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National Trials

ALDERSHOT 20th — 21st MARCH

Report and Photographs

Alan R. Menzies

Additional Photographs

Maurice Killen

Aldershot was once again the venue for the National Trials, although not exactly the same premises, a bigger building was used and in some respects this was better than the previous one, with more floor space and much better heating arrangements.

In view of the five weight categories now being used the trials were split into two parts. On Saturday, 20th March, the Lightweight and Light-Middleweight eliminations were held, and on the Sunday the Middle, Light-Heavy and Heavyweight categories were completed.

Weight Category Problems

The introduction of the new weight categories posed other problems. The Lightweight class was an entirely new weight level and practically none of the players had ever been engaged in previous trials before, therefore there was no form on which to seed any of them. In the Heavyweight group there was a dearth of competitors; most of the leading contenders of previous years had moved into the Light-Heavy section which certainly suited them better. The Middleweight category produced an astonishing number of competitors, nearly double that of any other group, and, of course, requiring a lot more time to get through.

Refereeing was difficult with three mat areas in use at the same time, at least 15 referees were necessary to enable them to get a rest now and again. Nowhere near that number were available, so on the Saturday senior members of the weight groups fighting the next day took over refereeing and judging duties. The Recording and Timekeeping panel were much in evidence and during the two days the trials lasted maintained a constant service.

Association Mats

The Army supplied the labour for arranging the mats and provided tables, chairs and other essential equipment. The mats themselves except for one area provided by the Army, were borrowed from London Universities and Colleges by Tony Sweeney, who organised loading and unloading parties for the very precious load. Headquarters saw to it that transport was available, and the whole job went without too much of a hitch. This continual difficulty of finding enough equipment for trials and other Association activities points to one commonsense solution, the Association should purchase its own mats and other equipment and not be beholden to its member clubs for help whenever an event such as this crops up.

There were, of course, far too many individual contests to comment on them all, or even on half of them, so in order to present a picture of the activities, contests here and there have been picked out which offer interesting reading.

Unknown Lightweights

In the Lightweight group there were 12 competitors and they were divided into four groups of three for the first round, with a final pool of four.

Practically all 12 of the players in this group were unknown. Rees had taken part in the Junior European Championship a week or two before, as had Jones. Auerbach had been selected for the Maccabiah Games in Israel later this year, but the rest were dark horses. Rees came through his pool fairly easily, but Jones failed to qualify, as did Auerbach. With Rees in the final pool were G. Glass, W. Davies and R. Woodward.

There was nothing really spectacular about these final contests. Glass led the pool with 17 points,



only dropping a place to Davies, who caught him with a very good Seoi-nage for ippon. Davies, unfortunately, lost to Rees and Woodward, but managed to avoid the bottom of the pool, which was occupied by Woodward, who only managed a decision from Davies, and lost to Rees and Glass. Rees nearly had three wins in this pool, he took decisions from both Davies and Woodward, and in his contest with Glass, although a waza-ari down, was about to apply a Shime-waza when the bell went for the end of the contest, and Glass survived to win and to lead the pool

with 17 points, with Rees and Davies 10 each, and Woodward trailing with five.

Although, as expected, the Lightweights were very fast, there was not a great deal of excitement in their eliminations, nearly half of the first round contests were won by decisions, and in the final pool there were only two clear-cut wins.

Jacks and Green Favourites

The Light Middleweight group had many experienced and well-known players, some of whom had previously been in the old Lightweight category, and some from

OPPOSITE:

Above. Gerald White of the Midlands scoring on M. Richer in the preliminary pools of the Middleweight category.

Below. John Bowen applying a Hiza-guruma on Hodges in the first round of the Middleweight competition.

Right. Sid Kelly scoring on Buchanan in the second round of the Middleweight category.



the old Middleweight class. There were eight international players, including Brian Jacks, European Senior and Junior Medal winner, and Alan Green, European Junior Medal winner; these two were favourites for the last pool, with Jacks having the edge on Green in view of his much greater experience.

Twenty-seven players divided into nine pools of three had entered for the category. From these primary pools, three pools of three were taken, and then a final pool of three.

Jacks, Hughes, Williams, Cassidy, Orton, Watson, Stafford and Green easily got through, with Strang joining them, although he had some difficulty in his first pool.

In the second round the pace began to hot up. Jacks did not have too much trouble with Williams and Hughes scoring full points from each of them, although he had to make it two waza-ari on Williams.

In pool number two Cassidy, Orton and Watson were drawn together and this produced some real fireworks, although very little scoring. Orton drew with both Cassidy and Watson after an extremely hard fight with each of them. In the Cassidy versus Watson contest, although both of them went at it hammer and tongs neither could score. At time Cassidy managed to get the decision, which put him in the lead by a slender five points to head this pool.

Tragic End to Green's Chances

Pool number three was a tragic one for Alan Green, who opposed Stafford and Strang. Stafford and Strang fought a draw and Strang then met Green. In the first minute Green scored waza-ari with Okuri-ashi to put himself in the lead, but Strang retaliated with O-uchi-gari to level the score at the two-minute stage, and for the next two minutes both players tried all their tactics to get ahead. In a scuffle at the mat side, it appeared that Strang in going down tried a Yokosutemi technique, Green put out his arm to jump round, but the force of the technique was more than he anticipated, and although he may have realised this at the last moment he was then unable to do anything. His body was thrown over his own arm against the elbow and caused a dislocation, which, of course, put Green completely out of the competition, and it was feared at one time that a fracture may have occurred as well. Subsequently, however, it responded very well to treatment and apart from having to keep his arm in a sling for a few weeks, Green will be as good as new.

The withdrawal of Green caused a certain amount of difficulty in his pool, since the two remaining players had already fought each other and a draw had resulted, therefore it was decided to have another contest between them for a decision. This time Strang managed a waza-ari in the first two minutes, and held on to it to get a decision at the end.

Cassidy Shines in Final Pool

Only the final pool now remained with three players, Jacks, Cassidy and Strang. Every contest went to time with Strang losing the decision to Jacks and Cassidy, and these two fought a draw. All the contests were fought with tremendous ferocity; Cassidy looked the best

Above, Brian Jacks attacking Brockbank in one of the opening contests in the Light-Middleweight category.

Below, Macconnell scoring on Jones in the first round of the Light-Heavyweight competition.





Ken Jones going over to an Uchi-mata from John Bowen in the second round of the Middleweight category.

of the three and in his contest with Jacks the judges were split in their decision, but the referee awarded a draw.

Favourites Easily Make Second Round

The Middleweight category had the largest number of entrants, 42,

and these were divided into 14 pools of three, followed by two pools of five and one of four, with a final pool of three.

As far as the first 14 pools were concerned all the favourites got through easily. In the second round the real fighting started. Pool

number one had Ross against some tough customers. In his first contest against Oliver he scored Kosoto-gari for waza-ari, but only after four minutes forty-seven seconds of the five-minute contest, and in the short time left he was unable to do more than make one attack. Oliver proved to be a difficult player, and it was a pity that later in the same pool he had to retire through injury. Against Veale, Ross also had considerable difficulty; he started off very well with a waza-ari in the first 18 seconds, but from then on he could not make any impression. Against Borrow, a very strong player, Ross scored an Osae-komi in the first minute for ippon, and he defeated Cutting without difficulty in under two minutes.

Pool two of the second round had Kerr fighting for the top place

and he fared no better than Ross. Against Barraclough he just could not score and the match went to time, Kerr getting the decision. Against Kelly he only managed to draw, which gave some cause for alarm if Kelly managed to beat Barraclough, but, fortunately for Kerr, this contest was a draw. Buchanan was taken with an Osae-komi in less than two minutes, which gave Kerr the top place in the pool.

John Bowen's Formidable Task

The player with the hardest job was John Bowen in the third pool, who had really formidable opposition. He defeated Mike Leigh and Ken Jones, and drew with Cloynes and Gerald White, a superb performance. Leigh came second in this pool, only dropping the first

George Kerr attacking S. Pullen in the Middleweight preliminary rounds.





Macconnell holding Harker in the second round of the Light-Heavyweight category.

contest to Bowen, and he also put up a really magnificent display.

This now left the final pool of three, Ross, Kerr and Bowen. There was only one ippon scored in this pool and Kerr got this with a fantastic Uchi-mata on Bowen in just under eight seconds. Ross went to time with Bowen, an exciting contest, but neither could make any score and at time Ross got the decision. Kerr versus Ross was a very ding-dong battle, each threw the other off the mat but neither could make any sort of impression in the mat area. At the end of six minutes the judges were divided and the referee gave the decision to Ross. A draw would have been the right answer here. It was the first time that Kerr has suffered a defeat in this country since he returned from Japan.

