



Northern 2024 Iaido & Jodo Seminar and Grading

We would like to invite you to the Northern BKA Iaido and Jodo seminar of 2024. This event will be held at **Seaham Leisure Centre** on the **16th & 17th of November 2024**. A grading will be held on November 17th and will be up to 4th Dan in Iaido and 3rd Dan in Jodo.

Phil Henderson, Iaido Bucho.

Al Colebourn, Jodo Bucho.

The Iaido Seminar will be led by

Harry Jones Renshi 7th Dan

Assisted by

Martin Clark Renshi 6th Dan
Stuart Shirreff, Renshi 6th Dan
Rob Townson, Renshi 6th Dan
John Burn, Renshi 6th Dan
David Parker 6th Dan

The Jodo Seminar will be led by

Chris Mansfield Kyoshi 7th Dan



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

All payments at the event (i.e. grading menjo) will be by card. No cash please!

COVID-19: ATTENDANCE CONDITIONS & ADVICE

The government has relaxed Covid-19 precautions and so we will not be asking for a negative test result on registration at the seminar. However we **strongly recommend taking one the evening before or the morning of your first day of attending**. Everyone should make their own Health & Safety evaluation and act responsibly.

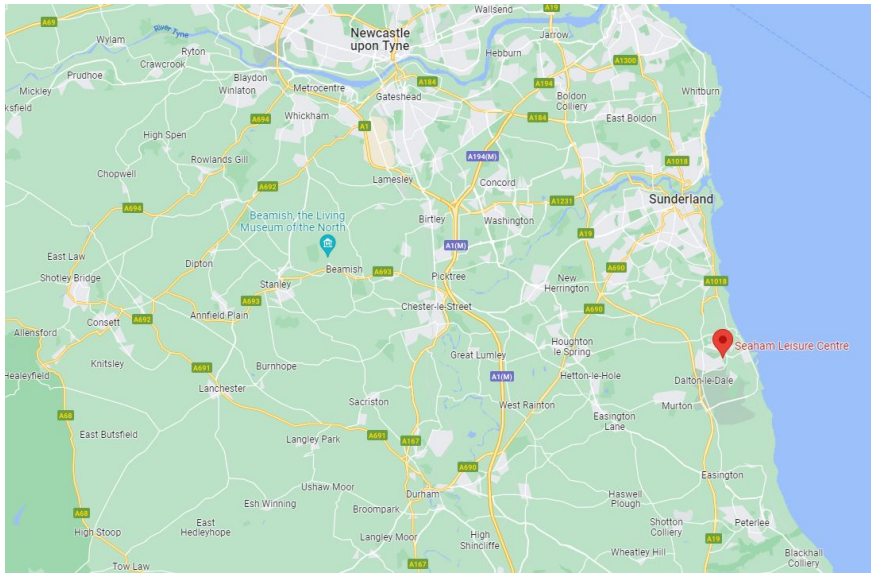
- **do not attend if you have any Covid-like symptoms. Seminar refunds/credits are available in these circumstances.**
- **please be aware of others in indoor, enclosed spaces. Wearing a face covering is not mandatory but is encouraged, especially in areas of higher risk e.g changing facilities, doorways.**

During the seminar try to maintain distancing whenever possible, especially if observing a teacher (e.g. during *shugo*).

While we don't expect there to be any changes to Government guidelines and/or local venue requirements, anything is possible. Should the event be cancelled then the BKA will refund seminar fees or allow a credit against future event. **However the BKA cannot accept responsibility for travel and accommodation costs so members should be aware of the risk in making non-refundable bookings.**

To ensure everyone's safety during the seminar, teachers and organisers may request changes to the established training methods such as training bubbles and use of own weapons only.

[Seaham Leisure Centre, The Recreation Ground, Seaham](#)



Access

Access by car: Access from the A19 onto A1018.

Parking: Free parking onsite

Access by public transport: Seaham Train Station (10 mins walk)

Buses: Drifter 60 service from Sunderland to Seaham Parkside Heathway

Rail information can be obtained from the following website:
www.nationalrail.co.uk

SCHEDULE

IAIDO

SPORTS HALL

Saturday

09:15 Registration begins

10:00 Seminar starts

13:00 - 14:00 Lunch

14:00 - 16:30 Day 1 concludes

Sunday

09:30 Training restarts

13:00 Seminar Ends

13:00 - 14:00 Lunch

13:30 Grading Registration

14:00 Grading commences – Iaido to follow Jodo

16:00 Event closes

JODO

STUDIO

Saturday

09:15 Registration begins

10:00 Seminar starts

13:00 - 14:00 Lunch

14:00 - 16:30 Day 1 concludes

Sunday

09:30 Training restarts

13:00 Seminar Ends

13:00 to 14:00 Lunch

13:30 Grading Registration

14:00 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 1st of November.

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

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

ACCOMMODATION

We suggest:

Seaham is a coastal town, local accommodation tend to be small or rooms in Inns and pubs.

[No. 16](#) [Seaton Lane Inn](#) [OYO Village Inn](#)

Larger hotels are closer to Sunderland and Durham

[Premier Inn](#) [Travelodge](#) [Premier Inn](#) [Highfield Hotel](#)

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

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

LUNCHES

There are supermarkets (Asda, Morrisons) etc 5 minutes drive from the venue.

There is a coffee stall in the Leisure Centre but please bring your own packed lunches and drinks.

GRADING

IAIDO

Gradings up to 4th dan will be held on the Sunday afternoon from 2pm (following the Jodo grading). Grading applications should be made online. The grading question paper must be submitted to the Iaido grading officer **no later than 2nd of November**. Grading Questions should be sent to: iaidograding@britishkendoassociation.com.

JODO

Gradings up to 3rd dan will be held on the Sunday afternoon before the Iaido grading. Grading applications should be made online. The grading question paper must be submitted to the Jodo grading officer **no later than 2nd of November**. Grading Questions should be sent to: 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

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 the 4th of November 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: Sam Gerlach

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Grading Officer: David Parker

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Bucho: Phil Henderson

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JODO

Event Officer: Mark Thurman

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Grading Officer: Aleksandrina Mihaylova

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Bucho: Al Colebourn

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