



Iaido Intensive Training Session – Edinburgh

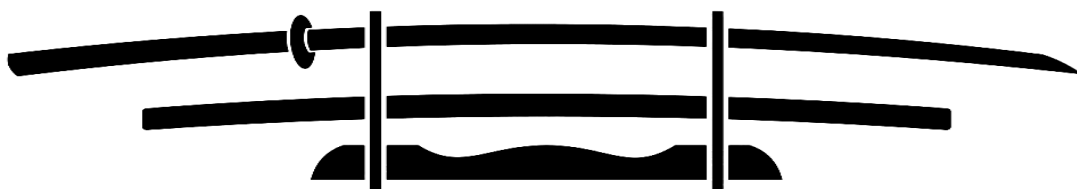
We would like to invite you to the January 2026 Intensive Training Session for the Scotland/North region. This event will be held at the **Queen Margaret University, Queen Margaret University Way, Musselburgh, EH21 6UU**

on **Saturday 17th January 2026.**

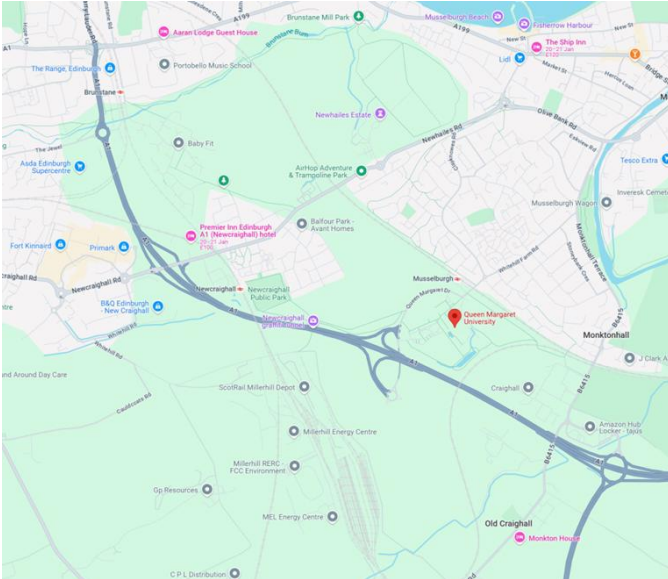
Andy Watson, Iaido Bucho.

**The IT Session will be led by the
following Regional Squad Trainers**

HUGH DARBY, Renshi 6th dan
ROBERT TOWNSON, Renshi 6th dan



<https://maps.app.goo.gl/BsSc1SVakM3AnUgAA>
Queen Margaret Dr, Musselburgh EH21 6UU



Travel Information

Location: The QMU Sports Centre is adjacent to the car park at the main university campus.

Access by car: Access by car is via the A1 only.

Parking: Free parking onsite.

Access by public transport: Nearest train station is Musselburgh, a 5 minute walk from the sports hall.

Buses: Buses 4, 30 and 106 stop right beside the hall.

SCHEDULE

Please note that registration will be at 09:00 sharp, with training beginning immediately after that so we can make the most of the day. The Sports Centre will only open 10-15 minutes before 09:00, so please arrive promptly and get ready as quickly as possible once the centre opens.

Saturday

08:45-08:50	Centre opens
09:00	Registration then session starts
12:00-12:30	Lunch
12:30	Session continues
16:00	Event closes

PRICES

The event is fixed price at £20 for all members

ACCOMMODATION

Nearest Premier Inn:

[Premier Inn, Newcraighall](#)

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

LUNCHES

IMPORTANT: There will not be any time for participants to go out and get a lunch during the session (lunchtime is limited to 30 mins only). It is therefore VITAL that you bring a packed lunch with you as well as any drinks you require.

Only very limited facilities (vending machines) are likely to be available onsite.

BOOKING

BKA Members

The seminar will be capped at 25 places due to hall size limitations.

Please book onto this event through the online booking system by going through your [account](#).

Please make sure that you have booked:

Iaido Intensive Training Session (Edinburgh)

17-01-2026

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

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

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 15th of January for a full refund.

If you do not cancel, no refunds will be made.

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.

NOTES ON THIS EVENT

Videoed embu

Towards the end of the training session, participants will be asked to make a demonstration of 5 kata and reiho. Our plan is to record these embu in order to use them for player selection in the National Squad. Should you **not** wish to participate in this, please inform the Squad Trainers present at the event during the lunch break.

Senior grade participation

Senior grades (i.e. 6th and 7th dan) are welcome to come and participate in these IT sessions. It should be emphasised though that the leading, teaching and coaching at these events will be delivered solely by the named Regional Squad Trainers.

CONTACTS

IAIDO

Bucho: Andy Watson

iaidobucho@britishkendoassociation.com

Events Officer: Al Colebourn

iaidoevents@britishkendoassociation.com

Grading Officer: David Parker

iaidograding@britishkendoassociation.com