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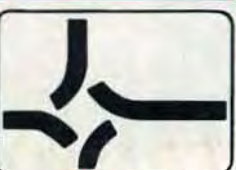
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# FRANKLY

Like last month, I start with an apology. This time for the late delivery of October's *Midlands Judo*. This was a result of a combination of both our Printers and me being unable to cope. Hopefully, we will be on time for November. Special apologies to Grantham Judo Club who didn't get their grading advertised and many thanks to their Mr Johnstone who made a useful suggestion about advertising future Promotion Examinations which we will adopt wherever possible.

Some time ago, on the instructions of the Area Committee I offered *Midlands Judo* magazine to the National body on the basis that it could be distributed to all Member Clubs on a similar, but cost reducing, basis as that under which Clubs used to receive *Judo Magazine*. Our offer was made at a time when it was doubtful if *British Judo* would be produced again and because we felt there was a need for better and more interesting communication with the Members, not out of any profit motive as the magazine is designed to non-profit making anyway. (Any months when income exceeds expenditure, we either improve the content or off-set previous or future losses). With a title with a more 'National' image, but retaining 16 pages for 'Midlands' content whilst increasing the size up to 32 pages and the ability to sell more advertising, the magazine could become cost free to the Association in a short time. Unfortunately, the Finance Sub-Committee has decided against the idea, on a cost basis, and I must say that once again I see this as another opportunity lost.

The BJA did, however, give a great deal of space to promoting *Judo Magazine* in the columns of *British Judo* including a free subscription form sent to 30,000-plus Members so they obviously feel a need for a magazine, but obviously not ours. It must be something we said!

These winter months are the 'silly season' for Judo with major Events coming thick and fast. In November we have the Midland Area Men's Championships at Haden Hill on the 24th and on December 1st, just a week later we have the Sandwell Knock-Out for Kyu grades. Inside more details on the *Diary* page of local and National Events.

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## DIARY AND AREA NEWS

### Area Promotion Examinations

#### NOVEMBER

**Sunday 4th:** Boys All Grades, Samauri, 10-00am.  
**Sunday 11th:** Girls All Grades, Wellingborough, 10-00am. Womens Kyu Grades, Wellingborough, 12 noon.  
**Saturday 17th:** Boys All Grades, KKK, 10-00am. Girls All Grades, KKK, 1-00pm. Boys All Grades, St. Thomas, 10-00am. Girls All Grades, St. Thomas, 1-00pm.  
**Sunday 18th:** Mens Kyu Grades, Dudley LC, 10-00am. Mens Kyu Grades, Yarborough, 1-00pm.  
**Sunday 25th:** Girls All Grades, Bushido, Holy Name, 11-00am. Mens Kyu Grades, Aiton, 10-00am. Womens Kyu Grades, Aiton, 12 noon. Boys All Grades, Bingham, 10-00am.

#### DECEMBER

**Sunday 2nd:** Boys All Grades, Austin, 1-30pm. Girls All Grades, Austin, 1-30pm.  
**Sunday 9th:** Boys All Grades, Wellingborough, 10-00am. Mens Kyu Grades, Kettering, 10-00am.  
**Sunday 16th:** Mens Kyu Grades, Austin, 1-30pm. Womens Kyu Grades, Austin, 1-30pm.  
**Saturday 22nd:** Boys Beginners, Leicester, 9-30am. Boys 1st/6th Mon, Leicester, 11-30pm. Boys 7th/10th Mon, Leicester, 1-30pm. Boys 11th Mon and above, Leicester, 3-00pm.

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**Saturday 24th November . . .** Midland Area Closed Men's Championships at Haden Hill. Entry form in October magazine. Categories for Kyu Grades, Under-21 years and Over 35 years, as well as the National Weight Categories. This is a Promotional Points scoring Event.

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**Saturday 3rd November . . .** North of England Senior Championships at Odsal, Bradford. Details from S. Peake, 6 West Garth, Ulleskelf, near Tadcaster, North Yorkshire.

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**Sunday 4th November . . .** Dan Grading for Men and Women at Ryecroft Judo Club, Nottinghamshire.

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**Wednesday 5th/Saturday 8th December . . .** World Judo Championships in Paris, France.

