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## **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Black Belt Grading**

At the time of going to press all successful candidates will have received their results and been presented with appropriate items of insignia.

**Our warmest Congratulations are extended to all**



## **2011 British Championships**

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2011 saw the BUTF holds its annual British Championships at The Latchmere Leisure Centre in Battersea London for the 23<sup>rd</sup> consecutive year. Competitor, officials & spectators began arriving from 08:00hrs soaking up the atmosphere and preparing for the eventful day ahead.

Six rings were prepared for use following which Sahun Au, VIII 'Phal' Dan along with Sahun Sangha, VIII 'Phal' Dan, Sahun Manning, VII 'Chill' Dan and Sahun Bryan, VII 'Chill' Dan lined up all officials and competitors at 09:00 hrs to commence proceedings. Sahun Au briefed all concerned as to how the day would be run and then assigned Supervisors their rings and Officials for the day.

This was followed by the presentation of embroidered belts, certificates and insignia to all who had been successful in the recent Black Belt grading held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> October, it being a



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long awaited day, especially for the many coloured belts who had finally achieved their goal of obtaining the coveted BUTF Black Belt.

On the day's proceedings commencing, it was great to see such a wide range of competitors aging from as young as 6 through to..., (I wouldn't want to guess the age of the oldest competitor but was informed that he was 70) all displaying the desire not only to compete but to win.

First on display were the kup grade Pattern divisions, where there were some excellent performances on show, displaying power, coupled to great technique and rhythmic flow. The performance I feel that stood out from the rest was that of Red Belt Abigail Wawman from Cranford TKD School. Abigail performed what could be described as an almost flawless Hwa Rang, which was worthy of a Gold medal at any level of competition.

Next came sparring, with the atmosphere being electric, as competitors and spectators alike didn't know what to expect. One of the biggest divisions was the Micro Yellow Belts and it was great to see such youth with the desire to excel. After some great displays Deago Dunbar-Bonnie from Wembley TKD School came through to win gold in his first competition in his division.

The Junior Black Belts then took to the floor. As always some great Patterns were on show for all to see, displaying great text book technique; a joy to watch. The junior division was won by IL Dan Sanisha Malhi from Cranford TKD School who was competing for the first time in the division since gaining her Black Belt as recently as the previous month.

Senior Black Belt Patterns were on show next with 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Dan division being wide open for the winning. Following some fine performances Sa Dan Akash Vithlani from Harrow TKD School took Gold.

Then came what everyone had been waiting all day to see, Black Belt Sparring. Again there were some great performances on display, especially from those who had just been promoted to Black Belt. IL Dan Katie Wawman from Cranford TKD School who (besides competing as a Black Belt for the first time was also competing as an adult) showed great technique ability in keeping opponents at bay, going on to take Gold. Katie also went on to take Gold in the ladies Foot Destruction, successfully performing the complicated 360 degree spinning back kick to break.

The Junior Black Belts Sparring was closely followed by the Adult Male division, with some phenomenal bouts on show. However, the one which drew the crowd's admiration and attention was the Welterweight final contested between Sam Dan Shaniel Veman from Harrow TKD School & debutant IL Dan Zababrooth Shakeer from Staines TKD School. If ever there was a baptism of fire, this was it. Zababrooth held his own against his opponent, but the experience, technical ability and speed of Shaniel proved finally to be the difference between the two fighters. All in all it was a great show enjoyed by the audience.



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The day proved to be successful, pleasant, with plenty of good atmosphere along with an array of talent on display and thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. Finally it's fabulous to be able to witness up and coming students displaying the results of hard work and dedication along with a steely determination in striving to reach their chosen goal in this unique Martial Art called Taekwon-Do.

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