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# TAEKWON NEWS

## Newsletter for the P.U.M.A. Newbury School of Taekwon-Do January 2012

Happy New Year to everyone,

What an amazing end to 2011 with the fabulous Berkshire Area Championships on the 18<sup>th</sup> December. There were an incredible 174 competitors and 100 spectators meaning that over £400 was raised (despite the low cost) which will be divided up between charity and equipment for the area. The level of competition in both the Tae Kwon-Do and Kick Boxing was a credit to all the Schools that took part. A big thank you to the organisers and Black Belts who assisted so lets hope we can organise another tournament. Please speak to your instructors about your views on the this event.

Please can you note that we now have a new website for our School called [www.newburytkd.co.uk](http://www.newburytkd.co.uk). You will find lots of useful information and be able to contact your instructors by email as well.

We would also like to pass our recognition to the following students who in 2011 made outstanding effort in and for our School:

**Area Student of the Year: Mr Leigh Shelford**  
**Junior Student of the Year: Kongpoom Varunrot**  
**Junior Most Improved Student of the Year: Midhura Arulkkumaran**  
**Adult Student of the Year: Mrs Alexander Steward**  
**Adult Most Improved Student of the Year: Dennis Greensmith**

### Events in January 2012

<b>Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	First Lesson back for Juniors & Adults sessions.
<b>Sat 9<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup></b>	Black Belt Training. Northcroft 10.30-12.30am (Black Belts /1 <sup>st</sup> Kups)
<b>Sat 14<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	Assistant instructor's course (see instructor for details)
<b>Sun 15<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	Instructor's course (see instructor for details).

### Events in February 2012

Sat 4<sup>th</sup> Feb  
Sun 12<sup>th</sup> Feb

Black Belt Pre-Grading, Oasis Leisure Centre Swindon  
Southern Championships. Plymouth

## What has been Happening at the School

Well done to the following students who gained credit passes:

**Kongpoom Varunrot and Bethany Carlton.**

And a special mention to **Liam Badman-Lailey** for the Grading award.

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> Dec** Berkshire Area Championships. Northcroft Leisure Centre Newbury.

A total of 174 competitors and 100 spectators from several Tae Kwon-Do and Kick Boxing Schools from Berkshire, Oxfordshire and Hampshire were represented at the tournament. A full list of results will be published on the School's new web site shortly. Thatcham came first with 96 points, followed by Newbury with 69 points, and Oxfordshire with 66 points. Newbury had 30 competitors. A special mention to Newbury little Pumas, who won 7 out of 8 trophies for little puma events, despite being in the minority. We can win it next year!



## Information from your Instructor Mr Sanderson

Well done and thank you to all students, parents, helpers and black belts for helping to make 2011 such a successful year for Newbury tkd. This is not just at tournaments but at gradings as well with many new coloured belts and dan grades being rewarded with their new belts. We look poised to make 2012 even more successful, with a number of good ideas which will hopefully improve all of our training and the School. It should be noted that the new issue of Planet PUMA will be available for free download from the PUMA website soon. Also, can anybody who has any feedback on the tournament please speak to myself or Master Ogborne. Finally, can we have a push to get more people to follow the Facebook page, as all major announcements about the School will be made there first.

***Taekwon and Happy New Year! Master Ogborne, Mr. Sanderson, Mrs. Sukwong-Fletcher, Mr. Shelford and Dennis Greensmith (Editor)***