



**British Judo Association
Annual General Meeting
Saturday 30th September 2006**

Beckwith Lecture Theatre
Loughborough University

1. Introduction by BJA President

- 1.1 Mr Kerr welcomed every to the meeting and thanked those for attending. Mr Kerr stated that one of his sad duties was to call a minute's silence for those members who had passed away during the year.

Glenis Bamber
Andrew McNaughton
Andy McWerter
Brian Perriman

The meeting stood for a minute's silence in remembrance of these members.

2.0 Presidents Address

- 2.1 Mr Kerr stated that it was his pleasure to introduce guests present at the AGM, last year it had been Olympic Silver Medallist Keith Remfrey, this year he was pleased to introduce Mark Preston – ex British International, who was attending to represent Judo Scotland as a Director. Mark was a great competitor for his country and was unfortunate in an injury, which prevented him from attending the 1992 Olympic Games.

- 2.2 Mr Kerr reported that the Council had discussed this year's Technical Conference. On the whole the council was pleased with the conference and congratulated Lisa McIver and Andrew Moshanov in particular for their presentations.

The Council did request that next year the sessions for Referees and Coaches be combined as most referees were also coaches.

- 2.3 Mr Kerr passed on comments that the Council would like to see a session on Kata included in next years congress and would recommend Mr Mick Leigh and Dennis and Tina Penfold as ideal candidates to present this session.

- 2.4 Mr Kerr reported on that previous evenings BJA Council meeting. The Councils role was to comment on the BJA Annual Report and Accounts. Again this year the Council was very pleased with the content and presentation of the Annual Report.

- 2.5 One the accounts the Council were pleased with the £44,000 increase in the BJA reserves taking the Associations reserves to just short of £161,000. The Council congratulated Mr Donald Steel on the fantastic work he has done and continues to perform with the Association's finances.

- 2.6 Mr Kerr commented on the difficult position of Colin McIver has High Performance Director. After the 1984 Olympic Games whilst Mr Kerr was Coach to the top Austrian men's judoka he attended a review with the Austrian Federation and was told by that panel that he had to concentrate all his efforts on only three players for 1988. Colin has been quoted as saying that in previous Olympics we have concentrated hard on qualifying for the Games rather than winning medals at the games.

Its difficult to just concentrate of three or four people but the reality is if we don't get a medal in 2008 our funding will be cut. Colin will in his presentation go into a little more detail but its clear



from my time as a Coach that the reality is that whilst the other 85% of the team is important the High Performance staff have to concentrate on a small number of players to secure medals.

3.0 Those present and apologies

3.1 Those present listed at beginning of minutes

3.2 APOLOGIES

Long Nuke Judo Club - Clive Taylor
Marina Dane – BJA Midland Area Vice Chairman
Roger Houston – BJA Midland Area Chairman
Les Drilsma
Lordswood Budokan – Dave Law

4.0 Minutes of Previous Annual General Meeting

4.1 Cherry Willingham Judo Club was present but is not listed in the minutes.

4.2 Dermot Heslop was present but not listed in the minutes.

Minutes proposed by: Kendal Judo Club Seconded by: Higashi Judo Kwai

Minutes unanimously approved

5.0 Matters arising from the Minutes of the Previous AGM

5.1 Mr Kerr asked if any progress had been made on the British Judo Trust as was discussed in minute item 5.2 in the 2005 AGM.

Mr Scott McCarthy CEO – Stated that all the preliminary work had been completed and the paperwork was now in the final stage, which was to apply for charitable status. This process is fairly lengthy but should be completed by Christmas 2006. Mr McCarthy was pleased to announce that Mr Colin Draycott had agreed to be the patron of the new Trust.

5.2 Mr Kerr asked if there had been progress of the National Judo Venue as part of the 2012 legacy as discussed in minute 5.4 at the 2005 AGM.

Mr McCarthy informed the meeting that he had had meeting with the London organising committee and that proposals on the venue had been submitted.

6.0 Reports

Chairman's Report

6.1 Densign White opened his presentation by thanking Emma Reed on this year's Annual report.

6.2 In 2005 High Performance had some excellent results, Craig Fallon became World Champion, Karina Bryant won two silver medals at the Worlds Championships, Britain finished 6th in the medal table. We have also had the most successful European Championships in 2006 for some years but that will be for next years report.