The final pool really did not resolve anything other than to place the three players in definable numerical positions.

Hoare Moves Up A Weight

Twenty-eight competitors, five of them internationals and three of these expecting to make the final pool without difficulty. Sweeney and Macconnell meeting again for the first time since the Olympic trials last year, with Sid Hoare moving up from Middleweight to

OPPOSITE:

Alan Petheridge photographed from two different directions as he scores on Goodger in the third pool of the preliminary round of the Heavyweight division.



add to the excitement, this then was the Light-Heavyweight category.

Seven pools of four made up the first round, Hoare, Gillot, R. Lewis, Sweeney, Harker, Macconnell and J. Goodger all safely made their way through to the second round, which consisted of two pools, one of four and the other of three. Hoare easily defeated Gillot and R. Lewis to make the final pool. Sweeney and Macconnell both defeated Harker and Goodger, then had a very hard contest with each other. Sweeney tried his powerful Hiza-guruma and Seoi-nage, but Macconnell stubbornly kept him out, while he in turn waited for the opportunity to snatch a Kosoto-gari, a favourite move. It really was a very close contest and

the judges thought so, too, as at the end both gave a draw, with which the referee heartily concurred.

Sweeney, Hoare and Macconnell now fought each other in the final pool and the result was just about as satisfying as the Middleweights.

Selectors Problem

Hoare lost to Macconnell, Macconnell lost to Sweeney, Sweeney lost to Hoare, or if you prefer it, Hoare beat Sweeney, Macconnell beat Hoare and Sweeney beat Macconnell. Every contest ended in a decision, sometimes the judges were split in their findings, but it ended up with the three players being as equal as they are ever going to be, and giving the selectors a headache in deciding how to separate them.

George Kerr talking to the competitors on the first day of the Trials.



Ray Ross and John Bowen photographed during their struggle in the final pool of the Middleweights.

Peake Shines

This leaves the Heavyweights. There were three pools of four and one of five in the primary round. Winn topped his pool, gaining a reversal of the defeat he suffered at the Olympic trials, when he held Gallon for 30 seconds. Petherbridge waltzed through his opponent's in such easy style one

wondered if they were all in the same competition. John Young had a hard pool and he only just managed to get through in front of Barnard and Nash. David Peake had the hardest job and he also had the largest pool, however, he proved how good he is in clearly beating all his opponents, including Police Champion Hawkesby, Martin and the Dutchman Bergwerf from the Samurai.



Above. Alan Green throwing John Trick in the ninth pool of the Light-Middleweight group. Below. Sid Hoare scoring on D. W. Wilson in the first round of the Light-Heavyweight competition.

Injury to Petherbridge

In the final pool of four were Winn, Young, Petherbridge and Peake. The first contest was between Young and Petherbridge. Petherbridge had very little trouble and caught the Scotsman on the edge of the area with a terrific Tai-otoshi, which flattened him on his back for ippon. Unfortunately, Petherbridge hurt his knee in the process and several anxious minutes were spent attending to it, but he pronounced himself fit again and the contests continued. Peake and Winn were in the second contest, Peake taking no chances made a fairly strong fight of it and Winn also attacked on occasion, but the match ended in a draw, which was not very satisfactory. Peake was now drawn against Petherbridge, the contest got under way, but finished as soon as it started when Petherbridge collapsed with a damaged knee, sufficient to put him out of the eliminations, which was a great pity since it certainly looked as though no one was going to stop him. This is the first time he has ever been injured in either eliminations or competitions since he started competing some 10 years ago.

With his withdrawal two contests had to be decided. Young versus Winn and Young versus Peake. Young lost the first and drew the second. None of the Heavyweight contests were really outstanding, even the ease with which Petherbridge was going through the field was not very exciting. The best player, apart from the Welshman, was probably Peake, who faced some tough competition but handled himself very well indeed.

By the time the final matches were over the competitors, officials and spectators were all very tired after two days of continuous competition. Altogether there had been

214 contests, spread over about 10 hours of contest time. The shortest contest was the five-second win by Smallcombe over Hicks in the Middleweight category. Fifty-six contests went to time without any score being made at all, about half of them ended in draws and the

other half as decisions.

The National Selection Committee met the following Wednesday morning at the B.J.A. Headquarters under its Chairman, John Newman, and the following team was selected:

Team Event

LIGHTWEIGHT	..	..	L. Rees	Reserve	G. Glass
WELTERWEIGHT	..	..	B. Jacks	..	C. Cassidy
MIDDLEWEIGHT	..	..	G. Kerr	..	R. Ross
LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHT	..	..	A. Macconnell	..	A. Sweeney
HEAVYWEIGHT	..	..	H. Winn	..	D. Peake

Senior Amateur Category

LIGHTWEIGHT	..	..	G. Glass L. Rees	Senior Open Category	G. Glass L. Rees
WELTERWEIGHT	..	..	C. Cassidy B. Jacks		C. Cassidy B. Jacks
MIDDLEWEIGHT	..	..	No Entries		R. Ross G. Kerr
LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHT	..	..	A. Sweeney A. Macconnell		S. Hoare A. Sweeney
HEAVYWEIGHT	H. Winn D. Peake		D. Peake
OPEN	A. Macconnell H. Winn		R. Ross S. Hoare
TEAM MANAGER	Alan Petherbridge		

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G. K.'s daughter writes:

I should be grateful if you would allow me to use your magazine "Judo", as a medium in thanking the many people who attended the funeral and sent floral tributes to my father G. Koizumi.

The numbers overwhelmed me, and I was unable to thank each individually at the time; but hope they will accept my grateful thanks through your magazine.

*Yours very sincerely,
HANA SEKINE.*

COACHING NOTES

Coaching News

The Executive Committee has recently made the National Coach, Mr. Gleeson, responsible for training the British Team to take part in the World Championships in Brazil this October. It is, of course, too late to make any real impression upon the skill standards of the individuals, but it is an indication that the Association feels it should take some definite measures to establish a national training scheme.

The National Coach, with his usual enthusiasm, has started to make plans and get something done. Three weekends have been fixed with various objectives set for each one. The first was on April 3rd, 1965, the main task for this session was the making of film loops of the 11 competitors who took part in the European Judo Union Championships at the end of April. This has a two-fold purpose: first, it will help the competitors themselves by seeing their throws on film and having them analysed for possible faults and improvements. Second, it will provide loops for members of the Association to inspect and perhaps learn from such techniques. The National Coach has wanted loops for some time now, but this is the first time he has had the opportunity to get them done. They should be a valuable contribution to coaching in general.

The next thing Mr. Gleeson has got under way is a record system relating to national competitions. A detailed questionnaire has been given to all competitors to fill in, the information will cover all kinds of technical and personal background. Using such accumulated information over the years, it may be possible in the future to assess what kind of man an international contest man "looks" like. Armed with such knowledge, a coach may be able to help men to cut corners to reach the high standard required by European and World Championships. Records will be kept of individual training programmes. The Association will supply small books, which players will be put on their honour to fill in correctly and honestly. How much training has to be done by top competitors? With these records some idea of the answer can be formulated. The National Coach intends to set up a training specialists committee, which will be in a position to advise men on specific aspects of training. Mr. Gleeson visualises that this committee among others will consist of a doctor, physiologist, and other men, all authorities in their own fields. Mr. Gleeson has many other ideas which he intends to try to incorporate into the national scheme. Through this column, we will endeavour to keep the reader in touch with the various developments. Nothing on this scale has ever been tried before, and it will be interesting to see what comes from the schemes of the National Coach. Certainly, it is not a moment too soon to attempt to formulate such a programme and records department of the British Judo Association. One has only to look at the benefits other sports have derived from such planning to see how important it is to have an organised background to a national team. The National Coach has, of course, all this in addition to his normal duties, so

we can expect him to be very busy in the coming year. However, this is a part of his job, and he looks forward to this as much as he looks forward to his many other tasks. The British Judo Association seems to be in the "throes" of another big surge of expansion and development, the near future looks like being exciting and full of promise. We are all looking forward to it.

National Coaches Itinerary:—NORTHERN IRELAND June 15th-20th, NORTHERN HOME COUNTIES May 15th-16th, Coach Award Examination.

Staffordshire end up on top in County Cup Battle

Report by T. Glynn

This was the most exciting County match to date and it was the total outsiders Staffordshire that in the end pulled through to take the newly inaugurated County Cup.

The match took place at the Leicester Judokwai premises on Sunday, 29th March, between four nine-man teams, Staffordshire, Shropshire, Warwickshire and Leicestershire.

