

# **ABTKD NEWSLETTER MARCH 2018**

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)

## **LICENCE RENEWALS**

The following student licences will expire at the end of the month.  
Please renew via the PayPal link on the website before 24<sup>th</sup> March:

Muhammad Bin Imad, Umar Bin Imad, Scarlett Dempsey, Pawan Gahir  
Keyonie Irving, Philip Jeyes, Alfie Victoire-Butler

The following student licences will expire at the end of April.  
Please renew via the PayPal link on the website before 31<sup>st</sup> March:

Bailey Asbury, Lucy Hendry, Jayden Jeyes, Tia Mildenhall, Calum Williams

## **LICENCE FEES**

TAGB licence renewal price will increase to £40 via the PayPal link on our website or £45 cash to your instructor. This must be paid during the month prior to the month when the licence expires (e.g. licence expires in April, renewal must be paid by the end of March). After that, it will be treated as a 'late renewal' with the price of £45 via the PayPal link on our website or £50 cash to your instructor.

This amendment will be in place from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018.

## **COLOURED BELT GRADING**

Our next grading assessment evening has been confirmed for Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April, 5:30pm at Stechford club, Colebourne Primary School. Grading letters will be issued over the next week. All students under eighteen years old will be asked for the full interpretation of their grading pattern before the application and fee will be accepted. Any students training at only one class per week as a part member will need to wait double the standard time between gradings, although eligibility is always at the discretion of your instructor.

## **SPARRING SAFETY EQUIPMENT**

As we now have two dedicated fun and sports-based sparring classes every week, (see below), I would like to ask all members to consider ordering sparring equipment as soon as possible. Our rules state that students should have full sparring equipment twelve months after joining our clubs.

The full set TAGB sparring safety equipment consists of:  
head guard, gloves, boots, shin pads, mouth guard, (groin guard boys/men only).

This also comes with a black holdall printed with club logos and student name.

Boys / men £130  
Girls / women £120.

### **SUPERSPARS**

Our weekly session for competitive sparring, has accomplished a great standard but we need more attendance to breed talent for tournament success:

every Sunday 6-7pm, Sheldon Community Centre, Sheldon Heath Road, B26 2RU.

All ages and grades are welcome, all children must be accompanied by an adult in the dojang for the duration. You will need trainers, towel, drink, full TAGB safety sparring equipment, £2 on the door. Casual dress, dobok and belt not required.

We also have our weekly fight club session:

every Friday 7-8:30pm, Lode Heath School, Lode Lane, Solihull, B91 2HW; £3 on the door, same rules.

Please try to support these sessions whenever possible as we will be concentrating more on grading syllabus in normal club classes, so Fridays and Sundays will be the only option for regular sparring.

### **PART MEMBERSHIP**

I would like to ask again that all part members training in one class per week consider switching to full membership of two or more classes per week. The benefits of full membership with more experience and heavier repetition of techniques and drills far outweigh the additional cost of £10 per month.

It is impossible to grade to black belt and beyond with ABTKD when training only once per week.

### **POWER MEDICS FIRST AID TRAINING**

We have been offered the opportunity of first aid training for children from 6 – 14 years old. The Power Medics Course offers just under three hours of training in first aid with no confusing terminology and all very interactive with practical learning. The cost for a place will be £21 which will include a full colour booklet, worksheets, certificate and a free gift for each child.

I am hoping it will go ahead on a Sunday evening at Sheldon Community Centre, but we need to fill twenty places before confirming the booking with Power Medics.

If you are interested in this for your child, please contact me and hopefully we will get twenty names.

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