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MAPLE RIDGE KARATE STUDENT GIVES TEACHER A LESSON IN LIFE

Ron Curran coach of the Maple Ridge Karate club says that Taizo Nishio is a prime candidate for the Tiger Balm athlete of the month award.

Last month Ron Curran realized his 19-year-old dream when he opened a full time karate school in Maple Ridge, BC. What he didn't plan for was his wife taking ill and being rushed to the hospital at the same time.

With 2 young children at home, and his wife having to recover at home and unable to move, Curran was not able to operate his brand new club. This all changed when he handed the keys to the new club to karate student, Taizo Nishio.

The soon to be 18-year old not only covered all of the classes, but he also ensured that everything was opened and closed, calling Curran every evening to report on how the day went.

When Curran communicated his appreciation to the young student, Nishio simply replied "No problem, that's what I am here for."

Tiger Balm Athlete of the Month - Taizo Nishio

The Tiger Balm Athlete of the Month is a monthly award given to athletes in the Karate BC system who exemplify excellence both on and off the mat.

"Taizo doesn't have an interest in competition, yet his skill level is high enough to medal in competitions," explains Curran.

"He doesn't compete in tournaments, he competes in life. Taizo is a Black Belt that a lot of us could learn from, including myself. He fights the battle each day within himself to make the decision that a Black Belt would make". Taizo Nishio personifies what this provincial award is all about" quoted Curran of his student of 7 years.

Taizo Nishio is currently in grade 12 at Thomas Haney Secondary in Maple Ridge. He is an Instructor at Curran's Karate and teaches 12 classes per week in our Beginner and Black Belt Programs.

Curran's Karate is located at 22328 Dewdney Trunk Road in Maple Ridge.

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