

WINSTON-SALEM TIMES

FRIDAY

INCREDIBLE INDIVIDUALS

Congratulations to the new IJA Individual Stage Champions:

- Bronze: David Ferman
- Silver: Thom Wall
- Gold: Satoshi Eto

Eight men from the USA, the Netherlands, and Japan competed for awards.

TERRIFIC TEAMS

Five duos from the USA, Austria, and Japan wowed the crowd, but there are only three medals:

- Bronze: Kikyo Brothers
- Silver: Institute of Jugglology
- Gold: Daniel & Dominik

Thanks to Championships Director Warren Hammond and host Rick Rubenstein for a great show.

DO THE RIGHT THING

Jerry Martin has established the "Fire Extinguisher Idiocy Fund" to help offset this year's unexpected and unfortunate expenses. Please consider making a cash contribution at the IJA table/registration desk. Let's pass the hat for the IJA.

WHO DO YOU LOVE?

Which of this week's amazing performers inspired and awed you the most? That person deserves your vote for the People's Choice Award, to be presented Saturday afternoon after the games.

The deadline for casting your Rastelli Buck ballot for this year's People's Choice Award winner is 2:00 p.m. tomorrow. Drop your Rastelli Buck ballot in the People's Choice box on the IJA table in the gym to make your vote count!

NIGHT JUGGLERS

Please do not attempt to enter or exit through the front doors when after they are locked for the night. Haven't we gotten in enough trouble already?

CASCADE OF STARS

The dazzling crescendo of our week is tonight! Look forward to seeing some of the world's greatest jugglers in the Stevens Center Theater at 7:30 p.m.

NAKO WINNERS

The North American Kendama Open 4 was held yesterday morning. In addition to the usual events, this year's open added a new segment with a couple of battle jam ladders.

The Speed Trick Challenge was won by Christian Fraser who had a fastest time of 21.4 seconds.

The Intermediate Battle Jam Ladder was won by Grant Smith. Adam Kapilow placed second, and Alan Tidwell placed third. In the Professional Battle Jam Trick Ladder, William Penniman took the honors beating out his fellow pros.

In the Best Trick segment, Christian Fraser again took the honors, with William Penniman taking second, and Alan Tidwell placing third.

NAKO directors Sean Haddow and Matt Jorgenson thank Sweets Kendamas and Alan Tidwell for donating prizes, Joe Dean for MCing, and of course to Matt Hall who started the NAKO competitions in 2009 and for demonstrating the tricks to the competitors before this year's speed challenge.

ENDURANCE GAMES TODAY

Games director Kevin Axtell has divided this year's games into two days. From 2-3:30 p.m. today, the endurance games will be held consecutively in the following order. Each new game will begin immediately after the end of the previous game.

1. Fewest throws with three objects
2. Club-passing endurance (eight clubs or more)
3. Seven-ball endurance
4. One-devil stick propeller endurance
5. Five-ring endurance
6. Cigar box takeout speed race
7. Five-club endurance
8. One-diabolo infinite suicide endurance
9. Five-ball endurance

Volley club preliminaries will be held after today's games. Finals will be in tomorrow's games.

The answer to the first two trivia questions was Winston-Salem: the individuals all live(d) there; the companies were all founded there.

Today's question: At what age has the average child reached half of his or her adult height?