

AGM 2020

Iaido Grading officer report for 2019/20

Since the last report at the 2019 AGM, the BKA have only been able to run two seminars:

Unfortunately due to the recent lockdown restrictions the BKA have had to cancel all planned 2020 seminars and gradings to date.

The two events that did run were the 2019 Summer and Northern seminars.

The grading results for those events were as follows:

Seminar 2019	Ikkyu		Shodan		Nidan		Sandan		Yondan		Godan		Total grading	Pass	%			
	P	F	P	F	P	F	P	F	P	F	P	F						
Pass/Fail																62		
Summer	9	0	0	0	4	1	3	5	1	2	4	5	34	21				
Newcastle	11	0	9	0	2	0	2	2	2	0	n/a		28	26		93		
													Total	62	47		76	

I would like to say a very special thanks to all of those members who have assisted me in ensuring the smooth running of the grading process over these last 2 events, as without your help the gradings would be almost impossible.

Obviously this recent situation will of course be understandably frustrating for those of you who had not only planned, but prepared to grade this year. However, sadly it is out of our control, and something we all have to bear with.

Finally I would like to make a special mention to one of our very long-standing members who gained his Rokudan, at the 2019 European Iaido Championships held in Athens. A big congratulations goes to Brian Tott, whose dedication and hard work are an inspiration to us all. Well done Brian.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all the very best during these difficult times and that you and your families stay safe till the time comes when we can finally attend seminars together.

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