

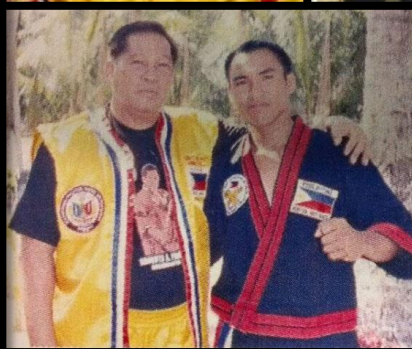
# WORLD KOMBATAN NEWS

"When a tiger dies, he leaves his skin, when a man dies, he leaves his name" - GGM Ernesto A Presas Sr.



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# CONGRATULATIONS GURO FREDRIK JOHANSSON



Guro Fredrik



Photo: Bull Ring at the test

Photo: Guro Fredrik with other Chief Instructors of European Kombatan Association



FOR PASSING KOMBATAN LAKAN TATLO (3<sup>RD</sup> Dan Black Belt)  
GRADING LAST 28<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY IN BARCELONA, SPAIN

GURO FREDRIK IS ALSO NOW A  
NEW CHIEF INSTRUCTOR IN KOMBATAN SWEDEN.  
CONGRATULATIONS & KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK !!



# MEMORIES WITH GGM ERNESTO A. PRESAS SR.

In 1996, I moved to Manila to train with GGM Presas and all of the instructors at the gym. After spending a few weeks at my relatives house in Pampanga, GGM Presas, JanJan and Sir Michael Ermac came out to pick me up. Once we arrived back in Manila, we went straight to GGM's house in Pasay City, Manila. This would be the first day of my training. The next morning, we went to UST so he could teach his Arnis class. GGM gave me a tour of the campus.

Afterwards we went to the gym in Quiapo. There he introduced me to all of the instructors. Then, sitting in the corner of the gym, was a little red cot. GGM Presas pointed to the



cot and noted that that was my bed. My first night sleeping at the gym was a very interesting experience. Mosquitos. Loud karaoke singing until 3am. The constant sound of traffic on Quezon Blvd. The smell of food. I couldn't sleep. I was too excited about my new adventure. The next morning, it was time to start training. For the next 6 months, I trained and learned from all of the instructors, helped GGM teach at The Lyceum and UST, traveled to Hinigaran for the World IPMAF Camp, and ate a lot of food! I will always be indebted to those instructors who took the time to teach me. A lot of knowledge was passed down to me during this time and I will never forget my time with GGM, the instructors, our visits to Hinigaran, and of course, Manila.

- GRAND MASTER SHELLEY MILLSPAUGH, USA -

# MEMORIES WITH GGM ERNESTO A. PRESAS SR.

One of many stories with GGM Ernesto A. Presas:  
Back in 1998 Walter Hubmann and myself, GM Juerg Ziegler, had great talks and meetings with GGM Ernesto A. Presas in Orlando, USA, during the World Head of Family Sokeship Council Hall of Fame which resultet in the teaching and spreading of Kombatan in Europe from us. From 19 April – 4 May 2000 we were attending the IPMAF Training Camp – from Switzerland my students Raphael Ackermann, Michael Perez, Rolf Edelmann, and Jan Kanderall. GGM Ernesto also appointet me permanent Chief Instructor for Switzerland with all rights to promote and teach Kombatan. In August 2000 GGM Ernesto visited Switzerland the first time with GM Juerg Ziegler and his schools. He was accomponied by GM Supremo (Amador Eugenio) and Guro Julius Melegrito. The intensive seminar was on the full curriculum. Also at the seminar were beyound others Carlos Pulanco, Visaya Balinado, Batallia Vicente, Rami Vainionpää and Tomi Harell.



# MEMORIES WITH GGM ERNESTO A. PRESAS SR.

At the end of this intensive seminars GGM Ernesto promoted GM Juerg Ziegler, Carlos Pulanco and Julius Melegrito to „Master Instructor“, Dayang Monika Ziegler and Guro Rami Vainionpää were promoted / tested to Lakan Dalawa. In 2000 again in Orland, USA – we had a very special breakfast meeting with GGM Ernesto where we all decided together to go ahead and start to teach Kombatan/Modern Arnis in all our Sin Moo Hapido schools in the European Sin Moo Hapkido Association as a special new System. GGM Ernesto was highly happy and agreed to support us to the fullest. Since then Kombatan / Modern Arnis has grown from strenght to strenght in Europe with the help of GGM Ernesto A. Presas and his pioneerers in Europe, GM Juerg Ziegler and GM Walter Hubmann. Many followed in Finland (Rami Vainionpää & Tomi Harell), Portugal (Rui Ramunni), Germany (GM Carolos Pulanco and GM Wolfgang Schnur) and so many more. Also in Italy with Master Randy Remolin. Now so many more keep up the flame of this great FMA Art Kombatan which was founded by our great teacher, my compadre and great friend and mentor – the late GGM Ernesto A. Presas, R.I.P. – we miss you all!



