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Dear Coaches, Competitors, and Martial Arts Enthusiasts,

It is with great excitement and anticipation that we extend to you our most heartfelt invitation to participate in the 2026 Peterborough Championship Series, East Anglia's longest-running and most esteemed open Martial Arts tournament. Celebrating over a quarter-century of excellence, this event has established itself as a premier gathering for martial artists of all styles, disciplines, and levels, and we are proud to continue this tradition in 2026.

This year, we are thrilled to host three dynamic events as part of the series, now in its 26th year and growing in support, participation, and prestige each year. Our commitment remains steadfast: to provide a welcoming, competitive, and inspiring environment where martial artists from across the region, country, and even beyond can come together to showcase their skills, learn from others, and celebrate the art of martial combat.

A Celebratory Event for All Styles and Associations

One of the defining features of the Peterborough Championship Series is its inclusivity. We warmly welcome competitors from all martial arts backgrounds—whether your discipline is Karate, Taekwondo, Kung Fu, Kickboxing, or any other style. Our diverse categories ensure a level playing field for beginners to seasoned professionals, with over 300 individual categories tailored to suit every age, skill level, and interest.

Event Venue and Facilities

For 2026, we are proud to host our events at the new, larger Kettering Leisure Village, situated at Thurston Drive, Kettering NN15 6PB. This state-of-the-art facility offers ample space, excellent amenities, and a vibrant atmosphere, making it an ideal venue for a martial arts competition of this magnitude. We believe that a larger venue will enhance the experience for athletes, spectators, and supporters alike, providing a comfortable, accessible, and exciting environment to compete and spectate.

Event Schedule and Important Times

To ensure smooth operations and an enjoyable experience, please take note of the following schedule:

- **Doors Open:** 8:00 am
- **Competition Starts:** 9:00 am (prompt)
- **Kata Registration Closes:** 8:45 am
- **Children's Points Registration Closes:** 8:45 am
- **Children's Light Continuous:** Closes at 11:00 am
- **Adults' Points & Light Continuous:** Closes at 12:30 pm

Early Bird Registrations

We encourage all participants to pre-register to secure your place and benefit from our early bird pricing, which closes two weeks before each event:

- £25 for the first category
- £22.50 for the second category
- £20 for the third category
- £15 for the fourth category
- £10 for the fifth category

For teams entering Kata, the fee is £40 per team. Our prize categories include:

- **Open Weight Divisions:** Over £2,500 in total prize money, with ten categories awarding £250 each to winners.
- **Medals & Awards:** Grand champions will be crowned in all Kata and points sections, with awards presented at no additional cost. All first, second, and third place winners will receive personalized medals, with "running-up" medals for under-15 sections. Additionally, top ten competitors will receive discount vouchers, and an epic stall will showcase martial arts gear and equipment.

Regular Registrations and Additional Information

If registering within one week of the event, standard registration fees apply:

- £30 for the first category
- £27.50 for the second
- £25 for the third
- £20 for the fourth
- £15 for the fifth

Team Kata entries remain at £50 per team, and open weight competitors can enter for £25 (please note: no discounts available for open weight categories).

Spectators are welcome! Tickets are £10, payable on the day (cash only).

How to Register

All registrations and payments are processed via PayPal through our Smoothcomp platform. To register, visit our official website at www.peterboroughseries.co.uk, where you can find detailed rules, downloadable entry forms, and the registration portal. Remember this is a pre-registration only event, **late entries will not be accepted**, so please register early to guarantee your participation.



Why Participate?

- Compete against a diverse range of martial artists
- Earn prestigious medals and awards
- Showcase your skills in front of friends, family, and fellow martial arts enthusiasts
- Gain valuable experience and exposure
- Be part of a historic and supportive martial arts community
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Our Commitment to You

At the Peterborough Championship Series, we are dedicated to fostering sportsmanship, excellence, and camaraderie. Our team works diligently to ensure the safety, fairness, and enjoyment of every competitor. We are honoured to host martial artists from all backgrounds and look forward to welcoming you to our 2026 events.

Contact Us

For further information, queries, or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us:

- Email: info@peterboroughseries.co.uk
- Phone: 07974 196256

We encourage you to visit our website regularly for updates, rules, and downloadable resources.

Join Us in Celebrating Martial Arts

Together, let's make 2026 a memorable year filled with achievement, inspiration, and camaraderie. We look forward to seeing you at Kettering Leisure Village for this exciting series of events!

Yours in Martial Arts

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