



Welcome to the Wado-UK Newsletter for October 2008

### Paris Success

**Phillip Weeks of John Moreton's Woodford Karate club travelled to Paris recently, to compete in a festival of Martial Arts. The competition was held on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September at the Euro Disney theme park.**

16 year old Phillip has represented Wado-UK on many occasions and has gained much success over the years. On this occasion he was competing in the Kata (Forms) category and was once again to come up with a performance which would see him in the medals.

After successful early rounds, he found himself in the final against another English competitor. On this occasion however he was to be nudged into second place, but therefore still earned a respectable silver medal.

Phillip now joins more of his team mates to compete in the South Yorkshire Open Karate Championships in Sheffield, on October 5<sup>th</sup>.



### Sukoshi-Ryu Karate Championships

**Cottingham Parks, St Nicholas, Woodford and the Shin-Ken Dojo's were all in attendance at the inaugural Sukoshi-Ryu Karate Championships recently. The competition was held at the Concord Sports Centre in Sheffield on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October. The event was well attended by both the Wado-UK and many other associations.**

The Cottingham Parks Karate club had seven students entered into the Kumite sections, in both the individual and team events. The medal success for the club was a silver in the girls individual Kumite, won by Gemma Purfield and a further silver in the boys team of Tom McAlindon, Oliver McAlindon and Andrew Chia. Molly McAlindon, Gemma Purfield and Ellie Harrison (guest fighter from St Nicholas) made up the girls team which won a bronze medal. An unexpected bonus was the Cottingham Parks club coach and chief Instructor Marissa Dunn making an appearance in the ladies team Kumite event.

Marissa was invited to join the T.A.S.K. Ladies team on the day. This was Marissa's first competitive outing for over two years following health issues and starting a family. The reward was another silver medal for the club.

The St Nicholas Karate club had five students entered and also tasted success in the individual and team events. In her individual Kumite event, current British champion Jessica Bates won Gold in the under ten yrs mixed section. She then teamed up with Daniel Harrison and Dylan to dominate the team group and win an excellent team gold for the club. Stacie Moxon was then asked to guest for the T.A.S.K. girls team and was rewarded with a Bronze medal.



Phillip weeks of the Woodford Dojo was next to keep the medal ball rolling. Straight from Kata silver medal success in the Paris Festival, he was hoping to consolidate his achievements with further podium success. In fine form for this competition also, he made his way to the final, this time going one better and securing the gold medal.

The Shin-Ken Dojo was represented by current English Champion Jessica Newton. Jessica is no stranger to competition and seems to thrive on the pressure. Once again she came up trumps in the girls 10-12 yrs 3rd Kyu and above section. With excellent performances which saw her beating much bigger opponents. Jessica's performances on the day included 10-1, 4-0, 3-0, and 5-4 wins, which were good enough to see her win another gold medal to add to her ever increasing collection.



## **Presentation Night**

**As the presentation night draws ever nearer, we are now in a position to announce the awards.**

The four awards presented by each club will be as follows;

### 1 Achievement Award.

Awarded for things such as improvement, dedication and commitment

### 2 Service Award.

Awarded for service to the club, internally or externally.

### 3 Kata Award.

Awarded for achievement in, or dedication to, the practice of Kata.

### 4 Kumite Award

Awarded for achievement in, or dedication to, the practice of Kumite.

The awards presented by Wado-UK will be as follows;

### 1 Wado-UK Squad Award.

### 2 Dan Grade Award.

### 3 High Level Achievement Award.

### 4 Service Award.

It is also not too late to sponsor one or more of the Wado-UK awards. We have already had generous support in this way and anyone else wishing to contribute would be more than welcome. There is no required figure as any amount would help the cause. It may be a good way to promote a small business etc.

As well as the awards being presented, we will also be holding a raffle to help with fund raising. If there is anyone who may be able to donate raffle prizes they would be most welcome. Please contact your club instructor or Tony Dent.

