Sunday 16th October 2016

Didcot Leisure Centre,
Mereland Road, Didcot
Oxfordshire, OX11 8AY

Dear Sensei / Team Manager,

Thank you for your interest in the B.J.C. Oxfordshire Area Championships.

The aims of the championships are:

- Opening opportunities to young people to partake in an event within the region.
- To encourage young people who are "novices" at the sport, to participate in competitive judo.
- To reward all for their participation.
- To create a family-friendly event for those who partake and spectate.

The entry fees for the competition are (held from 2014):

Primaries (age 4 - 9) and **Junior Novice** (age 10 – 15 grade 5th kyu and below): £12

Juniors (age 10 - 15 grade 5^{th} kyu orange tabs & higher) and **Seniors:** £15

Closing date: Saturday 7th October 2016. ANY entries after this date will be charged £3 extra.

Spectators: Adults: £2 Children 50p Children under the age of 5 are free

The Categories:

RED BELT RUMBLE (Kinder Grades) – aged 4 to less than 7 years* **PRIMARY** – aged 7 yrs to less than 10 years*

This will allow Kinder and Primary grades to take part in PRACTICE CONTESTS run under BJC Contest Rules, where **arm locks**, **chokes**, **strangles and sacrifice techniques will NOT be allowed**, and where all competitors must engage with the natural grip at the start and restart of a contest. Each competitor will receive a MEDAL. Children will usually practise in pools of four.

JUNIOR NOVICE – White belt to Yellow belt (6th – 5th Kyu)* aged 10 to less than 16 years

This will allow novice Junior grades to take part in a BJC competition run under BJC contest rules, where **arm locks**, **chokes**, **strangles and sacrifice techniques will NOT be allowed**. Each competitor will receive a MEDAL. Children will usually practise in pools of four.

JUNIORS – Yellow belt with orange tabs and above*, aged 10 to less than 16 years

This will allow Junior grades to take part in a BJC competition run under BJC contest rules, where arm locks, chokes, strangles and sacrifice techniques will NOT be allowed.

* Should we find that primaries have mixed age and juniors mixed grade but of the same weight, we will mix the age groups together to give people the best possible chance of having contests. However, anyone involved in this decision will be informed beforehand and given the opportunity to withdraw from the competition.

SENIORS – aged 16 years and above

This will allow Senior grades to take part in a BJC competition run under BJC contest rules.

RED BELT RUMBLE

Male & Female: U22Kg, U25kg, U28Kg U31Kg, U34Kg, O34Kg

(Categories may be amalgamated to make up groups of 4)

PRIMARY

Male & Female: U25kg, U28Kg U31Kg, U34Kg, O34Kg (Categories may be amalgamated to make up groups of 4)

JUNIOR (including NOVICE)

Male & Female: U30kg, U35Kg, U40Kg, U45Kg, U50Kg, U55Kg, U60Kg, U65Kg, O65Kg

(Categories may be amalgamated)

MALE SENIOR GRADES

6TH – 3RD KYU; U60Kg, U66Kg, U73Kg, U81Kg, U90Kg, U100Kg, O100Kg 2ND – 1ST KYU; U60Kg, U66Kg, U73Kg, U81Kg, U90Kg, U100Kg, O100Kg DAN GRADES: U60Kg, U66Kg, U73Kg, U81Kg, U90Kg, U100Kg, O100Kg (Categories may be amalgamated in weight first and by grade if necessary).

FEMALE SENIOR GRADES

6TH – 3RD KYU; U48Kg, U52kg, U57Kg, U63Kg, U70Kg, U78Kg, O78Kg 2ND – 1ST KYU; U48Kg, U52kg, U57Kg, U63Kg, U70Kg, U78Kg, O78Kg DAN GRADES: U48Kg, U52kg, U57Kg, U63Kg, U70Kg, U78Kg, O78Kg (Categories may be amalgamated in weight first and by grade if necessary).

Conditions of entry:

1. Entrants must hold a valid, current, BJC, BJA or AJA Licence. Licenses must be produced on the day and include photograph and date of birth. Where dual licences are held, the competitor must enter under their highest grade held with any organisation. Any competitor found to be contravening this rule will be disqualified from that section, but may be given the option of re-entering under their higher grade. No refund will be given in this instance.

Please note: no licence - no contest, no refund, no argument!

2. Closing date for all entries will be on **Saturday 7th October 2016**. Entries MAY be accepted after the closing date subject to a penalty fee of £3. This will be solely at the discretion of the Tournament Organiser.

NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED ON THE DAY.

3. Weigh-in times:

Seniors (section A): 09:00 - 09:30

Kinder and Primary (sections B & C): 09:30 – 10:30

Junior Novices (section D): 12:00

Juniors (section E): 13:00

Weigh-in will be strictly controlled, with 'one weigh' only. Removal of jacket only is allowed. Weigh-in officials' decision is final. There will be **NO PENALTY** for weight changes on the day.

TEAM MANAGERS ONLY, will be allowed to accompany entrants to weigh-in.

We reserve the right to restrict any category to a maximum of 32 entrants and / or to combine weight / grade categories should there be insufficient numbers.

4. Oxfordshire Area of the BJC, White Horse Judo Club, GLL and their staff will not accept any liability for any LOSS, DAMAGE or INJURY during the event.

Competition regulations:

1. The competition will be fought under **B.J.C. rules**. Please take the time to read the <u>B.J.C. Contest Rules</u> especially regarding Judogi!

2. No coaching will be allowed during the competition (encouragement is allowed).

Team Managers only, are allowed to consult the Mat Marshall in any dispute.

Team Managers are responsible for the behaviour of their competitors and spectators at all times.

- 3. Bottled water can be taken to the side of the mat as drinking water will not be provided.
- 4. INSUFFICIENT MAT AREAS: due to the mats available, we may be running with smaller mats than stipulated in the BJC contest rules. Rule 10.5 has been put in place to combat this problem.

All queries to be sent to:

competitions@oxfordshirejudo.co.uk or please contact: Yvette Fox on 07882422780

REFEREES, TABLE OFFICIALS & OTHER HELPERS

Name	Referee Level	Tbl. Off. Level	Other help	
All help will be greatly appreciated. If you can Lunch will be provided for all volunteers. If you please list it here	ı have any alle	ergies or specie	al dietary require	ments,