6.3 The Bath University Foundation Degree continues to grow. This is in no small way due to the hard work of Mike Callen at Bath and Envic Galea, EJU Secretary General. This Foundation degree is the first of its kind in Europe. There are 30 people on the course from 10 different countries.



It is also possible that this course will be accepted as the equivalent to a Level 4 Coach award under the new United Kingdom Coaching Certificate.

- 6.4 About 18 months ago the Association submitted its Whole Sport Plan to UK Sport/Sport England. One of the Key Performance Indicators in that plan was a 5% increase in membership per year. This year we achieved an increase over 14% which is partly attributable to the Schools Programme. DW suggests that the Technical Grading scheme we are working on at the moment will add to our membership.
- 6.5 In 2005 we appointed Andrew Moshanov as Technical Director. He has much work to do over the coming months on many technical projects.
- 6.6 In 2005 we changed the Competitions Commission to the Technical Officials Commission. We felt this better described the work we wanted them to undertake with Recruitment, training and the long-term development of Technical Officials. An Events Commission was also set up which will run our National events taking more input on media, event organisation and marketing of our major tournaments.
- 6.7 It was widely acknowledged that the Junior Nationals at Stoke in 2004 was not a success and the venue was not suitable for such a large event. Last year we moved the event to Ice Sheffield – whilst there were teething problems the event on the whole was a success and I am assured that some of the problems with temperature have been ironed out for this year's event.
- 6.8 Masters Judo is a growing area of the sport. The World Masters Championships has now in excess of a 1000 competitors each year.

The European Judo Union has seized the initiative on Masters Judo and is organising official European Masters events. Last year Britain hosted The European Masters Championships and it is acknowledged that we encountered many problems with the registration due to the format. The problem was created due to the fact that this was a participation based event but the EJU tried to run it like a World Cup – which would have 20% of the entry level. The EJU recognised this and has taken steps to improve the running of the event in the future.

- 6.9 In April we hosted our first GB World Cup event in Birmingham. The event was a fantastic event drawing players from Cuba and China with the support of UK Sport. We had two hours coverage on Sky Sports 2. The atmosphere over the weekend was great and the number of spectators we attracted, over a 1000 each day, contributed to a fantastic weekend for British Judo.

Scott McCarthy has just informed me this morning that UK Sport will continue to financially support this event at its current level until 2010. Their original intention was a sliding scale of support over 3 years. This is great news for us and is thanks to Fighting Films input and the hard work of the Events Manager and Organising Committee.

We had private sponsorship from Mr William Tudor-Smith for the event and he has indicated that he intends to support the event again next year. Mr Tudor Smith has been named as Patron of the Event.

- 6.9 The roll out of our facilities strategy successfully continued this year. Dartford Judo Club and Croyden Judo Club's dojos were both opened. These two projects had huge Local Authority support and the fact that they are completed it's a great testimony to the persistence of the committees of both these clubs. I want to thank Mark Beecher for his huge input into these projects and continued work on the other facilities which are coming online during 2006.
- 6.10 Our Clubmark scheme continues to grow with now 26 clubs having achieved Bronze level. I personally presented Club Mark to Chichester Judo Club and Crawley Judo Club in 2005/06 and I know I will present many more in 2006/07. Well done to the development officers for the excellent work they do in this area.
- 6.11 On the international front I continue to be extremely busy as an EJU Sports Director and lead on the EJU Computer Team. The EJU is involved in 93 events per year and that's a lot to monitor,



so much in fact that we have added another more Sports Directors to the team to cope with the workload.

Britain continues to be strongly represented in Europe – I am a Sports Director, Mick Leigh is on the EJU Kata Commission and Sheldon Fanko-Rooks is on the EJU Marketing Commission.

This year also saw Mick Leigh awarded his 8th Dan from the EJU.

- 6.12 As some of you may be aware the relationship between the EJU and the IJF is strained at the moment. The EJU is taking the IJF to court following the election procedures at the World Championships in Cairo. The EJU believes that illegal proxy votes were being used and that people who were not entitled to vote not only did vote but voted more than once. We await the outcome of this courts case this year.
- 6.13 The EJU this year changed the contest area to remove the danger area in contests and therefore remove the 5-second attack rule. This and instructions to referees to award less shidos has already proven to improve the judo. The IJF are piloting this new contest area at the Junior World Championships.

Clubs/Area with existing mats need not worry about replacing mats as this only applies to European level events at present. Although when the rule does roll down you can still use the existing mats but for the purpose of contest you ignore the red area and don't apply the 5-second attack rule.