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**Saturday 15th December . . .** Senior National Trials for Men at Crystal Palace, London.

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## SQUADS NEWS & REPORTS

### CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE SQUADS

As mentioned last month the Centre of Excellence Squads for Men and Boys will normally be on the second Sunday of each month, with both Squads combining after this month at 11-00am. The next session is on 11th November, though attendance of Boys will be minimal as they will be at Crystal Palace for the National Championships. All Men medal winners should attend. Everyone else welcome. You must be on time.

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### MEN'S TEAM MANAGER

Bill Davies, the Men's Team Manager for the last six years has been forced to resign because of his personal commitments. During his management the Area Team have seldom been out of the medals and the individual successes have been tremendous. Many thanks to Bill for all his hard work and dedication, and welcome to the new Manager, our old friend Harry Hobbs. At the October session, nearly 30 men turned up for a terrific training session, why don't you make a point of joining in?

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### WOMEN AND GIRLS SQUADS

These are held on the last Sunday of each month. The next session is on 25th November—Girls at 11-00am and Women at 1-00pm. You must be on time. Girls that are late mean that the Squad over-runs into the Women's Session, so make an effort!

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### SUMMER CAMP

As mentioned previously it is hoped to run a Summer Camp for one week next year and the Committee have decided to try out the scheme on one particular age group first. This will be young Men and Women—20 of each—aged 15 to 21 years. The estimated cost is around £30 and chaperones will be accommodated with the girls. It would be helpful to assess interest, if those who would like to attend the camp sent a postcard to Anne Adams the Area Secretary with their name and address on it. More details as they known.

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### PLEASE NOTE

There is still some Sponsorship money outstanding from both the Girls Squad 'Sponsored Slim' and the Boys Squad last Sponsored Contest. Will the Boys please pay their money to Lyn Bowater and the Girls to Roland Lee as soon as possible so that the budgets for the trips to Crystal Palace can be finalized.



## CLOSE UP

### JANET COOK

Fisher Ludlow Judo Club

Police Cadet Janet celebrated her first year in the Police Force by entering and winning the Cadets Section of the National Police Championships in Aberdeen last month, which really continues where her contest career as a Midlands Junior left off.

Janet started her Judo at nine years of age and by the time she was thirteen had won the AJA Midland Area title three times and also their 'National' title. She then joined the BJA and subsequently won the Midland Area Junior title three times and then took a third place in the trials to gain a place in the Young Women's Squad. Since then she has featured in three representative matches, two at Crystal Palace and one in West Germany and is obviously a prospect for future International honours if she continues with her training.

Although Janet has never represented the Area because of her inability to attend Squad Sessions, with an advantageous posting when she qualifies we could hope that she would soon claim a place in the Area Centre of Excellence Women's Squad.



*Russell attacks McCartney  
with Te-guruma.*

## MIDLAND AREA UNDER-18's BOYS CHAMPIONSHIPS

**Haden Hill Leisure Centre  
6th October 1979**

I was recently talking with a Club Coach who said that he was really excited at the level of ability demonstrated by the youngsters in the Area Championships and had not realized how good the Squad Boys were. His story was based on his entry of his best club player who with a number of wins in minor Events behind him came to the Event expecting to be in with a chance of making progress into the later rounds. Unfortunately he was eliminated very quickly with two Ippons in his first round pool and went home determined to work harder to achieve similar standards.

The odd thing about this story is that some couple of days later, another Coach said the same things almost word for word which bears out my own thoughts that this Event probably showed the best Junior Judo I have seen in any Area Championships for many years. Not only was the level of skill high but so was the standard of behaviour and sportsmanship on behalf of the spectators and the competitors and with the organization and administration from all the officials at a high standard it was a most entertaining Event.

From the point of view of the officials, the Boy's Championships are the hardest to officiate at and



*D.Ward of Wolverhampton  
scoring with Tomoe-nage.*

require a high degree of non-stop concentration all day and it is seldom that they find such a competition entertaining. Most of them enjoyed this one immensely, so it must have been good.

