



International Wado Federation



Wado Events & Dates!

Not 'all-styles' - Just Pure Wado for Wado Purists.

International Wado Federation Committee; <https://iwf-karate.org/governance>

Clubs and Organisations wishing to add or promote their **Wado-related** Events, please send these items in [and state] for inclusion. All events are 'correct at time of printing'.

Please **pre-book & confirm** before travelling, and direct inquiries towards the relevant *Event* *Organiser/s* shown. **Courses MAY BE CANCELLED if due to inadequate response.**

Greetings, Ladies & Gentlemen.

This week's 'Wado Date Section' for Saturday, 13 April 2024.

<p>May 2024</p> 	<p>British Wadokai's Plymouth Honbu 20-Years Old (May 2004)! BWK 40-Years Old (April 1976)!</p>  <p>英国和道会 空手道連盟 本部道場</p>
<p>23/05/24</p> 	<p>IWF-Norge Training Courses & Events</p>



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WELCOME

31/05/24 -
02/06/24



IWFN
INVITERER TIL
GASSHUKU (B) MED GRADERING
FREDAG 31.05- 02.06.2024



Sensei Kjartan Stornes
Kyoshi 7 Dan



Sensei John R. Ingebrigtsen
Renshi 6 Dan

Info kommer

31/05/24



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**BWK-Honbu
Recognises June
as
Roku-Gatsu
Kaisetsu Month
for British
Wadokai!**

June is Recognised as British Wadokai Honbu's
'Roku-Gatsu Kata Kaisetsu Month!'

六月开解说



At the end of every training session, at the BWK-Honbu during the month of June, emphasis will be placed on the practise & understanding of the Classical Kaisetsu & Kaishaku of our syllabus Kata!

It is hoped that other BWK clubs would likewise get involved with 'Kata Kaisetsu Month' and maybe send in pictures for the BWK Wado News!

The BWK-Honbu Kata-Kaisetsu Calendar...

Week-1; Kushanku, Seishan & Chinto Kata Kaisetsu.



Week-2; Bassai & Wanshu Kata Kaisetsu.



Week - 3; Niseishi & Rohai Kata Kaisetsu.



Week - 4; Mittsuji Kata Kaisetsu.



02/06/24



Momiji Dojo Open Wadoryu Course

Sunday June 02nd - 9.30am to 1pm.

Pre-Senior Grading Course - Kihon, and KIHON GUMITE 1-5

Instructor GE Swift Hanshi.

Venue; Momiji Dojo. Village Hall, Bradford-on-Tone, Somerset TA4 1HF

Please pre-book through the Course Organiser; Stuart Richings 4th Dan.

Email; momijiwado@gmail.com

06/06/24



TWJ-Norge Training Courses & Events



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Paul Elliott Kyoshi 50-Years Wadoryu

