

Jim McPhee (MNZM) has been a member of Judo New Zealand (JNZ) since 1959 and has been registered annually for the past 62 years.

Jim was awarded Life membership of Judo NZ in 2000.

As a competitor, he was a member of the NZ team that won gold at the first Oceania Judo Union Championships in 1965, and then a silver medal in 1966.

After retiring as a competitor, he combined governance with coaching and was mat side coach for New Zealand's first judo Olympian at the 1972 Munich Olympics.

He then coached and managed numerous NZ teams at an international level between 1979 and 2012 (including 2 more Olympics, 1990 Commonwealth Games, and World Championships).

Jim has held many administrative roles at a National level - including National Management Board member, acting CEO, National Technical Director, JNZ Board Member, Wellington Area Director, NZ Selector, National Dan Commission member, NZ Kodokan Committee chair, and is currently chair of the Grading Commission. In addition, he has served on many committees and review teams.

Beyond his JNZ input, he has also been an Executive Council Member of NZOC (1967-72), and a Commonwealth Judo Association Executive member.

Jim was awarded an Auckland Judo Association Life Membership in 2006.

In addition to his recently conferred New Year's honour (Member of NZ Order of Merit), Jim was also awarded the 1990 NZ Commemoration Medal in recognition of services to New Zealand.