- 6.14 London 2012 provides a great opportunity to British Judo. Some sports are already starting to maximise the benefits of the Olympics. We are a little way behind but hope to gain ground in the coming years.

The Olympics does mean that we are guaranteed funding until 2012, which puts us in the position of being able to plan long term rather than just for the next four years.

Following our poor results in Athens we lost funding. The extra money given to us following London's successful bid has pushed us back up to our pre-Athens funding levels.

We are also looking for a Judo Legacy from the Games. Namely a venue in London that can host our major tournaments. London is a big draw for people and it cannot go unnoticed that people are disappointed when our tournaments are not in the Capital. The fact is at present that the venues already in London cannot be used for our events or are exhibition centres which once you have shipped in all the seating; changing rooms etc are just too expensive for us to use.

- 6.15 I am very pleased with the financial performance of the Association this year. We have increased our reserves to 161k whilst this is great and a vast improvement we are aiming for reserves in the region of half a million pounds.
- 6.16 This year saw the highest area rebate payout in many years we paid £64,194 back to the areas this represents 17.8% of the membership income.
- 6.17 Our merchandising is going well but this is an area we are actively looking to improve on in 2006/07.
- 6.18 Corporate Training is an area that I feel the Association has not maximised its potential. This year we commissioned a feasibility study into a corporate training wing and the results confirm that we are well placed to enter this market. However it is acknowledged that this project has slipped down the list as we have had our hands full on other work.
- 6.19 I would like to round off my report by taking a moment to thank all those without who we would not be able to operate.



Our Volunteers – this unpaid army is the backbone of the Association and I was very pleased that this year saw the launch of the Volunteer Awards, which were presented at a Volunteers Presentation dinner at the World Cup in April.

Thanks to all head office Staff especially Scott McCarthy and Donald Steel. The finances of the Association are now so complex that this coming year we will be employing someone to shadow Donald to learn how it all works before Donald leaves us sometime in the next 10 years.

My fellow Directors – previous Boards have had a lot of infighting, which meant the business of running the Association was hampered. I am happy to say that all of my Board have been 100% supportive and that communications are fantastic. We meet regularly and are in constant communication via e-mail and phone.

In our Vice Presidents I have a wealth of experience and support to call up and they are always at the end of the phone should I need help or advice.

Finally I would like to thank our funding partners UK Sport and Sport England.

- 6.20 John O'Brien High Wycombe Judo Centre – Mr White mentioned the problems at the European Masters in his report, which were not caused by the British Officials. Would it not be better for the EJU to let the host country organise the events?

Mr White: Generally the host country does organise the event. It is acknowledged that a lot of things went wrong at the Masters in GB and the EJU has appointed Audrey Bonti to help organised Masters events and solve the unique problems they bring. Audrey has a wealth of experience in running Masters tournaments.

Reports continued

CEO

- 6.21 Scott McCarthy started by again highlight the Whole Sport Plan 2005-2009, which the Association submitted nearly 18 months ago. Everything the Association is trying to achieve is detailed in the plan. Its important to understand that we are working towards the key performance indicators listed in the plan.

KPI's

- Increase Individual Membership by 5% per year
- Increase income by 100k per annum
- 25 new Club Mark accreditations each year
- Technical workforce development targets
- Elite – 2/3 Medals in the next Olympics

Our vision is to by in the top 5 judo countries by 2012.

- 6.22 In the four years the CEO has been in post have been on the whole reactive, now we are staffed and resourced to a level where we can start have better strategic planning.
- 6.23 2012 gives us unlimited potential to grow we need to maximise that potential.
- 6.24 In the Performance Directorate Uk Sport have changed the funding pathway on us and these changes are something we have to cope with.
- 6.25 During the year we have been in discussion with the British Schools Judo Association. It is clear that all parties agree that the two bodies have to work much more closely together to maximise the strengths of both bodies. We are close to finalising a working framework, which will allow this merger to take place. Details should be ready to present to the Association early in 2007.



