



## NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2024

### Annual Presentation

We hope those of you who were able to attend, enjoyed the presentation evening. A massive thank you to everyone who contributed to the buffet, whether you bought food or made it yourself, we appreciate it. We weren't short of variety! Not forgetting a big CONGRATULATIONS to all the medal and trophy winners! Players fought really well in the competitions running up to the event, we hope this gave those who haven't competed before, a feel for what it's like.

### Competitions

There are a number of competitions running in February and March at Samurai Judo Club. We know a number of players have already signed up for these. If you would like to enter or are undecided, please don't hesitate to speak to the coaches. We will be getting competition ready over the coming weeks so players will have the opportunity to do some practice contests during the sessions as well as revising contest etiquette.

Competitions can be found on the website under the following link:

<https://www.wrekinstarjudoclub.co.uk/club-events-and-news/>

Further information about what to expect on competition day can be found here:

<https://www.wrekinstarjudoclub.co.uk/junior-s-page/>

Please could everyone who's competing let Lou know so the coaches can provide coaching support.

### Licences

Licences **MUST BE IN DATE**. Our records show that some members' licences have expired. Please let us know if you have renewed. We are not insured for members who don't have licences. No current licence - no judo.

## **Membership / Fees**

The new mat and membership fees have now come into effect. Could you please ensure that standing orders are updated and membership is paid no later than March 1<sup>st</sup> 2024.

To re-iterate the reason for the increase and introduction of a membership fee:

Fees Mat fees have been kept the same for many years with additional expenses of moving and increased rent being absorbed by the club funds. Unfortunately, we are no longer able to cover these and consequently have had to increase the standard mat fees as well as introduce a nominal annual membership fee. For existing members, these will come into effect from 1st February 2024.

We fully understand that with the cost-of-living crisis, that some members may find the increase more difficult to meet. We have taken this into consideration and are able to support members where needed so please speak to Mandy or Claire.

New fees can be found here or in January's newsletter:

<https://www.wrekinstarjudoclub.co.uk/sessions-and-pricing/>

## **Wellington Market Survey**

Please take a few minutes to complete the online survey regarding the future of Wellington Market (our current home) your comments may help make the difference to secure this as a permanent venue.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CVGBZDX>