



Newsletter

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"She believed she could, so she did"

Greetings, Kazokudai Karate family!

Welcome to the November Edition of the Kazokudai Karate Newsletter..

As the crisp November air rolls in, we're excited to bring you the latest updates, events, and tips to keep your karate journey strong and focused. In this months edition of the Kazokudai Karate News letter, we will be catching up on the Dojo's achievements and what we can look forward to before the end of there year.

WORLD CHAMPION!!!

Sensei Bianca and Senpai Cyra are now back from their travels to Japan where they both competed in the Gitchin Funakoshi World Cup.

And we would like to thank everyone for all your support.

We were showered with loads cards and messages of good luck and well wishes, we even had some of you who woke up early in the morning to watch the matches live on the YouTube live stream.

(If you missed it - please follow the link to catch up:

Senpai Cyra Kata:

https://www.youtube.com/live/Rny9c_os54Y?si=5RLiRSXYj6gijVcS

Senpai Cyra Kumite:

https://www.youtube.com/live/hyOt0o-0jX4?si=eZLZrl_73bsT7rBv

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Sensei Bianca Kata:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/W-nrJmFSDbE?si=Qab2Ma3xOs6drjkk>

Sensei Bianca Kumite:

https://www.youtube.com/live/EMFfKFocN_w?si=jrvZK19xX-xmlO8c)





We both had an such an amazing experience, visiting Japan - the home of karate was magical.

The World championship was spectacular, watching and experiencing the best the world has to offer in JKA karate.

The experience was made sweeter by Sensei Bianca Winning the Gold for Kumite, which makes her the first person in JKA England history to bring home a individual World medal - never-mind being crowned World Champion.

Sensei came 4th for kata, narrowly missing out on the bronze medal

Hopefully by sharing with you some of the experiences they had that it will inspire you all to train hard aim to compete at that level to.



SENSEI BEARANCA

Sensei Bearanca was a great travel companion - and was making more friends along the way, she was very popular amongst the JKA England squad.

And with her envelope of good fortune, she is going to be a really help dojo mascot. Thank you again to everyone who were involved with the fundraising for our amazing trip - this was really a dream come true!



RAFFEL PRIZE!!

There is still time to get a chance to win our Tokyo hamper!

I the hamper is: Chocolates, Chop sticks, Nunchucks, Reading Light, 1:1 Lesson Voucher; Club Pencil case & Club Pens

The Amazing Raffle hamper was won by Athena Scott.



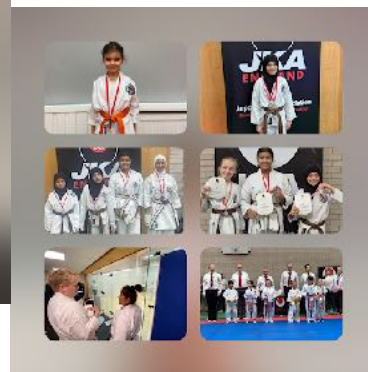
Central & Northern Region Championships!!

Members from our dojo competed in the Central and Northern competition in September!

And wow!! Everyone's performances were really impressive!

Kazokudai karate had a squad of 22 Competitors this we had the following Medals come home:

- Sam - Gold Kata; Bronze Kumite
- Tijana - Silver Kumite
- Alice - Silver Kata; Silver Kumite
- Joesph - Silver Kumite; Bronze Kata
- Diya - Gold Kumite; Silver Team Kata
- Craig - Bronze Kumite
- Leo B - Gold Kata; Bronze Kumite
- Jake - Bronze Kumite
- Archie G - Bronze Kumite
- Maggi - Silver Team Kata
- Archie P - Silver Kumite
- Hidayah - Bronze Kumite
- Jazzy - Silver Kata
- Robyn - 4th Place Kata; bronze Kumite
- Evie - Bronze Kumite
- Gethin - Silver Kata; Gold Kumite
- Zahra - Silver Kumite; Silver Team Kata



We were very proud of all the medals, and those that competed who were not able to bring bling, don't forget you never loose, you only ever win - as you are gaining experience, and with training your karate is improving every session.

Because Senpai Cyra were not able to attend due to our training preparations for the worlds,

both stepped up and took the role of Coaches - which is a big job in itself - then also pulled themselves together to be able to compete. Pretty amazing stuff, so thank you!

And not to forget our amazing Cheer squad - without you our performances and achievement would not mean as much. So **THANK YOU!!**



JKA England Open Championships!!

Because of the timing of this competition, 02 November 2024, just days after we returned from Japan!!

We had a smaller competition squad attend this large and very competitive competition, which is also regularly attended by neighbouring countries: Scotland, Malta, Germany, Belgium, France, Norway to name a few.

Bella F Alice F Evan F
Hidaya Andreu Senpai Cyra

Gethin Rem

Senpai Sam - Referee

Sensei Bianca - Referee

Lucy F - Table Official

And we can not forget our cheer squad!! You are always amazing.