Strongest team on paper were Shropshire with three second Dans, two first Dans, and four first Kyu, crashed to the bottom of the points table. One of their strongest players and outstanding despite the position of the team was Gordon Jay, who recently returned from Australia, where he has been out of competitive Judo for the past two years.

Strong man of the Staffordshire team and the best contest man of

the day was G. Vaugan, who although only a Middleweight, fought as Heavyweight in his team position, he took full points off all his opponents by brilliant all-round skill.

Possession of the trophy was not decided until the last contest in the last match, and this caused the excitement to mount to fever pitch until the Staffordshire player was given the verdict which gave his side the victory. The final results were: Staffordshire 116 points, Warwickshire 101 points, Leicestershire 92 and Shropshire 91.

The next County match is to be held in Coventry on Sunday, 20th June. A great number of Judo personalities will be fighting for the teams including several international players. Full details can be obtained from A. Marshall, 7 Greenhill Road, Handsworth, Birmingham, 21.

WOMEN'S NEWS

Mrs. I. M. ARMITAGE

CURRENT NEWS

North Eastern Area. The course being held at Leeds May 29th/30th mentioned last month is now being extended to the Friday evening and the mat fee increased to 5/-. Full details from Dr. P. Elliott, Sunny Bank House, Sheffield, 10.

Welsh Judo Association. The course held on March 13th/14th under Miss E. Viney (S. Area Coach) and Miss J. Axford (S.W. Area Coach) was a great success, those who attended in Cardiff were introduced to some of the newer trends in Judo training for women, also an Instructors Award examination was held.

In June on 12th/13th another course will be held at The Central Boys' Club, Bute Terrace, Cardiff, under Mrs. I. Armitage, 2nd Dan C.A.H. Full details from Mrs. N. Vokes, Wood Cottage, Ty Llwyd Road, Lisvane, Cardiff.

London. A Ladies' promotion examination will be held on 23rd May commencing 2.30 p.m. sharp for grades up to 1st Kyu. A Junior Ladies' grading will be held at 10.30 a.m. on Saturday, 15th May.

FOR THE FUTURE

The North Eastern Area are arranging an Annual Women's Judo Competition, first one to be held on December 12th, probably in Huddersfield, watch for more news of this later.

SPRING CLEANING

Time to wash away the cobwebs, the job of the women in the house. Well women of the house of the B.J.A. how about it — are you spring cleaning in your Area, brushing away the cobwebs, letting in the light of newer trends such as the modern approach to the training of women. Are you aware of what is being done by the National Women's Council, indeed are you aware we have a council, **if not—why not?** Ask the secretary of your club for news and the latest information; press for more to be done for women in your area, make yourselves heard.

Some Areas, of course, are very good, we get our money's worth, but others are not—it's up to you to get things moving, but you must be willing to do a little of the donkey work yourselves. Come on now—how about it—do a little Spring Cleaning.



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KENDO forum

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Dojo Etiquette

Kendo *reigi* (etiquette) is very formal in many respects due to our close connections with the feudal structure of the retainer system in Old Japan. It may be of interest to British Kendoka to study some of the basic procedure applied in the main *dojos* of the *Beitoku Kendo Renmei* (American Kendo Renmei) for which I am indebted to Mr. Benjamin H. Hazard, 4th dan.

On approaching the door to the *dojo* carrying the *bogu* the *bogu* bag is lowered to the floor and in the doorway the *kendoka* bows to the *kamiza* and then passes to the dressing room. On returning to the *dojo* floor fully prepared except for *men*, *kote* and *tenugui*, bow toward the *kamiza* from the doorway of the dressing room, a standing *rei*. Take one's place seated *seiza* with great toes touching but not overlapping and a hands breadth between the knees, the hands on the thighs, fingers together and pointing inward. The *kote* are placed beside the right knee with thumbs touching either parallel to the thigh (Kansai) or at right angles to the thigh (Kanto style). The *men* rests on the *kote* with *men himo* coiled inside and *tenugui* carefully spread over the *men*. The *shinai* is to the left with the *tsuba* on a line with the left knee. On a normal training night the senior junior gives the preparatory command: "*Seiza*" and then "*Rei*." The *rei* is executed by moving the hands forward in front of the knees and resting flat on the floor with the tips of the index fin-

gers and thumbs touching and the body is inclined forward until the forehead almost touches the hands. Care must be taken that the buttocks are not allowed to rise. The elbows are parallel to and outside of the knees. After a slight pause return to *seiza* position. Warm up exercises are gone through without *men* and *kote*. After exercises the *kendoka* are ordered to don them. When a senior *sensei* visits the *dojo* he is offered a position before the *kamiza* midway between the two lines of juniors and the *dojo sensei*. The senior *dojo sensei* commands: "..... *Sensei Ni mukae*" (Face *Sensei*). All shift slightly to face in the direction of the *sensei*, then command, "*Rei*." After completion of the *rei* all face to the original front without command. At this point he next commands "*Tagai ni, Rei*" (to each other, bow). Then proceed as above. At the conclusion of the practice the same sequence is repeated.

Mr. Oura Yoshihiko, 7th Dan, Kyoshi

The long-awaited return visit of Oura *Sensei* is expected this 17th-19th May, when he will be in London. At the present no other details are available, but *Kendoka* should keep these dates free.

Prof. Nakajima Yasuji, 3rd Dan

After a stay of eight months in England our very good friend, Professor Nakajima, has now left for a tour of Northern Europe and the



Mr. Vic Cook, 1st dan, during a recent training visit to the Lancaster and Morecambe Dojo.

U.S.A. and Canada in order to study his subject of Marine Navigational Law for the Japanese Government. As many *Kendoka* will know he has provided us with a very valuable liaison between Japanese and British Kendo, and on this continuation of his travels he will establish closer Kendo relations between several of the communities on his route, notably in Sweden and California. The British Kendo Renmei sincerely wish Professor Nakajima every future success and look forward eagerly to his next London visit.

Bushi Budokai Taikai (13th March, 1965)

The results of this 2nd Annual match were:—

- 1st. Mr. Victor C. Cook, 1st Dan, Liverpool.
- 2nd. Mr. Melvin Grey, 1st Dan, Shinto Ryu.

- 3rd. Miss Sue Richardson, 3rd Kyu, Bushi Budokai.
- 3rd. Mr. Brian Gemmell 2nd Kyu, Bushi Budokai.

Miss Richardson, of the Bushi Budokai, is particularly singled out for showing excellent spirit in her long match against the formidable Mr. Burel, 2nd Kyu, of the Shinto Ryu, which she at length won by taking *Do* and *Kote* after four minutes 15 seconds. In her later match against Mr. Cook it took the *shodan* two minutes twenty seconds to dispose of his opponent.

As expected, the final match produced some fast, clean-cut Kendo. Mr. Grey, who is now an experienced level-headed swordsman, pressed forward all the time against the taller man. Mr. Cook's Kendo at the beginning of this contest was a trifle erratic and he appeared nervous of making a mistake that

might cost him the match. Fencing from *migi-jodan* and obviously tensed, he gave Mr. Grey an advantage which his opponent was not slow to exploit. Avoiding a strong *shomen*, Mr. Grey cut *nukete* to take first point.

The next four minutes were much calmer although one still had a feeling that Mr. Grey could easily have taken match point with one of his many *kote* techniques.

In the first extension hardly had the match restarted when Mr. Cook took *men* with a fine combination attack to level the score. There was now plenty of action in this balanced *shiai*, but it was not until three seconds before time ran out that Mr. Cook took a fine *kote* to win.

Both Mr. Cook and Mr. Grey are to be congratulated on showing such excellent spirit despite setbacks in their match.

Japanese Minister is Guest of Honour at Shinto Ryu

Mr. Uyama, together with his wife, Sir Frank and Lady Bowden and Mr. C.L. de Beaumont, were among the guests that attended a

private invitation evening of Kendo and Karate on 24th March. Mr. Suzuki Tatsuo, 5th Dan Karate, and Mr. Knutsen led their groups in an integrated display of normal dojo training and kata.

12th All Japan Kendo Championship

The 12th All Japan Championship *taikai* was organised by the **Zen Nippon Kendo Renmei** on 29th November, 1964, at the Nihon Budokan, Tokyo. The matches were attended by the Prince and Princess of Hitachi and more than 13,000 spectators.

Mr. Toda Tadoo, 5th Dan, won the Emperor's Cup for the second time, the first being in the 10th tournament two years ago, following Mr. Nakamura Taro, 7th Dan, who also won the championship twice (the 3rd and 7th tournaments). Mr. Yano Taro, 7th Dan, who won the championship last year, was out of condition this year and unluckily was defeated in the second round.

