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Guiding Principles.

Our Vision

Karate is to be recognised as an activity for life.

Our Mission

Is to maximise safe participation by creating an optimal environment for enjoyment and success in karate in Western Australia.



Our Values.



Commitment

We are committed to providing a sporting environment that honours the traditions of karate-do and the pursuit of excellence in everything we do.

Consistency

We seek consistency in our actions as the standard for continued success of our sport.

Community

We value the staff, officials, volunteers and spectators involved in our sport and seek to make a positive difference in the communities we operate within.

Karate WA Honour Board.

Founding Members

Brian Mackie - Brian Mackie's Karate-Do Goju-Kai Academy
Denis Purvis - Hayashi- ha Shitoryu / Kokusinkai
Mr Kyoshin Kayo - Japan Karate-do Shobukan Shito-Ryu

Awards of Merit 2023/24:

Athletes:
- **Mitchell Durham**
- **Hannah Sullivan**
- **Marijana Dimoska**
- **Mishela Dimoska**
- **Kiriana Kamcheska**

Coaches and Referees:
- **Mark Golding**
- **Zlatko Dimoski**
- **Elizabeth Dimoska**

Awards of Merit 2024/25:

Athletes:
- **Mitchell Durham**
- **Hannah Sullivan**
- **Olivia Clifford**
- **Dylan Fisher**
- **Hayden Maru**
- **Mia Vroomans**

Coaches and Referees:
- **Mark Golding**
- **Michael Panossian**

Awards of Merit 2025/26:

Athletes:
- **Mitchell Durham**
- **Hannah Sullivan**
- **Laura Golding**
- **Dylan Fisher**

Coaches and Referees:
- **Mark Golding**



Referee of the Year

2024 **Rebecca Barlett**
2024 **Mia Vukovic**
2025 **Frank Gotsis**

Emerging Referee of the Year

2024 **Jason Le**
2025 **Daniel Sharp**



Referee Service Award

2025 **Dion Panossian**

Event Volunteer of the Year

2023/24 **Sami Bromley**
2024/25 **L.E. Bilston**
2025/26 **Brad Conway**

Event Service Awards of Merit

2023/24 **Gail Young**
2024/25 **Ako Roberts**
2025/26 **Jorge Martin**

Chair Report.



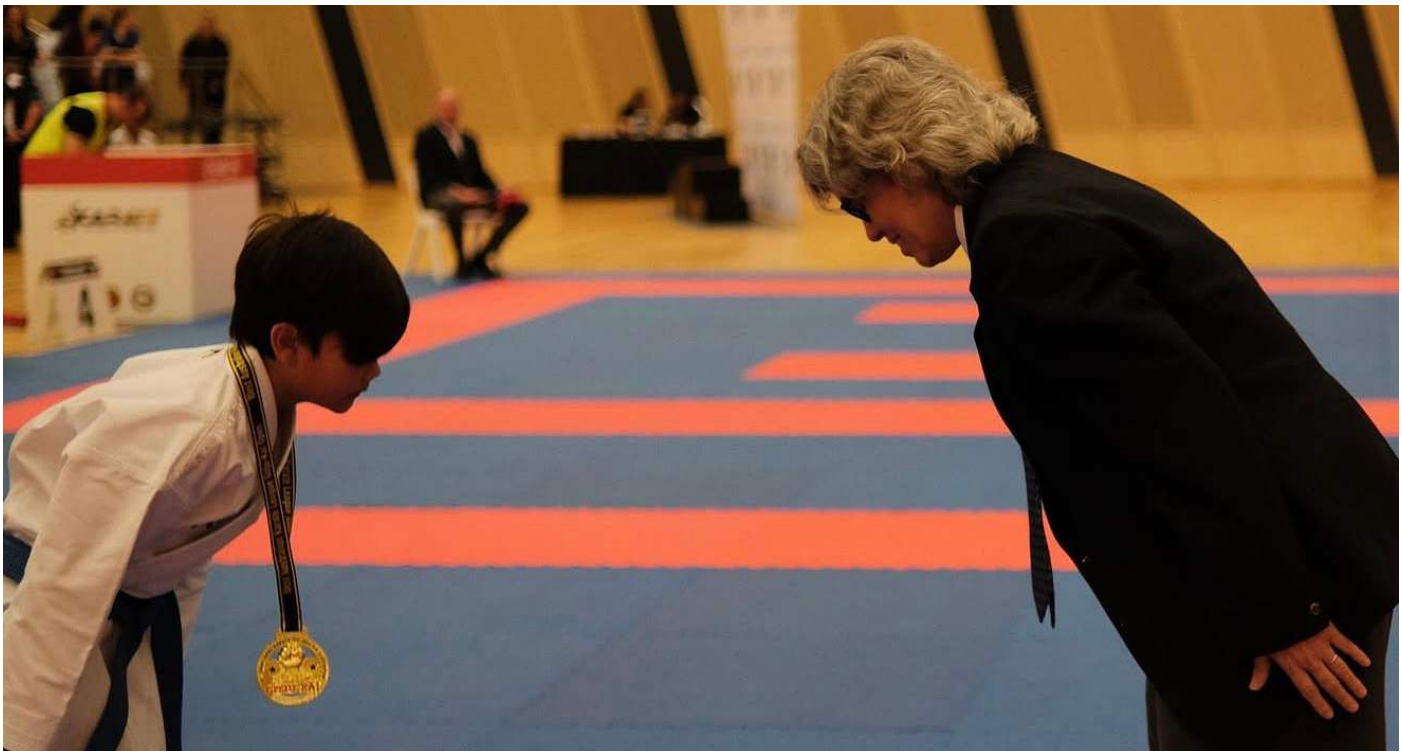
2025-26 was another strong year financially, showing growth in our membership clubs, as well as increased Government funding, allowing the appointment of staff members to plan and roll out the Participation projects in the Regions and successfully deliver the first of the Asian Engagement projects with Indonesia.

The State squad retained its high numbers, although the travelling team was a little smaller for the trip to Nationals in Tasmania. Competition entries remained high during the year, supported by our invaluable volunteers. Karate WA continued work with member clubs, supporting them through some critical issues regarding child safeguarding, instructor qualification and club management. New opportunities were instigated to increase participation at the entry level with the Come & Try Day, and the Kickstart Tournament for new competitors which was run by the Leadership Group.

Four League tournaments were held again in the last financial year, as well as the State Championships and the Kickstart Tournament, with strong participation numbers once again. The State Team continued its strong performance at the Australian National Championships, while a record number of Western Australian athletes were selected to compete at the international level. This is testament to the high quality of karate being taught at the club level as well as the knowledge and experience of our State Coaches and of course the talent and dedication of the athletes themselves.

Karate WA continues to support the accreditation requirements of Karate Australia, as well as developing our event volunteers by providing more referee/judge seminars, practise and testing opportunities. This will remain a focal point for the next few years.
The Departments of Creative Industries, Tourism and Sport (CITS) continues to be a strong supporter of Karate in Western Australia, and we are pleased that our relationship continues to strengthen with the State Government. As our industry funding continued to grow this year, with our step up to a higher level, this allowed the engagement of a Bookkeeper to assist with the workload which has been carried by Board volunteers for several years. Event funding is being arranged ready to host Nationals again in Perth in 2028, following the World Police & Fire Games in 2027 and before preparing for karate's involvement in the World Masters Games in Perth in 2029. Further Asian Engagement grants have also been indicated so we can expand our involvement within the region, including the goal to host an International "Perth Open" in 2028.

The financial position of Karate WA remains strong and provides reassurance for our future position as the governing body for Karate in WA. I refer readers to the Financial Reports for more information.