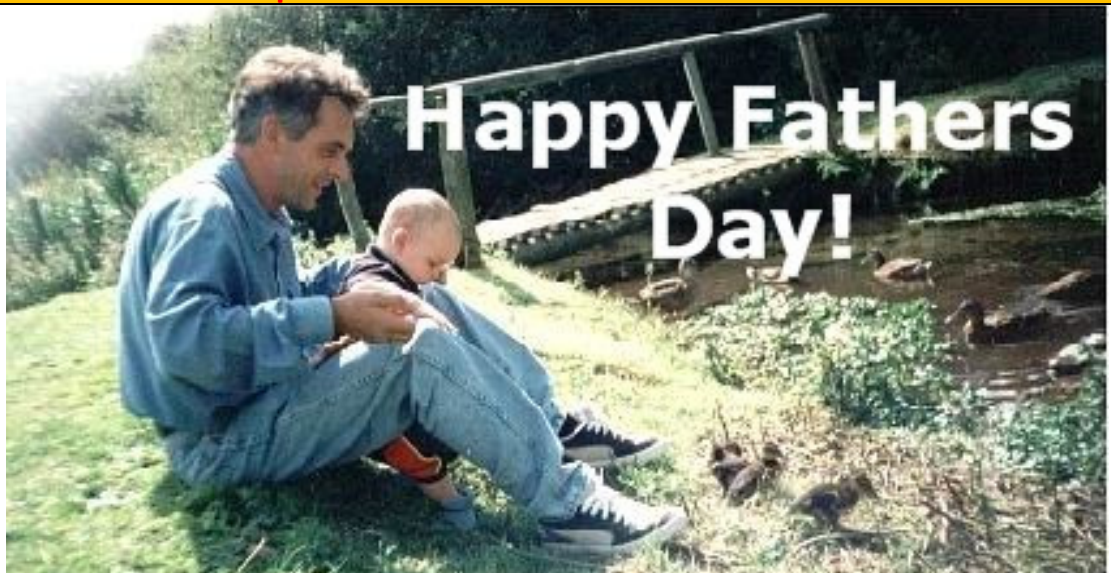


Special Celebration Event
Tokui-Waza 得意技 Course!
Open to all British Wado Federation Members!
Bokuto-Jutsu & Mutodori
Open to all BWF Members!



Instructors; Paul Elliott Kyoshi, Gary Swift Hanshi.
Venue; The Scout Hall, Swindon Road, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 2HF.
Time; Training 10am-2pm. 2pm-3pm – **lots of grub!**
Price; £20.
Details & Booking. Tel; 07778-058482. Email; semka@btinternet.com
[Transport from Plymouth available \(leave 5am\).](mailto:garyswifwithanshi@gmail.com) Email; garyswifwithanshi@gmail.com
Those booked for transport:
Item submitted; 7th September 2023.

16/06/24



23/06/24
This course is
open to all
levels.

BWK Grading & Examiner's Course
Open to all!
Yūdan & Kyū Level Examiner Levels.



Sanctioned by
the BWK-Honbu

Certification and Qualifications for all Examiner Levels.

Instructor; Gary Swift Hanshi.

Venue; Kingslea School, Kingslea, Horsham, Sussex. RH13 5PS.

Time; 10am-2pm.

Transport from Plymouth available. Leave Plymouth at 5am.

British Wadokai has many examiners, but very few *officially registered* and assessed as BWK Examiners. This course is an ideal opportunity for all Yūdansha of all levels to become 'official' **British Wadokai National & International Examiners & Assessors**.

Being a black-belt does not instantly entitle 'instructor' or 'grading powers' (these may be provisionally given in extenuating circumstances). Being a **black-belt**, being an **Instructor**, being an **examiner** are **THREE** different qualifications, which must be attained separately.

If you have not attended a BWK Examiners Course or do not possess an official BWK Examiner Certificate, or if you just simply want to 'update' the qualifications you already have, then this course is for you.



What does this mean?

As a Kyū-Grade Examiner [and equally helpful as an applicant] you may need to know *exactly* what this means. Plus learning what the additional symbols actually mean.

This course will allow students and instructors to experience 'mock' gradings and learn what makes the difference between a student who passes against those who fail, *or receive low marks and results, etc.*

1. As an applicant, learn how to make the best of your performance.
2. Learn how to increase your chances to pass at a BWK Grading.
3. Improve your chances of passing capabilities with Essential Grade Aesthetics.
4. As an Examiner, learn how to run/conduct an official Kyū Shinsa.
5. What are the BWK Examiner Levels?
6. Learn how to assess at a BWK Yūdan Shinsa (Black-Belt Grading), as part of a BWK Yūdan (Black-Belt) Examiner Panel.
7. How to 'correctly' differentiate between class-passes. Learn what makes the difference between the Kyū-grade 'pass-levels' (1st, 2nd, 3rd Class, etc.).
8. Obtain BWK Black-Belt Examiner Level Certification (official Yūdan-Shinsa Panel Judge).
9. How to conduct a grading. Learn the correct formality, etiquette and protocols essential for all Kyū and Yūdan gradings.
10. Performing the 'correct' Reishiki at the end of the grading.

