

# **ABTKD NEWSLETTER JULY 2017**

Welcome to our latest newsletter containing news and information about our clubs and events. Check our website news page for further updates – [www.abtkd.co.uk](http://www.abtkd.co.uk)

## **SUMMER CLOSURE**

All clubs will be closed towards the end of the school holidays for our usual summer break. Final class before the break will be at Acocks Green club on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August; First class back will be at Castel Vale / Stechford Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September.

## **END OF SUPERSPARS**

Due to insufficient attendance and uneconomical support, our SuperSpars sessions will end later this month. I offer my personal thanks to those regular attending members who have made the class such a pleasure to teach; I am very proud to have witnessed your progression and improvements. The final session will be on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July and I hope we can get as high attendance as possible and go out with a bang! Friday Night Fight Club continues weekly from 7pm at Lode Heath School; I would be very pleased to see you there in training for the British Championships.

## **MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP FEES**

All fees are collected by Standing Order on the first day of the month regardless of attendance; please ensure this is the case as several members regularly pay much later in the month. Our clubs are open for 48 weeks per year, which is exactly what we charge for, ensuring that our clubs remain running professionally and stay within business plan. We currently offer two options for monthly membership to ABTKD; part membership at £25 for one class per week and full membership at £35 for two classes per week although full members are welcome to attend unlimited classes at their discretion, (significantly more value for money). We have always insisted that all students must convert to full membership from blue belt before preparations for senior coloured belt and black belt grading can begin. To assist in raising standards and progression within our clubs and in keeping with the TAGB national syllabus, part membership will no longer be an option as of 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018. Any of our clubs are only as strong as their respective weakest link; please understand that at ABTKD we are more concerned with quality over quantity.

## **STECHFORD CLUB SUMMER TRAINING TIMES**

Stechford club at Colebourne Primary School will amalgamate to one class during the school holidays. All grades and ages will be training together on Mondays and Thursdays 5pm-5:45pm only. This will be the case during the school holidays (after Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July) and we will be back to full capacity with two classes from September, after the summer break.

Also, due to essential building maintenance at Colebourne, the site will be closed on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> August so we will be training at the same time on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August instead.

## **YARDLEY CLUB SUMMER TRAINING TIMES**

Yardley club at Sheldon Community Centre will amalgamate to one class during the school holidays. All grades and ages will be training together on Wednesdays and Sundays 6:30pm-7:15pm only; we will then pause to dismiss our junior members before continuing until 7:45pm to fulfil the needs of our senior blue, red and black belt members. This will be the case during the school holidays (after Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July) and we will be back to full capacity with two classes from September, after the summer break.

## **LICENCE RENEWALS**

Please remember that your licence renewal is your responsibility. I personally make my best endeavour to inform all members of a pending licence renewal approximately eight weeks before expiry. If I do not have up to date contact details then this presents a problem and your membership and training is suspended if your licence expires. Please be sure to update your instructor with any change of address, phone number, email or emergency contacts.

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