

Black Swan Taekwondo Inc 2008 Annual Report

President's Report

It gives me great pleasure and pride to submit this 1st Black Swan Taekwondo Inc. President's Report, since its humble beginning in January 2007 when a group of parents & instructors decided to form an Incorporated Association aimed at the development of Taekwondo in WA. It is now gathering speed and momentum thanks to the tireless work of our small but effective council. In the short time since its formation many major milestones have been achieved.

Achievements & Events

- March 2007:** Registered the " Constitution for the Black Swan Taekwondo Inc"
- April 2007:** Produced a member "Protection Policy"
- June 2007:** Hosted the first Black Swan Poomsae Seminar in Rockingham & membership drive
- July 2007:** Hosted the first Technical Competition in Albany, and introduced Taekwondo to the country regions of the Great Southern Regions.
- September 2007:** Arranged, conducted and hosted, for Grand Master Hae Man Park of the World Taekwondo Federation, who is one of the founding Grand Masters that is responsible for the Patterns that we practice here and all around the world, to conduct a seminar. The seminar was a great success with Taekwondo practitioners from all around the state attending. I was lucky enough to have this great and gentle man stay at my house for 4 days and just being in his presence was a great honour for me. In the short days that he stayed at my house he taught me so much about life and Taekwondo.
- March 2008:** Hosted the first Novice Sparring Competition that attracted well over 100 beginners, who tried their skills for the first time in competition sparring.

Funding, Grants & Sponsorships

Our hard working committee has not only been busy running and organising various events for the members, but they have been very active in obtaining grants, sponsorship and funding, including assisting the Rawlins TKD (Broome Club) to receive a grant from DSR, to fund members to attend a training camp and an International event in Malaysia. Black Swan were also the recipients of a Volunteer Small Equipment Grant (VSEG) and Healthway grant enabling the association to purchase mats and Taekwondo equipment. We also received sponsorship from MSL group in Spain for 2 brand new electronic scoring systems to the value of \$6,000.00. These are the same systems that will be used in the 2008 Beijing Olympics. This was a major achievement for Black Swan Taekwondo.

In conclusion 2007/2008 was a very busy and productive time for Black Swan Taekwondo all due to the hard work and dedication from the executive council that have volunteered and given up their time unselfishly to help establish the Incorporation. The next few years will be just as exciting with more events scheduled. We also aim to seek further funding and sponsorship. If you can assist in this matter please contact us.

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President
Black Swan Taekwondo Inc