- GRAND MASTER JUERG ZIEGLER, SWITZERLAND -

# MEMORIES WITH GGM ERNESTO A. PRESAS SR.

## How I met GGM Ernesto Presas

I started training Filipino Martial Arts in Ft. McMurray, Alberta, Canada in 1983 under the guidance of Guro Fidel Bonifacio.



Here I was introduced to a whole new World of Martial Arts. For the first time in my life I saw a style that was beautiful, graceful and extremely effective. I practiced the art for one year and learned the basics of Filipino Martial Arts in Canada.

When I returned to Denmark I immediately tried to make contact with other practitioners of Filipino Martial Arts in my home country. In 1984 the Danish Arnis Federation started with Jorgen Gydesen as the Chief Instructor. He has build Modern Arnis ( now Kombatan Arnis ), in Denmark and was the key for the development of the art in Denmark. In 1986 I travelled to the Philippines for the first time to meet GGM Ernesto Presas and explore the Country where this great Martial Art originated.



# MEMORIES WITH GGM ERNESTO A. PRESAS SR.

During my stay with GGM Ernesto Presas I realized how little of the Kombatan Arnis system I really understood and knew before. Now I met a true Grandmaster of the Arts. GGM Ernesto Presas taught me the way of the flowing motion, a whole new meaning of practice for me. I was surprised of how effective Kombatan Arnis would be in any kind of situation. I am very sure that we are many students of GGM Presas that can tell the same story. While training in the Philippines GGM Ernesto Presas became like a father to us. I stayed at the dormitory opposite University of Santo Thomas and everyday GGM would check up on me to see if I was okay. He came regularly with a tv, some water etc. Always taking care and providing for us arnis students. In the old gym everyone was very open and interested in passing on knowledge and GGM Presas would supervise every training session. When I returned to Denmark, I had a different look at Filipino Martial Arts. I knew that I was on the right track. And when GGM Ernesto Presas came to Denmark in 1988, I was once again surprised. He took us all by surprise by teaching and showing us new and advanced techniques and methods that we had never seen before. In 1991 I became the Chairman of the Danish Arnis Federation and had the opportunity to invite GGM Ernesto Presas back to Denmark. I have been back to the Philippines to train with GGM Presas and everytime he and his family opened their house and I always felt welcome. Thank you GGM Presas and Presas Family for always being open and willing to share your great knowledge of Kombatan Arnis and guide me on my way.

- GRANDMASTER TOBY HARTELIUS, DENMARK -

# MEMORIES WITH GGM ERNESTO A. PRESAS SR.

I have tons of great memories of our late grandmaster. I've met many grandmasters but as a person GGM Ernesto made the biggest impression on me.

Without his openness and will to teach us up here North, In Finland, I probably would never have started learning the Filipino martial arts.

A great memory, to name one, Is our trip to Laguna Volcanic Field. GGM Ernesto was driving a small Nissan and I was being scared to death on the passenger seat. That was the first time I was riding on a car in the Philippines. Everything went fine nonetheless, we visited the volcano, a pineapple farm, and had blue marlin for lunch, which still is the best fish meal I ever had. There's many great memories, too many to list here. GGM Ernesto visited Finland twice, in 2003 and 2008. Both of those visits are unforgettable of course. I am grateful and proud to say I was his student. - SR MASTER TOMI HARELL -



# MEMORIES WITH GGM ERNESTO A. PRESAS SR.

My first encounter with GGM Presas I had in 1984, on his first visit to Germany. At that time, I also met Master Pepe Yap, who accompanied him on this trip. In the years there followed regularly further visits with us in Germany, always with GM Wolfgang Schnur in Königslutter. I participated in all these lectures. On the occasion, I also got to know other masters, Michael Ermac, Julius Melegrito, Jan Jan (Presas Jr.), Johan Skalberg. In 2005, I flew with several sports friends from Germany to the Philippines to get to know the sport in the country of origin. Through my language barrier, the training was not always easy for me, but GGM Presas always tried to pass on his knowledge to me with patience and dedication. He has always been a role model for me.