Entries this year were a little down at around 300 and most of the reduction was in the weight categories from 55 kilos upwards. If this was because these were the Events in which 16-18 years competitors might enter or because armlocks and strangles were allowed I don't know, though a couple of clubs said their boys did not want to fight against 18 year old Seniors!

I am not sure what is best concerning age limits though I would certainly approve the inclusion of armlocks and strangles for future Events. Perhaps you have an opinion you would like to express.

The contest was fought in the usual ten weight categories with very large numbers of entries in the three lightest weights and seeding confined to last years medallists and club separation in the first round only. That the Event went so well



*Unsuccessful 'bridge' attempt  
to escape from hold-down.*

suggests this is the best method to apply despite the National instructions to the contrary.

Seeding in itself was difficult because medallists had often changed weight and in one Event we had more medallists than there were pools but the end results justified the listings.

Good performances in the over 70 kilo category from Watton of Solihull who took the gold medal beating Hobday of Fisher Ludlow in the final and winning all of his contests quite convincingly whilst Roger Blake nearly surrendered his hopes of a National place by going missing when he was due on the mat and forfeiting his first round contest but recovering to share the bronze place with Stanway of the Jukuren. Russell Bradley justified his seeding in winning Event 9 from Davies of Wolverhampton whilst Leitch of Corby and Dufficy of Hardy Spicer were beaten into bronze medal positions. Interestingly five contests in this category were won with strangles, Bradley accounting for three of them.

A similar situation in the 60-65 kilos class where Kerrith Brown and Tommy Brindle not unexpectedly met in the final after scoring a variety of Ippons from throws holds, armlocks and strangles on their way through the pools and knock-out. Paul McCartney of New City was the only one to slow Kerrith up by losing by just a Koka and just missing a medal place by being thrown by Russell in the bronze medal fight in the repechage. Walker of Derby took the other bronze whilst Tommy carelessly turned his back to Brown and paid for it with a Wazari from Taniotoshi, and so lost the final.

Probably the most improved player from last year was John Swatman and he stormed through to the gold medal in Event 7 with great skill and considerably enhanced throwing techniques, as he showed on Adrian Law in the final with a perfect Tai-toshi. Bowater and Purcel took the other medal places which has produced our best 12 players over 55 kilos for a few years. I am sure



they will bring back a couple of National titles in November.

Adrian Law whilst being a fine prospect and an extremely determined fighter was, I thought, rather fortunate to get through the semi-final without being penalized for repeated dropping to his knees in a move that could not be determined an attack as Bowater never needed to avoid it yet it completely negated Mark's ability to attack. National and EUJ referees are bound to penalize this action at Crystal Palace.

In the lighter categories some accomplished performances from Dave Riley and Steve Merrill in the 50-55 kilos class with Riley scoring a Yuko for the gold and from Batchelor (KKK) in beating Galatowicz (Coventry) by a Koka for the title in Event 5. A slight upset in the seeding here with Armstrong of Quorn going out to yet another Wolverhampton 'find' in McDonald who won the repechage. J. Ward, Wolverhampton beat M. Bywater (Derby) in the 40-45 kilos class after Ward first had to eliminate his brother and a good medal position to newcomer Braithwaite of Tubes who got a place in the Nationals in his first Area Event. C. Bowater took the other bronze. Two medal places to Derby in Event 3 with Martin getting the silver after losing by a Yuko to Keen of Churchill in the final and Stone sharing the bronze place with Millar of Wolverhampton. Quite a few new faces in this category and some

useful looking future prospects should emerge.

Event 2 saw M. Chamberlain of Wolverhampton win every one of his eight fights to take the gold medal from Fearn of Derby who scored three Ippons and then had three wins with one point decisions to make the final with Betts of Dudley LC and Grundy of KKK getting the third and fourth places.

In the Under 30 kilo category D. Binner showed skill beyond his size and years in getting to the final of a very large entry with a nice variety of wins from throws and holds to meet the other Chamberlain brother in a final which he won convincingly with a Haraigoshi for Wazari. Kevin Hewitt also did well to take a bronze medal place and yet another Wolverhampton lad, Bates, won the other after Bailey had withdrawn from the repechage.

Congratulations to every one of the medallists, I am sure they will all do well in the Nationals and congratulations also to Club Coaches and Area Squad Coach Bruce Newcombe for setting such good standards.

