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United Kingdom Taekwon-Do Association

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Black Belt Seminar

Mr Stephen Luker 3rd Dan will be hosting a UKTA National Black Belt Seminar on 26 June 2005.
Venue: Castle Leisure Centre, St. Georges Rd, Wallingford, Oxon.
Times: 12.30 - 5.30pm (To allow for registration & warm up).

All those wishing to attend should return their Application forms as soon as possible.

UKTA Certified Instructors Course

The course is open to 1st Kup's and all Black-belts who are 17½ years of age or more. It will take place on 18th & 19th June 2005 at Shawlands Academy, 31 Moss Side Road, Shawns Cross, Glasgow G41 3TR. We are advised that this is about two miles south of Glasgow Central Railway Station.

For information on local accommodation we have the following details: -

- **Glasgow Tourist Board on 0141 204 4400**
- **Travelodge, 5 Hill St Glasgow G3. 0141 333 1515**
- Novotel 181 Pitt St Glasgow G2. 0141 222 2775.
- Ibis Hotel 220 W Regent St Glasgow G2. 0141 225 6000
- Hampton Court Hotel, 230 Renfrew St Glasgow. 0141 332 7737.
- McLays Guest House, 264 Renfrew St G3. 0141 332 4796

March 2005 Promotions

We now enclose details of the recent promotions and send our congratulations to all successful members.

April 11th Celebrating 50 Years Of Taekwon-Do!



In celebration of the 50th Anniversary of Taekwon-Do the UKTA Committee presented Grand Master Rhee with limited edition commemorative plate number one. Grandmaster Rhee is pictured here signing one of the limited edition plates.

European Championships

These very exciting championships took place in Dublin from 7th to 12th April and we would like to congratulate our home nation teams and their coaches and can confirm we were well represented and won many medals.

We would like to congratulate the chief Umpire Master Prewett and Master Miller for the excellent management of the event and also give a special mention to Mr P Harris and Mr P Knighton who went to Dublin for the Umpire course and then used their new skills to referee at these championships.



ENGLAND TEAM WITH GRANDMASTER RHEE KI HA

England Results (Finished 6th overall)

- 2 Golds Junior Male Team Power,
Senior +80Kg Sparring (Arron Jennings)
- 6 Silvers Junior Female Team Power
Junior Male Team Sparring,
Junior Male 3rd Dan Patterns (Ricky De-Winton),
Junior Male Sparring -71Kg (Ricky De-Winton),
Senior Male Sparring -71Kg (Jamie Jones),
Senior Male Team Power
- 10 Bronzes Junior Male Team Patterns,
Junior Female Team Sparring,
Junior Female (Suzie Diffey),
Junior Female (Dominique Felix),
Junior Male 2nd Dan Patterns (Carl Davis),
Junior Male Power (Ricky De-Winton),
Junior Male Special Tech (Ricky De-Winton),
Senior Male Power (Felix Lopez),
Senior 1st Dan Pattern (Ashley Stuart),
Senior -63Kg Sparring (Ashley Stuart),

Scotland Results

- 2 Silvers III Degree Patterns (Male) Mark Harkess
Junior Female Team Patterns
- 8 Bronzes II degree Patterns (Female) Marion Sherlock
III Degree Patterns (Female) Stevie Lee Orr
Junior Male -58kg Sparring Philip Starr
Junior Female - 60kg Sparring Michelle Haining
Junior Female +60kg Sparring Lauren Martin
Senior Team Male Patterns
Senior Team Female Sparring
Junior Team Male Patterns

Wales Results

- 1 Bronze Senior Team Male Power

English championships 2005 Results Correction

Master Miller would like to advise that the overall results issued at the English Champs were incorrect. After re-calculation of the medals showed the order of the top two schools were actually:

- 1st Oxford University with 43 points 2nd RTA Didcot with 37 points

Congratulations to Oxford University the overall school winners for 2005. This is especially good for OUTKD, as it was there that the very first UK championships were held in 1969.

RTA Didcot 20th Anniversary

RTA Didcot celebrates 20 years in April 2005. After originally beginning in 1973 with Mr John Crust as the Instructor, TKD in Didcot then moved from the town in 1977. A 2nd Dan Mr. Paul Cutler then re-established the school temporarily in 1982 for a few months. After concentrating on establishing the Reading Area, Master Cutler closed the Didcot School.

In April of 1985 Mr Gary Miller 2nd Dan established RTA Didcot as we know it today.

Successes are varied:-

10 members representing UK or England in World & European Championships,
including 6 world medals & over 20 European medals.
UK Open Overall School winners 1996
English Open Overall School winners 1988 & 1999
34 black belts promoted – including three to 4th Dan.