Board members and staff have been busy reviewing and updating many of the policies and procedures in place to maintain best practice and ensure fair and equitable outcomes for all. This process of continuous improvement is ingrained in our operations.

The recent Strategic Planning session highlighted areas for the Board to concentrate its focus over the next three years, and more information will be provided when the new plan has been completed. The Board is very grateful for the ongoing engagement of stakeholders for the future success of karate in Western Australia, and encourages continued involvement in events and training opportunities to continue to grow participation in our incredible martial art as well as the competition arena.

It has been an honour and my pleasure to act as Chair of Karate WA for 2026 and I would personally like to thank my fellow Board members for their ongoing enthusiastic support for the organisation and its goals. I would also like to recognise and celebrate the contributions of our staff members, Nadine, Graz, George and Farah, guided by Ruth (Executive Officer), along with all the members of the Events Committee and Referee Commission, Mike and the State Coaches and every event volunteer. Every contribution is essential to our longevity and ongoing successes.

Susheela (Sheela) Rollinson
Chair, Karate Western Australia.

Event Statistics.

Kickstart Competition 2/11/2025

110 ENTRIES

DEVELOPMENT	110
TEAM	3
OFFICIALS	18

Shobukan Open 8/3/2026

291 ENTRIES

OPEN	219
DEVELOPMENT	257
TEAM	4
OFFICIALS	20

State Championships 22/3/2026

177 ENTRIES

OPEN	300
DEVELOPMENT	NA
TEAM	3
OFFICIALS	21

Goju Kai Open 24/5/2026

240 ENTRIES

OPEN	215
DEVELOPMENT	182
TEAM	14
OFFICIALS	21

Karate WA Perth Open 14/6/2026

246 ENTRIES

OPEN	212
DEVELOPMENT	183
TEAM	3
OFFICIALS	22

Shotokan Open 30/8/2026

236 ENTRIES

OPEN	159
DEVELOPMENT	212
TEAM	14
OFFICIALS	19

2026 KEY HIGHLIGHTS

6 WA TOURNAMENTS

1,300 COMPETITOR ENTRIES

1,939 INDIVIDUAL EVENT ENTRIES

1,105 OPEN DIVISION ENTRIES

834 DEVELOPING DIVISION ENTRIES

38 TEAM ENTRIES

291 LARGEST SINGLE EVENT
SHOBUKAN OPEN

110 ATHLETES
KICK START CAMP & TOURNAMENT



51% OF ENTRIES IN THE DEVELOPING DIVISION AT THE OPEN TOURNAMENTS

79 NATIONAL MEDALS

17 G | 21 S | 41 B

SPORTING SCHOOLS

11 SCHOOLS | **900** PARTICIPANTS | **8** COACHES

SOCIAL MEDIA REACH

320,000+

1400 FOLLOWERS

2700 FOLLOWERS

2026 KEY HIGHLIGHTS

STATE TEAM

126 SQUAD MEMBERS

103 STATE
95 TRAVELLING



STATE TEAM COACHES

1 HEAD COACH
2 LEAD COACHES
10 STATECOACHES
2 ASSISTANT COACHES

TOTAL EVENTS

4 LEAGUE EVENTS
1 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP
1 KICK START

DOJO DEVELOPMENT DAY

25 ATTENDEES
10 CLUBS

ATHLETE GRANTS

$3,000 IN ATHLETE GRANTS

6 GRANTS APPROVED

5 ATHLETES SUPPORTED

3 INTERNATIONAL EVENTS SUPPORTED

COME AND TRY KARATE CAMPAIGN

100 REGISTRATIONS

150K SOCIAL MEDIA VIEWS

Strategic Plan Alignment.

2025–26 was the closing year of the Karate WA 2022 – 2025 Strategic Plan (extended through to 2026) with a new 2027 – 2030 strategic plan being developed in 2026.

It was a year of building capacity: Karate WA strengthened its operations team, secured $155,000 in grant funding for the 2025–26 financial year*, and laid the groundwork for the next strategic plan. Below, each area of the current strategic plan is measured against the Measures of Success set by Karate WA.

Pillar: Organisation - "The Sport is Sustainable at All Levels"

Action Area	What we achieved in 2025/26
Governance & Policy Development	Endorsed the updated Governance Charter, elected a new Chair and restructured Board committees: Finance & Audit, People & Culture, and the High Performance & Pathway Working Group. Endorsed the Karate Australia Play Well Plan and began a staged rollout of the Sport Integrity Framework. The Board evaluation and risk register review are scheduled alongside the new plan.
Finance & IIP Funding Dev	Secured Industry Investment Program $95,000 and Regional Servicing $60,000 for the 25/26 year. Retained Industry Investment Program Category D. Introduced quarterly budget reporting and a rolling 12-month forecast and placed $150,000 in a term deposit to strengthen reserves.
Communication & Brand	The new Karate WA brand is in place. The Come and Try campaign reached 150,000 social media views and more than 100 registrations. Built new partnerships with the Indonesian Consulate, athletes and coaches, and Karate WA advocacy saw the national Karate Australia and State Associations meeting reinstated. A full communications and digital upgrade follows in late 2026–2027. "Karate Kid Legends" movie premiere delivered as a major community engagement event.
Facilities	Early discussions with CITS and other combat sports took place during the 2022 – 2026 plan. A long-term home base for karate needs to move into the 2027–2030 plan.



Pillar: Sport Development – "Deliver opportunities and support."

Action Area	What we achieved in 2025/26
Events	The Events Committee delivered 6 tournaments with 1,300 competitor entries from 14 clubs. Launched Kick Start (2025), which gave 110 athletes their first tournament, and added a new development team division.
Participation & Inclusion	Reached 900 participants in 11 schools through Sporting Schools. The Statewide Come and Try Day drew more than 100 registrations, and a Come and Try event was held with the Indonesian community.
Athlete Funding & Recognition	Appointed a Pathways Coordinator and drafted an FTEM-aligned Pathways Program. Delivered the first Indonesia–WA program and community engagement session. 10 WA athletes were selected for Australian teams (2026), and 6 athlete grants ($3,000) supported international competition (25/26 Financial Year).







Pillar: Community & People – "Unite a community."

Action Area	What we achieved in 2025/26
Membership & Engagement	Karate WA had 24 member clubs and 69 affiliated dojos, including 19 regional dojos. Two new clubs joined the association, including a new regional club. The Dojo Development Day brought together 25 club leaders from 10 clubs, and the Game Plan was promoted to all member clubs.
People & Culture	Strengthened the operations team with a Regional Coordinator, a Pathways Coordinator and a Bookkeeper, and completed the Employment Handbook. Board succession, with a new Chair and new directors. Recognised volunteers at the Annual Awards, and 15 people completed an Officials Workshop
Coaches & Referees	Bronze accredited coaches doubled (50 to 100), Silver rose from 6 to 22 (7 of them female, up from 0) and Line accreditations rose from 25 to 70. Accredited referees grew from 26 to 31, with 6 new development referees, and a new State Referee Commission Terms of Reference in place and a full committee.
Regional Karate	Secured $60,000 in Regional Servicing funding, appointed a Regional Coordinator, started setting up a Regional Advisory Group and began work with four regions. 23 people completed Guardian Girls Train-the-Trainer, and the regional pilot moves into the new plan.

Athlete Pathways & Asian Engagement

Athlete Pathways

In 2026, Karate WA progressed the development of its Athlete Pathway Program, establishing an athlete-centred framework aligned with the Foundation, Talent, Elite and Mastery (FTEM) model. The framework aims to provide a structured approach to athlete development, supporting progression from grassroots participation through to high-performance competition.

