

DELTA KENYUKAI BLACK BELT TEST

November, 2010

The Delta Kenyukai is an unofficial title we have given ourselves, the Kenyukai dojos of the Sacramento River Delta, in which we live. As with other areas of the country we come together regularly for training, seminars and black belt tests.

The November 2010 test included candidates and the Senseis from all three local Kenyukai dojos. The test board consisted of Kyoshi Alan Dollar, Godan Alice Dollar and very good friend of the Kenyukai Rokudan Dr. Don Uttenreither.



Those promoted were:

Sensei Doug Achterberg - Rokudan

Sensei Justin LaVasse - Godan

Jonathan Bernardi - Godan

Sensei Chris Whittle - Yondan.

Terry Schaeffer and Ricky Sommers - Nidan.



The test marked the first rokudan of the Antioch Kenyukai promoted by Sensei Dollar. In honor of the high rank the test was held at the American Legion Hall in Antioch in order to accommodate over one hundred family members and close friends who turned out in support of the test candidates for both the test and the traditional after test party.



It was invigorating to see many former black belts in the black belt gallery, there to support the test candidates and the Kenyukai lineage of Okinawan Karate.

