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Dear Martin,

Firstly I have to announce that your BNMAA/BBI membership has been transferred to the MAC. The MAC is a new organisation set up and run by ex BNMAA members so all the BNMAA Members can access insurance and support without any break in service or support.

You can download a membership transfer pack and take advantage of some benefits like, discounts on instructor renewals, free student memberships, free martial arts posters online and a whole lot more on the MAC Website www.macexcel.com

If you have any questions please call the MAC, Mr Peter Green will help you and answer any questions. You can continue using the details above for contact or Peter Greens Address, 26 All Saints Close, Doddinghurst, Brentwood, Essex. CM15 0NH. Tel:01277 824729 Mobile:07853 372953

The reasons for this are because 10 years ago I negotiated a deal with insurers that gave BNMAA members a better deal provided they were properly qualified; we included the insurance in the membership. A competitor group (AMA) wanted to take advantage of this deal I agreed on the proviso they would operate the training scheme. After a few months they hadn't put any AMA members on the courses and I took them off of the monthly insurance declarations. They claimed they couldn't put AMA members on to the BNMAA courses, hence the birth of MASTARR. They still didn't put any body on the Mastarr courses and then we offered them to create their own Mastarr trainers, still no takers. Eventually we had a fall out as I refused to pay any claims and they were not on the insurance because they didn't fulfil the agreement. In 2007 the AMA accused Scott Smith and I of deception and fraud, we were both arrested but the charges were dropped. Unfortunately it still left the matter of 1000's of AMA instructors & students uninsured and CPS still pursuing the money paid for membership which Tom Hibbert claims was for insurance. Scott meanwhile had become the sole parent of his 3 children and without him the children would be put in care, I was the person who requested social services get involved as the children's mother was not in control and having some kind of breakdown. Social services removed the children's mother leaving Scott as the sole carer for the children. Although it wasn't my intention I felt I had taken the Children's mother from them. When Scott and I went to court to fight the case the Judge made it clear he didn't want Mr Hibbert and 83 year old Veteran with an MBE taking the stand. The judge quoted if the jury convicted me he would give me the maximum sentence of 7 years. My confidence was smashed and even

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though the jury wasn't sworn in I was concerned about who the jury would believe and the potential of taking the remaining parent (Scott) away from his three children. I then asked my solicitor to offer a guilty plea if they let Scott go free. They accepted and I pleaded guilty. I then had the task of telling Iris and my family, Iris was devastated and she stands to lose her home, I stand to lose all I have worked for over the last thirty years.

Because of other issues with the onset of diabetes, related heart attack and health issues and immense stress I am taking retirement. MAC is born from the BNMAA/BBI legacy and set to take the lead in the martial arts market place. I have negotiated some points with the MAC so club instructors can get involved as executives with sponsors, investors and drive their clubs forward. Apart from me the MAC will be the same as before and I hope you will support it with the passion that you supported the BNMAA and BBI.

Events like the Malympex, International Awards and Training Weekends will continue with no changes under the auspices of the MAC.

Over the last few weeks I have had some difficult decisions and times through a severe depression which continues. I am not a person who enjoys pity from others, and until recently never realised what support the Samaritans offer to people in despair that are on the brink of self destruction. In these difficult times I really have found out who my friends are and have been touched by their support and kind gestures. I can truly say without their support I would not have coped this far. As yet my family are blissfully unaware, but will be told when I feel emotionally strong enough to do so.

I had no obligation to tell anyone about these recent events but felt by being honest it gave me the opportunity to set the record straight. I have heard lots malicious gossip and aware there are people waiting in the wings to scare people and take advantage of my misfortune. I am due to be sentenced on the 26th March 2010 I do not know what that sentence will be. My concerns are for Iris and how this affects her, my real guilt is how I feel when she gets upset and I am at a complete loss, I just don't know what's going to happen. I simply have never done this before. Iris isn't worried about the home, it me she wants and worries for and I am completely powerless to do anything. I am expecting some sort of custodial sentence on the 26th March at Derby Crown Court. Court records are public documents so you can check what has happened. I have never been a coward, hidden from the truth or behind politics, my aim has always been to bring the best to the table and support my friends and beliefs openly. Some of you know Iris and myself better than others, and if you feel comfortable with it please call Iris after the 26th she may well need support, Tel 01375 411953, Mobile: 0788 773 1262

Once again, thank you for your continued support it is really appreciated, many thanks

Yours sincerely

Paul Griffin