As part of this initiative, Karate WA developed proposed processes for athlete identification, eligibility, nomination, selection, review and governance. The program also identified opportunities to strengthen the development of athletes, coaches and referees, establishing a foundation for more coordinated and sustainable performance pathways across Western Australia.

Asian Engagement

Karate WA launched its Asian Engagement initiative with a three-day Indonesia–Western Australia program in Perth from 24–26 July 2026, strengthening international relationships and athlete, coach and referee development.

The visiting delegation included kumite coach Srunita Sari Sukatendel, kata coach Sisilia Agustiani Ora, kata athlete Mohammad Joussefi Shaariq and kumite athlete Muhammad Arif Saprudin.



High Performance Activities

Karate WA strengthened its high-performance pathways in 2026 through specialised training opportunities for emerging and established athletes.

During the Indonesian Asian Engagement Weekend, an invitation-only session brought together WA State Team members, national top-five performers and other selected athletes for advanced technical and tactical training with Indonesian and Australian coaches. The session also incorporated practical referee development.

Karate WA also launched its first inter-club strength and conditioning trial at The PE4K, engaging 20 athletes from multiple clubs in 15 hours of specialist training over 10 weeks. Positive feedback from athletes and parents will help inform future delivery and potential state endorsement.

The International Athlete and Coach Development Seminar at Presbyterian Ladies' College attracted 68 registrations (62 athletes and six coaches), providing specialised kata and kumite training. A subsequent invitation-only high-performance session attracted 50 applications and featured advanced coaching from the Indonesian delegation, Australian coaches Mike Panossian and Mark Golding, and contributors Tim Young, Xsenija Bromley, Dylan Fisher and Dion Panossian. Practical referee development was also incorporated. The program strengthened sporting and cultural connections between Western Australia and Indonesia while providing direct access to international expertise.

Community Engagement



Community engagement formed an important component of the Asian Engagement initiative. In partnership with Antonius Prawira Yudianto and the Indonesian Consulate in Perth, Karate WA delivered a Come and Try Karate and Meet the Athletes event designed to introduce members of the Indonesian community to karate and encourage broader participation. Leading WA athletes Laura Golding, Hannah Sullivan and Mitchell Durham facilitated introductory karate activities, while Dylan Fisher and Xsenija Bromley joined visiting Indonesian athlete Mohammad Joussefi Shaariq in delivering a kata demonstration.

The event also created opportunities for members of the Indonesian community to meet the visiting delegation, Karate WA representatives and leading Western Australian athletes. Through these interactions, the program promoted cultural exchange, community participation and stronger connections between the Indonesian and Western Australian karate communities. Positive feedback from athletes and parents will help inform future delivery and potential state endorsement.

International Partnership and Future Opportunities



Karate WA strengthened its relationship with the Indonesian Consulate in Perth and established connections with visiting Indonesian coaches and athletes. These partnerships provide a foundation for future international exchanges, collaborative training and community engagement, supporting the continued development of athlete pathways and regional sporting relationships.

Key Outcomes and Participation

The inaugural Asian Engagement program welcomed four Indonesian delegates, attracted 68 seminar registrations and generated 50 high-performance session applications. The three-day initiative delivered athlete, coach and referee development alongside community engagement activities.

Karate WA also progressed its FTEM-aligned Athlete Pathway Program and delivered a 10-week strength and conditioning trial involving 20 athletes, strengthening opportunities for structured athlete development and high-performance preparation.

Development & Education

In 2025/26, Karate WA continued to strengthen the development of dojos, instructors, coaches, referees and officials across Western Australia. Building on previous initiatives, the focus shifted towards sustainable education and accreditation pathways, improved coaching standards and practical development opportunities.

A significant achievement was the growth in Karate Australia coaching accreditations, reflecting the karate community's continued commitment to education, safeguarding and professional development.



Dojo Development

Following the success of its inaugural event, Karate WA continued the Dojo Development Day in 2026, bringing together club leaders and instructors to strengthen governance, compliance, safeguarding and sustainable club development.

25 attendees | 10 clubs represented

The initiative encouraged collaboration between dojos while providing practical education to support the ongoing development of strong, well-managed karate clubs.

Instructor and Coach Development

Instructor development remained a priority in 2026, with Karate WA supporting members through online education and Karate Australia accreditation pathways. Significant growth was recorded across Line, Bronze and Silver coaching levels.

70 Line Coaching Accreditations — 180% increase from 2025
100 Bronze Accredited Coaches — 100% increase from 2025
3 Junior Bronze Accredited Coaches
22 Silver Accredited Coaches — 267% increase from 2025
3 Gold Accredited Coaches — unchanged from 2025
3 WKF Coach Licences — compared with 4 in 2025

Female representation also improved, particularly at higher accreditation levels. Of the 100 Bronze accredited coaches, 39 were female, while seven of the 22 Silver accredited coaches were female. This represents significant progress from 2025, when all Silver accreditations were held by male coaches.

Karate WA continued to reinforce the importance of accreditation beyond technical instruction, including child safeguarding, concussion management, athlete welfare, integrity and risk management. These efforts support the development of safe, professional and sustainable coaching environments across affiliated dojos.

Referee Education & Development

Referee recruitment, education and retention remained key priorities throughout 2026, with growth in accredited officials and continued investment in development pathways.

31 accredited referees — up from 26 in 2025
6 new Development Referees in 2026
20 male referees | 11 female referees
24 active referees | 7 in development

Karate WA progressed the development of its Referee Mentorship Program, designed to provide emerging officials with practical experience and guidance from established referees.

Practical education opportunities included an Officials Workshop and a dedicated Kata Referee Seminar, supporting officiating skills, confidence and consistency in the application of competition rules. These initiatives contribute to a more structured referee pathway, supporting recruitment, accreditation and the long-term development of officials across Western Australia.





Looking ahead, priorities include supporting coaches to progress through accreditation levels, expanding referee mentorship opportunities and ensuring instructors meet appropriate accreditation and compliance requirements.

Together, these initiatives reinforce Karate WA's commitment to building a safe, inclusive and sustainable karate community across Western Australia.

Building Sustainable Pathways

Karate WA's development programs increasingly focus on establishing sustainable pathways rather than delivering isolated workshops. Growth in coaching accreditations, referee participation and educational opportunities reflects continued investment in the people who support the sport.

Through ongoing education, mentorship and improved accreditation standards, Karate WA is strengthening governance, athlete safety and professional development across its member clubs.



State Coaching Report.



> The 2026 season has been an important year for the continued development of the Karate WA State Squad and State Team program. Our focus has remained on building a high-performance environment that supports athlete development, strengthens coaching standards and prepares Western Australian athletes to perform at their best on the national stage. The program has emphasised commitment, consistency, accountability and teamwork, with an overarching objective of developing technically proficient, tactically aware and mentally prepared athletes who represent Western Australia with pride. The results achieved at the 2026 Karate Australia National Championships reflect the dedication of our athletes, coaches, clubs and families, as well as the collective efforts invested throughout the season.

State Squad and State Team Program

A total of 126 athletes registered for the 2026 State Squad program, providing a pathway for athletes to develop their competitive abilities and pursue selection to the State Team.

The program incorporated our annual two-day State Squad camp, 10 structured squad training sessions and preparation for the National Championships. Key priorities included developing technical and tactical proficiency in sport karate, improving physical preparation and competition readiness, and building confidence and the ability to perform under pressure. The program also focused on establishing clear expectations around attendance, commitment, athlete responsibilities and conduct, while providing a transparent pathway from State Squad participation to State Team selection and potential national squad or team representation.