- 6.26 Our relationship with the British Judo Council continues to develop and they have this year acknowledged that the BJA is a body which can add value to them we are continuing to look at ways in which we can work closely together.
- 6.27 The work on the Associations Memorandum and Articles gathers pace and a firm of Sports Specialist Solicitors is completing the final work. At this stage the documents don't propose a sweeping changes but are a tidying up exercise to better define the Association and Areas. This document should be ready for the membership early in 2007.
- 6.28 On the technical front the work on the UKCC rolls on. The Association is now under pressure to have levels 1, 2 and 3 ready by December. Once completed the task of assimilating existing coaches into the UKCC will begin, this process will likely take in the region of two years to complete.
- 6.29 This year saw the launch of our Long Term Player Development Plan. It can't be stressed enough that this is the umbrella for everything else we do. It will mean restructure of a lot of our programmes including our competition structure.
- 6.30 We made two new appointments to the Technical staff this year. Andrew Moshanov was appointed as our Technical Director and Nicola Burlingham-Hall as our Technical Administrator.
- 6.31 We have also started the process of a Technical Grading Scheme. We need to find alternative pathways to keep people active within our sport. The market for judo with our current competitive only grading scheme is narrow we need to broaden our customer base.
- 6.32 As a supplement to Matside we have launched Matside Coach – a more technically based newsletter aimed and delivered to our coaches. The third issue will be out in the next 4 weeks.
- 6.33 We held our first Technical Congress, which was seen as a great success. The over riding theme of the congress was the Long Term Player Development Plan which emphasised the all hands on deck approach to this plan. We need to continue to work hard in implementing the principles of this plan.
- 6.34 Matside Magazine has proven to be a huge success. The 6th edition is now at the printers and I want to thank Emma Reed – Editor and Nik Fairbrother – Designer for their excellent work on this project.
- 6.35 On the events front The Fighting Films GB World Cup in Birmingham this year was a resounding success and I want to thank Simon Hicks for his hard work and input and Yvonne Froggett our Events Manager.
- The moving of the Junior National Championships to Ice Sheffield was considered on the whole to be a success; Yvonne was instrumental in this move and has put in place many improvements for this year's event. Yvonne has now left us to join the Tour De France team at Canterbury Council.
- 6.36 On the communications front we continue to improve, Matside and Matside coach have proven popular along with our web site and new this year our web site forums, which are proving to be active and popular.
- 6.37 The Volunteer Awards introduced this year are a key part of the Associations plan to reward volunteers who do vast amounts of work for our sport.
- 6.38 Our Development Team continues its excellent work with our grass roots clubs. 118 Clubs are now registered for Club Mark with 24 having achieved Bronze level during 2005/06.
- 6.39 Awards for All for Judo reached £922k. And with the maximum award level being raise to £10k and more flexibility in the projects that the money can be used for the total figure for judo clubs will rise.



- 6.40 Our Equity Strategy continues to be an important part of our funding condition. It's an area we have a lot of work to do in but on the whole judo does very well in its equity position.
- 6.41 Mark Beecher has headed up the BJA facilities projects - so far £2,268,652 lottery funding has been spent on the dojos going up around the country – Dartford, Kendal, SKK and Redbridge.
- 6.42 We have appointed Simon Buttery as Volunteer Manager. It will be his job to implement our volunteer strategy. He will be tasked with finding ways of Recruiting, Training, Rewarding and Retaining volunteers for judo.
- 6.43 The Schools Development team has hit the targets set for it for its first year. This project is only funded for 3 years and now the team are looking towards making the scheme self funding by building business clusters linked to BJA clubs.
- 6.44 We have just appointed a PESSCL Co-ordinator, Laura-Jane Adams. LJ's job will be to help create and foster School Club links and implement national strategies.
- 6.45 Our joint work with Leicester Tigers Rugby Club continues to grow. We share an employee whose job with the Tigers to roll out their Long Term Athlete Development Plan. This work is greatly benefiting both Rugby and Judo. There are some exciting projects rolling out with the Tigers over the coming year.
- 6.46 This year the Association made a surplus of £44,445, which brings our reserves to £160,871. Our turnover is nearly £3.2 million a year.
- 6.47 Membership income rose by 8% this is due in some large part to our Schools Programme and the introduction of Matside magazine.
- Encouragingly the figures for this year indicate that the increase for next year is likely to be slightly higher.
- 6.48 Merchandising this year contributed £20,000 to the Association. This is an area I am actively looking to place a full time person in to maximise the potential we have in this area.
- 6.49 Insurance – We introduced mat insurance as a benefit of club membership this has proved to be very successful. However we decided to remove the help line as in 2005/06 the cost of this to the Association was £7000 and only 3 clubs used the line - making these very expensive phone calls!
- 6.50 Area Rebates were paid at 17.8% equating to a value of £64,194.
- 6.51 We had two audits this year. One from Customs & Excise (VAT) and one from the Inland Revenue (PAYE) and in each the Association was given a good report.
- 6.52 Individual Membership grew by 14.77% and club membership by 36 clubs.
- 6.53 In the area of Child Protection we continue to make excellent head way. We have achieved our NSPCC Preliminary Standards and are well on our way to gaining the Intermediate Award.
- This year our Julie Moores, our Lead Child Protection Officer was asked to be a Key note Speaker at a joint NSPCC/Dept for Culture Media & Sport conference.
- We also now have 6 Sports Coach UK tutors trained to delivery Judo Specific Good Practice and Child Protection Workshops.
- 6.54 Up to 31 March 2006 we had completed 1,363 of the 2,144 CRB checks that we need to complete. And we are very much at the front of the game in sport in this regard.
- 6.55 January this year saw the activation of our new Equinox database. This went without a hitch and we had no down time at all during the change over. The new database has many new features,