The full results of the Semi-finals and the Final were:—

Nishiyama Yasuhiro	kote —		Nakamura Takeshi
6th Dan, Tokyo	— men		5th Dan, Tokyo
	kote —		
Toda Tadoo	men —		Keido Takayoshi
5th Dan, Shiga-ken	— men		5th Dan, Aichi-ken
	men —		
FINAL			
	men —		
Toda, 5th Dan	— kote		Nishiyama, 6th Dan
	men —		

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1st Junior European Judo Championship

The Hague, 13th March 1965



Photographs and Report by Alan R. Menzies

Although there have been Championships for the younger element on a European basis for the past two or three years, little publicity has been given to it. There are two classes of competition, the "Espoirs" for players under 18, and the "Junior" for players under 21. The "Espoirs" or Young Hopefuls have had an annual championship on their own, while the Junior group have been included in the Senior European Championships.

This year and for the future the two classes have been amalgamated and put on a full scale European Judo Union Championship basis called the Junior European Championship. The honour of holding the first one went to Holland, who arranged to present it at the Kurzaal, one of the main centres at Scheveningen, famous holiday resort on the Dutch coast adjoining the Hague.

TEN MAN BRITISH TEAM

Great Britain sent a team of ten and one official, John Ryan, as Manager. An excellent boat and train journey was enjoyed by them and they were safely and happily installed in their hotel the day before the competition. The only disadvantage suffered was the considerable distance their hotel was

OPPOSITE:

Radovan Krajnovic of Yugoslavia, on the left, and David Peake of Great Britain photographed during their long final contest for the Heavyweight Gold Medal of the 'Junior' championship.

situated from the actual venue. However, the really warm welcome given by the Dutch hotel staff more than made up for this inconvenience.

The British team included two previous internationals, Brian Jacks, Junior Middleweight and David Peake, Junior Heavyweight, both 2nd Dan, but the rest were almost completely unknown. Anthony Sefton replaced Michael Jackson in the Junior Middleweight category, Jackson being injured shortly before the team were due to sail. In the Young Hopeful categories we had no entrant in the Lightweight group, Lyn Rees was our representative in the Light Middleweights, Martin Peake and Robert Sullivan were joint entrants in the Middleweight division. Terrence Garrett was a solo entry in the Light Heavyweight category, we had no player in the Heavyweight group.

In the "Junior" event the Lightweight was Alan Jones and Alan Hunter and Alan Green represented us in the Light Middleweight class. Brian Jacks who won the Gold Medal in the Junior Middleweights last year when it was part of the Senior European Championship, was entered in the same category this year, together with Tony Sefton. We had no entry in the Light Heavyweights and David Peake was our sole competitor in the Heavyweight category.

FULL TEAMS FROM FRANCE, BELGIUM, GERMANY

In the "Junior" competition France, Belgium and Holland and West Germany all had maximum entries, two competitors in each of the five weight categories. In the "Espoirs", Belgium and Holland had complete entries, France and West Germany both had one player less. These four countries were out to dominate these first championships, and it certainly looked as



Robert Sullivan attacking Almada of Portugal in the eliminations of the 'Espoirs' Middleweight category.

though they would take most of the prizes between them.

The usual preliminaries were completed on the evening before the actual competition, John Ryan attending the draw and being very fortunate in getting really excellent placings for his players, that is all

except the Junior Heavyweight division where David Peake was drawn against Broudani of France in the first round. But altogether the British side arrived at the venue on the Saturday morning reasonably confident from the favourable position most of them had drawn.

STAGE USED FOR FINALS

The hall in which the selections and finals were to take place was by design a concert hall, with large stage and tiers of seats. The front row of the stalls were removed to accommodate two mat areas of Japanese Tatami, and a third area was laid on the stage itself. The two mat areas on the stalls floor were only used for the eliminations during the day, and they were removed and the seats replaced for the evening performance when all the final matches were held on the stage.

The eighty-year-old building was not the most suitable venue for this type of championship. Holland has many fine gymnasiums which could be used, and which have been used for previous European Championships. The otherwise excellent arrangements were marred by the use of this old building which was never designed for this sort of event.

The morning was devoted to all the eliminating matches up to the final of the "Espoirs" in all categories. Commencing with the Lightweight category, from the outset the two French players were quite definitely far superior to all the other contestants. Particularly Le Bihan, a fresh-faced miniature Pariset of seventeen years, who romped through the eliminating bouts without difficulty, as did his compatriot Biscaras. Probably some of the countries find it difficult to select players with ability at this very low weight limit, but France has two excellent fighters. Both Le Bihan and Biscaras made the final which gave France some confidence for the rest of the events.

PUBLIC WARNING FOR REES

In the Light Middleweight category Lyn Rees had drawn a bye in the first round, and in the second met Atzinger of West Germany in

the quarter-final. This match was fought on the stage area which was unfortunate for Rees. John Ryan had instructed the team in the tactics they were generally to follow, and had appraised them of the close scoring system used by the E.J.U. referees. Rees started the contest looking by far the more confident, and he went hammer and tongs at his German opponent. In his haste to finish the contest quickly he was a little too eager in running his opponent over the edge of the mat, and the referee spoke to him about this. Subsequently, however, he and Atzinger went off the edge of the mat and right off the stage and the referee mentioned the danger of going near the edge of the mat on the open stage side, but almost directly following this Rees pushed his opponent over the line in almost the same place, and the referee had little option but to give him a public warning, which put him the equivalent of a wazari down. Although Rees was superior he was unable to score, and the German was given the verdict at the end of the contest.

GARRETT REACHES SEMI-FINAL

In the Middleweight category Martin Peake and Robert Sullivan were our representatives. Both were knocked out in their first contest, Peake lost to Goldschmidt of Switzerland, the winner of this category, from an Osae-komi, but made quite a battle of it before the Swiss won, and Sullivan lost to Almada of Portugal, another Osae-komi, although apart from being able to hold on to win the point when he had secured the hold, Sullivan was far the better player, nearly scoring with Tai-otoshi and O-uchi-gari.

In the Light Heavyweights Terry Garrett had a bye in the first round and defeated Kumst of West Germany in the second, which took



him to the semi-finals where he lost to Smolnitar of Yugoslavia the eventual winner of the Gold Medal.

There were only eight players in the Heavyweight category, West Germany won one of the semi-finals and Holland won the other.

The "Junior" eliminations were held after a short break for lunch. As in the "Espoirs" Lightweight category, the French dominated the Lightweight class of the "Junior" event, although a Pole managed to reach the final with Feist of France.

GREEN AND JACKS IN FINALS

In the Light Middleweight one half of the table was easily won by Alan Green, who scored superbly well against Klunker of East Germany and then against Leine-man of West Germany, reaching the final via a cracking throw against Meersam of Belgium in the semi-finals. On the other side of the table Pol of Holland crushed Cavuta of Austria in the semi-final. Cavuta defeated Hunter in the quarter-final.

The Middleweights had the greatest number of entrants in the entire competition. As the 1964 Gold Medallist, Brian Jacks, was the favourite for the title this year. He drew a bye in the first round, beat the much fancied Dutch favourite Geurtsen in the second, which took him to the quarter-finals where he met Wojcik of Poland, not an easy opponent. Jacks managed to obtain a Juji-gatame, from which the Pole could not escape, but it took some 10

seconds before he could make it effective enough to cause Wojcik to submit. His semi-final match was against the West German, Ebener, another win and Jacks had reached the final. On the other half of the table Tony Sefton also had a bye and then met Pieters of Belgium, whom he threw with Tsurikomi-goshi to reach the quarter-finals where he defeated Broie of France. At this stage it looked like being an all British final but Grosser of Austria the Austrian hope held Sefton for an ippon and secured a place in the final.

Britain had no entry in the Light Heavyweight class and the two Dutch entries both managed to make the final.

FRANCE FAVOURITE FOR HEAVYWEIGHT TITLE

France had had little success so far except in the Lightweight categories of the "Espoir" and "Junior", and the Light Heavyweight category of the "Espoir" which was disappointing to them in view of the large team they had entered. However, we had now reached the "Junior" Heavyweight class where their champion Broudani was almost the certain favourite with the Yugoslavian entry expected to be his most formidable opponent. Since Krajnovic of Yugoslavia was drawn in the opposite half of the table to Broudani, it seemed pretty certain that the Frenchman would not be called on to really exert himself until the final match, always supposing that Krajnovic got that far.

The British side were quite confident with David Peake, partly because the French had mistakenly taken Peake for his brother. At Kyu whereas David was at Kyu, and partly because David himself was very confident in his own ability to beat them.

