NUNCHAKU

Self-Defense

(with partner armed with bo)

Ready Position 1: Both nunchakus (c) held in left hand on left side of body by hip, string tight.

Ready Position 2: Each nunchaku (o) held in each hand by hip, as in junbi.

Ready Position 3: As in fighting stance (o).

Ready Position 4: Nunchaku string draped over right shoulder. Right hand holds one chuck.

1. Ready Position #1

Defending against a right front kick or a top-of-left-foot strike (or a sweep)

- 1. Down block left (c)
- 2. Horizontal strike (to the right, then to the left), then circle on left side of body, catch
- 3. Punch thrust right, Forward swing

Return to Ready Position #2

2. Ready Position #2

Defending against an overhead strike, with or without a bo

- 1. Crossed upward block
- 2. Wrap chuck around bo (or arm) & thrust out to your right
- 3. Punch thrust left

Return to Ready Position #2, then Ready Position #1

3. Ready Position #1

Defending against a right hook punch or right horizontal strike to the face

- 1. Inside block left (c)
- 2. Downward diagonal strike (left hand), Upward diagonal strike (left hand), catch under arm.
- 3. Horizontal strike (to the right), Downward & upward vertical strike (all with right hand)

Return to Ready Position #4

4. Ready Position #4

Defending against a punch to the solar plexus or a groin strike with the bo

- 1. X-Swing (right-down-left-down)
- 2. stepping forward into left front stance Groin Swing (still right hand)
- 3. Swing chuck over your head, Downward Diagonal Strike, Upward Diagonal Strike, catch

Return to Ready Position #2

5. Ready Position #2

Defending against a punch, thrust, or a diagonal head strike

- 1. Outside block (o)
- 2. Knee slam
- 3. Figure 8 (warding off any counter attack)