## Class Schedules 20

Private Sessions are held on Saturday afternoons at Newton Abbot, by appointment only. To book your appointment call 01626 360999 or email kim@KarateAcademy.co.uk

#### **NEWTON ABBOT** All classes held at Karate Academy, King Street Studios, King Street NEWTON ABBOT, TQ12 2LG

**EXETER CRANBROOK Education Campus** 

WEDNESDAY 6-7.30pm

- TUESDAY 10am-11am 5pm-6pm 6pm-7pm 7pm-8.30pm
- WEDNESDAY 4.30pm -5.15pm LITTLE WARRIORS 6.30-7.30pm LADIES ONLY
- THURSDAY 10am-11am 5pm-6pm 6pm-7pm 7pm-8.30pm
- 9am -9.45am LITTLE SATURDAY WARRIORS 10am-12noon SUNDAY 10am Brown Belts and above only.

TOROUAY St Martins Church Hall, Barton Hill Road,

Torquay TUESDAY 6pm-7.30pm

#### PAIGNTON

All classes held at Paignton Community College, Waterleat Road, PAIGNTON. Performing Arts Suite SATURDAY 10am-11.30am WEDNESDAY 6pm-7.30pm

**Kingsteigton OAP Club**, Oakford Lawn, Kingsteighton

**KINGSTEIGNTON** 

FRIDAY 6pm-7.30pm

#### **ASHBURTON** All classes held at Ashmoor Leisure Centre, ASHBURTON

TUESDAY 6pm-7.30pm THURSDAY 6pm-7.30pm

## TOTNES

All classes held at TOTNES Pavilion Leisure Centre

> MONDAY 6pm-7pm WEDNESDAY 6pm-7pm

> > CHUDLEIGH The Town Hall, CHUDLEIGH

MONDAY 5.30pm-7pm







## **Five Sixths**

Full steam ahead for us, now, as new members join and special events take place.

We have mentioned before, yet it still remains a vital truth-progress takes place by training regularly. Training at home doesn't get you corrected, so by all means do your press-ups and sit-ups, but it is in front of your teacher that you stand a chance of getting the details of your kata right. Twice a week or more for best progress. John and Kim

## Kyoshi in Devon

Chief Examiner and External Verifier, Kyoshi Anthony Blades came to see us on Saturday 1st October! The first session was for those below brown belt. and featured a fascinating drill to engage the mind and body. Then the Dan grading began at noon. At 1pm the brown belts and above were present for their class with Kyoshi. He had us training in balance and launching kicks. After the training, some of us went out for a great meal organised by Clare Potter sensei.

#### **Dojo Traditions**

Hi 火 - Fire. Funakoshi sensei famously wrote: "Karate is like boiling water, if you do not heat it constantly, it returns to its tepid state". In other words, if you want your Karate to live, you have to add fire. Desire from within. An attitude of seeking and driving, striving for betterment within the art. Fire, as a concept, is important to us.

## **New Dan Grades**

We are very pleased to announce that on 1st October, after a gruelling test, the following grades were awarded: Sandan Nicola Carrick Nidan Adam Castle, Andrew Power Shodan Phil Hale, Steve O'Brien, Cain Power, Cas Power, Isaac Spurrier, Carl Tilling. Congratulations. Now the hard work beains.



#### **Newton Abbot Parking**

We would like to remind all members and their families that the Resident Permit Holders parking bays must not be used when training, picking up/ dropping off at King Street Studios unless you have said permit. The parking bays at the Academy itself are for the instructors. Most of you are really good and conscientious, but a few cause us to receive complaints from residents about "our" behaviour...





#### **Renshi Neil in Newton** Abbot

Our very first special quest instructor at the new Newton Abbot dojo on 3rd September was Neil Ellison renshi. Our friend from Teesside was teaching neigong internal energy exercises, and then their practical applications. As you can see, the course was well attended and made for an interesting comparison to our regular training.