OPPOSITE:

Above. Terry Garrett attacking Smolnitar of Yugoslavia in the final of the 'Espoirs' Heavyweight category.
Below. Tony Sefton about to throw Pieters of Belgium in the semi-final of the 'Junior' Middleweight category.





Left. David Peake attacking the French hope Broudani in the Quarter-final of the 'Junior' Heavyweight class.

Right. Metselaar of Holland defending against David Peake in the Semi-final of the 'Junior' Heavyweight class.

The winner of this first contest would immediately be a semi-finalist because of the small number of entries in the class. Broudani showed no special surprise when Peake walked on to the mat, but it seemed that he was not quite so confident as he might have been. Broudani has a very fast spin turn Uchi-mata and he has used it in the past with devastating effect, but Peake withstood this sort of attack really well and suddenly made a right Harai-goshi which took Broudani right off the mat area. Of course there was no score and the technique did not count in any way but the writing was on the wall for the French hope for

from this stage Peake pressed home such strong attacks and withstood so easily the best the Frenchman could put out that the judges had no difficulty in awarding him a unanimous decision at the conclusion.

PEAKE HAMMERS OPPOSITION

His semi-final opponent was Metselaar, a special pupil of John Blumming contemporary of Anton Geesink and a 5th Dan who spent a long time in Japan. Metselaar was a big man with a slightly balding appearance which belied his age. This time Peake opened up a little more and the Dutchman

just did not have the answer to the burly British player's penetrating attack. Knocked down two or three times he finally succumbed to a murderous holding which Peake having managed to get on was not going to loose until that ippon was finally won.

Blumming was probably a little put out considering the lavish care he had heaped on his protege most of the day, at all events he decided not to stay for any further matches and took himself and his pupil off.

This conclusion made it the third final that British players were in, but it was not time for celebrating yet. The evening show commenced by those now familiar parades of participants and by speeches from prominent members of the E.J.U. and the Dutch Judo Federation who promoted the Championships.

TELEVISION COVERAGE

Dutch Television was showing part of the Championships during the evening and therefore, instead of taking the finals in weight order from the "Espoirs" through to the "Juniors" several final contests were selected in which Dutch contestants were taking part, which was quite natural. As things turned out, however, their viewers had a very different picture than the Dutch themselves visualised. In the "Espoirs" Lightweight final Le Bihan lost to his compatriot Biscaras from an Osae-komi, which was a very sad moment for this young stylist who so brilliantly fought his way to within reach of the Gold Medal.

Only the first place was being recognised, the winner receiving a Gold Medal, the runner-up a certificate. Third places were not being acknowledged at all.

In the Light Middleweight of the "Espoirs", Holland had two men in the final and, of course, with a home crowd whichever won

they were delighted. Mol took the decision from Ivasko.

In the Middleweight category Goldschmidt of Switzerland who had beaten Martin Peake won the Gold from de Vleeschauwer of Belgium.

Smolnitar of Yugoslavia won the Gold Medal in the Light Heavyweight competition, the opponent who had outpointed Terry Garrett in the semi-finals.

Holland won her second Gold Medal in the Heavyweight division when Kruis beat Deussen of West Germany.

The "Junior" class was the more important of the two divisions, and this was where Britain stood on the threshold of winning more Gold Medals than ever before at one Championship. France duly took the Lightweight with Feist beating Zytkov of Poland.

GOLD MEDAL FOR BRITAIN

The Light Middleweight contest was one of the specially televised finals, van der Pol of Holland versus Alan Green of Great Britain. The Dutch were pretty confident of Pol winning this title and were not slow in telling the British contingent that Green had little chance. In starting the match the Dutchman decided that a rapid end to the contest was the ideal way to show his supremacy and he attacked hard with Uchi-mata. He must have thought momentarily that Green was going over as the British player rose in the air, but unfortunately for Pol, Green was well in command of the situation and treated the attack very calmly indeed. Pol made several other strong attacks, once getting his feet knocked from under him as Green countered with an Ashi-waza. During this time Green made a few tentative moves which from the onlookers point of view



were hardly enough to knock the dust from the Dutchman's trousers, although the way Green was riding the Dutchman's attacks he seemed very confident and much superior. So it went on for the first three minutes with the Dutch television service cameras, pinned on the two battling figures slowly getting drenched in sweat from the enormously hot lights which bathed the stage in a bluish-white glare.

Just starting the fourth minute, Green made a couple of ashi-waza attacks and Pol moved his feet swiftly backwards to avoid them, when suddenly Green darted in and Pol was flying through the air, legs and arms akimbo with not a hope in heaven of saving himself. Down he came, right in front of the cameras, with an almighty crash, and Britain had her first Gold Medal.

JACKS TAKES OUR 2nd GOLD

The next weight category, the Middleweight, was expected to go to Britain, and Grosser, the Austrian who opposed Jacks visibly wilted as the minutes dragged by. Jacks, in his inimitable style, attacked like a dog enjoying a bone and the contest went from standing to groundwork, back again to standing and thence again to the mat. Jacks had received quite a bad cut in his head in the preliminary rounds, severe enough to

OPPOSITE:

Above. Alan Green making a strong attempt to score on his Dutch opponent, van der Pol, in the Final of the Light-Middleweight event of the 'Junior' competition.

Below. van der Pol of Holland crashing over from a tremendous technique by Alan Green of Great Britain in the Final of the Light Middleweight division of the 'Junior' event.

require clipping together later the same night, and a scarlet smear covered the back of his head and part of his neck, soaking into the white collar of his jacket and rubbing off on to his poor Austrian competitor. Grosser made some attempts to score on his fiercely attacking opponent, but he might just as well have tried to stop a hurricane by spreading out his arms, and at last he gave up, tired, despondent and completely beaten. Jacks struck with Tsuru-komi-goshi and scored a clear ippon, more to the relief of Grosser than anyone else, so the second Gold Medal came our way.

The Light Heavyweight final was only of interest to the Dutch as they had both the final competitors. Not a very inspiring match, which ended up with Lubbe defeating his fellow countryman, Boot, for the title.

PEAKE MAKES IT THREE GOLDS

The Heavyweight final was, of course, our main concern now, David Peake versus the mighty Yugoslavian Senior and Junior Heavyweight champion, Krajnovic. Peake took the opening seconds quite quietly, trying to see just what this muscle-man was liable to do, but the Yugoslav did not oblige him with much information making a few very tentative ashi-waza, and that is about all. The final contests were of fifteen minutes duration and on that stage under the heat of the lights, just being there was an ordeal, let alone fight as well. Peake started to sweat a little almost from the start, but Krajnovic remained almost completely cool, probably more used to such humid conditions.

The second minute was a little brisker with the Yugoslav being drawn into revealing one of his possible methods of attack. he



Brian Jacks scoring brilliantly on Grosser of Austria to win the 'Junior' Middleweight title for the second time.

started trying to catch Peake's leg with the idea of lifting him up and plonking him down on to his back. Peake was by now making fairly hard Harai-goshi attacks, coupled with feints of ashi-waza, and every time he did so Krajnovic tried to either bodily lift him up or to catch the leg and do the sort of body slam seen in the professional wrestling ring. In the third minute Peake made one of his Harai-goshi attacks, Krajnovic grabbed for the leg, and Peake changed to Ko-sotogari and knocked Krajnovic down on to his back, not for any score although it must have been a near

OPPOSITE:

Above. The British contingent on parade on the stage prior to the final competitions. From *Right to Left*: Lynn Rees, Alan Hunter, Alan Jones, Martin Peake, Robert Sullivan, Brian Jacks, Tony Sefton, Terry Garrett, Alan Green and David Peake.

Below Left. Team Manager, John Rylan, 3rd Dan, photographed at the team's hotel before leaving for the days contests.

Below Right. Alan Green being congratulated by Andre Ertel, President of the European Judo Union, on winning the 'Junior' Light-Middleweight Gold Medal.



waza-ari, certainly sufficient to win the match for Peake if the Yugoslav could not match it. Krajinovic now tried to step up the pace and revealed his second plan, this was to slide his hand down to the belt of his opponent and then go into some form of yoko-sutemi-waza from which he could take the contest into Ne-waza, where he hoped that his probably superior strength would gain him the victory. Peake replied by trying an arm-lock of the offending arm and this rather ruined the Yugoslav's tactics. His supporters kept yelling for him to try the sutemi-waza, but they were not on the mat and it is easy to yell advice from the side lines, as we are all wont to do. Now time was fast running out for this con-

test, Peake was visibly wet from the enormous amount of perspiration he was exuding under the harsh illumination, and Krajinovic although still looking cool also looked rather tired from the constant effort to get through the young Englishman's defence. At last it was over, and it was a unanimous decision for Peake. Britain now had her third Gold Medal, the most ever won by any British side.

