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## A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL FROM THE EDITORS

This month we start the year with the success of 2002.



### KIKUSUI KAI WINTER GRADING

The day started at 9.30am with a class at NEMCA until 11.00am. Adrian Tyndale supervised the class dealing mainly with pointers for the grading. The class was well attended with 19 students. At 11.30am everyone moved off from the NEMCA site in several cars and headed for Rotherhithe.

Most people had arrived at Rotherhithe by just after 12.30pm, so John Grima proceeded with the registration. Licences were checked and everyone was asked to fill in their Grading Sheets. The grading formally started on time at 13.00pm, with all 44 of the candidates demonstrating foot and then hand movements. This was possible because of the very large and excellent quality mat area provided by Tony Evangelou.

The grading ran smoothly with each of the four examiners, Arthur Austin, Adrian Tyndale, Leigh Robinson & Neil Thompson having a batch of candidates to look at and record each technique. For the Brown belts only each examiner assessed each candidate. A Grading

Format sheet was devised which was closely followed. This helped the examiners to keep to a structured time table. It also kept the lower grades, with relatively less to do, as busy as possible throughout the day. With the new surroundings for most entrants and the magnitude of the grading, nerves got the better of some candidates. The reassurances from the members of the grading panel hopefully helped students to settle. It was planned to finish at 16.00pm and it did in fact finish a few minutes after that.

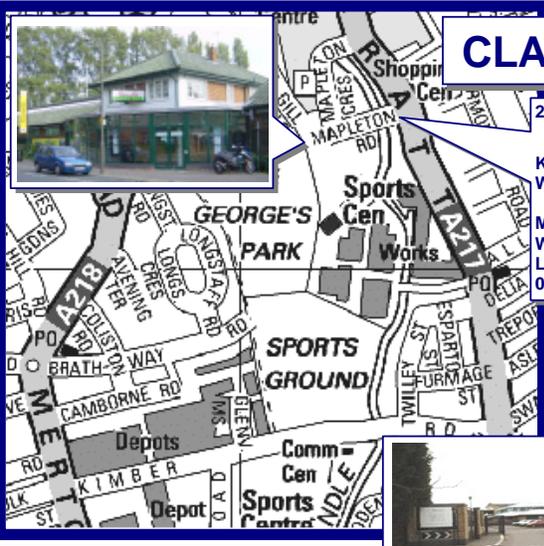
At the end of the grading Adrian Tyndale summarised his view of the days performance to the candidates as a general comment. He praised them for their efforts and explained that it was a good grading to a high standard. He added that it was imperative that students worked on improving their breakfalls and that their importance should not be minimised. At that very moment an extremely loud clap of thunder

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### DATES FOR 2003

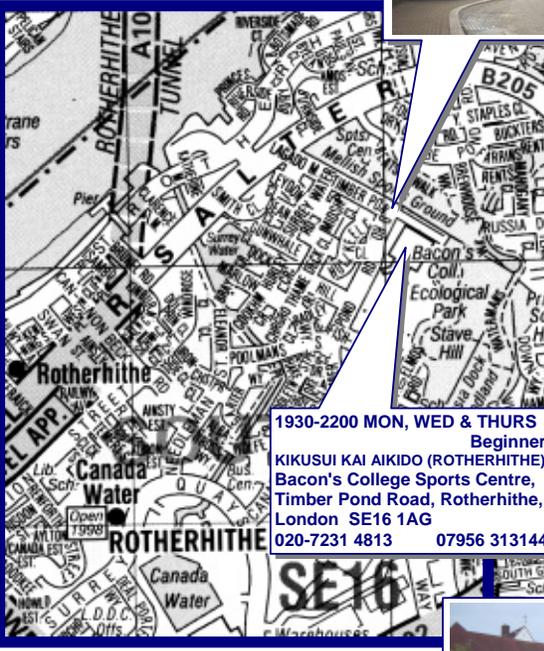
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| 11JAN03    | Budokai Fulham, Judo & Aikido demo & film show                   |
| 26JAN03    | GB National Squad Session - Wakefield                            |
| FEB03      | GB National Squad Session - to be announced                      |
| 01MAR03    | Junior Fun Day - Seven Islands, Rotherhithe                      |
| 13MAR03    | BAA Southern Area Grading - Grove Park                           |
| 16MAR03    | BAA Southern Area AGM - Sidcup                                   |
| MAR03      | GB National Squad Session - to be announced                      |
| 18-20APR03 | Easter School at Folkestone - details to be announced next month |
| 22JUN03    | BAA National Dan Grading - Yawara, London                        |
| JUL03      | Kikusui Kai Summer Grading - date and venue to be announced      |
| 06-10AUG03 | WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS IN LEEDS, THIS YEARS PREMIERE EVENT.         |

