DNA JUDO GREAT NORTH OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS 2027

Seniors & Veterans | BJA Level 3 Catchweight Event

Organisation	**DNA Judo Ltd** Event enquiries: danny@dnajudo.co.uk
Venue	**Bishop Barrington Academy** Woodhouse Lane, Bishop Auckland, DL14 6LA. Free parking on site. Google Maps directions | Apple Maps directions
Date / Start	**Sunday 10 January 2027** **Seniors & Veterans is an afternoon event, following completion of the Schools Qualifier.** The exact start time will depend on when the schools contests finish. Senior and veteran weigh-ins will also take place in the afternoon; full weigh-in times will be published on Wednesday 6 January 2027.
Participation	Open to competitors aged **14 years and over** on the day who meet their chosen grade category's requirements. All competitors must hold a valid **British Judo Association or affiliate organisation licence**. Bring proof of membership and your record book / evidence confirming the grade entered to registration and weigh-in.
Senior & Veteran Kyu Grades	**Age: 14 years and over | Grade: Novice to 2nd Kyu** Normal judo contest rules apply. Players will be grouped into pools of 3, 4, 5 or 6 based on age, grade and weight, aiming to provide meaningful contests and as much useful mat time as possible.
Senior & Veteran High Grades	**Age: 14 years and over | Grade: 1st Kyu and above** Normal judo contest rules apply. Players will be grouped into pools of 3, 4, 5 or 6 based on age, grade and weight. **This section is not points scoring.**
Competition format	**BJA Level 3 catchweight event.** All senior and veteran contests are **3 minutes**. With the agreement of the affected players and their coaches, the organiser may combine categories where necessary to provide meaningful contests, subject to applicable rules. **All competitors receive a medal.**

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How to enter	**Entries are open online:** **fienta.com/gnojudo2027** Select the eligible Senior & Veteran Kyu Grades or High Grades category.
Entry fees	**Standard entry: Single £27 | Double £44** Available until Saturday 2 January 2027 at 23:59. **Late entry: Single £32 | Double £54** From Sunday 3 January 2027 at 00:00 until Saturday 9 January 2027 at 12:00 noon. All times are UK time (GMT).
Double entry	Double entry is for the same competitor entering both the Schools Qualifier plus one eligible Senior & Veteran category. Competitors must meet the eligibility requirements for both.
Weigh-in	**Senior and veteran weigh-ins will take place in the afternoon.** Full weigh-in times will be provided on **Wednesday 6 January 2027** via email and social media platforms. Attend the weigh-in for your entered category. Bring your valid BJA or affiliate licence and record book / evidence of grade. Competitors must wear judogi trousers and a plain crew-neck T-shirt or rash guard. **A 0.8kg allowance applies.**
Spectators / Coaching	**Adult spectators: £3 cash** on the day. Children: free. Coaches: free on presentation of a valid coaching card. A valid coaching pass is required for mat-side coaching.
Policies / Conduct	By entering or attending, participants agree to follow British Judo policies and codes of conduct, including: Membership terms and codes of conduct | Contest rules | Rule amendments Transgender participation | Stoma bags | Prosthetic limbs Photography and video must follow British Judo policy. Non-compliance may result in refusal of participation or removal from the event, and referral to British Judo where appropriate.
Support / Questions	For event arrangements, eligibility, safeguarding, photography or additional support, contact danny@dnajudo.co.uk. For British Judo policy or participation support, contact events@britishjudo.org.uk.