACHAEL NEIMAMA 2. DIANE KARO 3. CORDILLIA JOHE	E-HIGHLANDS E-HIGHLANDS KASSMAN	1. FIONA JOHE 2. DORRIS RUSSEL 3. CHERRY MANDA	KASSMAN JOYCE BAY E-HIGHLANDS

KYORUGI: SENIOR FEMALE

FEMALE 46kg	CLUB	FEMALE 49kg	CLUB
1. YVETTE BOYAMA 2. RAHAB LOI 3. ELIZABETH MAKIS	PKTC XTREME TONA TOOGEE	1. ROSE TONA 2. MARAE PASCHALIS 3. KRISTY MABATAN	XTREME TONA NISTA KASSMAN
FEMALE 53kg	CLUB	FEMALE 57kg	CLUB
1. AMANDA KANAU 2. CELESTINE GABI 3. KIMROSE IGI	NISTA KASSMAN NISTA	1. ANDREA WAGIAM 2. JUNELLA LAMBA 3. JACINTA ROY	KASSMAN TRIBES JOYCE BAY



FEMALE 62kg	CLUB	FEMALE 67kg	CLUB
1. ELIZABETH SIALA	KASSMAN	1. ENILA SOMASOKOLI	KARANAS
FEMALE 73kg	CLUB	FEMALE 67kg	CLUB
1. EDNA JACK 2. PATRICIA CORNILIUS	NISTA NISTA		

KYORUGI: SENIOR MALE

MALE 54kg	CLUB	MALE 58kg	CLUB
1. BOBBY WILLIE 2. ELIJAH GADULE 3. GEVIN HENI	XTREME TONA XTREME TONA TOOGEE	1. PAUL MOU 2. HENRY MOU 3. JOHN ORI	KASSMAN KASSMAN KASSMAN
MALE 63kg	CLUB	MALE 68kg	CLUB
1. DEREK KASSMAN 2. JAMES CHAN 3. SONNY LAVU	KASSMAN KARANAS KASSMAN	1. KEVIN KASSMAN 2. JULIUS MOMO 3. DAVID ONNNE	KASSMAN JOYCE BAY KIKORI
MALE 74kg	CLUB	MALE 80kg	CLUB
1. MAX KASSMAN 2. MOREA DOURA 3. ANTON JERRY	KASSMAN G-FORCE TRIBES	1. VESPA JOHN 2. GERARD CHARE 3. GIBSON MARA	KASSMAN NISTA E-HIGHLANDS
MALE 87kg	CLUB	MALE 87kg+	CLUB
1. REX ROKO 2. LINDON CHAN 3. JOE CHARLIE	XTREME TONA KARANAS KARANAS	1. SAM WARE 2. LUA VAGI	TRIBES E-HIGHLANDS
MALE PARA DIV 63kg	CLUB		
1. ADRIAN PAUPI	NISTA		

SPECIAL AWARDS WENT TO THE FOLLOWING ATHLETES:

FIGHTER OF THE TOURNAMENT:

- CADET MALE: OLIVER KASSMAN, KASSMAN CLUB
- JUNIOR MALE: ADRIAN CHAN, KARANAS
- JUNIOR FEMALE: MARAE PASCHALIS NISTA
- SENIOR FEMALE: YVETTE BOYAMA, PK TC
- SENIOR MALE: BOBBY WILLIE, XTREME TONA

OTHER AWARDS DONATED BY THE BRISBANE BASED TAEKWONDO CLUB UNDER MASTER PARK WERE HANDED TO ATHLETES AS ENCOURAGEMENT.

AT THIS YEARS PNG NATIONALS WERE STAKEHOLDERS INCLUDING THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE PNG SPORTS FOUNDATION AND THE PNG OLYMPIC COMMITTEE SECRETARY GENERAL MRS AUVITTA RAPILLA.



PRESIDENT OF TAEKWONDO PNG MR JOHN CHOLAI SAID FROM THIS SELECTION EVENT, THE TEAMS WILL NOW PREPARE FOR INTERNATIONAL MEETS WITHIN THE REGION AND BEYOND.

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- CEO OF THE PNG SPORTS FOUNDATION MR ALBERT VERATAU
- PNGOC SECRETARY GENERAL MS AUVITTA RAPILLA
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