The State Championships remained a key component of the selection process, allowing athletes to demonstrate their abilities in a competitive environment. Selection considerations extended beyond results to include training commitment, performance, conduct and readiness to represent Western Australia.

Coach Development and Collaboration

A significant focus throughout 2026 has been strengthening the connection, communication and collaboration between coaches within the State program. Weekly coaching debriefs have provided an important opportunity to review session content, discuss athlete development, evaluate training outcomes and plan upcoming sessions. These discussions have helped align coaching approaches, establish consistent expectations and ensure that training remains purposeful and connected to the broader performance objectives of the program. The collaborative environment encourages coaches to share knowledge, provide feedback and collectively identify opportunities for improvement. This ongoing communication is essential to developing a connected coaching team and delivering a consistent, high-quality experience for athletes.

For the first time, as Head Coach, I introduced dedicated mindset sessions for State Squad athletes, recognising that high performance requires more than technical ability and physical preparation. These sessions focused on developing athletes' awareness of their thoughts, emotions and responses to pressure, while providing practical tools to manage self-doubt, reset following setbacks and regain focus. The objective has been to help athletes develop greater control over their attention, regulate their emotional responses and build the confidence to trust their preparation. By learning to move beyond fear of failure and the expectations surrounding performance, athletes are encouraged to compete with greater clarity, confidence and freedom.

Ultimately, the aim is to develop athletes who can respond constructively to adversity, remain present in important moments and perform without being restricted by unnecessary pressure or self-imposed expectations. These initiatives reflect the program's broader philosophy of developing the person behind the athlete while creating an environment in which coaches and athletes can continually learn, improve and perform at their best.



2026 National Championships – Performance and Results. Western Australia achieved an outstanding result at the 2026 Karate Australia National Championships in Hobart, finishing second on the national medal tally. The State secured a total of 79 medals, comprising 17 gold, 21 silver and 41 bronze. This result demonstrates the depth of talent within Western Australia and the commitment of athletes and coaches throughout the season.

A particular highlight was the Western Australian Women's Open Kumite Team securing the national title for the fifth consecutive year, demonstrating the strength and consistency of the State's women's kumite program.



Beyond the medal tally, the Championships provided valuable opportunities to assess athlete preparation, competitive decision-making and the ability to perform under pressure. The experience also highlighted areas for further technical, tactical and psychological development as we continue to build our national competitiveness.

The success achieved reflects the combined efforts of athletes, coaches, clubs, parents and the wider karate community.

Acknowledgement and Conclusion
I would like to acknowledge the dedication of our athletes, the commitment of our coaching team, the support of our clubs and the ongoing contribution of parents and families. Their collective efforts are essential to the continued growth and success of karate in Western Australia.

The 2026 season has delivered an outstanding national result, with Western Australia finishing second nationally with 79 medals. Equally important has been the continued development of our coaching team and the collaborative environment being established within the State program.

As coaches, our responsibility extends beyond medals and competition results. It is about developing capable athletes, building character, establishing high standards and creating an environment in which individuals feel supported to reach their potential.

Our goal remains to build a connected coaching team, a strong athlete development pathway and a high-performance culture that enables Western Australian karate to continue succeeding on the national stage.

Michael Panossian
State Team Head Coach

WA State Referee Commission Report.

The WA Referee Commission proudly acknowledges the invaluable contribution of our referees, judges, and volunteers whose dedication and professionalism have underpinned the success of our events throughout 2026. The volunteers continued enthusiasm and commitment have been instrumental in maintaining the high standard of officiating across the state.

The WA State Referee Commission would like to acknowledge Justin Dowell for his outstanding contribution and many years of service as Chair of the State Referee Commission—often carrying the role on his own. Through his leadership, Justin has built a strong foundation for the Referee Commission, and while he has stepped down from his role as Chair, he will continue to offer his support and guidance as a general commission member moving forward. The board has nominated Mia Vukovic to be the Chair until a formal EOI is sent out to members. The 2026 Commission members are listed below:

Name	Position	Email
Mia Vukovic	Interim Chair	mia.vukovic09@gmail.com
Rebecca Bartlett	Secretary	becbartlett@yahoo.com.au
Justin Dowell	Council Member	jsdceilings@iprimus.com.au
Tony Smith	Council Member	senshinkankarate@gmail.com
Maurice Matteucci	Council Member	maurice.matteucci@bigpond.com

State Tournaments

WA hosted four successful WA Karate League (WAKL) endorsed tournaments this year. Our first event of the year had a record number of competitors and so we had to adapt to running 6 tatamis. The dedication and resilience of the officials were very appreciated at that event. Due to the record numbers at this event, we also made the decision to run the 'mirror system' as we did not have the officials to run 'two-judge.' This decision aided in the flow of the event and gave great teaching opportunities for less experienced officials. We also held a successful State Championships in March with over 20 officials in attendance. After the success of our 2025 Kickstart Tournament (a dedicated developing participation event), we were hoping to run a second event in October. The event last year was a great opportunity to get young and developing athletes, officials, and volunteers involved and interested before the 2026 season began. Unfortunately, this event has had to be postponed until early 2027. All of these events were made possible thanks to the dedicated contributions of our officiating team:

Name	Date	Officials
WAKL Shobukan Open	8/3/2026	20
WA State Championships	22/3/2026	21
WAKL Goju Open	24/05/2026	21
WAKL Perth Open	14/6/2026	22
WAKL Shotokan Open	30/08/2026	19
Kickstart Tournament	Postponed	Upcoming

Seminars and Practical Training for Referees and Judges

The WA Referee Commission remains dedicated to fostering excellence in officiating by providing ongoing education, skills development, and mentoring opportunities for referees and judges at all levels. In 2026, a series of targeted training sessions and examinations were held to build capacity, promote consistency in rule interpretation, and strengthening officiating confidence across both Kata and Kumite disciplines.

Referee Rules Seminar – 7 March 2026

A comprehensive rules seminar was conducted to enhance officials' understanding of WKF competition rules, with particular emphasis on recent updates and rule changes. This session provided scenario-based learning to reinforce accurate and consistent application across Kata and Kumite judging and refereeing.

State Upgrade Examinations – 23 May 2026

The Commission facilitated a successful upgrade examination session, offering eligible officials the opportunity to advance their state-level qualifications. Candidates were assessed on both theoretical knowledge and practical performance. This process is critical in maintaining a pipeline of skilled referees and ensuring a structured progression pathway for those seeking higher levels of accreditation within the sport. 6 people attended this event.

State Team Match Practice – Multiple 2026 State Training Sessions

This year, the Commission continued the match practice sessions that were introduced last year. We found that this has been a great opportunity for judges and referees to upskill with the 'four-judge' system as we often don't get this opportunity at local competitions. It has also been beneficial for athletes and coaches to run matches and scenarios with the same judging system as Nationals.



Practical Kata Seminar – 13 & 20 June 2026

Broadening kata knowledge and developing a deeper understanding for other styles of Karate is always something that officials of all levels can work on and improve. The commission facilitated a two-day practical kata seminar where officials participated in a kihon and kata session of 4 main styles we see at competitions. We brought in highly knowledgeable instructors from our WA community to share their knowledge with the officials. Karin Prinsloo ran the Shotokan session focusing on Gojushiho-Sho, followed by Tomoko Kudoh running the Goju-Ryu session looking at Kururunfa. The following weekend Dion Panossian ran a Shito-Ryu session looking at Papuren. He also conducted the Ryuei-Ryu session with the help of Mei Tamanaha focusing on Ohan Dai. The seminar was very successful, and many officials used the opportunity to ask questions and understand some of the characteristics of other styles.