## **Coach Accreditation**

**The next opportunity for coaches to gain accreditation for National Governing Body competitions is to be 29th November.**

This is the day after our presentation evening and is to take place in London. The venue is to be St Mary of Eaton Church Hall, East Way, Hackney London, E9 5JA

This is the first opportunity following the formation of the English Karate Federation in its present form, but does also mean that we will no longer be given dispensation for future competitions, where our coaches have not qualified. Another opportunity will take place in the New Year, this is likely to be in Manchester some time in February. As this is unconfirmed at this stage you must assume this to be a gamble if you wish to coach at the Nationals in March/April.

The format for the course on previous occasions has always been more informative than interactive, but again this will only be decided by the Chief Referee.

Official tracksuits must be worn, our black polo shirts and black tracksuit bottoms are acceptable. The official rule book will also be required, but is available as a free download from our web site. Two passport style photos are usually required, again as we get

updated information this will be distributed too.

The entry form is attached to this newsletter for you to read, but it would be better if we send one complete entry in from our association with one cheque.

Please therefore let John Moreton have all completed entry forms, with cheque's made out to J M Karate, as we will need to book our places on the course.

## **BWKU Goole Competition**

**Entry forms have now been distributed for the above event.**

All coaches should now have received an entry form in an e-mail from John Moreton. If anyone needs the form again please contact John.

The entry form for this event is unusual in that every competitor needs to complete one. The reason for this is that categories are assembled on the day, based on the size of the junior competitors.

This is an invitational event and as such the organiser requires one entry from us with one cheque. Please therefore send all completed forms and cheque's (made payable to J M Karate) to either John Moreton or Tony Dent, with adequate time for them to be sent to the organiser.

## **Northern Regional Report**

**Our clubs had more success recently at the Northern Regional Championships in Sheffield.**

Next month in the newsletter we will have a report on those who took part, and those who achieved the successes.

# English Karate Federation

## KUMITE/KATA OFFICIALS COURSE/EXAMINATIONS

DATE                      SATURDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2008

VENUE                      St Mary of Eaton Church Hall  
   Eastway, Hackney  
   London  
   E9 5JA

REGISTRATION                      11.00am

THEORY                      11.30 – 1.00pm Kata and Kumite

THEORY EXAMS                      1.00 – 2pm

KUMITE ASSESMENT                      2.00-3.30pm

KATA ASSESMENT \* 3.00-5pm

**\*All participants are expected to bring a Gi**

COURSE FEE                      £20  
REFEREE EXAM FEE                      £10  
TABLE OFFICIALS EXAM                      £5

**\*Course is open to all Blackbelts minimum age 18 Yrs\***

**Please remember your Association needs to be in membership of EKF !!!!  
Table Officials Exam will be available for anyone not eligible to take Referee exam.**

**FULL REFEREE UNIFORM TO BE WORN**

PLEASE RETURN THIS APPLICATION FORM IN ADVANCE TOGETHER WITH YOUR CHEQUE PAYABLE TO;  
**T POTTAGE send to EKF CHIEF REFEREE, 64, HULMES RD, CLAYTON BRIDGE, MANCHESTER M40 1GP**

**NAME..... AGE..... GRADE.....**

**ADDRESS.....**

..... P.CODE... TEL.....

ASSOC..... STYLE.....

**PRESENT QUALIFICATION... (Nat or Assoc)**

**Email .....**

# COACHES

ALL EKF ASSOCIATION COMPETITION COACHES WHO WISH TO HAVE ACCREDITATION MUST ATTEND THE THEORY DISCUSSION AND WRITTEN EXAM SECTION OF THIS COURSE.

If it is not possible to attend this course there will be another opportunity in February in Northwest England.

It will be mandatory for all competition coaches to have this accreditation if they wish to be allowed into the competition areas at all future EKF events.

The course fee will be £10

Please complete the registration form and send to Chief Referee

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Assoc** \_\_\_\_\_

**Age(min 16)** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

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