# CLASS TIMES, VENUES & LOCATIONS



**2030-2230 TUESDAY**  
All levels  
**KODOKAN AIKIDO**  
Wandle Recreation Centre,  
Mapleton Road,  
Wandsworth,  
London SW18 4DN  
020-8395 6407

**2030-2200 THURSDAY**  
All levels  
**KIKUSUI KAI AIKIDO**  
(Tooting)  
Tooting Leisure Centre,  
Greaves Place,  
Tooting,  
London SW17 0NE  
020-8947 7247

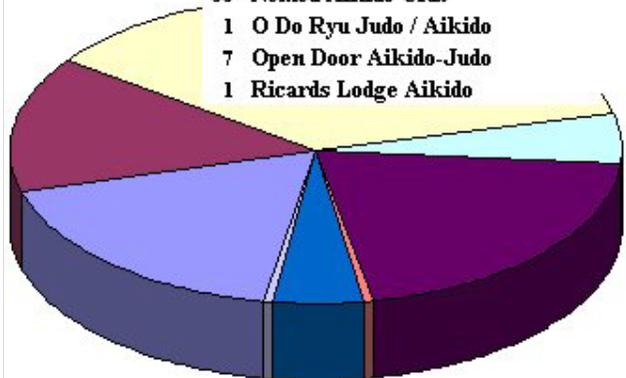


**1930-2200 MON, WED & THURS**  
Beginners  
**KIKUSUI KAI AIKIDO (ROTHERHITHE)**  
Bacon's College Sports Centre,  
Timber Pond Road, Rotherhithe,  
London SE16 1AG  
020-7231 4813 07956 313444

**2000-2130 TUESDAY**  
**KIKUSUI KAI AIKIDO**  
Lavender Park Pavillion  
Lavender Avenue, Millers Green,  
Surrey CR4 3HL  
020-8646 7362 07941

**2000-2200 WEDNESDAY**  
All levels

- 28 Fighting Fit Aikido
- 25 Kikusui Kai Aikido
- 63 Kikusui Kai Aikido (Rotherhithe)
- 10 Kodokan Aikido Club
- 33 Nemca Aikido Club
- 1 O Do Ryu Judo / Aikido
- 7 Open Door Aikido-Judo
- 1 Ricards Lodge Aikido



**KIKUSUI KAI MEMBERS BY GROUP**

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echoed throughout the hall. This was taken by all as approval from the big "Chiefs" in New Zealand and Japan. Currently the emphasis of the new BAA syllabus appears to focus on a greater number of techniques at the lower grades. The new grades were announced and congratulations given in the form of applause. Thanks were given to Tony Evangelou for providing the venue and mat area and at a favourable price.

As many candidates didn't want to wait for their BAA Licences, it was decided to sign and return them to the class instructors at a later date. It was noted that still some students had not fully filled in their Licences which should include a passport sized picture. There were five who forgot to bring their Licences. The issue of Kikusui Kai Certificates would also have to wait, possibly until July 2003. BAA Certificates will be issued in due course to the Dan grades, Ted Francis, Sean Hutchins and Colin Sexton. By 17.00pm the building was cleared and everyone headed home.

**Conclusion**  
The larger venue and mat area was particularly useful with the high number of candidates. This was possibly the largest adult grading that the Kikusui Kai had ever held?  
As expected, it was a long day for all concerned Organisers, Examiners, 44 Candidates, Parents and Supporters.

The day ran to schedule and the financial status showed a surplus of funds. Overall the day went very well, with the majority of candidates showing the efforts of their training in their excellent performances. A successful grading. The entire event was recorded and is available on DVD from Tony Evangelou.