Venue; Kingslea School, Kingslea, Horsham, Sussex. RH13 5PS.

Time; 10am-2pm.

Instructor; Gary Swift Hanshi.

NB: Yūdansha. Please bring your BWK Licence for qualification entry. FAO: British Wadokai Instructors/Secretaries. If you wish for this course to also be available at your own venue, please contact us to arrange a course within the Date Section.

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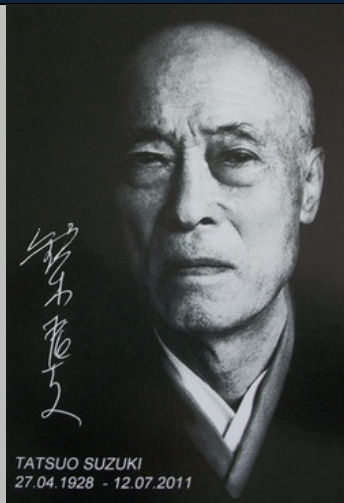
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12th July



TATSUO SUZUKI
27.04.1928 - 12.07.2011

©Picture by Eleni Labiri-
Suzuki 7th Dan

In Respectful Memory of Sensei Tatsuo Suzuki Hanshi who passed away peacefully at 83 years of age. 27th April 1928 to 12th July 2011.
May he rest in peace and be always remembered.



26/07/24



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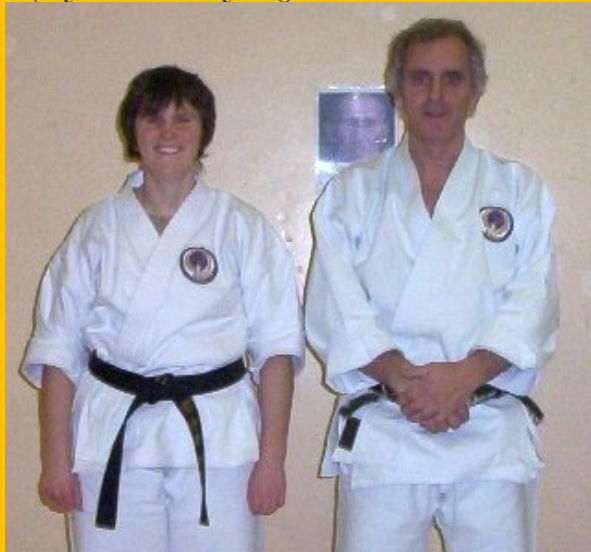
September
2024
Plymouth
Wadoryu now
20-Years Old!



British Wadokai's Plymouth Karate Schools.
Now Celebrates 20-Years in Plymouth!
September 2004 - September 2024



<https://plymouthkarateschools.weebly.com/cfubs.html>
Plymouth Wadoryu Karate's 1st Instructors in 2004



GE Swift Hanshi Zoe Swift Yōdan

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Plymouth Karate's Earliest Training & Kyū Gradings from October 2004



9th & 5th Kyū Grading at Plymstock School Karate Club



6th Kyū Grading at Plymstock School Karate Club



Group Shot at Elburton Wadoryu Karate



7th Kyū Grading at Sir John Hunt School Plymouth



4th & 3rd Kyū Grading at Plympton Karate Club



7th & 6th Kyū at Whitefeigh Wadoryu Karate



Kyū Grading at the Woolwell Karate Club



Kyū Grading at Plymouth University Karate Club



Club Group at Pomphlett Karate Club 2004



Pomphlett Dojo's Standardisation Course circa 2012





Kyū Gradings at the Gunnislake Dojo 2016, 2017 & 2018

*Plymouth Karate Schools' Senior Instructors,
Gary Swift Hanshi*



Richard House Renshi

Harry Barton Tashi

Nick Lewellyn 3rd Dan



01/09/24



Momiji Dojo Open Wadoryu Course

Sunday September 01st - 9.30am to 1pm.

