



# CELESTIAL TAI CHI COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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Senior Master Chin Min Lian and Grand Master Eng Chor Khor at the Christmas banquet.

## Park Lessons

### **Saturday 9 March**

Time: 10:00am to noon  
**Malvern**  
Central Park Malvern  
Cnr Burke & Wattletree Rds  
(Melway 59 G10)

### **Sunday 17 March**

Time: 10:00am to noon  
**Fairfield**  
Fairfield Park  
Cnr Heidelberg Rd & Fairfield Park Dr  
(Melway 30 J12)

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## **WELCOME TO 2013 – THE CHINESE YEAR OF THE SNAKE**

Grand Master Eng Chor Khor, Senior Master Chin Min Lian and the instructing team extend a warm welcome to all Celestial Tai Chi College students and especially to the new students. We hope that everyone gains the benefits of Tai Chi in relation to stress reduction, general fitness and great friendships.

All students are able to take an opportunity to work with the Masters when they attend the 2 hour Park Lessons held at the weekends at the end of each term. The Masters also arrange a selection of activities throughout the year in which all students and Instructors can develop their understanding of Tai Chi and also to socialize together. These include a Philosophy Day, a cultural tour of China, the annual Tai Chi Retreat, and the Christmas banquet. This year the Retreat will be led by Grand Master Eng Chor.

For the first time, the International Martial Arts Games will be held in Melbourne in May at the State Netball Centre in Parkville and the College will be taking an active part in the organization as well as presenting performances at the opening ceremony. There will be an opportunity for everyone to obtain tickets for this event.

The full Celestial College program for 2013 is listed on Page 8 so that these dates can be included in your diary. Many of your Tai Chi centres will also hold special events and activities such as weekly park lessons in your area.

The sad news is that one of our Senior Instructors, Tony Donnoli passed away suddenly in early January. Tony was with the College for over 20 years and will be sorely missed by the Masters and Instructors as well as his present and past students (see our Website and Facebook page for more comments).

We hope that everyone enjoys the experience and comradeship of Tai Chi.

Margaret Rogers (Senior Instructor, Editor of the March Newsletter)

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## **CELESTIAL TAI CHI COLLEGE IS NOW ON FACEBOOK**

The College is now hosting a Facebook page to enable all students and Instructors to actively participate in our activities and to provide up-to-date information about current events. Everyone is invited to join in a Tai Chi dialogue and to post relevant photos of Tai Chi activities.

You don't have to be a member of Facebook to access the site at

**[www.facebook/celestialtaichi](http://www.facebook/celestialtaichi)**

The Managers are Belinda Leong, Suzette Hosken and Margaret Rogers.

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## 5<sup>th</sup> International Martial Arts Games in Melbourne



The IMAG will be held from the 9 to the 12 May 2013 at the State Netball Centre in Parkville. Grand Master Eng Chor Khor is National President of the Games Committee and the College will be part of the opening ceremony and will present performances of Beijing 24 and the Classical Fan routine.

The following martial art disciplines will be participating at the games: Arnis, Haedong Kumdo, Jendo, Kalaripayat, Kickboxing, Kung Fu, Karate, Kurash, Muay Thai, Oriental-sport, Pankration, **Tai Chi**, Tae Kwon Do, Tang-su Do, Unifight.

The websites dedicated to the Games are [kaa.net.au](http://kaa.net.au) (Karate Alliance Australia) and [www.imgcinfo.com](http://www.imgcinfo.com).

Tickets will be available closer to the event and we will keep you informed through your Instructors and via the website, the Facebook page and our Newsletters. If possible we will try to obtain group tickets.

### WERRIBEE WORKSHOP 2012



Grand Master Eng Chor taking the successful Werribee workshop.

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## COLLEGE CHRISTMAS BANQUET



Over 200 of us had a wonderful time at the Christmas banquet. The food was delicious and a Tai Chi performance by the Masters and Instructors topped off a great evening. The late Senior Instructor, Tony Donnoli was the MC and enthused us with his love of Tai Chi and will be remembered by everyone with love. He will be remembered every time there is a function that he attended as he contributed so much to the College with his dedication to Tai Chi, his common sense and good humour – “a great bloke”.

Margaret Rogers



**Tony Donnoli (1947-2013)**

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## ASHBURTON CLASS

The Ashburton Centre is the only class run by the College at weekends. It not only caters for local residents but also for students throughout the metropolitan area who are unable to attend classes during week days or evenings.

