

My thanks to all the instructors for their help and hard work during this last year, and to Grev for getting this newsletter done before the end of 2007!

We have been fortunate to have had very successful and enjoyable visits to our dojo from Haydn Foster sensei and Gwynne Jones sensei over the last year which hopefully will be repeated in 2008.

I'm working on the 2008 calendar which will be completed shortly so can I ask all members to take a copy and make a note of the course and grading dates for 2008.

It is the 10<sup>th</sup> Lowestoft course next year which is to be held in May although Frank Burlingham will let me know the actual dates as soon as possible. Thanks again to Frank and members of Broadland Aikido Club for all the hard work they put into making this such a good weekend. It is through your support that ensures the success of these courses and it is a great opportunity for beginners and kyu grades to train with such experienced Aikidoists who are always willing to pass on their knowledge.

Of all my classes the juniors never fail to 'keep me on my toes'. These are always challenging but rewarding too, although I have noticed instructors have a lot of pressing engagements on Saturdays between 11 and 12 when we have the 4 - 7 year olds. Can't think why this is!!

On a more serious note my thanks to Sarah, Mark and Brian for their help with the juniors.

We were hoping that we might have had our first Christmas baby but Kirsty one of our senior members had a boy way too early, Dexter Joseph Kirby was born on 15<sup>th</sup> November, so I would like to pass on best wishes from us all to Kirsty and Paul

Well done to you all for your committed training and I hope that all of us at the Yama Arashi can look forward to a harmonious and successful 2008.

Best wishes for Christmas and the New Year and I am looking forward to seeing you at our Christmas party

**Barbara Moss**



### Club Quiz: Who is it?

Put your answers in the box at the club or email me:  
grev.cooke@ntlworld.com

Don't forget to add your own name with the answer

A small bottle of Baileys to the winner



# Yama Arashi UK

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### **Words of the Founder O-Sensei, Morihei Ueshiba**

A person to serve for the peace of all human beings in the world is needed in Aikido, and not the mind of one who wishes to be strong or who practices only to hurt an opponent.

I want considerate people to listen to the voice of Aikido. It is not for correcting others; it is for correcting your own mind. This is Aikido. This is the mission of Aikido and this should be your mission.

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## Yama Arashi Family Tree

The Founder of Aikido  
Morihei Ueshiba 1883 – 1969



Arimoto Murashige 1895 – 1964  
A first generation student of Aikido



### **ARITOMO MURASHIGE**

Born on January 7, 1895 in the YAMAGUCHI area in a small village nestled between the mountains.

His first Martial Art was Kendo, starting at 13 years of age and finally reaching 5th Dan Kendo and 7th Dan Iai.

He also is 2nd Dan JuJitsu and 5th Dan in Judo. Although the date he started is Aikido is unknown his higher Dan grade details are known.

Aged 35 he obtains the rank of 6th Dan in Aikido. Aged 45 years the Kobikwai Aiki awards him his 7th Dan in Aikido.

Aged 53 years he is awarded 8th Dan and finally at 65 years (1960) he is promoted to 9th Dan.

He arrived in Belgium in 1962 to teach at the Yama Arashi dojo with Thielemans Sensei.

Unfortunately his teaching was brutally stopped by his death at Mars (southern France) in 1964 following a road accident.

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Tony Thielemans  
Principal of the Yama Arashi Brussels

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Tom Moss  
1st Principal of the Yama Arashi UK

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Barbara Moss  
2nd Principal of the Yama Arashi UK

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Yama Arashi Phoenix Aikido members  
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Name		1st Dan
Steve	Johnson	21/09/94
Karl	Johnson	21/09/94
Anita	Sephton	22/09/94
James	Ashby	22/09/96
Natalie	Dodd	22/09/96
Alan	Crawford	22/09/96
Christelle	Evaert	22/09/96
John	Morris	22/09/96
Paul	Scally	04/03/97
David	Reynolds	21/09/97
Philip	Varney	21/09/97
Allan	Costigan	20/09/98
Marianne	Crisp	19/09/99
Marius	Dunkley	19/09/99
Dale	Grassby	19/09/99
Ian	Harris	19/09/99
Garnet	Matthews	19/09/99
John	Moss	19/09/99
David	Parfrey	19/09/99
Laura	Rattigan	19/09/99
Steven	Richards	19/09/99
Paul	Shaw	19/09/99
John	Burn	17/09/00
Kevan	Pounds	17/09/00
Michael	Rattigan	17/09/00
Dean	Simpson	17/09/00
Daniel	Talbot	17/09/00
Derek	Webb	17/09/00
Sally	Webb	17/09/00
Sarah	Cannon	16/09/01
Derek	Smith	16/09/01
Adam	Talbot	16/09/01
Mike	Mitchell	03/10/01
John	Bickerstaff	15/09/02
Colin	Hopkins	15/09/02
Pam	Mongan	15/09/02
Charlie	Reid	15/09/02
Susan	Wilson	15/09/02
Malcolm	Lane	21/09/03
Rod	Meechan	21/09/03
John	Mullen	21/09/03
Catherine	Hoskin	19/09/04
Stefan	Prydderch	18/09/04
Steve	Bilton	19/09/04
Thomas	Andrews	19/09/04
Bob	Dhammi	18/09/05
Julie	Eyden	18/09/05
Marie	Bloxham	24/09/06
Mark	Burton	24/09/06
Jake	Irwin	23/09/07
Dennis	Younge	23/09/07