Pre-Senior Grading Course - Chinto KATA & KUMITE (free fighting)

Instructor GE Swift Hanshi.

Venue; Momiji Dojo. Village Hall, Bradford-on-Tone, Somerset TA4 1HF

Please pre-book through the Course Organiser; Stuart Richings 4th Dan.

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06-08/09/24

*International Open Training Weekend!
Bergen, Norway.*



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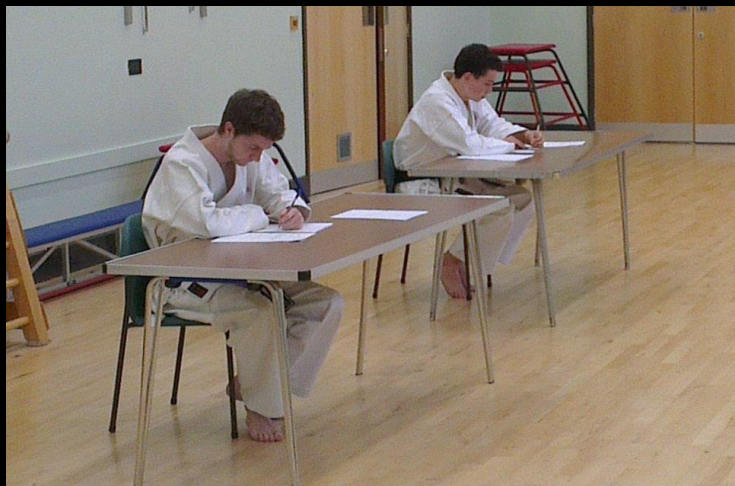


BWK Honbu Hikki Shiken Yūdan Shinsa

Open to all eligible applicants

Written Examination Details

BWK-Honbu. Wembury Village Hall, Barton Close, Wembury, Devon. PL9 0LF
Time; 7-8.30pm.



This Written Examination, if passed, will be valid for all BWK (Practical) Jutsugi Shiken Yūdan Shinsa for up to 24-months.

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英国和道会空手道連盟 本部道場

BWK Honbu Yūdan Jutsugi Shiken 有段実技試験

Open to all eligible British Wadokai Members.

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British Wadokai-Honbu Practical Yūdan Shinsa.

Chief Examiner; Gary E Swift Hanshi. Panel Judges Invited.

Open also to all BWK 2nd Dan & above for Yūdan Panel Judge Training.

Open to ALL eligible British Wadokai Licence Members only.

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Written Examination: 7-8.30pm.

Practical Examination. Time; 8.30-9.30pm.

Applications received & accepted:

Dress code for attending BWK Examiners; BWK Judges attire or Gi.

Download British Wadokai Yūdan Shinsa Application Form from the British Wadokai Honbu Website; www.britishwadokai.co.uk

Pre-Registration Application Deadline as per notice. NO APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE – Payment with application must be made in full, payable to British Wadokai, or application will be rejected.

All BWK Yūdan Shinsa are conducted in private. For protocols and procedures, please refer to Section-9 of the British Wadokai Constitution and Rules & Regulations.

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Results may not necessarily be announced on the day.

