



Alliance Martial Arts

"We Make Champions"

The Mundial 2009!

Wow! What an incredible year, we successfully defended our title and were crowned World Champions for the second consecutive year. The Alliance Eagle is flying on top of the BJJ world once again! After months of intense training leading up to the meeting of minds in Atlanta for the final preparation, strategy and team selection, everything came together in dramatic fashion for us to be crowned World Champions once more!



Alliance Training Camp

We at the Alliance have always treated Jiu-Jitsu as a science, and the secret to our success is the fact that we are able to stay one step ahead of the competition. With a number of high level guys coming up from Brazil we were privileged enough to witness and benefit from the final preparations of multiple World Champions. This time was a little different, after winning the Mundial's last year we knew that everyone would be gunning for us, so instead of one week we had a group of guys coming to train with us an entire month in advance! The first to arrive was the Light weight Pan-American and NY Open Absolute Champion Lucas Lepri and the man who he closed out the Absolute Division in New York with Raphael Rosendo. About 2 weeks out another group arrived, this included our friends from England, Canada, Croatia and Korea. With the camp in full swing we were bolstered by the arrival of the 3 time World and 3 time ADCC Champion Marcelo Garcia. After 2 days of being in awe

watching Marcelo rolling with Cobrinha we welcomed 30 fresh faces from our Alliance school in Sao Paulo. With the General Fabio Gurgel leading them the Army of Brazilians included The Langhi brothers Michael and Michel, Sergio Moraes who defeated Kron Gracie at the Worlds last year on his way to the Middleweight Title, Alex Monsalve, Batista, Tarsis, Thiago Rocha, Gabriel Goulart and many others. The days building up to the tournament in Cali were unlike anything I had experienced before, the excitement in the gym was evident, this was our year and no one would be able to stop us from reclaiming our title. On behalf of all of us at the Alliance I'd like to thank Jacare making this possible, obviously these camps bring the best out of all of us judging by the results they produce.

4 New Black Belts in Atlanta

It is always a special occasion when anyone reaches the next level in their training but its even more of an occasion when someone is awarded their Black

Belt. It is a rare thing in this day and age for anyone to be interested in anything for a long period of time let alone something as demanding as Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu. This most coveted belt often takes the better part of a decade to achieve and with the constant highs and lows of training there is no way to overstate what an awesome achievement receiving a black belt is. At this year's Mundial Camp Jacare saw it fit to graduate 4 of his longest standing students to the top of the Jiu-Jitsu mountain. Congratulations to Eric Gravitt, Humberto Borges, Maajid Al-Kush and Aquil Abdush-Shkur you guys are an inspiration to us all!



Mundial Champs Once Again!

After a year of great results Alliance was crowned World Champions once again! The months of preparation all boiled down to the first weekend in June where we rolled through the competition establishing our rightful place on top of the Jiu-Jitsu world! Right off the bat we got off to a great start with some impressive wins in the Juvenile and Blue belt divisions. This trend continued throughout the divisions, by Saturday it was evident that the title would be our and once Sunday rolled around with only the Black Belts left to compete we had a competitor in the quarter finals of nearly every division it soon became a mathematical certainty. In the Blue Belt division Jeff Comings and Preston Smith found themselves on the podium claiming third in one of the largest divisions in the Tournament. At Purple belt, Michel Langi and John "Macarrao" Thomas repeated their Pan-Am performance and closed out the Feather Weight division. Joining them on the podium was Alec Baulding who

came in second in an extremely stacked Middle Weight Division, pulling in points to push us ahead of the competition. The Brown Belts didn't disappoint with Ian Mcpherson defeating all comers in the Medium Heavy and coming in third in the Absolute. Not to be out done Gabriel Goulart came out on top of the Middle Weight Division and Jonathan "Jamanta" Tooker brought home silver in the Ultra Heavy Weight Division. To seal the deal with the Black Belts, we managed to have a champion in 5 out of the 10 weight classes and only the heavyweight division finished up without an Alliance fighter on the podium. Bruno Malfacine, Rubens "Cobrinha" Charles, Michael Langhi, Marcelo Garcia, Gabriel Vella won their respective weight classes. Tarsis and Sergio Moraes (after closing out the Middle Weight Division with Marcelo) got second place and Bernardo Faria came in third. At the end of the day all the results were tallied and we placed first the Adult Division, we scored 122 points which was almost double the amount of our closest challenger and beating the record we set

last year when we scored more points than any other team has ever managed to score in an IBJJF Tournament!

Congratulations to all the coaches and competitors who gave their blood, sweat and tears for our team especially to Fabio Gurgel in Sao Paulo, Franjinha from Paragon Academy in California, Allen Molher from Dallas Texas, Fabio Clemente and Babs from New York, Felipe Neto from Florida, Alex Britto from Philadelphia and Soluco from Ecuador. Special thanks to all the training partners who pushed our guys to the limit every day in class with out you this would not be possible.



Alliance Pro Shop

Our Pro Shop is fully stocked with all the Alliance merchandise including T-shirts, Rash Guards, Grappling Shorts, DVD's and

more. With winter approaching we are preparing a new line of Sweat Shirts, Beanies and Hooded Sweat Shirts.

Anyone is interested in holding a seminar with any of the Alliance Instructors, or would like more info about merchandise and up coming events please feel free to contact us at info@alliancebjj.com or by calling the school at 404-843-0606



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