

Annual report of the Great Britain Savate Federation

April 2018 - April 2019



Mission: *The Great Britain Savate Federation exists to promote the sport of savate (French boxing) in Great Britain and to promote communication and co-operation between savate clubs.*

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President's Report

2018-19 was an action-packed year. We welcomed new club Hampshire and were delighted to be rejoined by Birmingham after a two-year pause. A new Executive Committee was elected in November to serve a two-year term, including the creation of some important new posts. A new Director of Teams (Director Equipe National, or DEN) post was created (held by James Antill), taking over the job of squad training, events and team selection from the Director of Technique (DTN) who now focusses mainly on gradings and matters of technique (Jasbir Nagi). Director of Arbitrage became an executive (voting) post (also Jasbir Nagi) and Treasurer (now held by Sian-Marie Frosini, who is also Vice-President) became non-executive. The position of Director of Juniors (DJN) was also created and Joe Ferris was elected into the role based on his extensive experience teaching children. He immediately set about creating a new Junior savate syllabus with help from the DTN.

This year included two separate National Championship events. The 2018 Junior and Senior Championships were hosted by Guildford Savate on 12th May 2018, our first official Savate Assaut Junior Championship! It was a very exciting day with nearly 100 fighters in total, 3 rings and a film crew. We saw some terrific new talent, especially amongst the juniors, and awarded the first annual Phil Read Trophy for best junior (given in memory of GBSF founder Phil Read, who sadly passed away last year). Then on the 30th March 2019 the second Junior Championships event was held in Northern Ireland (with the Senior Championships to occur later in 2019). This was also very well attended and showcased some very exciting junior talent.

Our international team had a good year, bringing home four medals in total (two of them, in both assaut and combat, held by Morgan Alexander). Our members continued to travel far afield to compete internationally, making friends across the world. London, Brighton, Cambridge and Northern Ireland also held very successful open tournaments (Brighton and Northern Ireland for the first time).

Laura Gilbert, April 2019

Director of Technique's Report

This year saw a strong grading turnout, with 49 adults attending gradings over the year. These were held at multiple GBSF venues throughout the year, including London, Guildford, Northern Ireland and new club Hampshire. Of these gradings, we had 36 Blue Glove, 8 Green Glove and 2 Red Glove 3rd degree passes.

This year also saw the development of a Level 1 Savate Juniors grading syllabus, which was trialled for the first time in Northern Ireland, with 39 children attaining their Level 1 Savate Junior Grade.

We intend to keep up the pace of gradings regularly throughout the year at multiple venues. To keep up to date with upcoming gradings, please visit the grading application page <https://savate.org.uk/grading-application-form/>, and look at the available events.

Jasbir Nagi, April 2019

Director of Teams' Report

2018 saw Team GB competing in international championships in both Combat and Assaut. Federation members also competed successfully in tournaments across Europe.

In Assaut a team of 6 GB fighters were selected for the honour of representing Team GB at the 2018 World Championships in Plovdiv, Bulgaria. The biggest World Championships ever saw all fighters battle against tough competition and come home with bronze medals for 3 Team GB members: Morgan Alexander (F-70), James Antill (M-75) and James Southwood (M-80).

In Combat our sole brave representative was Morgan Alexander (F-70) who faced a strong French opponent in the finals to bring home the silver.

Domestically, the GBSF British Championships in Farncombe, Surrey was the biggest ever and saw both Senior and Junior Championships contested. Brighton and Northern Ireland held their first Open tournaments, Cambridge held open competitions, and London also repeated the success of last year's International Open.

British Championships, Farncombe, Surrey, May 12th 2018:

SENIORS:

F-52kg: Champion Alice Zebboudj, Vice-Champion Ally Sinyard

F-65kg: Champion Sian-Marie Frosini, Vice-Champion Olivia McCabe

F-75kg: Champion Christina Saunders, Vice-Champion Isabelle Froggatt

M-65kg: Champion Graham Ochiltree, Vice-Champion James Plaistowe

M-70kg: Champion Finn Hayes, Vice-Champion Jed Dussek

M-75kg: Champion James Antill, Vice-Champion Charlie Howes

M-80kg: Champion James Southwood, Vice-Champion Jasbir Nagi

M-65kg: Champion Judah Wheeler, Vice-Champion Sam Byford-Winter

M+85kg: Champion Tom Handley, Vice-Champion Maurice McCormick

JUNIORS:

Female 5-7yr <24kg: Champion Georgia Smith, Vice-Champion Rebecca Coyle
Female 5-10yr 27-36kg: Champion Katie Reilly, Vice-Champion Sophie Reilly
Female 8-10yr, 39-45 kg: Champion Caitlin Dunlop, Vice-Champion Amina Miah
Male 5-7yr <24 kg Champion Jay O'Hare, Vice-Champion Mason Matheson
Male 5-6yr 24-27kg Champion Keiran Leneghan, Vice-Champion Max McCormick
Male 8-10yr, 24-30kg Champion Jake Kearney, Vice-Champion Jack Coyle
Male 8-10yr, 33-36kg Champion Ryan McCourt, Vice-Champion Oran Denvir
Male 8-13yr, 36-45kg Champion Corey McCulloch, Vice-Champion Oisín Morgan
Male 11-15yr, 45-56kg Champion Darryll Walker, Vice-Champion Lee Curtis
Male 14-17yr, 70-75kg Champion Jed Dussek, Vice-Champion Charlie Bird