- SR MASTER PETER KONSCHAK -



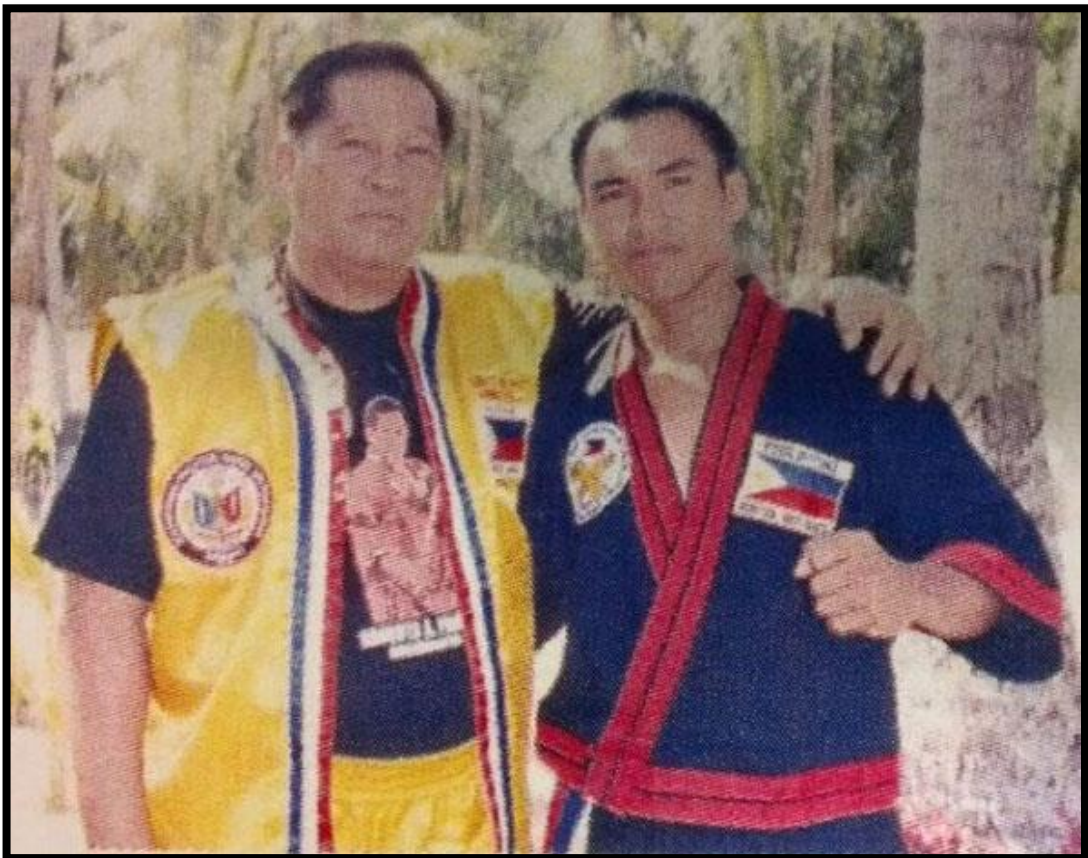
# MEMORIES WITH GGM ERNESTO A. PRESAS SR.

Great memories with GGM. His been a father, friend, teacher and mentor to me. Missing to be his partner. Were just two of us teaching classes in a different universities. And doing one on one demo with the visitors from different countries.

I had one really funny moment with GGM, during demo's with him, after techniques ,many times he pull down my pants 😊

I love GGM. Its already there! Mahal ko siya !

- SR. MASTER OLIVER GARDUCE -



# MEMORIES WITH GGM ERNESTO A. PRESAS SR.

They were not forgotten the days when the morning to late at night, we with my friends on the Kombatan from Ukraine trained with GGM Ernesto A. Presas and our teacher Master Herman Mochalin. Each day brought more and more new and very, not informative one of days spent together was not like the previous day, every day brought new positive emotions from communication with GGM Ernesto A. Presas!

I am very glad that my life has been such a wonderful teacher like GGM Ernesto A. Presas !!!

Maraming salamat  
GGM Ernesto A. Presas !!!



GURO  
IEVGEN  
SVIZHEVSKYI



# **UPCOMING KOMBATAN EVENTS**

**USA / FEBRUARY 2017**

**PHILIPPINES / APRIL 2017**

**USA / JUNE 2017**

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# HONORARY GATHERING OF THE LEGACY OF GGM ERNESTO A. PRESAS



June 2017 in  
USA

When: June, 2017.

Where: Colorado, USA

Host: Kapatiran Mandirigma

More information:

The event is to honor the legacy of GGM Ernesto A. Presas and the art he had left to his students. If you are interested to come at this event, message Jhun Occidental ([jhun.occidental@gmail.com](mailto:jhun.occidental@gmail.com))

More info to be announced shortly.

Tentative Featured Instructors -

Grandmaster Alex France Sr, Grandmaster Alex Ercia, Grandmaster Allan Sarco Fami, Master Oliver Garduce, Grandmaster Shelley Millspaugh & Senior Master Vincent Pernice.

Tentative Guest Instructors - Master Rino Balinado, Datu Tim Hartman, Grandmaster Rick Manglinong, Grandmaster Steve Todd, Grandmaster Jeff Sprawls,

Master Kendal Coats, Master Damon Abraham, Master Jhun R. Occidental & Master Dan Lowman.