Kickstart Tournament – 18 October 2026

After the successful turnout and feedback from last year's Kickstart Tournament, we are running the same event later this year. Last year's event led to 3 new officials and 1 returning official for our 2026 competition season. Unfortunately, athlete numbers were too low for this event to go ahead and Karate WA ended up cancelling this event.

International representation

This year there were 3 international events that had representation from WA officials. Dion Panossian attended events as a representative of the WKF Technical Commission, while Mia Vukovic attended her first international event in Thailand this year.

Karate One Youth League (Manila) – May 2026 - Dion Panossian

Thailand Open – August 2026 - Dion Panossian, Mia Vukovic

WKF Junior World Championships (Poland) – October 2026 - Dion Panossian

National Representation

Several WA Karate officials volunteered at two national events. The experience gained through officiating at such high-profile events significantly enhances the quality of refereeing at WA Karate endorsed tournaments.

Australian Open Championships - April 2026
Dion Panossian
Rebecca Bartlett
Mia Vukovic
Tony Smith
Maurice Matteucci
Shamyla Lavea
Daniel Sharp

Australian National Championships - August 2026
Dion Panossian
Tony Smith
Rebecca Bartlett
Mia Vukovic
Andrew Mawby
Shamyla Lavea
Karin Prinsloo
Daniel Sharp

The Commission gratefully acknowledges the funding received to assist with travel and accommodation for successful applicants attending Aus Open and the Nationals, and looks forward to future support opportunities.

Governance and Structural Initiatives

The WA State Referee Commission has continued to refine its operational framework in 2026 by finalising our Terms of Reference. The TOR and previous initiatives aim to enhance transparency, sustainability, and growth within WA karate.

Upgrades and Achievements

Multiple officials were successful in upgrading at the 2026 Aus Open, and at the State exams run earlier this year. This includes:

Mia Vukovic	Oceania Judge B Kata & Judge B Kumite
Rebecca Bartlett	Oceania Judge B Kata & Judge B Kumite
Karin Prinsloo	National Judge A Kata & Judge A Kumite
Shamyla Lavea	National Judge A Kata
Daniel Sharp	National Judge B Kata & Judge B Kumite
Lauren Meintjes	State Judge A Kata & Referee B Kumite
Susheela Rollinson	State Judge A Kata & Judge A Kumite
Nadia Roe	State Judge B Kata & Judge B Kumite
Kerry Holl	State Judge B Kata & Judge B Kumite
Ryan Beikrasouli	State Judge B Kata & Judge B Kumite

Awards and Recognition

Karate WA hosted its annual Awards Gala on 2 May 2026, celebrating the achievements, dedication and contributions of members across the Western Australian karate community. A significant development this year was the introduction of the Referee Service Award, recognising long-standing commitment to officiating and referee development.

Daniel Sharp received the Emerging Referee of the Year Award in recognition of his enthusiasm, commitment and continued development. Frank Gotsis was awarded Referee of the Year for his exceptional professionalism, leadership and ongoing mentorship of younger officials. Dion Panossian became the inaugural recipient of the Referee Service Award, acknowledging his years of dedicated service and significant contribution to refereeing in Western Australia.

These awards recognise the essential role referees play in supporting competitions, developing future officials and strengthening the karate community.



Mia Vuković

Interim Chair
State Referee Commission
WA Karate







2025 Service Awards

Referee of the Year

2024 **Rebecca Barlett**
2024 **Mia Vukovic**
2025 **Frank Gotsis**

This award recognises a referee who has demonstrated outstanding performance, leadership, and commitment throughout the past year. They exemplify professionalism, consistency, and dedication to officiating excellence. The recipient have consistently shown professionalism on the tatami, a passion for growing others in the officiating space, and a commitment that goes above and beyond at every event, both at a state and national level.

Emerging Referee of the Year

2024 **Jason Le**
2025 **Daniel Sharp**

This award acknowledges an up-and-coming referee who has shown strong promise, commitment, and positive engagement in their early officiating journey at state-level events. This year's recipient has displayed eagerness to learn, actively sought development opportunities, and engaged positively within the refereeing community.

Event Service Awards of Merit

2024 **Ako Roberts**
2025 **Jorge Martin**

This award acknowledges an individual for significant and sustained contributions to Karate WA or League events over many years, a constant, dependable presence at our events, always ready to step in and help wherever needed. The recipient has given his time generously across countless Karate WA events, consistently taking on the role of marshal with professionalism, reliability, and a positive attitude that helps everything run smoothly and safely for athletes, officials, and spectators alike. What sets this year's recipient apart is not just what he does, but how he supports others. He regularly mentors new volunteers, taking the time to guide them through procedures, share his experience, and build their confidence — strengthening our volunteer team for the future. His commitment extends beyond the state level, having also volunteered at the 2025 National Karate Championships, proudly representing Karate WA on a larger stage. His dedication, leadership, and willingness to quietly get on with the job make him an invaluable part of our community.

Referee Service Award

2025 **Dion Panossian**

This award has been established to acknowledge individuals who have made a long-standing and consistent contribution to refereeing over many years. It recognises those with over six years of active service across local, state, and national events, who have not only supported competitions but have also played an important role in developing other referees and contributing to the growth of officiating here in WA.



This is a recognition of dedication, experience, and the quiet but essential work that helps our sport run at its very best. We recognise an individual whose contribution to refereeing extends far beyond the tatami—someone who has shaped, guided, and elevated officiating not only here in Western Australia, but across Australia, Oceania, and the world. His refereeing journey is one of sustained excellence, commitment, and leadership. Holding the highest World Karate Federation qualifications in both Kumite and Kata, he has officiated at the very pinnacle of our sport, including selection as a referee at the Tokyo Olympic Games. His influence reaches well beyond individual appointments, he has served on the World Karate Federation Referee Commission, and now contributes to the WKF Technical Commission—helping shape the direction and standards of officiating globally.

Across Oceania, he has led as Chairman of the Referee Council for over a decade, and nationally, he has played a key role in developing and guiding referees throughout Australia. Yet despite these extraordinary achievements on the world stage, he has remained deeply connected to our local community—supporting, mentoring, and inspiring referees here in Western Australia. His impact is seen not only in the events he officiates, but in the people he develops and the standards he upholds. It is this combination of excellence, leadership, and genuine commitment to the growth of others that makes thus years recipient so deserving of this recognition.

Event Volunteer of the Year

2024 **L.E. Bilston**
2025 **Brad Conway**

This award recognises an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to Karate WA and League events in the previous calendar year. The recipient of this award has shown outstanding commitment, reliability, teamwork, and leadership across countless events. Even after his children finished competing some years ago, he has continued to show up, step in, and contribute — consistently taking on the role of table official at Karate League events and helping ensure everything runs smoothly.His willingness to give back, support others, and be part of the team truly reflects the spirit of our community.



