



## **West Midlands 2023 Iaido & Jodo Seminar and Grading**

We would like to invite you to the West Midlands BKA Iaido and Jodo seminar of 2023. This event will be held at **Woodrush Community Sports Hub** on the **20th & 21st of May**. A grading will be held on May 21st and will be up to 4th Dan in Iaido and 3rd Dan in Jodo.

**Phil Henderson, Iaido Bucho.**

**Al Colebourn, Jodo Bucho.**

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### **The Iaido Seminar will be led by**

Fay Goodman, Kyoshi 7<sup>th</sup> Dan

#### **Assisted by**

Alan Lee-Nash, Renshi 6<sup>th</sup> Dan

Martin Clark, Renshi 6<sup>th</sup> Dan

Anna Stone, Renshi 6<sup>th</sup> Dan

Stuart Shirreff, Renshi 6<sup>th</sup> Dan

Xandy Sahla, 6<sup>th</sup> Dan

### **The Jodo Seminar will be led by**

Stojanka Vidinic Renshi 6<sup>th</sup> Dan

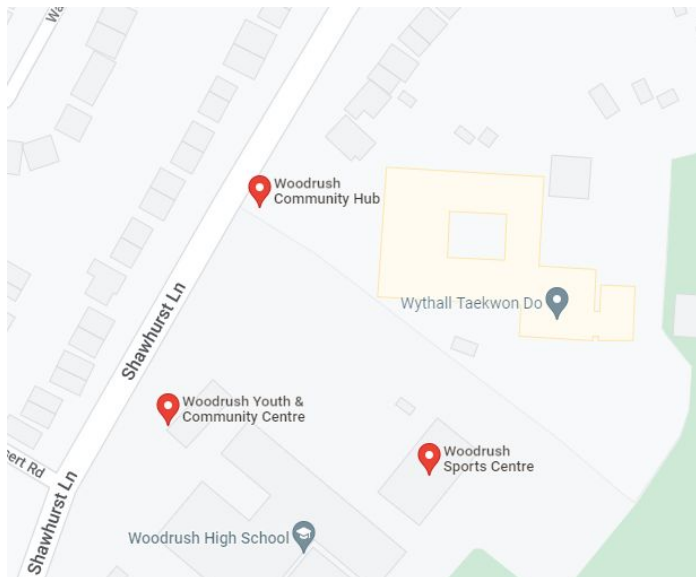
Elena West 6<sup>th</sup> Dan

**Please make sure that you book the correct event and grading!**



## VENUE

[Woodrush Community Hub : Shawhurst Lane,  
Wythall Worcestershire B47 5JW](#)



### Access

**Access by car:** Good access from the M42 J3

**Parking:** Free parking onsite

**Access by public transport:**  
Wythall Station (25mins walk)

**Buses:** A4 runs to stops Woodrush School and Falstaff Avenue

Rail information can be obtained from the following website: [www.nationalrail.co.uk](http://www.nationalrail.co.uk)

## SCHEDULE

### IAIDO

#### SPORTS HALL

##### Saturday

**09:30** Hall Open – Registration begins

**10:00** Seminar starts

**13:00 - 14:00** Lunch

**14:00 - 17:00** Day 1 concludes

##### Sunday

**09:30** Hall opens - Seminar restarts

**13:00** Seminar Ends

**13:00 - 14:00** Lunch

**13:30** Grading Registration

**14:15** Grading commences – Iaido to follow  
Jodo

**16:00** Event closes

### JODO

#### GYMNASIUM

##### Saturday

**09:30** Hall Open – Registration begins

**10:00** Seminar starts

**13:00 - 14:00** Lunch

**14:00 - 17:00** Day 1 concludes

##### Sunday

**09:30** Hall opens – Registration begins

**10:00** Seminar restarts

**13:00** Seminar Ends

**13:00 to 14:00** Lunch

**13:30** Grading Registration

**14:15** Jodo grading starts (followed by the Iaido  
grading)

**16:00** Event closes

## PRICES

A discount is offered for early birds until 23:59 on the 6th May

<b>IAIDO</b>	<b>Early booking</b>	<b>Late booking</b>
<b>Full members</b>		
Full member 2 days	£60	£70
Full member 1 day	£30	£35
<b>Concessionary Members</b>		
Concessionary Member 2 days	£40	£50
Concessionary Member 1 day	£20	£25

