



# East West Wado Kai



## Summer News

Dear all

There is much to report this month. Sadly I have to inform you, that Sensei Helen Wiggan of DTMA will cease to have a major involvement in the Karate clubs in Barrow, sometime in December. This of course impacts on a number of matters. The Yudansha grading booked for the 28<sup>th</sup> of October, together with the Ikkyu hopefuls from East West Wado Kai. These will need to be rearranged **DUE TO THE CANCELLATION OF THE INTERCLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS**. If you have booked rooms at the Hilltop Hotel Carlisle, please cancel them.

I have endeavoured to find a central point to hold some sort of event but have drawn a blank. Accordingly I intend to hold the Ikkyu grading, for all EWWK and any DTMA students on Saturday the 29<sup>th</sup> of October at St Aidans Community Centre from 8-30.

Please note that a minimum period of 9 months must elapse before attempting Shodan.

I am suggesting that the Nidan Grading for all applicants will be held in Barrow on the agreed date of the 19<sup>th</sup> of November. On the Sunday a Wado Seminar. Hosted by The head of our organisation Sensei Gary Swift Kyoshi. (Sensei Swift has agreed to this)

The Venue will be in Barrow in Furness. However I need to confirm the address of the INFINITY Gym with Sensei Helen.

Helen has given me permission to speak to the parents about setting up a steering committee of adults to assist in the development of the Cumbrian group.

***I have now spoken to Nina and I am awaiting feed back***

## ***The Plan***

- ***If the two clubs are to continue there needs to be at least two nominated people who will attend every session. One to each club.***
- ***We also need the nominated persons to be CRB checked which can be done under British Wado Kai. Care Check.***
- ***In addition to this we will need to have two first aid staff***
- ***One person will be required to take out the Instructors Insurance***
- ***A treasure needs to be appointed***
- ***I am presuming the two clubs will pay for this***

- *Protocols and procedures. Will be those of British Wado Kai*
- *It has been suggested that the minimum age of new students should be set at 10 years of age*
- *I will personally take charge of the Black Belts in instructing them in the way we are to train and Sensei Swift will endorse that on his visits. I am also willing to help out the appointees.*

Both Sensei Swift and I will be visiting Barrow in 2017 to ensure the clubs continuation

Remember DTMA students if you gain Ikkyu next month you are a step away from your Black Belt.

June 2017?

### **In relation to other grade dates**

EWVK has a date of the 20<sup>th</sup> of August in mind for other Kyu grades

Attendance is the key to your success. See below

The top attending students in the junior category were

- Harsirth Bonar
- Rahi Balu
- Ankur Sanwaht
- The top students in the recent grading were
- Denis. Ciria and Pablo
- Given that Ciria was running a temperature She did an amazing job

Licence Books are a constant pain for me No licence or insurance then no training.

### **Other News**

Andrew Dean one of the stalwarts is leaving us and I want to put on record how much I have appreciated his help .Andrew you are welcome back any time.

We have had quite a number of new students in the past few months and I am pleased to welcome you all.

I had an interesting conversation with someone from American Kenpo the other day. Asking, as is usual why I have given up teaching Kenpo Karate. After my response, he suggested that Wado Kai .Had not evolved. I came up with what I thought was a blinding response

**IN WADO KAI WE DO NOT LOOK FOR THE ART TO EVOLVE BUT THE PERSON TO DO SO. Eureka moment!**

Our new supplier of Martial Arts equipment offers very good value for money and parents have been pleasantly surprised at the savings in relation to Karate suits and sparring equipment.

I wish to point out to my junior Black Belts that the journey is only just beginning .So a bit more commitment is needed .It was noticed at the last grading that Etiquette was very lax.

On the premise that. Rahi. Seb Ankur. Ciara Lydia all succeeds in the Ikkyu exam then 2017 could see 5 new black belts in the club. Denis passed his last month with a really good score.

Still to move up the ladder

Thomas to 3<sup>rd</sup> Kyu

Harsirth to 3<sup>rd</sup> Kyu

Matthew. Isla. Ethan. Adam Patrick

I strongly recommending that those wishing to take the grading on the 20<sup>th</sup> of August hold off until September the 10<sup>th</sup>. The reason Summer holidays has really taken a toll on attendance and there is no way you are going be able to walk in the Dojo after missing 6 classes and expect to give a blinding performance.

### **Dojo Hours**

Official

St Aidans Tuesday 5-30 until 6-30 Actual 4-30 until 7pm

Great Park Wednesdays 5-30 until 6-30 Actual 5pm until 6.30

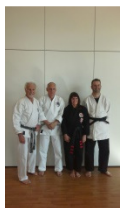
Great Park Seniors Wednesdays Adults 7pm until 8-30

St Aidans 11is until 12 noon. Actual 8-30 until 1pm and beyond!

**PLEASE NOTE LICENCE AND RECORD BOOK MUST BE HANDED IN BEFORE THE GRADING IT IS NOT MY RESPONSIBILITY**



### **Helen Wiggan**



Helen has been my friend for some 6 or 7 years she has always been there for as I hope I have for her. Accordingly I wish to ensure that her legacy carries on I will do my utmost to ensure the continuity of DTMA However I will need the support of the Junior Black Belts and Parents.

### **Japan 2017**

In response to numerous questions, at the moment I do not know what is happening. As soon as I have information I will be in touch.

I wish to confirm once again that I have cancelled the Hotel Booking