Look out for details of our 20th Anniversary celebrations in later newsletters

2005 UKTA Scottish Open Championships

The Scottish Championships will take place on Saturday 28th May 2005 at the The Play Drome, 2 Abbotsford Way, Clydebank, GLASGOW, G81 1PA (TEL: 0141 951 4321).

Officials Arrival Time: 09.15am Competition Commencing: 10.00am

ALL Officials who will be present for this event MUST inform Master Miller via email asap. They can contact him at: mastermiller@ukta.com

Competition forms must be sent with INSTRUCTORS or CLUB cheques, student cheques will **not** be accepted. Please note that all competitions forms must arrive on or before the 14th of May.

ACCOMODATION:

Mr Rhee has had alot of problems with hotels due to the fact there are several major events in Glasgow on the same weekend and therefore urge everyone needing accommodation to book early!

HOTELS

CITY INN HOTEL, Finnieston Quay, GLASGOW, G3 8HN Tel: 0141 227 1026
All Rooms £69.00 pr, pn Booking Ref: (Quote) TK1

CAMP'IN'NILE HOTEL, 10 Punnell Street, GLASGOW, G3 8HL Tel: 0141 287 7700
All Rooms £54.95pr, pn Booking Ref: (Quote) TK1

MOAT HOUSE HOTEL, Congress Road, GLASGOW, G3 8QT Tel: 0141 306 9900
(Contact Andrew Rhee on 07958 916 931, he has the last 10rooms held)
Log on to www.hoteldirect.co.uk for a site map of this hotel.

DEVONCOVE HOTEL, 931 Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow, G3 7TQ Tel: 0141 334 4000
Phone for rates. Log on to www.tripadvisor.com for a site map of this hotel.

B & B

Number Thirty Six, 36 St Vincent Crescent, Glasgow, G3 8NG Tel: 0141 248 2086
E-mail: no36@no36.co.uk
Twins or Doubles £60.00 pr, pn, inc breakfast. Singles £40.00 pr, pn, inc breakfast. Booking Ref: (Quote) A Rhee.

ITF Official 3 Day Training Course

This will be held at the University of Greenwich Campus on Thursday 25th, Friday 26th and Saturday 27th August 2005. The course will take place at Chatham Maritime in Kent and will be instructed by Grandmaster Rhee. Full details of the course benefits are contained on the application form.

Also details of the accommodation and end of course meal can be found on the relevant forms.

UKTA 1½ Day Training Course

This is open to all members 1st Kup or higher and will be instructed by Grandmaster Rhee. The course will take place at Chatham Maritime from 6pm until 9pm on Friday 26th August 2004 and all day on Saturday 27th August. All people who attend will receive three seminar stamps. The application form is attached and must be returned to the National Grading Co-ordinator.

UKTA 1 Day Training Course & Exam

This is open to all members and will be instructed by Grandmaster Rhee. The course will take place at Chatham Maritime on Thursday 25th August 2004 and will include patterns up to Hwa-Rang. All people who attend will receive two seminar stamps.

Attendance cancels all waiting time and members from 10th Kup to 2nd Kup can also apply for the evening promotion exam. The application form is attached and further details of the event are available from Instructors and UKTA Head Office.

Black Belt Grading Exam

All persons who attend either the ITF 3 day course or the UKTA 1½ day course will be entitled to apply for the Black-Belt promotion exams which will take place on Sunday 28th August at the University of Greenwich at Chatham Maritime.

Applicants for promotion must fulfil all of the usual ITF & UKTA requirements and send all details to the National Grading Co-ordinator as required on the enclosed promotion application forms.

New UKTA School

Huddersfield will have new Taekwon-Do School run by UKTA Instructor Mr Johnnie Chan III Dan.

Mr Chan's class will be every Sunday 15:00 to 16:30 at the Huddersfield's stadium leisure complex next to the Galpharm stadium (formerly Mc Alpine stadium).

Good luck to Mr Chan.

New Arrivals

Congratulations to Mr Gary Pattinson V Dan and Mrs Helen Pattinson II Dan on the recent birth of daughter Erin Ashleigh Pattinson.

Erin was born on 22.11.04 weighing at 8lb 3oz - ouch!

Congratulations also to Mr Darren Crookshanks III Dan, father to the newest and youngest future member in Lisburn, Northern Ireland.

Newly born Paige is pictured here with Mr Crookshanks.