## All the 1<sup>st</sup> Dan grades taken with the Yama Arashi

### Club dates:

Tom Moss started Aikido with Pat Stratford  
on 14<sup>th</sup> March 1965

In 1969 Pat Stratford affiliated with Tony Thielemans  
Head of the Yama Arashi (Brussels)

Tom sets his club up around 1970.

It was called 'Yoshin Ryu' at  
Nicholas Chamberlain school with  
Ken Knapper, Frank and Jim McCall.  
Pat Stratford left Tony Thielemans

In 1971 the club moved to the  
Foleshill Community Centre

In 1972 the grading panel consisted  
of Pat Stratford and Brian Eustace

In 1975 the club moved to this present location

In 1994 the club joined the British Aikido Board

In 1997 we held our Dan grading in Coventry for the  
first time. All previous Dan grades were  
taken in Brussels

Name	1st Dan	
Frank	McCall	24/09/67
<b>Thomas</b>	<b>Moss</b>	21/09/69
Jim	McCall	21/09/69
Philip	Burgess	01/04/71
Aubrey	Smith	23/01/72
Norman	Nayler	17/09/72
Brian	Green	17/09/73
Chris	Rouse	01/09/75
Graham	Rouse	01/09/75
<b>Barbara</b>	<b>Moss</b>	19/09/76
Greville	Cooke	19/09/76
Brian	Kennedy	19/09/76
Steve	Martin	19/09/76
Vic	Williams	19/09/76
Bob	Sherrington	01/11/76
Trevor	Griffiths	18/09/77
Stephen	Thompson	18/09/77
Jim	Skinner	19/09/77
Alan	Bennel	17/09/79
Derek	Brown	17/09/79
Malc	Cathcart	17/09/79
Keith	Robinson	17/09/79
Mick	Parsons	20/09/81
Harry	Winstanley	20/09/81
Richard	Costigan	19/09/82
Kevin	Phillips	19/09/82
Kieran	O'Tool	19/09/82
Robert	Cheetham	16/09/84
Steve	Curry	16/09/84
Fernando	Di Pietro	16/09/84
Mal	Hughes	22/09/85
Julie	Moore	22/09/85
Colin	Garner	20/09/87
Martin	Barradell	18/09/88
Dave	Russel	18/09/88
Cathy	Knight	01/05/89
John	Wevill	25/05/89
Richard	Guise	17/09/89
Terry	Ray	17/09/89
Chris	Doyle	16/09/90
Neil	McHugh	16/09/90
Joe	Thompson	16/09/90
Wayne	Dudson	23/09/90
Len	Green	23/09/90
Joanne	Hall	20/09/92
Nigel	Drewitt	22/09/92
Jurgen	Dodd	19/09/93
John	McGee	19/09/93
Derek	Medcraft	19/09/93
Steve	Copson	27/11/93

### Why is our association called the Yama Arashi?

The Yama Arashi throw was made famous by Shiro Saigo when he was fighting for the reputation of Kodokan Judo against the older schools of Jujitsu. Shiro was recruited by Jigoro Kano to head his now Kodokan Judo association. Professor Kano was developing his own style which he called Judo. He was, however, making little headway as his style had many deficiencies and was no match for the schools of genuine combat effective Jujitsu then in existence. In Shiro Saigo he found the perfect champion for his new movement. By the time Shiro reached twenty-one, he had become fifth Dan the highest award the Kodokan had to offer. In contests against other Jujitsu schools, he decimated his opponents with a Daito Ryu technique, Yama Arashi, or Mountain Storm (our badge reflects this description): a throw with which his name became synonymous. No one else of his generation could master this technique, which consisted of a wrist lock combined with a throw, and so deadly was it that most opponents did not rise to their feet for some time after being thrown. Jigoro Kano intelligently, if a little unfairly, used a master Daito Ryu technique to prove the supremacy of his own Judo method.

