



MARTIAL ARTS RESUME FOR NEAL HARDY, CHIEF INSTRUCTOR, FIRE DRAGON AUSTRALIA

Martial Arts history:

Training

Nov 1981	Commenced training in Pai Lum (White Dragon) Kung Fu, in Dublin
14.4.1984	Graded to Student Instructor (Wasu)
13.5.1986	Graded to 1 st Level Instructor Pai Lum Kung Fu
12.10.1986	Graded to Shodan, Shotokan Karate (Red Dragon, Ireland)
17.12.1988	Graded to 2 nd Level Pai Lum Kung Fu (by Master Murray Beatts - retired)
12.7.1997	Graded to 3 rd Level Pai Lum Kung Fu (by Master Murray Beatts - retired)
11.9.1999	Grading to 3 rd Level confirmed by Grandmaster St Charles*, Shaolin White Dragon
23.8.2003	Graded to 4 th Level Master Instructor by Grandmaster St Charles
23.8.2003	Made an adopted Grandson by Grandmaster St Charles, with the name Pai Lung Tsai Hsia
29.7.2005	Promoted to 5 th Level Master Instructor by Grandmaster St Charles, recognised as Master Teacher
29.10.2009	Promoted to 7 th Higher Level in Pai Lum Kung Fu (Shao Lin White Dagon) by Grandmaster St Charles
14.11.2011	Recognised as Grand Master of the Australian Shaolin White Dragon Branch, teaching Pai Lum Kung Fu.

Competition

1985	Registered as amateur competitor, World Karate Association. 1 demonstration fight (lost); 3 amateur fights; lost first, won next two.
1982-1986	Several Irish tournaments
1995-1998	Competed in National All Styles (NAS) tournament circuit – Several ACT Championships; two 3 rd places at 1998 National Championships
21.7.2001.1.1.1	3 rd level referee, NAS
2001 – March 2005	ACT State Technical Director and member of NAS Australian Referees Board
Nov. 2005	4 th level referee, NAS

Teaching

1984	Commenced teaching (as Student Instructor)
1985	Opened Fire Dragon Longford (Ireland)
November 1986	Returned to Australia to teach Pai Lum (privately)
February 1995	Opened public classes to Fire Dragon Australia, teaching Pai Lum Kung Fu. ABN 37 019 065 431
1997 - 2006	Organised annual Multistyle Martial Arts Camp (Canberra)
1997 – present	Public classes in Pai Lum Kung Fu at the All Saints Church Hall, Cowper St, Ainslie, and other venues.
2005	Women’s Self Defence Course for ATO Wellbeing Program

Memberships and voluntary positions

- Life Member, Kung Fu Wushu Australia (KWA) – Membership No. 1001
- 2009 to 2012: Committee Member Australian Kung Fu Wushu Federation (AKWF)
- February 2010 to 2012: National Secretary, AKWF
- 2012 to present: National Secretary, KWA
- 2006 to 2010: Chairman, ACT Branch, AKWF
- 2010 to present: President, Kung Fu Wushu ACT
- Level 1 Coach (Kung Fu), under the Australian Coaching Accreditation Scheme of the Australian Coaching Council.

Other

19.6.2005 Obtained Guinness World Record for fastest time to have 16 concrete blocks smashed on chest with 14 lb sledge hammer. Sledge hammer wielded by Sifu Patrick Bellchambers, Instructor of Fire Dragon Queanbeyan (Australia).

17.2 2008 Earned Guinness World Record for heaviest concrete block break on a bed of nails: 532.3 Kg of concrete broken on chest, by Sifu Patrick Bellchambers wielding a 14 lb sledgehammer, at 2008 AKWF National Kung Fu Wushu Championships.

15.1.2010 Regained Guinness World Record for fastest time to have 16 concrete blocks smashed on chest with 14 lb sledge hammer: 7.37 secs. Sledge hammer wielded by Sifu Patrick Bellchambers, Instructor of Fire Dragon Queanbeyan (Australia)

12.2.2012 Improved his Guinness World record for heaviest concrete block break on a bed of nails: 774.99 Kg of concrete broken on chest, with a 14 lb sledgehammer, at the Chinese New Year festivities at Canberra’s National Multicultural Festival.

Public demonstrations

Annual public demonstrations from 1997; performed at Majura and Northside Community Centre. As well as other venues, including North Ainslie Primary School.

Performed at National Multicultural Festival every year from 2005, including with the Chinese community from 2008.

Instructors:

In Pai Lum Kung Fu

Master Murray Beatts (retired) No current contact details

Grandmaster Thomas D. St Charles (dcd)

Also

Grandmaster Stevie Matthews (USA - No contact details)

Grandmaster Shawn Dick (USA - No current contact details)

Master William Luciano 138 Lebarron Rd, Hoosick Falls, New York 12090 (USA)

In White Crane Kung Fu

Shr Fu Jamie Scuffell, Shen Zhao Pai Athletic Association, Townsville