The whole team were excellent ambassadors for Great Britain in every respect, and all of them deserve our congratulations in putting up such a tremendous performance at the first Junior European Championships.

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Senior European Championships 1965

As a result of the National Selection Contests held at Aldershot over the weekend of the 20th/21st March, the following were selected to represent Great Britain in the 1965 Senior European Championships.

Team :

HEAVYWEIGHT:	B. H. Winn
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT:	A. Macconnell
MIDDLEWEIGHT:	G. Kerr (Team Captain)
WELTERWEIGHT:	B. Jacks
LIGHTWEIGHT:	L. Rees

Reserves

D. Peake
A. Sweeney
R. Ross
C. Cassidy
G. Glass

Senior Amateur Categories

HEAVYWEIGHT:	D. Peake B. H. Winn
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT:	A. Sweeney A. Macconnell
WELTERWEIGHT:	C. Cassidy B. Jacks
LIGHTWEIGHT:	G. Glass L. Rees
OPEN:	A. Macconnell B. H. Winn

Senior Open Categories

HEAVYWEIGHT:	D. Peake
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT:	S. Hoare A. Sweeney
MIDDLEWEIGHT:	R. Ross G. Kerr
WELTERWEIGHT:	C. Cassidy B. Jacks
LIGHTWEIGHT:	G. Glass L. Rees
OPEN:	R. Ross S. Hoare

Team Manager : D. A. Petherbridge. Deputy Team Manager : J. L. Capes.

We would like to take this opportunity to record our very sincere thanks to C.S.M.I. Mitchell and his assistants for making the facilities at the Army School of Physical Training so enjoyable, and also the many officials who assisted with the refereeing, recording and timekeeping.

Annual General Meeting

At the 17th Annual General Meeting held on the 4th April the following resolutions were passed:—

Bye-Law 2. Additional paragraphs

At the end of every financial year each Member Club may apply to Headquarters for a rebate in respect of every senior licence sold during that year by that club. The rebate to be fixed at 2/6d. per capita.

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Bye-Law 3. Additional paragraph

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Promotions

The following promotions to and within the Dan degree have been confirmed by the Technical Board:—

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W. Harboard (*Polytechnic*)
D. Da Costa (*Exeter*)
J. Brown (*Exeter*)
K. Stimson (*Pinehurst*)
K. Colling (*Plymouth*)

To 2nd Dan

R. Mitchell (*Aldershot Services*)

WOMEN—To 1st Dan

A. Atkinson (*Aikidokwai*)
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London Schools Judo Association Trials

E. SCHOFIELD

Amid the hustle and bustle of many other activities over 60 London schoolboys came to the National Recreational Centre at Crystal Palace on Saturday, April 3rd, to participate in the selection contests for teams to represent the London Schoolboys' Judo Association in the British Schools Championships. These Championships will be held in Bristol on Saturday, May 22nd, and the task before the selectors was to find teams of five to compete in each of the groups.

From the start competition was fierce, and it was clear that the selectors had no easy task. For a short while a number of members of the Great Britain Judo Team and the National Judo Coach, Mr. Geoff Gleeson looked in after their own private training session elsewhere at Crystal Palace. The boys' contests were organised on a pool system, where each boy fought every other boy in his group. From each of the original 12 pools the best two were sent forward into further pools, and from these teams were selected for the National Championships for the Open and Under 15 categories.

During the course of the afternoon there was one unfortunate incident, when a boy fell awkwardly on a corner of the mat and injured his shoulder. Fine spirit was shown by another boy from the same school, who forfeited his chances in the contests to take the injured lad to hospital for a check-up enabling his team captain to go on, and eventually be selected for the Open team.

Thanks are due to the Brown and Black Belts who gave up their time to referee, and to others who helped with organisation.

Particular thanks go to Mr. Tony Reay, 3rd Dan, technical advisor to the L.S.J.A., who is to be team manager to the London team. Speaking to the selected boys after the contest, Mr. Reay told them that the Budokwai, the oldest Judo Club in this country, had offered its excellent facilities free to the team between now and the National Championships.

The boys selected were:

Open: Wildman (Spencer Park), Gullan (Merchant Taylors'), Herod (Hillcroft), Olizar (Salesian College), Eastwickfield (Westminster City). Reserve: Curran (Hammersmith).

Under 15: Boyce (Eltham Green), Plunkett (North Romford), Trickey (Haverstock), Hawkes (Haverstock), Norton (Northbrook). Reserve: Coccia (Bishop Thomas Grant).



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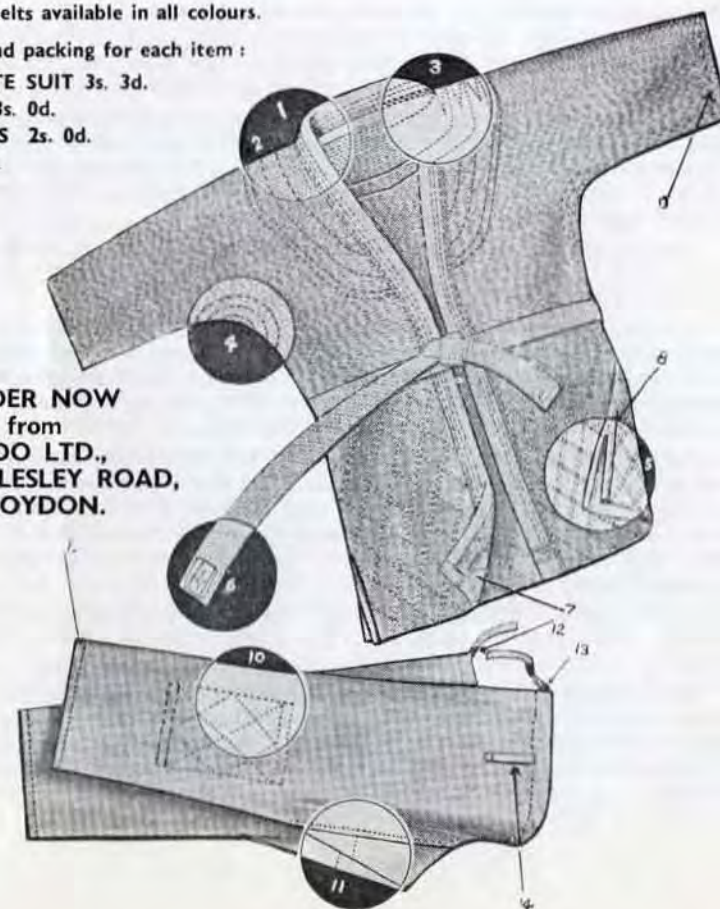
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FORUM

LONDON

LONDON JUDO SOCIETY—*from Eric Dominy*:—This issue of Judo comes at a very awkward time as far as these notes are concerned. As I write we are frantically busy with "Festival of Judo" arrangements, but the Festival will be over when you read them. This year we made two major alterations to the tournaments which form the main part of our programme. We increased the weight divisions on the Goldberg-Vass Memorial Trophy to five to bring them into line with the international categories, and under pressure withdrew the rule which made sacrifice techniques illegal in the Peter Sellers competition. At the moment I have no idea whether these changes will increase the entries. It will be interesting to see.

Although all our three dojo have been back in use for several weeks now the mat in the lower one is still only temporary and rather hard. Japanese tatame to match those in the senior dojo are on order, but will take many weeks to arrive. We have ordered sufficient to give us a full international contest area should we require it for matches.

Recently the L.J.S. team met and defeated Crawley, and another match takes place in a few days with Romford. This is 10 a side, five Dan grades and five Kyu grades.

Reading the report of the Women's Zadankai in the April issue of Judo made me wonder whether women's Judo was going back to where men's Judo was some 15 years ago. Are ladies who win contests going to be thought rough and bad Judo women. I am not sure that the National Women's Council is in touch with the wishes of our ladies.

Certainly at the L.J.S. Mr. Chew and myself are always being asked when we are going to take the ladies' classes, he makes them work really hard and this they seem to prefer to kata and exercises. Many of the ladies complain, and some leave, because they think it a waste of time to attend a Judo club to perform exercises and kata, which, in their opinion, they could do equally well at home.

I would point out that I am fully aware of the hard work put in by the ladies' administration, and trust that they will produce a really worthwhile result.

We arranged a tournament at the club, in response to many requests for more contests, the result was an entry consisting of four Dan grades and one 1st Kyu. All the officials turned up, some travelling some considerable distance, but it appears that this sort of event is a waste of everybody's time, however, one more attempt will be made in the autumn.

