

SHUKOKAI

MARTIAL

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BAY

2009 Student of the Year Award.

MAX HERBER

This year has been an especially difficult one for me to make a decision about our Student of the Year. In the past I have had the luxury of only having to choose from our talented karate students, however; this year; with the official formation of our Kobudo club, and also in recognition of our long term association with the Australian Academy of Tai Chi, I have considered it appropriate to include the entire student base in reaching this decision. In looking at all of the great individual achievements we have achieved during 2009, I have been especially mindful of the significance and importance this award carries and that has been my mindset in reaching this decision.

I have had the pleasure of working side by side with Max for many many years and over that time I have been privileged to see Max continue to flourish and develop as a knowledgeable martial artist. Max has worked steadily on his own technique and knowledge improvement over the years and this is abundantly apparent in the quality of the Art he displays. But; and in my opinion, of even greater importance, Max has been able to successfully impart taught knowledge to others, and this is a very important factor in the development of any martial artist. Many members of our martial art family have directly benefited, and will continue to do so; from the experience Max brings to our Dojo floor. Max is a strong club supporter participating in all of our activities and a student who is happy to be at training, a student who is a pleasure to have on the dojo floor, a student who is willing to assist the dojo when needed; and, a student who does for the enjoyment of participating in our Martial Arts.

I extend my sincere thanks to Max for being a part of our martial art family and my deepest appreciation for the support shown. I consider that Max has shown the true embodiment of a Shukokai "Martial Artist".

It is with great honour that I endorse Max Herber as Shukokai Martial Arts Hervey Bay's 2009 Student of the Year.

*SENSEI GLEN SMITH
SANDAN
CHIEF INSTRUCTOR*

Dated on the 06TH day of December 2009

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