



## Reading, Report & Results – The 3 R's

Well done Team Hogan and to James and Joe pictured below, a full list of all the medal winners is on the last page!





It was day two in Reading and Hogan's 'Hit Squad' was returning to Reading for the last day of the tournament. After the outstanding performance of cadet and veteran members of the Hogan's team, the juniors and seniors were determined to prove their worth.

The day started with the 13-17 male red belts and black tags patterns with Aidan, Thomas and Ryan all easily winning their first rounds, however they each came up against strong opponents, they put in a great effort, but unfortunately missed out on medals in patterns at this competition. Next up were the 13-17 girls of Hogan's Emma, Katherine and Jess. Jess performed her pattern well, but unfortunately the Judges decided that her competitors was better and so, did not make it into the medalling stage. However Katherine and Emma both made it through their first rounds and ended up in semi-finals, against each other! It was, at the very least, entertaining to watch these two siblings go up against each other to see who would continue on to the final. Katherine managed to defeat Emma, which meant Emma left with the bronze, and Katherine moved onto the final. Unfortunately Katherine was unable to win in the final and left with a silver.

For the 13-17 male and female team medals were won across most of the divisions. Emma and Katherine, who were both in different groups, each managed to get into the final of their respective groups and both fought fantastically but unfortunately only managed to come home with silver medals this time in the sparring. However, Jess fought excellently in her division beating everyone in her group and bringing home a well deserved gold in the sparring. Next up was Tom, Aidan and Ryan representing Hogan's in the 13-17 red belt and black tag group. Ryan fought admirably but was unable to bring home a medal in the sparring. Aidan and Tom however were more fortunate. Aidan, having a much larger opponent to fight lost in the final and so, obtained a silver medal in sparring. Tom fought extremely well but lost in the semi final leaving with a bronze.

Next, the black belts. Rosie, who after coming up against what can only be described as a boxer's daughter, left the competition with no medals this time. James, after easily winning his first match, moved up into the semi finals of his group. James fought well but was beaten and left with a bronze.

Then it was the turn of the adults, Caroline was first, she dominated her patterns group and took home the gold! William and Neil both easily made it into the final of their group, it was a close match, but Neil made a costly mistake at the start, resulting



in gold for William, and silver for Neil in patterns. Next in line for gold was Leanne, which in patterns, she got without breaking a sweat!

Now for the Sparring, like the juniors the adults also excelled in this category. Caroline, destroyed everyone she fought in her division and came away with a well deserved gold, her second of the day! James Davis, who after arriving late and missing his patterns, performed excellently in his sparring division and came out on top, winning a well deserved gold medal. Next up representing Hogan's squad were Paul Groome, and Jonathan Eccles. Both Paul and Jonathan fought extremely well in their divisions, with Jonathan meeting his match in the semi-final and leaving with a bronze, Paul made it all the way to the final, but unfortunately lost, leaving with a silver medal in sparring.

Finally it was time for the black belt adults. Michael was first but unfortunately he became confused and was unsure which martial art he was doing and ended up doing some kick boxing moves in a Taekwondo tournament! So unfortunately he did not get a medal in this competition. Finally it was Sylvia's turn she had an impressive fight, but sadly lost in the final and came away with a silver medal in sparring.

In the breaking Jess showed everyone her true power by smashing the board with her break, beating everyone in her group and going home with a gold medal in breaking and sparring! Then it was Leanne's turn for breaking, she was the only one who could break which gave her another gold medal for her collection.

Finally it was time for the last event of the day, special technique. Once again, Leanne stepped up to the plate, and was the only one who managed to hit any of the boards, which meant she won, giving her, another gold medal, her 4<sup>th</sup> of the day! Lastly it was James, after launching himself into the air, and without a doubt in anyone's mind hit the board, which indecently, nobody else was able to hit, and came away with his 2<sup>nd</sup> gold of the day.

Congratulations to all the competitors, and a huge thank you to Master Hogan, Imperial Taekwon-Do Association who organised the competition, and to all the supporters who came along. Thank You.

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## Medals Table 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> October 2009

### Reading

Competitor	Patterns	Sparring	Special Technique	Breaking
Aidan Yip	-	Silver	-	-
Bruno Malpart	Gold	Gold	-	-
Caroline Poulain	Gold	Gold	-	-
Ellen Portat	Bronze	Bronze	-	-
Emma Stonehouse	Bronze	Silver	-	-
Ethan Yip	Bronze	Silver	-	-
Geoff Stonehouse	Silver	Bronze	-	-
India Yip	Silver	Gold	-	-
Jake Yeadon	-	Bronze	-	-
James Davis	-	Gold	-	Gold
James Matthews	-	Bronze	-	-
James Melvin	-	Gold	-	-
Jessica Ransley	-	Gold	Gold	-
Joe Brock	-	Silver	-	-
John Vernazza	Bronze	Bronze*	-	-
Jonathan Eccles	-	Bronze	-	-
Katherine Stonehouse	Silver	Silver	-	-
Leanne Evans	Gold	Gold	Gold	Gold
Manav Bath	-	Bronze	-	-
Neil Kober	Silver	Silver	-	-
Paul Groome	-	Silver	-	-
Sam Brown	Silver	Silver	-	-
Samual Ofei-Kwatia	-	Gold	-	-
Sylvia Ofei-Kwatia	-	Silver	-	-
Thomas Lutley	-	Bronze	-	-
Tobias Green	-	Bronze	-	-
William Ofei-Kwatia	Gold	Bronze	-	-

\* Retired through injury.