

SHUKOKAI

KARATE

HERVEY

BAY

2007 Student of the Year Award.

CURTIS RECK

Curtis has been training at Shukokai Karate for several years now and those many hours on the training floor have seen Curtis develop from a shy and retiring young person into a very talented Karateka.

2007 has been a year where we have been able to consolidate our new dojo location; and, as in previous years, we have seen many new faces trying their hand at Karate. As has occurred in the past, many of the new participants have quickly sought refuge from the rigors of our training floor for more sedentary activities, however; Curtis has shrugged off any thought of that course of action and consistently continues on his way along the Karateka's path.

In more recent months and following years of dedicated training Curtis has been graded to our highest Pee Wee level to date; that being 6th Kyu + 4 stripes. This is the first time any Pee Wee student has shown the dedication, and also been provided with the family support to be able to train for such an extended period of time to allow the obtainment of this grading level. I would say without hesitation that given the standard set by Curtis to reach this milestone at such a young age; replication of this effort will be a very difficult task for all who follow in his footsteps.

Curtis's kind and thoughtful nature have played a very important part in his willingness and eagerness to continue with his Karate studies and we all can now see the results that such an enormous effort can produce. I wish Curtis all the success for his future involvement with Shukokai Karate and I further look forward to being able to sit on Curtis's Black Belt grading assessment panel in years to come.

I consider that Curtis has shown the true embodiment of Shukokai "KARATEKA".

It is with great honour that I endorse Curtis Reck as Shukokai Karate Hervey Bay's 2007 Student of the Year.

*SENSEI GLEN SMITH
SANDAN
CHIEF INSTRUCTOR*

Dated on the 25th day of November 2007

Shukokai Oath

I, a practitioner of Shukokai Karate, will, at all times, endeavor to apply the five principals of Shukokai Karate to my life:

Effort

Patience

Temperance

Respect

Creativity