Russell Bradley will be over age for the National Championships so his place has been awarded to fifth place player D. Shaw of Quorn.

Many thanks to everyone who helped to make the Event run so smoothly.

Under 35 kilo medallists.



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Closing date for entries: 26th November 1979 — Late entries will not be accepted.

Entry fee: £2.00 per Event — Non-returnable. Entrants without BJA Membership will be fined £2.00.

Booking-in: Men 9-00am, Women 2-00pm. All other details as per the Tournament Handbook for a Four-Star Event.

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#### Event 4 — Women, Novice to 7th Kyu

#### Event 2 — Men, 6th Kyu to 4th Kyu

#### Event 5 — Women, 6th to 4th Kyu

#### Event 3 — Men, 3rd to 1st Kyu

#### Event 6 — Women, 3rd to 1st Kyu

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## DERBYSHIRE OPEN JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

**Before Janet Allsopp's report on the Championships, because of the number of complaints made to the Area about this Event, just a few words to explain matters.**

Although the Tournament Licencing Scheme is now mandatory and Organizers of BJA Competitions *must* now meet certain basic requirements before the Event can be staged, the Derby Event was planned long before this and did not therefore have a Tournament Licence and was not under Area control. For those criticisms levelled at Area Officials who were at the Event there was no justification as they had no authority to interfere in what was a privately staged Tournament. Help, when asked for, was freely given.

Of course, with 530 entries and only four mats, there was absolutely no possibility of finishing the contest in one day and still fight on a Pool and Knock-Out basis, despite the valiant efforts of Mrs Moss and company in keeping things going, and in this context the Derbyshire JC Association were ill advised. A new hostile attitude from the management of Derby Sports Centre did not help matters and this has certainly changed radically since the Area used to stage the Junior Championships there. Financially, the Sports Centre must have done very well, yet there seemed to be the minimum of co-operation and at times downright rudeness from people in authority.

A great number of problems, in fact most of them, were caused by the use of duplicated knock-out sheets which only went to 16 places instead of the normal 32-place BJA sheet and this gave a completely false transfer from Pools to Knock-Out which was not discovered until two categories were already fighting. As a consequence second round fights had compositions that should never have occurred and at the time it wasn't evident why this had happened. One other point to bear in mind is that Events advertised in the Magazine, especially Junior Events, are almost certain to get a large entry because of the extensive circulation so Organizers should make certain of their limitations beforehand.

Another point is that the Derbyshire Clubs did make a determined effort and everyone worked very hard against all the odds and if a few of the critics had helped rather than hindered, things could have been different.

FRANK SMITH

**Report from Janet Allsopp, Secretary, Derbyshire Judo Clubs Organization.**

Derby Open Event for Junior Boys and Girls held at Derby Sports Centre, on Sunday 23rd September 1979. Although an unusually high entry for this event was received, causing headaches for the Organizers, it didn't deter the standard of Judo which spectators expect at this event.

Some 530 competitors took part, battling their way through pools and knock-outs to reach the Finals (which took place some 12 hours after the first fight) and therefore all medal winners should be congratulated.

The Organizers wish to offer their apologies to those competitors who reached the Finals and did not actually fight. Due to the 'bombastic' attitude of the Derby Sports Centre Manager the Finals were stopped at 10-25pm, with just six fights to complete the Championships. Gold medals are to be awarded to finalists who did not fight off their finals.

The day provided at least one moment of comedy when Joe Eley disqualified a dog for PASSivity on the judo mat.

MARTIN ALLSOPP

**Gold Medal Winners** . . . N. Burby, S. Stokes, K. Helsby, H. Taylor, G. Dickson, H. McGaskin, M. Curran, S. Rendle, J. Cox, D. Jackson, R. Welch, D. Bell, D. Riley, C. Dufficy, A. Trigg, M. Russell, A. Law, A. Clarke, M. McGaskill, S. Fletcher, T. Walker, K. Brown, D. Fletcher, S. Fry.

**Silver Medal Winners** . . . P. Turner, P. Thornhill, D. Arkill, T. Potts, C. Finney, T. Purcell, P. Welch, D. Paton, M. Bywater, M. Jinks, R. Blood, L. Stuart, S. Bland, K. Hewitt.

