

# Just for kicks



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## SCOTTISH MEDAL SUCCESS



The UTA Northern Ireland **Kyorugi** Squad came a pleasing 9<sup>th</sup> out of 32 teams at the 2018 Scottish Open with 2 gold, 3 silver and 5 bronze from 11 fighters. It was a pleasing result having not competed with such numbers at a GB competition since last year. We brought some new players to this GB Regional level and had fighters moving up into older and heavier weight categories. Head Coach, Bertie Nicholson, said, "We always say that when a fighter and coach sitting in the opposite corner sees a Norn Iron fighter, that he/she should know that they have a fight on their hands. I think we carried on if not grew that reputation."

The Squad is always looking for new talent so if anyone fancies getting into fight training each Saturday then just speak to Bertie Nicholson on one of club nights. The only requirement is being highly competitive in nature. The skills needed can then be taught.



At this level tenths of a point separate these players which can make a very frustrating day. Also competing was Liza Nicholson in the female individual's category getting a bronze!



James Nicholson (centre), who normally competes with the GB **Poomsae** Squad teamed up with 2 other GB Squad players to get a bronze in the team event, coming behind the top GB Team and the National Team from Denmark in the highly competitive cadet (12-14yrs) category. In his individual he placed 12<sup>th</sup> out of 21.