2025 Athlete Awards





Kata Awards:

Children Kata Male
8-9 Years Aiden Ly
10-11 Years John Vin Riley Creo & Zachary Thomas
12-13 Years Alexzander Bland

Children Kata Female
8-9 Years Electra Watson
10-11 Years Axelle Zulueta
12-13 Years Beatrice Raquel

Cadet Kata
Hayden Pengiran Maru (Male)
Kyra Foster (Female)

Junior Kata
Arushan Aravindhan (Male)
Melissa Viti (Female)

Senior Kata
Dylan Fisher (Male)
Xsenija Bromley (Female)

Veteran Kata
Daniel Sharp (Male)
Samantha D'Uva (Female)

Kumite Awards:

Children Kumite Male
8-9 Years Christopher Kox
10-11 Years Noah Hopkins
12-13 Years Jet Martin

Children Kumite Female
8-9 Years Electra Watson
10-11 Years Minaho Hashimoto
12-13 Years Nikki Teo-Bussemaker

Cadet Kumite
Reece Miyamoto & Jorge Martin-Teramoto (Male)
Nikolina Pushnick (Female)

Junior Kumite
Cameron Quinn (Male)
Mia Vroomans (Female)

Senior Kumite
Mitchell Durham (Male)
Laura Golding (Female)

Veteran Kumite
Matthew Bussemaker (Male)
Kerryn Hasler (Female)

2026 National Championships Results

GOLD MEDALS

Anastasia Humboldt – Kata Individual Female U10
Hayden Pengarin Maru – Kata Individual Male Juniors
Akira Yonezawa – Kata individual Male Veterans 45-54
Creo – Hashimoto – Zulueta – Team Children Kata Mixed
Jamyang Penjor - Kumite Individual Male U12 – 45kg
Ana Jovic - Kumite Individual Female U14 -47kg
Nikki Teo-Bussemaker – Kumite Individual Female Cadets -61kg
Nikki Teo-Bussemaker – Kumite Individual Female Cadets Open
Leo Prinsloo - Kumite Individual Male Cadets +70kg
Lauren Markham - Kumite Individual Juniors -59kg
Jayda Gledhill - Kumite Individual Female U21 -55kg
Laura Golding - Kumite Individual Seniors -68kg
Hannah Sullivan - Kumite Individual Female Seniors +68 kg
Mitchell Durham - Kumite Individual Male Seniors -75kg
Laura Golding - Kumite Individual Seniors Open
Kerryn Hasler - Kumite Individual Female Veterans 35-44
Gledhill, Golding, Sullivan, Bilston – Team Senior Women's

SILVER MEDALS

Lotta Schildenfeld - Kata Individual Female U10
Melissa Viti – Kata Individual Female Juniors
Dylan Fisher – Kata Individual Male Seniors
Jaouadi, Jaouadi, Watson - Team Children Kata Mixed
Rayna Cott - Kumite Individual Female U12 – 30kg
Aiden Ly - Kumite Individual Male U12 -30kg
Drimed Tobdhen - Kumite Individual Male U12 +45kg
Maddison Westaway – Kumite Individual Female U12 – 35kg
Axelle Zulueta - Kumite Individual Female U14 – 42kg
Afnan Jaouadi - Kumite Individual Female U14 -47kg
Conan Martin-Teramoto – Kumite Individual Male U14 +55kg
Aislinn Thomas – Kumite Individual Female Cadets -47kg
Eliana Currie - Kumite Individual Female Cadets -61kg
Altaria Fachry - Kumite Individual Female Cadets +61kg
Zak Edwards - Kumite Individual Male Cadets -63kg
Nikolina Pushnick - Kumite Individual Female Cadets Open
Aurelia Fachry - Kumite Individual Female Juniors -66kg
Madison Taylor - Kumite Individual Female Juniors +66kg
Nathaniel Cowey – Kumite Individual Male Juniors -68kg
Mia Vroomans – Kumite Individual Female U21 -68kg
Mitchell Edwards - Kumite Individual Male U21 -75kg

BRONZE MEDALS

Zen Yonezawa – Kata Individual Male U10
Dory Schildenfeld - Kata Individual Female U12
Drimed Tobdhen - Kata Individual Male U12
Andy Phan - Kata Individual Male U12
Riley Creo - Kata Individual Male U14
Axelle Zulueta - Kata Individual Female U14
Nikki Teo-Bussemaker – Kata Individual Female Cadets
Connor Dyer - Kata Individual Male Cadets
Ackerman, Dell'Orso, Parham - Team Children Kata Mixed
Commins, Commins, Ly - Team Children Kata Mixed
Electra Watson - Kumite Individual Female U12 -35kg
Mackenzie Dell'Orso - Kumite Individual Female U12 +45kg
Rayyan Jaouadi - Kumite Individual Male U12 -30kg
Mason McGrath - Kumite Individual Male U12 -35kg
Roberto Ganzer - Kumite Individual Male U12 -35kg
Noah Hopkins - Kumite Individual Male U12 +45kg
Alexis Ly - Kumite Individual Female U14 -42kg
Minaho Hashimoto - Kumite Individual Female U14 -52kg
Beau Hooper - Kumite Individual Male U14 -40kg
Mathias Sekac - Kumite Individual Male U14 -55kg
Ashlee Bilston - Kumite Individual Female Cadets -47kg
Katherine Redmond - Kumite Individual Female Cadets -54kg
Sadhbh Smith-Flanagan - Kumite Individual Female Cadets +61kg
Nikolina Pushnick - Kumite Individual Female Cadets +61kg
Connor Dyer – Kumite Individual Male Cadets -52kg
Safira Letizia - Kumite Individual Female Juniors -53kg
Harrison Bouhlas - Kumite Individual Male Juniors +76kg
Jorge Martin-Teramoto - Kumite Individual Male Juniors +76kg
Jorge Martin-Teramoto - Kumite Individual Male Juniors Open
Madison Bilston – Kumite Individual Female U21 -61kg
Cameron Quinn - Kumite Individual Male U21 -60kg
Flynn Mahony - Kumite Individual Male U21 -75kg
Jayda Gledhill - Kumite Individual Female Seniors -55kg
Mia Vroomans - Kumite Individual Female Seniors -68kg
Cameron Quinn - Kumite Individual Male Seniors -60kg
Brendan Loh - Kumite Individual Male Seniors -84kg
Ackerman, Zulueta, Jovic, Jaouadi, Hashimoto – Team Children Female Kumite
Thomas, Cattaruzza, Sekac, Martin-Teramoto, Hooper – Team Children Male Kumite
Currie, Redmond, Smith-Flanagan, Teo-Bussemaker, Pushnick - Team Cadet Female Kumite
Foster, Letizia, Taylor, Markham, Fachry – Team Junior Female Kumite
Durham, Edwards, Mahony, Quinn, Loh – Team Senior Male Kumite

2026 State Representation.

Tannah Ackerman
Ashlee Bilston
Madison Bilston
Alexzander Bland
Harrison Bouhlas
Diego Cattaruzza
Amari Commins
Indiana Commins
Rayna Cott
Nathaniel Cowey
John Vin Riley Creo
Eliana Currie
Mackenzie Dell'Orso
Sofia Di Tullio
Liam Dobson
William Dobson
Luka Dordevic
Mitchell Durham
Connor Dyer
Zara Earnshaw
Mitchell Edwards
Zak Edwards
Altaira Fachry
Aurelia Fachry
Dylan Fisher
Gabriel Foo
Kyra Foster
Xavier Frendo
Ruby Frohlich
Astrida Fu
Roberto Ganzer
Lola Gates
Jayda Gledhill
Laura Golding
Minaho Hashimoto
Taisei Hashimoto
Kerryn Hasler
Beau Hooper
Noah Hopkins
Anastasia Humboldt
Afnan Jaouadi
Rayyen Jaouadi
Ana Jovic
Sophie Kerrison
Christopher Kox
Marcus Leese
Safira Letizia
Marcello Lloyd
Brendan Loh
Aiden Ly
Alexis Ly
Cameron Lyons
Flynn Mahony
Lauren Markham
Conan Martin-Teramoto
Jorge Martin-Teramoto
Hayden Pengiran Maru
Matthew McCay
Mason McGrath
Marco Mennell
Ailee Miln
Xander Mollenoyux
Konosuke Noguchi
Ash O'Sullivan
Lucas Panossian
Ashley Parham
Vishva Pathirana
Jamyang Reegyel Penjor
Andy Phan
Zai Portughes Preston
Leo Prinsloo
Nikolina Pushnick
Cameron Quinn
Katherine Redmond
Dory Schildenfeld
Lotta Schildenfeld
Mathias Sekac
Sadhbh Smith-Flanagan
Hannah Sullivan
Madison Taylor
Nikki Teo-Bussemaker
Aislinn Thomas
Zachary Thomas
Drimed Tobdhen
Melissa Viti
Mia Vroomans
Electra Watson
Zali Watters
Maddison Westaway
Alex Yap
Archer Yeap
Akira Yonezawa
Zen Yonezawa
Lucas Young
Axelle Quiana Zulueta

