



## MEDIA INVITATION

### British Open Championships & British Visually Impaired British Championships

17/18 April 2004.

With the Olympic Games just around the corner this year's British Open is not to be missed. Nearly 600 senior competitors from all over the world have entered and it will be the last chance to see Britain's Olympic and Paralympic medal hopes compete on home soil before Athens.

British talent on show will include, World and European silver medallist **Craig Fallon** (-60kg), two times Olympic medallist **Kate Howey MBE** (-70kg), former European Champion **Georgina Singleton** (-52kg), World bronze medallist **John Buchanan** (-60kg), Commonwealth Champion's **Karen Roberts** (-63kg), **James Warren** (-66kg) and **Winston Gordon** (-90kg), European bronze medallist **Sophie Cox** (-57kg) as well as former Junior European Champions **Thomas Cousins** (-81kg) and **Peter Cousins** (90kg).

The Visually Impaired British Open will run on Saturday 17 April, where four times Paralympic medallist **Simon Jackson** will be competing. Simon will be heading off to Athens for his fifth Paralympic Games this September. Other Visually Impaired players include **Maxine Ingram**, who has qualified a place for Athens, the first Paralympics to include a Visually Impaired Judo event for Women.

#### Details:

#### **Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> April:**

Men's -60kg, -66kg & -73kg  
Women's -63kg, -70kg & +78kg  
& All Visually Impaired Categories

#### **Sunday 18 April:**

Women's -48kg, -52kg, & -57kg  
Men's -81kg, -90kg, -100kg & +100kg

#### **Venue:**

The Triangle, Triangle Way, Burgess Hill, West Sussex, RH15

#### **Time:**

Starts at 9am with finals commencing in the afternoon.  
On Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> April the Visually Impaired Categories will commence at 2pm

#### Contact:

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