**Bronze Medal Winners** . . . K. Roberts, G. Figeon, J. Austin, C. George, R. Finney, W. Ward-Smith, C. Ulph, J. Kelly, I. Carter, N. Chamberlain, D. Dawson, C. Illingworth, J. Lowe, P. Miller, T. Harris, K. Jackson, W. Tillotson, T. Wilson, K. Wilcox, P. Batchcock, G. Arnold, A. Lees, L. Duke, D. Kyte, S. Percival, M. Sutcliffe, M. Haywood, C. Davey, K. Paton, J. Dyke, V. Kinks, R. Dufficy, B. Loft, F. Bradley, R. Bradley, D. Young, D. White.



*Derby Open . . . Action*



*Andrea Trigg confidently holds with one arm in the 'Derby Open'.*



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# JOHN BEARD TALKING SHOP

Many people, including me, have expressed their views on the IJF Rules, which you may recall have this year, been subjected to some amendments, and *Midlands Judo* brings you this month an exclusive preview of some proposed additions to the rules.

Please bear in mind that these are only proposals and it is not known whether the International Judo Federation will approve them, however, any person wishing to comment on the following proposals should address their correspondence to: Owdi Eldu-Ino, 4A Gudlaaf, Oodyafink-yaykyddn, Holland.

1—In any one contest, the maximum time permitted for discussion by Referees on any subject whatsoever, including that contest, shall not exceed five minutes.

A separate timing device shall be made available and a record kept of the time spent by Referees in such discussions by the Timekeeper.

When four of the five minutes permitted have elapsed, the Timekeeper shall inform the Referees that only one minute of discussion time remains, and after five full minutes the Timekeeper shall indicate by means of an audible or other appropriate signal, the end of the permitted time. The Corner Judges, following the signal shall immediately resume their positions, and the Referee shall continue the proceedings (as he will look silly standing there talking to himself).

2—Should any Referee fall asleep during a contest, or fail to notice the audible signal indicating the end of a contest, the Timekeeper shall approach the referee with the audible warning device and hold it at a distance not exceeding 15cm but not less than 8cm from one of the Referee's ears and operate the device for such a period as is deemed necessary to attract the attention of the Referee.

Although, not obligatory, it is recommended that a damp cloth and bucket should be situated in a position convenient to the contest area as a precautionary measure.

3—Should any person, for any reason, direct a physical attack at a Referee or Corner Judge, the attack shall be considered valid only if . . .

(a)—It takes place out of the competition area, but sufficiently close to the area so as to attract more interest than any other contest in progress at the same time.

(b)—It takes place in the bar in such a manner as to cause no other patron to spill his drink.

(c)—The attack is made by the victim's wife, girlfriend, or other female known to have just cause.

4—After Hantei has been called, should a Corner Judge raise a flag, the colour of which is different from that adjudged by a team manager, coach, instructor, mother or any other person with whom an offended player has a biased relationship, no such person mentioned in this article shall be permitted to re-position the flag in any other part of the Corner Judge's anatomy until he has left the Competition Area.

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There is no truth in the rumour the Kerrith Brown bribed Frank Smith to allow his dad to Referee at the British Men's Closed Championships in September.

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At a recent meeting of the Competition Sub-Committee held in the home of Dr Phyllis Elliott, it was necessary for the Chairman to make reference to a dictionary from Phyllis' bookshelf.

Having been congratulated on solving the slight problem in question the Chairman, who shall be nameless boasted: "I've simply used my brains." "OK Mr Regan," said Phyllis, "put your brains back on the shelf and let's get on with the meeting."

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During the British Closed Championships at Haden Hill, the Midlands Area Marketing Division displayed its wares and I am pleased to say that a goodly number of people parted with some of their hard earned cash, which is very good as all the proceeds are ploughed back into the Area. A goodly number of other people parted with no cash whatsoever, because we did not have available the things they wished to buy—among other reasons.

I repeat my previous request to let us know the type of things you would like us to make available, because if we can provide the goods you want, your purchases will benefit your Area, so please drop a line to *Midlands Judo* with sensible suggestions.



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