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# SUPERCAMP & WORLD KOMBATAN COMPETITIONS JANUARY 2018 in PORI, FINLAND



## WORLD KOMBATAN COMPETITIONS 2018



**PORI, FINLAND  
25th January 2018**



# WELCOME

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GM ANDY ELLIOTT, GM JUERG ZIEGLER, MASTER TOMMI YLIRONNI, MASTER  
SALVADOR CABALLERO, GURO PAULO VILACA AND MANY OTHERS.

**WELCOME !!**

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**WHO IS KOMBATAN?**

# CHAMPION

***PHOTOS***  
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***JANUARY 2017***

***RUSSIA***

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**Sevastopol, Russia 21st January 2017**  
**With Master Andrey Gross**



**Toronto, Canada January 2017**  
**With Sr. Master Oliver Garduce**

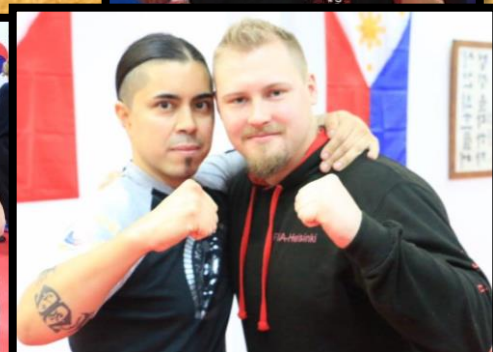
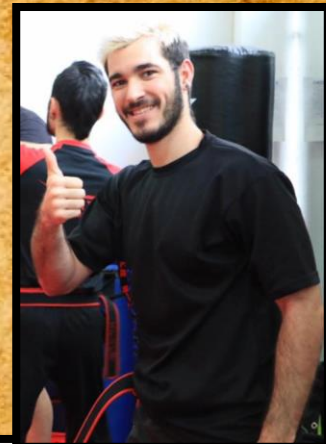


**Barcelona, Spain**  
**27th– 28th January 2017**  
**With Master Salvador Caballero**  
**& Sr. Master Tomi Harell**



# Barcelona, Spain

## 27th– 28th January 2017



# ***MY KOMBATAN***

## ***INSTRUCTORS FROM SWITZERLAND***



**FABIAN  
VOLLENWEIDER**



**ARMANDO  
VITULLO**



**MATHIAS  
ZOPFI**

# MY KOMBATAN

Instructor Fabian Vollenweider

City: Weinfelden, TG. Switzerland

Started Kombatan: 2001 Rank:  
Instructor

My Instructor: Gm Juerg Ziegler

Favorite system in Kombatan: All Sinawali

Best Kombatan memory: My last grading after which i had blisters all over my hands, was completely exhausted but so happy

My Motto: Fight till the end



# MY KOMBATAN



Instructor Armando Vitullo

City: Wil SG, Switzerland

I Started Kombatan: 2003

My Rank: Instructor

My Instructor: Gm Juerg Ziegler

Favorite system in Kombatan:  
Anyos and Espada Y Daga

Best Kombatan memory:  
All trainings are my best memories



My Motto: live and let live



# MY KOMBATAN

Senior Instructor Mathias Zopfi  
City: Winterthur ZH, Switzerland



I Started Kombatan: 2001  
MY Rank: Instructor  
My Instructor: Gm Juerg Ziegler



Favorite system in Kombatan: Twirling  
Best Kombatan memory: Its always  
great to train Kombatan, but i especially treasure the  
seminars i did with GGM Ernesto A. Presas  
My Motto: always smile and never give up



## WORLD KOMBATAN FAMILY GRANDMASTERS

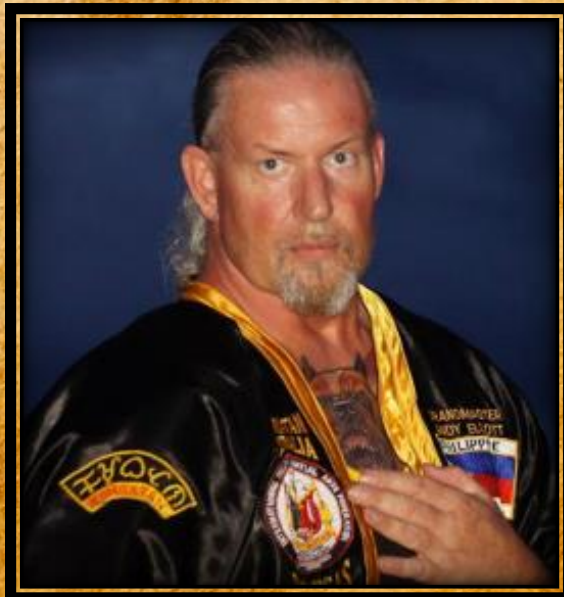
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