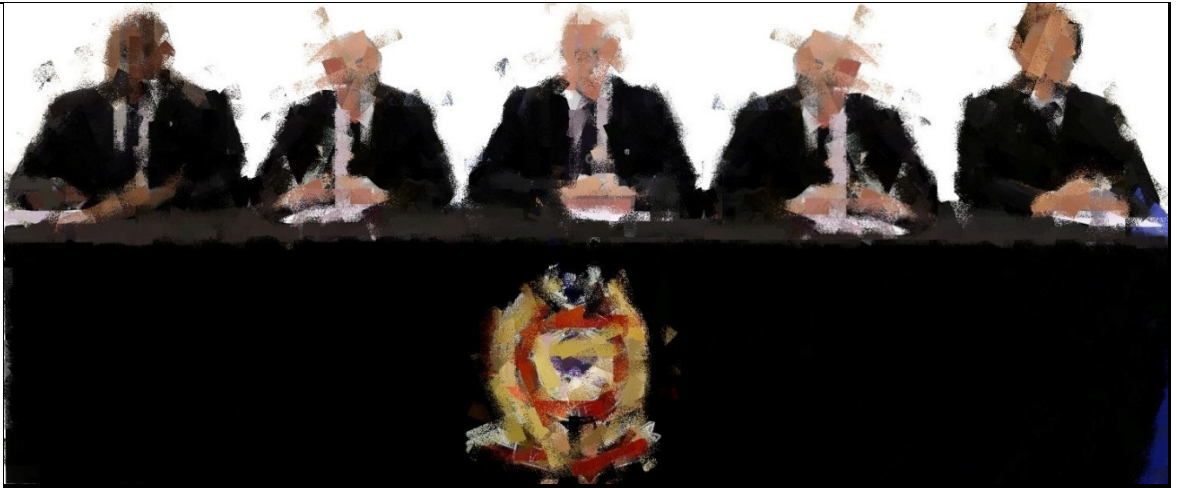
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04-06/10/24



国際和道連盟

International Wado Federation

International Wado Federation Wado Karate Course in Kefalonia

Hosted by Sensei Eleni Libiri-Suzuki 7th Dan of the **Suzuki-ha Wadoryu Karate**.

Instructors to include;

Gary E Swift (9th Dan) Hanshi (British Wadokai)
Eleni Libiri-Suzuki 7th Dan (Suzuki-Ha Wadoryu Karate).



For details and booking, please contact Eleni Labiri-Suzuki Sensei, info@suzukiha.com



International Wado Federation Wado Karate Course in Kefalonia

Instructors Gary E Swift (9th Dan) Hanshi (British Wadokai)
Eleni Labiri-Suzuki 7th Dan (Suzuki-Ha Wado ryu Karate)



Wado Karate seminar on the beautiful Greek Island of Kefalonia

Dates: 4th to 6th October 2024

Argostoli international airport is close by on Kefalonia island.

Discounted holiday accommodation with bar and swimming pool is available if required.

Why not have a holiday as well on the beautiful island where the sea and pool will have been warmed by the bright Greek summer sun.



Further information from Eleni at info@suzukiha.com

20/10/24

Open Tanto & Idori Course

Venue; The Scout Hall, Swindon Road, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 2HF.

Time; 10am-2pm. £20.

For Further Details & Booking Please Contact Paul Elliott Kyoshi.

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29/11/24 -
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06/12/24



British Wadokai Muto-Dori



英国和道会空手道連盟

A Christmas Special, A Night with the Long Knives!

Now in its 25th year of running.





英国和道会
空手道連盟
本部道場

Muto-Dori & Batto-Jutsu Training Course.

Tan-to = Small knife/blade.

Sho-to = Short knife/blade. Wakizashi.

Dai-to = Long knife/blade. Katana and Tachi, etc.

6th December 2024. Time; 7-10pm.

British Wado Kai Honbu (HQ) Dojo.

The Wembury Village Hall. Barton Close, Wembury, Devon. PL9 0LF.

Cost; Normal Dojo Fee!

Bokuto available if required

Instructor Gary E Swift Hanshi

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News & Dates; <https://plymouthkarateschools.weebly.com/news-and-events.html>

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15/12/24

BWF Long Knives Course
Plus SEMKA & BWF Annual Awards



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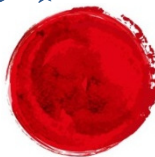
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2025

Japan-25

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TWFN are hoping to organise a Holiday & Training visit to Japan for early 2025 (training optional). Details to follow soon in the 2025 section of the Date Section.