Sensei Thielemans's first martial art was Judo so when he created his Aikido association the above story was used to name the **Yama Arashi**.

## **This years Gradings results**

Congratulations to the senior students  
that passed their grading  
on the 11<sup>th</sup> March 2007

### **White belt 6<sup>th</sup> kyu**

PAUL COX	Milton Keynes
FRANCIS MORAN	Coventry
JANI KARNE	Coventry
RICHARD WALTERS	Coventry
SARAH VIZARD	Milton Keynes
TIM HANSSON	Milton Keynes

### **Orange Belt 4th Kyu**

DANIEL GUGLIELINI	Stratford
JOHN DIXON	Stratford
SHANELLE SPENCER	Stratford
STEPHEN PALMER	Coventry

### **Green Belt 3rd Kyu**

JANE HARRINGTON	Coventry
KIRSTY KIRBY	Coventry
DANIEL GUGLIELMI	Stratford

Brown Belt 1st Kyu	
ELLEN PICKETT	Coventry
GARRY MERRELL	Coventry

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Congratulations to the senior students  
that passed their grading  
on the 8<sup>th</sup> July 2007

### **Yellow Belt 5th Kyu**

JAMES ADLER	Stratford
PETER AUSTIN	Stratford

Orange Belt 4th Kyu	
M HILL	Coventry
N O'KEEFE	Coventry

### **Green Belt 3rd Kyu**

WILL BLUNT	Stratford
VERONIKA WEIDENHILLER	Stratford
PAUL TOTTERDELL	Stratford

Blue Belt 2nd Kyu	
BEN ARNOLD	Coventry

### **Brown Belt 1st Kyu**

RUSSELL COLERIDGE	Stratford
ANDREW HUGHES	Stratford
STEVEN MARTIN	Stratford

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A special grading on 20th September 2007 for two  
students taking and passing their **Green Belt 3rd kyu**

DANIEL GUGLIELMI	Stratford
SHANELLE SPENCER	Stratford

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***Congratulations to the  
students that passed their  
Dan grading on the 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2007***

JAKE IRWIN	1st Dan
DENNIS YOUNGE	1st Dan
CHARLIE REID	2nd Dan
DEAN SIMPSON	2nd Dan
COLIN GARNER	4th Dan
STEPHEN THOMPSON	4th Dan

Congratulations to the Coventry  
Junior students that passed  
their grading on the 13<sup>th</sup> October 2007

### **White belt 6<sup>th</sup> kyu**

HARPREET CHOHAN
OLIVIA HARDWICK
MOLLY INGRAM
LEWIS ISON
EMAAN KHAN
JAMES NEAL
MATTHEW POLLARD

### **Yellow Belt Tag 5th Kyu**

JAKE BEECH
LEWIS FORSHEW
FRANCESCA GAGA
JOSEF KELLY
DANIEL PHIPPS

### **Yellow Belt 5th Kyu**

CHARLINDA ABLEN
JOMAR ABLEN
CHLOE BURTON
DANIEL FERRAR
CHARLES McKINNELL

### **Blue Belt 2nd Kyu**

JOSHUA HALE
ALEXANDER SCOTT

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Congratulations to the senior students  
that passed their grading  
on the 11<sup>th</sup> November 2007

### **White belt 6<sup>th</sup> kyu**

STEPHEN BATTY	Coventry
DAVE CAREY	Milton Keynes
SANDY DALLIMORE	Milton Keynes
PAUL EYTON-JONES	Milton Keynes
LUKASZ GASLAWSKI	Coventry
FRANK GAYMOND	Stratford
STEVEN HACKNEY	Milton Keynes
ANDREW McMENEMY	Coventry
TOBY QUASH	Stratford
JULIE SEAGROVE	Coventry

### **Yellow Belt 5th Kyu**

KIM BACON	Coventry
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### **Orange Belt 4th Kyu**

MIREK GASLAWSKI	Coventry
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### **Green Belt 3rd Kyu**

JOHN DIXON	Stratford
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### **Brown Belt 1st Kyu**

MAUREEN HAYNES	Milton Keynes
DAVID LEECH	Milton Keynes