THE KARATE KAI—*R. Boulton writes*:—I am very pleased to write the first notes on this new club. Although only four months old we have already passed 180 beginners through our courses, with a further 120 either on courses running at the moment or enrolled for future ones. At the moment we are fully booked up until the 24th of May, so anyone interested in learning Karate should put their name down without delay. The classes and club are restricted to men.

Beginners courses take place between 6.30 and 7.30 p.m., one course running on Monday and Wednesday evenings and the other on Tuesday and Friday evenings. The club which is open to those who passed through the courses is open for practice on Tuesday and Thursday evenings and Saturday afternoons. The club has 49 members so far. Visitors are welcome at the senior club, but spectators cannot watch the beginners classes. The first promotion examination takes place on April 24th at 3.30 p.m.

Our first public display will be at the Festival of Judo at the Crystal Palace on the 1st of May.

EDITOR'S NOTE—*Congratulations to Bob Boulton on his promotion to 2nd Dan, his certificate was received recently from the Kyokushin Kai.*

WORCESTER

WORCESTER JUDOKWAI—*from D. Brace*:—The Judokwai is about eight years old, but it is only in the past 12 months that the club has been able to find permanent accommodation. The building required extensive repairs and redecoration, but this work has now been nearly completed.

There are two mat areas, one nearly a thousand square feet and the other three-quarters of this size. The chief instructor is Mr. E. Awford, 1st Dan, one of the founders of the club, who has recently returned to Worcester after living in Birmingham for the past 18 months.

Visitors are always welcome, a dojo fee of 2/- is charged. The club is open every day including Saturday and Sunday.

CRAWLEY

CRAWLEY JUDO CLUB—*D. Anderson writes*:—The club's expanding membership has been putting a strain on the premises, with no hope of a new home, we have been improving the old. New heating and lighting equipment has been installed and the mat area has been greatly enlarged.

There is now standing room only for armchair players, but anyone is welcome on the mats—there is plenty of them. Gentlemen practise Wednesday and Ladies on Tuesday, both start around 7.30 p.m.

The club lies on the southern outskirts of the town in Tilgate forest. The only entrance is from the A23, the London to Brighton Road, 300 yards after the last roundabout where the playing fields end. The driveway entrance is on the left, a few hundred yards along on the right-hand fork is the club.

If your imagination is not as good as your Judo, drop a line to *Bernard Clarke, 12 Wakehurst Drive, Southgate, Crawley*, who will oblige with more detailed instructions.

He is also the fellow to contact on matters of inter-club contests, home and away. Any clubs are welcome to help us dispose of our excess energy and wear out our mats.

Continued Overleaf

LONDON

JUDO AIKIDO KAI—from *Don Burgess*:—As most of you will know Senta Yamada is now in Japan having returned home for a holiday for the first time in five years. We expect him back at the end of June, but three months is not long to catch up on an absence of five years.

To cater for the player who never seems to get enough practice, starting in May we are going to run a special training course for 1st Kyu and above on the first Sunday morning in the month at 11 a.m.

The second Sunday in the month is still reserved for the Kohaku-shiai, including grading to 1st Kyu, followed by a course of instruction.

On the 13th of June there will be a promotion examination for Kyu grades both male and female, and for 1st Kyu and Dan grades, male only. 10.30 a.m. Nil-5th Kyu and all Ladies. 2.30 p.m. 4th Kyu and above. All examinees must produce a current licence

3rd East Anglian Open Judo Tournament

The Third East Anglian Open Judo Tournament and Display will take place this year at the North East Essex Technical College, Sheepen Road, Colchester, Essex, on Saturday, May 29th, 1965.

Competitors have to report to the control by 10 a.m. on the morning of the Tournament, at which time the eliminations will commence.

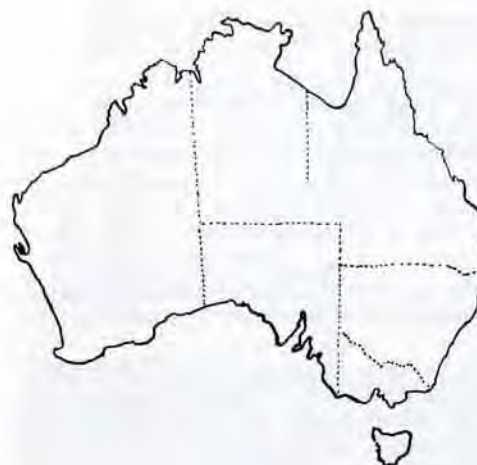
The Tournament includes the Championship of the newly formed Eastern Counties Judo League. The Tournament is open to members of any association.

The categories will be as follows. Juniors up to 13 years of age. Juniors from 14 to 16 years of age on May 29th, 1965. Beginner to 4th Kyu, 3rd Kyu to 1st Kyu, Dan Grades.

The evening display and finals commence at 7 p.m. and among the principal guests will be the Mayor and Mayoress of Colchester.

Special exponents who will be appearing, include, Mr. Tatsuo Suzuki, 5th Dan Karate, Mr. Tony Sweeney, 4th Dan Judo, Mr. Ken Williams, 3rd Dan Aikido, Mr. T. O'tani, 2nd Dan Judo, Mr. J. Self, 1st Dan Kendo, 1st Dan Karate. Representatives from the main organisations will include Mr. John Capes of the British Judo Association.

Further details can be obtained from Mr. K. V. Chambers, Cellini House, 13 North Hill, Colchester, Essex. Telephone Colchester 78778 (Day) 77808 (Evening).



REPORT FROM AUSTRALIA

By DENIS HOLLAND

I used to know a Brown Belt at the Budokwai whose incompetence in correctly tying his judogi placed me firmly on the path of error for many years.

I was a beginner and impressionable. After finishing the evening's Judo, this Brown Belt would quickly shower, bundle up his judogi into one sweat-soaked mess and with a curt nod at me swagger out into the night.

What was good enough for a Brown Belt in those days was certainly good enough for me. And I, too, with incredible nonchalance would roll up my judogi into an untidy ball and stagger from the changing rooms, the end of my white belt flapping between my knees.

The fact that I, D. K. Holland, would sometimes pass T. P. Leggett on the way out clutching my monstrously swollen bundle without ever receiving a clip around the ear from that worthy, lent countenance to the situation.

This same Brown Belt possessed other character deficiencies. He was adept at standing on a crowded tatami and avoiding the questing eyes of Black Belts. If ever one did manage to catch his eye from across the mat, he would nod pleasantly as though wishing him the time of day and then quickly change his position.

You could, however, always rely on him to purposely catch the eye of some cringing beginner and then pound him.

His performance was superb when some Black Belt would loom up directly in front of him. As he could hardly pretend not to have seen him, he would immediately drop to one knee and clutch his leg, his features twisting into an expression of great pain. The torture mask would then be replaced with an expression of Stiff Upper Lip grandeur and he would drawl out: "The old cartilage, you know."

He had many such tricks up his sleeve, too numerous to mention; but his overall performance seldom differed—just as soon as the Blacks had thinned out somewhat, he would be out there again pounding beginners as hard as he could.

Anyway, back to the original question of the judogi. The Budokwai never taught me; nor did the Renshuden; and nor did gentle Dominy and Co. over at the L.J.S.

It was left to the International Club of Sydney to demonstrate to me the correct way of tying up one's judogi so that it doesn't resemble a bundle of dirty laundry. As a matter of fact, they include it in their grading syllabus.

I am very grateful to the International Club. But, of course, the entire business is much too late. The habit of nearly 10 years is with me to stay. I still leave the clubs of Sydney with a straggling bundle of wet laundry under my arm.

Heed the lesson, Budokwai. Watch your beginners. And in particular, watch your Brown Belts. I am wondering now how many judoka in London can correctly tie their judogi.

True to my nature of haunting those tournaments which don't feature Ted Boronokis, I recently entered the Metropolitan Open Tournament here in Sydney, and came away with the Middleweight and Open Trophies. The tournament was organised by Norman Logan and John Delbridge, two very keen Judo administrators in Sydney.

I think I have mentioned before in this column how impressed I am at the Junior Judo in Australia. Certainly boys of seven or eight who commence playing Judo have every chance of becoming champions. Those I watched playing in the junior division of the Metropolitan Open Tournament moved with fluency and purpose; and their Tatami manners can teach the adults a thing or two.

By the way, can anyone suggest a better term for indulging in Judo than the term "Playing." To "play" Judo somehow doesn't fit. The old term of "practice" didn't fit either. Will the Editor of *Judo* ask for readers' opinions?

Civil Service Judo Association

ERIC DOMINY

At last the Civil Service will have an indoor sports centre in London. A building will soon be obtained in Westminster for sport and recreation which will include Judo. It will also serve as a headquarters for Civil Service sports associations who are without premises.