25/01/25



British Wadokai Yūdan Shinsa Application Deadline.

NO APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE - Payment with FULLY COMPLETED application must be made in full, or application will be rejected and returned.

Pre-Registration Application Deadline 25th January 2025

Grading Date 16th March 2025 at BWK-Manchester.

16/03/25
BWK Yūdan
Shinsa



***This is a
'proposed event'
and not yet
confirmed.***

英国和道会空手道連盟 本部道場

BWK Manchester Yūdan Jutsugi Shiken 有段実技試験

British Wadokai Practical Yūdan Shinsa.

Chief Examiner; Gary E Swift Hanshi.

Open also to all BWK 2nd Dan & above for 'Yūdan Panel Judge Training'.

Open to ALL eligible [1st Kyū & Above] British Wadokai Licence Members only.

Venue: Bury Grammar School, Dance Studio, 84 Tenterden St, Bury BL9 0HQ.

Written Examination must be conducted prior to practical by at least two weeks in advance.

Practical Examination. Time; 1.30-3pm.

Applications received & accepted:

Dress code for volunteer attending BWK Examiners; BWK Judges attire or Gi.

Download British Wadokai Yūdan Shinsa Application Form from the British Wadokai Honbu Website; <https://plymouthkarateschools.weebly.com>

Pre-Registration Application Deadline as per notice (minimum of 2-months prior).
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All BWK Yūdan Shinsa are conducted in private. For protocols and procedures, please refer to Section-9 of the British Wadokai Constitution and Rules & Regulations.

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Results may not necessarily be announced on the day.

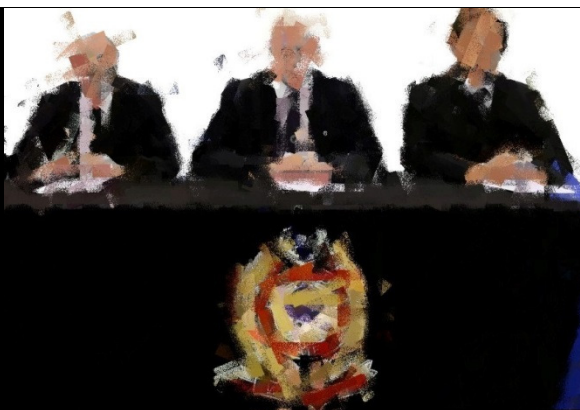
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28/03/25



British Wadokai Honbu Open Kyū Gradings.

英国和道会級審査

BWK-Honbu, Wembury Village Hall, Barton Close, Wembury, Devon. PL9 0LF.

Open to all eligible UK BWK Licenced Members attempting 9th-1st kyū.

STUDENTS MUST PRE-BOOK THIS EVENT.

BWK Chief Instructor; garyswifthanishi@gmail.com

Time; 8.30pm-onwards. Normal Dojo Training will be Conducted (7-8.30pm.).

Price: Kyū Gradings £15, Mon Gradings £5. Please make payable to **British Wadokai** (includes belt & certificate, upon a successful Kyū pass).



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12/12/25



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2026

29/03/26



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Closed Event for
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Members Only

A British Wadokai Event

BRITISH WADOKAI 50-YEARS
'CELEBRATION SPECIAL' OPEN WADO
KARATE COURSE.
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英国和道会空手道連盟

Instructor: Sensei Gary E Swift Hanshi.

Futari-dori, Kata Kaisetsu, Tanto-dori, Tanto-randori, Tameshiwari
(Smash'em Boards).



Due to restricted places, please pre-book.

29th March 2026

Cranleigh Youth Centre, Snoxhall Fields, off Knowle Lane,
Cranleigh, Surrey, GU6 8JW.

Time: 11.30am-2.30pm.

Price: £15 (£12 each close-family unit).

Telephone: 01752-493210. Email: garyswifwithanshi@gmail.com

Website: britishwadokai.co.uk

**BWK Licenced Members–FREE! Please bring your up-to-date
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