which will benefit the members over the coming years. I thank Julie for her hard work in this area.

- 6.56 The registration of all grades Nationally started in May 2005. So far this has gone with no problems and is proving to be very popular with the members. Leigh-Ann Osborne was employed to administer these grades along with other admin duties.
- 6.57 The club promotion pack had a face lift this year and has proved to be very popular with clubs.
- 6.58 In May 2005 we appointed Jo Duff as our Commercial Manager. Our target is to increase our revenue by £100k per year for 10 years.

Reports continued

HIGH PERFORMANCE

Colin McIver – Performance Director

- 6.61 The year had been one of enormous change but significant progress had been made and, in the main, competitive results had been excellent.
- 6.62 The World Championships in Cairo, although very poorly organised, were highly successful for British Judo. Craig Fallon became World Champion and Karina Bryant won two silver medals (adding to her 2005 European Championship gold).
- 6.63 London 2012 would provide a fantastic opportunity for British sport and anyone wishing to volunteer should apply early as demands for volunteers is likely to be high. The event will be an inspiration for youngsters to get into sport and the Association needs to make sure it has the strategies in place to capitalise on the opportunity.
- 6.64 The Fighting Films GB World Cup in April 2006 was a superbly organised event. It gave a large number of our younger female players excellent experience in fighting against some of the best players in the world.

Congratulations should go to the Chairman for his efforts in securing the World Cup - in 2007 it will be a men's event and all-important Olympic qualifier.

- 6.65 In 2005 UK Sport produced a new model for High Performance Sport. This model is used by UK Sport is used to calculate funding based on a given number of athletes.

A new Performance Pathway has been devised which is characterised by a "narrow focus" and a "no compromise approach". The ultimate goal of all High Performance Programmes is the winning of Olympic medals.

As part of the re-structuring, a new World Class Talent Programme has been introduced and the World Class Start Programme has been re-aligned. We need to separate the England and GB operations at this level.

- 6.66 The various World Class Programmes were explained in some detail. The numbers of players in each programme were strictly limited and funding was entirely targeted at winning Olympic medals. The support of UK Sport and Sport England was gratefully acknowledged and appreciated by the BJA.
- 6.67 The importance of coach education was stressed and the importance UK Sport Elite Coach Programme was highlighted. The BJA has currently three coaches on this programme, Graeme Randall MBE, Kate Howey MBE and Darren Warner.
- 6.68 A brief overview of immediate priorities up to the Beijing Olympics was presented along with an analysis of the membership statistics in the 16-19 year old age group. The statistics showed a



very smaller number of players in this age group which made it difficult to compete with countries like France and Germany where the numbers were significantly larger.

- 6.69 Stephanie Leigh: Commented that the figures were astounding and wondered whether the BJA had looked at finding out the reasons why the numbers were so small and why players left the sport.
- 6.70 Colin McIver: The whole area of member retention had been identified as a priority at a recent Executive Staff meeting. It was our intention to conduct an “exit” poll on members who had not renewed their membership to find out if there were any factors which judo could address.
- 6.71 Peter Holme: It was mentioned in the Performance Director’s presentation tough decisions over the forming of the World Class Development Squad had been made to reduce the numbers. How closely would the players selected be monitored and what were the criteria for selection?
- 6.72 Colin McIver: The players would be very closely monitored and reviewed every 6 months. Results, attitude and training would be considered along with other criteria. In this first year of the programme, the players who were unsuccessful would still have expenses paid to attend squad training and, if they showed that they had potential, would also be considered for limited programme funding. Selection for the Programme would be mainly as a result of competition results, although other criteria would also be a consideration.
- 6.73 Rensoku Judo Club: Could advance notification be provided of events which would be used for selection for the World Class Podium and Development Squads?
- 6.74 Colin McIver: There are no specific events used for selection for entry into the World Class Programme. In assessing whether player is of the required standard his or her total competitive record is looked at. The Programme is reviewed every six months and players not meeting the required standard are deselected and can be replaced. It is essential that we don’t miss any talent and if coaches feel that they have a player worthy of consideration then they should contact Colin Mciver for detail of how to proceed.
- 6.75 George Kerr: As there were no more questions on the reports Mr Kerr thanked Densign, Scott and Colin for their reports.