At our first General Meeting, which was very well attended, it was found that many of those present thought we were about to form a club and had no interest in an association. Now it looks as though we will be able to offer a permanent dojo in Central London.

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Area News

WESTERN AREA *Dave Roberts*

As the P.R.O. for the Western Area I have become acutely aware that Judo players, with one or two exceptions, easily succumb to a disease which renders them incapable of reading or writing. I understand that at the present time there is no proven cure for this, but several committee members of the Western Area, who are immune from this complaint, are carrying out research.

Although a recent circular letter brought forward few replies it is only fair to state that these outward signs belie the intense activity going on in the West, especially in coaching and training.

A promotion examination is to be held on Saturday, 29th May, at **Bristol**. Details are as follows:—

- 2.30 p.m. Judokwai — Southmead — Juniors.
- 2.30 p.m. University — Woodland House — Women.
- 2.00 p.m. N.D.L.B. — Prince Street — Men.

On Sunday, 30th May, the eliminations for Western Area trophies are to be held at **Bristol**. Contests will commence at 10 a.m. at Judokwai—Southmead—for Cooksley Shield, New Langford Cup and Sie Nien. At 2 p.m. at Bristol University—Woodland House, for Henly's Cup, Summers Cup and Bob Taylor Trophy. A Kata Competition (men only) is at 3.30 p.m. at N.D.L.B., Prince Street. Will all competitors ensure that they bring a CURRENT LICENCE. NO LICENCE—NO ENTRY.

The Western Area Championships are to be held in **Swindon** on Saturday, 19th June (Pinehurst Sports Hall, 7 p.m.). Tickets will be available in advance from *M. Heather*, 35 Collett Avenue, Swindon, price 3/6, 5/-, 10/-. The Championships will provide for: Individual up to 2nd Kyu; any grade under 20 years; team of three under 16 years; individual any grade; team of three up to 2nd Kyu; and team of five any grade. There will also be a Kata Competition for men. Please contact me at 14 Waite Meads Close, Purton, Swindon, for further details regarding this event. Congratulations are extended to Maurice Heather, Tom Orr and Ken Stimpson, all of Pinehurst J.C., who have been recommended for 1st Dan. Please send me any club or personal news—other people want to know all about it.

EASTERN AREA *O. L. Saunders*

Since our last letter we have passed through the difficult business of holding the Area Annual General Meeting at **Thetford**. There are now some new faces on the committee and we hope that this will inspire and benefit the Area in the forthcoming year. One major change was the shedding of some of the load carried by Reg Allum. Previously he held the offices of Area Representative, Treasurer and Secretary, he has now been able to pass on the title of treasurer to another committee member.

Two new clubs have joined the Area, **Bury St. Edmunds** and **Ipswich** Borough Police. Ray Webb has been successful in obtaining his Coach Award, Eric Askew and Eric Pleasants have received their Club Instructors Award.

Licences are one of the important revenue producing factors of the Area, and it is important that all the members know the name and address of the Area Licence issuing officer. Just taking up this position is *James Dodds*, 51 Cordell Place, Long Melford, Nr. Sudbury, Suffolk, write to him regarding all licence queries.

We do not at the moment get much inter-club activity in the Area, although we can look forward to the newly formed Eastern Counties Judo League to stimulate club visits.

There are many changes of addresses in the Area, sometimes of quite important people, and this causes chaos in the paper work department, so if you change your address or you know of any intended move by a club to new premises, please let me know, and while writing send a bit of news along as well. *O. L. Saunders*, 75 Tudor Road, Sudbury, Suffolk.

There will be an Aikido and Judo Course during Whitsun. The sessions will be as follows. Judo: Sunday 2-4 p.m. and Monday 2-4 p.m. Aikido: Monday 10-12 p.m. Fee for the three sessions will be £1 or any one session can be attended for 7/6.

NORTHERN HOME COUNTIES *V. H. Maynard*

Everything is now ready for the biggest Area Show yet. On the 8th of May the **Harlow** Sportcentre will be the venue for some of the most exciting contests yet seen in the Northern Home Counties. Many of the teams taking part will be fielding international players, which will produce some unusual fireworks, as well as really extending John Ryan and Tony Sweeney when they take on the traditional line at the end of the show.

This year for the first time the show includes a demonstration of Kata by the winners of the Area Kata Cup competition, which will be decided during the morning.

Contest men should make sure that they have full details of the Area training sessions, information from the *Area Coach*, 16 Onslow Gardens, London, S.W.7.

We are always hoping to hear, although we never do, from clubs and individuals who have news to impart, and most of us do. Why not write to the above address even if it is only to explain that you or your club really do not have anything worthwhile to say.

NORTH EASTERN AREA *W. R. Taylor*

The main news this month stems from Neil Johnson, of Hull, who sent me a lot of news about his part of the Area.

Hull University were hosts to visits from Newcastle and Sheffield Universities, team matches were arranged and although Hull lost on both occasions their players gained some very valuable contest experience.

Hull Y.P.I. Club paid a visit to York R.I. Club for a match, and it was a very close contest, York ended up the winners with seven wins to Hull's five.

Another Hull club, the Technical College Club, which was started only a short time ago, have also been engaged in inter-club activities, although near at hand, they challenged the Hull Y.P.L. and lost, but had better luck against the University, who they managed to beat.

The Area contest training session held in **Hull** on March 7th was disappointing in view of the attendance of only one person from outside the city. The Hull players regularly attend these sessions wherever they are held in the Area and they expect to have the same support from other Area clubs when the venue is in their city.

The itinerary for the next month or so is as follows: Contest Training, 2nd May, **Doncaster** (men), **Huddersfield** (women); 6th June, **York** (men), **Hull** (women); 4th July, **Leeds** (men), **Doncaster** (women); 1st August, **Castleford** (men), **York** (women). All the sessions commence at 11 a.m. and close at 1 p.m. except Hull Y.P.L., which starts at 3 p.m. and finishes at 5 p.m.

Promotion examinations: Second Sunday in the month, May, **Leeds J.C.** Men any grade. June, **Leeds Athletic Institute**, Men 5th Kyu and above. July, **Castleford J.C.**, Men 5th Kyu and above and Junior Boys any grade. **Leeds Athletic Institute**, Women any grade, Junior Girls any grade. August, **Leeds J.C.**, Men any grade. All examinations start at 10.30 a.m. except July, **Leeds Athletic Institute**, which starts at 2.30 p.m.

MIDLAND AREA *Keith Brewster*

The Annual General Meeting of the British Judo Association took place on Sunday, April 4th. I mention this in passing as most of you obviously could not have realised. There were only about six Midland clubs represented, which is apathy returning with a vengeance. What I would like to know is what has happened to those progressive idealistic, enthusiastic, club P.R.O.s.



Members attending the Coaching Course at Lilleshall Hall, February, 26th-28th.

The meeting generally was staid and much too agreeable. Now that we are more than solvent interest seems to have waned and been replaced by somewhat nauseating satisfaction, with the present mediocre progress.

The only thing of any importance was that Juniors will in future only buy one licence, which will last until they reach the age of 16 or take a senior examination whichever is the first.

Progress of the clubs in the Midlands is improving, Ryecroft Judokwai, Notts., particularly seems to be showing intense activity with courses and other plans. Northampton and Premier J.C.s are having monthly contests as well as members visiting more regularly. Dudley, Handsworth and Kidderminster are also busy.

The course for women at Lilleshall Hall on the 26th-28th March under Mrs. Margaret Johnson was very successful. I have already received many letters saying how much they enjoyed it and asking when the next one will be held. The answer is on the 1st-3rd April, 1966. In the meantime there is a course on May 8th-15th at Barton Hall, Torquay, and a course round about Whitsuntide in Leeds.

In response to enquiries men may take the Women's Coach Award if they are instructing girls, but only if they already hold the Men's Coach Award.

Forthcoming events in the Midlands. The Area Championships at the Midland Institute, Birmingham, on May 8th. Junior Area Team Contests at the Hadley Playing Fields Centre, Smethwick, on May 23rd. Young Men's Contest Course (14-18 years) at the Judokwai-Leicester on June 20th. Eliminations for the Midland Area Team representatives at the Judokwai-Leicester on June 13th. Grading examinations for men at the Shim Wa Kwai, Grimsby, and Stafford J.C., on May 15th and at the Ryecroft Judokwai, Notts., and the Rover J.C., Solihull, on June 12th.

The Boldmere Judo Club, Birmingham, have invited Mr. Akinori Hosaka to take a course on the weekend of the 22nd-25th May.

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