



The World's Finest Judokas Come to the NYAC

Saturday, March 25th; New York, NY – The **2023 New York Open Judo Championship** was held in the NYAC City House gymnasium last Saturday, showcasing the world's finest judo talent and bringing together stars of the present and legends of the past, among them Kayla Harrison, Travis Stevens and Jimmy Pedro. The team format pitched the USA against France, Great Britain, Germany, Israel and Poland. The NYAC's stand-outs of the action-packed day included **Maria Laborde, Jack Yonezuka, Dominic Rodriguez, Noran Elmahroukey and Alex Knauf**. Laborde dominated at -48kg, winning three of her matches by ippon and securing a draw in her fourth. At -73kg, Yonezuka won both of his matches by ippon. Also in the -73kg category, Rodriguez won one match by ippon and drew in the other. At -57kg, Elmahroukey won one match and lost another, while Knauf showed his talent at -90kg, winning against Gurevitch Guy of Israel, a victory that secured the US team's spot in the final. There, the Americans faced France in a closely-matched battle. Though the USA won its first two matches by ippon, the French won the following four rounds by ippon, thus securing the team title. Watch for a full report in the May edition of *The Winged Foot* magazine. • In other NYAC judo news, **Ari Berliner** (-66kg) and **Hannah Martin** (-63kg) each contested the **Tbilisi Grand Slam**, which was held in **Tbilisi, Georgia from Friday, March 24th to Sunday, March 26th**. Ari Berliner lost to Orlando Polanco of Cuba by ippon in the first round and did not advance to the second round. After receiving a bye into the second round, Hannah Martin beat Kiyomi Wantabe of the Philippines by ippon and advanced to the third round, where she was defeated by Lucy Renshall of Great Britain by ippon in 37 seconds. [Click here](#) for full results from Tbilisi.

Water Polo - NYAC at Top of National League Table

Saturday, March 25th-Sunday, March 26th; Novato, CA – Last weekend, the second week of competition in the **National League** concluded, leaving the NYAC men sitting atop the table, undefeated after five matches, and ahead of the Olympic

Club, which has played five and won four. On Saturday, March 25th, the winged foot men defeated the Nashville Channel Cats, 22-6, with five goals coming from the **Alex Obert**. The following day, the NYAC handed the Olympic Club its previously mentioned loss, the game finishing at 18-12, and with NYAC goalkeeper, **Chris Whitelegge** making 14 saves. [Click here](#) to watch all of the action. The National League will return to action for its third week of competition on Saturday, April 29th and Sunday, April 30th. [Click here](#) for more information.

Fencing - Results from Buenos Aires and Nanjing **Friday, March 24th; Buenos Aires, Argentina** – The NYAC's **Dylan Nollner** finished 16th overall in the men's epee competition at the **Buenos Aires Coupe du Monde** last week. Alexandre Bardenet of France was the victor. [Click here](#) for full results. On the same day in China, **Kat Holmes** finished 20th in the women's epee competition at the **Nanjing Coupe du Monde**. Anna Kun of Hungary was the winner. All the results are [here](#).

Upcoming Events

JUDO: Thursday, March 30th - Sunday, March 2nd [Antalya Grand Slam](#) - Antalya, Turkey - Ari Berliner (-66kg), Dominic Rodriguez (-73kg), Jack Yonezuka (-73kg), Nicolas Yonezuka (-81kg), Christian Konoval (+100kg), Maria Laborde (-48kg), Angelica Delgado (-52kg), Hannah Martin (-63kg) [More info here](#)

RUGBY: Monday, March 27th [Old Blue](#)- Home

SOCCER: Sunday, March 26th [Zum Schneider FC](#) - Travers Island, NY - Reserves at 10am, Firsts at 12pm [More info here](#)

News

IOC - A UN advisor has claimed that Russian soldiers should not be excluded from competition in the Paris 2024 Games. [Click here](#) to learn more.

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