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Master John Taylor VIII Ely School of Taekwon-Do

School News

Can we start by first congratulating everyone for their hardwork in the Welsh Open this month and a big well done for retaining the title—Ely's fourth win in the last five years. This has also left Ely school in first position in the UKTA School Tournament league, a new cup introduced this year which will be awarded to the school finishing with the most points from all the national Championships.

Please note the changes to the classes and safety equipment usage. Finally there are details for the upcoming tournaments and travel arrangements, the sooner people put their names in the cheaper transport can be booked. Keep up all the good work everyone!

Class Structure

Timings - As of Wednesday 4th July the schools is reverting back to split classes for juniors and seniors.

Juniors

Wednesday 18:00-19:00
Saturday 10:00-11:00

Seniors

Wednesday 19:00-20:00
Saturday 11:00-12:00

The seniors class will be for black belts and adults, juniors may be invited to train in senior class - all those eligible to do so will be informed by the end of June.

Can parents ensure that they pick up juniors at the end of junior classes, 7pm Wednesday and 11am Saturday.

Headwear - In the interests of safety from now on head guards must be worn by all students during sparring.

London Open

Sunday 15th July - Guildford. Anyone wishing to enter this year needs to see the school secretary Mrs. Sue Phillips ASAP to ensure the application forms are in by the end of the month. Also Can you let her know if you require transport if there are sufficient numbers a minibus will be put on but we need numbers by Saturday 20th June to be able to guarantee booking a bus.

English Open

Saturday 29th September - K2 Crawley. Last year we left at 5:15 am and got there just after 9am due to the traffic around Gatwick airport which meant a very long day. So the suggestion this year is to travel up the night before, there is a travel lodge 3 miles from the venue which has family rooms at £39 per night for the Friday. Alternatively a bus can be arranged for travel on the day—the cost of the bus will be the same either way. Could anyone wishing to attend please let Leighton Prosser know (by 27th June) so we can work out numbers for both options. It may seem a long way off but it will come around soon and you get the best prices booking early.



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Coming Competitions

London Open	15th Jul
English Open	29th Sep
Four Nations	6th Oct
Euros	19th Oct
Grand Prix III	5th Nov
UK Open	25th Nov

Fund Raising

The school is looking into doing some fund raising events this year to raise money for the school. If any has any suggestions or contacts who may be interested in sponsoring the school or assisting with funding could they please bring them to the attention of the school via Master Taylor VIII, Miss Phillips I or secretary, Mrs Sue Philips. Ideas so far include, skittles, night, BBQ, bag packing at super-store - all ideas more than welcome.



Welsh Open

20 students entered this year and everyone from the u13 yellow belt up to the Veteran black belt all performed well and showed what high standards Ely School has, as the day moved along the medal's

started to roll in and even though we were stuck with the predicament of 6 of our 20 students in the u13's green belt division together - at the end of the day Ely had 6 gold, 7 silver and 11 bronze and then our own Lanny

James picked up the 13-17 colour belt overall which was enough to win the tournament on the day.

Any suggestions or comments for the school are welcome to press@elytkd.co.uk

Squad Training

National Squad Training, the next sessions are in July — dates to be announced. All black belts welcome and colour belts by invite only.



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ITF Wales website is now back up and running at www.itfwales.co.uk for everyone who wants to keep up with what is happening throughout Wales.

Medal total 2007 :

 34  21  26

Ely School - Welsh Champions 2007

Congratulations to the following for representing the school in the events so far

Victoria Phillips I, Cassie Lund I, Wayne Brooks I, Tom Harris I, Gareth Francis I, Conah Prosser I, Lanny James, Ryan Davis, Ben Hull, Ethan Davis, Sarah Jones, Daniel Neale, Jamie Dare, Jade Cronick, Lewis Brooks, Amy Jones, Ella Hatherill, Danial Jenkins, Thomas Jenkins, Sam Walsh, Jake Ward and Shannon Jenkins. - between them attending the XV Senior World Championships, the Scottish Open, the UKTA - ITF Slovenia team challenge, the Welsh Open and Grand Prix stage I and II.

Calendar of Events 2007 :

June 24th - Black belt seminar - venue TBC

July 15th - London Open - Guildford

August 19th - Seminar/Grading Heath Hospital Sports Hall

August 31st - 2nd Sept - Black belt grading - England

September 29th - English Open Crawley K2

October 6th - Four Nations Fight Night & Anniversary Dinner, Exeter

October 19th-21st - XXII Senior & XIII Junior European Championships, Tallin Estonia.

November 4th - Grand Prix V stage III

November 18th - ITF Pro Tournament, Croatia.

November 18th - Seminar/Grading Heath Hospital Sports Hall

November 25th - UK Open, UWIC Cardiff

December 1st - RITA Irish National Open, Dublin

December TBC - ITF Wales Awards Night.

Please check out the website for any events date changes or additions as more news become available.

UKTA school tournament League

This is a new Cup for 2007, points for the wins in each of the championships are totalled to find the best school in the UK at the end of the year, scores after the Scottish/Welsh:

Ely	82
Fairwater	71
Elgin	63
Wishaw	63
RTA Didcot	61

New School Location:

The Barn
 Michaelston Community College
 Drope Road
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Wednesday 18:00-19:00

Saturday 10:00-12:00

Sharp left at St Fagan's Church
 in Wales Primary School.