



Anthony Van Rooyen, left, Njabulo Mkhize, Yvette Ramchander, Amber Grobbelaar, Sandesh Ramsaroop, Aveline Harilall, Malvin Govender and Jason Deepchund will be in action at UKZN's Sports Centre

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UKZN hosts finals -chop, chop

THE International Federation of Funakoshi Shotokan Karate South Africa (IFFSKSA) will host its 26th National Funakoshi Cup Championships on August 28 at the UKZN Old Mutual Sports Centre.

Over 800 participants from Gauteng, Northern Cape, North West Province, Western Cape, Eastern Cape, East Griqualand and throughout KwaZulu-Natal, especially the greater Durban area and Midlands, will take part in the tournament. President and Chief

Instructor of IFFSKSA, Kyoshi Eric Govender, said: "It's a great thrill to see our national organisation growing from strength to strength. Our focus is on development and upliftment of both individuals and community and our main objective is to promote karate at grassroots level."

The tournament will also feature karatekas who have achieved Protea colours. Aveline Harilall, who received her Protea colours and participated in the 14th All Africa Champi-

onships (UFAK) championships in Cape Town in the first week of August, will be defending her National title as will Malvin Govender, the 2009 champion. Sandesh Ramsaroop who was placed second in the Kata section at the Karate South Africa All Stars tournament will also feature at this year's championship.

The 2010 Funakoshi Cup is also of special significance as it marks the 40th anniversary of involvement in karate for Kyoshi Eric Govender, Shihan

Selvan Govender (Deputy President) and Sensei Roy Naidoo (Senior Instructor - Midlands). The organisation will also be participating in the FSKA World Championships in Poland in September and has been invited to participate in the Hayashi Ha 20th anniversary International Open All Style Championship in Colombo, Sri Lanka, in November. For further details contact Niren Naidoo at 0845166980 or Shihan Eric Govender at 0837770727.