



First time in history champions raise money for other athletes

MONTREAL, Canada. (June 21, 2013) - Canadian judo stars unite to support their fellow athletes by raising funds for the the July 4th National Judo Championship in Vancouver, BC, Canada.

Antoine Valois-Fortier, Kelita Zupancic, Sergio Pessoa, and Stéfanie Tremblay, all world-class judo medallists, turned to MAKEACHAMP.com - worldwide leader in crowd fundraising for sports - with their [“support the sport” campaign](#) to help fellow athletes raise funds towards the 2013 Canadian Judo National Championships. The funds raised by this campaign will be equally split every week starting June 18th until July 4th among athletes having a campaign on [MAKEACHAMP.com](#) and competing at the Championship. All contributions to this campaign apply for a tax deduction.

After a successful week of fundraising, 27 athletes who had campaigns have each benefited of 33.70\$. As contributions start to accumulate these judokas are excited for the next funding distribution which will take place on June the 25th.

Joining this initiative, [Gill Sports & Jukado](#) will be offering a 25\$ discount on an official IJF approved Judo Gi for contributions over 60\$. This promotion will last until July the 30th.

“Tous les athletes devraient avoir la chance de participer aux championnats nationaux. J’ai eu la mienne c’est le tour des autres,” says Antoine Valois-fortier.

“On behalf of my colleagues we are sure that this will give our sport the boost it needs,” says Kelita Zupancic.

About MAKEACHAMP.com

MAKEACHAMP.com, founded by champion judokas Michael Shpigelman and David Ancor in 2012, is dedicated to providing athletes worldwide with tools and financing to fulfill their dreams of becoming champions. Managed by high-tech veteran, himself an active judoka, David Barkay, MAKEACHAMP.com is the worldwide leader in crowd fundraising for athletic purposes. If you would like more information about this topic please call David Ancor at +1 514-619-9246 or e-mail at dancor@makeachamp.com, data about the campaign:

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About Antoine Valois-Fortier, 2012 Bronze medalist London Olympic Games

About Kelita Zupancic, 2012 Olympian, 2013 Silver medalist Master World Championships

About Sergio Pessoa, 2012 Olympian, Silver medalist Pan-American Open

About Stéfanie Tremblay, 2013 Gold medalist Pan-American Open