Judo has only featured four times in the Commonwealth Games. The first time judo was included amongst the list of sports was as a demonstration sport in Edinburgh at the 1986 Games, then Auckland 1990, Manchester 2002 and most recently again in Glasgow 2014.

The Welsh Judo Association have fielded successful teams of Wales’s very best Judoka every time judo has been included in the Commonwealth Games. To date only 37 Judoka have had the honour of representing their country in the Commonwealth Games. This is the highest level you can represent Wales as sportsman, any other level above this has to be through the British Judo Association.

Judo in the Commonwealth Games

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Judo Master Classes with Commonwealth Games Judoka

This is a totally unique event and the first time ever that so many of Wales’s most elite Judoka have come together to put the best of Welsh Judo on display. The reason we are coming together for this event is to remember JAMIE MACDONALD, the Glasgow 2014 athlete who sadly passed away after a battle with cancer and raise money for the Jamie MacDonald Memorial Charity.

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THE JUDO TEAMS

EDINBURGH 1986
Russel Cropp
Darren Draper
Craig Wever
Dorian Mansel
Andrew Burt
Ian King

AUCKLAND 1990
48kg Helen Dunston
52kg Lisa Griffiths
56kg Moria Sutton
72kg Pippa Knowles
60kg James Charles
65kg Dafydd Thomas
71kg Andrew Jenkins
78kg Daniel Davies
86kg Simon Woods

MANCHESTER 2002
52kg Sue Croft
57kg Non Evans
63kg Claire Schofield
70kg Marion Sharpe
78kg Jo Melen
+78kg Angharod Sweet
60kg Gary Cole
66kg Tim Davies
73kg Craig Ewers
81kg Luke Preston
90kg Steven Withers
100kg Julian Pae
+100kg Adrian Morgan

GLASGOW 2014
52kg Jade Lewis
57kg Kirsty Powell
78kg Natalie Powell
60kg Brandon Dodge
66kg Jamie MacDonald
73kg Connor Ireland
73kg Curtis Dodge
81kg Craig Ewers
100kg Ruslan Rance
+100kg Mark Shaw

CHARITY EVENT

The cost of this event is £10.00 and all money raised at this event, will be given to the Jamie MacDonald Memorial Championships Charity.
Commonwealth Games Judoka Coaching

The list of our Commonwealth Games Athletes delivering at the Eisteddfod is:

**Andrew Burt** of the 1986 Edinburgh Games, he is a 5th Dan, Ex British & Welsh International.

**Dafydd Thomas** of the 1990 Auckland Games, Dafydd was Wales’s first full time Judoka at Kendall Judo club, under the guidance of the late great Mr. Tony McConnell and is an Ex British & Welsh International.

**Claire Schofield** of the 2002 Manchester Games, Claire was the Bronze Medalist in the under 63kg category, she was the Silver Medalist at the 2001 Junior European Championships and is an Ex British & Welsh International.

**Jo Hayward-Melen** of the 2002 Manchester Games, Jo was the Silver Medalist in the under 78kg category, she was a member the Great Britain that won a Silver Medal at 2002 European Team Championships and is an Ex British & Welsh International.

**Craig Ewers** of the 2002 Manchester Games & 2014 Glasgow Games, Wales’s only Double Games athlete, Craig placed 9th in the 2005 Cairo World Championships, the 2006 Commonwealth Tournament champion, he is a 5th Dan, Ex British & Welsh International.

**Steven Withers** of the 2002 Manchester Games, Steve was the first Welsh International to win a medal in Japan at the Kodokan in the 2003 World Masters Championships. he is a 6th Dan, Ex British & Welsh International.

**Jade Lewis** of the 2014 Glasgow Games, Jade was the 2012 & 2016 Commonwealth Tournament champion, she is an Ex British & Welsh International.

**Connor Ireland** of the 2014 Glasgow Games, Connor was the 2016 Commonwealth Tournament champion and was 2016 Senior British Champion, he is an Ex British & Welsh International.

We are still waiting on other Commonwealth Games Athletes to confirm their attendance.

Eisteddfod Judo would like to thank this events sponsors and supporters.