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Welcome to the first edition of the British Judo e-newsletter for 2004. Click on the links for further information.

**2004 BRITISH OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS**

The 2004 British Open Championships for Men & Women are to be held on Saturday 17th & Sunday 18th April at The Triangle in Burgess Hill, just south of London. The 2004 British Open Championships for Visually Impaired Men & Women will be at the same venue on Saturday 17th April.

This will be the first time that the British Open has been held at The Triangle, with the uncertainty over the future of Crystal Palace enforcing a change. After an extensive search, the Triangle was selected as it has everything needed for the most important tournament in the domestic judo calendar. The hall is the right size to create an ideal atmosphere for judo, and it can seat the right number of people. The fact that it was a relatively new facility also made it more appealing. Importantly it is in a good location for an international tournament, with easy access from the M23 / A23 just south of Gatwick Airport.

The tournament information and entry forms will be published on the BJA website shortly.

**RENEW YOUR 2004 CLUB MEMBERSHIP ONLINE**

Club membership renewals for 2004 can now be completed on our web site at:

[http://www.britishjudo.org.uk/membership/membership\\_form.php](http://www.britishjudo.org.uk/membership/membership_form.php)

**INTRODUCING THE BRITISH JUDO ASSOCIATION CLUB ACCREDITATION SCHEME /  
SPORT ENGLAND CLUBMARK**

The British Judo Association Club Recognition scheme is a new initiative that is being introduced to recognise and reward examples of good practice within clubs that are promoting and delivering Judo. It will also spread best practice in management and coaching across the country. More at:

<http://www.britishjudo.org.uk/home/BJAClubRecognitionScheme.php>

**NATIONAL JUDO ACADEMY TRAINING CAMP IN LOFER, AUSTRIA**

Students from the National Judo Academy swapped Bisham for Austria when they attended a week long training camp at the British Olympic Association's training facility in Lofer, which is located in the Salzburgerland region. More information and pictures available at:

<http://www.britishjudo.org.uk/home/BishamAbbeyTrainingCamp-Lofer2003.php>

**NATIONAL GRAND FINALS**

Medallists from the 2003 Grand Finals, which took place on 13/14 December 2003, will form the 2004 British Senior Squad and the 2004 British Junior Squad. The full list of results is available on the British Judo website at:

<http://www.britishjudo.org.uk/home/NationalGrandFinals2003.php>

### **SYLLABUS UPDATES**

As you are all aware, British Judo is reviewing the Dan Grade and Kyu Grade syllabuses. This is being coordinated by Dermot Heslop, BJA Director and the Chair of the National Promotions Commission.

The following area of the website contains all the drafts, updates and consultations for you to view.

[http://www.britishjudo.org.uk/technical/promotions\\_home.php](http://www.britishjudo.org.uk/technical/promotions_home.php)

### **BJA OFFICE MOVE**

Just another quick reminder of the contact details for our new offices in Loughborough:

The new telephone number is 01509 631 670 and the address is Suite B, Loughborough Technology Park, Epinal Way, Loughborough, LE11 3GE.

If you have any story ideas for the website please email [emmareed@britishjudo.org.uk](mailto:emmareed@britishjudo.org.uk). Event enquires should be directed to [joduff@britishjudo.org.uk](mailto:joduff@britishjudo.org.uk)