The enthusiastic instructors at the Centre are Senior Instructor Margaret Rogers, Instructor Noel Schmidt, Assistant Instructors Dianne Cummings and Anna Yeow, Trainee Instructors Christine Dowdall and Chee Wah Khew who have over 100 years of experience between them.



The Chen Sword class with Instructor Noel Schmidt and Assistant Instructor Anna Yeow taking the class.



The Broadsword class with Assistant Instructor Dianne Cummings taking the class.



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## NEW INSTRUCTOR APPOINTMENTS



The Masters have appointed Suzette Hosken as an Instructor and Chris Cain as an Assistant Instructor and they were presented with their certificates at the first training session of the year on Saturday 16 February.

All Instructors attend training sessions by the Masters throughout the year for their professional development of their Tai Chi practice.

Suzette and Craig have been part of the instructing team for many years and have given exceptional service to the College.

Suzette is instructing at the Camberwell Centre and well as taking corporate sessions when required. She is also part of the team preparing for professional performances of Tai Chi for the College as well as being one of the managers of the College's Facebook page.

Craig instructs at both the Brighton and South Yarra Centres and has taken part in other activities representing the College such as the Moomba Parade.

Margaret Rogers

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## SENIOR INSTRUCTORS



The Senior Instructors play an integral part in the running of the Celestial Tai Chi College and together have approximately 150 years of experience in the practice of Tai Chi. They are from left to right: Margie Brett (Moonee Ponds), Wally Wilkinson (Brighton), Snezana Dabic (Box Hill evening), Mario Cianci (Camberwell, Doncaster, Doncaster East, Brunswick West), Beng Yan Lian (Box Hill day), Margaret Rogers (Ashburton, Hawthorn) and the late Tony Donnoli (Camberwell, Doncaster, Doncaster East, Brunswick West). They are also involved in many corporate and community classes.

## INSTRUCTORS



The Instructors taking charge of classes are pictured with Grand Master Eng Chor Khor. They are from left to right: Yvonne Schmidt (Point Cook), Noel Schmidt (Point Cook, Ashburton), John Sidoni (Werribee) and Judy Grant (Eltham). Other Instructors not pictured are Suzette Hosken (Camberwell), Gil Berry (Eltham), Wayne Bradborn (Moonee Ponds day), Diane Wilkinson (Brighton), Geoff Koh (Tasmania) and Geoffrey Moss (Geelong).

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## COLLEGE DATES 2013

### January 28 to March 17: TERM 1

March 9: PARK LESSON at Malvern\* 10 am to noon  
March 17: PARK LESSON at Fairfield\*\* 10 am to noon

### March 18 to May 12: TERM 2

March 28 – April 3: COLLEGE BREAK (Easter)  
April 27: WORLD TAI CHI AND QIGONG DAY  
April 28: PARK LESSON at Fairfield\*\* 10 am to noon  
May 4: PARK LESSON at Malvern\* 10 am to noon  
May 9 – May 12: **INTERNATIONAL MARTIAL ARTS GAMES**

### May 13 to July 30: TERM 3

June 2: **PHILOSOPHY LESSON**  
June 22: PARK LESSON at Malvern\* 10 am to noon  
June 30: PARK LESSON at Fairfield\*\* 10 am to noon  
July 1 to July 7: COLLEGE BREAK

### July 8 to August 25: TERM 4

August 17: PARK LESSON at Malvern\* 10 am to noon  
August 25: PARK LESSON at Fairfield\*\* 10 am to noon

### August 26 to October 20: TERM 5

September 30 to October 6: COLLEGE BREAK  
September/October: **COLLEGE CHINA TOUR**  
October 12: PARK LESSON at Malvern\* 10 am to noon  
October 20: PARK LESSON at Fairfield\*\* 10 am to noon

### October 21 to December 8: TERM 6

November 15 to 17: **COLLEGE TAI CHI RETREAT**  
November 30: PARK LESSON at Malvern\* 10 am to noon  
December 8: **COLLEGE ANNUAL BANQUET 6.00pm**  
December 9: PARK LESSON at Fairfield\*\* 10 am to noon

#### **\*PARK LESSON AT CENTRAL PARK, MALVERN:**

Corner Burke & Wattletree Rds, East Malvern: Melway 59 G10

#### **\*\* PARK LESSON AT FAIRFIELD PARK:**

Corner Heidelberg Rd & Fairfield Park Dr, Fairfield: Melway 30 J12