Promotion To 4th Dan Or Higher

Members are reminded that in order to comply with ITF official requirements anyone who wants to be tested for promotion to 4th Dan or to any higher degree must notify the ITF. This used to be at least three months prior to the exam, but has now been increased to 12 months so anyone who is thinking of applying to promote within this period must

advise Head Office as soon as possible so that we can give the ITF as much notice as possible. Please ensure that you provide Head Office with your name, current certificate number and details of any reductions claimed for attendance at official ITF course's

2005 Oxford-Cambridge TKD Varsity Match

This years event was hosted in Cambridge on the 13 Feb. OUTKD would like to thank Mr Derek Blackburn, VI Dan and his Black Belts for helping to officiate the event. The results were as follows:

Women's B
Oxford 1 - 2 Cambridge
(did not contribute to overall score)

Men's B
Oxford 1 - 4 Cambridge
(Cambridge 1 point)

Women's A
Oxford 3 - 2 Cambridge
(Oxford 2 points)

Men's A
Oxford 2 - 3 Cambridge
(Cambridge 2 points)

Overall Score: Oxford University TKD 2 - 3 Cambridge University TKD

Feedback

Mr Philip Taverner IV Dan wishes to congratulate the Management committee on what he sees to be some recent successes

- 1) The English Championships, the venue, programmes and memorabilia were very professional along with the event finishing on time. The follow up from the competition has also improved as the results from the day are available on the website. Congratulations to Mr Rhee and Mr Clark in particular for a continuous improvement over the recent championships.

- 2) The appointment of the new UKTA Newsletter Editor, the first of which was informative, well presented and in time following Master Millers comments during the break at the English Championships - well done to Mr Steven Millis for his time and effort on an excellent newsletter.

Thank you Mr Taverner for your feedback.

Reminder of Future Events

COMPETITIONS.

SCOTTISH– 28th May Glasgow. **WELSH**– 24th Sept Cardiff. **BRITISH**– 19th Nov Sheffield

Items For Inclusion In Future Newsletters

If you would like to submit some information for inclusion in our newsletter please email the editor at newsletters@ukta.com or submit in writing to Head Office. Information submitted will be published in the next appropriate newsletter. Please note that we reserve the right to reject or amend any of details that are submitted.

Chairman's Brief

This section of the newsletter is simply an informal way for me to speak to the UKTA membership and keep you up to date with how we are progressing as well as any other useful information that I think may entertain or update you.

Firstly, let me wish a belated happy birthday to our Grand Master. Happily Grand Master Rhee Ki Ha was with the committee at our March meeting the day before his birthday. This meant that unusually we were actually able to wish him many happy returns in person. The committee presented the Grand Master with a commemorative plate, more of which a little later, as well as one or two personal gifts and cards from the individuals present.

As many of you will know Steve Proctor has changed the UKTA advertisement for the coming year, which looks very impressive. The promotions work will continue apace and I am sure Steve will update us all in advance of articles due for publication. On this note there are a number of articles in the magazines' pending trays. They are written and approved, but the all editors reserve the right to publish when they want to and not necessarily when we want them to. This is the real world that we live in, and so if you have been part of a course, or submitted material please be patient, it will happen.

Further on the publications and communications front, I congratulate Steve Millis on the newsletter. He worked very hard to pull together the content for the last one, which I am sure you all enjoyed. This newsletter needs material as its life blood, and you are the best source we have, so please do not be shy. Carrie Procter gave her usual very impressive logistics performance to get the last newsletter distributed in double quick time, as always Carrie, thank you.

Master Miller and Phil Taverner are organising a golfing day. To relax in a more informal setting should be most enjoyable and I trust many of you will participate, whether you are elegant golfers with a Tiger Woods like presence on the fairway or simply an occasional golfer. In addition in this celebratory year Grand Master Rhee is designing a commemorative plate to mark the anniversary. Certainly the prototype plates are very impressive and I am sure you will all want to own one. The basic idea is from Krystyna Sargent with Grand Master Rhee creating the centre design of the plate. Photographs and availability will be published in the next newsletter.

Also in the next newsletter will be the date and time of a Golden Jubilee celebration day. We are still sifting through ideas to get the final format but it will include Taekwon-Do training as well as demonstrations and dinner.

Please check your calendars for the up coming Taekwon-Do competitions. For those that have not attended to compete or officiate for over a year, they are completely different to your previous experience. The logistics managed by Andrew Rhee together with the experience and dedication of the Masters and instructors who regularly attend are ensuring that the competition days go very smoothly indeed and each one is better than the last. Support us, by attending and helping, not just sitting in the stands.

If any of you wish me to address specific issues in this forum please email me at chairman@ukta.com

Thanks for your continued support

Tim Helstrip