

To All Southern Area Clubs

I would like to report on the Southern Area AGM this year on 11<sup>th</sup> July, I would like to thank the 25% of the Area's clubs for attending, Dave Stanley confirm that he is the new chairman, this is due to the resignation of our old chairman Mr Alan Rickard , this was due to ill health, and this follows the Southern Area Constitution and the rotation of Committee members over four years. The chairman will be up for election in 2019 AGM. Mr John Malkinson was voted in as our new Vice Chairman.

The Area's new refereeing representative is Mr Andy Tremlett IJF B. The meeting congratulated Mr Martin Rivers gaining his IJF A world refereeing licence, the meeting was informed that Mr Dave Dyer and Graham Holmes gained their National A licence refereeing award. The Area has now 20 new Club referees. The AGM thank the Area Squad managers for all their hard work, and with the great results of our teams taking 5 medals out of the 6 sections in the National teams in Wales this year.

The Southern Area will be running a National Kata Course with Mr Iura Kodokan 8<sup>th</sup> Dan and one of the top Kata expert's in the world , he will be running a Kata course on the 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> November at Dartford Judo Club application form is on the Area web site and this is a coach revalidation event.

There was an update to the meeting on the new BJA data protection program which was very well received. The AGM closed at 21.40.

Dave Stanley

Southern Area Chairman