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Success at the Active Blackpool Community Awards 2025!

On Friday 19th September we were excited to be in attendance at this year's Active Blackpool Awards where we were finalists in not one but THREE categories!

Amber was Highly Commended in the Quale Trophy (Young Achiever of the Year) Category and Chris was Highly Commended in the Adult Volunteer of the Year Category.

Dan won the Coach of the Year Award, which was collected by Millie and Amber on Dan's behalf. Many thanks to everyone who voted!

Editor's Letter: Daniel Hankinson (Head Coach)

Welcome to the first ever Keidokwai Judo Club Newsletter!

In the age of Social Media it's easy to miss things with endless scrolling and millions of pieces of content uploaded daily and so we wanted to return to a more traditional method for relating updates about YOUR club directly to YOU!

We also hope that this Newsletter may find older club members who haven't been involved in the club for a long time but still want to know how Keidokwai is doing as it continues to progress after over 83 years of operation! With so much happening with Keidokwai at the moment this



is a great opportunity to deliver a concise bite sized round up of all of the latest events that have taken place over the last month. Enjoy!



IJF Academy Practical week at the British Judo Centre of Excellence!

Earlier in September Dan had his final examinations for the Undergraduate Certificate as judo Instructor (A EQF Level 5 Award). After 18 weeks of online learning & exams Dan had to demonstrate all 100 IJF/Kodokan techniques and deliver the full Nage No Kata performance. This week was delivered by Daniel Lascau (World Champion), Mark Hunzinger (Olympic Champion) & Dr Slavisa Bradic!



Competition Roundup! Regional Schools and Nottingham

September provided some great competitions for our players to develop their skills. Firstly Amber, Dylan & Jake travelled to the Nottingham Open. Amber took Bronze, Dylan Silver & Jake Gold, whilst earning the last 20 points for his 1st Dan! Millie fought in the Northern Regional Schools Championships winning Gold which has qualified her for the 2026 British Schools Championships!



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