

Silver in Southern Italy

The European Championships were held this year at Barletta in Southern Italy between the 10th and 14th of March.

The Northern Ireland National Team attended and made their presence felt. The team collected a number of medals for patterns, sparring and team events. The team comprised of Mr. Stephen Fitzsimons, Mr. John Mitchell, Mr. Michael Maxwell, Mr. Declan Murphy, Mr. Richard Fitzpatrick and Mr. Adrian Morton (Veteran). The N.I. National Coach, Mr. Leo Maguire said that the team had worked hard to achieve their success and the medals were well deserved. The above picture shows the Northern Ireland team accepting their silver medals for their self-defence routine; Michael Maxwell also received the bronze medal for



The Northern Ireland National Team is awarded silver for their self defence routine . From left to right: John Mitchell, Michael Maxwell, Stephen Fitzsimons and Richard Fitzpatrick.



patterns in his category; while Adrian Morton took home two bronze medals for pattern and sparring in the veteran category. The other members of the team made it through to the quarter finals, which is quite an achievement in this international event. The team are pictured here with 1st Grand Master Rhee Ki Ha and Master Peter Harkess (UKTC). The coach and team members would like to thank the students and members of the public who helped with fundraising for the championships. Pictures and videos of the team competing at Barletta can be viewed at the website www.taekwondoni.co.uk

From left to right: John Mitchell, Stephen Fitzsimons, Leo Maguire, (National Coach) Grand Master Rhee Ki Ha, Master Peter Harkess, Adrian Morton, Declan Murphy, Michael Maxwell, and Richard Fitzpatrick.