The results were as follows:

Bella - Gold Kumite; Bronze Kata

Alice - Gold Kumite

Gethin - Gold Kata; Bronze Kumite

Senpai Cyra - Gold Kata

Congratulations to everyone!!

I was really proud to be a referee on the day and see how confidently and respectfully you all took the task on.

Club Grading: 23 November 2024!!

The last club grading of the year.

We are looking forward to hosting Sensei Tracey (3rd Dan), Executive Member and Licensing Officer. Sensei Tracey is also fresh from competing in Japan, she trains along side Sensei Bianca and has the experience needed to be a fair examiner.

So please just try your best for grading. And GOOD LUCK!



GRADING DAY



GOOD LUCK ALL

Winter International Course: 29/11/2024 - 01/12/2024

This is a great 3 day event where ANY Grade can come and train.

We get to meet and train with the Instructors that travel from Japan HQ to come and teach us our martial art. So the quality of the training is so high.

You are welcome to train all 3 days or just one if you prefer.

This is also the event where Dan gradings are taken. So if you are a brown belt looking to take your black belt grading soon, we suggest you attend so that you can see what is expected when it is your turn.

Simply follow the link to book on:

<https://www.jka-england.org/event-tickets/>



PLEASE LOG ON...

As a club we have been part of Easyfundraising for a while now:

Would you like to help raise funds for the dojo at **NO extra cost** to you?

All you need to do is download the app, register an account, and whenever you would like to buy something online, all you do is go thru the easyfundraising app - and make your purchase with the company you would like to use eg. Amazon, eBay, Tu Clothing, M&S etc.

Thank you to all our supporters so far who have been using the App. - the donations are greatly appreciated and will go towards purchasing some equipment for us to use in the dojo.

So while you are doing your shopping on behalf of the man dressed in Red, please remember to use the app.

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/kazokudaikarate/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_source=social&utm_medium=whatsapp&utm_content=rm-wa-1

Our Top Fundraisers this month are: Amy N, Kevin W, Marian B, Jo W, Sam S, Laura G.

Thank you to everyone who has already signed up this platform already - every penny helps.

Birthday Club:

We have a few members that celebrate their birthdays in October & November:

Charlotte L	Nouha	Cyra
Hamzah	Jacob H-T	Amber
Evan	George R	Archie R
Jenson	Eva	William C
Ben C	Annabelle H	Theo G
Ben H		



We at Kazokudai Karate wish you a VERY happy birthday and hope

you have an amazing day! If we have missed your birthday for this month - just let me know and we can add you.

Our New Warriors:

Our Kazokudai Karate family would like to extend a very warm welcome our New Warriors who have tried our 4 week beginners program and are continuing their karate journey with us:

Karolina P	Jagoda P
Jessica J	Charlotte J
George C	Jennifer C
Belle B-B	Laura G

Welcome, hope your journey with us is long and successful!

BRING A FRIEND!!

Do you know of anyone who needs help with confidence, fitness or just to make friends, why not invite them to come and give our program a go - you have seen and experienced what we are able to provide.

All you need to do is please forward them this link:

<https://mailchi.mp/cb8d49b0515e/vtwe6cd85c>

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Kazokudai Karate

We have some new KIT:

We are excited to announce that the dojo has branded Mitts - Sparring gloves

We are currently offering:

New dojo mitts + Gum Shield + Mitt Bag all for **£20**

(Total cost of the bundle is £25)

However this offer is only **online and for 1 week** - so if you would like to take advantage of this offer please do so asap!!!

Please note that all members Yellow Belt and above need a set of mitts for training.



Dates for your Diary:

*23/11/2024 - Club Grading - Sensei Tracey + Sensei Bianca

*29/11 - 01/12/2024 - International Course/ Dan Grading - K2 Crawley - all are welcome

*21/12/2024 - Christmas Movie Night

***23/12/2024 - 07/01/2025 - DOJO is CLOSED!**

*18/01/2025 - Kata Course - Hatfield

*22/02/2025 - Northern/ Central Regional Competition - Nottingham University

*08/03/2025 - International Women's Day

*29/03/2024 - Club Grading - Sensei Dave Paulus

*25/04 - 27/04/2025 - International Course/ Dan Grading - K2 Crawley - All are welcome

*21/06/2025 - JKA National Competition - K2 Crawley

We're looking forward to a fantastic month of training, personal growth, and camaraderie at Kazokudai Karate. Remember that your journey in karate is not only about self-defence and physical fitness; it's also about self-discovery, discipline, and building a strong character.

Let's continue to support each other, train hard, and embody the spirit of Kazokudai Karate. Oss!

So until our next newsletter,
"train man train", (Sensei Stan Schmidt)

Oss Sensei Bianca and the Kazokudai Karate Team