Reports continued

Annual Report

- 6.76 George Kerr: Reported that the Council had approved the annual report. He asked for a proposer and seconded for the Annual Report.

Proposed: High Wycombe Judo Club Seconded: Ryecroft Judo Kwai

Annual Report passed unanimously.

Reports continued

Annual Accounts

- 6.77 George Kerr: Asked if there were any questions on the accounts.

No questions were asked.

Accounts proposed: Joff Judo Club Seconded: Ryecroft Judo Kwai

Votes present: Passed unanimously

Postal votes: For: 89 Against: 0



Appointment of Auditors

6.78 Votes Present: Unanimously passed.

Postal votes: For: 88
Against: 0
Abstentions: 11



7.0 Elections Results

7.1

Number of ballot papers despatched	841
Number of ballot papers returned	267
Turnout	31.7%
Number of ballot papers found to be invalid (blank / spoilt)	10
Number of ballot papers found to be invalid (unsigned)	2
Total number of valid ballot papers counted	255

Result (2 to elect)

AWFORD, Edward 175 **ELECTED**
 LIMRICK, Malcolm 126
 ROBERTS, Karen 164 **ELECTED**

- 7.2 George Kerr welcomed Karen Roberts to the Board and wished her well. Mr Kerr went on to thank Malcolm Limrick for his service.

8.0 Resolutions

- 8.1 PROPOSED BY: The Board of Directors

The Board proposes that the term of office for the sitting Chairman, Mr Densign White, be extended for a period of three years until September 2012 to incorporate the London 2012 Olympic Games. The elections for the position of Chairman will then resume as usual in September 2012.

- 8.2 Brian Davis (on behalf of the Board): The hosting of the Olympics is a once in a lifetime event and when the announcement that London would be hosting the 2012 Olympic Games the future of British sport was profoundly changed. Chairman Densign White worked closely with the bid team throughout the lengthy bidding process and was instrumental ensuring the London bid was well received in the judo world. Securing the Games was the start, and now the real hard work begins as we prepare to host the greatest Games ever and prepare our athletes to achieve the lofty position of 4th in the medal table. In view of the unique nature of this event and the fact that many new requirements and programmes must be created, implemented and managed over the next six years the Board feels that the continuity of the Chair is critically important for British Judo to be a hugely successful part of the Olympic plan. There is a precedent for this type of extension, as the BOA recently extended its' Chairman's term to conclude the bidding process for the Games.

Votes present: For: 30
 Against: 2
 Abstentions: 2

Postal Votes: For: 83
 Against: 26
 Abstentions: 2

Resolution carried

- 8.3 Densign White: Thanked the members for the support.
- 8.4 Peter Holme – Kendal Judo Club: Stated that Kendal Judo Club had abstained not because they objected to Densign being extended to 2012 but that the club felt it set a dangerous precedent which may be abused for less honourable reason in the future.



Resolution Two

- 8.5 PROPOSED BY: Mold Judo Club (Ray Harrington, Chairman)
SECONDED BY: Cynfig Judo Club (Kevin Williams, Chairman)

That the Board of the BJA shall at all times include at least one member from each of England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland and that should the elected members of the Board not include one member from each then the Areas (English) or National Associations, as the case may be, for each of those countries, shall appoint a member to the Board

- 8.6 Brian Davies: Confirmed that this resolution had been withdrawn in the light of the imminent constitution changes.
- 8.7 Mr Ray Harrington (Mold Judo Club): Confirmed that this resolution would be withdrawn.
- 8.8 Alan Rickard: Stated that England should also have a representative on the Board under the same criteria as the other home countries.
- 8.9 Brian Davis: A mechanism for English representation is to be included.

With there been no further business George Kerr thanked all for attending and declared the meeting closed at 16.15hrs