Yamada-ha Shito-ryu Shukokai Karate-do World Union
United Kingdom

YSSKWU-UK EVENTS CALENDAR 2026

Please note: many of our events will be held at **Stretford Sports Village** (in the new build in the grounds of the School, NOT at the Sports Centre itself), **Stretford, Manchester, M32 0XA.**

Any events that will be held at other venues will be stated in that calendars' entry.

Two spaces at Stretford will be used for our events;

- Large events (Open courses etc.) - **The SSV Sports Hall**
- Meetings (Executive Committee) - **The SSV Meeting Room**

Some of the events for 2026 will be hosted at Comberbach Memorial Hall, Northwich. Cheshire. CW9 6AU.

Some of the events for 2026 will be hosted at Williams Karate Dojo, Denton Drive, Northwich. Cheshire. CW9 7TT.

Squad training sessions for Kata & Kumite will be hosted by Barry Williams Sensei this year on the 1st Sunday of each month at Williams Karate Dojo *(Address above).*

JANUARY: ----------

11th Jan, 9am - 11am (**Williams Karate Dojo, Northwich**)
OPEN KUMITE & KATA COURSE (1) - *Cost is £10 per person.*
Open to all ages and grades wishing to improve their Kumite and Kata skills.

25th Jan, 10am - 12pm (**SSV Meeting Room**)
EXEC COMMITTEE MEETING
Strictly for YSSKWU-UK Exec members only.

25th Jan, 12pm -3pm (**SSV Sports Hall**)
OPEN/INSTRUCTORS COURSE (1) - *Cost is £20 per person with discounts for family*
Open to all grades, compulsory for students taking a Dan grading in 2026 and club instructors.

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FEBRUARY: ----------

1st Feb, 9am - 11.30am (**Williams Karate Dojo, Northwich**)
SQUAD TRAINING SESSION (2)
Open to all ages and grades wishing to improve their Kumite and Kata skills.

8th Feb, 10am - 1pm (**Comberbach Memorial Hall, Northwich**)
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
All club instructors must attend this meeting.

MARCH: ----------

1st Mar, 9am - 11.30am (**Williams Karate Dojo, Northwich**)
SQUAD TRAINING SESSION (3)
Open to all ages and grades wishing to improve their Kumite and Kata skills.

22nd Mar, 11am -2pm (**SSV Sports Hall**)
OPEN/INSTRUCTORS COURSE (2)
Open to all grades, compulsory for students taking a Dan grading in 2026 and club instructors.

23rd - 30th Mar - (Sannomiya, Kobe. JAPAN)
(INTERNATIONAL VISIT & SEMINARS)
Seminars with Sensei Kamohara & Sensei Denis Casey
Open to all grades, more information to follow.



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APRIL: ----------

5th Apr, 9am - 11.30am (**Williams Karate Dojo, Northwich**)
SQUAD TRAINING SESSION (4)
Open to all ages and grades wishing to improve their Kumite and Kata skills.

12th Apr, 10am - 12pm (**Williams Karate Dojo, Northwich**)
PRE-DAN COURSE
For those about to take a black belt grading in 2026. Relevant club instructors are encouraged to attend to support their students.

MAY: ----------

3rd May, 9am - 11.30am (**Williams Karate Dojo, Northwich**)
SQUAD TRAINING SESSION (5)
Open to all ages and grades wishing to improve their Kumite and Kata skills.

17th May, 10am - 4pm (**Williams Karate Dojo, Northwich**)
DAN GRADING
Grading only for those students taking black belts. Relevant club instructors are encouraged to attend to support their students.

JUNE: ----------

7th Jun, 9am - 11.30am (**Williams Karate Dojo, Northwich**)
SQUAD TRAINING SESSION (6)
Open to all ages and grades wishing to improve their Kumite and Kata skills.

14th Jun, 11am -3pm (**SSV Sports Hall**)
SUMMER OPEN/INSTRUCTORS COURSE (3) - Extended - 4hrs
Open to all grades, compulsory for students taking a Dan grading in 2026 and club instructors.

26th - 28th June - (St. Malo, FRANCE)

(INTERNATIONAL VISIT & SEMINARS)

Seminars with Sensei Kamohara & Sensei Denis Casey
Open to all grades, more information to follow.

JULY: ----------

5th Jul, 9am - 11.30am (**Williams Karate Dojo, Northwich**)

SQUAD TRAINING SESSION (7)

Open to all ages and grades wishing to improve their Kumite and Kata skills.

12th Jul, 10am - 12pm (**Williams Karate Dojo, Northwich**)

EXEC COMMITTEE MEETING

Strictly for YSSKWU-UK Exec member only.

12th Jul, 12pm - 3pm (**Williams Karate Dojo, Northwich**)

SENIOR INSTRUCTORS COURSE (3rd Dan and above)

Compulsory for all instructors 3rd Dan and above, however you can bring an assistant instructor along with you, provided they are of 1st Dan minimum. Please note, they can accompany you, not replace you on the course.

AUGUST - NO EVENTS SCHEDULED FOR THIS MONTH

SEPTEMBER: ----------

6th Sept, 9am - 11.30am (**Williams Karate Dojo, Northwich**)

SQUAD TRAINING SESSION (8)

Open to all ages and grades wishing to improve their Kumite and Kata skills.

13th Sept, 12pm -3pm (**SSV Sports Hall**)

OPEN/INSTRUCTORS COURSE (4)

Open to all grades, compulsory for students taking a Dan grading in 2026 and club instructors.

OCTOBER: ----------

4th Oct, 9am - 11.30am (**Williams Karate Dojo, Northwich**)
SQUAD TRAINING SESSION (9)
Open to all ages and grades wishing to improve their Kumite and Kata skills.

11th Oct, 10am - 12pm (**SSV Meeting Room**)
EXEC COMMITTEE MEETING
Strictly for YSSKWU-UK Exec member only.

11th Oct, 12pm -3pm (**SSV Sports Hall**)
OPEN/INSTRUCTORS COURSE (5)
Open to all grades, compulsory for students taking a Dan grading in 2026 and club instructors.

NOVEMBER: ----------

1st Nov, 9am - 11.30am (**Williams Karate Dojo, Northwich**)
SQUAD TRAINING SESSION (10)
Open to all ages and grades wishing to improve their Kumite and Kata skills.

8th Nov, 11am - 4pm (**Williams Karate Dojo, Northwich**)
PRE-DAN COURSE
For those about to take a black belt grading in 2026. Relevant club instructors are encouraged to attend to support their students.

15th Nov, All day event (**Venue T.B.C.**)
WELSH OPEN KARATE CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026 (Kata & Kumite)
Open to all grades and ages, open to other groups by invite. - More information to follow.

DECEMBER: ----------

6th Dec, 10am - 4pm (**Williams Karate Dojo, Northwich**)

DAN GRADING

Grading only for those students taking black belts. Relevant club instructors are encouraged to attend to support their students.

13th Dec, 12pm -3pm (**SSV Sports Hall**)

OPEN/INSTRUCTORS COURSE (6)

This final Open/Instructors Course is to round off the year and reflect upon Dan Gradings and everything learned throughout the year. It will offer the opportunity to take photographs and for any presentations of awards, trophies and/or titles.