Whitby karate school sends three to nationals

Club picks up 24 medals at provincial meets

WHITBY - The ICKF Karate School in Whitby recently competed in the Ontario grand prix, a series of three provincial tournaments organized by Karate Ontario.

Eleven of the club members picked up 24 medals this year. They were Marika Gumienny, Nicholas Gumienny, Morgan Martin, Liam Martin, Chris Burke, Rachel Deadman, Sami Iannuzzi, Julia Oliver, Dylan Laval, Dylan Creaney and Jonathan Kondziolka.

In addition to the 24 provincial medals,

ICKF was able to qualify three to the provincial team that represented Ontario at the National Championships.

Sami Iannuzzi qualified in the girls' 16-17 lightweight kumite by finishing first overall in the province for the second year in a row. Chris Burke qualified in the junior men's 18-20 +78kg kumite, making his fifth national championship in a row. Jonathan Kondziolka made the provincial team for the first time in the 14-15 boys -63kg kumite. He is the seventh ICKF member to make the provincial team.

ICKF chief instructor Ed Docherty joined the three at the nationals as an assistant coach for the Ontario provincial team.