Coaches

Head Coach - Michael Panossian
Lead Coach KATA - Tim Young
Lead Coach - KUMITE - Kristina Perrin
State Coaches - Kata
Maurice Matteucci
Troy Coelho
Tomoko Kudoh
Owen Blockley
Au Hii
State Coaches - Kumite
Brigit Wall
Jessica Johnson
Brian Sullivan
Nathan Blockley
Graz Prinsloo

National Representation.

Western Australian athletes and coaches achieved selection for Australian representation at major international championships, including the WKF Senior World Championships, Oceania Team Championship, WKF Cadet, Junior and U21 World Championships and Karate World Cup.

2025 WKF Senior World Championships – Cairo, Egypt, 27–30 November

Laura Golding – Senior Female Kumite -68kg
Mitchell Durham – Senior Male Kumite -75 kg
Dylan Fisher – Senior Male Kata
Mark Golding – Australian Team Head Coach

2026 Oceania Team Championship – Auckland, New Zealand, 30 May

Laura Golding – Australian Women's Team Kumite
Mitchell Durham – Australian Men's Team Kumite
Mark Golding – Australian Male Team Kumite Coach

2026 WKF Cadet, Junior and U21 World Championships – Bielsko-Biała, Poland, 14–18 October

Hayden Maru – Junior Male Kata
Leo Prinsloo – Cadet Male Kumite +70kg
Nathaniel Cowey – Junior Male Kumite -68 kg
Jorge Martin-Teramoto – Junior Male Kumite +76 kg
Jayda Gledhill – U21 Female Kumite -55 kg
Michael Panossian – Australian Kumite Coach
Dion Panossian – WKF Technical Commission Member

2026 Members as 01/01/2026.

Club Name	Head of Style
Avon Valley Shotokan	Ken Bainbridge
Barnes Karate WA (Shorin-Ryu Academy)	Sheldon Barnes
Brian Mackie's Karate-Do Goju-Kai	Brian Mackie
Curtin Karate Club - Tai Shin Kan Shito Ryu	Eric Ho
Goju Ryu	Leon Sutton
Gold Martial Arts	Mark Golding
Kofukan Karate Australia Inc.	Brian Chambers
Margaret River Karate Club	Ken Rouw
Northern Suburbs Goju Kai	Brian Davidson
Rei Shito-Ryu Karate Pty Ltd	Karen Hollings
Ronin Mamisde Karate	Zlatko Dimoski
Senshinkan Karate Australia	Tony Smith
Shobukan Martial Arts	Dion Panossian
Shotokan Karate - Bushido Dojos	Murray Brooker
Shorin Ryu Academy	Sheldon Barnes
Shotokan Karate Club	Shamyla Lavea
South-West Goju-Ryu Karate-Do Association	Alan Burdett
Stirling Karate Club	Karin Prinsloo
Traditional Karate Academy	Maurice Matteucci
WA All Wado Karate Federation	Mic Gunn
West Coast Karate	Brian Sullivan
WSKF Australia - GS Karate	Grant Rollinson
Yoseikan-Budo Karate-Do	Roy Hebden
Yoseikan-Ryu Karate	Branco Bratich



Governance Report.

During 2025–26, Karate Western Australia continued to strengthen its governance, with a focus on Board oversight, clear roles and responsibilities, financial accountability and policy review. The Board considered strategic matters through Board meetings, committee recommendations and board reports.

8 Board Meetings Were Held in the 2025/2026 Financial Year

Name	Position	Meetings
Susheela Rollinson	Elected Director/Chairperson (from December 2025)	7/8
Tom Pettitt	Elected Director/Chairperson (to November 2025)	3/3
Frank Gotsis	Elected Director	7/8
Kristen Jerkovich	Elected Director (to November 2025)	2/3
Vince Del Prete	Appointed Director	8/8
Karin Prinsloo	Causal Vacancy	7/8
Jo Richards	Appointed Director	8/8
Rudi James	Elected Director (from November 2025)	5/5
Heidi Saayman	Elected Director (from November 2025)	3/5
Samantha Devine	Appointed Director (to September 25)	2/2

Strategic Committees

Committee Name	Members
Finance & Audit	Heidi Saayman (Chair), Susheela Rollinson, Frank Gotsis, Ruth Gibbons
People & Culture	Vince Del Prete (Chair), Rudi James, Jo Richards, Ruth Gibbons
High Performance & Pathway Working Group	Jo Richards (Chair), Rudi James, Karin Prinsloo, Ruth Gibbons

Operational Committees

Committee Name	Members
Events Committee	Frank Gotsis , Basil Gotsis, Justin Dowell, Dion Panossian, Drewcilla Vroomans, Sami Bromley, Nadine Cooperwhite
State Referee Commission	Mia Vukovic (Chair), Rebecca Bartlett (Deputy Chair), Maurice Matteucci, Tony Smith, Justin Dowell (Chair to January 2026)
State Team Coach Selection Panel	Coaches & Managers - Susheela Rollinson, Rudi James, Nadine Cooperwhite, Mike Panossian. Selection Appeals Panel Chair -Jo Richards.
State Coaching Panel	Michael Panossian (Head Coach), Tim Young (Lead Coach – Kata), Kristina Perrin (Lead Coach – Kumite), Au Hii, Brian Sullivan, Brigit Wall, Grazjyna Prinsloo, Jessica Johnson, Maurice Matteucci, Nathan Blockley, Owen Blockley, Tomoko Kudoh, Troy Coelho, **Laura Golding, Mitchell Durham**
Athlete Leadership Team	Hannah Sullivan, Jes Bromley, Xsenija Bromley, Laura Golding

Staff and Contractors

Name	Role
Ruth Gibbons	Executive Officer
Nadine Cooperwhite	Events and Operations Coordinator
Grazjyna Prinsloo	Pathways Coordinator (from April 2026)
Farah Varinda	Bookkeeper (from February 2026)

Governance and Policy Development

- Governance Charter: endorsed in December 2025, including updated roles and responsibilities for the Board, Directors, Chair and Executive Officer. Policies referenced in the Charter will be separated into standalone policies.
- Board leadership and committees: a new Chair was elected and Board committees were restructured, including a new Finance & Audit Committee. Terms of Reference for all committees are being reviewed.
- Financial oversight: the 2025–26 budget was endorsed with quarterly reporting and a rolling 12-month forecast, and $150,000 was placed in a 12-month term deposit to strengthen reserves.
- State Referee Commission: Terms of Reference endorsed in May 2026, clarifying its advisory role and limits of authority, with a Chair and Deputy Chair appointed.

Acknowledgement

Karate WA thanks its Board Directors, committee members, coaches, referees, athlete representatives, staff and contractors for their contribution throughout the year. Their commitment supports the governance, development and delivery of karate across Western Australia.



Financial Report.

I am pleased to present the financial report for Karate WA for the year ended 30 June 2026.
The Association recorded a net surplus of $56,747 for the financial year. While this is slightly below the previous year's surplus, it represents another strong financial result and reflects the continued financial stability of the organisation.