#### Yara Kusanku

Most of Shotokan Karate is related to movements found in the Kanku Dai or Jion kata. On Sunday 11th December 2016 we will be hosting Martyn Harris renshi teaching the version of Kanku known as Yara Kusanku.

This provides us with some interesting differences and similarities, so that we might gain further insight into our own kata. Even the Heian kata are based on Kanku Dai movements.

This course will take place at Newton Abbot dojo at a cost of £25 per person.

## The South West Karate Experience 2017!

Come and train with us on the beach at the end of half-term. 2nd-4th June 2017. Perran Sands Holiday Camp. We'll be training on Perranporth beach, where we know there is a tide, sand, and surf. The Haven centre has Archery and Golf, Swimming, and evening entertainment, and on Saturday night we will get

together for a pizza party where the Karate Academy supplies the pizza. We'll have a weekend's training, and down-time. The caravans are selfcatering, and we'll be booking people in to make best use of the space we have. It's only £125 per person. You can book your place with a £30 deposit and pay the balance in easy monthly instalments.

## **More Travels**

In case any of you wanted to come along, it is only right to let you know that Renshi John will be teaching seminars around the country in the next few weeks.

October 15th Doncaster October 22nd & 23rd Scotland November 12th grading examination in Cardiff.

December 3rd marks Martyn Skipper sensei's 40th Anniversary of starting training, so there will be a celebration lesson and meal in Manchester.

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Please make a note of your appointment in your training diary. Please use the private lessons for clarification and help with things we may not have had enough time for in class. Please be early and get yourself warm before the allotted time, these lessons are short and might be wasted if the student is not prepared. If you are unable to make a booked session, please let us know as soon as possible so we can offer the slot to another student.

#### **Dates for your Diary** and Timetable exceptions

Saturday 1st October—no 10am classes in

Newton Abbot or Paignton.

Thursday 6th October—no Ashburton class due to school function.

Saturday 8th October—Little Warriors stripe test.

Sunday 16th October—Next kyu grading

#### **New Member**

The Karate Academy is pleased to welcome the following new member who joined during the month of September:

#### Elliot Follano (Chudleigh)

Recommendation is the highest compliment we can receive. Welcome one and all!

## Registration

When you arrive for class at Newton Abbot, introduce yourself to Debbie at the reception desk before going to the changing rooms or training areas. Debbie will make sure you are marked in the register, deal with any private session requests and take payments. It will take her a few weeks to get to know you all, so please join us in welcoming Debbie to our team. Thank you

#### Last Word

The Dojo shouldn't be a comfortable place. It is a place where we challenge ourselves to grow and overcome adversities. The people around us have their challenges and we have ours. We share common experiences and yet we don't have to be best buddies. We do recognise each other's trials and respect the path we are on. Sometimes we make mistakes. Sometimes we surge ahead and sometimes we fall behind. The Dojo is the constant in these scenarios.

Not everyone can get there twice per week. Not everyone who gets there twice per week works hard throughout. We mustn't compare ourselves to others who can do more or get there more frequently because they live different lives to us. We do the best with the lives that we have. We just have to make sure that the time we spend in the dojo is spent wisely. Set out to make progress.

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#### **Birthdays**

The following students celebrate their Birthday this month (October):

- Lucas Daborn 1st
- Sonny Maclean-Godwin 2nd
- Dave Floyd sensei, Shana 3rd
  - Osborne
- 4th Mathew Pratt, Jonathan Ward 8th
  - Ethan Stuart Jim Wight sensei
  - Elizabeth Cazier
- 11th Wil Hodkinson-Reeves 14th
- Elliot Follano 15th

10th

- 17th Catherine Drinkall, Ruby Simmons
- 18th Zack Morgan sensei, William Ward
- 20th Ethan Kirkbride
- 21st Dave Pickhaver, Isabella Chombunchuay
- 25th Steph Ellis 26th
  - Nathan Dungey, Ben Quick
- 27th Amy Baker 29th Sam Jagues
- 30th Rachel Leggatt

#### Happy Birthday to You