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May 2012 News

Free Competition Training Wednesday 6th June

We are holding a free competition training session at Ashington YMCA on Wednesday 6th June 10am-12pm with Sensei Jill Kelly and assistant instructors. This is a good opportunity for anyone wishing to compete for the first time to learn competition rules and etiquette, but also for established competitors to practice their own kata, kumite and team events. It is highly advised that anyone wishing to

Karate on the Beach 2012 Sunday 10th June

This year our popular sponsored Karate on the Beach event will be held on Sunday 10th of June at Blyth Beach. Please add your names to the sheet on the desk on Saturday mornings if you wish to

take part. 3rd Sunderland Championships Sunday 1st July

This local competition is great for junior students wishing to start competing as well as our established competitors. This year all entries will be paid for out of committee funds. Please see any committee member or sensei if you wish to participate or require any further information regarding the competition.

Congratulations Philip!

Both Sensei Trish and myself were at Kendal last weekend to see Philip Campbell achieve his Black belt. He put in a really good all round performance, and for once lost his usual cool and laid back demeanour to show lots of vigour and courage in the all aspects of the grading. The standard of karate at Kendal was good and although the percentage of passes appeared to be 50%, many of these passes were students retaking the exam several times, bringing the average for first time passes down to the usual 25%. We expect Philip to continue to develop his karate along these very positive lines, and enjoy his training as a black belt. Well (Please Note: Students that are done Philip! - Sensei Jill Kelly

Please remember to check with Sharon at the registration desk that we hold an up to date telephone and e-mail address. In exceptional circumstances the class may have to be cancelled at very short notice, so a blanket text and/or email will be issued.

IMPORTANT NEWS: Change of Venue

Due to YMCA closure on 7th July the Our next mock grading will be held on class will now be held at Ashington Leisure Centre on that date. Also note that this date is the same day as the Youth Championships in

Chesterfield.

compete at Sunderland attends this training. Committee Requests

We are looking for a volunteer to run our club's Facebook page. The volunteer must be a senior grade and be able to update the news as it arrives. Also, please can students return old club jackets that no longer fit them? Please note that Sensei Jill Kelly runs a class at Mowbray First School on a Thursday 6:00-7:15. This is an excellent class

for new starters



Philip Campbell pictured with Sensei Frank Brennan, 7th Dan and Sensei Andy Sherry, 8th Dan

Well done to all Students who achieved 100% attendance on Saturday mornings and Thursday evenings in May. not at Ashington YMCA due to

karate competitions/training events elsewhere are classed as in attendance)

For more information about the club news, events and photos please visit the club website at ashingtonshotokankarate.co.uk

Mock Grading Saturday 30th June

Saturday 30th June. Please make sure that you arrive at the YMCA early to sign in and that your licence is in date.

Forthcoming Karate Events

Tuesday 12th June 2012 **Training with Sensei Frank Brennan** Sendai Newcastle - Eldon Square Newcastle upon Tyne Training Time - 6.30pm - 8.00pm (All Grades)

Sunday 1st July 2012 3rd Sunderland Karate Championships City Space Sports Centre, Sunderland

Saturday 7th July 2012 **KUGB National Youth Championships** Queen's Park Sports Centre, Chesterfield

6th-10th August 2012 Lancaster Summer Camp, Lancaster Universitv

Car Wash Saturday 26th May

Thank you to everyone who helped with the car wash on Saturday 26th May, we raised £121. This will help towards entry fees for the Sunderland Competition.

Sensei Jill and Sensei Trish will be awarding a cup to the student that they believe has a good attitude to training with good overall attendance each month.

Can you please return it at the end of the month so it can be awarded to another student next month?

The student to receive this award for May is:

Francis Diosolan

STUDENT PROFILE MAY DANIEL LUMB

May 2012 Student Profile – Daniel Lumb

How old are you? 17 How old were you when you started karate? 7 What is your current grade? 2nd Dan Black Belt How long have you trained at Ashington Karate Club? 4 Years What inspired you to start karate? I saw an advert, so I thought I would come along and have a go. How many hours per week do you train both in and out of the dojo? 4-5 What is your order of preference - Kihon/Kata/Kumite? Kumite, Kata, Kihon What is your favourite Kumite technique? Kura Tsuki (over the top punch) What is your favourite Kata? Gojushiho Sho Who is your favourite competitor - past or present? Sensei Randy Williams Do you have a goal in karate? To achieve as much as I possibly can. What are your best competition results? 2nd Children's Team Kata, National Championships 1st Children's Team Kata, Northern Regions 2nd Boys Kata, Shotokan Cup 3rd 14-15 Kumite, Grand Slam What is your best karate moment? Achieving my black belt. What is your favourite food? Pizza What is your favourite film/who is your favourite film star and why? Green Street, because I love fighting, and Bruce Lee, because he's awesome. What is your favourite TV program? Family Guy What is your musical influence? Blink-182 What is your favourite holiday destination? Crow's Nest, Filey What is your ambition in life? **Record Producer** Who inspires you? My parents, family and friends.

