

January 2012

Dear Naginata Friends

Great Britain is pleased to announce, it is holding its next approved British Annual seminar. We are delighted to welcome Jakob RYNGEN, 5dan (godan) of Sweden, and he will be supported by the resident Japanese 4dan sensei, Hiromi UMIZAWA. They will also form the examination panel for the grading, with Rachel of the London Dojo.

Date

We are pleased to invite any Naginata players in Europe, for **Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th MARCH 2012.**

Depending on the numbers of senior bogu experienced players for the seminar, there may be a **Friday 16th March bogu only** early evening practice (~19:00hrs). Only those students who are comfortable and experienced in complete bogu (ie. wearing men) will be offered this extra practice, at £5 extra. Non-bogu students or lesser experienced players would be invited at no cost, to sit and watch.

Location

It is in being held in near the centre of **YORK**, at the **UNIVERSITY OF YORK** modern sports centre on campus. Note: it is not being held in London or the south east.

All Naginata players can reach the sports hall and accommodation by walking if staying at either of the two recommended accommodation choices. See accommodation options to respect different budgets.

Who the seminar is for ?

We look forward to seeing as many of our Naginata friends from Europe (and further afield) to our second annual seminar. We also extend a particular welcome to those small groups or individuals who are starting out or progressing in countries not affiliated to ENF or INF. **Everyone will receive a warm welcome.**

All Naginata DAN players, both English and foreign practicing in Britain, look forward to welcoming all levels of players who are enthusiastic for Naginata. Many participants will be kyu grades or as yet no-grade.

Deadline for Forms

With Christmas & New Year expense now over, we ask that you **return forms by WEDNESDAY 15th FEBRUARY 2012.** Please ensure **payment** has cleared in our bank accounts **by 17th FEBRUARY 2012.** This is exactly 4 weeks before the March 2012 seminar, so there can be no deadline extensions. We recommend that you sort out your accommodation much earlier to guarantee a bed at an affordable price!

Mireille, Paul and Rachel

The BNA Executive looks forward to welcoming you all.