Total income for the year was $340,024, supported by grant funding, State Team and State Training activities, tournaments, National Championships participation, league competitions and member development programs.

Significant funding was received through the Industry Investment Program and project grants, enabling Karate WA to continue delivering athlete development, coaching, referee education and membership services across the State.

Total expenditure for the year was $284,615, with the largest areas of investment being State Team programs, National Championships participation, athlete development activities, Awards Night, contractor services and operational program delivery.

At 30 June 2026, Karate WA held total assets of $405,327, including cash and term deposit holdings of $392,438. Net assets increased to $391,968, demonstrating the continued strengthening of the Association's financial position.

The Board has continued its prudent financial management approach, ensuring sufficient reserves are maintained to support future activities, strategic initiatives and unexpected operational requirements.

I would like to acknowledge and thank Heidi Saayman, Chair of the Karate WA Finance and Audit Committee, for her valuable contribution and oversight throughout the year.

I commend the 2025/26 Financial Statements to the members for adoption.

Heidi Saayman
Chair, Finance and Audit Committee

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INDEPENDENT ASSURANCE PRACTITIONER'S REPORT

To the Members of the Australian Karate Federation WA Inc.

Report on the Financial Records of the Australian Karate Federation WA Inc.

We have reviewed the financial records of the Australian Karate Federation WA Inc. for the year ended 30 June 2026, which include the balance sheet and income statement for that period.

Responsibilities of the Committee

The Committee of the Australian Karate Federation WA Inc. is responsible for preparing and presenting the financial records fairly in accordance with the *Constitution* and the *Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA)*. This responsibility includes maintaining internal controls to ensure the accuracy and integrity of the financial records, selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies, and making reasonable estimates as necessary.

Assurance Practitioner's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to provide a conclusion on the 2026 financial records based on our review. We conducted our review in accordance with *ASRE 2400 Review of a Financial Report Performed by an Assurance Practitioner Who is Not the Auditor of the Entity*. This standard requires us to comply with the ethical requirements of the relevant professional accounting bodies.

A review primarily involves inquiries of management and applying analytical procedures. It is substantially narrower in scope than an audit conducted under Australian Auditing Standards and does not allow us to obtain the same level of assurance that an audit would. Therefore, we do not express an audit opinion.

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Balance sheet report

Accrual mode
30 Jun 2026

	Total
1-0000 Assets	
1-1000 Current Assets	
1-1100 Cash On Hand	
1-1111 Westpac 778087 Operating	41,606.20
1-1112 Westpac 778095 Reserve	200,831.56
1-1113 Term Deposit	150,000.00
Total Cash On Hand	**392,437.76**
1-1200 Trade Debtors	(1,826.30)
1-1700 Deposits Paid	6,246.23
Total Current Assets	**396,857.69**
1-2000 Fixed Assets	
1-2700 Plant & Equipment	
1-2710 Plant and Equipment	8,332.72
1-2720 Plant & Equipment Accum Dep	(6,100.68)
Total Plant & Equipment	**2,232.04**
1-2800 Exercise Equipment	
1-2810 Exercise Equip at Cost	560.72
1-2811 Tournament Mats	13,900.00
1-2820 Exercise Equipment Accum Dep	(8,223.44)
Total Exercise Equipment	**6,237.28**
Total Fixed Assets	**8,469.32**
Total Assets	**405,327.01**
2-0000 Liabilities	
2-1000 Current Liabilities	
2-1200 Trade Creditors	21,237.95
2-1300 GST Liabilities	
2-1310 GST Collected	168,731.85
2-1330 GST Paid	(116,474.17)
2-1331 GST Clearing A/C	(65,347.00)
Total GST Liabilities	**(13,089.32)**
2-1400 Payroll Liabilities	
2-1420 PAYG Withholding Payable	3,944.00
Total Payroll Liabilities	**3,944.00**
2-1600 Nationals Tournament accruals	1,266.35
Total Current Liabilities	**13,358.98**
Total Liabilities	**13,358.98**
Net Assets	**391,968.03**
3-0000 Equity	
3-8000 Retained Earnings	335,220.65

	Total
3-9000 Current Year Earnings	56,747.38
Total Equity	**391,968.03**

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Profit and loss report

Accrual mode
01 Jul 2025 - 30 Jun 2026

	Total
4-0000 Income	
4-1000 Affiliation Fee	7,326.00
4-1501 CITS IIP Grant	95,000.00
4-1502 CITS Project Grants	60,000.00
4-2000 Nationals	41,852.02
4-2010 Clothing	6,421.21
4-3015 Referee Fees	5,287.35
4-4000 State Training Fees	8,445.45
4-5000 State Training Registration	59,040.97
4-5001 Badges	290.00
4-7000 State Titles Tournament Fees	13,666.36
4-7002 Karate WA Tournament Fees	6,400.00
4-7003 Karate League Fees	17,485.46
4-7004 Hire of Equipment eg., Mats etc	2,050.00
4-7010 Awards Dinner	15,345.46
4-7020 Seminars	840.90
4-7033 Fundraising	49.00
4-8000 Miscellaneous Income	524.11
Total Income	**340,024.29**
Gross Profit	**340,024.29**
6-0000 Expenses	
6-1000 General & Administrative Exp	
6-1005 Audit Fees	800.00
6-1006 Advertising & Promotion	2,304.59
6-1200 Bank Charges	1.76
6-1300 Depreciation	4,014.08
6-1400 Postage	197.36
6-1520 Stationery & Printing	97.14
6-1700 Freight Paid	50.40
6-1810 General Expenses	203.64
6-1819 Consulting Fees	500.00
6-1820 Membership/Subscription fees	3,294.98
Total General & Administrative Exp	**11,463.95**
6-4000 Operating Expenses	
6-4050 Development	1,033.64
6-4070 Regional	722.73
6-4199 Venue Hire	1,010.00
6-4200 Venue Hire - State Training	5,247.27
6-4211 Medals	136.37

	Total
6-4213 State Tournament Venue	862.73
6-4214 State Tournament Expenses	5,290.88
6-4215 Tournament Expenses	10,681.26
6-4305 Nationals - Airfares	28,928.52
6-4310 Nationals - Team Expenses	21,138.90
6-4320 Aust Open - Expenses	2,500.00
6-4500 State team training expenses	35,604.60
6-4525 State Team Expenses	2,154.20
6-4560 Awards Night Expenses	25,269.44
6-4800 Uniforms	2,708.01
Total Operating Expenses	**143,288.55**
6-5100 Employment Expenses	
6-5101 Wages & Salaries	26,250.29
6-5120 Superannuation	3,150.00
6-5126 Coaching Seminar Expenses	1,504.57
6-5130 Subcontractors	77,806.21
6-5136 International Funding-Athlete	3,000.00
6-5138 Meeting Expenses	1,442.81
6-5139 Meetings - Airfares	1,408.31
6-5140 Meetings - Accomodation	1,710.00
6-5147 Seminar	1,543.52
6-5148 Referee Seminar	72.73
6-5149 Referee Expenses	4,478.12
6-5155 Insurance - P/Liability, Proff	1,332.59
Total Employment Expenses	**123,699.15**
6-6000 Occupancy Costs	
6-6012 Storage	6,163.68
Total Occupancy Costs	**6,163.68**
Total Expenses	**284,615.33**
Operating Profit	**55,408.96**
8-0000 Other Income	
8-1000 Interest Income	1,338.42
Total Other Income	**1,338.42**
Net Profit	**56,747.38**

Partnerships.

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