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NEWSLETTER



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Commonwealth Judo Championships

Three Comberton judo players were selected to represent England in the Commonwealth Judo Championships in September 2019 and all won Bronze!

In the years where judo is not selected to be part of the Commonwealth Games, the Commonwealth Judo Commission run a stand alone judo competition open to all commonwealth countries.

We had 3 athletes selected for the competition; Rosie in the cadets (u18yo) and Ben and Jessie in the seniors. This was a great experience for them fighting international athletes.

They performed well on the day, and all only lost to the eventual gold medalists in the semi-finals. All three went on to win the bronze medal contest!





NHC RANKING EVENT

Double gold! Jessie and Ben both won gold at the Northern Home County ranking event, this improved their GB rankings to 8th and 11th respectively.

RED FLAG DAYS = NO JUDO

On the following dates the school won't let us have the hall:

Thurs 3rd October 2019 Weds 30th October 2019 Thurs 13th February 2019



Club Numbers We are making massive strides to hit the 100 mark. We have now hit 92 BJA licenced members. Only 8 more to go to meet our target!



Inter-club Training Day Littleport Judo Club, one of our local clubs, held a training day for red and yellow belts. This was a great day for those who have little experience of judo outside of the club. We even came away with 'judoka of the day'!

Eastern Area Schools Championships

A very successful area schools qualifier

We came away with 5 gold, 5 silver and 3 bronze medals. The gold and silver medalists have qualified for priority entry for the National Schools Championships in March 2020.





Eastern Area Low Grade Competition

A fantastic event getting in good practise before the Area Closed Championships

11 players fought in the Eastern Area low grade competition in July. Some brilliant results from all players who fought; 4 gold, 3 silver and 3 bronze.

DOJO CLEANLINESS

We are aware the dojo has not been as clean as we would have liked, and this has caused tensions between us and the leisure centre. Please be patient while we find a solution. Our 10



year quest for our own dojo continues...

BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIPS

December the 7th/8th will see the British Championships for juniors and seniors respectively. The 4 medalists in each weight group will make up the British squad for the following year. To compete in the seniors you must be ranked top 16 in the country and currently both Ben and Jessie are qualified. The juniors is open entry and we are hoping to take Rosie, Noah and Lucy. Please support them by attending weekly randori.

UPCOMING EVENTS

12th Oct 2019 - U12 Red and Yellow Belt at Bishop Stortford
13th Oct 2019 - U8 Judo Festival at Bishop Stortford
20th Oct 2019 - Welsh Open British Ranking in Cardiff
21st - 25th Oct 2019 - Olympic Training Camp in Malaga
3rd Nov 2019 - Eastern Area Closed at Thetford (everyone!)
17th Nov 2019 - Littleport Youth and Senior

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MAT FEE INCREASE

We are proud that the mat fees have not increased over the past 10 years however due to continuous rising hall fees this is inevitable. The cost will increase from £4 to £5 per session at the beginning of April 2020.

Eastern Area Closed in Thetford

3rd November - sign up now everyone!!

The Eastern Area Closed is the annual event which ranks the clubs in the East of England. Two years ago we won the title, and last year we came 2nd by 2 points. This year we plan to take a small army to fight and take back the title of the best club in the Eastern Area! Anyone age 8+ can fight for the club.

Each athlete that competes will gain 1 point for their club for entering and can gain additional points if they medal (6 points for gold, 4 for silver and 2 for bronze).

EASTERN AREA TEAM COMPETE IN BELGIUM OPEN

Rosie was selected to fight in Belgium for the Eastern Area team in September. After beating her friend and good training partner in her first contest she went on to win both of her next two fights securing the gold medal! Some fantastic judo and a great experience fighting internationally in the run up to the Commonwealth Championships!





Senior European Cup in Slovakia

Ben flew out to fight in Bratislava in September for the senior European Cup. This is the next level of competition for our senior athletes hoping to make it internationally. A placement at one of these events would get them recognised and increase their British ranking. Ben fought an Italian athlete in the first round and unfortunately didn't progress any further.

UPGRADING THE SHOP!

We are currently in the process of getting new club t-shirts, hopefully these will arrive soon. We are thinking of expending our store and selling hoodies... Do you have any other ideas?!