<b>JODO</b>	<b>Early booking</b>	<b>Late booking</b>
<b>Full Members</b>		
Full member 2 days	£70	£80
Full member 1 day	£35	£40
<b>Concessionary Members</b>		
Concessionary Member 2 days	£40	£50
Concessionary Member 1 day	£20	£25

## ACCOMMODATION

**We suggest:**

[Travelodge Birmingham Maypole](#)

[Village Hotel Solihull](#)

[Redwings Lodge Solihull](#)

Or find your own room under £80 [here](#):

**We recommend you book a flexible rate room that provides refunds in case of cancellation.**

## LUNCHESES

**Please bring your own packed lunches and drinks. There is a Sandwich Bar 0.5 mile away**

## GRADING

### IAIDO

Gradings, up to **4th** dan will be held on the Sunday afternoon from 2pm (following the Jodo grading). Grading applications must be completed online and the grading question paper submitted to the Iaido grading officer **no later than 7th May**. Grading Questions should be sent to [iaidograding@britishkendoassociation.com](mailto:iaidograding@britishkendoassociation.com).

### JODO

Gradings, up to **3rd** dan will be held on the Sunday afternoon before the Iaido grading. Grading applications must be completed online and the grading question paper submitted to the Jodo grading officer **no later than 12<sup>th</sup> May**. Grading Questions should be sent to [jodograding@britishkendoassociation.com](mailto:jodograding@britishkendoassociation.com).

The grading questions can be found here: [Iaido](#) [Jodo](#)

**Non-BKA members** are requested to either register online through the seminar booking process and pay beforehand, or inform the Grading Officer of your wish to grade if you have problems booking online. You will also need to provide a letter of permission from your own federation to take part in the grading.

## BOOKING

### BKA Members

**The Iaido seminar will be capped at 60 places due to hall size limitations.**

**The Jodo seminar will be capped at 40 places due to hall size limitations.**

Please book onto this event through the online booking system by going through your [account](#). You will need to add items to your basket and return to the booking screen to add accommodation nights, sayonara party booking etc where relevant. Please make sure that you have booked:

- 1. The correct seminar booking.**
- 2. The correct grading if you are grading.**

If you have any problems with the online booking system, please contact the relevant Events Officer.

If you have a credit from a previous event do not book online. Instead email the Jodo/Iaido Events Officer who will manually add your name to the list.

### Overseas visitors only

Please contact the relevant Bucho at the addresses below.

## CANCELLATION AND REFUND

**If the event is cancelled for reasons beyond our control, all booking fees will be refunded or transferred to another event.**

Cancellations for personal reasons must be received in writing (email) by 20th May for a full refund.

If you do not cancel or do not attend the event, no refunds will be made.

You can transfer your seminar place to another person providing the event relevant Event Officer is notified, and that person completes an application form (this can be done on the day).  
Alternatively, by agreement, your fee can be transferred to the next event of equivalent cost.

## UNDER 18

Any juniors wishing to attend this seminar should contact the Events Officer before registering (email addresses below).

Juniors who are not with their guardians are assumed to be under the care of their Dojo Leader or Appropriate Adult. Please inform the relevant Bucho by email the name of the responsible person.

## CONTACTS

### IAIDO

**Event Officer:** Martin Chambers  
[iaidoevents@britishkendoassociation.com](mailto:iaidoevents@britishkendoassociation.com)

**Grading Officer:** Edward Umeyama  
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**Bucho:** Phil Henderson  
[iaidobucho@britishkendoassociation.com](mailto:iaidobucho@britishkendoassociation.com)

### JODO

**Event Officer:** Andy Watson  
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**Grading Officer:** David Parker  
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