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JMJC at the Worlds in Rio



The World Championships for judo were concluded this Sunday in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. This year, the Jason Morris Judo Center had three local athletes, Brad Bolen, Hannah Martin, and Nick Kossor compete. The JMJC trio performed wonderfully on judo's highest and most competitive stage. On the first day of competition - 27 year old Nick Kossor from the Glenville, NY based Jason Morris Judo Center (JMJC) concluded his third World Championships today in Rio de



Janiero, Brazil. 61 competitors from all over the world converged in the 60kg division, all looking for a shot at a world title. Kossor drew Ecuadorian Lenin Preciado in the first round. At the two minute mark Kossor made an attack with an uchimata (inner thigh throw) and scored a waza-ari (half point). After the throw (while both players were on the ground) Kossor capitalized on an opportunity to win the match with an arm bar. In the second round, Kossor fought eventual bronze medalist

Orkhan Safarov from Azerbaijan. Having gained confidence and momentum gathered from the first fight, Kossor was dominating his opponent with several throws that almost resulted in scores. until there was about two minutes left in the match Kossor was caught with a drop attack that was awarded ippon, ending Kossor's run to the medal rounds. His efforts however did position him closer to an Olympic Team birth in 2016 which will also be held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. After



adding the points gained from today's win, Kossor's world ranking has improved to a career high 33. "I learned a lot from my loss today. I know that I can compete with and beat the best players in the world. I'm going to take the knowledge I've gained today back home with me and continue to improve my game." Kossor stated.

The second day of the 2013 World Judo Championships showcased Jason Morris Judo Center's (JMJC) Brad Bolen (24) his efforts at his third world championships. After a first round bye Bolen had his first match of the day against David Prestes of Uruguay. It didn't long for Bolen to start pressing his opponent with his world class shimiwaza (chokes). Prestes avoided the shimiwaza pressure for a few minutes before eventually suffering the same fate as most who enter the ground with Bolen...submission. The media at the competition beautifully captured this moment which can be viewed online. After submitting Prestes, Bolen entered the second round against veteran Arman Nazaryan of Armenia. Bolen and Nazaryan battled for 2 minutes before



a player was awarded victory. A couple of times during the fight Bolen had Nazaryan on the ropes with his patented "Bolen Arrow" choke. Unfortunately Nazaryan ended up throwing Bolen for two waza-ari's leaving the American with a 1-1 record on the day. Bolen's ranking jumped to a career high #27 due to this result.

Hannah Martin (25) made her debut at the 2013 World Championships in Rio De Janeiro on the fourth day of competition in 63kg placing ninth. Martin from the Jason Morris Judo Center (JMJC) beautifully executed an arm bar at the one minute mark in her opening bout to secure her first win against Helene Wezeu-Dombeu from Cameroon.

Martin then moved on to fight against Brigitte Carabali from Colombia throwing her in the first minute with osoto for waza-ari (half point) and then finishing the Colombian off with a pin for Ippon (Full point). In her third match (round of 16) Martin had an epic battle against 2011 & 2007 World Champion, 2005 World Silver Medalist and 2012 Olympic Bronze Medalist Gevrise Emane from France. The match was a back and forth affair with the score being tied with a minute remaining. Martin appeared stronger of the two but questionably picked up



her third shido (penalty) losing 3-2. Emame moved on to eventually win a bronze medal. Martin earned 108 points on the World Ranking list for making it into the round of 16. This result catapulted her from #18 to a career high #14 with 656 points. "This was an amazing first time experience. It's a great feeling to be neck and neck with the best girls in the world." Stated Martin. Her ninth place was the best finish for a JMJC athlete in its 12 year history.

This past Sunday Hannah also competed in the "World Team Competition". The women's team qualified for the competition back in April at the Pan-American Championships. Unfortunately the team was ousted in the first round by a very strong team from Kazakhstan.



Jason Morris with Mr. Hayakawa the owner of Kusakura Judogis



Hannah Martin with Olympic and World Champion Kosei Inoue (-100kg) from Japan





Coach Jason Morris with '80 Olympic Champion and Russian Head Coach Ezio Gambo (left) and Sergei Kosmyrin 3x World Bronze Medalist from Russia (89, 91, 93) on the right

Upcoming Events

- Sept. 7-8 Asian Open Taipei
- Sept. 14-15 Croatia Grand Prix
- Sept. 22 Hudson Cup – North Bergen, NJ
- Oct. 5-6 Uzbekistan Grand Prix
- Oct. 13 Morris Cup XII Judo Championships - Burnt Hills, NY
- Oct. 14 Morris Cup Mini Camp - Glenville, NY
- Oct. 23 – 26 Junior World Championships – Ljubana, Slovenia
- Nov. 2-3 Quebec Open
- Nov. 11 Ilias Iliadis Clinic – Glenville NY



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT!

We are now offering online registration for the 2013 Morris Cup XII Judo Championships which will be October 13, 2013 in Burnt Hills, NY. Go to www.realjudo.net. For any other questions, email jasonmorris210@yahoo.com or call (518) 399-3936 or (518) 330-7270.

Best of Luck



JMJC athletes Jack Hatton (18), Cammi Kaichi (26) and Alex Turner (20) travel to Taipei, Taiwan to compete in a Continental Open this upcoming weekend. Draws will be up on www.ippon.org and tournament will take place this weekend, Saturday Sept. 7- 8th.

2013 World Team Members Brad Bolen, Nick Kossor and Hannah Martin will be competing in the Croatia Grand Prix the following week on September 14th.



Tony Sangimino (23) will be competing in the Uzbekistan Grand Prix on October 6th. The Jason Morris Judo Center would like to wish all our athletes the best of luck as they travel the world to compete in World Class International Competitions.



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