

## <u>laido National Championships 2024</u>

13<sup>th</sup> July 2024 9:00am - 17:00pm

## **York University Sports Centre**

James Way Heslington York, UK, YO10 5NA

Dear laido Bu Members,

You are warmly invited to the BKA Iaido National Championships 2024. We have sourced the above venue for the event and look forward to running a successful and well attended event.

- The Day will consist of the laido Individuals followed by the laido Team Event.
- 09:00 registration for a 09:30 start.
- The morning will start with the individual event with pool and knockout stages from Mudan to Rokudan.
- The final event will be the team taikai with 3 players per team and a maximum of 10 dans total per team (mudan/ikkyu counting as one dan).

As per previous years each dojo may put forward as many teams as they wish. There will be no demonstration of how a shiai works prior to the competition starting. Lunch will not be scheduled, so please bring a packed lunch and eat when you can. Booking on the event will be bookable via the online system, there will also be an application form to fill in and send to register individual competitors and teams, this will also be available on the BKA website. The deadline for entries will be 10<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

Don't have a team? Please still feel free to come along, we are sure there will also be odd numbers from other dojo who could not field full teams, where possible we will try to accommodate mixtures of single players (following the usual 10 dan limit) on the day. As a closing note if you have any newer members, or members who have not considered taking part in shiai before, please encourage them to come along to the Nationals which is a great place to get some watching practice, test yourself and most importantly, catch up with old friends or meet new ones. Look forward to seeing you there.

Kind regards,

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PS.

For those members who are looking for accommodation near the venue alternative to the nearby hotels, the university have offered me a block of 35 B&B University rooms on campus for the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> July if you wish to stay an extra night.

The site is the James College Building in front of Newton Way.

A code for guest is set up to book via speedy booker - KENDO2024 - the following link will take you straight to the page. The rooms have been added for this event and maybe able to increase if there is a greater demand. Rooms are at £72 per night and will be available to book up until 3 weeks before arrival when the link closes. As you book, the accommodation team will send you details of checking in and breakfast etc.

https://www.universityrooms.com/en-GB/eventcode?ec=KENDO2024&vid=jamesyork

Please note all rooms are single occupancy and all guests must be 18+ Kindest regards Colin