

## **Kendo BuEC Officer reports for the AGM (postponed due to the Covid19 emergency)**

### **BKA Kendo Bucho Report (AGM July 2020: Postponed)**

**Gary O'Donnell**

#### **KENDO BUCHO (AGM) 2019/20 REPORT**

As my third year as Bucho ends I reflect on the year's activity so far and look forward to the challenges ahead.

Covid 19 has meant that no seminars have happened since Late February and all the BKA events planned for this year so far have had to be cancelled or postponed.

Cancelled so far: The Northern Seminar (Glasgow), The Western Seminar (Bristol), The Masters' (Birmingham) and the Midlands seminar (Stoke), the International seminar (Although the Guildford venue **MAY** still be available to us for an alternative use)

Under threat (Unlikely to go ahead): An alternative event in Guildford in early August.

Still Possible but under review: The Southern grading (Mumeishi), The British Open and Premier Cup.

The International seminar has been postponed until 2021 and we have secured the support of the EKF to include a grading to Nanadan as well as our own internal Godan grading at this event.

The Bu supported several events at the start of the year. Kan Geiko in Cardiff was once again very successful.

The University Taikai was a huge event again (The largest Taikai so far) with some great fights and a large group of experienced referees and support personnel present. (Thanks to James Ogle and his dedicated team). Further evidence (If any was needed) of the drive within universities to participate in kendo and engage with the BKA.

Taishiro sensei visited once again and attended several venues around the country to give excellent instruction and advice. If you weren't able to attend any of these, you missed a treat.

Several seniors were sponsored to attend the International referee training seminar in Brussels in February and two GB referees were selected to referee at the EKC in Norway.

Sadly, Squad training has had to be suspended and the EKC in Norway was cancelled this year. This is a real blow for European kendo and for the Norwegian federation who worked very hard for several years to secure this event and assure it's success.

The Kendo Bu has a healthy bank balance to end the year. The cost of participation in international events continues to rise particularly travel costs. Although the entry fees for the EKC can be reclaimed this year and there have been no travel costs claimed so far.

The Bu will continue to work on your behalf to get our association back to normal as soon as it is safe to do so.

**Gary O'Donnell (Kendo Bucho)**

## **BKA Kendo Grading Officer Report 2019/20 (AGM July 2020: Postponed)**

### **Young Park**

During this year we had six gradings planned as follows

Glasgow in March

Watchett in May

Stoke in July

Guildford in August

Kodokan (Juniors only) and Mumeishi in October.

They were all well attended with Mumeishi having a high attendance of 115 candidates.

In 2020 Owing to the Covid 19 virus we have had to cancel Glasgow, Bristol, Stoke and the Summer Seminar grading at Guildford.

We are waiting for the easing of Government restrictions on social distancing to be eased before re-starting the grading program.

**Young Park (Kendo grading officer)**

## **BKA Kendo Events Officer Report 2019/20(AGM July 2020: Postponed)**

Ben Emberley

BKA Kendo Events Officer's Report:

As I was appointed the BKA's Kendo Events Officer in November 2019, I can only comment on the current events that have been planned. One of the major events that has been planned is the BKA's major International Taikai, "The Masters". Due to problems obtaining a venue, this event has had to be postponed in order to find a venue which could be suitable for the event. Venue has been suggested in the Midlands or near to London, in order to be close to international Airports, thus permitting easy access from other countries.

Secondly, due to the Covid-19 Crisis which began in January, the BKA has had to cancel all events from approximately February onwards, as the risk of spreading the virus due to close proximity is too great to take. During the Army Taikai, one BKA member was revealed to have the Virus, and the close proximity they had to the other competitors posed a great threat to their health. The Spring Seminar, the Summer International Seminar, The Western Seminar, The Northern Seminar, the Honda Sensei Seminar, the 11th Charity Championships, amid others, all have been cancelled, and until we can get notification from the UK Government on when it would be safe to commune in normal environment, thus allowing our regular activities to resume, we cannot hold any serious kendo events which may put the health of our Members at risk.

Regards,

BKA Kendo Events Administration.

## **BKA Kendo Bu Financial Report 2019/20 (AGM July 2020: Postponed)**

## **Kendo Bu Budget Summary 2021**

	<b>2021 Budget</b>	Notes & Assumptions		
<b>Admin</b>				
<b>Bu Administration</b>	-500.00			
<b>Events</b>				
Glasgow Seminar	500.00	Assume back to normal but with backlog of attendees		
Watchet Seminar	500.00	Assume back to normal		
Stoke Seminar	500.00	Assume back to normal		
Mumeishi Grading	1,000.00	Assume back to normal		
Premier taikai (inc AGM)	-500.00	Assume back to normal		
British Open & Bowden Taikai	-500.00	Is this happening?		
Masters	-500.00	2020 was trophy cost		
Kyu Gradings	100.00	Reduced as new member number will be low		
Northern Grading	500.00			
University Taikai	-500.00	Reduce subsidy		
Auspices Events	-1500.00	Increased in line with 2019		
<b>Events Total</b>	<b>-400.00</b>			
<b>Initiatives</b>				
Dojo Start-Up	0.00	Never spend against this		
Coaching	-700.00	Increased in line with historical spend		
Referee seminars	0.00	Never spend against this		
First Aid	-500.00	2020 cost contingency against PPE		
Junior Support	-1000.00	Reduced in line with spend		
Ladies Support	-1000.00	Reduced in line with spend		
Bucho Discretionary	-2,000.00	Assume back to normal		
University Support	-500.00	Some reflected in University Taikai		
<b>Initiatives Total</b>	<b>-5,700.00</b>			
<b>International</b>				
Japanese Sensei/Summer Seminar	-3500.00	Assume as 2020 projectons EKF has flight cost		
Brussels Seminar	-2500.00	Increase in line with 2020 spend although early year event ma		
<b>International Total</b>	<b>-6,000.00</b>			
<b>GB Squad</b>				
EKF Taikai	-8,000.00	Reduced as European Venue		
Squad Training	-4000.00	Assume back to normal		
6 Nations	-			
Squad WKC	-			
<b>GB Squad Total</b>	<b>-12,000.00</b>			
<b>Net Total Costs</b>	<b>-24,600.00</b>			
<b>Membership</b>				
Full	16,205.00	2020 assumes all members with existing grade renew in 2nd f		
Student & Concessionary	2,000.00	2021 assumes same numbers as expected 2020		
Junior	320.00			
Membership Income	18,525.00			
<b>Net Budget</b>	<b>-6,075.00</b>			
	50% Fees for Entire Year			
	8,012.50			
	1,200.00			
	160.00			
	9,372.50			
	-15,227.50			
	Reduced (15/10/5)			
	9,615.00			
	1,600.00			
	320.00			
	11,535.00			
	-13,065.00			

## Kendo Bu Membership Modelling

Already Paid								
	2020 Already Renewed	Cost	Income	2020 Expected Renewals	Cost Unchanged	Income	Reduced Cost	Income
Full	307	25	7675	334	25	8350	12.5	4175
Conc	101	12.5	1262.5	59	12.5	737.5	6.75	398.25
Junior	46	5	230	18	5	90	2.5	45
			9167.5			9177.5		4618.25
2021 Estimated Numbers								
		2020 Costs		50%		Middle Ground		
		Cost	Income	Cost	Income	Cost	Income	
Full	641	25	16025	12.5	8012.5	15	9615	
Conc	160	12.5	2000	7.5	1200	10	1600	
Junior	64	5	320	2.5	160	5	320	
			18345		9372.5		11535	