



2018 BKA Iaido Nationals

Venue: Steveage Arts and Leisure Centre
Lytton Way Stevenage SG1 1LZ

Saturday 26 May	Sunday 27th May
9:30 Registration 10:00 Judging and Taikai Practice ~13:00 Lunch 14:00-End Team Competition	9:30 Registration 10:00-End Individuals Competition

Format:

Those that went to the Post-AGM event in 2017 will recognise the format for the of the judging and taikai practice that will kick off the weekend on Saturday morning. Groups of six competitors will have a round robin tournament against each other while another group of six judges. The two groups will swap competing and judging duties so each group gets two stints doing each. Each court will have seniors making notes on performances and feeding back on judging. It's a taxing but fun event, and will give many their first judge's-eye view of proceedings!

After lunch comes the team competition. In previous years, the team competition has been an opportunity to get extra floor time, but this year that opportunity will be covered by the morning practice session. Taking into account feedback from last year's AGM we will be asking dojo to enter one team each for the taikai. We will be operating an honesty system for this, so if your dojo only has one listing but has distinct separate groups that operate at different locations, you can enter teams for each location. Likewise, if you have three separate dojo listings but it's really the same group training at each, we would ask that you only enter one team. You know your dojo structure better than the organisers!

The individual competition will run on Sunday. Timings will be revealed in the week leading up to the competition. Given that we have a full day for the individuals competition, there will be lots more fights during the pool stages, giving all lots of opportunities to show their best form and spirit for the judges!

Cost: Weekend £45, single day entry £25. Costs include practice, team taikai and individual taikai entry. Available to book online now!