



**British Kendo association**

**2020 National Iaido and Jodo Championships**

**4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> April**

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Dear Members

You are warmly invited to the BKA Iaido and Jodo National Championships 2020.

The Saturday will consist of the Iaido Individuals followed by the Iaido Team Event.

The Sunday will consist of the Jodo Individuals, the Jodo 2-person Team Event and the 3-person Asahi Taikai.

Saturday – Iaido Taikai

9:00 Registration for a 09:30 start

The morning will start with the individual event with pool and knockout stages from Mudan to Rokudan. The final event will be the team taikai with 3 players per team and a maximum of 10 dans total per team (mudan/ikkyu counting as one dan). As per previous years each dojo may put forward as many teams as they wish.

## Sunday – Jodo Taikai

9:00 Registration for a 09:30 start

The morning will start with the individual event with pool and knockout stages from Mudan to Godan. This will be followed by the 2-person team event with a maximum of 7 dans total per team. The event will finish with the Asahi 3-man Taikai event:

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The Asahi (morning sun) Taikai is a Jodo event aimed at levelling the playing field for newer and emerging dojo. The event is a 3-person team event with shitei waza set at the first 6 seiteigata.

The total maximum number of dans is 5 per team thus presenting a more equal competition across all of the BKA's Jodo dojo. We hope that his event will give dojos the chance to especially put forward their newer students who have not yet had the experience of taikai.

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On both days registration will start at 9.00 am with the taikai commencing as close to 09:30 am as possible. Lunch will not be scheduled, so please bring a packed lunch and eat when you can.

### **Booking on the Event**

Both days will be bookable via the online system shortly, there will also be an application form to fill in and send to register individual competitors and teams, please have all entries completed by 28<sup>th</sup> March 2020.

### **Don't have a team?**

Please still feel free to come along, we are sure there will also be odd numbers from other dojo who could not field full teams, where possible we will try to accommodate mixtures of single players (following the usual 10 dan limit) on the day.

As a closing note if you have any newer members, or members who have not considered taking part in shiai before, please encourage them to come along the nationals is a great place to get some watching practice, test yourself and most importantly, catch up with old friends or meet new ones.