



# UKTA News

## Student News

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### **Black Belt Seminar & Grading 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> September**

Please ensure Miss Alexandra Rhee, National Grading Co-ordinator, receives your completed forms by Friday 14th August. Forms can be obtained from your Instructor.

### **UKTA Today**

Issue 9 of UKTA Today is now available

### **UKTA Awards Dinner Dance**

This year's Awards Dinner and Dance will be **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November, Renaissance Manchester Hotel**, Medici Ball Room, 7.00pm start. Our First Grand Master Rhee Ki Ha, and UKTA Masters will again present the awards so we need your nominations.

Nominations are requested for the

**Supporter's, Education, Technical, Outstanding Life Style Improvement, Inspirational & Motivational Character and the People's Choice Award.**

Please send your nominations to [nominations@ukta.com](mailto:nominations@ukta.com)

The **closing date** for the **short list** of nominees is **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October**. Any nominees received after this date will not be included on the short list. The short list will be published on **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October**, (via the website) and you will have the opportunity to vote for each of the nominees. The **closing date** for **voting** is **Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November**. Votes received after this date will not be counted.

The winners of the above awards will be determined by the most nominations; in the event of a tie the Master's Council will have the casting vote. People who were nominated last year are eligible

to be nominated this year for the same or an alternative award. Nominations can be sent in for a nominee from any source it doesn't have to be an Instructor. [Awards.php](#)

How to nominate:

In the subject line of your e-mail please put which category you are nominating the person for, their name and School. You can include your reasons why you are nominating them in the body of the e-mail.

Eg. Subject: *Technical Award, Sean Cattanach, Speyside School*

### **Merit Awards**

The following awards are awarded by merit and the Master's Council will determine who the winner of each award will be:

**Instructor's, Competitor's and Umpire's Award.**



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## **In the running**

Currently in the running for the **Instructor's award** are:

Senior Master Williamson (he is on track to do the double!), Master Whiteley, Master Miller, Senior Master Cutler, Ms. Susan Hunter and Mr. Steve Mills

Currently in the running for the **Competitor's Awards** are:

Currently in the running following the Scottish & English Championships are:

Andrew Currie, Louise McAnna and Leighton Prosser, Lawrence Sentence, Sian Lewis, Ben Dwyer, Charles Holden, Darren Brinham

Currently in the running for the **Umpire Awards** are:

To be confirmed – Umpires, both new and experienced, Master Miller is keeping a keen eye on your performance to see who will qualify for this award.

A description of the awards is below:

- **Instructor's award** – this award will go to the Instructor who has shown the greatest support to the Association through the number of registered students.
- **Competitor's award** – this award is for the most successful Competitor and will be divided into the following categories Male/Female Adult, Male/Female Junior, Veteran and Child. The criteria of attendance at all 4 tournaments; UKTA Open, Welsh, English and Scottish Championships in the last 12 months has been set for this awards.
- **Education & Technical award** these awards will overlap and are in recognition of members who have helped the Association to grow. Examples may include the spreading of knowledge via educational material produced or personal technical advancements that help to inspire others (not necessarily the best technical person).
- **Supporter's award** – this award is in recognition of the best Supporter of Taekwon-do. It is for someone who has supported Taekwon-do activities above and beyond normal expectations; this person does not have to be a practitioner of Taekwon-do.
- **Umpire award** – this award will be divided into two categories Outstanding Umpire and Best Newcomer Umpire
- **Outstanding Lifestyle Improvement award** – this award will be divided into two categories; Junior and Senior (under 18 and over 18) and is for the member who with the support of their training has enriched their life. Examples may include an improved performance at school, better attitude at home, or a student that has been able to overcome a disability etc.
- **Inspirational & Motivational Character award** – this award is for the member who unwittingly through their actions inspires and encourages other people to persevere towards their goals.
- **People's Choice award** – open category from 10<sup>th</sup> Kup to IX Dan send in your nominations and reasons.

To make the presentation evening a success we would like to ensure that winners of the awards are in attendance to receive their award. All nominees will be politely requested to attend. Tickets are available for £45 per Person. Rooms at the Renaissance Hotel are available at £85 for a single and £95 for a double. This includes Breakfast. There are also three travelodges near to this venue, which can be booked directly, at a slightly cheaper rate:



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## **Travelodge Manchester Central Hotel**

Blackfriars Street  
Manchester  
M3 5AL  
**Tel:** 0871 984 6159\*

## **Travelodge Manchester Ancoats Hotel**

22 Great Ancoats Street  
Ancoats  
Manchester  
M4 5AZ  
**Tel:** 0871 984 6282\*

There are also four Premier Inns within walking distance, see their website for details

## **Competitions 2009**

26<sup>th</sup> September

12<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> October

7<sup>th</sup> November

Welsh Open Championships, UWIC Cardiff

ITF Senior World Championships, St Petersburg, Russia

UK Open Championships, Kelvin Halls Glasgow