



Japan Arts Centre
Police Sport UK Judo
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February 2009 Newsletter

The last junior class of this term for All Classes will be Thursday 12th February

There will not be a class for Juniors on Thursday 19th Feb (Half-term).

The adult class will take place as usual at 8pm on the 19th Feb
Coaching Revalidation will also take place on 19th Feb 6.30pm for 7.00pm start on the mat!

Junior Term Fees

Term fees are payable on the 1st week on next term – Thursday 26th February.
The term will end on Thursday 2nd April (6 weeks). Terms fees are £21.00.

Members who paid for the January/February term are owed a credit for the week of 5th Feb when the club was closed and therefore will only need to pay £17.50 this term.

Please can we ask that parents make every effort to pay on the 1st week of term ! Cash or Cheque payable to “ British Police Judo”
Many thanks

Contact Details

Please could all members/parents please ensure that they have provided us with email addresses and emergency contact telephone numbers as last week we needed to contact members urgently regarding the club closure

and many emails addresses appear to have changed?

Could all members please email their name and emergency contact numbers to paajudo@aol.com.
Many thanks

Junior Club Championships:

Em took some group photos of all the classes which can be downloaded from the club website shortly on the gallery page 2008

BJA Licences

Please note that licences must be renewed directly with the BJA annually. Please ensure your licence is kept current or your insurance will be invalidated . The BJA do send reminders, renew online, by phone or post. Club Number to quote is 2106.

Championships Results

January got off to a busy start with players fighting in two separate events on the same day Lisa and Chloe travelled to High Wycombe to compete in the girls Independent Schools National Championships.

Lisa an experienced competitor was first to fight and won all her fights in style with Ippons to win the Gold and National title. Next was Chloe competing in her first championship. Chloe was fighting in a open category and was matched against much larger opponents. Chloe had a good day coming away with the Bronze medal !
Well done girls

Over in Cardiff at the u20's Welsh Open National Championships, Em was the only competitor from the club taking part. Richard had picked up an injury in training a few days

previously and was unable to compete. Em had decided to fight a weight category above her usual weight in the hope that she would get more fights. Em's category was the last to start, Em had really found her form and got off to a great start with her first fight lasting a matter of seconds. Em made easy work of reaching the semi finals, where again the match lasted only a few seconds leaving Em with a place in the final.

The final was the last fight of the competition and yet again Em made it look easy throwing her opponent quickly and holding her down to win the match and the title of Welsh Open u20 National Champion.

This was a fantastic achievement for Em and was just reward for all the hard training she has done. Em now only needed 10 points for her black belt and decided there was no time like the present! On Sunday Em travelled to a grading at Swindon and picked up her final points for her black belt, At just 17 this is a fabulous achievement for Em making her the club's youngest ever black belt!

We are all immensely proud of her, and hope that her judo continues to flourish.

On day two of the Welsh National Championships, our only competitor was Jack Atkinson in the u10's category. Jack was a little overwhelmed by the event but gave it his best effort. Although not winning Jack gained valuable experience. Well done Jack!



We hope to hold a junior grading in March, we will send home notes regarding the date once the children have completed the syllabus. Please help your child learn by downloading a copy of the grading syllabus form the Junior Members Grading page of the club website <http://www.japanartscentrejudo.com/page10.htm>

Forthcoming Events 2009

Good luck to Josh, Sean, Joe, Robbie and Oscar who will compete in the Boys Independent Schools National Championships at High Wycombe.

On the **7th March**

Mar 13th/15th: Police Sport UK Training Residential training weekend and grading at Wakefield Police Training Centre. Open to all adult members. Please see Chris or download application from www.britishpolicejudo.com

Mar 28th: National Schools Championships Sheffield.

This is an age banded event:

School years 8 & 9 minimum grade Green Belt

School years 10 & 11- minimum grade Green Belt

School years 12 & 13 – minimum grade Blue Belt.

This is a high standard event suitable for squad players, please talk to Jo asap if you would like to enter as this event is usually full prior to the entry closing date. Several players have already expressed an interest in competing and it would be great to take a full squad!

Junior Gradings