



Gordon Jones Shihan writes

How do you measure 'success' when looking at an aikido Summer School?

If you count increased membership numbers attending, superb teaching, students committed to leaning what is taught and a stress free happy atmosphere both on and off the mat then 2008 UKA Summer School was a resounding success.

Apart from jet lag and loosing his luggage in Paris, Sugawara Sensei seemed very pleased to be with us. His teaching was, as always, very clearly defined and inspiring. It was generally felt that he

had 'notched' up his instruction: I hope in response to the feeling that standard of UKA aikido had improved. He did not say once 'I showed this 2 years ago', which for me was a really positive step forward.

The whole week was enjoyable, stress and problem free which was, in the main, down to Sue and the Hayward family organising it all down to the last detail.

We were very pleased to welcome visitors from abroad, including Scotland, Serbia, Greece and France. Special mention for Liljana who travelled alone from Belgrade via

Heathrow and Birmingham to share the week with us.

Also to the French contingent who brought with them such a positive and enjoyable flavour to our practice and social time.

I would also like to thank Neil Blacknell for his faultless and priceless interpretation and translation of Sensei's teaching.

Most of all though we would like to thank the UKA members who turned up to practice in unprecedented numbers to enjoy a brilliant aikido event. I hope we can count on your support in even greater numbers next year.

Excerpt from Chair's Report, AGM 2008

"In March this year I wrote to the seniors of the BA, the BAF, Komyokan and also to Mr. Tani of Hombu Dojo with a suggestion that through our shared relationship with Hombu, we find ways that we could constructively work together and by demonstrating this we way have the opportunity to extend an invitation to Doshu. Coincidentally this request came at a time when Doshu was con-

sidering an invitation, made some time ago, by the BAF to visit the UK. It appears that my initiative proved the deciding factor. So remarkably within 6 weeks of writing we received a letter accepting a joint invitation by the affiliated groups for Doshu to undertake a course on the 2nd weekend in June 2010 The venue will be the Institute of Sport in Cardiff. I feel very

privileged to have played a small part in the unfolding chapter of aikido in the UK and I look forward to the UKA playing a leading role in its development. I would like to recognise the role of the UKA Shido-in who offered unquestioning support in my dealings with our sister groups."

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Newsletter Article Submission Deadlines

December 08
Deadline - 17th Nov 07

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General Information

Summer School 2008 Promotions

Congratulations to the following who were promoted at Summer School:

Shodan

Pierre Antony Helmbold
Rivington Hermit
Julien Parny
Rachelle Russell
Enrique Sa Earp

Nidan

Penny Maycock
Cedric Rameau
Samantha Remington-Jones
Satu Vainikka

Shidoiin

Steve Magson
Clifford Price
Paul Shepherd
Barbara Sotowicz

**UKA Aikido Course 19th October 2008. Ren Shin Kan Dojo, 10.00 - 15.30.
See website and club notice boards for details**

UKA Courses 2009

18th January | 14th/15th March - Winter School | 14th June
15th - 22nd August - Summer School | 18th October

Aikido Course with Okamoto Sensei, 6th Dan, 25th & 26th October, Edinburgh

Times: Saturday October 25, 09:00~13:00 | Sunday October 26, 10:00~14:00

Venue: Meadowbank Stadium & Sports Centre, Edinburgh (<http://www.edinburghleisure.co.uk/detail-243>)

Cost: £40 for both days, £30 per day. 10% reduction for advance bookings or concessions

Contact: Neil Blacknell, Azami-kai Aikido. 60 Gilmerton Dykes Drive, Edinburgh EH17 8LF
+131 6202403, neilblacknell@hotmail.com

Additional information about Sensei: <http://www.aikidokyoto.com/English/Eindex.html>

Course with Keith Hayward Sensei

Airenjuku London Dojos will be hosting a course on the 22nd November at the Sobell Sports Centre, London. Guest instructor will be Keith Hayward Sensei.

Further details from www.airenjuku.org.uk | ahumphreys@hotmail.com

Ask a Shidoiin

Next month's question, from Neil Mould, Staines Dojo, is:

"In our dojos, what methods can we use to develop the connection / contact between tori & uke?"

New UKA Club

Bedford Aikido Club. Instructor Mark Machin 2nd Dan so Hombu

Class Times

Thursdays
2000 - 2100

Sundays
1700 - 1800

Location

The Bunyan Sports Centre
Mile Road
Bedford
MK42 9TS

For more information

e-mail
markmachin1@yahoo.co.uk

or call
07958 669199.

Web Site Updates

To all Club Instructors

Do you want your own club web site?
If so contact:

Mark Machin,
UKA Webmaster:
webmaster@ukaonline.org.uk

This is an example of what is on offer:



House News



Te Shin Kai

Chief Instructor – Keith Hayward Sensei 6th Dan so Hombu
Tel 01952 403195 | Email: susan.hayward@sky.com | www.teshinkai.org.uk

Class Schedules

Ken Mon Kan Oakengates Class Times

Monday & Thursday – 7.45 – 8.45pm Juniors 7.45 – 10.00pm Seniors
Friday - 8.00 – 10.00pm
First Friday of every month – Instructors Course – 8.00 – 10.00pm
Second Friday of every month – Weapons Class - 8.00 - 10.00pm



Kyu Shin Kan

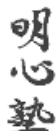
Chief Instructor – Peter Brown Sensei 5th Dan so Hombu
Website <http://www.kyushinkan.com/>

Projected Course Dates at Kyu Shin Kan for 2008

Date	Course	Times	Venue
16th November	Grading Course	10.00am – 2.30pm	TBC
7th December	Instructors	11.00am - 1.30pm	DMU Dojo

Melton Mowbray Aikido Club Courses : Brownlow School Limes Avenue Melton Mowbray

Date	Course	Times	Instructor
2nd November	Grading Course	4.00pm - 6.00pm	Sensei P. Brown



Myo Shin Juku

Chief Instructor – Peter Brady Sensei 6th Dan so Hombu
Website <http://www.myoshinjuku.org.uk/>

Date	Course	Times	Venue
5 th October	Instructors	10.00am – 12.00pm / 12.30pm – 2.30pm	The Langley Dojo
2nd November	Weapons	10.00am - 1.00pm	Land Rover Dojo
7th December	General	10.00am – 12.00pm / 12.30pm – 2.30pm	The Langley Dojo