WINNER OF PHIL READ TROPHY: Darryll Walker
Highly Commended: Theo Pottier and Ubaid Raja

2018 World Championships, Plovdiv, Bulgaria, Oct 18th 2018:

Ally Sinyard (F-52) Quarter Finals
Morgan Alexander (F-70) Bronze medal
James Plaistowe (M-65) Pools
James Antill (M-75) Bronze medal
James Southwood (M-80) Bronze medal
Judah Wheeler (M-85) Quarter Finals

2018 European Combat Championships, Paris, France, Sep 29th 2018:

Morgan Alexander (F-70) Vice-Champion

James Antill, May 2019

Report of the Director of Associated Disciplines

2018 to 2019 has been a productive year, with 2 Cannists completing their Moniteurships. One of these, Stuart McIntyre has been an Initiateur for several years and the other is World Champion Nicole Holzmann who is currently residing and teaching in the UK.

A team of four GB Cannists took part in the Titi Parisienne Team Competition and acquitted themselves well.

A series of informal training sessions between the Cambridge and Oxford Cannists have taken place, maintaining the strong links and friendship between the two groups. Future seminars in conjunction with Savateurs have been planned for 2019 to grow the sport.

Jon West, May 2019

Report of the Director of Juniors

The progression and expansion of the GBSF junior program has taken off in the 6 months since the creation of this new post. A junior grading syllabus has been developed, and we have had our first trial junior gradings in Northern Ireland.

The first GBSF junior championships took place in Guildford, alongside the Senior Championships on 12th May 2018, and was very well attended, making the event very busy. The second GBSF Junior Championships was held on March 30th 2019 as a separate event from the seniors. These events hosted competitors aged 5 -17. The first GB Junior Squad Training events have been scheduled.

Two juniors (Morgan Sandeman and Josh Smith) have been selected to represent GB in the World Junior Assaut Championships in Budapest in July.

We are looking forward to the next few months, and are expecting new junior clubs to join the GBSF. Juniors from Savate NI will be fighting in Paris on June 1st, which marks the first time juniors have competed internationally for GBSF.

Report of the Director of Arbitrage

This year proved to be a strong year for pushing forward the level of arbitration within GBSF. Two members (Jasbir Nagi and Delphine Fremondeau) attended the officials' boot camp at Le Crep Boulouris in July, qualifying as international level juge and arbitre. This formed the foundation for the introduction of a national level training course. The aim of this course is to bring in more judges for GB competitions, raise the standard of judging, and to provide a foundation course for those who wish to attend Fisav arbitration training. This course has been run twice this year, introducing 19 new judges onto the GBSF circuit. Of these, two were chosen for extra training for the World Assaut championships, where we sent over a team of 4 officials to support the GB team.

Jasbir Nagi, April 2019

Membership report

Modest increase in membership numbers on the previous year, predominantly due to increase in junior membership of the federation.

Club	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Birmingham	8	10	-	-	6
Brighton Savate	-	-	14	5	21
CAMA	15	17	Became Savate Cambridge		
CUSCS	15	11			
Savate Cambridge	-	-	17	10	0
City Combat	4	9	48	11	11
Dorset	-	-	5	2	-
Guildford	13	6	4	0	10
Hampshire	-	-	-	-	4
London	104	130	144	50	56
Malvern	-	-	-	8	-
NI	-	-	46	38	81
Oxford	6	13	14	14	9
Savate Scotland	17	18	2	1	0
Independent	-	-	1	0	0

Total	182	214	294	139	198
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Siân-Marie Frosini, April 2019

Accounts

This year shows a small profit in the accounts. Outgoings slightly increased from last year, but included major redesign of the GBSF website. Greater income from membership and grading fees resulted in a more financially successful year.

Siân-Marie Frosini, May 2019

Great Britain Savate Federation**Preliminary Accounts year ending 5th April 2019****Federal Income**

individual membership fees	788
club fees	388
initiateur fees	25

TOTAL	1201
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Grading Income

Sept 2018 Guildford / City Combat grading	70
Dec 2018 Hampshire Savate grading	50
Feb 2019 Northern Ireland Savate grading	269.44
Mar 2019 Hampshire Savate grading	20
Mar 2019 London Savate grading	86.04

TOTAL	495.48
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Income from events

British Championships May 2018	17.93
Squad Training July 2018	71.5
Officials Training July 2018	94.6
Squad Training Oct 2018	0

TOTAL	184.03
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Misc Income

Canne purchase	30
Officials Shirts purchase	30

TOTAL	60
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Main Outgoings

Sports Rec Alliance	-208.8
Martialguard	-737.42
FISav	-527.21
CESav	-85.8
Misc transfer fees	-15.19
GBSF website	-216.73
Certificates / Trophies	-75.82

TOTAL	-1,866.97
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TOTAL INCOMINGS	1940.51
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TOTAL OUTGOINGS	-1,866.97
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Affiliation fees breakdown

City Combat	36
London Savate	36
Savate Scotland	36
Oxford Savate	36
Savate Cambridge	36
Guildford Savate	36
Brighton Savate	36
Northern Ireland Savate	36
Birmingham Savate	50
Hampshire Savate	50

License fees breakdown

City Combat	50
London Savate	280
Savate Scotland	0
Oxford Savate	42
Savate Cambridge	0
Guildford Savate	50
Brighton Savate	87
Northern Ireland Savate	279

Surplus/Deficit for 2018/19 GBSF year 73.54